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Economy show signs of slowing growth

Midland-Odessa Regional Economic Index posts 42nd straight month of growth

By Mella McEwen
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The Midland-Odessa economies are closing in on four years of continued growth, powered by the region's oil and natural gas sector.

Karr Ingham, the Amarillo economist who prepares the Midland-Odessa Regional Economic Index for Midland Development Corp., Security Bank and the Reporter-Telegram, said that growth is expected to continue with crude oil prices forecast to remain more than $100 a barrel through the end of the year and trade in a $90 to $100 band next year.

However, the rate of growth in the index has declined steadily from double digits into single digits, with August 2013 8.7 percent higher than August 2012. The index has posted 42 consecutive months of growth.

That slowdown, Ingham said, could be seen in a group of negative numbers in the August index, including automotive spending, airline boardings, new home construction and sales of existing homes.

"That's not to say that's bad as those numbers are being compared to extremely high numbers last year and the year before that," he said.

Automotive spending, for example, was 6.9 percent below August 2012 levels, which were 22 percent higher than August 2011 levels, which were more than 65 percent higher than 2010 levels, Ingham said. For the year to date, automotive spending is up 2.8 percent compared to the first eight months of 2012, "but, again, rates of growth in 2011 and 2012 were beyond extraordinary."

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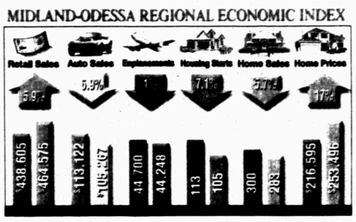

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PINK for the cause

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The Midland Christian junior varsity volleyball team celebrates after scoring against Kermit during the Pink Out volleyball game for breast cancer awareness month Tuesday at Midland Christian. Throughout the month of October, the Reporter-Telegram will publish profiles of cancer survivors and other features in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Photographer sets up shop in former downtown lofts

By Joseph Basco
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Studio 1401 on 218 N. Main St. is unlike anything Midland-esque.

The studio for Midland photographer Angela Free is reminiscent of an urban loft in which yuppies and hipsters dwell in New York City or Austin. Brick walls, wooden stairs, balconies, ample natural lighting, single-bladed fans, alcoholic drinks and a bicycle — the vehicle of choice for urbanites — are just some of the decor in the trendy two-story building with a loft. Free described the building as "everything she ever dreamed of."

"This is the first time I've seen something like this in Midland," said Mike Tarango, owner of Signature Remodeling and Repairs, the company working on remodeling the building's interior. "The person who started this was creative. He had an eye for what he wanted."

The building's lofty aesthetic is such because simply, it was marketed to be hip living spaces. Josh Hopkins, the former owner of the three lofts, has struggled to find tenants other than

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James Cannon/Reporter-Telegram

Photographer Angela Free's vintage cruiser leans up against a brick wall in her new Studio 1401 at Main Street and Illinois Avenue.

Mayoral candidates de-emphasize ethnicity

Editor's note: From time to time, the Reporter-Telegram will run articles from other sources writing about Midland or West Texas.

By Alexa Ura
Texas Tribune

In the Permian Basin city of Midland, which has never had a non-Anglo mayor, two minority candidates are considered the front-runners in this year's mayoral race. And although political observers acknowledge that the city's demographics have shifted drastically, they say that the candidates' rise is primarily a result of their business expertise and their ability to guide this fast-growing city.

Our opinion

Race is not a defining issue of this mayoral election.

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Several city leaders have called City Councilmen John James and Jerry Morales the favorites to win the November race. James and Morales recognize the potential historical significance of the election, but they are focused on business-minded platforms to help Midland adjust amid an oil boom that is bringing in an influx of workers and a greater demand for services.

"I'm not running to be the first black mayor of Midland," said James, the president and owner of an industrial coatings company, who has lived in Midland for 20 years. "I'm running to be the mayor on a lot of other fronts with a lot of other skill sets."

Morales, who owns a Mexican restaurant and a catering company, has a similar focus.

"I'm very proud of my heritage and my culture and my roots here in Midland and in the Permian Basin," he said. "Although it is a growing Hispanic community, I've just been able to represent the entire community as a whole."

Other candidates in the November mayoral election include Keith McLelland, an oil industry worker and local pastor; Dan Anderson, a University of Texas-Permian Basin engineering student; and Kathy White, a stress management instructor.

While there has never been a non-Anglo in the mayor's chair, Midland has seen several black and Latino officials

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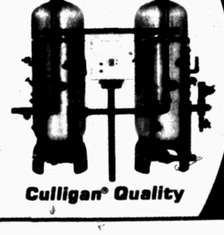

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Abbott settles Texas challenge to airline merger

Associated Press

GRAPEVINE — The Texas attorney general added his support to the merger of American Airlines and US Airways, reversing a position he took six weeks ago when he joined a federal lawsuit aimed at blocking the deal.

Greg Abbott changed his position after the airlines put into writing promises that they had made, including a vow to keep the combined carrier's headquarters in Texas and maintain a hub at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

Abbott said it was critical that the airlines agreed to preserve service to 22 cities in Texas for at least three years after the merger. Some of those are small cities, from Abilene to Wichita Falls, with limited air service.

In mid-August, Texas and several other states sided with the U.S. Department of Justice in filing an antitrust lawsuit to block the merger, which they argued would limit competition and drive up prices.

Business groups criticized Abbott for siding against a major Texas employer. Abbott, a Republican, is running for governor in the 2014 elections and could face state Sen. Wendy Davis, a Fort Worth Democrat who backed the merger and asked the Justice Department to drop the lawsuit.

Abbott announced what he called a settlement of Texas' part of the lawsuit Tuesday as he sat next to Tom Horton, the CEO of American Airlines parent AMR Corp., during a DFW Airport news conference.

Abbott said the settlement was a legally enforceable promise to keep American's headquarters in Fort Worth and preserve thousands of jobs in the state, something that had been "merely a stated intention." He said other airlines had broken similar promises after they went through mergers.

Talks between the airlines and Abbott started before the lawsuit and picked up after it was filed. "We always prefer to resolve matters without litigation," he said. "We wanted to achieve that here."

Mark Jones, a political science professor at Rice University in Houston, said Abbott will get credit in smaller cities such as Beaumont for helping secure a promise of continued air service. And any resentment among merger supporters in the Dallas-Fort Worth area will probably be forgotten by November 2014, he said.

"The fact that he resolved it removes it as an issue for Wendy Davis," Jones said. "She could have used it as a weapon in the (Dallas-Fort Worth) metroplex."

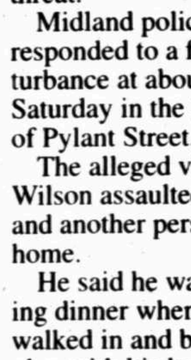
With Texas off the case, six states remain supporting the Justice Department's lawsuit, including Arizona, the home of US Airways Group Inc., which would lose a headquarters.

LOCAL BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MPD: Man messing with another man's hair leads to assault

A Midland man was arrested for assaulting a peace officer following an incident that stemmed from him messing with another man's hair, according to court documents.



Tran

Wilson N. Tran, 27, is being held on a $21,500 bond for a third-degree felony charge of assault on a public servant, a class A misdemeanor charge of resisting arrest, search or transport, and two class C misdemeanor charges of assault by threat.

Midland police officers responded to a family disturbance at about 4:15 p.m. Saturday in the 300 block of Pylant Street.

The alleged victim said Wilson assaulted him and another person in the home.

He said he was cooking dinner when Wilson walked in and began to play with his hair. The man told Wilson to leave him alone, and Wilson became upset and began pushing the man. He attempted to punch the alleged victim and also tried to assault another member of the household, according to the arrest affidavit.

Wilson became agitated during the man's statement. An officer attempted to arrest him, but Wilson pulled away from the officer. Wilson tried to punch the officer in the face before being taken into custody, according to the officer's narrative.

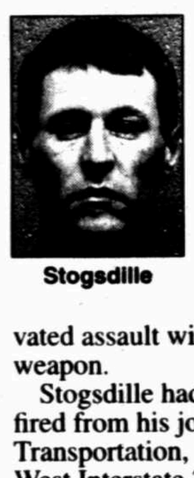
Wilson kicked an officer in the leg during transport to the Midland County Detention Center, according to the narrative.

If convicted, Tran faces up to 10 years in prison for the felony charge.

Man allegedly uses vehicle in aggravated assault

A Kentucky man was arrested Monday after he struck a man with his vehicle following his termination from a transportation company, according to court documents.

Shane Richard Stogsdille, 34, of Sedalia, Ky., is being held on a $80,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.



Stogsdille

Stogsdille had been fired from his job at MKH Transportation, 10010 West Interstate 20, on Sept. 25 and had returned to turn in his uniforms. He became verbally abusive with the alleged victim and several other employees before being asked to leave the premises, according to the arrest affidavit.

The alleged victim said he followed Stogsdille out into the parking lot. Stogsdille backed his vehicle up about 30 feet, hit the accelerator and hit the alleged victim, documents said. The suspect then fled the scene.

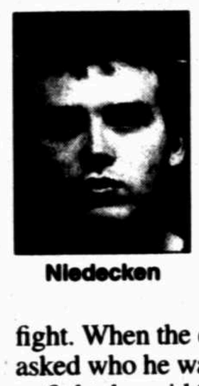
Two witnesses followed Stogsdille as he traveled east on the north service road of I-20 and notified law enforcement of his whereabouts. Midland County deputies stopped his vehicle near the 3000 block of East Business 20 and arrested him, according to a press release by the sheriff's office.

If convicted, he faces up to 20 years in prison.

MPD: Man says he wants to fight 'the law'

A Midland man called 911 Sunday and requested incarceration as a way to fulfill his need to fight the law.

Jordan Wayne Niedecken, 20, made the call at about 9:40 p.m. Sunday and said he needed to go to jail because he needed to fight. When the dispatcher asked who he was going to fight, he said "the law." When asked why, he hung up, according to court documents.



Niedecken

Four officials with the Midland Police Department went to a home in the 900 block of Howard Drive.

Niedecken stepped out of the house and raised his fists and started "bouncing around like a boxer and stated, 'Come on,'" according to an officer's narrative of the incident.

The officers approached him and he lunged toward one of them, swinging a fist in the officer's direction. Niedecken was arrested and transported to jail, according to the arrest affidavit.

Niedecken is being held on a $20,000 bond for a third-degree felony charge of assault on a public servant.

If convicted, he faces up to 20 years in prison.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

William E. Brown, 36, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of credit card or debit card abuse.

Steven C. Garcia, 28, of Kingsville, was arrested Monday on a charge of violation of probation.

Nicholas C. Hernandez, 32, of Big Spring, was arrested Monday on a charge of evading arrest or detention with a vehicle.

Donna M. Kirby, 54, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of aggravated assault with a weapon on a date, family or household member.

Rudy F. Mireles, 37, of Midland, was arrested Monday on charges of violation of parole and evading arrest or detention with a previous conviction.

Shane R. Stogsdille, 34, of Sedalia, Ky., was arrested Monday on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

James M. Thompson, 34, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of theft.

Salvador Victorino, 61, of Midland, was arrested Monday on charges of sexual assault of a child and aggravated sexual assault of a child.

Michael B. Wilcox, 22, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

German command to leave West Texas Army post

Associated Press

FORT BLISS — After nearly 60 years of having a presence in the West Texas desert, the German Air Force has deactivated its USA/Canada Command.

Tuesday's deactivation is the first step toward the Germans closing its command center at Fort Bliss by 2017.

The move is part of a German military reorganization. "We don't have a cold war anymore, and you have to find which barracks are expensive and here is quite expensive," said Sgt. Maj. Juergen Volmer, public affairs officer for the Command.

The command dwindled from about 40 officers in previous years to about two dozen, and only seven remained before it was officially shuttered.

Some were transferred to New Mexico's Holloman Air Force Base, some 70 miles north of El Paso while others were sent to other bases around the U.S. where the German air force has presence. The Luftwaffe flight training center in Alamogordo, New Mexico, will expand its responsibilities.

The air command, established in 1966, was in charge of all the German Air Force's operations in the U.S. and Canada. Its duties were largely administrative.

Some young immigrants from protest released

Associated Press

LAREDO— A lawyer says eight of the 34 people who presented themselves to immigration officials at the Texas-Mexico border without legal documents on Monday have been released from custody.

Attorney David Bennion said that seven, including four minors and three parents, were released from a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement office in Laredo around noon Tuesday.

He said they were paroled from removal for one year after requesting asylum and would appear before immigration judges in the coming months.

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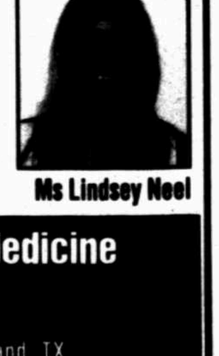

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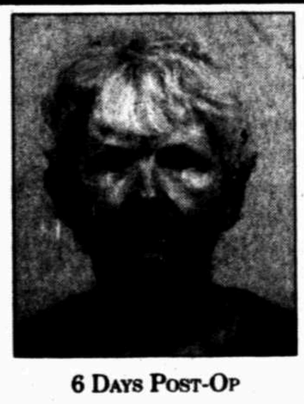

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Texans sign up for insurance on federal exchange

Associated Press

AUSTIN — The phones were ringing at three times the normal pace at the United Way call center in Austin on Tuesday, the majority of calls from people looking for help finding health insurance on the first day it became available under the federal Affordable Care Act.

The center helps residents enroll in social services and normally gets about 150 calls a day, but more than 180 had called in by 11 a.m., said Jessica Venson, the center's director. She said interest in the program was strong, but she noted that people have six months to register through a federally run website.

"We didn't know what to expect, but so far it has been manageable," Venson said.

The United Way is among several nonprofits, hospitals and clinics advertising the program in Texas — where 25 percent of residents are uninsured, the highest percentage of any U.S. state — and encouraging people to sign up. But they're getting no help from the state or its political leadership, who are unanimously and loudly opposed to the law.

The center in Austin was referring callers, depending on their location and needs, to health care navigators who are spread out across the state. At Parkland Hospital in Dallas, three-dozen navigators were helping people register but were stymied by a federal website slowed by the volume of new consumers. Parkland turned to paper applications to speed the process.

25 percent

The percentage of Texans who don't have health insurance — the highest of any U.S. state.

Texas is one of 36 states that relied on the federal government to set up online market places, known as health care exchanges, for consumers to compare and buy health insurance. State lawmakers also chose not to expand Medicaid as part of the new federal health care law, so almost 1.5 million Texas residents living in poverty will not qualify for free or subsidized coverage.

Stephanie Pollock, who was hired in August as a counselor to work with Houston residents buying coverage, said she spoke to one couple whose $2,100 monthly income made them ineligible to receive Medicaid. She said the wife was a diabetic and the husband had a heart condition, and each took turns alternating 15-day supplies of their medication.

Pollock said the woman told her that she was saving their lives by steering them toward affordable health care.

"I call it the Berlin Wall coming down in America," Pollock said.

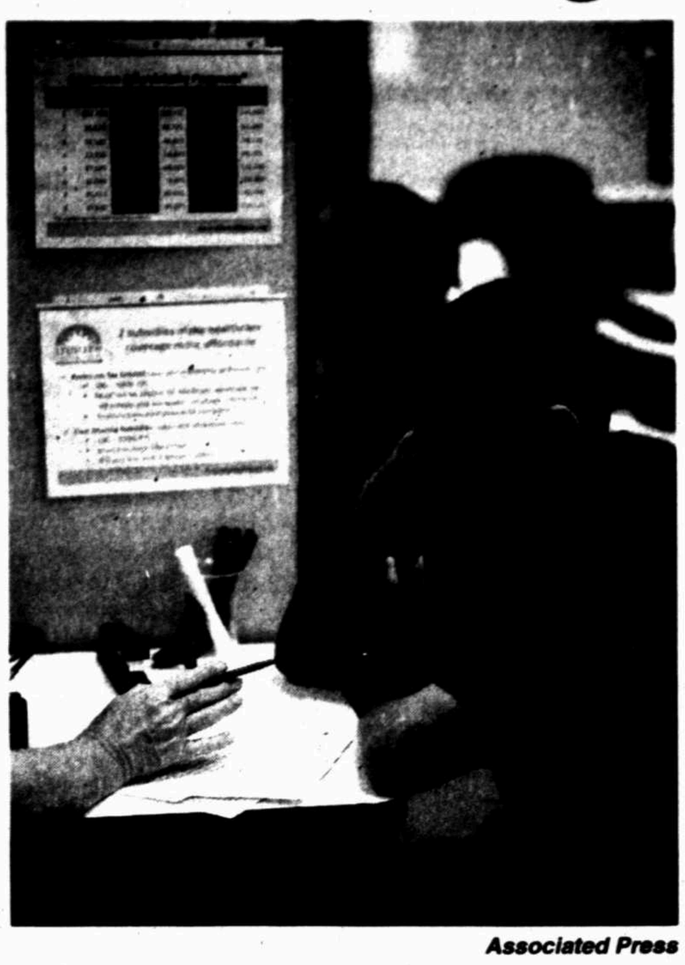
Pollock noted that phones were ringing off the hook early Monday. She said most callers were between the ages of 45 and 63, and had either been unable to find a job since the recession or had a medical condition that rendered them unable to work.

More than 6 million Texas residents don't have health insurance, and the rate among working-age adults is one-in-three. Conservative Republicans, though, reject the notion that government should play a role in health care.

Gov. Rick Perry is among the law's most vocal opponents. Because of his opposition and uncertainty about new rules he wants to impose on navigators, four government councils chose not to assist people even after initially agreeing to help people sign up.

On Monday, John Buckner, executive director of the Costal Bend Council of Governments, said his organization is reliant on state dollars. Given the strong disapproval for the law among state leaders, Buckner said his group — which serves 12 coastal Texas counties — decided it was unwise to participate.

"There's a lot of strong feelings about this program in Austin — the legislative level, in the governor's office," Buckner said. "It seems like with all the issues going on right now, it might be best not to get involved with something that's not being very accepted by the political arena."



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Eric Sosa, center, and Nancy Maldonado, right, listen to a volunteer counselor with Insure Central Texas explain health insurance options on Tuesday in Austin. Texas hospitals, clinics and charities are gearing up to help uninsured Texans enroll in health care exchanges after Gov. Rick Perry declared the state government would do as little as possible to help implement the Affordable Care Act.

Exchanges open to surge of new customers

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Americans got their first chance Tuesday to shop for health insurance using the online marketplaces that are at the heart of President Barack Obama's health care overhaul, but government websites designed to sell the policies struggled to handle the traffic, with many frustrated users reporting trouble setting up accounts.

State and federal agencies were working to fix the sites, which represent the biggest expansion in coverage in nearly 50 years. There should be time to make improvements. The open-enrollment period lasts for six months.

Administration officials said they are pleased with the strong consumer interest, but on a day of glitches they refused to say how many people actually succeeded in signing up for coverage. They gave inconsistent answers on whether a common problem had been cleared up or was still being corrected.

By Tuesday afternoon, at least 2.8 million people had visited the healthcare.gov website, said Medicare administrator Marilyn Tavenner, whose office is overseeing the rollout of the Affordable Care Act. The website had seven times the number of simultaneous users ever recorded on the medicare.gov site.

In Obama's home state, dozens of people who came to a Champaign, Ill., public health office to sign up for coverage found computer screens around the room flashing an error message: "System is unavailable."

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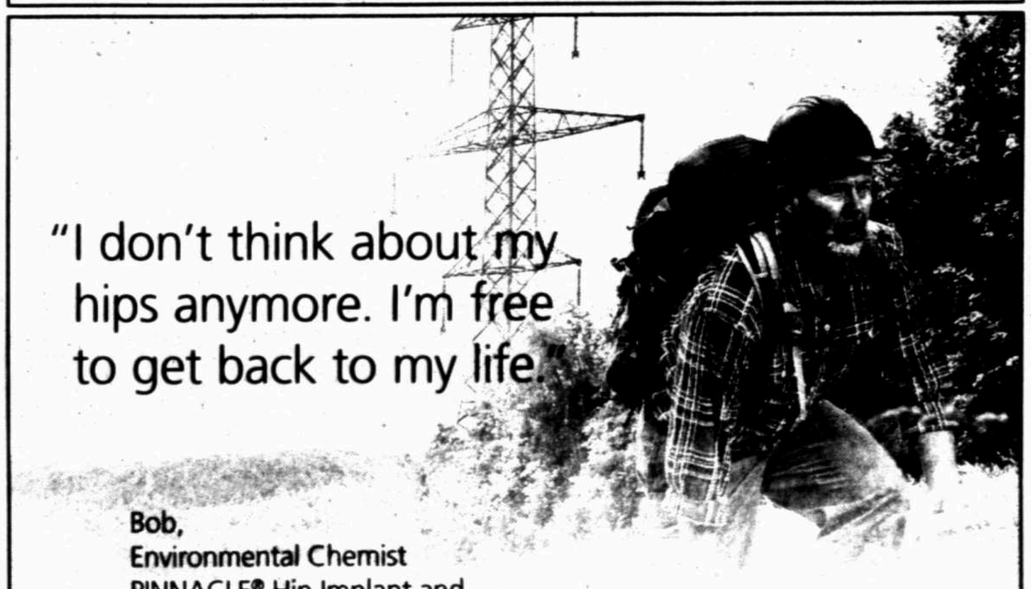
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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Flu shots available

Flu season is here, and it's time to schedule flu vaccinations.

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For more information, call 681-7613. Midland Health & Senior Services is open at the Kingsway Mall, 3303 W. Illinois Ave., from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday and from 8 a.m. to noon Friday.

Citizens on Patrol

Midland police will conduct a free training class for Citizens on Patrol from 6-9 p.m. Oct. 22 and Oct. 24 at the Midland Police Department, 601 N. Loraine Ave.

Upon completion of the two-day classroom training, the candidates must ride along with patrol officers for eight hours. A background check will also be performed on candidates.

Participants must complete and submit an application for the program to attend. Applications are available at the front desk of the Police Department or through the Community Relations Unit, or online at www.midlandtexas.gov/police.

Applications must be submitted by 5 p.m. on Oct. 18 to be considered for the class. Call 685-7582 for more information.

Coming Thursday

- Rocks Rock Family Science Night at Permian Basin Petroleum Museum.
- Briar Patch Trade Days at Ector County Coliseum, Odessa.

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- Overeaters Anonymous; noon, B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.

Weather for September

Average high: 89.4
Average low: 65.7
Average temperature: 77.5
Typical average for September: 74.5
Days in the 90s: 18
Precipation: 0.27 inches
Average precipitation for September: 1.86 inches

Warmest Septembers

Following are the warmest Septembers on record in Midland

1. 1977	82.1
2. 1931	80.2
3. 1998	79.6
4. 1933	78.5
5. 1954	78.2
6. 2005	77.9
7. 1983	77.8
7. 2000	77.8
9. 2013	77.5
10. 1982	77.4
10. 1930	77.4

Source: National Weather Service

Expect a warm October

The Climate Prediction Center is calling for a 40 percent chance of a warmer-than-average October. The CPC also is calling for average rainfall for October.

Lake levels report

Representing totals from late September 2011-13

	2011	2012	2013
O.H. Ivie	20.87	15.93	15.74
Thomas	1.94	1.89	1.83
Lake Spence	0.47	4.91	4.83

Delivery (in gallons)
Midland: daily average this week 15.903 million
Midland: daily average last week 16.013 million
Midland: daily average last year 10.694 million
Midland: daily average in 2011 20.208 million
Odessa: daily average this week 17.976 million

Source: Colorado River Municipal Water District

Seliger town hall meeting

State Sen. Kel Seliger is planning a town hall meeting at 3:30 p.m. Oct. 9 at Midland County Public Library downtown branch.

Registering to vote in November

Oct. 7 is the last day to register to vote and/or change your voter information to be eligible for the Nov. 5 general election.

A photo ID is now required for voting. Your name on your photo ID should be the same as on your voter certificate.

This photo ID requirement is for voters casting a ballot in person, not by mail. Voters age 65 and older may vote by mail.

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CANDIDATES

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serve in other capacities.

And the current landscape is far different from the Midland of 1984. That year, Michael L. Williams, then a chief prosecutor in the District Attorney's Office, was running for county attorney. His campaign team realized it faced an uphill battle when an internal poll showed that almost 25 percent of the city, which leans conservative, said they would not vote for a black candidate in the Republican primary.

"That dictated our campaign," Williams, now the state's education commissioner, told Texas Monthly in 2001. "We ran a race where nobody saw me. I rarely got out. No picture — it wasn't on anything. We just tried to tell every award I'd ever won."

Williams lost the Republican primary race to his opponent, Mark Dettman.

James and Morales face very different circumstances. Both are well-known figures in local politics. James has been elected twice in a conservative district. Morales was born and raised in Midland and has served as an at large councilman for five years.

A spokesman for Williams said Williams had declined to comment for this article because "he is very mindful that comments in this context might have an influence on the outcome" of the mayoral race.

Ernest Angelo, a former Midland mayor and a supporter of Williams during his 1984 campaign, called Midland a "broad-minded city" in respect to how the community votes in local races.

But Angelo acknowledged that the current mayoral race might not have gone this way 30 years ago, although he said that the current candidates are ideal because of their ability to run effective campaigns rather than for any demographic reason.

"I don't know 30 years ago who the candidates would've been," Angelo said, referring to the mayoral race. He said that black and Latino leaders had "come forward and increased their ability to participate and fund a campaign," adding, "I don't think it's a reflection of their race."

Angelo is among three former Midland mayors who have endorsed Morales. James has received endorsements from several local business leaders.

In Midland, unlike Texas as a whole, white residents are a majority of the population. But the Hispanic population is surging. Hispanics now make up 37.6 percent of the city's population — a figure that matched the state's 2010 Hispanic population breakdown, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. The percentage of Hispanic residents climbed almost 10 percentage points in the last 10 years, mostly because of the oil boom, which has brought thousands of workers into the area.

In 2010, Midland was home to 119,385 residents. Since then, its 4.6 percent population increase between July 2011 and July 2012 helped it top a list of the nation's 10 fastest-growing metropolitan areas, according to the Office of the State Demographer.

But as the city's overall population has surged in the last 10 years, the number of black residents has decreased slightly. Blacks make up 7.9 percent of Midland's population, almost four percentage points below the state's black population.

Steve Murdock, director of the Rice University Hobby Center for the Study of Texas, said Midland had experienced demographic trends similar to those in the rest of the state.

"The picture that Midland is painting is no different from Texas, and it's the same for the entire country," Murdock said. "The Hispanic population growth is a national phenomenon.

Henry Cisneros, who became the first Hispanic mayor of a major Texas city when he was elected to lead San Antonio in 1981, said he had seen a trend of minority candidates winning elections in areas that did not have a large minority population before.

"I'm pleased it's at the local level where partisanship is much less intense," Cisneros said. "There's really no partisan way to provide emergency medical services, pick up the garbage or build parks or libraries."

Wes Perry, the outgoing Midland mayor, said that James' and Morales' status as front-runners is indicative of progress that Midland had made but that their ability to become the city's top elected official was not dependent on their race.

"From my perspective, race doesn't really figure into it," Perry said. "People don't even talk about it in the leadership roles and those kinds of things. It's not really part of the conversation. We're dealing with traffic, you know, things much bigger than issues like that, I think."

ECONOMY

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Retail spending in August was up 5.9 percent over the previous year and up 9.1 percent so far in 2013 compared to the same time frame in 2012. "General spending has been growing by double-digit percentages since mid-2010, and 2013 may be the first year in which spending grows at a fairly normal single-digit percentage rate," Ingham said.

Ingham pointed out that there is a difference between a declining economy and a slowing economy and, has he has mentioned several times previously, the economies in Midland and Odessa have grown at such extraordinary rates that the two cities might benefit from the opportunity to let supply and infrastructure catch up to demand.

He pointed to the housing market, saying "It is so far out of whack" it will take time to normalize. Local Realtors sold fewer homes in August, 283, than the 300 sold in August 2012, a decline of 5.7 percent. Year-to-date, 2,109 homes have been sold, 2.3 percent higher than 2,061 sold in the first eight months of 2012.

Ingham attributed that decline to demand destruction from high prices, which are in record territory. "The number of sales actually declined in Midland, due not to a decrease in housing demand but a decrease in housing demand at current price levels," he said.

The average sales price soared to $253,496, up 17 percent from an average $216,595 last August. So far in 2013, the average is $223,061, up 7.2 percent from $208,091 last year. Ingham said In Midland, the average monthly sales price exceeded $300,000 for the first time.

Markets are usually self-correcting but it is a process that is not done overnight. The goal of high prices, he said, is to reduce demand, which in return should reduce prices. It will take some time, he said, before the additional new homes and apartments under construction in Midland and Odessa will have that effect, he said.

Construction is closing in on $1 billion thanks to a number of new hotels, apartment complexes and new office buildings for Pioneer Natural Resources and Chevron. So far this year, Midland and Odessa have issued $934.8 million in building permits, up 71 percent from $546.6 million a year earlier. August permits totaled $227.45 million, up 107.3 percent from $109.7 million last August, which was more than 75 percent higher than August 2011. Ingham said Midland issued $201 million in August, the largest single month ever recorded in Midland and exceeding the record $152 million set in June.

In another critical component of the economy — employment — Midland and Odessa added 7,500 new jobs in August, bringing employment to 162,100 jobs, a growth rate of 4.9 percent over the 154,600 reported last August.

"The metro area continues to experience impressive employment growth and a declining unemployment rate, of course, again the best in the state and among the best in the nation," Ingham said. "Employment demand likely continues to outpace supply, however, resulting in an ever-present push-pull in the labor market, which will hopefully begin to correct a bit as growth rates continue to settle."

LOFTS

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himself though. The asking price to buy one loft was $350,000, according to Free.

"I love that he (Hopkins) pioneered the idea of this (downtown living)," Free said. "This was years ago before we had Energy Tower and anything else in the works. I just don't know if people at the time weren't on board with downtown living."

Free recently bought out the entire building from Hopkins and on Aug. 1 moved her business from Illinois Avenue and G Street to the downtown core. Free's office occupies the westernmost of the three spaces; the remaining two are currently being renovated as Free negotiates with other potential business tenants.

The commercial occupation of the lofts gives the property new meaning as other developers plan to transform downtown into a lively environment past 5 p.m.

"I love the idea that we're a part of downtown revitalization," Free said. "The industry that I'm in just falls in line with making this building a cool spot. The additional things we're going to be doing to this building will really add to that."

James Cannon/Reporter-Telegram

Photographer Angela Free, of Studio 1401, overlooks the second story loft of her new downtown space.

The building's transformation from residential to commercial caught the attention of the city of Midland. Steve Thorpe, the city's building official, said the building is safe for residential-only use, but now the building must conform for either business-only use or for "live-work" use. He said that the latter is what artists in major cities typically do in downtown housing environments.

Free said she is working with the city to ensure that the building conforms to code before she holds an event at the building on Nov. 9 to celebrate its transformation into a multi-business facility.

Even though the building's original vision for residential use fell through, Tarango believes in downtown Midland living.

"I think we'll see that (downtown housing) and then some," Tarango said. "Everybody is attracted to downtown now."

Hopkins was unavailable for a comment as of press time.

WORLDBRIEFS

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SWEDEN

Wave of jellyfish shuts down nuclear reactor

It wasn't a tsunami but it had the same effect: A huge cluster of jellyfish forced one of the world's largest nuclear reactors to shut down — a phenomenon that marine biologists say could become more common.

Operators of the Oskarshamn nuclear plant in southeastern Sweden had to scramble reactor number three on Sunday after tons of jellyfish clogged the pipes that bring in cool water to the plant's turbines.

By Tuesday, the pipes had been cleaned of the jellyfish and engineers were preparing to restart the reactor, which at 1,400 megawatts of output is the largest boiling-water reactor in the world, said Anders Osterberg, a spokesman for OKG, the plant operator.

All three Oskharshamn reactors are boiling-water types, the same technology at Japan's Fukushima Daiichi plant that suffered a catastrophic failure in 2011 after a tsunami breached the facility's walls and flooded its equipment.

Jellyfish are not a new problem for nuclear power plants. Last year the California-based Diablo Canyon facility had to shut its reactor two after gobs of sea salp — a gelatinous, jellyfish-like organism — clogged intake pipes. In 2005, the first unit at Oskarshamn was temporarily turned off because of a sudden jellyfish influx.

Nuclear power plants need a constant flow of water to cool their reactor and turbine systems, which is why many such plants are built near large bodies of water.

ZIMBABWE

Officials: Poachers poison 91 elephants

HWANGE — The stench of rotting elephant carcasses hangs in the air in western Zimbabwe, where wildlife officials say at least 91 elephants were poisoned with cyanide by poachers who hack off the tusks for the lucrative illegal ivory market.

Massive bones, some already bleached by the blistering sun in the Hwange National Park, litter the landscape around one remote watering hole where 18 carcasses were found. Officials said cyanide used in gold mining was spread by poachers over flat "salt pans," also known as natural, mineral-rich salt licks. They said lions, hyenas and vultures have died from feeding on contaminated carcasses or drinking nearby.

"The magnitude of what we are witnessing today is much higher than what has occurred previously," environment minister Saviour Kasukuwere told reporters on a trip to the park Monday.

Cyanide attacks the bloodstream, kills almost instantly and causes rapid decomposition. Most of the poisoned elephants died in the past month. The chemical is commonly used by illegal gold panners to separate the metal from surrounding ore and is easily available.

Nine suspected poachers have been arrested this month after the biggest, most brutal poaching spree on record. Three men were sentenced to up to 16 years in jail. The Hwange park, stretching more than 5,400 square miles, has one of the highest concentrations of elephants in Africa.

Kasukuwere, newly appointed to the environment ministry after disputed elections won by longtime President Robert Mugabe in July, said Zimbabwe will intensify efforts to campaign among world nations — including Asia, where there is the highest demand for ivory — to curb a trade declared illegal by the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species.

Tusks of the poisoned elephants are thought to have been smuggled into neighboring South Africa through illicit syndicates that pay desperately poor poachers a fraction of the $1,500 a kilogram that ivory can fetch on the black market.

Former Midland County DA Martin dies at 82

By Ed Todd
MRT Correspondent

Vern Martin was way out of the ordinary, more exotic than not, lively, inquisitive, curious and humorous. He was an intriguing person, lawyer and prosecutor as Midland County district attorney for eight years beginning in 1976.

Stocky and amiable with breezy strawberry hair and welcoming blue eyes, Martin's bright persona and his cheery and lively personality would make an ideal character for the 20th century Saturday Evening Post artist-illustrator Norman Rockwell and his Americana gallery of glad folks.

"He was quite a colorful personality, a character from beginning to end," said Al Schorre, who in 1985 succeeded Martin as the Midland County district attorney. "He was a real trial strategist. He had some angle, not the typical trial strategy. He would have a psychological angle to the case."

Martin, who moved to Dallas to be near his sons, Ed "Dude" Martin and Vern Morris Martin, died Friday after a bout of pneumonia. He was 82. Memorial services will be 3 p.m. Friday in the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home Chapel in Midland.

Martin

"Vern was a very colorful individual," said Midland County District Attorney Teresa Clingman, who succeeded Schorre in 2007. "But he had a deceptive way of connecting with ordinary people. It was very subtle."

Martin was "always fun to try cases with," Clingman said, and was "never afraid to go to trial."

Martin had a penchant, perhaps a passion, for the paranormal, for things of the spirit, always mindful of the intuitive voice, listening, ever watchful, aware.

"He was a lot more knowledgeable on a whole host of topics than most people gave him credit for," Clingman said of Martin, who was "always wanting to read everybody's aura" by placing his hand on the person's head.

In good humor, Clingman once told Martin to "'just keep your hand off my aura.' He was a fun guy."

In a 2008 Reporter-Telegram article, the late Judge John Hyde said Martin "without a doubt marches to a different drummer."

Hyde, who died in January 2012 at age 69, said he "truthfully never" was sure if Martin was really "sensing paranormal vibrations" in his investigations, although Ed Martin said that the tabloid National Enquirer once termed his father as the "psychic DA."

Ed Martin, who is an attorney, recalled that his father, who practiced criminal and family law, was "a champion for those who had little hope and little money."

Hyde said then that Martin "truly empathizes with his clients because he has always had a reputation of taking cases with no expectations of pay or very little expectation."

"Vern has had a remarkable success both as a prosecutor and as a criminal defense attorney," Hyde said. "'He is widely read on a lot of subjects and is a fascinating conversationalist. Everyone likes him."

Martin, who persevered and passed on his "Don't Give Up" motto and practice, was a "great teacher and loved the study of Christianity, world religion and spirituality," his son said. "He loved jazz."

Martin was a trombonist who earned his way through school by playing in a dance band at East Texas State College, now Texas A&M University-Commerce. He played the trombone around the 1970s-1980s at Midland's Sans Souci Club along with other musicians, including Midland pianist Bobby Crues and Big Spring trumpeter-priest Harland "Steve" Birdwell.

Martin, who was born near Sulphur Springs in Northeast Texas, earned a law degree at The University of Texas at Austin and served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. Martin, his wife, Zella, and their children moved to Midland in 1965.

Martin was a dedicated cigarette smoker who at one point preferred the Camel brand even after suffering a heart attack in the early 1980s.

At his 50th birthday party at the courthouse amid judges, lawyers, clerks and other friends, Martin protested just as would old-time comedian-vaudevillian Jack Benny, "I'm only 39. It (age 50) is just a political rumor."

In that 2008 interview, the idealistic and adventuresome Martin recalled his idyllic travels into Thailand and the Golden Triangle:

"All the trees had flowers on them, and the people were the sweetest I ever encountered. I rented an elephant and went out into the jungle."

Murder trial enters closing argument phase

Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Escaped prisoner John McCluskey killed a retired Oklahoma couple in cold blood while he was on the run and should be convicted of capital murder for his 2010 crime spree, the prosecution said in closing arguments Tuesday.

"This is a man who was willing to shoot and kill to get what he wants," Assistant U.S. Attorney Linda Mott told an Albuquerque jury.

McCluskey is being tried on federal carjacking, murder and other charges in the August 2010 deaths of Gary and Linda Haas, of Tecumseh, Okla. The couple's charred remains were found among the wreckage of their burned-out travel trailer on a remote ranch in eastern New Mexico.

Mott told the jurors that the only possible verdict after a monthlong trial is guilty on all counts. Among the evidence, she said, are fingerprints and DNA on the murder weapon and inside the Haases' stolen pickup.

"He did it in cold blood," she said. "He did it to take their stuff. He did it not to leave witnesses and he did it to get away."

Closing arguments by the defense were postponed until today because of an electrical problem that forced the closure of the courthouse.

Prosecutors rested their case last week after calling dozens of witnesses, including McCluskey's cousin and girlfriend, Casslyn Welch, and his former prison bunkmate, Tracy Province. Both alleged in testimony that McCluskey was the triggerman.

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OPINION

Don't believe the hype about the shutdown

■ Don't fall into the trap of the narrative of what others want you to hear. Look at context and leverage.

KATHLEEN PARKER
Washington Post Writers Group

In life, context is everything; in Washington, leverage is everything else. Both are essential to understanding what just happened.

In the hours leading up to and following Tuesday's government shutdown, conventional spin (wisdom is on permanent leave) was that the tea party crazies popularly known as the Insanity Caucus were driving the Republican House, compliments of lead wacko-bird Sen. Ted Cruz, so named by John McCain and subsequently embraced by Cruz.

This is partly true.

Cruz did lead the 21-hour faux filibuster opposing Obamacare. And, sure, Obamacare is central to the moment but not necessarily the driving force behind the shutdown; appearances to the contrary. File this thought for a few paragraphs: The shutdown was leverage for the coming debt-ceiling fight, the purpose of which is not necessarily to delay Obamacare but to achieve other reforms — tax and entitlement — that are the defining purposes of the Republican Party.

Other recent spin has gone as follows: House Speaker John Boehner has been led by the Insanity Caucus rather than the reverse, directed by fear that he would be unseated as speaker.

This is partly false.

Boehner obviously made a decision to lead his caucus where it wanted to go, ultimately submitting a budget that proposed delaying Obamacare's individual mandate. But this doesn't mean he feared for his spot, which is secure, nor that he suddenly lost the courage to lead. It's more complicated.

In any case, postponing the individual mandate, though a challenge to the success of Obamacare, was both defensibly sound in light of delays given to other special groups (big business and unions) as well as, it must be noted, potentially unnecessary.

In fact, the individual mandate *is* delayed for one year if individuals choose not to purchase insurance for the nominal penalty/tax of $95. Given human beings' natural attraction to the path of least resistance, it makes as much sense not to buy insurance as it does to participate in the exchanges, especially given Obamacare's guarantee of coverage for pre-existing conditions. Why not wait and sign up when/if you get sick?

Subversive, perhaps, but not illegal.

Finally, conventional spin goes that Republicans would rather shut down government than fund health care, roughly translated to mean they hate women and children. Not to be outdone in the nonsense department, Republicans risibly claim that Democrats would rather shut down government than negotiate about a law that is in place, already funded, adjudicated and, as of Oct. 1, rolled out.

This sublimely abbreviated summation is essentially what The American People — that sacred monolith about which Washington knows so little — have been informed concerning the recent madness in the nation's capital.

But taking a closer look, one sees that all of the above lacks context and ignores the nuances of how policy and politics play out. The shutdown, which I predict will be resolved relatively quickly to permit bragging rights for all, was really a prelude to the fight over the debt ceiling, which has to be raised by Oct. 17 or the U.S. government reneges on its debts. (Simple solution to the shutdown: The Senate repeals the medical device tax in Obamacare; the House funds lost revenue in a separate bill, not the continuing resolution; the president signs a clean resolution, federal employees return to work, and everybody says "yay.")

Meanwhile, leading up to the debt-ceiling deadline, we'll witness much rending of garments and gnashing of teeth — and that's just the media.

The American People will hear that Republicans are willing to savage the nation's full faith and credit for political points and that the president, being presidential, will refuse to be held hostage and, therefore, won't negotiate.

On the other hand, there's context and leverage.

Suppose you are John Boehner. Faced with a Democratic Senate and president, he has only two points of leverage — appropriations and raising the debt limit — which were set in place by greater minds than all these present.

What Republicans hope to accomplish by tying demands to the debt ceiling is a grand bargain to include a package of entitlement and tax reform. Sound familiar? The president can refuse to negotiate, but at 3 a.m. when the phone rings and it's Angela Merkel inquiring just what the hell is going on, it won't be John Boehner's phone ringing. It will be President Obama's. That's leverage. During the last debt ceiling battle, Boehner managed to secure more than $2 trillion in cuts and no taxes.

That's context.

OUR VIEW

Race is not a defining issue of this mayoral election

In today's edition, the Reporter-Telegram printed a story from our friends at the Texas Tribune that looks at ethnicity in our mayoral race.

The story "Midland mayoral candidates de-emphasize ethnicity" offers to our readers something a lot of us already know. There is a decent chance that for the first time the mayor will not be a white male.

If you look at the five candidates, two are white males. By the make-up of the candidate field alone, there is a 60 percent chance the next mayor will make history.

In fact, both candidates serving on the council right now -- Jerry Morales or John James — are minorities.

And as the Oct. 21 start of early voting approaches, there have been a lot of issues talked about, and so far, race has not been one of them — at least not that we have heard from Morales and James. Kathy White has mentioned making history as Midland's first female mayor.

Race is an issue we frankly have not discussed because the candidates and the public haven't. Does it mean there are not race issues in south and east Midland or that this community is totally color blind? Our guess is former Councilwoman Vicky Hailey and current Councilman John Love III would disagree. But that is different than saying a candidate is better suited to become mayor because he or she is a certain race, gender, religious affiliation or political affiliation.

And we don't believe those demographics will help our housing problems or street problems. We don't believe they guarantee anything about a candidate's fiscal conservatism or a vision for Midland five, 10 and 20 years from now. They certainly will not bring more water to our city and will not help this community get ahead of infrastructure problems likely to affect Midland as this boom period continues.

We ran the Texas Tribune piece because it offers an outsider's perspective on Midland. Does the Tribune's addressing race, make race an issue? No — just like being a particular race doesn't make a candidate more qualified to be mayor.

Maybe Midland will make history with its selection of the next mayor. In our view, picking the right person to take this community into a critical period of our city's history is priority No. 1.

YOUR CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES

Per the ballot drawing held this week, the order of names on the Nov. 5 city council ballot will appear as follows:

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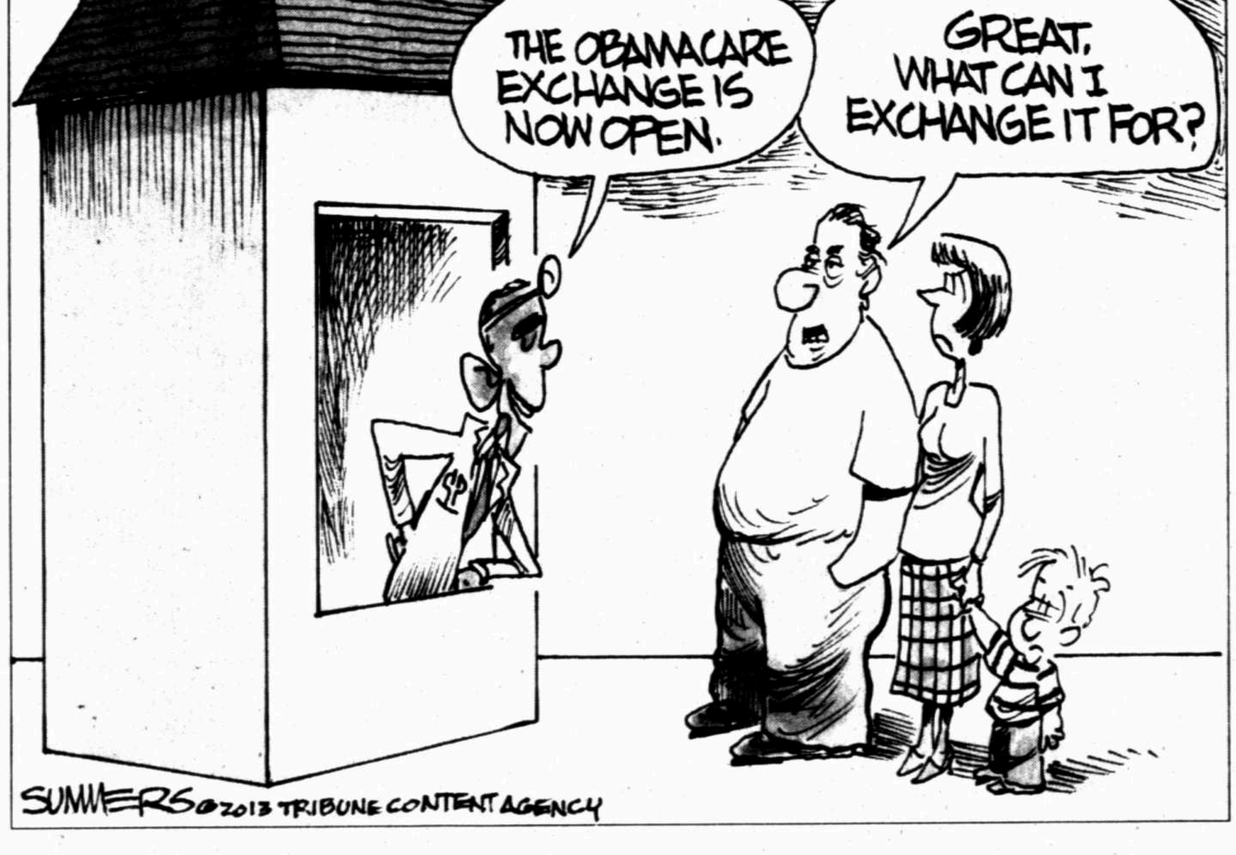

This needed fight should go on

■ Democrats were never content to leave "don't ask, don't tell" in place. Why should Republicans respect deference to duly constituted policy and law.

RICH LOWRY
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Democrats are affronted that Republicans have made Obamacare a focus of this fall's fiscal fights.

They should get used to it. Even if Democrats deflect efforts to defund or delay the law in coming weeks, the fight will go on. Republican opposition is for the long haul, and it should be.

Even as the exchanges for individuals to purchase insurance get up and running, Obamacare is still in play. It has a legitimacy problem. It had one before it passed, when it was kept afloat through gross special deals, and it has one still, when it is manifestly failing to live up to the president's salesmanship on its behalf. There's a reason that usually we don't pass major social changes lacking popular support on party-line votes -- it is a formula for conflict rather than consensus.

Having done the deed, Democrats now expect Republicans to salute smartly, accept "the law of the land" and suggest minor improvements that Democrats will, in their wisdom, decide whether or not to adopt. In other words, they recommend the acquiescence of surrender. If this were a consistent principle rather than opportunistic advice, Democrats would have been content to leave "don't ask, don't tell" in place and never would have agitated to repeal the Bush tax cuts, out of deference to duly constituted policy and law.

Nearly four years after Obamacare passed, the coalition against it has expanded rather than shrunk. The unions are now excoriating the law in terms that once would have been reserved for Republican floor speeches. During his filibuster, Texas Sen. Ted Cruz repeatedly quoted a letter from Teamsters leader Jim Hoffa attacking Obamacare as a clear and present threat to the middle class. When House Republicans voted to delay the individual mandate a few weeks ago, 35 Democrats joined them; Joe Manchin, the Democratic senator from West Virginia, announced his support for a delay just last week.

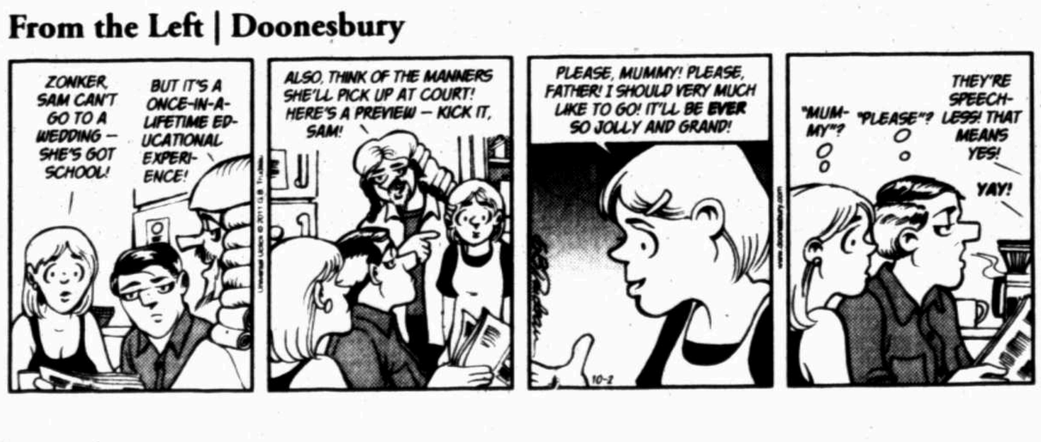
Pew Research has found disapproval of the health-care law at an all-time high in its polling. CNN's latest survey has disapproval at 57 percent and approval at 38. Health care, a core Democratic strength for decades, is becoming a liability. A New York Times poll found that more people disapprove of President Barack Obama on health care than approve by a 54 to 40 margin. Trust for Republicans and Democrats on health care is about even, according to the Pew poll.

The problems with the health law are invariably described by the president and his allies as "glitches," or harmless technical snafus that no one should worry about. But the law suffers from basic design flaws beyond the question of whether the Obama administration can get its software to work. It depends on young, healthy people buying insurance even as it reduces their incentive to do so; it encourages employers to dump workers off their current insurance; it suppresses full-time work, through the employer mandate; in 10 years, the law still leaves 30 million people uninsured.

None of this makes for a stable, widely accepted new dispensation in American health care. On the right, ironically enough, it is Cruz and his band of fellow defunders who are the defeatists on the law's medium-term prospects. They argue that unless it is stopped before Jan. 1, when subsidies begin to flow through the exchanges, it will be an unalterable part of the American landscape. But at first only about 2 percent of people will receive subsidies, which are funneled through insurers rather than given to individuals directly. The subsidies themselves shouldn't be enough to save Obamacare if it is failing.

The law's fate over the longer term matters because it is almost certain to survive the immediate confrontations over the so-called continued resolution and the debt ceiling. It will be determined over the course of the next two elections, when Republicans will continue to pound away — rightly — over the sighs of annoyed impatience of the left and the media. Resistance is not futile.

From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore

Dems, GOP trade blame on shutdown

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — First slowed, then stalled by political gridlock, the vast machinery of government clanged into partial shutdown mode on Tuesday and President Barack Obama warned the longer it goes "the more families will be hurt."

Republicans said it was his fault, not theirs, and embarked on a strategy — opposed by Democrats — of voting on bills to reopen individual agencies or programs.

Ominously, there were suggestions from leaders in both parties that the shutdown, heading for its second day, could last for weeks and grow to encompass a possible default by the Treasury if Congress fails to raise the nation's debt ceiling. The two issues are "now all together," said Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill.

Speaking at the White House, the president accused Republicans of causing the first partial closure in 17 years as part of a non-stop "ideological crusade" to wipe out his signature health care law.

House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, gave as good as he got. "The president isn't telling the whole story,' he said in an opinion article posted on the USA Today website. "The fact is that Washington Democrats have slammed the door on reopening the government by refusing to engage in bipartisan talks."

Both houses of Congress met in a Capitol closed to regular public tours, part of the impact of a partial shutdown that sent ripples of disruption outward — from museums and memorials in Washington to Yellowstone and other national parks and to tax auditors and federal offices serving Americans coast to coast.

Officials said roughly 800,000 federal employees would be affected by the shutdown after a half-day on the job Tuesday to fill out time cards, put new messages on their voice mail and similar chores.

Among those workers were some at the National Institute of Health's famed hospital of last resort, where officials said no new patients would be admitted for the duration of the shutdown. Dr. Francis Collins, agency director, estimated that each week the shutdown lasts will force the facility to turn away about 200 patients, 30 of them children, who want to enroll in studies of experimental treatments. Patients already at the hospital are permitted to stay.

Late Tuesday, House Republicans sought swift passage of legislation aimed at reopening small slices of the federal establishment. The bills covered the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Park Service and a portion of the Washington, D.C., government funded with local tax revenue.

Democrats generally opposed all three, saying Republicans shouldn't be permitted to choose which agencies remain open and which stay shut. As a result, all fell well short of the two-thirds majority needed for passage.

The White House also issued veto threats against the bills, drawing a jab from Michael Steel, a spokesman for Boehner. Obama "can't continue to complain about the impact of the government shutdown on veterans, visitors at National Parks, and D.C. while vetoing bills to help them," he said.

Several House Democrats used the occasion to seek a vote on a standalone spending bill, a measure that Rep. Elizabeth Esty of Connecticut said would "end the tea party shutdown." The requests were ruled out of order.

Republican aides said all three bills that were sidetracked could be brought up again today under rules requiring a mere majority to pass. They said the House might also vote on a measure to reopen the hospital at the NIH, after several Democrats cited the impact on patients.

Ironically, a major expansion of the health care law — the very event Republicans had hoped to prevent — was unaffected as consumers flocked for the first time Tuesday to websites to shop for coverage sold by private companies.

The talk of joining the current fight — the Republicans are trying to sidetrack the health care law by holding up funding for the fiscal year that began at midnight Monday — to a dispute involving the national debt limit suggested the shutdown could go on for some time.

Associated Press

A U.S. Park Police officer walks behind a barricade with sign reading "Because of the Federal Government SHUTDOWN All National Parks are Closed" in front of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington on Tuesday. Congress plunged the nation into a partial government shutdown Tuesday as a long-running dispute over President Barack Obama's health care law stalled a temporary funding bill, forcing about 800,000 federal workers off the job and suspending most non-essential federal programs and services.

Shutdown timeline

The legislative twists and turns in Congress' battle over the partial government shutdown and the entwined Republican effort to curtail President Barack Obama's health care law:

Sept. 20

With a potential government shutdown 11 days off, the Republican-run House ignores a White House veto threat and uses a near party-line 230-189 vote to approve legislation denying money for much of the health care law while keeping the government open through Dec. 15. The measure moves to the Democratic-led Senate.

Sept. 24-25

As the Senate debates legislation to keep the government open, tea party Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, and other conservatives speak on the chamber's floor for more than 21 consecutive hours against the health care law often called Obamacare. They do not delay or prevent votes, but they help intensify conservative fervor for using the shutdown bill to try forcing Democrats to limit Obamacare.

Sept. 27

The Senate votes 79-19 to end conservative efforts to derail the bill preventing a shutdown, with all Democrats and most Republicans opposing the conservatives. The Senate uses a party-line 54-44 vote to remove the House-approved provision defunding Obamacare, and an identical 54-44 vote to approve the overall bill. The bill, financing agencies through Nov. 15, goes back to the House.

Sept. 29

Just after midnight on Sunday morning, the House uses a rare and lengthy weekend session to shift its demands for restricting Obamacare. By a near party-line 231-192 vote, the House votes to delay implementation of the health care law by a year. It also votes 248-174 to repeal a tax on many medical devices that helps pay for the health care overhaul. The votes send the revamped shutdown bill back to the Senate.

Monday, Sept. 30

■ 2:20 p.m.: By 54-46, the Senate removes the House provisions postponing Obamacare and erasing the medical device tax. The shutdown bill moves back to the House.

■ 8:41 p.m.: The House approves a new shutdown bill 228-201 with different demands on Obamacare. It would delay for a year the requirement that individuals purchase health insurance, and require members of Congress and their staff to pay the full cost of health insurance, without the government paying part of the costs. The measure bounces to the Senate.

■ 9:37 p.m.: The Senate votes 54-46 to strip the House provisions on individual health insurance and federal health coverage subsidies for lawmakers and staff. The bill returns to the House.

■ Shortly before midnight: White House Budget Office Director Sylvia Mathews Burwell sends memo to agency heads stating that a shutdown seems unavoidable and telling them to implement their plans for winding down.

Tuesday, Oct. 1

■ 12:01 a.m.: Government's new fiscal year begins. With no spending legislation enacted, partial federal shutdown begins to take effect.

■ 1:11 a.m.: House votes 228-199 to stand by its language delaying required individual health coverage and blocking federal subsidies for health insurance for lawmakers and staff, and to request formal negotiations with the Senate.

■ 10 a.m.: Senate votes 54-46 to reject House effort for formal bargaining.

■ 8:02 p.m.: Republicans stage votes aimed at selectively ending parts of the shutdown. But the chamber rejects each of three bills after the GOP uses an expedited procedure that requires two-thirds majorities for passage. The House votes 264-164 to fund veterans' benefits; 265-161 to let District of Columbia's municipal government spend locally raised funds; and 252-176 to reopen national parks and museums along the National Mall. All three lose.

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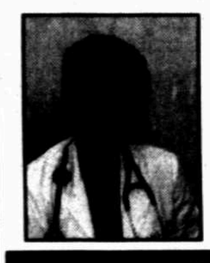

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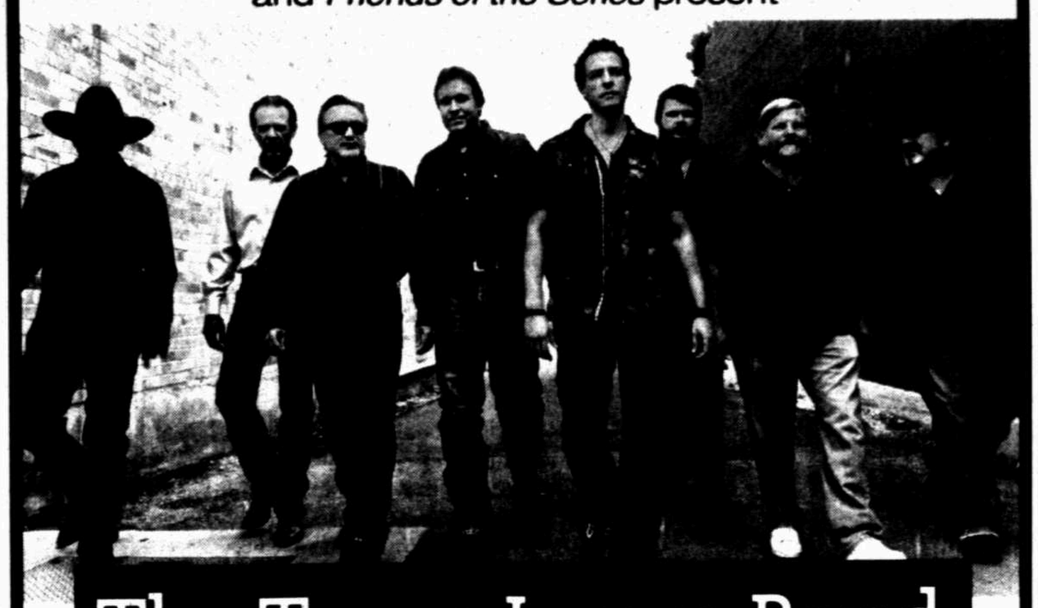

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Utilities, solar companies in fight over rates

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ATLANTA — Sunlight is free, but if you use it to make electricity your power company wants you to pay.

Utilities in many states say solar-friendly rate plans, conceived to promote alternative energy sources, are too generous and allow solar customers to avoid paying for the grid even though they use it.

Some power companies are proposing an extra fee for solar customers. Others are trying to roll back or block programs that allow those customers to trade the solar power they generate during sunny days for power they need from the grid during other times.

As rooftop solar expands from a niche product to a mainstream way to save money on power bills, utilities are afraid they will lose so many customers — and revenue — that they won't be able to afford to build and maintain the grid.

"We want to make sure that as we change the way our system works that all of that is good for all customers," said Greg Roberts, vice president of pricing and planning at Southern Co. subsidiary Georgia Power. The utility is proposing additional fees for renewable energy users, including one that would add up to about $22 per month for typical home solar systems.

Solar installers say the utility industry is trying to hold onto customers — and protect profits — as U.S. homes and businesses become more efficient and generate their own electricity. Rooftop solar systems would not be economical with some of the new fees or rate changes being pushed by utilities.

"They are trying to punish people for buying less electricity," said Bryan Miller, vice president for public policy at Sunrun, a solar financing company. "They are trying to kill solar."

Mike Easterwood, who paid about $320,000 to install nearly 400 solar panels on top of his self-storage business near Atlanta, said the new charges are designed to discourage people from installing new systems if they go into effect next year as proposed.

"I think it scares the heck out of (utilities), quite frankly," Easterwood said. "They are a monopoly, and so they operate in monopolistic fashion."

The fight has come about because solar systems have plummeted in price and grown more popular at a time when U.S. electricity use is flat or even declining. Utilities, already facing the prospect of weak sales for years to come, are seeing more customers buy drastically less power when they generate their own with solar panels, fuel cells, or other so-called "distributed generation" technologies.

That reduces the need to build big new power plants and transmission lines — which is how utilities grow their business, make a profit for shareholders and keep their borrowing costs low. Regulators allow utilities to earn higher profits when they build large projects.

In most states, solar customers are allowed to trade the power that their panels generate during the day for power they need during the night. That reduces the amount they pay to their traditional utility and the amount they contribute to maintaining the grid — even though they still use it.

"The cost is being born by everyone else," said Richard McMahon, vice president for energy supply and finance at the Edison Electric Institute, a utility industry lobbying group.

Forty-three states have some sort of power-swapping plan, most of which include a cap on how large the programs can grow. There are 283,000 electric customers participating in these programs in the U.S. as of July, according to the Energy Department.

Solar advocates argue rooftop systems instead benefit other customers and the grid. When a home uses the power produced by solar panels, it pulls less power through the system. Even when the panels are producing more power than needed at home, the excess goes to the closest house that needs power — and not through the whole system — as a matter of physics. Both scenarios mean less stress on the grid.

"Solar customers are paying more than their fair share," said Sunrun's Miller.

Utilities disagree and have proposed charging special fees or rolling back power-swapping rate plans in Georgia, Arizona, California and Idaho.

Arizona Public Service Co. officials estimate that a typical solar customer is avoiding $1,000 a year in payments to support the electricity grid. The company proposes either charging new solar users a rate that recaptures more of the utility's costs or reducing the benefit of the energy swapping program.

California utilities made a similar push recently. Legislators there voted in September to allow the state's solar rate plan to continue and even expand for now, but said it would change the way the state structures rates in a way that may address utilities' concerns. A report commissioned by state regulators and released last week said non-solar customers in the current rate system are paying between $75 million and $254 million per year in extra grid costs now, and that could expand to $1.1 billion per year by 2020.

Georgia Power has asked regulators to add a new fee for solar customers who install new systems beginning next year. Alternatively, those new solar customers could buy power at prices that the utility says better recoups its costs. The solar industry in Georgia is fighting the proposal.

"If I turn off my lights, the power company shouldn't send me a bill," said James Marlow, CEO of Radiance Solar in Atlanta.

Power companies said Marlow should at least pay for the option of turning the lights back on when the sun isn't shining.

The question for both sides to resolve is how much.

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Mike Easterwood checks one of the solar panels installed on the roof of his 1947-era building in Decatur, Ga., on Sept. 26. Easterwood paid about $320,000 to install nearly 400 solar panels on top of his self-storage business near Atlanta.

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Siblings establish aquaponics tank, teaching tool at Trinity

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The addition of an aquaponics tank in Lara Harrington's Trinity School science classroom is allowing fifth- and sixth-grade students to observe a symbiotic relationship and life cycle on a daily basis.

After learning about aquaponics during a family trip to Austin, sixth-grader Reid Rodenko was motivated to raise money and create a tank at Trinity so other students could be exposed to aquaponics, which creates a symbiotic relationship in which plants provide nutrients to the fish and clean the water.

"I just thought it was cool and wanted to share it with my friends at school. It's interesting how it all supports each other," said the 12-year-old who would like to become either a biochemist or bioengineer.

Reid and his 10-year-old sister, Emily, sold organic eggs to administrators, teachers, parents and students to raise money for the necessary equipment and plants needed for the tank. Though the Rodenko family typically gives away the organic eggs their 56 free-range chickens yield, Reid said selling them to raise money for the tank was easy.

Please see **TANK**/6B

Trinity School students Emily and Reid Rodenko pose with the aquaponics project they fundraised for and help maintain in Lara Harrington's science classroom. The 29-gallon tank demonstrates a unique and natural way to produce food. The fish feed the plants and it is a self-contained renewable system.

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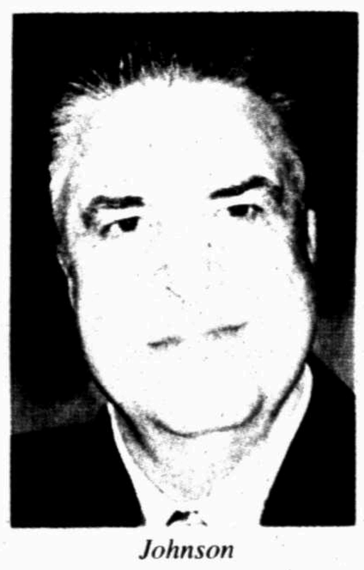

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Lee adds five to Wall of Honor

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Two graduates, two teachers and the cartoonist responsible for developing Rebel Man's personality in the pages of the Midland Reporter-Telegram's sports section each week during the 1980s and 1990s will be inducted to the Lee Legacy Wall of Honor during this week's homecoming activities.

The induction of Billy G. Gilbreath, Dennis "Wemus" Grubb, Norman Johnson, Beth White and Irene Estrada-Rukaj increases the number of Legacy Wall members to 25.

The tradition began in 2010 during the school's 50th anniversary celebration with 10 inductees, including 1964 graduate and former first lady Laura Welch Bush and Texas Education Commissioner Michael L. Williams, a 1971 graduate. Four were added in 2011, six in 2012 and five this year.

All inductees have been invited to Friday's homecoming game against Odessa High School at Grande Communications Stadium and will be honored during a Legacy induction ceremony at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Lee High School Library.

Billy G. Gilbreath

Getting students out in the community, in the offices of local doctors, veterinarians and other medical professionals was a top priority for Billy G. Gilbreath during his 35 years as an educator.

"Many students went to visit in the community at doctors and veterinarians to see what the real world was like and as a result, it paid off. Many of my students went into medical and medical-related professions," said Gilbreath who taught biology and physiology at Lee from 1961-1962 and 1966-1990.

Though his background was in business, Gilbreath said he was drawn to teaching and enjoyed sharing with students his love for the human body, environment and world.

"I always felt my place was in the classroom. I never wanted to be a principal or in administration. I enjoyed teaching and appreciate the ability given to me by the administration at Lee and the central office to teach the way I wanted to teach, with no restrictions to pass a test," he said.

Being inducted to the Wall of Fame almost brought tears to Gilbreath's eyes.

"The old saying goes, 'I left my heart in San Francisco.' Well, I left my heart at Lee High School. I really felt that was a major part of my life," said Gilbreath who served as science department chairman and said he rarely missed a game, fine arts performance or other student event.

Gilbreath was also very active in the Midland community, serving more than 10 years as director of Midland Community Concerts board and as co-founder of the Sibley Nature

Please see **LEGACY**/4B

Parents, teachers sometimes are at odds with one another

ASHTON WEST
Milam Elementary

I strongly disagree with the first person who said, "Nothing good comes from modern-day children's programming." Case in point: I was watching "Ice Age: Continental Drift" with my two oldest children the other night and was presented with the perfect teachable moment when my fourth-grader asked me what a land bridge was and whether it was real.

Several hours later, as I lay awake at 2 a.m. watching the monitor and desperately waiting for my 5-month-old daughter to decide it was time to go back to sleep, it occurred to me the metaphorical importance of a land bridge in reference to the relationship between parents and their children's teachers (after two weeks filled with dozens of both productive and non-productive parent conferences). In order to colonize new territory and reach new levels in terms of our children's academic achievement and character growth, we have to put forth the effort, the blood, the sweat, the tears and the time required to cross the proverbial land bridge into new terrain.

I have to admit I am the player who has been on both sides of the field. I have gone to bat from both sides — first as a parent and, beginning two years later, as a teacher. Therefore I (as well as many other teachers) understand the difficulty we face to truly understand each other, no matter your parent or teacher title. In some cases, it seems that Christopher Columbus may have been met with less resistance by those whom he labeled indigenous when he barged onto the shores of modern-day North America. I have seen teachers resistant to any and all parent contact for selfish fear of being imposed upon. I have seen parents who compare their child's teacher to something out of a low-budget film with a really bad antagonist. I have seen parents so generous and involved in their child's classroom and education that their presence has an almost fictional feel to a teacher who doesn't know how to respond. And I have seen teachers who will do anything and everything it takes to inspire a child to greatness where inspiration has never been invested before.

These are the paradigms that our teachers and our parents carry with them

Please see **WEST**/3B

Ashton West

Kindergarten teacher at Milam Elementary

Years in education: Three
Career before becoming an educator: School bus driver, travel agent, substitute teacher ... I've done all sorts of things
Education: B.A. Child & Family Studies from UTPB
When I'm not at school, I enjoy: A quiet corner with a good book while being cuddled up to my babies
Family: My husband and the love of my life, Robert; our boys Colter, 9, and Jaxson, 4; and our baby girl Gracie was born in April. Our fur baby is Yogi — a beagle mix — and she's 5.
Favorite book: Anything by Emily Giffin
Favorite vacation spot: Anywhere with sun, sand and the ocean
Favorite food: The tiny child inside of me still loves mac and cheese
Favorite sports team: My grandfather raised me as a Cowboys fan
Favorite holiday: Christmas, definitely.

EDUCATIONBRIEFS

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

MC participates in science research program

Midland College was one of several colleges that participated in UT Permian Basin's LSAMP Student Research and West Texas Regional STEM Conference Sept. 19-21. The conference's theme was "Explore Possibilities."

For several years, MC has had student representation in the LSAMP program, which consists of a 10-week summer research academy and the annual conference. At the conference, MC students presented information about their research projects that are currently being conducted with MC faculty mentors.

Five MC students presented their research at the conference: Matthew Staley Anderson, Vianney Flores, April Smith, Thomas Weathers and Eric Whitley. In addition, this past summer Anderson and Weathers attended the summer research academy. Anderson participated at The University of Texas at El Paso and Weathers participated at The University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

TTUHSC reaches enrollment record

Officials at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center announced a new enrollment record Sept. 24 with 4,200 students enrolled in the fall 2013 semester. This is an increase of nearly 5 percent over the 4,005 students enrolled last year when comparing the institution's current components.

TTUHSC is a multi-campus institution with campuses in Lubbock, Amarillo, Abilene, El Paso, Dallas and the Permian Basin.

LUBBOCK

'Heroes' to be honored at Tech game

Purple Heart recipients from West Texas and eastern New Mexico will be honored at the Texas Tech University-Kansas State University football game, which is set for Nov. 9 in Lubbock. The game will be preceded by a Saluting Heroes banquet on Nov. 8.

The game, designated as the Lone Survivor Game, will pay tribute to active duty military personnel and veterans. More than 500 Purple Heart recipients and guests will be invited by Saluting Heroes, a Lubbock-based organization of community leaders.

Those attending will need to provide a membership card to Military Order of the Purple Heart or DD214, according to information provided by the organization.

For more information, contact Danny Koch at 806-698-5842 or dkoch@caprockhp.com.

NEBRASKA

State treasurer launches savings outreach

LINCOLN — Nebraska officials have launched a new online program to help parents and grandparents learn the benefits of its state-sponsored college-savings program, State Treasurer Don Stenberg announced Tuesday.

The free, interactive program on the state treasurer's website seeks to answer common questions about the Nebraska Educational Savings Trust.

Nebraska is the second state to launch such a program. Tennessee unveiled its own program earlier this year.

Stenberg said the program is part of a broader effort by his office to promote financial literacy and share information about tax-advantaged 529 college-savings plans. The treasurer's office unveiled the first part of the financial literacy program aimed at students in September.

"We want to make the system and the process easier for all, with the expectation that even more Nebraskans will discover the value of savings for college through NEST," Stenberg said at a news conference at his office in the Capitol.

As treasurer, Stenberg serves as trustee for the Nebraska Educational Savings Trust. The program has more than $3 billion in assets, with 206,000 accounts nationwide. More than 58,000 of the accounts have Nebraska owners.

The 529 college savings program takes its name from Section 529 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, which authorized the accounts.

MINNESOTA

State takes 27 schools off low-performing lists

ROSEVILLE — More than two dozen Minnesota schools are no longer considered failing, according to new state rankings released Tuesday.

The 27 schools lost the failing label by boosting student achievement and reducing achievement gaps between white and minority students.

The latest school data will allow 17 schools to come off the state "Priority" list and 10 schools to leave the "Focus" list, officials with the Minnesota Department of Education said.

Under Minnesota's new school ranking system, Priority schools are lagging in overall student achievement. Focus schools are failing to close the achievement gap.

"Today's release is about hard work taking place every single day in our schools to ensure the success of each child," Education Commissioner Brenda Cassellius said in a news release.

The ranking system, now in its second year, is the product of Minnesota's waiver from No Child Left Behind, the benchmark federal education law that many educators disliked because it forced states to label schools as actual failures, the Star Tribune reported.

The "Multiple Measurement Ratings," or MMR, have more layers than the old system, which only assessed how well students performed on math, reading and science tests.

Under the new system, schools are judged on how well they are addressing the achievement gap, graduation rates, academic growth and proficiency.

Cassellius noted that some schools saw lower MMR scores this year because they are influenced by how well students perform on the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments. This year, the state rolled out tough new standards for reading, and MCA scores in that subject dropped statewide.

ALABAMA

Budget chairman says teacher raise unlikely

MONTGOMERY — The chairmen of the Legislature's two education budget committees said Tuesday they are committed to paying off the state's debt to its rainy day fund on time, which could prevent a teacher pay raise starting in one year.

Senate Chairman Trip Pittman, R-Montrose, and House Chairman Bill Poole, R-Tuscaloosa, said at a news conference they are making it a priority to pay off the debt by the fiscal 2015 deadline set out in state law.

Pittman said that payment, plus other obligations, including increased health insurance costs for educators and payments for Alabama's prepaid college tuition plan, will likely eat up all extra revenue in the fiscal 2015 budget and leave nothing for a cost-of-living raise for school employees when fiscal 2015 starts Oct. 1, 2014.

Poole said it's too early to rule anything out, but paying the debt will be the priority when the Legislature convenes in January to start work on the fiscal 2015 budget.

The two budget chairman held their news conference on the first day of fiscal 2014. The education budget for this new year includes a 2 percent cost-of-living raise for education employees.

State officials borrowed $437 million from the state rainy day fund in 2009 to prevent deep cuts in school spending during the recession. They paid back $14 million in 2012 and $260 million at the close of fiscal 2013 on Monday. Pittman said they expect to repay $100 million in the current budget year, which will leave $63 million for 2015.

Pittman and Poole said the repayments are the result of tighter budgeting and improvements in the economy. They noted that since Republicans gained control of the Legislature in 2010, none of the education budgets they have passed have been in the red. But the four previous budgets passed by the Democrat-controlled Legislature had appropriations exceeding tax collections, which resulted in borrowing from the rainy day fund and across-the-board spending cuts to make them balance.

INDIANA

IU chief wants combined degrees, better advising

BLOOMINGTON — Indiana University should help students' career planning with more combined degree programs and improved academic advising, President Michael McRobbie said in his State of the University address Tuesday.

McRobbie suggested IU schools search for more opportunities for combined areas of study, such as combining a liberal arts degree with a business certificate, The Indianapolis Star reported.

He also emphasized the role of a liberal arts education in job preparation.

"What surveys show and what academic leaders hear every day is that employers are looking for individuals with analytical, learning and communication skills, not just training for the next job," McRobbie said.

McRobbie said a university task force will gather employment and career information from graduates.

While praising IU's increasingly proactive approach to academic advising to keep more students on track for graduation, McRobbie said the university could do more.

"Academic advising must be more than an add-on. It must become part of the fabric of a college education," McRobbie said. "We cannot be casual about the rates of completion or the time to a degree," he added.

Turning to other topics, McRobbie said the university's 200th anniversary in 2020 will include a university-wide strategic plan and a $5 billion fund-raising campaign.

McRobbie also announced a $15 million, five-year initiative for digitizing and preserving the university's collections. The preservation of knowledge, he said, is IU's third fundamental mission behind research and learning, and will make the university's assets more widely accessible.

"That will affect everything that we do," said Herb Terry, president of the Bloomington faculty council. "It affects our teaching. It affects our research. It affects our contributions to the state."

WASHINGTON

Patron gives $5M to WSU art museum

PULLMAN — Washington State University is one step closer to having a new Museum of Art on its Pullman campus, thanks to a $5 million gift from a leading arts patron.

The gift comes from Jordan D. Schnitzer, of Portland, Ore. He owns a vast collection of contemporary fine art prints and has supported the arts throughout the country.

Schnitzer is president of Harsch Investment Properties and manages the company's commercial real estate assets in Oregon, Washington California, Nevada and Arizona.

Obituaries

Evelyn Jackson Potter

Evelyn Jackson Potter, known by her friends as "Jack" and her grandchildren as "Granny Jack", passed away in her home in Oklahoma City and passed into her heavenly one on Friday evening, September 27, after a brief illness. She was attended at her death and during her illness by her three children and several loving family members.

She was an absolute firecracker, and those who have known her will remember her as entertaining to the end. Jack was born October 12, 1924 in Holiday Texas and lived her early years close to Tyler, but spent most of her life where she raised her family in Midland Texas. She married Wayne Potter May 6, 1943 while he was a pilot in the Air Force. They lived in Florida until he was discharged. They returned to Texas where they lived until Wayne passed away in 2005 and she moved to Oklahoma City to be near family.

Jack's early life was all about her family while she stayed home to raise them. Her first "real" job was taken in order to buy braces for her children, then to finance various uniforms and activities for them, and she kept working until many years after they all graduated from college. Most of her career was spent at Midland National Bank until she retired from there after 20 years. After retiring from the bank (and also for some time while working there) she volunteered many hours at Midland Memorial Hospital, Hospice, and Meals On Wheels in addition to doing volunteer work at Golf Course Church of Christ where she and her family were charter members. She was an active member of New Hope Church of Christ in Edmond.

Even as a senior citizen in Midland and Oklahoma City, she liked to tend to her "old people". Her love of service to others was a testimonial to the life she lived. Evelyn "Jack" Potter is survived by her three children and their spouses; Steve and Kathy Potter of Crowley Texas, Sandy and Mikel Faulkner of Southlake Texas, and Debbie and Chester Beam of Edmond Oklahoma, seven grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren, plus two surviving sisters. She left a colorful legacy for all of them, and she will be greatly missed!

Private Family Services at a later date.

Levalgia Gildon Sr., "Bogie"

Levalgia Gildon Sr., "Bogie", 56, of Midland, Texas passed away on September 27, 2013 at Midland Memorial Hospital in Midland, TX. At the time of his death, Gildon worked at the Renaissance Apartments and attended Mt. Rose Baptist church.

He was born on October 14, 1957, in Midland, TX to Robert and Imogene Jones. He attended Midland Senior High School and graduated in 1977 where he excelled in both football and basketball. He graduated from Midland College with a degree as a Medical Aid. He worked for M.A.R.C. for over 10 years, and loved to do handy work which prompted him to work in landscaping and construction after leaving the medical field.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert & Imogene Jones. He is survived by his five children, Vicki Posey Bradley, Ashanti Gildon, Levalgia "Levy" Gildon II, Adriena L. Gildon-Perkins, and Di'Sha Gildon-Perkins, along with the mother of his children: Carrie Cadd, Elva Gildon,and Serena Salazar; his siblings: Gerald Sauls, Kerri Thorpe, & Rufus Gildon Jr; eleven grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and his loving wife and best friend, Lisa Watson.

Levalgia always had a smile on his face, and he was loved by everyone who knew him or came into contact with his joyful spirit. He will truly be missed.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 3, 2013 at Mt. Rose Baptist Church with Pastor officiating. Arrangements are under the care of Thomas Funeral Home in Midland, Texas.

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Zinita G. Sawyer

Zinita G. Sawyer, 81, of Los Angeles, California passed away peacefully on September 25, 2013 at her home surrounded by family.

Born February 27, 1932, she lived most of her life in the Los Angeles area, but enjoyed spending time in Midland to visit her "son the doctor" and his family. One of Dr. Sawyer's close friends summed it up perfectly, "She was very special and you were lucky to have her as your mom. Thanks for sharing her with all of us!"

Zinita, better known as Grandma or Auntie Neenee, was a proud wife, mother, aunt, grandmother, and great grandmother. She will be greatly missed by all of her children, grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Services will be Sunday, September 29, 2013 at Mount Sinai Memorial Park in Los Angeles at 9:00 o'clock in the morning.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the California State University Northridge (CSUN) Center of Achievement. Please visit their web site at www.csun.edu/hhd/centersachieve.html and select the "Giving" tab.

Death Notices

Vern Fayne Martin

Vern Martin passed away on Friday, September 27, 2013.

Memorial services will be held Friday, October 4, 2013 at 3:00p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel in Midland. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory in Midland.

He is survived by his son Vern Martin and his wife, Donna Martin and their daughter Sabrina Martin, and his son Edmond Martin. Granddaughters Leslie Noble and her husband Mark and Kelly Long and her husband Jody; and his great grandchildren Scott, Jenna, Adam and Abigail.

OTHERDEATHS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NORTH CAROLINA

Longtime Duke University history professor dies

Lawrence Goodwyn, a history professor at Duke University for 32 years, has died at his Durham home. He was 85.

Wade Goodwyn said his father died Sunday after battling emphysema.

Lawrence Goodwyn founded the Texas Coalition, an alliance of African-American, Hispanic and labor groups that battled conservatives and registered Texas minorities to vote. In 1968, Goodwyn joined and helped organize a group that campaigned against President Lyndon Johnson's re-election bid.

After earning his Ph.D. at the University of Texas, Lawrence Goodwyn founded the Oral History Program at Duke with a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation.

Goodwyn in survived by his wife, Nell, his daughter, Lauren, and his son, Wade.

Wade Goodwyn said a memorial service is planned for later this month on the Duke campus.

JERUSALEM

Israeli Holocaust historian Israel Gutman dies

Israel Gutman, who survived the Nazi atrocities of World War II and dedicated his life to researching the Holocaust, has died. He was 90.

Estee Yaari, spokeswoman for the Holocaust memorial Yad Vashem, said Gutman died in his sleep late Monday in Jerusalem.

Gutman was born in Warsaw in 1923. He was wounded during fighting in the Warsaw Ghetto uprising in 1943 when a few hundred poorly armed Jews put up resistance to Nazi troops who were rounding up residents and sending them to death camps.

His parents and siblings died in the Ghetto while Gutman was incarcerated in two concentration camps, as well as the Auschwitz-Birkenau extermination camp.

After the war, he moved to Israel where he helped survivors and devoted himself to studying the Holocaust. He served in several prominent capacities at Yad Vashem, including chief historian and head of its international research institute.

In 1961 he testified in the trial of Nazi mastermind Adolf Eichmann, who had been nabbed by Mossad agents in Argentina the year before and brought to Jerusalem.

Yad Vashem described Gutman as a "trailblazing historian." Chairman Avner Shalev said his insight as "someone who experienced in the flesh the horrors of the Holocaust, fought in the Warsaw ghetto, was imprisoned in Auschwitz and was a member of the camp's Jewish underground, survived the death marches and was a witness to all that occurred ... added an enormous weight to his rare and exceptional strength as a researcher, teacher and leader."

Gutman's projects included the Encyclopedia of the Holocaust which Yad Vashem called "comprehensive and groundbreaking."

He is survived by two daughters, and three grandchildren.

NEW MEXICO

Ex-Los Alamos Director Harold Agnew dies

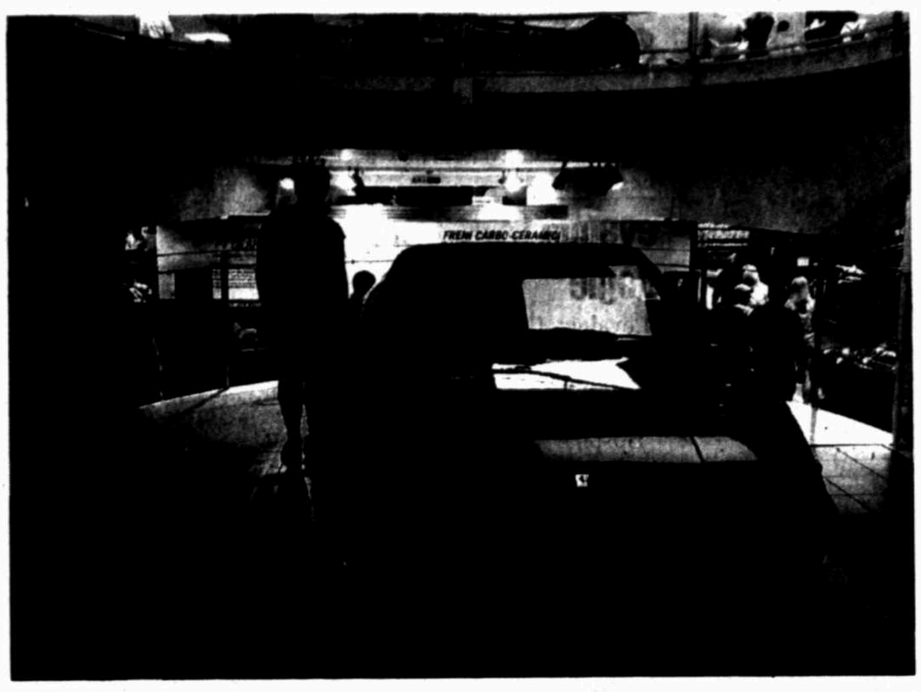
ALBUQUERQUE — Harold Agnew, a former Los Alamos National Laboratory director who worked on the Manhattan Project and later led the effort to train the first group of international atomic inspectors, died Sunday, his family announced. He was 92.

Agnew died at his home in Solana Beach, Calif., while watching football and had been suffering from chronic lymphocytic leukemia, his family said.

According to the Los Alamos National Laboratory, Agnew was its third director and served from 1970 to 1979. Under his leadership, Los Alamos developed an underground nuclear test containment program, acquired the first Cray supercomputer, and trained the first class of International Atomic Energy Agency inspectors.

He is credited with developing "fail-safe" methods for nuclear weapons that are still used today, the lab said.

"His contributions to the laboratory made us the institution we are today," current LANL Director Charlie McMillan said in a statement. "It was his vision — decades ago — that recognized that national security science brings value to a broad spectrum of breakthroughs. Los Alamos and the nation will be forever in Harold's debt."



AT LEFT
Verdi's Opera at the Arena in Verona was among the sights Midlander Melody Davis visited when she toured Italy this summer as a Lions Club exchange student.

FAR LEFT
Davis also visited the Museo Ferrari (Ferrari Museum) in Marenello, Italy.

Courtesy photos

Time in Italy gives student greater understanding of world around her

Editor's Note: Lee High School senior Melody Davis was one of two Midlanders who spent time in Italy this summer on a Lions International Youth Exchange trip. She was jointly sponsored by the Midland Downtown, Suburban and Westside clubs. Next week, read about the experiences of Daniela Corrales.

By Melody Davis

Ciao, my name is Melody Davis. This summer, I traveled to northern Italy for one month with Lions Club International Youth Exchange. I spent my first three weeks with three different host families and my final 10 days at Lions Camp Emilia.

My first week, I was with the Belloni family in Modena. My "father," Giovanni, works in a salami factory and is a Lion in the Modena club. My "mother," Alessendra, is a teacher. I had one "sister," Giulia, who is also 17 years old. During this week, my family took me to many different places. I visited Modena, Florence, the Vingola castle and the Ferrari museum. I had a wonderful time visiting the historic places of the surrounding area.

I spent my second week in San Giuseppe, a part of Comacchio with the Cavallari family. My "father," Mario, is a construction worker. My "mother," Carla, is a massage therapist. I had one "brother," Edoardo, who is 19 and a "sister," Jenny, who is 16. Our house is only 2 kilometers from the beach, so we spent a lot of time on beaches. I also visited Venice during this week with several other exchange students who were being hosted by friends of the Cavallari family. This family treated me like I was a member of the family, not a guest, so I did things like helping Jenny with housework and baking cakes with Carla.

My third week I was with the Benassi family in a small town called Poviglio. My "parents," Pietro and Roseanna, own the largest construction company in northern Italy. My parents are also very active members in the Parma Lions clubs, my "father" being the former president. I had one "sister," Irene, who is 21. I also had one "brother," Simon, who is married to Illyria, giving me two "nieces," Gloria, 7, and Serena, 4. I spent several days at Simon's house swimming and riding horses. At the end of the week, Irene, Irene's cousin, Francesca, and I took the train to Bonassola, where the Benassis' have a beach house. During this trip, we visited Genova. In Genova, there is a huge aquarium where we spent the day.

For my final week in Italy, I was a camper in Youth Camp Emilia. There were 24 campers from 17 countries. My camp was sponsored by Lions District 108tb. During this week, we did many fun activities. We visited the Murano glass factory in Venice, then had a look around the town; we went to Verdi's Opera at the Arena in Verona; we went swimming in the largest lake in Italy, the Garda Lake; we went rafting on the river that runs through Verona, the Adige river; we visited numerous castles and churches around northern Italy; went to a ham factory in Parma; we went to Cerwood's adventure park, where we went zip-lining and played paintball; and we were treated to an exclusive tour of the Barilla Sauce factory, because the owners of Barilla are all Lions. As a camp, we also met many Lions and had dinner with various Lions clubs in the 108tb district of Italy. Most of the restaurants we ate at were owned by Lions. The camp was a great way to meet new people from around the world.

One of the most common questions I have gotten since being home is, how different was the culture. Surprisingly enough, the families lived lifestyles much like my own. We ate meals together, had family gatherings, watched television and played games. The most striking difference to me was that we walked and rode bikes to anywhere that was close. Driving to the grocery store or the park was not common at all. The other most common question: Did you eat a lot of pasta? My answer is yes. Every day, we had pasta for lunch. Pasta for dinner is used as more of an appetizer. Italian dinners, however, are much different. Italian dinners consist of five to eight courses. Usually, the first course is a pasta or rice dish, most often cold. The next course usually consists of what they consider "light meat," which means ham and salami, and of course bread. The next course is the "main meal." It is usually beef, chicken or pork and potatoes. The next course is most commonly fruit and salad. During my time in Italy, it was season for plums, apricots, cherries and peaches. We also had watermelon and cantaloupe. The final course is dessert. Dessert always has gelato (Italian ice cream) and commonly cake. After dessert, espresso. Of course, there might be some courses added or subtracted. During every course, there was always cheese and bread somewhere on the table. In Italy, you do not go hungry, that is for sure!

Many people have asked me what was the purpose of going to Italy. I would tell them that the goal of the Lions Club exchange is to introduce young people to different cultures and give us an understating of how to make a better world. My time in Italy gave me a much better picture of the world around me. I not only met and befriended hundreds of Italians, but I also met people my age from other countries and had the opportunity to learn about their culture. The most striking things to me in this exchange were:

- Teenagers from around the world could join together and become a family.
- Teenagers in different countries are almost exactly alike.
- Families that I had never met were willing to take me into their homes and treat me as their own daughter. I was blessed with three wonderful families, and the best camp.

The goal of the Lions Club was entirely achieved through my exchange, and I hope that thousands of other youth will have the same experience that I did.

WEST

From 1B

when they begin each new school day (out of 175 in a school year). These are the realities we face when we look at test scores and performance indicators and wonder why things are the way they are. And these are the stereotypes we have yet to change because we either can't perfect the formula for change or because we just don't have the time, the strength or the desire to make a change.

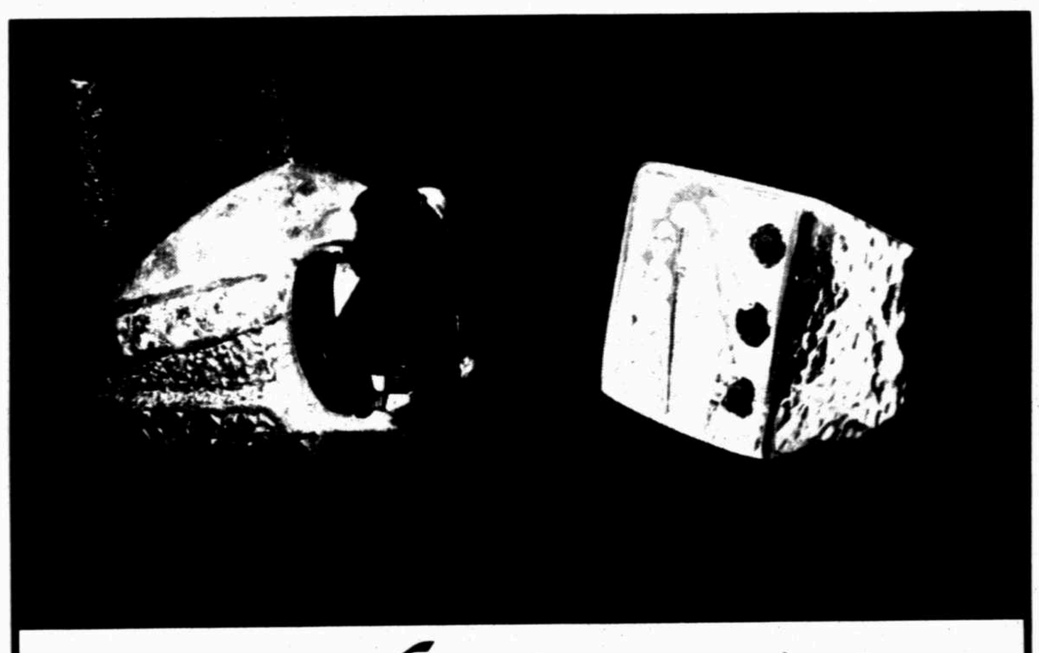
As teachers we learn that when a student walks through the door of our classroom, their parents are bringing us their best. The flip side is that when that same student is unable to bring their materials, to get their homework signed, or to get their parent/guardian to return your multiple phone calls, they are also bringing you their best. Our everyday lives are hectic and crazy in the modern world we live in (even more so — to an almost unrealistic level — in Midland). We all have so many different irons in the fire that it seems impossible to accomplish everything we have to accomplish within a 24-hour period.

But there is no greater truth than this: A child's education begins at home. Your child's teacher (hopefully) got into this business of children for the sake of moving mountains, shaking down fences and changing lives. With an education in hand and heart, there are zero limits to what a child can accomplish. And we walk these halls on weekends and drag our own children into an un-air conditioned school building on our own free time because your babies mean that much to us.

My challenge is this: shake off the old — the predispositions, the poisonous ideals, and/or the excuses — and reach out to one another. Cross the picket line into uncharted territory so that we may push our students to levels they've never seen. And put forth the effort so that, whether our children reach the levels of achievement set forth by mindless lawmakers who have never set foot in a classroom, our children will see what it looks like when we reach outside of ourselves and our comfort levels in an attempt to change what is broken for the greater good.

But who am I to set forth this challenge? What do I know? What I know — the only thing I know — is this: I place two huge pieces of my own heart in the hands of teachers each Monday through Friday, and then I (along with hundreds of others) get in my car on those same days and drive across town to teach, mold and love the 22 precious lives who are so generously entrusted to me by those who love them the most. And as I say each time I begin any new regimen: "There is no time like the present."

Ashton West teaches kindergarten at Milam Elementary in Midland ISD.



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LEGACY

From 1B

Center.

Dennis "Wemus" Grubb

Dennis Grubb almost feels as if he "lived two lives in high school" because not many of his LHS friends knew of his band involvement.

"I was involved with Student Council and was vice president of the senior class, but on the weekends while my friends were going to football games, proms, dates and parties, I was on the road with the band," said Grubb, who got his break playing with The Mystics as a freshman in high school and played concerts every weekend and toured the state in the summer.

His bandmates were graduates of Permian and Midland high schools but he was picked for the band because of his guitar skills.

In 1963 they were named the No. 1 band in Texas and Grubb somehow earned the nickname "Wemus," which makes fun of the Nino Tempo and April Stevens song "Baby Weemus," from his bandmates.

Grubb ultimately took a corporate sales job to provide his wife with a sense of security, and eventually returned to Midland where he got involved with the drilling business. It was after oil collapsed in 1986 that he returned to his musical roots.

"I couldn't even mow lawns in Midland because there were so many out-of-work and unemployed people that the geologists and engineers from MIT and Harvard were getting all the lawn-mowing jobs and I just had a Texas Tech degree," Grubb said.

It was during a Huey Lewis and the News concert in Odessa that Grubb realized he could get into the business of producing concerts. Grubb's previous experience as a touring musician "put me on a faster track from the beginning." His company, Wemus Entertainment, has offices in Dallas and Nashville.

He has worked with hundreds of artists and produced both Presidential Inauguration celebrations for George W. Bush.

Norman Johnson

Though artist Norman Johnson has done significant work in both commercial advertising and fine art, it's his cartoons that he's most highly regarded for in Midland.

It was in 1976 as art director at Starline Printing that Johnson was tapped to create weekly cartoons for the Midland Reporter-Telegram's sports section. The cartoons, which ran weekly through the 2002 football season, depicted mascots from each of the schools in the football district before each week's game.

"I would follow the district teams and the mascots would make the comments on how the teams were doing," said Johnson, who continued doing them even when his family moved to Denver and Alaska in the 1980s for his wife's job.

The Lee HS mascot, Little General, has developed a personality throughout the years.

"The General was an everyday guy. He was not an elitist by any means. He had his own views of things and many times they were wrong, but there was humor coming out of it. He always had a way of coming out on top and there was always something learned at the end of the season," Johnson said. "It's like this little creature just slowly came out of my brain and really developed himself."

Johnson continues to do weekly cartoons of the Little General and opposing teams' mascots for a Lee High School football alumni Facebook group and often creates cartoons for school organizations, he said.

Though Johnson has always referred to him as the Little General, he said there are so many names for the character floating around out there.

"I've heard General Wins A Lot, Reb, Rebel, The Rebel General and General Lee," Johnson said. "I've always called him Reb or The Little General so the public at large can know what we're talking about if they can't actually see him."

Being selected as a Wall of Honor inductee was a surprise to Johnson.

"This is all very bizarre to me. I had no plans for this to happen. I'm always admiring other people and for them to turn around and give me an honor is very strange. I'm very grateful, but it's one of life's surprises," Johnson said.

Beth White

All but one of Beth White's 44 years in public education were spent at Lee High School.

Her first year was spent teaching world history and English at Edison Freshman High School before she moved to Lee Senior High School in 1969 to teach government and economics.

"I loved the kids and it was really sort of a family thing to be at Lee," said White when asked why she never sought teaching positions elsewhere. "My husband was in the first graduating class, my son and daughter graduated from there and my grandson will graduate. It's a Lee family thing."

Word of her induction to the Wall of Honor was very surprising, said White, who retired from Lee in 2012.

"I am greatly honored to be inducted. I have two families. My personal family and Lee family," said White, who calls her co-workers from the social studies department lifelong friends.

During her tenure, White developed the Mock Congress, Mock Elections and Political Parties programs as well as wrote the district's government curriculum.

In addition to academics, White said she enjoyed sponsoring student organizations and served many years as a class sponsor and sponsor of Close-Up, which took high school students to Washington, D.C., to experience government in action.

White's students may remember her for not allowing "s-words" in the classroom.

"I always tried to teach students to be more polite to each other. They couldn't tell another student to shut up or call them stupid. I wanted them to learn that if they did not agree with what someone said, to say the real thing they didn't agree with, not to call them stupid," White said.

Irene Estrada-Rukaj

The 1979 LHS graduate currently resides in Bronx, N.Y., and is described as an activist and ordained chaplain. She could not be reached by Lee High School representatives or the Reporter-Telegram for comment.

According to her biography, she is politically active and has participated in numerous community events and coordinated the 49th Precinct's Explorers civilian population, which gives insight to local youth about the inner workings of law enforcement agencies like the New York Police Department.

Inductees

2013 inductees
- Irene Estrada-Rukaj, activist and ordained chaplain, class of 1979
- Billy G. Gilbreath, former biology and physiology teacher, 1961-1962 and 1966-1990
- Dennis "Wemus" Grubb, founder and president of Wemus Entertainment, class of 1965
- Norman Johnson, Midland Reporter-Telegram cartoonist and illustrator
- Beth Acker White, former government teacher, 1969-2012

2012 inductees
- George Cooper, former LHS Principal, 1992-2004
- Maridell Fryar, former debate coach and teacher, 1963-1967 & 1970-1979
- Judge Kyle Peeler, Midland County Courts at-Law, class of 1970
- Connie Staton, tax professional, class of 1966
- Paul Stueckler, former science teacher and basketball coach, 1961-1991
- Sam Volpe, former math teacher and track coach, 1961-1991

2011 inductees
- Olga Banks, former LHS student council sponsor and teacher, 1961-1977
- Luretta Bybee, world-renowned mezzo-soprano, class of 1974
- Air Force Brig. Gen. Timothy Green, class of 1982
- Dr. Charles A. Johnson, senior research fellow at Johnson & Johnson, class of 1966

2010 inductees
- Keith Bishop, Drug Enforcement Administration agent, class of 1975
- Laura Welch Bush, former first lady, class of 1964
- Robin Malone Darr, district judge, class of 1976
- Retired Gen. Tommy R. Franks, U.S. Army, class of 1963
- Susan Graham, international opera singer, class of 1978
- Ernie Johnson, former LHS baseball coach, 1961-1991
- Dr. Jeffrey Alan Kozak, neurosurgeon, class of 1974
- Hazel Taylor, former LHS counselor, 1967-1976
- Michael L. Williams, Texas Education Commissioner, class of 1971
- The late Jacob C. Young III, international law, class of 1986

EDUCATIONBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Five MISD students honored by College Board

Three Midland High and two Lee High students have been honored by the College Board's National Hispanic Recognition Program.

The program honors about 5,000 of the highest-scoring students on the PSAT/NMSQT. More than 250,000 Hispanic/Latino high school juniors take the test annually.

Honorees from MHS are Corbin Berrones, Lauren Camarillo and Chloe Gomez. Honorees from LHS are Benjamin Perez and Olivia Taylor.

MISD students earn 45 AP Scholar awards

Forty-four Midland ISD students earned 45 AP Scholar Awards from the College Board based on tests taken in May.

Lee High School graduate Stephen Mangum was given the National AP Scholar award for having average scores of 4 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 4 or greater on eight or more of these exams.

Midland High School valedictorian Matthew Fitzgerald and 10 LHS students — Juan Alvarez, Lizbeth Contreras, Jordan Darling, Wesley Davis, Palvasha Deme, Stephen Mangum, Kaylin McDermett, Sydney Ramirez, Daisy Ruiz, and Felipe Sinisterra — were given the AP Scholar with Distinction Award. This award is given to students with average scores of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 3 or greater on five or more AP exams.

MHS' Matthew Trela and seven LHS students — Chandler Cavitt, Benjamin Hall, Thomas Jarman, Russell Newsom, Ravi Patel, Olivia Taylor, and Jesse York — received the AP Scholar with Honor Award. These students earned average scores of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 3 or greater on four or more AP exams.

The distinction of AP Scholar, a student with scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams, was awarded to 10 MHS students and 15 LHS students.

The Midland High AP Scholars are Zachary Andrews, Miguel Bocanegra, Dillon Custer, Cora Drozd, Shelby Hardin, Morgan Kratzer, Zachary Lyssy, Jay McDoniel, Marcus Salinas and Christian Torres.

The Lee High AP Scholars are Chelsey Bauer, McKenzie Dean, Maria Gil, Joseph Hall, Darien Justice, Devin Kilborn, Brian Kitchens, Maggie Moore, Eamonn Morris, Karishma Patel, Pooja Patel, Haley Rhodes, Nathaniel Webb, Emily White and Charlie Winkley.

The College Board AP exams are administered in May of each year. They are rigorous subject exams at the secondary level. Achievement on the exams is a gauge of academic excellence and college-readiness.

MISD accepts GT program forms

Nominations for the Midland ISD Gifted and Talented program are now being accepted for kindergarten students.

Parents and guardians may go to their child's home campus office and fill out a nomination form in order for a student to be tested for the Project THINK and QUEST programs.

The deadline for nominations is Oct. 16.

Lee High to hold homecoming parade Thursday

The annual Lee High School homecoming parade will begin at 6 p.m. Thursday at the intersection of Wadley Avenue and Sunburst Drive. The parade will travel down Wadley Avenue, turn right on Midland Drive and left on Neely Avenue before finishing at Lee High School.

An all-school community pep rally will be held immediately following the parade in the LHS gym.

MC announces formation of Community Writers' Group

An organizational meeting for the Community Writers' Group, sponsored by the Midland College Department of English, will be at 7 p.m. Oct. 14 in the Herd Faculty Lounge in the Scharbauer Student Center.

"Our main goal is to host a collaborative environment where Midlanders will have opportunities to share their original writings with others and learn from one another as well as guest speakers," said Pamela Howell, MC English professor who is serving as coordinator.

The organization is open to anyone who is interested in any genre of creative writing — essay, short story, novel, play and poetry.

For more information, contact Howell at 685-4628 or prhowell@midland.edu.

Oil field chemical troubleshooter to speak

Rob Cochran, president of Rob Cochran Consulting Inc., will speak on "Science and Business" noon Friday at the F. Marie Hall Academic Building Lecture Hall (Room 101).

Cochran has more than 40 years of oil field, industrial, microbiological and environmental experience.

His lecture will focus on identification of "extreme environment" microorganisms and the application of the chemistry of these organisms to the business sector, said associate professor of chemistry, Thomas Ready.

The free lecture is one of a series on current topics of interest in the science field. Guests are invited to bring their lunch.

MISD bands to participate in marching festival

The annual Midland ISD Marching Festival is Oct. 9 at Grande Communications Stadium.

Junior high and high school bands will perform for sixth-grade students from all 24 elementary schools. Performances will begin at 9:30 a.m. with "The Star Spangled Banner" performed by Midland High School. San Jacinto, Abell, Goddard and Alamo junior high bands will perform every five minutes beginning at 9:35 a.m.

The Midland High band will perform at 10 a.m., the Lee High band at 10:15 a.m. and all bands will perform a grand finale of the King March at 10:35 a.m.

MC implements health care technology training

Midland College is partnering with the Area Health Education Center of the Plains and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center to recruit and train people in rural West Texas to meet the needs associated with the implementation of electronic health records (EHRs).

The training is made possible through a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and Health Resources and Services Administration.

MC will provide training for current staff from established health care providers. More than 100 current employees will receive skills necessary to address the changes in federal health care requirements.

MC's health information management program has been in place since 1998 and is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Informatics & Information Management Education (CAHIIM).

People interested in the program should contact the Midland College health information management department at 685-6891, hitech@midland.edu. More information about MC's health information management associate's degree and certificate options can be found at www.midland.edu/him.

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College forum set for tonight; MISD adds two counselors

By Meredith Moriak
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High school students and community members interested in learning more about higher education opportunities are encouraged to attend tonight's annual Midland County College Forum.

The event, open to students and parents, is 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Midland College Chaparral Center, 3600 N. Garfield Ave.

Representatives from colleges throughout the country will be in attendance to answer questions concerning admission, scholarships and financial assistance.

In Midland ISD, counselors provide students with the bulk of information regarding college admissions requirements and financial aid qualifications, as well as helping them complete all requirements necessary to graduate from high school.

To better serve students, especially those in high-risk populations, MISD added two counselors this year to work specifically with students designated as English language learners and special education.

"Looking more in-depth with ELL student needs, we needed someone to pay attention to them, their needs and their schedules. Special (education) needed the same thing so we just kind of put two heads together and came up with this idea," said Joanna Rowley, MISD's executive director of English language learners.

Both Lee and Midland high schools have about 275 students that fit into these criteria and one counselor is assigned to each school to work with these students and serve as their educational advocate.

"So many of our newcomers will get to a point where they think they've learned enough English, drop out and go get a job. We needed someone to be their advocate and talk them through the process and help them finish so they can make it in the real world and after oil's not here anymore," Rowley said.

Scheduling for both ELL and special education students is different than that for the majority of the student body, which Rowley describes as "very time-consuming." Having two counselors for those two student groups will ensure better services than expecting all 10-plus high school counselors to know about those students' needs, Rowley said.

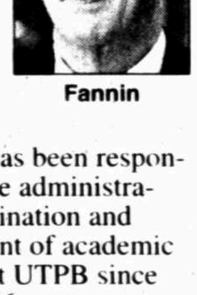
"The counselor may have to go talk to the teacher and be the go-between. Knowing that child's going to have the same counselor for the three years they're here is a safe haven for parents and students as they try to prepare for life outside high school," Rowley said.

Though adding the specialized positions was initially meant to reduce the student-load for traditional counselors, MISD Director of Counseling Ron Moss said that has not been the case because enrollment numbers have steadily increased.

UTPB provost to return to full-time teaching position

From staff reports

ODESSA — UT Permian Basin announced Tuesday that William Fannin, provost and vice president of academic affairs, will return to full-time teaching in fall 2014.


Fannin

Fannin has been responsible for the administration, coordination and development of academic activities at UTPB since July 1, 1996.

While he was provost and vice president of academic affairs, UTPB enrollment increased from roughly 2,100 students in 1996 to 5,221 students this fall. Academic degree programs increased from 22 bachelor's and 17 master's degrees to 35 bachelor's and 19 master's degrees. Program additions were diverse and have included petroleum engineering, music, nursing and public administration.

"Bill Fannin's leadership has significantly advanced the reputation of the university," said UTPB President David Watts in a news release. "His commitment to quality is apparent in many areas including the development of online academic programs, retaining and hiring the best deans and faculty, increasing our enrollment and assuring the best possible education for all UTPB students."

Under Fannin's leadership, UTPB became the first school in Texas to offer a $10,000 bachelor's degree in select majors and was recognized as the second least expensive Texas public, four-year institution for all college expenses, including tuition and fees, according to a College for All Texans' report.

"In the 17 years that I have been at UTPB, I have been fortunate to work with some great people who are dedicated to serving our students and the region," Fannin said. "It has been a pleasure working with our faculty, staff, students and community as provost, and I look forward to continuing to work with them in my new full-time faculty role."

Fannin will not officially conclude his duties as provost until Sept. 1, 2014, and UTPB will take the next year to find his replacement.

TANK

From 1B

After reading two books, numerous Internet articles and talking with employees at Austin-based Texas Hydropnics, Reid decided it would be necessary to purchase a 29-gallon tank, two red blood parrot cichlids, 10 various plants and an LED light.

After much research, the siblings set up the tank by large windows that provide some necessary light and allow all students, regardless of grade, to check in on the aquaponic and see progress that has been made.

In addition to feeding the fish, Cheddar and Butter, before and after school, Reid and Emily check the water's pH level, trim plants as needed and try to troubleshoot any problems that may occur.

Green algae initially covered the tank's walls but Reid researched the issue online and determined that adding snails to the environment would solve that problem. The addition of three snails proved to be the solution, and Harrington said it has been wonderful watching her students take ownership in something so educational.

"I love that they've set this up and generated interest among their friends. It's been great to see more students getting interested in this project," Harrington said.

The tank has also become a teaching tool, making it easier to explain symbiotic relationships to students, Harrington said.

"The students have been able to see the changes in water quality, how the plants grow and we've been able to make connections to how this also happens on land," Harrington said.

Reid's and Emily's mother, Susan Rodenko, said the entire process has been very interesting and educational for her children, as well as rewarding.

"Even though this aquaponics setup is small to fit in a classroom, it demonstrates the unique and natural way to produce food. The fish feed the plants that both can feed us," Rodenko said.

In larger commercial setups, aquaponic tanks can actually grow table-ready fish in less than six months and significant numbers of vegetables, she said.

Trinity currently grows mint, basil, chives, tomato and parsley plants without any chemicals or soil.

"If anyone wants to start an aquaponics system it is very easy, with a little help, and the possibilities of what you can do is just about limitless," Rodenko said.

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FRIDAY: Sunny High: 88 Low: 51

Local forecast

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 95 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly clear conditions with a low around 67 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph.

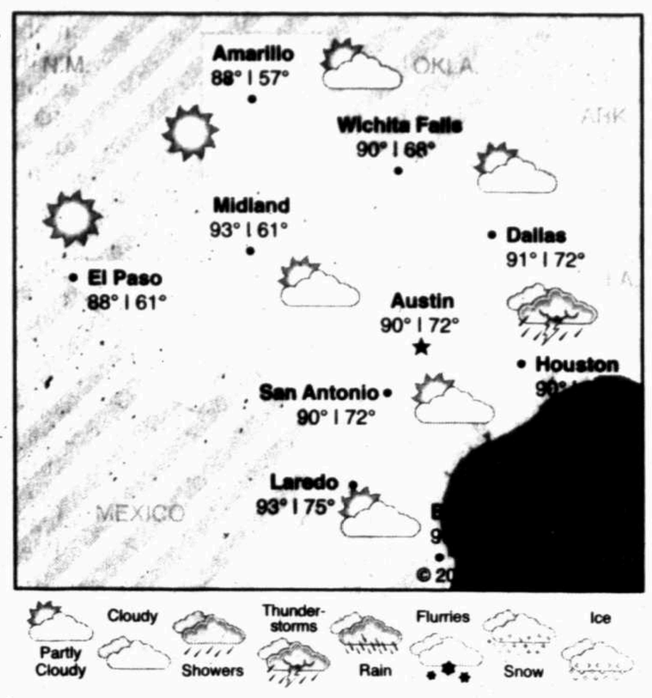
Thursday, look for sunny skies with a high around 94 and south winds around 15 mph. Expect mostly clear conditions at night, with a low around 67 and south winds around 15 mph.

Friday, the forecast calls for sunny skies during the day, partly cloudy skies at night, with a high around 88 and a low around 51.

The high on Tuesday reached 95, while the low dropped to 64. The record high for Oct. 1 is 98 set in 1951. The record low is 42 set in 1966.

National forecast

High pressure will continue to control the weather over much of the eastern third of the nation today. The fair weather system will continue to keep most areas dry, but patchy low clouds are likely to continue in some areas through the midday hours. Showers and thunderstorms associated with tropical moisture will occur in part of South Florida.



Precipitation

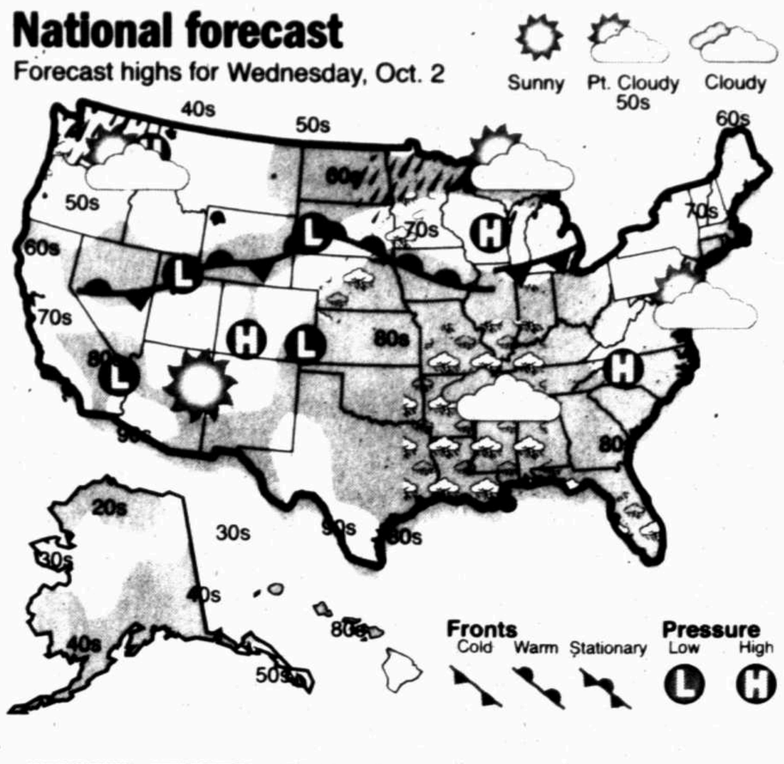
Monday	0.00 in.
Tuesday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.00 in.
Year total	4.84 in.
Normal total (year to date)	11.65 in.

Tuesday's temperatures

High	95
Low	64
Normal high	82
Normal low	57
Sunrise	7:43 a.m.
Sunset	7:32 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, Oct. 2



Mr. Right's only wrong is hanging out with his exes

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 dating Mr. Right for two years. "Phil" is the man I want to spend my life with. When we are together privately, everything is perfect.

The problem is, Phil hangs out with his old college buddies every few weeks or months, and it often involves his ex-girlfriends. They don't hang out alone. There is always at least one other person there. The situations usually include drinking, which worries me.

In my opinion, Phil should not be seeing his exes, even though his college friends are still buddies with them. Phil doesn't understand why I think this is so wrong. I am uncomfortable and think he should avoid these situations.

Am I overly jealous, or should I call it quits because he won't respect my feelings on the matter? — HOME ALONE IN KOKOMO

DEAR HOME ALONE: I don't think you are overly jealous, but I do think you may be overly insecure. Has Phil given you any reason to think he has cheated on you? If not, you should trust that he is doing nothing more than hanging out occasionally with old friends.

You say he is encountering exes (plural) when he sees his male friends. If it was just one, you might have cause to worry. Remember, these women are exes for a reason. Unless you want to be another ex, you should lighten up because insecurity and possessiveness are unattractive traits.

DEAR ABBY: We have lived next door to a couple, "Evie" and "Earl," for five years. I thought we were good friends. Over the years, I vented to Evie about my relationship with my daughter-in-law, "Cate." I watch my two grandkids most of the week and have complained to her about Cate's poor parenting skills.

Last summer, my daughter-in-law made a concerted effort to befriend Evie, and they now socialize together — even though Cate flirted with Earl and Evie didn't like it. This has pretty much killed my friendship with Evie and worsened my relationship with my D-I-L.

This has affected me emotionally and physically to the point that I either want to cut off ties with my son and/or move — neither of which is really an option. I have tried talking to both parties to no avail. I don't know what to do. Please help. — BETRAYED IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR BETRAYED: If you had concerns about your daughter-in-law's parenting skills, the person you should have discussed them with was Cate. And if Evie was as good a friend as you thought, she wouldn't be hanging around with your daughter-in-law to the exclusion of you.

I assume that you, your son and Cate are still on speaking terms and you're still watching the kids "most of the week." If that's not true and you have been cut off by everyone, then the most important thing you need to do is take care of your mental and physical health. Accept that Evie will never be your buddy again and start socializing with others.

If you are no longer watching your grandchildren, your son and D-I-L will have to make alternative arrangements for childcare, which will cost them money they may be reluctant to spend. Then it will be in their interest, as well as yours to make peace.

GOREN BRIDGE

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Play or defend?

Both vulnerable. East deals.

NORTH
♠ K 6
♥ Q 6
♦ K Q 10 7 6 2
♣ Q 10 5

WEST
♠ 7 2
♥ J 5 3
♦ A J 5 4
♣ 9 8 7 6

EAST
♠ A 9 8
♥ A 7
♦ 9 8
♣ A K J 4 3 2

SOUTH
♠ Q J 10 5 4 3
♥ K 10 9 8 4 2
♦ 3
♣ Void

The bidding:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
1NT	2♠	Dbl	Pass
3NT	4	Pass	4♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: Nine of ♣

Play or defend four spades?

East opens one no-trump. West's double of the two-spade overcall was negative. Thereafter, the auction was natural, with North taking a preference to partner's first-bid suit.

Suppose you declare. After ruffing the opening salvo you lead a heart to the queen, which loses to East's ace. East continues with the ace of spades and another and declarer will have to concede another heart trick, as well as the ace of diamonds.

At trick two run the ten of hearts. East wins with the ace and reverts to a club, forcing South to ruff. If declarer continues with a trump to the king, East allows it to win, wins the second trump with the ace and forces South with a club. Declarer has no plain-suit entry to hand to draw the last trump, so trump control shifts to defenders.

Don't defend just yet. After running the ten of hearts and ruffing the second club, declarer must lead the king of hearts! That kills the queen, but South is ahead of the game. The next heart is ruffed high. One trick in each suit except clubs is all the defenders can get!

If East ducks the ten of hearts at trick two, declarer is at the crossroads. A low diamond toward the king-queen should prevail, but the defenders might obtain the setting trick should declarer falter.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2013:

This year you often become very serious and self-disciplined. You seek out the answers to questions that many people would not even ponder. Your ability to see past the obvious marks your success. At times, you seem quiet and withdrawn, as you need time to reflect. If you are single, your potential suitors will need to understand that this behavior is part of you. If they can't accept you as you are, look elsewhere. If you are attached, the two of you need more time as a couple. VIRGO can be very fussy.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You might not be comfortable with everything you need to do. You know that the only way to get it all done is to dive right in and get going. You will be delighted at how quickly your to-do list dissolves. A discussion with a boss might be necessary. Tonight: Join a friend for fun.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You'll observe as someone continues to encounter obstacles — one right after the other. Trying to pitch in and/or make a suggestion might be helpful to this person. Use your creativity in order to make your day easier. Tonight: Remain responsive to a loved one at a distance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You'll want to see a situation with more insight and understanding; however, you might be stuck watching the same mental reruns over and over again. Open up to a new way of thinking; you will get a better grasp on what is motivating someone else. Tonight: Easy works.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ You have a chance to open up to new people and new attitudes. Be willing to turn a situation around and see it differently. Your input could be most helpful to a close associate or loved one, as it could helping this person see what has been hidden. Tonight: Relax.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ You might be wondering when you should say that enough is enough. Someone close to you keeps taking advantage of your generosity. Be prepared for this person to have a surprised reaction when you finally decide to say "no." Maintain a sense of humor. Tonight: Order in.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You will be in your element, and you might feel as if you are able to make a difference. Your creativity spins a new solution for a child or friend. Resist trying to control a situation. A call or interaction with a neighbor or close associate could be touchy. Tonight: Just be yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ Recognize what is happening behind the scenes with a friend or loved one. Sometimes the most supportive action is not acknowledging what is happening, but rather letting this person handle the issue on his or her own. Use care with your funds. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ If you feel the impulse to take the lead, and you know full well that you have the support of the majority, do. You need to carry this issue or situation to completion. Recognize what is possible. A discussion will draw in positive results. Tonight: Ask, and you shall receive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ You have a way of helping others that allows them to see a controversial idea in a manner in which they can accept it. You could be in a position to make a big change, as long as you get the right support. If you're feeling insecure, pull back. Tonight: Could go to the wee hours.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ Detach before deciding whether you can go along with a group decision. You'll want to zero in on the most efficient and functional way to proceed. You can decide to convince others that you might have a better path to the same end. Tonight: Opt for something different.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Listen carefully to news that seems out of the norm. Perhaps the person who is delivering the message might not be emphasizing the right points. Reach out to the original source in order to find the truth. Tonight: Visit with a favorite person.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Defer to others, and make a difference that counts. You might be stopped by someone who cares about the same cause, but he or she might not have the same vision as you. A meeting easily could transform into a fun get-together. Let it happen. Tonight: Go where the action is.

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BORN TODAY

Musician Sting (1951), spiritual and political leader Mohandas Gandhi (1861), fashion designer Donna Karan (1948)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Cried one's eyes out
5 Facial expression
11 Hang down
14 Pre-migraine phenomenon, for some
15 Hot wings did him in
16 It may need a boost
17 "Shopper's aid
19 Barracks bed
20 Scattering seed
21 Raid the fridge
22 Songwriter Bacharach
23 Small combo
25 Katana-wielding warrior
27 Barking sound
30 Responsibility
32 Choice in a booth
33 Evening for trivia buffs
36 Disney lioness
38 "That __ last year!"
39 In the future, or, when spoken with a long starting vowel, what the last word of the answers to starred clues can have
41 1492 vessel
43 Hoodlum
45 Run-down urban buildings
47 HST part, say: Abbr.
49 Ex-Yankee Martinez
50 "A mouse!"
51 Takes care of
54 Islands in the stream
56 Meringue needs
57 Alts.
59 Homemade pistol
63 Bygone space station
64 "Stop-action film technique
66 Rock gp. known for its symphonic sound
67 Maker of Light & Fit yogurt
68 Jungfrau's range
69 Horner's nice neighbor
70 Battery parts
71 Push to the limit

DOWN

1 Clowns
2 Mark replacement
3 Figurehead spot
4 Silently understood
5 Birth state of four of the first five American presidents
6 More than unfriendly
7 Word after fire or bake
8 Met program details
9 Austrian painter Klimt
10 Superlative suffix
11 "Phone that can't be tapped
12 Ancient Greek market
13 Mob boss John
18 Subject of the 2003 TV film "The Crooked E"
22 Zippo filler
24 Should, with "to"
26 Work-wk. start
27 Pollution meas.
28 Tin Woodman's trouble
29 "Angler's equipment
31 Fitted bedding item
34 "Gadzooks!"
35 Patty Hearst, in the SLA
37 Kitty builder
40 Inhabitants
42 Pose
44 Miracle Mets manager Hodges
46 Recurring theme
48 Mideast capital
51 Hunks
52 Like gymnasts
53 Shorthand expert
55 Fat-shunning fellow
58 Email button
60 Storm wind
61 Calls the game
62 Brooding place
64 Govt. Rx watchdog
65 Actress Caldwell

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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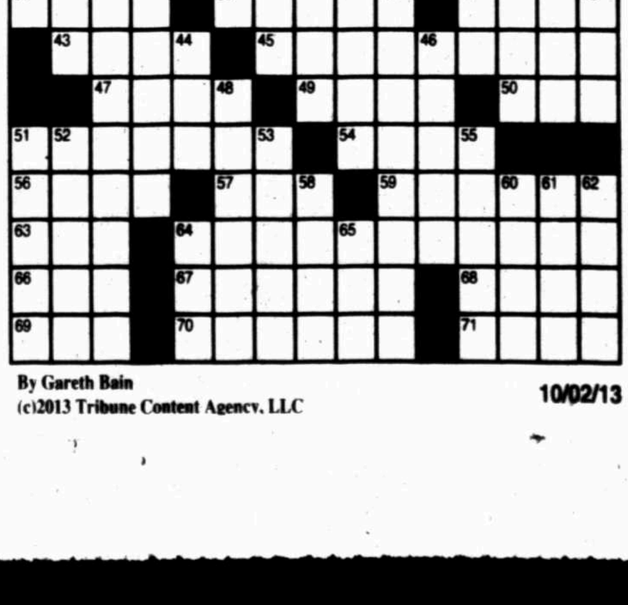

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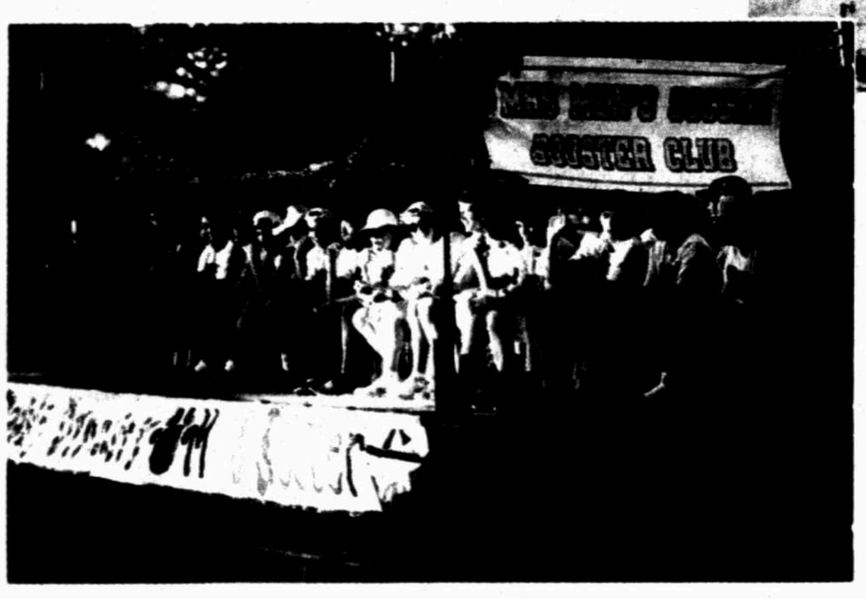
MHS HOMECOMING PARADE



The Dawg Dynasty-themed Midland High School homecoming parade was Thursday. It traveled down "A" Street to Midland High.

AT TOP
The Midland High School band marches during the MHS homecoming parade.

ABOVE LEFT
The Midland High football team rides on a float during the MHS homecoming parade.

Photos by James Durbin

MCS moves up in TAPPS realignment move

McClendon

Young

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There were some anxious moments for local schools who compete in TAPPS the past weeks, but after realignment was announced on Tuesday that anxiousness went away.

The state's largest private school organization announced alignments for the 2014-16 school years on Tuesday, and the biggest change was Midland Christian moving to Division I in football. The Mustangs will remain in TAPPS 4A in all other sports.

Trinity will remain in TAPPS Six-Man Division I and 3A in all other sports, while Midland Classical will also remain in TAPPS 3A.

The Mustang football team, which is 5-0 this season and going for its third straight Division II state championship this year, was moved into one of the toughest football districts in the state in TAPPS Division I, District 1.

Beginning with the 2014 season, the Mustangs will be in a district with Trinity Christian-Addison, former rival Argyle Liberty Christian, Dallas Bishop Lynch, Dallas Bishop Dunne, Fort Worth Nolan Catholic, Plano John Paul and Plano Prestonwood. Teams from this district have won the last five TAPPS Division I state titles.

Midland Christian football coach and athletic director Greg McClendon said he welcomed the move up in football, and added that he was also glad to see the other sports remain in 4A.

"I'm really pleased that all of our other sports stayed in 4A and I thought that was the most crucial thing that needed to happen for us," McClendon said. "I've said all along, put us where we are supposed to play and let's go. It will be a challenge, but it will be a good challenge. Hopefully we will be ready for it."

Midland Christian will play in all other sports in TAPPS 4A District 1 with Arlington Pantego, Colleyville Covenant, Flower Mound Corem Deo, Fort Worth Southwest Christian, Fort Worth Christian, Grapevine Faith and Lubbock Trinity.

TAPPS used a boys enrollment average for the football alignments, and overall school enrollment for alignments in other sports. The TAPPS website said that Midland Christian had a boys average enrollment of 208, which put the school about 20 students above the Division II cutoff.

"Going to Division I (of Class 5A) you are facing schools with 1,400 or 1,000 and Division I girls sports are awfully competitive," McClendon said. "There's a major jump when you have 169 or 170 girls in the high school. That's a hard jump."

Trinity athletic director Jeff Young said he was pleased to see that Trinity will remain in the

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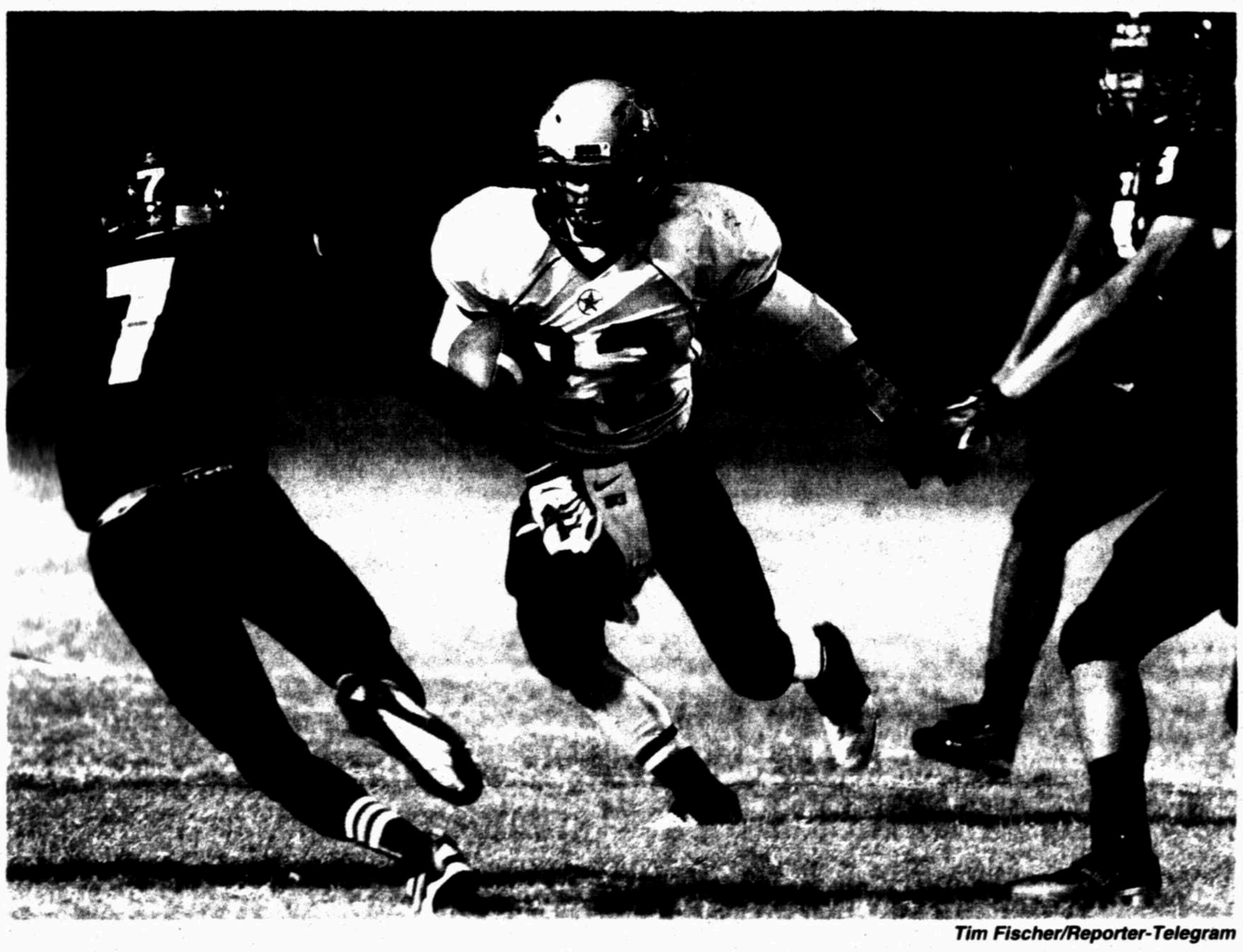
MUCH-NEEDED BOOST



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Greenwood's Braydin Moreland looks for open field as Lamesa defenders close in Friday night in Lamesa.

CLASS 2A/3A REPORT

Rangers take win, momentum into bye week

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With District 4-3A looming around the corner, the Greenwood football team picked up some much-needed momentum heading into this bye week.

The Rangers (2-3) broke a three-game losing streak on Friday with a 48-27 victory over Lamesa to spoil the Golden Tornadoes' homecoming.

"I feel really good about that win," Greenwood coach Shad Hanna said. "We made a few mistakes and had a few fumbles, but overall I thought we played really well."

The Rangers seemed to get a boost when senior Anthony Salas got his first varsity start at quarterback. Salas didn't disappoint as he completed 10 of 12 passes for 160 yards with one touchdown and no interceptions. He also carried the ball 26 times for 225 yards and two touchdowns as the Rangers continued to focus primarily on the running game — which is their strength this season. Greenwood rushed for 407 yards of their 544 yards of total offense against Lamesa.

Hanna said he was pleased with the way Salas played and added the offense showed a little more consistency.

Defensively, while the Golden Tors had 357 total yards, Hanna saw improvement out of the group, which had given up 143 points combined in the three losses.

"I thought the defense played really well," Hanna said. "Lamesa came out with different sets than what they had shown before and I thought the defense had to make some adjustments. We're

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First half of season brings plenty of surprises

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It's hard to believe that we're at the halfway point of the high school football season.

It seemed like it was only yesterday when the Reporter-Telegram sports staff was hard at work on putting together our football preview spectacular — at least in our views anyways.

Through the first five weeks of the season we have seen great performances, wacky games and surprising moments out of our small area schools. But should we expect anything different from mostly 16-, 17-year olds? Nope, there's never really a dull moment.

Since half of our core area schools have a bye this Friday, I thought it would be time to sum up the first half in my own way and then get you ready for the stretch run of the season.

NO SURPRISE: Should we be shocked that an experienced and talented Midland Christian team coming off back-to-back TAPPS Division II state championships is rolling over opponents?

If you are then you really haven't been paying attention to these Mustangs.

The closest game Midland Christian has had this season was a 38-3 victory over Big Spring in Week 1. Yes, a 35-point victory was the closest the Mustangs came to breaking a sweat in the fourth quarter.

It doesn't look to get much closer in District 1 play as Midland Christian is on what I like to call "The Mustang March."

How far the Mustangs can go really depends on them. If they can stay relatively healthy and remain focused, there's no question this is the most talented team among our small school programs.

BIGGEST SURPRISES: Although

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Lee falls to Central in straight sets

Lady Bobcats	**3**
Lady Rebels	0

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San Angelo Central dispatched Lee in three sets on Tuesday, and in the process might have also dispatched the Lady Rebels' playoff chances.

The Lady Bobcats, who have been among the top four teams it the district much of the season, beat Lee 25-20, 25-12, 25-14 to keep pace in the top part of the District 2-5A standings. Lee began the second half of District 2-5A play with its fourth straight district loss and now likely needs to win out to have a chance at making the playoffs.

"Game 1 started out all right, and we had a game plan and it was starting to fall into place, and then we totally set down and laid down," Lee coach Daphne Rhoads said. "Ever since school started, up until August 27 we had that first district win (against Abilene High) and after that it's one thing after another. It just boils down to not breaking down under pressure."

Central's lineup is among one of the tallest in the district with one player (Ally Standard) listed at 6-foot-4 and another (Jordan Kohl) at 6-3. Along with those two, the Lady Bobcats also have big hitters in Sophia Flores and Loren Poss.

Rhoads said her squad did a good job in the first set of slowing down the attack early, but the Lady Bobcats used a six-point run to open up a 14-7 lead and

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James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

NEW COACH

New Midland College men's basketball coach Jordan Dreiling directs the Chaps during the first day of workouts for the team at the Midland College Physical Education building. Dreiling came to Midland College from Central Arizona. The Chaps will open their season in early November. For more photos of Dreiling's first official day of practice go to mywesttexas.com.

DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

WHAT'S ON TV

GOLF

LPGA, Reignwood Classic, first round, at Beijing (delayed tape), 2 a.m., TGC

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Playoffs, AL Wild Card game, Tampa Bay at Cleveland, 7 p.m, TBS

NHL

Buffalo at Detroit, 7 p.m., NBCSN

SOCCER

UEFA Champions League, Juventus vs. Galatasaray, at Turin, Italy, 1:30 p.m., FSN

UEFA Champions League, Manchester United at Shakhtar Donetsk, 1:30 p.m., FS1

WHAT'S ON DECK

TODAY

COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

UTPB at Wayland Baptist, 7 p.m.

JUNIOR COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Midland College at Clarendon, 7 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Reinstated RHP Eric Beaulac from the 15-day DL. Recalled RHP Dylan Bunday from Bowie (EL) and LHP Tsuyoshi Wada from Norfolk (IL).

DETROIT TIGERS — Reinstated RHP Luis Marte from the 15-day DL.

HOUSTON ASTROS — Reassigned pitching coach Doug Brocail to special assistant to the general manager and senior pitching adviser. Announced the contracts of first base coach Dave Clark and bullpen coach Dennis Martinez will not be renewed.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Agreed to terms with manager Ned Yost on a two-year contract. Reinstated LHP Danny Duffy from the 15-day DL. Recalled LHP Maikel Cleto and RHPs Justin Marks, Everett Teaford and John Lamb from Omaha (PCL).

LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Reinstated 1B Albert Pujols from the 15-day DL. Recalled LHPs Michael Roth and Nick Maronde and OF Travis Witherspoon from Arkansas (TL) and LHP Brandon Sisk from Salt Lake (PCL).

TAMPA BAY RAYS — Placed RHP Jesse Crain on the 60-day DL. Selected the contract of OF Kevin Kiermaier from Durham (IL).

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Recalled RHPs Chase Anderson, Zeke Spruill and Charles Brewer; LHPs Joe Patterson and Tyler Skaggs; and OF Alfredo Marte from Reno (PCL) and OF Keon Broxton and LHP David Holmberg from Mobile (SL).

COLORADO ROCKIES — Reinstated RHP Rafael Betancourt from the 15-day DL. Recalled OF Tim Wheeler from Colorado Springs (PCL) and SS Cristhian Adames and OF Rafael Ortega from Tulsa (TL).

MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Reinstated RHP Josh Ravin. Recalled RHPs Mike Fiers, Hiram Burgos and Jesus Sanchez and OF Josh Prince from Nashville (PCL); RHPs Nick Bucci, Michael Olmstead and Ariel Pena from Huntsville (SL); RHP Santo Manzanillo from Brevard County (FSL); and RHP Jose De La Torre from Helena (Pioneer).

NEW YORK METS — Recalled LHP Robert Carson and OF Kirk Nieuwenhuis from Las Vegas (PCL) and OFs Cesar Puello and RHP Hansel Robles from Binghamton (EL).

American Association

SIOUX CITY EXPLORERS — Exercised the 2014 options on INF Austin Gallagher and RHP Chris Bodishbaugh.

Atlantic League

LONG ISLAND DUCKS —S ent RHP Shaun Garceau to Kansas City (AA) to complete an earlier trade.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL — Fined San Francisco S Donte Whitner $21,000 for his hit on St. Louis Rams' WR Chris Givens in the end zone in a game on Sept. 26.

CHICAGO BEARS — Terminated the contract of RB Harvey Unga from the practice squad. Signed DB Sean Cattouse to the practice squad.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Signed WRs Jeremy Ebert, Tobais Palmer and Lamaar Thomas and DT Jordan Miller to the practice squad. Waived CB Marcus Burley and DE Chris McCoy from the practice squad.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Released OT DeMarcus Love.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Re-signed CB Marquice Cole.

NEW YORK GIANTS — Signed OL Dallas Reynolds. Released RB Da'Rel Scott.

NEW YORK JETS — Released WR Ben Obomanu. Signed LB Troy Davis to the practice squad. Released RB Kareem Huggins from the practice squad.

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS — Placed WR Malcom Floyd and LB Dwight Freeney on the reserve-injured list. Signed WR Lavelle Hawkins. Signed LB Thomas Keiser from the practice squad. Signed T Andrew Tiller to the practice squad.

ST. LOUIS RAMS — Re-signed LB Jo-Lonn Dunbar. Released OT Max Starks. Signed CB Darren Woodard to the practice squad. Released FB Eric Stevens from the practice squad.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Released DE Phillip Merling and K John Potter.

Canadian Football League

WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Added RB Mario Fannin and DE J.D. Griggs to the practice roster.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

DETROIT RED WINGS — Recalled G Petr Mrazek from Grand Rapids (AHL). Assigned G Jared Coreau and D Xavier Ouellet to Grand Rapids.

PHOENIX COYOTES — Assigned Fs Josh Currie and Philippe Halley; G Chris Rawlings; and D Justin Teller from Portland (AHL) to Gwinnett (ECHL).

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS — Agreed to terms with F Phil Kessel on an eight-year contract extension.

WINNIPEG JETS — Agreed to terms with F Axel Blomqvist on a three-year, two-way, entry-level contract.

American Hockey League

TEXAS STARS — Assigned Gs Josh Robinson and Pat Nagle to Idaho (ECHL).

MOTORSPORTS

NASCAR — Fined Nationwide Series driver Nelson Piquet Jr. $10,000 and ordered him to attend sensitivity training for using an anti-gay slur on social media. Fined crew chief Jeremy Bullins $10,000 and docked team owner Roger Penske six championship car owner points Joey Logano's Nationwide car failed post-race inspection on Saturday.

COLLEGE

LEHIGH — Named Rob Fusaro director of men's basketball operations and Jimmy Bradshaw graduate men's basketball manager.

OREGON STATE — Suspended men's basketball Fs Eric Moreland 14 games and Devon Collier one game.

RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE — Named Janice DiNobile softball coach.

TEXAS — Announced the retirement of athletic director DeLoss Dodds, effective Aug. 31, 2014.

GOLF THIS WEEK

PGA TOUR

PRESIDENTS CUP

Site: Dublin, Ohio.

Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.

Course: Muirfield Village Golf Club (7,354 yards, par 72).

Television: Golf Channel (Thursday, noon-6 p.m., 8 p.m.-2 a.m.; Friday, 1-6 p.m., 8 p.m.-1 a.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 8 p.m.-2 a.m.) and NBC (Saturday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sunday, noon-6 p.m.).

Format: Team match play. Thursday, six foursomes matches; Friday, six fourball matches; Saturday, five morning foursomes matches, five afternoon fourball matches; Sunday, 12 singles matches.

United States (c-captain's pick): Keegan Bradley, Jason Dufner, Bill Haas, Zach Johnson, Matt Kuchar, Hunter Mahan, Phil Mickelson, c-Webb Simpson, Brandt Snedeker, c-Jordan Spieth, Steve Stricker, Tiger Woods. Captain: Fred Couples.

International: Angel Cabrera, Argentina; Jason Day, Australia; c-Brendon de Jonge, Zimbabwe; Graham DeLaet, Canada; Ernie Els, South Africa; Branden Grace, South Africa; c-Marc Leishman, Australia; Hideki Matsuyama, Japan; Louis Oosthuizen, South Africa; Charl Schwartzel, South Africa; Adam Scott, Australia; Richard Sterne, South Africa. Captain: Nick Price, Zimbabwe.

Last matches: The United States won for the fourth straight time, beating the International team 19-15 in 2011 at Royal Melbourne in Australia. Jim Furyk became the fourth player to win all five of his matches. The United States leads the series 7-1-1.

LPGA TOUR

REIGNWOOD LPGA CLASSIC

Site: Beijing.

Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.

Course: Pine Valley Golf Club (6,596 yards, par 73).

Purse: $1.8 million. Winner's share: $270,000.

Television: Golf Channel (Thursday, 3-5 a.m.; Friday, 4-6 a.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 3-6 p.m.).

Last year: Inaugural event.

Last event: Norway's Suzann Pettersen won the rain-shortened Evian Championship on Sept. 15 in France for her second straight victory and second major title. She beat 16-year-old amateur Lydia Ko by two strokes.

OTHER TOURNAMENTS

MEN

U.S. GOLF ASSOCIATION: U.S. Mid-Amateur, Saturday-Oct. 10, Country Club of Birmingham, Birmingham, Ala. Online: http://www.usga.org

JAPAN GOLF TOUR: Tokai Classic, Thursday-Sunday, Miyoshi Country Club, West Course, Aichi, Japan. Online: http://www.jgto.org

GLANTZ-CULVER LINE

NCAA FOOTBALL

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
		THURSDAY		
Texas	7½	7½	(56)	at Iowa St.
W. Kentucky	3	6½	(48)	at Louisiana-Monroe
UCLA	3½	4½	(60)	at Utah
		FRIDAY		
at Utah St.	6	6	(57½)	BYU
at San Diego St.	5½	4½	(57)	Nevada
		SATURDAY		
at Navy	11	11	(55)	Air Force
at Iowa	2	1	(39)	Michigan St.
Louisville	30	34	(58)	at Temple
at Toledo	17½	20½	(59)	W. Michigan
at Buffalo	11	13½	(53½)	E. Michigan
at Alabama	56	55½	(59½)	Georgia St.
at Boston College	10	11½	(49)	Army
Cent. Michigan	4½	3	(47)	at Miami (Ohio)
at Virginia	5	5	(48½)	Ball St.
at Florida St.	17½	15½	(57)	Maryland
at Miami	4	4½	(55½)	Georgia Tech
Clemson	13½	13½	(64½)	at Syracuse
NC State	9½	8½	(47½)	at Wake Forest
at Nebraska	9½	10	(61)	Illinois
at Marshall	9½	14½	(67)	UTSA
North Texas	PK	3	(53)	at Tulane
Oregon	35	38½	(70)	at Colorado
Georgia	10½	10½	(64)	at Tennessee
at Florida	12½	11	(43)	Arkansas
LSU	9½	9½	(54½)	at Mississippi St.
at Tulsa	2½	3	(55½)	Rice
at Virginia Tech	6½	7½	(45½)	North Carolina
at Oklahoma	10	10½	(46½)	TCU
Cincinnati	13½	11½	(48½)	at South Florida
at Oklahoma St.	14	14	(58)	Kansas St.
at Vanderbilt	2½	1½	(57)	Missouri
at Michigan	16½	20	(50)	Minnesota
UCF	10	10½	(48½)	at Memphis
Rutgers	3	6	(54½)	at SMU
Fresno St.	25	26	(64½)	at Idaho
at La.-Lafayette	10	10½	(55)	Texas St.
at Troy	2½	3½	(62)	South Alabama
at New Mexico	7	9	(58½)	New Mexico St.
at California	1½	Pk	(66)	Washington St.
at Stanford	6½	7	(53)	Washington
N. Illinois	9½	9	(62½)	at Kent St.
Mississippi	1	2½	(56½)	at Auburn
at South Carolina	21	21	(54½)	Kentucky
at Southern Miss.	14½	16½	(48)	FIU
at Bowling Green	23	25½	(50)	UMass
at UAB	7	4½	(53)	FAU
Texas Tech	14	17	(52½)	at Kansas
East Carolina	9½	7½	(60½)	at Middle Tenn.
Ohio	3	6	(57)	at Akron
Arizona St.-x	6½	5½	(62)	Notre Dame
at Baylor	21	27½	(69)	West Virginia
at UTEP	Pk	Pk	(59)	Louisiana Tech
Ohio St.	4	6½	(58)	at Northwestern
Penn St.	2½	3½	(64)	at Indiana
San Jose St.	4½	5	(55)	at Hawaii

x-at Arlington, Texas

NFL

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
		TOMORROW		
at Cleveland	3	4	(41)	Buffalo
		SUNDAY		
Kansas City	2½	3	(39½)	at Tennessee
at Miami	3	3	(43½)	Baltimore
at St. Louis	10½	11½	(42)	Jacksonville
at Cincinnati	2	1½	(45)	New England
Seattle	3	2½	(43½)	at Indianapolis
at Green Bay	6½	7	(53½)	Detroit
at Chicago	Pk	Pk	(48)	New Orleans
at N.Y. Giants	1	2	(54)	Philadelphia
Carolina	2	2	(42)	at Arizona
San Diego	5	4½	(44½)	at Oakland
Denver	5½	7	(56½)	at Dallas
at San Francisco	6½	7	(43)	Houston
		MONDAY		
at Atlanta	7½	9½	(43½)	N.Y. Jets

LEE

From 1C

never let it go.

During that stretch, Standard had three of her 3 1/2 blocks in the match. Meanwhile, Kohl finished the match with nine kills, Mikail Russell eight and Flores 11.

"Our coach got on us after that first set, and we weren't playing to the level we should've been," said Poss, a senior outside hitter who had four kills and two service aces on Tuesday. "She wanted us to get our speed up, and after that first set we picked it up."

Central (23-9, 7-2 in District 2-5A) did pick up the pace in the final two sets. In the second set, the Lady Bobcats built a 14-7 lead and then scored 11 of the final 13 points to win it.

It was similar in the third set as they opened up a 23-10 lead at one point. Lee rallied, but Mikail Russell finished the match with her eighth kill.

Tessa Bane led Lee with seven kills and Ashley Carter added five in the loss.

The Lady Rebels (14-16, 2-7) stayed in seventh place in the district standings and now face an uphill battle to make the postseason.

"When something big happens, anything, we tend to shut down and a bad call tends to be the thing," Rhoads said. "We let them get runs and we can't recover."

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Lee's Tori Jordan (13) and Tessa Bane (15) try to block a hit from San Angelo Central on Tuesday at Lee High.

SAN ANGELO CENTRAL DEF. LEE, 25-20, 25-12, 25-14

Lee statistics

Kills — Ashley Carter 5, Tessa Bane 7, Darby O'Grady 1, Bentleigh Dunavan 1, Jen Jeter 3, Tori Jordan 3, Ciara Sheppard 1

Digs — Carter 2, O'Grady 1, Dunavan 2, J. Jeter 2, Jordan 9, Janae Bechner 15, Sheppard 15, Justus Tarin 8, B. Jeter 2

Assists — Dunavan 1, Jordan 8, B. Jeter 12

Blocks — Carter 1, Bane 3, O'Grady 2

Aces — none

San Angelo Central statistics

Kills — Haylee Thompson 1, Loren Poss 4, Mikail Russell 8, Sophia Flores 6, Brilyn Daniels 3, Ally Standard 5, Jordan Kohl 9

Digs — Baylie Cates 4, Russell 7, Poss 6, Thompson 4, Amanda Torres 3, Bailey Waddington 3, Kohn 2, Flores 1

Assists — Poss 1, Waddington 19, Torres 13

Blocks — Poss .5, Flores .5, Standard 3.5, Kohn 1.5

Aces — Poss 2, Flores 1, Torres 1

Records: Lee 14-16, 2-7 in District 2-5A; San Angelo Central 23-9, 7-2

Next: Midland High at San Angelo Central, 5 p.m. Friday; Odessa High at Lee, 5 p.m. Friday

Lady Dawgs beats Lady Eagles

From staff reports

ABILENE — The Midland High volleyball team got a key District 2-5A road victory as the Lady Bulldogs won a five-set thriller against Abilene High on Tuesday.

MHS defeated the Lady Eagles 19-25, 26-24, 23-25, 25-23, 15-13 to move into a tie for third place in the district standings with a 6-3 record.

Midland High (24-11 overall) lost the first set before the teams traded wins in each of the next three sets with MHS winning 25-23 in the fourth. MHS then won the match in the fifth set on a Shelby Neatherlin kill.

Channing Burleson had 15 kills and 15 digs, Erin Robbins had 11 kills, Jenna Gillean added 10 kills, Konner Woods had 28 digs, Allyson Gordon had 24 digs, Emily Wickman had 25 assists amd Neatherlin had two blocks to go with her eight kills for MHS.

The Lady Bulldogs go to San Angelo Central at 5 p.m. Friday to continue district play.

MIDLAND HIGH DEF. ABILENE HIGH 19-25, 26-24, 23-25, 25-23, 15-13

Midland High statistics

Kills — Channing Burleson 15, Erin Robbins 11, Kaydee Strickland 11, Jenna Gillean 10, Shelby Neatherlin 8, Claire Lancaster 7, Kyndal Cowan 1, Hannah Bertelson 1

Digs — Konner Wood 28, Allyson Gordon 24, Burleson 15, Cowan 11, Emily Wickman 4, Bertelson 3, Gillean 2, Robbins 1, Strickland 1, Neatherlin 1

Assists — Wickman 25, Cowan 18, Robbins 1

Blocks — Neatherlin 2, Strickland 1, Burleson 1

Aces — Wood 2, Burleson 1, Wickman 1

Records: Midland High 24-11, 6-3 in District 2-5A; Abilene High 20-10, 3-5

Next: Midland High at San Angelo Central, 5 p.m. Friday

2-5A Volleyball Standings

Team	Overall W	Overall L	District W	District L
Amarillo Tascosa	8	0	18	13
San Angelo Central	7	2	23	9
Odessa Permian	6	3	21	10
Midland High	**6**	**3**	**24**	**11**
Lubbock Coronado	6	4	21	13
Abilene High	3	5	20	10
Lee	**2**	**7**	**14**	**16**
Abilene Cooper	1	7	11	21
Odessa High	0	8	2	19

Tuesday's Scores

Midland High def. Abilene High, 19-25, 26-24, 23-25, 25-23, 15-13; San Angelo Central def Lee, 25-20, 25-12, 25-14; Lubbock Coronado def. Odessa Permian, 25-17, 7-25, 25-17, 25-14

Friday's Matches

Midland High at San Angelo Central; Odessa High at Lee; Amarillo Tascosa at Odessa Permian. All matches start at 5 p.m.

Saturday's Matches

Amarillo Tascosa at Odessa High, Noon; Abilene High vs. Abilene Cooper, 2 p.m., Hardin-Simmons University

Oct. 8 Matches

Lee at Abilene Cooper, 6 p.m.

Lubbock Coronado at San Angelo Central, 6 p.m.

Odessa High at Odessa Permian, 6 p.m.

HSVBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

SNYDER BEATS GREENWOOD IN 3 SETS

Snyder kept Greenwood winless in District 4-3A play with a 25-18, 26-24, 25-18 victory on Tuesday at Greenwood High School.

Amanda Bell and Grace Sunderland each had eight kills for the Rangerettes (10-20, 0-2 in District 4-3A) in the loss. Bell also added 15 assists, and Shawnda Price and Cylie Mebane each had a service ace.

Greenwood will take on Sweetwater at 6 p.m. Friday.

SNYDER DEF. GREENWOOD, 25-18, 26-24, 25-18

Greenwood statistics

Kills — Amanda Bell 8, Grace Sunderland 8, Regan Shockley 3, Cylie Mebane 3, Lane Banks 2, Callierose Gilbert 4

Digs — Marissa Brewer 6, Maddie Campbell 7, Shockley 5, Shawnda Price 3, Bell 3, Sunderland 3, Mebane 3, Banks 3, Gilbert 3

Assists — Price 8, Bell 15, Banks 1

Blocks — Sunderland 1

Aces — Price 1, Mebane 1

Record: Greenwood 10-20, 0-2 in District 4-3A; Snyder 1-1 in District 4-3A

Next: Greenwood at Sweetwater, 6 p.m. Friday

MCS ROLLS BY KERMIT

The Midland Christian volleyball kept its non-district winning streak alive with a convincing 25-18, 25-8, 25-8 victory against Kermit on Tuesday at the McGraw Special Events Center.

Carleigh Moore had nine kills in the victory and Laycie Duncan had eight for the Lady Mustangs.

Morgan Ashton added 16 assists and also had two service aces.

Midland Christian (27-4) will return to TAPPS 1-4A play at 6 p.m. Friday against Arlington Pantego Christian.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN DEF. KERMIT, 25-18, 25-8, 25-8

Kills — Carleigh Moore 9, Laycie Duncan 8, Morgan Ashton 5, Annie Fisher 5, Claire Hardeman 1

Digs — Bailey Wright 14, Madi Blanchard 10, Megan McClendon 7, Megan Ashton 6, Carleigh Moore 4, Morgan Ashton 3

Assists — Morgan Ashton 16, Bailey Wright 12

Blocks — Carleigh Moore 3, Annie Fisher 1

Aces — Morgan Ashton 2, Carleigh Moore 1, Bailey Wright 1

Record: Midland Christian 27-4

Next: Midland Christian at Fort Worth Christian, 7 p.m.

BIG SPRING FALLS TO MONAHANS IN 5

BIG SPRING — Monahans defeated Big Spring in a five-set thriller on Tuesday, 21-25, 25-22, 20-25, 25-11, 15-12.

Monahans (21-9 overall) stayed unbeaten in District 4-3A play at 2-0, while Big Spring fell to 22-10, 1-1.

For Big Spring, Erin Pollard had 13 kills, Kelsie Guinn had 11 kills, Julianna Rodriguez added 25 digs and Kinsey Wash had 16 assists to lead the Lady Steers.

MONAHANS DEF. BIG SPRING 21-25, 25-22, 20-25, 25-11, 15-12

Big Spring statistics

Kills — Erin Pollard 13, Kelsie Guinn 11, Morgan Seaton 9, Stevi Ward 3, Julianna Rodriguez 1

Digs — Rodriguez 25, Seaton 16, Ward 15, Kinsey Wash 6, Guinn 2

Assists — Seaton 30, Wash 16, Ward 2, Guinn 1

Blocks — Seaton 5, Guinn 5, Ward 2, Pollard 1

Aces — Rodriguez 2, Seaton 2, Pollard 1

Blackhawks beat Capitals in opener

Associated Press

CHICAGO — The Chicago Blackhawks watched as their championship banner rose to the rafters at the United Center. They took another look at the Stanley Cup, and soaked in the applause from the sellout crowd.

Then Johnny Oduya and Co. went out and reminded the rest of the NHL how they won that title.

Oduya, Brandon Saad and Marian Hossa scored in the third period, and the Blackhawks kicked off their title defense with a 6-4 victory over Mikhail Grabovsky and the Washington Capitals on Tuesday night.

"We wanted a good start. I think we got that," Oduya said. "Maybe in the second we came down a little bit, the win is the key thing to that, and to keep building on that. There's a lot of games this year, so we've got to stay strong and get better."

Patrick Kane, Brent Seabrook and Brandon Bollig also scored for Chicago, which won its first game for the second straight season. Corey Crawford made 28 saves, including a couple of huge stops when the Blackhawks killed off a late 5-on-3 power play.

Chicago ruined Los Angeles' title celebration with a 5-2 victory in last season's opener and then set an NHL record by recording at least one point in its first 24 games. The fast start played a key role in the Blackhawks' run to the Stanley Cup, and coach Joel Quenneville made it clear in training camp that another opening surge is a priority.

"The guys have always been in a good place since Day 1 of the season," Quenneville said. "You've got to commend them on how they prepared themselves."

Grabovsky had three goals and an assist in his first game since he signed with Washington in August. Alex Ovechkin had a goal and an assist, but the Capitals dropped their opener for the second straight season.

"They got a little bit lucky today," Grabovsky said.

Grabovsky had consecutive power-play goals in the third, lifting Washington to a 3-2 lead with 14:44 left. But Saad finished a beautiful give-and-go with Michal Handzus, and Oduya converted a long slap shot at 13:53 to put the Blackhawks ahead to stay.

NHLSTANDINGS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	1	1	0	0	2	4	3
Boston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Buffalo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Detroit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Florida	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ottawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tampa Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Montreal	1	0	1	0	0	3	4

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Carolina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Columbus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Jersey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.Y. Islanders	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.Y. Rangers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pittsburgh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Washington	1	0	1	0	0	4	6

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	1	1	0	0	2	6	4
Colorado	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dallas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nashville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Louis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Winnipeg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Anaheim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calgary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edmonton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Phoenix	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Jose	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vancouver	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Tuesday's Scores

Toronto 4, Montreal 3

Chicago 6, Washington 4

Winnipeg at Edmonton, late

Today's Games

Toronto at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.

Buffalo at Detroit, 7 p.m.

Anaheim at Colorado, 8:30 p.m.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Thursday
SOUTH
W. Kentucky (3-2) at Louisiana-Monroe (2-3), 6:30 p.m.
MIDWEST
Texas (2-2) at Iowa St. (1-2), 6:30 p.m.
FAR WEST
UCLA (3-0) at Utah (3-1), 9 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 4
FAR WEST
BYU (2-2) at Utah St. (3-2), 7 p.m.
Nevada (3-2) at San Diego St. (1-3), 8 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 5
SATURDAY
EAST
Air Force (1-4) at Navy (2-1), 10:30 a.m.
E. Michigan (1-3) at Buffalo (1-2), 11 a.m.
Lehigh (4-0) at Fordham (5-0), 11 a.m.
Valparaiso (0-3) at Marist (2-2), 11 a.m.
Louisville (4-0) at Temple (3-1), 11 a.m.
New Hampshire (1-2) at Towson (5-0), 11 a.m.
West Liberty (2-2) at Duquesne (1-2), 11:10 a.m.
Colgate (0-4) at Cornell (1-1), 11:30 a.m.
Army (2-3) at Boston College (2-2), 12 p.m.
St. Francis (Pa.) (1-3) at CCSU (1-4), 12 p.m.
Harvard (2-0) at Holy Cross (2-3), 12 p.m.
Robert Morris (2-2) at Monmouth (NJ) (2-3), 12 p.m.
Dartmouth (1-1) at Penn (1-1), 12 p.m.
Columbia (0-2) at Princeton (0-1), 12 p.m.
Wagner (1-4) at Sacred Heart (5-0), 12 p.m.
William & Mary (3-1) at Villanova (2-2), 12 p.m.
Bucknell (1-2) at Lafayette (0-3), 2:30 p.m.
Delaware (4-1) at Maine (3-1), 2:30 p.m.
Clemson (4-0) at Syracuse (2-2), 2:30 p.m.
Rhode Island (2-3) at Brown (1-1), 5 p.m.
Bryant (3-1) at Stony Brook (1-3), 5 p.m.
SOUTH
North Greenville (4-0) at Charleston Southern (4-0), 10 a.m.
Maryland (4-0) at Florida St. (4-0), 11 a.m.
Gardner-Webb (4-1) at Charlotte (2-2), 11 a.m.
Ball St. (4-1) at Virginia (2-2), 11 a.m.
Georgia St. (0-4) at Alabama (4-0), 11:21 a.m.
North Carolina (1-3) at Virginia Tech (4-1), 11:30 a.m.
Morehead St. (1-4) at Campbell (1-2), 12 p.m.
NC Central (2-2) at Howard (1-3), 12 p.m.
Florida A&M (1-3) at Morgan St. (0-5), 12 p.m.
Savannah St. (1-4) at Norfolk St. (1-3), 12 p.m.
South Alabama (2-2) at Troy (2-3), 12 p.m.
Elon (1-4) at Furman (2-2), 12:30 p.m.
Albany (NY) (1-4) at James Madison (3-2), 1:30 p.m.
Presbyterian (1-2) at Wofford (2-2), 12:30 p.m.
MVSU (0-4) at Alabama A&M (2-3), 1 p.m.
Bethune-Cookman (3-1) at Delaware St. (1-3), 2 p.m.
UTSA (2-3) at Marshall (2-2), 1 p.m.
Appalachian St. (1-2) at The Citadel (1-4), 2 p.m.
Warner (0-3) at Alcorn St. (3-2), 2 p.m.
Georgia Southern (3-1) at Samford (2-2), 2 p.m.
FAU (1-4) at UAB (1-3), 2 p.m.
Jacksonville St. (4-0) at UT-Martin (3-1), 2 p.m.
Georgia Tech (3-1) at Miami (4-0), 2:30 p.m.
East Carolina (3-1) at Middle Tennessee (3-2), 2:30 p.m.
NC A&T (3-0) vs. SC State (2-2) at Atlanta, 2:30 p.m.
Georgia (3-1) at Tennessee (3-2), 2:30 p.m.
North Texas (2-2) at Tulane (3-2), 2:30 p.m.
NC State (3-1) at Wake Forest (2-3), 2:30 p.m.
Tennessee Tech (3-2) at Murray St. (2-2), 3 p.m.
FIU (0-4) at Southern Miss. (0-4), 3 p.m.
UCF (3-1) at Memphis (1-2), 3:30 p.m.
W. Carolina (1-3) at Chattanooga (2-2), 5 p.m.
Austin Peay (0-4) at E. Kentucky (2-3), 5 p.m.
Liberty (3-2) at Old Dominion (3-2), 5 p.m.
Mississippi (3-1) at Auburn (3-1), 6 p.m.
Arkansas (3-2) at Florida (3-1), 6 p.m.
Ark.-Pine Bluff (0-4) at Jackson St. (3-2), 6 p.m.
Texas St. (3-1) at Louisiana-Lafayette (2-2), 6 p.m.
LSU (4-1) at Mississippi St. (2-2), 6 p.m.
Cincinnati (3-1) at South Florida (0-4), 6 p.m.
SE Missouri (0-4) at Tennessee St. (3-1), 6 p.m.
Kentucky (1-3) at South Carolina (3-1), 6:30 p.m.
Missouri (4-0) at Vanderbilt (3-2), 7:30 p.m.
Incarnate Word (3-2) at SE Louisiana (2-2), 7 p.m.
MIDWEST
Penn St. (3-1) at Indiana (2-2), 11 a.m.
Michigan St. (3-1) at Iowa (4-1), 11 a.m.
Texas Tech (4-0) at Kansas (2-1), 11 a.m.
Illinois (3-1) at Nebraska (3-1), 11 a.m.
Stetson (1-3) at Butler (3-2), 12 p.m.
Davidson (0-4) at Dayton (2-2), 12 p.m.
Cent. Michigan (1-4) at Miami (Ohio) (0-4), 12 p.m.
Ohio (3-1) at Akron (1-4), 1 p.m.
Jacksonville (2-3) at Drake (1-3), 1 p.m.
W. Illinois (2-2) at Illinois St. (1-3), 2 p.m.
S. Illinois (2-3) at S. Dakota St. (3-1), 2 p.m.
Missouri St. (1-4) at South Dakota (1-2), 2 p.m.
W. Michigan (0-5) at Toledo (2-3), 2 p.m.
Youngstown St. (4-1) at Indiana St. (1-3), 2:05 p.m.
UMass (0-4) at Bowling Green (4-1), 2:30 p.m.
N. Illinois (4-0) at Kent St. (2-3), 2:30 p.m.
Minnesota (4-1) at Michigan (4-0), 2:30 p.m.
N. Iowa (4-0) at N. Dakota St. (3-0), 2:30 p.m.
Ohio St. (5-0) at Northwestern (4-0), 7 p.m.
SOUTHWEST
Rutgers (3-1) at SMU (1-3), 11 a.m.
Kansas St. (2-2) at Oklahoma St. (3-1), 2:30 p.m.
Rice (2-2) at Tulsa (1-3), 2:30 p.m.
McNeese St. (4-1) at Cent. Arkansas (2-2), 3 p.m.
Prairie View (3-2) vs. Grambling St. (0-5) at Dallas, 4:30 p.m.
TCU (2-2) at Oklahoma (4-0), 6 p.m.
Alabama St. (3-2) at Texas Southern (0-4), 6 p.m.
Notre Dame (3-2) vs. Arizona St. (3-1) at Arlington, Texas, 6:30 p.m.
Louisiana Tech (1-4) at UTEP (1-3), 6:30 p.m.
West Virginia (3-2) at Baylor (3-1), 7 p.m.
FAR WEST
UC Davis (1-4) at S. Utah (3-1), 2:05 p.m.
Portland St. (3-2) at Montana (3-1), 2:30 p.m.
Washington St. (3-2) at California (1-3), 3 p.m.
Mercer (4-0) at San Diego (2-2), 3 p.m.
North Dakota (1-2) at Idaho St. (2-2), 3:05 p.m.
N. Arizona (3-1) at Montana St. (2-2), 3:05 p.m.
Fresno St. (4-0) at Idaho (1-4), 5 p.m.
Yale (2-0) at Cal Poly (2-2), 5:05 p.m.
Oregon (4-0) at Colorado (2-1), 5 p.m.
New Mexico St. (0-5) at New Mexico (1-3), 6 p.m.
Weber St. (1-4) at E. Washington (2-1), 6:05 p.m.
N. Colorado (1-3) at Sacramento St. (2-3), 8:05 p.m.
Washington (4-0) at Stanford (4-0), 9:30 p.m.
San Jose St. (1-3) at Hawaii (0-4), 10:59 p.m.

SPORTS BRIEF

FROM WIRE REPORTS

INDIANA

Notre Dame seeking identity nearing midseason

SOUTH BEND — The drop off in Notre Dame's play on defense after carrying the Fighting Irish to the national championship game last season is perplexing to some.

That's not what's bothering coach Brian Kelly.

"Where we're really pulling our hair out is trying to find that balance from an offensive standpoint. We're going to play, I believe, well enough defensively to win the rest of our games. We've got to get ourselves where we have enough balance offensively to run the ball and throw the ball effectively. And as you know, our margin isn't great," he said.

Pirates beat Reds 6-2 in NL wild-card game

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — The Pittsburgh Pirates went 21 years between playoff games. The wait will be significantly shorter this time around.

Russell Martin homered twice, Francisco Liriano was dominant for seven innings and the Pittsburgh Pirates roared past Cincinnati for a 6-2 victory in the NL wild-card game Tuesday night.

In front of a black-clad crowd savoring its first postseason game since 1992, Marlon Byrd also connected and Andrew McCutchen had two hits and reached base four times for Pittsburgh.

Liriano scattered four hits for the Pirates, who will face St. Louis in Game 1 of the NL division series Thursday. Liriano struck out five and walked one to win the first playoff game of his career.

Cincinnati starter Johnny Cueto struggled in his third start since coming off the disabled list last month. Cueto gave up four runs in 3 1-3 innings and appeared rattled by a raucous ballpark that taunted him throughout by chanting his name.

Byrd, acquired by the Pirates in late August from the New York Mets, celebrated the first postseason at bat of his 12-year career — 1,250 games — by sending Cueto's fastball into the seats to give the Pirates the lead. The shot sent another jolt through an already electric crowd, which began singing "Cueto, Cue-to" in unison when Martin stepped in.

Martin sent a drive into the bleachers in left field. The Reds never recovered, ending a 90-win season with a six-game losing streak.

Three of those losses came against Pittsburgh at Cincinnati in the final series of the season that determined the site of the win-or-die game.

Cincinnati manager Dusty Baker backed Cueto before the game, saying his ace "thrives on this environment." Maybe, but the right-hander never looked comfortable in front of the largest crowd in PNC Park history, a place where Cueto has dominated.

Cueto, who came in 8-2 at the ballpark by the Allegheny River, even lost his grip on the ball while standing on the mound.

A moment later, he lost his grip on the game.

Martin's 405-foot shot to left-center gave Pittsburgh a 2-0 lead and all the momentum Liriano would require.

Signed on the cheap in the offseason after a mediocre 2012 split between the Minnesota Twins and the Chicago White Sox, Liriano has been reborn in Pittsburgh. He went 16-8 with a 3.02 ERA during the regular season, his devastating slider nearly unhittable against left-handers.

The Reds proved no match. Joey Votto went 0 for 4 with two strikeouts. Jay Bruce produced an RBI single in the fourth but Cincinnati never really threatened on a night baseball officially returned to Pittsburgh after a 20-year trek through purgatory.

TUESDAY'S PLAYOFF BOX
PIRATES 6, REDS 2

Cincinnati	ab	r	h	bi	Pittsburgh	ab	r	h	bi
Choo cf	3	2	1	1	SMarte lf	5	1	2	0
Ludwck lf	4	0	3	0	NWalkr 2b	5	1	2	1
Votto 1b	4	0	0	0	McCtch cf	3	1	2	0
BPhllps 2b	4	0	1	0	Morrea 1b	4	0	1	0
Bruce rf	4	0	1	1	Byrd rf	4	1	1	2
Frazier 3b	4	0	1	0	PAlvrz 3b	3	0	0	1
Cozart ss	3	0	0	0	RMartn c	4	2	3	2
Hanigh c	3	0	0	0	Barmes ss	4	0	1	0
Ondrsk p	0	0	0	0	Liriano p	2	0	1	0
LeCure p	0	0	0	0	Snider ph	1	0	0	0
Cueto p	1	0	0	0	Watson p	0	0	0	0
SMrshl p	0	0	0	0	Grilli p	0	0	0	0
Hoover p	0	0	0	0					
Hesey ph	1	0	0	0					
Simon p	0	0	0	0					
MParr p	0	0	0	0					
Mesorc c	1	0	0	0					
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E—Cozart (1). DP—Cincinnati 1. Pittsburgh 1. LOB—Cincinnati 5, Pittsburgh 10. 2B—Ludwick 2 (2), Frazier (1), S.Marte (1), N.Walker (1). HR—Choo (1), Byrd (1), R.Martin 2 (2). S—Liriano. SF—P.Alvarez.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Cincinnati						
Cueto L,0-1	3 1-3	7	4	3	1	0
S.Marshall	0	1	1	1	2	0
Hoover	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Simon	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	0
M.Parra	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Ondrusek	1	1	1	1	0	1
LeCure	1	1	0	0	0	0
Pittsburgh						
Liriano W,1-0	7	4	1	1	1	5
Watson	1	2	1	1	0	0
Grilli	1	0	0	0	0	1

S.Marshall pitched to 3 batters in the 4th.
HBP—by Liriano (Choo).
T—3:14. A—40,487 (38,362).

MLB PLAYOFF GLANCE
WILD CARD
Both games televised by TBS
Tuesday, Oct. 1: NL Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 2
Today: AL Tampa Bay (Cobb 11-3) at Cleveland (Salazar 2-3), 7:07 p.m.
DIVISION SERIES
(Best-of-5; x-if necessary)
American League
Boston vs. Cleveland-Tampa Bay winner
Friday, Oct. 4: Cleveland-Tampa Bay winner at Boston (Lester 15-8), 2:07 p.m. (TBS)
Saturday, Oct. 5: Cleveland-Tampa Bay winner at Boston (Lackey 10-13), 4:37 p.m. (TBS)
Monday, Oct. 7: Boston (Buchholz 12-1) at Cleveland-Tampa Bay winner
x-Tuesday, Oct. 8: Boston at Cleveland-Tampa Bay winner
x-Thursday, Oct. 10: Cleveland-Tampa Bay winner at Boston
Oakland vs. Detroit
Friday, Oct. 4: Detroit (Scherzer 21-3) at Oakland (Colon 18-6), 8:37 p.m. (TBS)
Saturday, Oct. 5: Detroit (Verlander 13-12) at Oakland (Gray 5-3), 8:07 p.m. (TBS)
Monday, Oct. 7: Oakland (Parker 12-8) at Detroit (Sanchez 14-8)
x-Tuesday, Oct. 8: Oakland (Straily 10-8) at Detroit (Fister 14-9)
x-Thursday, Oct. 10: Detroit at Oakland
National League
St. Louis vs. Pittsburgh
Thursday, Oct. 3: Pittsburgh at St. Louis (Wainwright 19-9), 4:07 p.m. (TBS)
Friday, Oct. 4: Pittsburgh at St. Louis (Lynn 15-10), 12:07 p.m. (MLB)
Sunday, Oct. 6: St. Louis at Pittsburgh
x-Monday, Oct. 7: St. Louis at Pittsburgh
x-Wednesday, Oct. 9: Pittsburgh at St. Louis
Atlanta vs. Los Angeles
Thursday, Oct. 3: Los Angeles (Kershaw 16-9) at Atlanta (Medlen 15-12), 7:37 p.m. (TBS)
Friday, Oct. 4: Los Angeles (Greinke 15-4) at Atlanta (Minor 13-9 or Teheran 14-8), 5:07 p.m. (TBS)
Sunday, Oct. 6: Atlanta (Minor 13-9 or Teheran 14-8) at Los Angeles (Ryu 14-8)
x-Monday, Oct. 7: Atlanta at Los Angeles
x-Wednesday, Oct. 9: Los Angeles at Atlanta

Cowboys preach lots of patience for CB Claiborne

By Tom Orsborn
San Antonio Express-News

IRVING — Citing the difficulty of playing cornerback in the NFL, Cowboys coach Jason Garrett, owner Jerry Jones and others in the organization continue to preach patience when it comes to struggling second-year pro Morris Claiborne.

Claiborne

San Diego's Philip Rivers picked on the sixth overall pick of the 2012 draft repeatedly in Sunday's 30-21 win over the Cowboys. Rivers finished with 401 yards and three touchdowns on 35-of-42 accuracy, including a 31-yard strike to rookie Keenan Allen on third-and-long early in the game that victimized Claiborne and set the tone for the day.

Allen finished with five catches for 80 yards, most of which came against Claiborne, who termed his day "frustrating."

"They hit a couple of plays all over the field," said Claiborne, who also gave up a 28-yard catch to Eddie Royal, "but obviously they found more over there on the right side."

Orlando Scandrick has started the last three games after Claiborne dislocated his left shoulder in the opener, but team vice president Stephen Jones suggested the injury has nothing to do with Claiborne's poor play.

"It's time for the injury thing to leave the scene," Jones told Dallas' KRLD-FM on Monday. "He needs to step up and make plays. I think he will."

On Tuesday, Jerry Jones was asked about Claiborne during his weekly radio show on KRLD-FM.

"He's just got to get his confidence up," said the owner, perhaps thinking of what Denver's Peyton Manning could do to Claiborne this weekend. "We know what kind of player he is, what kind of athlete he is."

Like the Joneses, Garrett believes a dip in confidence plagues Claiborne, who ProFootballFocus.com ranks 99th out of 101 corners who have played at least 25 percent of their team's snaps.

But the coach pointed out that poor technique is also a factor in the former LSU standout's decline.

"It's a challenging position," Garrett said. "You're out there on an island and your best friend is your technique. Your best friend is the system, and oftentimes a young player like him is inconsistent in how he's using his technique and his belief in the system."

Garrett said young pro corners are often surprised to learn they can't rely solely on the athleticism that served them so well in college.

"Guys at the college level don't face the expertise or just the level of play, the level of skill that (NFL quarterbacks and receivers) have," Garrett said.

"(In college), if you are a more talented player, you can get away with being a little late to the ball because you can (recover quickly). The ball's not really where it's supposed to be. But guys in this league throw the ball on time. They throw it where they want to throw it."

Cornerback Brandon Carr said it's clear on film teams are targeting Claiborne. But unlike others, Carr believes Claiborne remains confident.

Still, Carr said he's pulled Claiborne aside to offer him guidance and encouragement.

"He is going to take some bumps and bruises," Carr said. "He hasn't seen it all yet. I told him it took me four years to get it all out of my system and get my confidence level where it should be.

"The only thing you can tell him is keep battling, keep being positive."

With that said, Carr supports the decision to start Scandrick.

"It's not time for feelings or anything political," Carr said of Claiborne's demotion. "It's all just business. We are trying to put the best 11 out there to win ball games."

Texas AD DeLoss Dodds says he's ready to retire

Associated Press

AUSTIN — DeLoss Dodds, the Texas athletic director who built the program into a Goliath of college sports in terms of wealth, power and prestige, said Tuesday he is ready to retire and leave the Longhorns — and some potentially tough coaching decisions — in someone else's hands after three decades at the helm.

The 76-year-old Dodds has led the Texas program since 1981, when he took a job that oversaw an athletic department budget of about $4 million. He will leave it Aug. 31, 2014, with an annual budget of nearly $170 million, upgraded and expanded facilities, and its own television network.

"This is a big day for me. I've thought a lot about it," Dodds said at a campus news conference with university President Bill Powers. "In 62 years, it will be the first time I haven't had a job ... That's long enough to work ... We've had a great run."

Dodds will move into a paid consulting role after he steps down as AD. Powers said a search for Dodds' replacement will begin immediately and the new boss could step into the job as soon as being hired, with Dodds helping make the transition.

"We do not need somebody in a week," Powers said. "We can be thoughtful."

Instead of just a long goodbye for an administrator who wielded influence over not just Texas but over entire conferences, Dodds' departure intensifies speculation over football coach Mack Brown's future with the Longhorns.

Dodds and Powers have been Brown's strongest allies against a restless fans base frustrated by three sub-par seasons and a 2-2 start in 2013. Brown, who has been at Texas since 1997 and won the 2005 national championship, has often noted their support and Tuesday's announcement means a key piece of that foundation is leaving.

Brown is under contract until 2020 and has said he wants to keep coaching. He will be paid about $5.4 million this year with annual raises in his contract.

Dodds deflected questions about potential coaching changes, saying his replacement should be involved in such decisions.

"I'm not going to go there," Dodds said. "That's an answer that will work itself out over the next several weeks. Anything this department does significantly needs to have the hands of the new person."

Brown was at football practice and did not attend the news conference, but the school released a statement from him calling Dodds "a great leader and great friend."

"I feel very blessed to have had the opportunity to work for him for 16 years, and I know I speak for many when I say I'm happy he will be helping the department's transition to a new athletics director," Brown said.

Dodds is under contract at Texas through 2015 at $700,000 per year with a $1 million annuity if he's employed at the end of August 2014.

Dodds came to Texas from Kansas State in 1981 and presided over an expanding Texas empire at a time the business side of college sports was rapidly growing. During his tenure, the Texas men's program has won 14 national championships and 108 conference titles, most notably the football national championship, the school's first outright football title since 1969.

Dodds oversaw creation of the Longhorn Foundation, which pulled all the fundraising efforts for individual sports under one roof, and donors poured money into the athletic program. Over the past 20 years, Texas has spent $400 million on facilities as it grew into a massive, money-generating machine with the largest athletic budget in the country.

Dodds also shepherded the school's move from the old Southwest Conference into the Big 12, and the school's' 20-year, $300 million partnership with ESPN for the Longhorn Network, a 24-hour channel dedicated to Longhorns sports.

The network, seen as a pioneering effort when first announced, proved to be a wedge between Texas and several Big 12 schools, some of whom eventually left the league. The network struggled to gain major distribution until finally signing a deal to be broadcast to Time Warner customers in Texas.

Dodds also navigated two rounds of conference upheaval in recent years. In 2010, Texas flirted with joining the Pac-12 before deciding to stay in the Big 12. When another round of conference moves again threatened the stability of the Big 12 in 2011, Texas helped stabilize the conference as a 10-team league.

Powers called Dodds a visionary and "one of the giants in college athletics" who commanded the respect of university presidents, coaches and league commissioners.

Still, the athletic program is in a bit of turmoil.

Galvanized by the hiring of Brown in 1997, the football team had a dominant run from 2000-2009 during which the Longhorns went 69-9, won two Big 12 titles and twice played for the national championship.

Govt. shutdown puts service academy sports on hold

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Army, Navy and Air Force might be forced to skip their football games next weekend because of the partial government shutdown.

The Defense Department temporarily suspended sports competition at the service academies Tuesday as a result of the budget impasse in Congress.

A Pentagon spokesman, Army Col. Steve Warren, said the decision was being reviewed by lawyers considering a series of legal questions, including whether money that comes from sources other than Congress could be used to pay for sports during the government shutdown.

Meantime, the suspension put a pair of college football games in jeopardy: Army at Boston College, and Air Force at Navy.

During a six-day government shutdown in November 1995, Army, Navy and Air Force played football games — all at home.

The U.S. Naval Academy said in a statement that a decision will be made by noon Thursday about whether the Midshipmen will play the Air Force. Navy's football team did practice Tuesday.

Air Force associate athletic director Troy Garnhart said travel for his sports teams was being halted — including for Saturday's football game at Annapolis, Md. A scheduled news conference with Air Force football coach Troy Calhoun and players was canceled Tuesday "due to the government shutdown," according to a statement.

The football rivalry between Navy and Air Force dates to 1960, and they have played each other every year since 1972. Saturday's game, which is sold out, is part of the series that determines the Commander-In-Chief's Trophy, awarded annually to the service academy with the best record in games involving Army, Navy and Air Force.

The NBA's San Antonio Spurs are holding their training camp at the Air Force Academy but the club was not affected by the shutdown, practicing Tuesday as planned.

As for Army against Boston College, B.C. athletic director Brad Bates said: "We have been in close communication with Army athletics officials regarding the potential impact of the government shutdown on this Saturday's football game. Obviously our intention is to exhaust all possibilities to play the game and we will communicate the information promptly as soon as we have resolution."

The U.S. Military Academy issued a statement saying, "Sporting competitions can still be at risk but are being assessed by our chain of command and Department of the Army."

The Army and Navy each called off soccer games scheduled for Tuesday night. It was not immediately known whether they would be made up.

Coahoma happy after much-needed victory

By Oscar LeRoy
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The Coahoma football team needed a win in the worst way.

The last thing the Bulldogs wanted was to go into next week's Distinct 3-2A Division II play at Stanton winless and without momentum. Then came a trip to Ballinger last Friday.

Coahoma jumped out to a 10-0 lead and then held off Ballinger for a 22-13 victory as the Bulldogs went into the bye week with a 1-4 record.

While the Bulldogs' first victory came in non-district play, it was just what this young team needed, head coach Trey Gardner said.

"This was the one game we thought we had a chance to win going in," Gardner said. "It was a big deal, especially for our psyche to have picked up a win. It was a big deal for our school and for our kids. They were excited after the game, especially after the way we had been struggling and we let one (a 17-14 loss to Forsan) get away from us early in the season. This was the first varsity win for a large majority of our team."

Since that season-opening loss to the Buffaloes, mistakes coupled with youth and inexperience led to the Bulldogs being outscored 129-20 in losses against Coleman, Colorado City and Denver City.

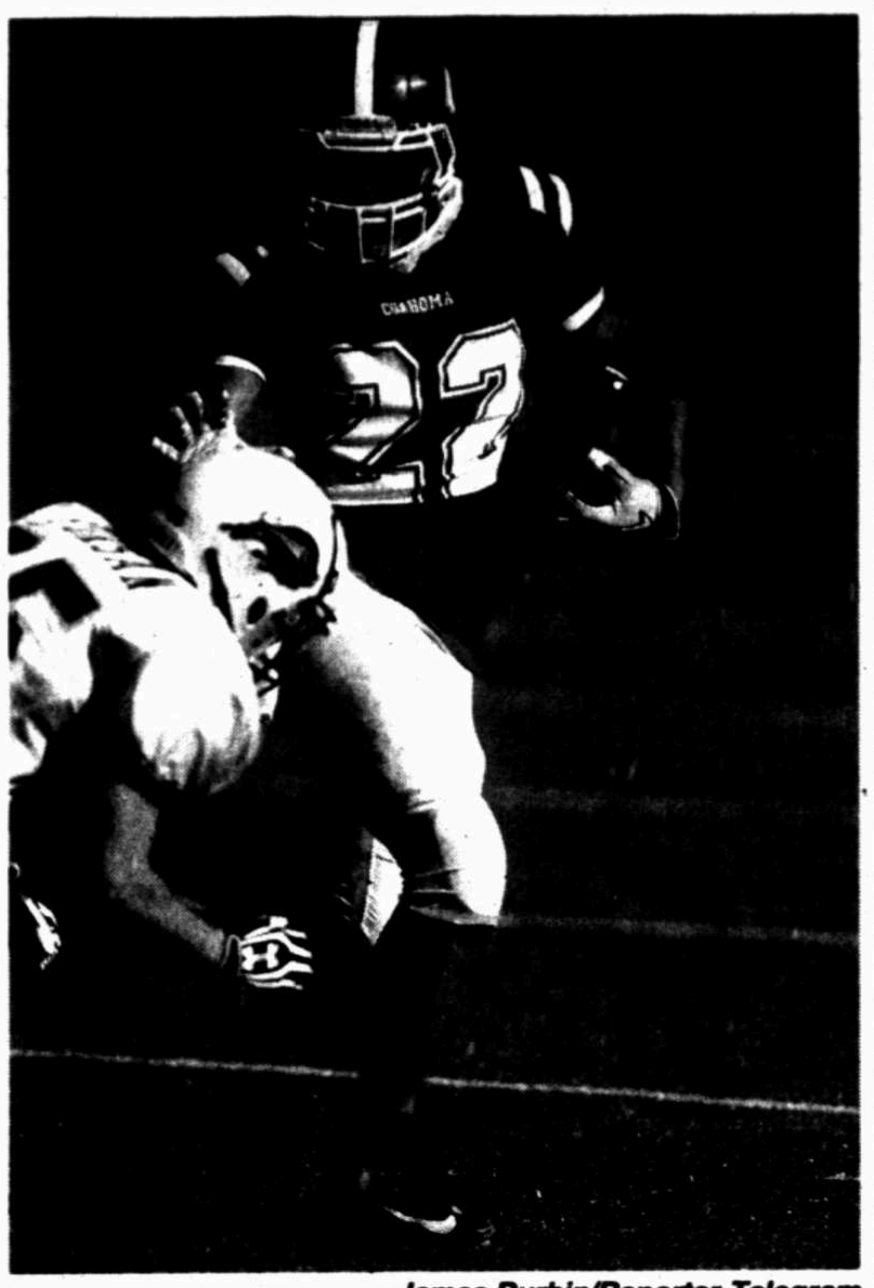
But for the first time since that season opener, the Bulldogs didn't feel like they were overmatched and they were able to run their Wing-T offense. The Bulldogs rushed 52 times for 308 yards, led by Kyler Franks' 18-carry, 132-yard, one-TD performance.

"Our run game looked a lot better in this game," Gardner said. "In the first half we didn't even attempt to put the ball in the air. We had a nine-play drive and a 15-play drive the only two times we had the ball. And when you run a Wing-T offense like we do, that's the way it's supposed to work."

Defensively, Gardner said his team's pass rush was improved, which in turn helped out a secondary that limited the Bearcats to 51 yards through the air on five completions. Braxton Iden also came up big with two interceptions, including one that was returned 36 yards for a score.

During the off week, Gardner said he would like to work on the team's kicking game, which he said has "not been pretty at times." He would also love to keep his team as healthy as possible as the Bulldogs can't afford any more injuries.

The biggest injury was to senior wingback Caige Miller, who's been out with a knee injury since the Forsan game. Gardner said it may be serious, and at best, the team might only have him for a couple of games at the end of the season after he goes through rehabilitation.



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Coahoma's Kyler Franks breaks a tackle from the Forsan defense earlier this season at Grande Communications Stadium.

"He was probably our biggest leader in our senior class, so we're definitely going to miss him," said Gardner of Miller.

The Bulldogs should get running back Paul Cortez (hip pointer) back for the district opener after being held out last week.

The best news of all for the Bulldogs was getting the win, which was sorely needed.

"Hopefully there's a little more bounce in our step," Gardner said. "If nothing else, it was great for our psyche."

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MCVBCAPSULE

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MIDLAND COLLEGE AT CLARENDON COLLEGE

When/where: 7 p.m., Bulldog Arena, Clarendon

Records: Midland College 9-8, 2-1 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Clarendon College 7-16, 0-3

Last WJCAC match: Midland College def. New Mexico Military Institute 3-2; Odessa College def. Clarendon College 3-1

Notes & quotes: Midland College bounced back from its loss to Odessa College with a five-set victory over NMMI one week ago. MC coach Tammie Jimenez said her team cut down on its mistakes in that match and added she saw a lot of improvement from her team.... Against NMMI, freshman OH Larissa Gomes had 22 kills, sophomore MB Gaby Nieto had 17 kills, freshman OH Alexa Griggs had 10 kills, sophomore S Kristina Gafford had 33 assists, sophomore libero Marina Salazar had 23 digs and sophomore OH Naomi Posada added 20 digs. ...Clarendon, coached by former Lady Chap volleyball player Holli Reyna, has struggled this season but Jimenez has warned her team not to take the Lady Bulldogs lightly. "I expect them to put up a good fight," Jimenez said. "We can't assume that just because everybody has beaten them in conference that it's going to be an easy match. They have good size and dominating hitters who are aggressive. The biggest challenge is going to be us and whether we can control our errors and the pace of the match in our favor."

Next: Midland College vs. Wharton Junior College/Laredo Junior College at Wharton, 1 p.m. Friday

WJCAC Volleyball Standings

	Overall		District	
Team	W	L	W	L
Odessa College	3	0	14	7
NMMI	2	1	13	11
Midland College	2	1	9	8
Western Texas	2	1	13	9
Frank Phillips	0	3	6	13
Clarendon	0	3	7	16

Sept. 25's Scores
Midland College def. New Mexico Military Institute 3-2; Odessa College def. Clarendon College 3-1; Western Texas College def. Frank Phillips College 3-0

Today's Games
Midland College at Clarendon College; Frank Phillips College at Odessa College; New Mexico Military Institute at Western Texas College

SPORTSBRIEF

FROM WIRE REPORTS

DALLAS

Mark Cuban's drive to win led him to cheat

A government lawyer says the drive to win that helps Mark Cuban succeed in business led the billionaire basketball owner to cheat by using insider information to sell stock in an Internet company.

"Mark Cuban violated the law, and he knew better," Securities and Exchange Commission lawyer Jan Folena said Tuesday during opening statements to jurors at Cuban's insider-trading trial.

One of Cuban's lawyers said that the SEC's chief witness was lying, and portrayed the case as government overreach.

Cuban "is going to stand up to them when they call him a liar, he's going to stand up to them when they call him a cheat," said the lawyer, Thomas Melsheimer. The government, he said, "can't prove a lick" of its case.

It's a civil lawsuit; Cuban is not charged with a crime. The SEC wants Cuban, the owner of the Dallas Mavericks and a regular on the ABC reality show "Shark Tank," to give up $750,000 he saved from selling his shares, plus pay a penalty that could be two or three times that amount.

AREAHSFOOTBALLSTANDINGS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

District 2-3A
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Shallowater	5	0	259	102	1.000
Levelland	4	1	134	113	.800
Lub. Cooper	4	1	176	138	.800
Estacado	2	2	100	103	.500
Andrews	**2**	**3**	**203**	**218**	**.400**
Seminole	2	3	74	142	.400

Last week's scores
Lubbock Cooper 47, Hereford 28; Abilene Wylie 28, Lubbock Estacado 12; Levelland 28, Fort Stockton 20; Big Spring 45, Seminole 14; Shallowater 38, Idalou 14; Lubbock High 59, Andrews 47

This week's games
Melissa at Lubbock Estacado (Saturday); Andrews, Levelland, Lubbock Cooper Seminole and Shallowater are open

District 4-3A
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Big Spring	**4**	**1**	**161**	**86**	**.800**
Monahans	**2**	**1**	**55**	**54**	**.667**
Wylie	3	2	118	107	.600
Sweetwater	2	3	178	187	.400
Greenwood	**2**	**3**	**149**	**170**	**.400**
Snyder	1	4	174	176	.200

Last week's scores
Greenwood 48, Lamesa 27; Big Spring 45, Seminole 14; Monahans at Kermit, ccd.; Snyder 42, San Angelo Lake View 35; Brownwood 35, Sweetwater 30; Abilene Wylie 28, Lubbock Estacado 12

This week's games
Monahans vs. Canyon at Woodrow; Greenwood, Big Spring, Sweetwater, Snyder and Abilene Wylie are open

District 3-2A Division II
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Crane	**5**	**0**	**192**	**37**	**1.000**
Sonora	4	1	150	96	.800
Stanton	**4**	**1**	**173**	**94**	**.800**
Alpine	3	2	177	87	.600
Reagan Co.	2	3	75	109	.400
Coahoma	1	4	56	159	.200

Last week's scores
Stanton 37, Seagraves 28; Sonora 34, Ozona 6; Crane 42, Forsan 2; Coahoma 22, Ballinger 13; Colorado City 21, Reagan County 14; Alpine 67, Muleshoe 34

This week's games
Stanton, Coahoma, Crane, Alpine, Sonora and Reagan County are open

District 4-A Division I
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Anson	5	0	243	98	1.000
Stamford	4	1	202	105	.800
Forsan	**2**	**3**	**67**	**112**	**.400**
Haskell	2	3	107	147	.400
Winters	1	3	88	135	.250

Last week's scores
Crane 42, Forsan 2; Cisco 54, Stamford 14; Anson 23, Coleman 14; Haskell 20, Olney 14; Winters was open

This week's games
Forsan at Sundown; Seymour at Stamford; Anson at Tahoka; Haskell at Wichita Falls City View; Winters at Goldthwaite

District 5-A Division II
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Iraan	**5**	**0**	**172**	**74**	**1.000**
Wink	3	2	105	111	.600
McCamey	**2**	**3**	**100**	**141**	**.400**
Van Horn	0	5	42	182	.000

Last week's scores
Iraan 31, Wink 14; McCamey 41, Van Horn 24

This week's games
Van Horn at Iraan; McCamey at Wink

District 4 Six-man Division I
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Grady	**3**	**2**	**269**	**219**	**.600**
Klondike	2	3	107	147	.400
O'Donnell	2	3	222	305	.400
Borden Co.	1	4	152	271	.200

Last week's scores
Grady 75, New Home 27; Ira 48, Klondike 0; Dawson 43, Borden County 38; Sands 82, O'Donnell 35

This week's games
Grady at Sterling City; Water Valley at Borden County; Whitharral at Klondike; O'Donnell is open

District 5 Six-man Division I
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Rankin	**5**	**0**	**242**	**66**	**1.000**
Garden City	**4**	**1**	**247**	**68**	**.800**
Fort Davis	0	4	61	234	.000
Marfa	0	5	111	283	.000

Last week's scores
Garden City 46, Ropes 0; Rankin 46, Sanderson 0; Balmorhea 70, Fort Davis 24; Imperial Buena Vista 52, Marfa 6

This week's games
Rankin at Ropes; Garden City at Robert Lee; El Paso Faith at Marfa; Fort Davis at Trinity

TAPPS Division II District 1
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Mid. Christ.	**5**	**0**	**259**	**17**	**1.000**
Grapevine Faith	2	2	77	89	.500
FW Christian	2	2	93	94	.500
Waco Reicher	2	2	117	149	.500
FW/SW Christian	2	3	103	172	.400
Pantego Christ	1	4	146	185	.200
Grace Prep	0	5	49	196	.000

Last week's scores
Midland Christian 61, Fort Worth Southwest Christian 0; Fort Worth Christian 34, Arlington Grace Prep 6; Waco Reicher 55, Arlington Pantego 42; Grapevine Faith was open

This week's games
Arlington Grace Prep at Midland Christian; Grapevine Faith at Fort Worth Christian; Fort Worth Southwest Christian at Arlington Pantego; Teague at Waco Reicher (Saturday)

TAPPS Six-man Division I District 1
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Dal. Lakehill	4	0	268	114	1.000
Canyon Creek	3	1	145	47	.750
Abilene Christ	3	2	254	166	.600
Car. Christian	2	3	143	218	.400
Trinity	**1**	**3**	**90**	**209**	**.250**

Last week's scores
Abilene Christian 74, Watauga Harvest 6; Dallas Lakehill 70, Lakeland Christian 20; Lucas Christian 56, Carrollton Christian 8; Trinity and Richardson Canyon Creek were open

This week's games
Fort Davis at Trinity; Fairhill at Dallas Lakehill; Paris Romeo Prep at Richardson Canyon Creek; Athens Christian Prep at Carrollton Christian; Abilene Christian is open

GREENWOOD

From 1C

still not trusting our reads and assignments as well as we would like, but we played better defensively than we had been."

The good news for the Rangers is that they got a win heading into next week's district play. The bad news is that now they have to get ready for a trip to face always-tough Monahans.

"This really gives us a lot of momentum and it gives us some excitement going into the bye week," Hanna said. "Hopefully, we're able to build on the positive things we did because we have to start getting ready for Monahans."

STEERS HEAD INTO BYE WITH PLENTY OF MOMENTUM

Big Spring is feeling good about itself after a 45-14 victory over Seminole gave the Steers a 4-1 record heading into the bye week.

While the start has been good, head coach Phillip Ritchey cautions his team that there is plenty of work to be done with the start of District 4-3A play next week.

"We've got a long, tough road ahead of us in one of the toughest districts in the state, in my opinion," said Ritchey, whose team plays at Abilene Wylie next week.

Ritchey and the Steers should know that a great start to non-district play doesn't guarantee success in 4-3A. Last year, the Steers were 5-0 only to stumble in district play as injuries and inconsistent play led to an 0-5 finish. Ritchey hopes the comparisons to last year's squad stop there with his team.

"We have more experience on defense, which has helped, and offensively we have a lot more speed, which has helped a bunch," Ritchey said. "From the receivers to the backfield, it seems like our offense is a lot faster."

In the win against Seminole, the Steers jumped out to a 10-0 lead, but then the Indians roared back to take a 14-10 lead in the second quarter. Instead of having the Indians keep the momentum, the Steers took it back and scored the last 14 points of the half as part of a 35-0 run to close the game.

"I like that we were able to overcome a little adversity," Ritchey said. "Things just didn't go well for us in the second quarter. We made some mistakes and then (the Indians) also played well. We just didn't handle it very well. But I was proud of the way the defense made adjustments and we were able to keep the ball away from their offense."

The Steers' defense ended up shutting out the Indians in the second half.

Ritchey said his team will use this off week to rest its players and get a little more healthy as senior wide receiver/safety kicker Devin Roberson is dealing with a shoulder contusion and freshman running back Preston Alexander is recovering from a foot injury.

Statistics

2013 Greenwood Football Statistics
(2-3, 0-0)

Opponents	48	44	35	43	—170
Greenwood	26	21	40	62	—149

RUSHING

Player	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Braydin Moreland	98	591	6.03	5
A.Jacobs-Montes	54	210	3.9	5
Anthony Salas	45	352	7.82	5
Dustin Rea	22	264	12.0	3
Zach Redwine	2	16	8.0	0
Caleb Hayes	2	13	6.5	0
Javier Vizcaino	2	9	4.5	0
Bryce Thomson	2	6	3.0	0
Ruben Rocha	2	1	0.5	0
Jose Hernandez	1	1	1.0	0
Totals	**230**	**1,463**	**6.36**	**18**

PASSING

Player	Comp.	Att.	Int.	Yds.	TD
Jacobs-Montes	42	86	3	367	2
A. Salas	11	13	0	166	1
Moreland	0	1	1	0	0
Totals	**53**	**100**	**4**	**533**	**3**

RECEIVING

Player	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
A. Salas	10	78	7.8	0
Bryce Thompson	7	58	8.29	2
Zach Redwine	7	48	6.86	1
R. Rocha	6	136	22.7	1
B. Moreland	6	27	4.50	0
Javier Vizcaino	5	60	12.0	0
J. Hernandez	3	15	5.0	0
D. Rea	3	28	9.3	0
J.P. Contreras	3	21	7.0	0
Jordan Holmes	1	12	12.0	0
Totals	**58**	**533**	**9.2**	**4**

PUNTING

Player	Att.	Yds.	Avg.
R. Rocha	21	646	30.76
Totals	**21**	**646**	**30.76**

SCORING

Player	TD	PAT	2PT	FG	TP
Jacobs-Montes	5	0	0	0	30
B. Moreland	5	0	0	0	30
A. Salas	5	0	0	0	30
D. Rea	3	0	0	0	18
B. Thompson	2	0	1	0	14
R. Rocha	1	4	1	0	12
Z. Redwine	1	0	1	0	8
Jose Hernandez	0	3	0	0	3
Totals	**22**	**7**	**2**	**0**	**149**

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Player	ST	AT	TT	S	FR	INT
A. Salas	11	13	24	0	0	1
Brandon Brown	9	15	24	0	0	0
Z. Redwine	3	15	18	0	1	1
D. Rea	6	12	18	0	0	0
J. Vizcaino	5	13	18	0	0	0
A. Ulcak	3	14	17	0	0	1
R. Rocha	8	6	14	0	0	0
B. Moreland	6	5	11	0	0	0
Eldon Niblett	2	9	11	1.5	0	0
Jesus Rodriguez	1	10	11	0.5	0	0
Hayden Pulliam	4	7	11	0	1	0
Sean Strickland	5	6	11	0	0	0
Jake Rogers	4	6	10	0	0	0
A. Satterfield	4	4	8	0	1	0
B. Thompson	3	5	8	3	0	0
Felix Rodriguez	0	8	8	0	0	0
Herman Tena	2	3	5	1	0	0
Blake Osborn	2	3	5	0	0	0
Jordan Holmes	1	2	3	0	0	0
C. Hayes	2	0	2	0	0	0
Zach Grafe	1	1	2	0.5	0	0
J. Hernandez	0	1	1	0	0	0
Brandon Fader	1	0	1	0	0	0

Key: ST - solo tackle, AT - assisted tackle, TT - total tackles, S - sacks, FR - fumble recovery, INT - interceptions

QUICK HITS

■ Andrews coach Ralph Mason said his team is still battling with inconsistency, especially after a 59-47 loss to Class 4A Lubbock High on Saturday.

The Mustangs had 474 yards of offense and quarterback Shane Dolgener had six rushing touchdowns, but a fumble at their own 1-yard line gave the Westerners an easy touchdown. Also, the Mustang defense gave up 435 yards to Lubbock High.

It didn't help matters for the Mustangs that they fell into a 38-14 hole in the first half.

"We just didn't play very well in the first half, to put it nicely," Mason said. "In the second half, we went out with a greater sense of urgency. It's always good to see the kids come back as opposed to giving up, but us falling behind in the first half is getting kind of old. We need to play well from start to finish."

Despite the disappointing 2-3 start, Mason said he still sees plenty of potential with his team.

"As a coach, you just need to try to do anything you can to make that light come on, or whatever," Mason said. "I've seen continued improvement from this team and I'm excited about the offensive line and the way we've been running with the football. I've seen a lot of good things. It just goes back to consistency."

■ Stanton is another team enjoying a 4-1 start after a 37-28 victory at Seagraves on Friday.

Stanton coach John Peterson said his team showed a lot of perseverance in the win as the Eagles closed to within 30-28 in the fourth quarter.

"Even though Seagraves made some good runs, we were able to bounce back offensively, drive and score to keep ourselves in the game," Peterson said. "Then we were able to get some stops out of our defense to win the game."

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LEROY

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there's nothing shocking about these two teams, the fact that Big Spring and Stanton are both 4-1 at this point may have surprised some people.

Both teams had the ingredients to have some success going into the season, it was just a matter of putting it all together.

The biggest question for Big Spring was, how it was going to bounce back from a disappointing finish in 2012? The answer has been very well as the team appears focused, more experienced and has added a few more weapons to help junior quarterback Tobyn Tannehill.

For Stanton, the major question was, how were the Buffaloes going to respond with the season-ending injury to senior leader Tim Anderson? So far, the Buffaloes have responded very well behind improved junior quarterback K.J. Glaspie as they have reeled off four consecutive victories going into next week's District 3-2A Division II opener against Coahoma.

CRAZIEST GAME: As I've mentioned before in this column, teams running the spread offense has made games defensively-optional and that has led to some crazy and wacky outcomes.

The craziest one was the track meet between Big Spring and Andrews won by the Steers 61-48 on Sept. 20. It was enough to make statisticians and coaches' heads spin.

The runner-up came from the six-man ranks as Sands escaped with a 92-86 double overtime victory over Grady the week before.

TOP PERFORMANCES: Folks shouldn't be surprised that in the era of the spread offense, the standout performances have come from quarterbacks.

Midland Christian's Mason McClendon continues to break records for the Mustangs, who are on a quest for a state title threepeat. And then there is Shane Dolgener, who has been great for Andrews coming back from a season-ending knee injury and has done his best to keep the Mustangs competitive.

OTHER TEAMS TO WATCH: While Midland Christian is tearing through the private school ranks, look for Rankin and Garden City make some noise in six-man.

The Bearkats and Red Devils are among the best in the state this season. Garden City (4-1) is ranked No. 5 in the state, while Rankin (5-0) is No. 7 in the latest sixmanfootball.com poll.

Add the fact that both of these teams are in the same district, and you have some intrigue. By the way, the teams meet in the regular season finale in Rankin on Nov. 8.

There you have a brief synopsis of the first half of the high school football season. What will the second half have in store for us?

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TAPPS

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six-man ranks in TAPPS, and in 3A in all other sports. TAPPS also used boys enrollment numbers to determine alignment in six-man football and Trinity had an average enrollment of 72, which Young said came in lower from the cutoff that he thought.

He said it's the best possible scenario for the school.

"We thought we were going to be under the number, but you never know how it's going to play out," said Young, who also coaches girls basketball at the school. "I felt confident we would stay six-man and that's the way it played out."

Trinity's football district will have Abilene Christian, Denton Calvary and Watuaga Harvest Christian. In other sports, Trinity will be in an all West Texas district with Abilene Christian, Amarillo San Jacinto, Lubbock Christian and Midland Classical.

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TENNISROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

OHS HOLDS OFF MHS RALLY

ODESSA — Odessa High held off a Midland High rally during singles play to hold on for a 10-9 victory in District 2-5A team tennis action on Tuesday.

The Bulldogs (1-6 in 2-5A play this year) were down 9-4 early in the singles portion of the match, but then rallied to tie it up. But Odessa High won the final match to take the victory.

Brandt Schneider, Chase Van Cleave and Jake Pannell won in boys singles, and Ellie Hord and Anna Parkison won in girls singles.

Midland High will conclude its fall season against Lee at 4 p.m. on Oct. 8 at home.

ODESSA HIGH 10, MIDLAND HIGH 9
Ratliff Tennis Center, Odessa

Boys Singles

Ryan Morton, OHS def. Sam Ross, MHS, 6-4, 7-6; Tatum Rhyne, OHS def. Hayden Boldrick, MHS, 6-1, 6-1; Brandt Schneider, MHS def. Ray Hernandez, OHS, 2-6, 6-1, 6-4; Chase Van Cleave, MHS def. Jose Martinez, OHS, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4; Marco Ayala, OHS def. Axel Durham, MHS, 6-2, 6-0; Jake Pennell, MHS def. Devon Roit, OHS, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4

Boys Doubles

Morton-Rhyme, OHS def. Ross-Boldrick, MHS, 6-3, 6-1; Hernandez-Ayala, OHS def. Durham-Pannell, MHS, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4; Schneider-Van Cleave, MHS def. Roig-Rivera, OHS, 1-6, 6-4, 6-1

Girls Singles

Kaleigh Smith, OHS def. Kate Daugherty, MHS, 7-6 (6), 6-1; Victoria Inman, OHS def. Adriana Garcia, MHS, 6-0, 6-1; Katie Watts, OHS def. Mickey Jimenez, MHS, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3; Kathy Alvarado, OHS def. KK Hanson, MHS, 6-3, 6-4; Ellie Hord, MHS def. Alyssa Luna, OHS 6-1, 1-6, 7-6 (4); Anna Parkison, MHS defr. Tatiana Salazar, OHS, 6-0, 6-2

Girls Doubles

Smith-Inman, OHS def. Smith, Hanson, 6-0, 6-2; Daugherty-Garcia, MHS def. Alvarado-Salazar, OHS, 6-1, 6-2; Hord-Jimenez, MHS def. Molinar-Garcia, OHS, 7-5, 6-3

Mixed Doubles

Parkison-Taylor, MHS def. Watts-Martinez, OHS, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4

PERMIAN BEATS LEE

Odessa Permian outlasted Lee, 13-6, in a District 2-5A Team Tennis match on Tuesday at the Bush Tennis Center.

Lee's Hope Williams won in girls singles and also teamed with Reagan Holderness to win in girls doubles. Brice Moore and Kaitlin Kiker also won in girls doubles, and Breanna Lafoy had a victory in girls singles.

Lee, who fell to 0-6 in district play, will conclude its season at 4 p.m. Oct. 8 against rival Midland High.

ODESSA PERMIAN 13, LEE 6
Bush Tennis Center

Boys Singles

Alex Hunt, Permian def. Alex Quinones, Lee, 6-0, 6-1; Kennen Nash, Permian def. Akshar Patel, Lee, 5-7, 6-1, 7-5; Jake Sellers, Permian def. Bryson Alber, Lee, 6-0, 6-1; Thomas Rubio, Lee def. Justin, Koe, Permian, 3-6, 7-5, 6-0; Nathan Shelton, Permian def. Mack Hinijos, Lee, 7-6, 6-0; Dogan Evan, Permian def. Cohen Clark, Lee, 6-1, 6-4

Boys Doubles

Hunter-Sellers, Permian def. Patel-Albert, Lee, 7-5, 6-2; Hinijos-Quinones, Lee def. Koe-Gregory, Permian, 6-4, 6-2; Shelton-Ortega, Permian def. Rubio-Herramen, Lee, 6-3, 7-6

Girls Singles

Hope Williams, Lee def. Elizabeth Lopez, Permian, 6-2, 6-1; Marianne Brokaw, Permian def. Kaitlin Kiker, Lee; Brooke Haynes, Permian def. Lily Hsu, Lee, 6-3, 7-6; Avery Steen, Permian def. Andi Parnel, Lee, 6-4, 6-0; Taylor Coppedge, Permian def. Madysen Helm, Lee, 6-4, 6-2; Breanna Lafoy, Lee dev. Avery Mayler

Girls Doubles

Williams-Holderness, Lee def. Lopez-Shepherd, Permian, 7-5, 6-1; Moore-Kiker, Lee def. Coppedge-Bryant, Permian, 6-1, 6-7, 6-4; Steen-Haynes, Permian def. Lafoy-Parnell, Lee, 6-0, 6-1

Mixed Doubles

Nash-Brokaw, Permian def. Helm-Edwards, Lee, 6-1, 6-3

UTPBROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

VOLLEYBALL FALCONS BEAT UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTHWEST

HOBBS, N.M. — The UTPB volleyball team picked up a 25-17, 25-15, 25-21 victory over the University of the Southwest on Tuesday.

Melissa Lusk had 15 kills, Jordan McDonald had 14 digs, Keeley Brogdon and Kelsey Zukowski each had 12 digs, Ariana Gallardo had 22 assists, and Morgann Davis and Terra Peil each had two blocks to lead UTPB (5-9).

University of the Southwest (7-8) was held to a .000 attack percentage thanks to 26 hitting errors.

MEN'S SOCCER WEST TEXAS A&M ROLLS IN 8-0 WIN

CANYON — Midland High grad Reese Barden helped to lead a West Texas A&M onslaught against the UTPB men's soccer team with two goals in an 8-0 victory on Tuesday.

West Texas A&M (7-1) scored two goals in the first half and then six in the second half.

Craig Branum allowed five of the goals, while Justin Dunford was in goal for three of them.

UTPB (4-5) had only one shot on goal, while West Texas A&M had 19.

Both of Barden's goals came within 36 seconds of each other in the 57th and 58th minute to give West Texas A&M a 4-0 lead at the time.

Indy officials announce details of new May race

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Indianapolis Motor Speedway is giving open-wheel racing a boost this May.

On Tuesday, track officials said they would add days of on-track activity to this year's schedule before running the inaugural Grand Prix of Indianapolis on May 10 and holding the biggest event of the IndyCar season, the Indianapolis 500, as scheduled May 25. It's Indy's answer to speed week.

"That's really the first time I've heard that term," speedway president Doug Boles said shortly after Roger Penske used the term during a news conference. "For us, it's the beginning of May and this is the way we're going to elevate the month of May, with a brand new event that tells the story of what our drivers do for half the year — run on ovals."

Clearly, help is needed.

The series has been dealing with dwindling attendance, sagging television ratings and now the loss of its title sponsor. It's biggest American drawing card, Danica Patrick, left for NASCAR after the 2012 season.

Not surprisingly, the speedway is trying to provide the jump start.

Last week, the board of directors at Hulman & Co., the parent company of the IndyCar Series, overwhelmingly voted in favor of breaking with tradition and holding a second May race at Indianapolis. Tuesday's ceremony at the track unveiled details of what will be changing, including a major overhaul of the track's road course.

The new 14-turn, 2.434-mile course will be run the opposite direction of the 500 on a newly resurfaced track that will be wider, have longer straightaways and three new passing zones. Drivers believe the combination will make it the fastest road course on the series' schedule and will make for entertaining racing. The plan also calls for taller, bigger mounds — and more of them — around the infield to give fans better viewpoints. The race also will be televised live by ABC and will not be blacked out in Indianapolis as has traditionally been the case with the 500.

Organizers expect 22 to 26 cars to start the race, which will last approximately 80 laps. Hulman and Co. CEO Mark Miles is searching for a title sponsor.

"I don't see why it wouldn't work," reigning 500 champion Tony Kanaan said. "When I ran Grand-Am here (in July), there were a few places to pass and I think there will be three more places to pass here this time."

A second road course configuration also could be added for the MotoGP race that is usually run in August. The motorcycle riders have often complained about a slick, bumpy surface that is not good for racing. Boles said MotoGP officials were included in the redesign, which will make the race more conducive to what motorcycle riders want.

MotoGP already has agreed to come back in 2014 and negotiations are underway to keep them here long-term. When asked if a new contract with MotoGP had been reached, given that it will cost $5 million to complete the entire project, Miles said, "there will be by the time we invest.

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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Middle (N)	Back-Game (N)	Modern Family (N)	Super Fun (N)	Nashville "Never No More" (N)		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	Survivor: Blood vs. Water (N)		Criminal Minds "The Inspired" (N)		CSI: Crime "Take the Money and Run" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) Letterman Kerry Washington, Yoko Ono		(:35) Late Late (N)
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Seinfeld	Rules of Engage.	Arrow: Year One (N)		Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	Rules "Reunion"	Seinfeld	Commu-nity	Commu-nity	That '70s Show	That '70s Show
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	The X Factor "The Four-Chair Challenge Round 1" (N)				Modern Family	Modern Family	The Arsenio Hall Show		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Mani Erfan	Jean-Claude	Update News	Dollars & Sense	Light of the Southwest				Dr. Rik Wadge	R' Itzhak Shapira	Jean-Claude	Dr. William
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News-West 9	TBA	Revolution "There Will Be Blood" (N)		SVU "American Tragedy" (N)		Ironside "Pilot" (P) (N)		News-West 9	(:35) Jay Leno Kathy Griffin, Newt Gingrich		(:35) LateNight
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Nature "Earthflight: Asia and Australia" (N)		Nova "Inside the Megastorm"		Quest for the Lost Maya		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Corazon Indomable		Porque el Amor Manda		La Tempestad		Que bonito amor		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Una familia con suerte	
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FLIX	340	65		165		(5:25) Gone Fishin'		★★ Blues Brothers 2000 Dan Aykroyd.				(:05) ★★ Holy Man Eddie Murphy.				Eating Raoul	
HBO	300	68	14	14		Movie	(:45) Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wa...				24/7	Boardwalk E. "All In"		Bill Maher		Ladies	Down
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(5:05) Contraband		Manhunt			Enough	★★ Ocean's Twelve George Clooney.				(:10) Real Sports	
HBOS	304	70	16	102		(5:30) Chernobyl D...		Sopranos "Pie-O-My"		★★★ Maria Full of Grace			Making	Lola Versus Greta Gerwig.			Movie
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(:10) Strike Back		Strike Back		★★★ Snow White and the Huntsman				(:15) Guide	(:45) Erotic	(:15) Life on Top	
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(:15) ★★ Wanderlust Jennifer Aniston.				★★ Dark Shadows Johnny Depp.				★★ War of the Worlds Tom Cruise.			
PLEX			96			Movie	She Gets What She Wants			Hercules & the Amazon W...			(:35) ★★ Stephen King's Desperation				Movie
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(5:30) Roman Polanski		Homeland		Inside the NFL		60 Minutes Sports		Inside the NFL		60 Minutes Sports	
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:35) Bending the...		★★ Mallrats			(:35) ★★ Red State ('11, Hor)			(:05) ★★★ Reservoir Dogs Harvey Keitel.			
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dy (N)	Bad Ink	Bad Ink	Bad Ink	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	CSI: Miami "Bad Seed"		★★ The Mummy Returns ('01, Adv) Rachel Weisz, Brendan Fraser.						Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers			
BET	58	26		40		106&Park	The Game	Game	Game	★ For Colored Girls ('10, Dra) Janet Jackson, Loretta Devine.						Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	63		41		I Dream of Nene: The		Million Dollar List		Million Listing (N)		Top Chef (SP) (N)		Watch (N)	Top Chef		Top Chef
CNBC	46	45		39	72	The Kudlow Report		Divorce Wars		Rich (N)	Rich (N)	American Greed		Mad Money		Rich	Rich
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Live		AC360 Later		OutFront		Piers Morgan Live	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	DogBlog	Jessie	Wolfbld	My Babysitter's a Vampire			(:05) GoodL	A.N.T.	Austin	GoodLuck	E-Stevens	McGuire
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	(5:00) SportsCenter		Fitness	Fitness	Fitness	Fitness	SportsC Featured		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	E:60	Baseball T.	NFL Live (N)		30 for 30 (N)			30/30 (N)	Olbermann (L)		Olbermann	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	★★ Pretty in Pink Molly Ringwald.				★★★ Sixteen Candles Molly Ringwald.				The 700 Club		Fresh P.	Fresh P.
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	FOX Report		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity		On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Rest. "Wildcat Cafe"		Rest. "Michele's"		Stakeout (N)		Diners (N)	Thieves	Restaurant		Restaurant Stakeout	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	NCAA Volleyball Iowa State vs. Texas Tech (L)				Cowboys Insider	Stars Insider	SEC Gridiron LIVE! (L)		Instant Replay	Player of Week	West Coast Customs	
FX	31	31	59	64	69	Movie	★★ Green Lantern ('11, Act) Ryan Reynolds.					The Bridge (N)		The Bridge		The Bridge	
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Little House Prairie		I Married Who? ('12, Com) Kellie Martin.				Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	My Place	My Place	Buying and Selling		Property Brothers (N)		HouseH	House (N)	Property Brothers		Property Brothers	
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Wife Swap "Roy/Maness"		The Cheating Pact (2013, Thriller) Cynthia Gibb, Paula Trickey, Daniela Bobadilla.				Social Nightmare (2013, Drama) Kirsten Prout, Chloe Bridges, Daryl Hannah.				The Cheating Pact	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
NBCSN	38	39				NHL Live!		NHL Hockey Buffalo Sabres vs. Detroit Red Wings					NHL Live!	NFL Turning Point		Coach's	NFLTP
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Sam, Cat	Drake	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Nanny	Nanny	Friends	Friends	G. Lopez	G. Lopez
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Tattoo	Tattoo
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Paranormal Witness		Paranormal Witness		Para. Witness (N)		Ghost Mine (N)		Witness "The Coven"		Ghost Mine	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	MLB Postseason Pre-Game		MLB Baseball American League Wild Card (L)							Postsea-son Show	Conan	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:15) Monte Walsh		★★ Doctor Dolittle ('67, Mus) Rex Harrison.					(:45) ★★ Walk, Don't Run Cary Grant.				Movie
TELE	20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		Dama y Obrero		Marido en Alquiler		Santa Diabla		Al rojo	Decision	Marido en Alquiler	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Toddlers/Tiara "Puttin' on the Glitz Pageant"		Tots/Tiara "If I Were a Rich Girl Pageant" (N)		Cheer Perfection "Watch Your Step" (N)		Breaking Amish: LA "Redemption"		Tots/Tiara "If I Were a Rich Girl Pageant"		Cheer Perfection "Watch Your Step"	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Castle "The Squab and the Quail"		Castle "The Human Factor"		Castle "Watershed"		Castle "Flowers for Your Grave"		The Mentalist "Blood in, Blood Out"		The Mentalist "Red Herring"	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Griffith	A. Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Hot In	The Exes	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	30	42	27	49	NCIS: Los Angeles "Exit Strategy"		Modern Family	Modern Family	NCIS: Los Angeles "Partners"		NCIS: Los Angeles "Crimeleon"		NCIS "Secrets"		CSI: Crime Scene "Butterflied"	
WGN	19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		Rules of Engage.	Rules "Pilot"	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	WGN News at Nine		Met Your Mother	Rules "Liz Moves In"	Rules "Catering"	Parks and Rec

Els paves the way for South Africans

Associated Press

DUBLIN, Ohio — Ernie Els remembers them as being a big part of his junior golf foundation in South Africa.

He referred to Louis Oosthuizen and Charl Schwartzel as leaders on his junior team that traveled the country, with strong voices and a game to back it up. Oosthuizen went on to win a British Open at St. Andrews, and Schwartzel won the Masters.

Branden Grace was another youngster who came through his foundation, a kid from the Garden Route with raw power who needed some polish.

Grace was perched on a sand dune at Fancourt in fading light 10 years ago watching Els, his hero, make a tense 6-foot par putt against Tiger Woods to end the Presidents Cup in a tie.

"That is when I knew I wanted to play golf," Grace said.

Now they're together on the same International team at the Presidents Cup. It's a dream for Oosthuizen and Grace, and it's a bit uneasy for the Big Easy.

"We just kind of ... blended," Els said Tuesday after a day of team pictures and practice at Muirfield Village. "They're pros now. They were juniors and then they were amateurs and now we're professionals and now we're playing together. It's very weird. It's hard to explain.

"Louis and Branden and Charl, I've known them since they were so young," he said. "And now they're playing on the big stage. It's quite nice."

Oosthuizen, whose swing is regarded as one of the best in golf, is making his debut and happy to do so. He missed the past three months with pain in his lower leg, back and neck and only returned to competition last week at the Dunhill Links in Scotland.

Oosthuizen and Schwartzel were on the wrong end of a bad haircut Monday night, providing more than a few laughs in the International team room.

Then, they played together against Els and showed that there might be plenty of fight from this team that looks outmatched on paper.

"They won all the money today, the two little rascals," Els said, choosing his words carefully in front of the cameras. "We had a ton of money we played for and they won the most money. Maybe they can grow their hair with that."

The matches start Thursday at the course Jack Nicklaus built, the third time Muirfield Village has hosted an international competition — The Ryder Cup in 1987, the Solheim Cup in 1998 and now the Presidents Cup.

It looks like a mismatch on paper.

The International team has seven rookies in the Presidents Cup and only one player — Masters champion Adam Scott — in the top 10 in the world. The only American without Presidents Cup or Ryder Cup experience is 20-year-old Jordan Spieth, who is playing so well that he is at No. 21 in the world.

The Americans have never lost on home soil since this event began in 1994. The International team has only won once, in Australia in 1998.

Els and Scott have been the most vocal about needing to make the matches competitive — the past three have been blowouts — and see what it's like to win. Schwartzel has been around Els for a long time, and he noticed a change in his voice when the four-time major champion speaks.

"You can sense in the way he's speaking that he's really tired of being on the losing side," Schwartzel said. "Even out of Adam, too. They've had enough of this."

Even so, there is a sense of pride from Els when he sees the young Springboks.

"We got pretty lucky to get talent like that," Els said. "And we've got some more talent now in our foundation again. They have really laid a great foundation. They're great kids ... well, they're not kids anymore."

Grace was 15 when he spent a week at Fancourt in what remains the tensest Presidents Cup. It ended in a tie, and by rule, one name was pulled from an envelope to decide who won the cup — Woods and Els. They halved the first two holes as darkness fell.

Woods rolled in an 18-foot putt that broke both ways, later calling it the most nervous he had ever been. Els rolled in a 6-foot par putt that looked twice as long to halve the third extra hole. The captains declared it a tie.

As they played the 15th hole Tuesday, a video of that moment was being shown on a big screen.

"I asked Ernie, 'Listen, were you nervous over that putt?' He was like, 'Yes, I was,'" Grace said.

Oosthuizen needed the funding from Els' foundation to develop as a golfer. He was at Fancourt that weekend, but was home at Mossel Bay watching the final round on television.

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For each phrase below, rearrange the letters to spell two words that are antonyms of each other. For example, RAKE LEAF can be rearranged to spell REAL, FAKE. The first letter of one word is placed to get you started.

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UV RAYS HEAT BALL

V_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _

Yesterday's Answer: Common H; MIRTH, BUSHY, OUGHT, FIGHT

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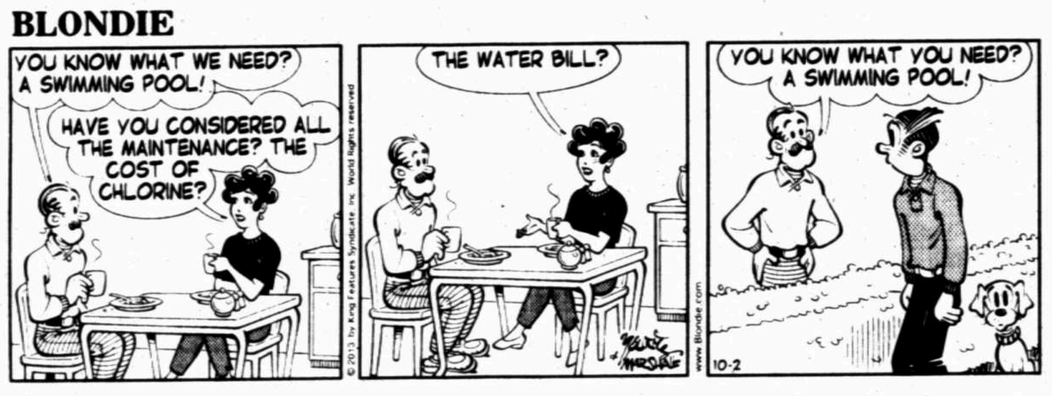

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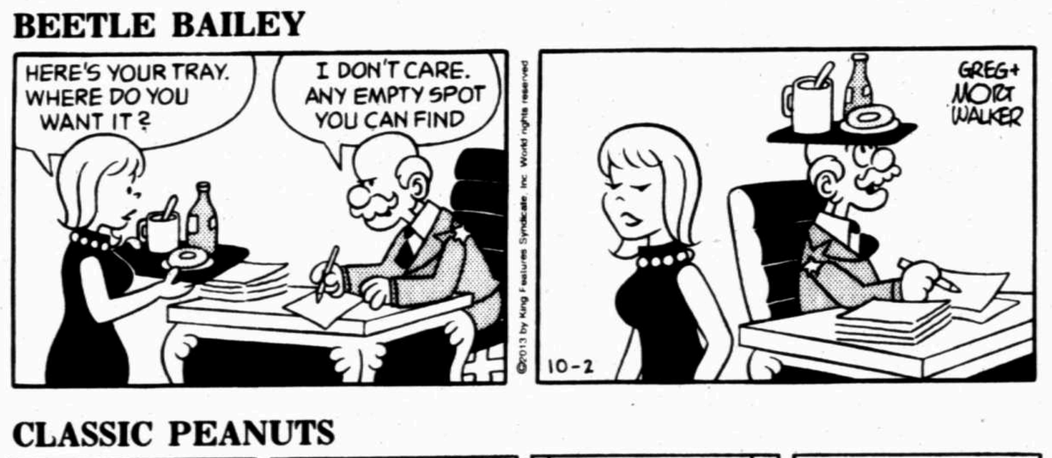

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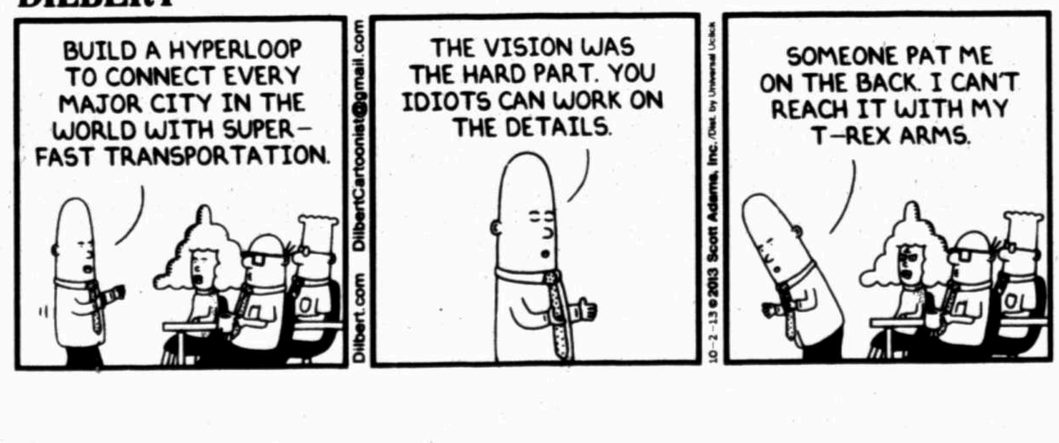

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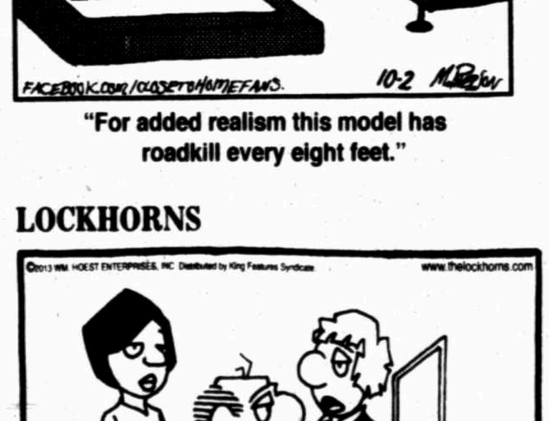

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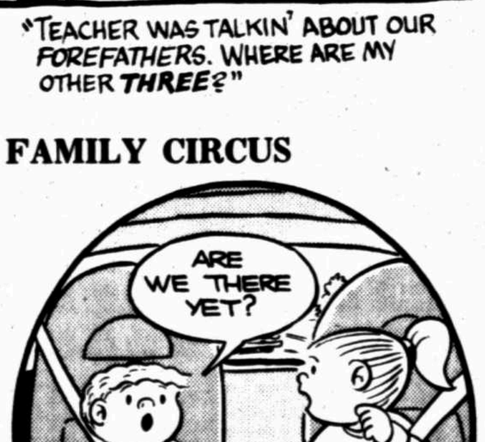
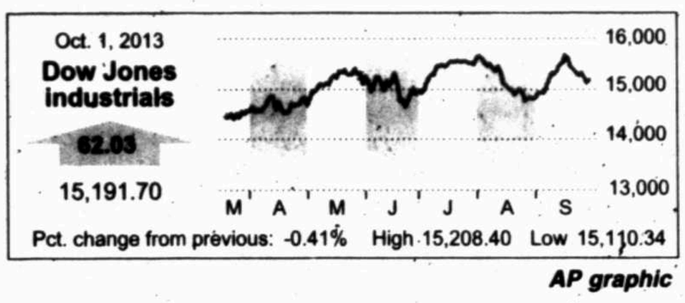


"It depends on where you think we're going."

BUSINESS & OIL

A DAY ON WALL STREET



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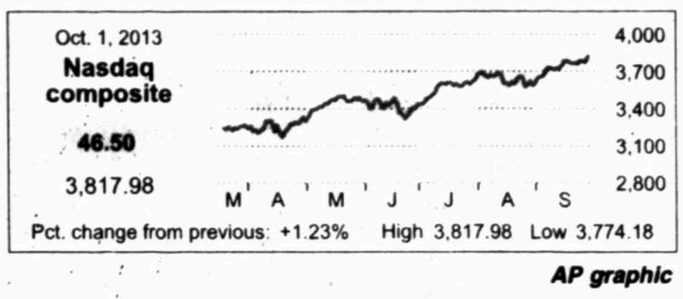

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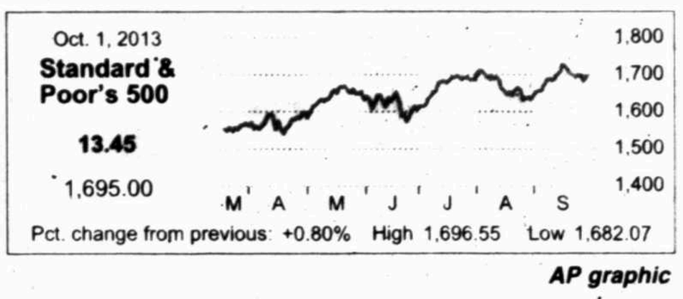

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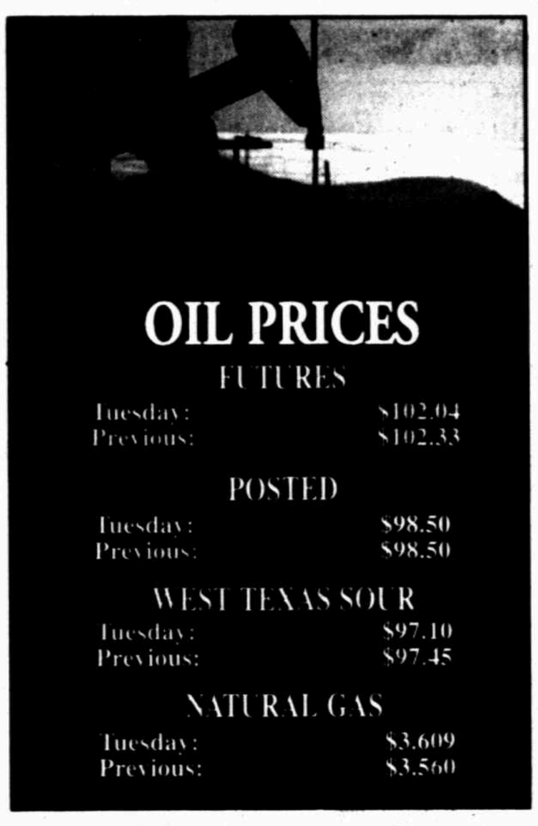

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
S&P500ETF	1096631	169.34	+1.33
iShEMkts	561059	41.57	+.82
BkofAm	549866	13.90	+.10
MktVGold	433949	24.41	-.61
FordM	413711	17.19	+.32

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
EdgenGrp	11.90	+4.30	+56.6
BioAmbr n	5.84	+.94	+19.2
IFM Invest	2.02	+.22	+12.2
BitautoH	17.95	+1.83	+11.4
QksilvRes	2.17	+.20	+10.2

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
WalkerDun	12.86	-3.05	-19.2
iP LXRHK	128.00	-22.35	-14.9
Hyperdy rs	3.76	-.66	-14.9
BiPOpCur	39.09	-4.90	-11.1
GAMCO	69.50	-6.43	-8.5

DIARY

Advanced	2,190
Declined	856
Unchanged	119
Total issues	3,165
New Highs	205
New Lows	23
Volume	3,130,071,986

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
FAB Univ	48370	5.99	-1.36
AlldNevG	43175	3.98	-.20
NwGold g	36382	5.89	-.09
CheniereEn	34559	34.31	+.17
InovioPhm	29486	2.13	+.06

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
PyramdOil	4.88	+.71	+17.0
PacBkrM g	4.99	+.60	+13.6
EnviroStr s	2.18	+.20	+10.1
Gastar grs	4.32	+.37	+9.4
NthnO&G	15.63	+1.20	+8.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
FAB Univ	5.99	-1.38	-18.7
GoldResrc	5.92	-.70	-10.5
NTS Rlty	4.27	-.44	-9.3
Pedevco rs	3.89	-.35	-8.3
SwedLC22	23.00	-2.00	-8.0

DIARY

Advanced	227
Declined	189
Unchanged	20
Total issues	436
New Highs	12
New Lows	6
Volume	84,804,200

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Facebook	956526	50.42	+.19
Microsoft	358010	33.58	+.30
SiriusXM	332767	3.98	+.10
MicronT	311510	17.61	+.14
Zynga	306924	3.84	+.17

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
RevolutnL	3.85	+1.30	+51.0
CorpResSv	3.35	+.88	+35.6
pSivida	5.38	+1.27	+30.9
LexiPhrm	2.89	+.51	+21.4
QIWI n	37.26	+6.00	+19.2

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Linktone	3.32	-.49	-12.9
ReadgIntlB	6.99	-1.00	-12.5
Achillon	2.65	-.37	-12.3
Performnt	9.75	-1.15	-10.6
LiquidHld n	6.31	-.74	-10.5

DIARY

Advanced	1,822
Declined	709
Unchanged	102
Total issues	2,633
New Highs	212
New Lows	18
Volume	1,773,082,871

Nominee for federal energy regulatory post withdraws

By Matthew Daly
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama's nominee to be the nation's top energy regulator withdrew Tuesday, conceding he did not have enough support for confirmation.

Binz

Honorable

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Ron Binz, a former Colorado energy regulator who strongly backs renewable energy, was opposed by at least half of the 22-member Senate Energy Committee, including all 10 Republicans and at least one Democrat.

Opponents said they considered Binz's views to be outside the mainstream and were troubled by his comment that natural gas may be a "dead end" fuel.

Republicans said they were concerned that Binz was not truthful when he assured them that he was not part of a coordinated effort by a green-energy group and a Washington lobbying firm to boost his nomination to head the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

Binz said in a statement that he plans to remain in Colorado. No replacement was announced. Colette Honorable, chairwoman of the Arkansas Public Service Commission, and FERC commissioner Cheryl LaFleur are among those mentioned as possible successors to outgoing FERC Chairman Jon Wellinghoff.

A White House spokesman said Tuesday that Obama was grateful for Binz's willingness to serve and regrets that "qualified public servants continue to get obstructed by the Senate confirmation process."

Binz, who served on Colorado's public utilities commission from 2007 to 2011, has championed renewable energy such as wind and solar power and helped former Colorado Gov. Bill Ritter push through a law that led to closures of older, coal-fired plants in the state.

Binz, 64, said in an interview Tuesday that he was caught up in an ideological battle that had little to do with him — or with FERC's job of regulating interstate transmission of electricity, oil and natural gas. The panel does not regulate coal.

"That was the greatest disappointment, that the person considered for this job was a caricature of me ... spun up by my opponents," he said. "The committee announced its votes on someone I didn't even recognize."

Binz called the battle over his nomination a "blood sport" and said advocacy groups funded by the fossil fuel industry waged an organized and effective campaign against him.

"It was a coordinated attack," he said, calling the dispute a proxy battle against the Obama administration's clean energy policies.

A former advocate for energy consumers, Binz now works as a consultant and is affiliated with a renewable energy institute headed by Ritter. Binz said Tuesday he will focus on "how to move forward on a clean energy agenda."

At a confirmation hearing last month, Binz denied he is anti-coal, but the perception that he is hostile to coal and other fossil fuels persisted. Sen. Joe Manchin, a pro-coal Democrat from West Virginia, sharply questioned Binz at the Sept. 17 hearing and announced his opposition to Binz the next day. Another pro-coal Democrat, Sen. Mary Landrieu, of Louisiana, also was considered likely to oppose Binz if his nomination had continued.

"Mr. Binz's record shows he strongly favors renewable (energy) over other energy sources, and he favors rising rates as part of the new economy," Manchin said.

Alaska Sen. Lisa Murkowski, the top Republican on the Senate energy panel, said she was not convinced Binz's views were "compatible with FERC's mission."

Binz's withdrawal was celebrated by pro-coal activists, who had strongly opposed his nomination. Thomas Pyle, president of the American Energy Alliance, a conservative group backed by fossil fuel interests, called Binz "the wrong nominee at the worst possible time for American consumers."

Binz's "record of radical advocacy and regulatory bias was too much to overcome, even for (Senate Majority Leader) Harry Reid's rubber-stamp Senate," Pyle said.

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., called Binz's withdrawal a "victory for job creation and for Kentucky families." McConnell had vowed to oppose Binz on the Senate floor.

"Given the Obama administration's hostility toward coal and other fossil fuels and the jobs they create, the last thing American families need is another regulator who is willing to block job growth in the vital field of energy production," McConnell said

Senate Energy Committee Chairman Ron Wyden, D-Ore., called Binz well-qualified to lead FERC and said it was "unfortunate" that Binz was forced to withdraw.

"The next nominee should be judged on his or her merits," Wyden said, "and not on organized PR campaigns, either for or against."

Oil falls to near $102

The price of oil slipped to near $102 a barrel Tuesday after parts of the U.S. government were ordered to shut down because of a budget impasse in Washington.

Benchmark oil for November delivery fell 29 cents to close at $102.04 a barrel in New York. Brent crude, a benchmark used to price imported crude used by many U.S. refineries, fell 43 cents to close at $107.94 in London.

Relatively weak oil demand in the U.S. could weaken further if the shutdown curbs economic growth and continues to stop 800,000 federal workers from driving to work, according to Phil Flynn, a senior market analyst at the Price Futures Group.

"A prolonged stalemate could slow the economy and U.S. oil demand," Flynn wrote in a report Tuesday.

The national average price of gasoline fell a penny to $3.39 per gallon, according to AAA, the Oil Price Information Service, and Wright Express. It's the 30th straight day of declines, and the average is now lower than it has been since Jan. 30.

Gold falls 3.1 percent

The price of gold slumped to its lowest level in nearly two months Tuesday as investors hoped that a partial shutdown of the U.S. government would be short-lived.

A relatively quick resolution to the standoff, and to a separate conflict in Washington over raising the country's borrowing limit, would diminish the appeal of gold as a safe haven.

Gold for December delivery dropped $40.90, or 3.1 percent, to $1,286.10 an ounce, the lowest since Aug. 7.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $52.59 Up 0.12

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $113.65 Up 4.84

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $32.86 Up 0.39

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $43.424 Up 0.78

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $27.27 Up 0.25

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $6.90 Up 0.34

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $27.08 Up 0.26

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $14.00 Down 0.50

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.80	26	34.06	+.24	+1.0
Abraxas	...	...	**2.63**	**+.06**	**+20.1**
ActiveNet	...	...	14.37	+.06	+192.7
AdamsEx	**.67e**	...	**12.48**	**+.09**	**+17.8**
AMD	...	...	3.86	+.05	+60.8
AlcatelLuc	...	...	3.67	+.14	+164.0
Alcoa	.12	30	8.17	+.05	-5.9
AlonUSA	.24a	5	10.19	-.02	-43.7
AlphaNRs	...	...	5.82	-.14	-40.2
Amgen	**1.88**	**19**	**114.58**	**+2.66**	**+32.9**
Anadarko	**.72f**	**28**	**93.44**	**+.45**	**+25.7**
Annaly	1.65e	3	11.73	+.15	-16.5
Apache	**.80**	**14**	**86.47**	**+1.33**	**+10.2**
ApldMatl	**.40**	...	**17.47**	**-.06**	**+52.7**
ArchCoal	.12	...	4.02	-.09	-45.1
ArenaPhrm	...	...	5.11	-.16	-43.3
ATMOS	**1.40**	**16**	**42.64**	**+.05**	**+21.4**
AutoData	1.74	25	72.16	-.22	+26.8
BP PLC	**2.16**	**10**	**41.85**	**-.18**	**+.5**
BabsCCInv	1.20a	...	15.40	+.08	+.8
BakrHu	.60	21	49.66	+.56	+21.6
BkofAm	.04	25	13.90	+.10	+19.7
BariPVix rs	...	...	14.18	-.52	-55.4
BarrickG	.20m	...	18.03	-.59	-48.5
BasicEnSv	...	...	12.93	+.29	+13.3
BerkHa A	**...**	**1617**	**1028.00**	**+618.00**	**+27.6**
BerryPet	**.32**	**16**	**43.33**	**+.20**	**+29.2**
BlkHillsCp	**1.52**	**18**	**50.06**	**+.20**	**+37.8**
BlackBerry	...	...	7.92	-.03	-33.3
BrkfldIg	**1.40**	**58**	**47.24**	**+.96**	**+46.5**
BrownFA	**1.02a**	**25**	**67.92**	**+1.74**	**+10.4**
BrownFB	**1.02a**	**25**	**69.12**	**+.99**	**+9.3**
CVS Care	.90	17	57.54	+.79	+19.0
Cameron	...	19	59.20	+.83	+4.9
Caterpillar	2.40f	13	83.76	+.36	-6.5
Celestic g	...	25	11.31	+.28	+38.8
CntryLink	2.16	18	31.76	+.38	-18.8
ChesEng	.35	...	26.24	+.36	+57.9
Chevron	**4.00**	**9**	**121.32**	**-.18**	**+12.2**
Chicos	.22	16	16.99	+.33	-8.0
Cimarex	.56	21	98.96	+2.56	+71.4
Cisco	.68	12	23.24	-.02	+18.3
Citigroup	.04	13	48.60	+.09	+22.9
CleyEng	**...**	**...**	**52.59**	**+.12**	**+31.5**
CocaCola	**1.12**	**20**	**37.95**	**+.07**	**+4.7**
ColgPalm s	**1.36**	**25**	**60.09**	**+.79**	**+15.0**
Comcast	.78	18	45.61	+.50	+22.1
ConAgra	**1.00**	**17**	**30.51**	**+.17**	**+3.4**
ConchoRes	**...**	**60**	**113.65**	**+4.84**	**+41.1**
ConocoPhil	**2.76f**	**12**	**70.04**	**+.53**	**+20.8**
CrackerB	3.00	21	104.24	+1.06	+62.2
CrosTim	**2.15e**	**14**	**29.40**	**+.07**	**+9.2**
DCP Mid	2.84f	22	49.78	+.12	+19.2
DTE	2.62	18	66.13	+.15	+10.1
Dataram rs	...	...	2.54	-.23	+28.3
Dawson	**...**	**18**	**32.86**	**+.39**	**+24.6**
Dell Inc	.32	18	13.84	+.09	+36.5
DeltaAir	.24	10	24.21	+.62	+104.0
DevonE	**.88**	...	**58.60**	**+.84**	**+12.6**
DxSCBr rs	...	...	21.92	-.80	-59.4
Disney	**.75f**	**19**	**64.83**	**+.34**	**+30.2**
DowChm	**1.28**	**42**	**38.31**	**-.09**	**+18.5**
DryShips	...	...	3.73	+.19	+133.1
EOG Res	**.75**	**47**	**172.15**	**+2.87**	**+42.5**
EmpDist	**1.00**	**16**	**21.75**	**+.09**	**+6.7**
Energen	.58	23	78.67	+2.28	+74.5
EngyTsfr	3.58	12	52.44	+.37	+22.2
EnPro	**...**	**33**	**60.64**	**+.43**	**+48.3**
EntPrPt	2.72f	22	61.75	+.71	+23.3
Ericsson	.43e	...	13.60	+.25	+34.7
ExterranH	**...**	**11**	**28.07**	**+.50**	**+28.1**
ExxonMbl	**2.52**	**9**	**86.00**	**-.04**	**-.6**
Facebook	...	...	50.42	+.19	+89.4
FordM	.40	12	17.19	+.32	+32.7
ForestOil	...	19	6.39	+.29	-4.5
FrSea rsh	...	...	.77	+.10	-12.5
GATX	**1.24**	**18**	**47.88**	**+.36**	**+10.6**
GabMultT	**.80**	...	**9.86**	**+.11**	**+25.6**
GAInv	**2.00e**	...	**34.39**	**+.25**	**+23.6**
GenElec	**.76**	**18**	**24.17**	**+.28**	**+15.2**
GenMotors	...	13	35.91	-.06	+24.6
GlPlainEn	**.87**	**14**	**22.34**	**+.14**	**+10.0**
Groupon	...	...	11.70	+.49	+140.7
HalconRes	...	33	4.66	+.23	-32.7
Hallibrtn	**.50**	**18**	**48.60**	**+.45**	**+40.1**
iShBrazil	1.36e	...	48.37	+.46	-13.5
iShJapan	.15e	...	11.87	-.05	+21.7
iShSilver	...	...	20.42	-.49	-30.5
iShChinaLC	.93e	...	37.60	+.52	-7.0
iShEMkts	.77e	...	41.57	+.82	-6.3
iS Eafe	1.76e	...	64.14	+.34	+12.8
iSCorSPMid	1.55e	...	125.77	+1.63	+23.7
iShR2K	1.70e	...	107.85	+1.24	+27.9
iSh3-7yTrB	.73e	...	121.04	-.20	-1.8
iShREst	2.57e	...	64.76	+.97	+.1
IntegrysE	2.72	14	55.77	-.12	+6.8
Intel	**.90**	**12**	**22.83**	**-.09**	**+10.7**
InterDig	.40a	6	37.70	+.36	-8.3
JPMorgCh	1.52	9	51.96	+.27	+19.0
JohnJn	**2.64**	**19**	**87.47**	**+.78**	**+24.8**
KimbClk	**3.24**	**20**	**94.38**	**+.16**	**+11.8**
KindME	5.28f	29	80.47	+.64	+.9
KindMM	5.28f	48	75.86	+.90	+.5
Kinross g	...	...	4.93	-.12	-49.3
LDK Solar	...	...	1.89	-.04	+31.3
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Lubys	**...**	**30**	**7.01**	**-.17**	**+4.8**
MktVGold	.46e	...	24.41	-.61	-47.4
McDnlds	3.24f	18	96.13	-.08	+9.0
Merck	1.72	26	48.74	+1.13	+19.1
MerltMed	**...**	**43**	**12.50**	**+.37**	**-10.1**
MexcoEn	...	...	6.90	+.34	+7.2
MicronT	...	...	17.61	+.14	+177.8
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Nabors	.16	38	16.51	+.45	+14.3
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NOilVarco	1.04	15	78.80	+.69	+15.3
NwLead hlf	...	...	14	+.00	-65.5
NewmtM	1.00m	...	27.21	-.89	-41.4
NokiaCp	...	...	6.62	+.11	+67.6
NvMAd	**.80a**	...	**12.47**	**-.04**	**-18.0**
NvPMil	**.88**	...	**12.87**	**-.03**	**-13.7**
NuvPI	**.86**	...	**12.73**	**-.05**	**-15.0**
NSTFI3	**.63a**	...	**12.80**	**.02**	**-12.4**
NTXQI	**.70**	...	**13.45**	**-.03**	**-15.1**
OcciPet	**2.56**	**18**	**94.39**	**+.85**	**+23.2**
OfficeDpt	...	...	4.95	+.12	+50.9
Oracle	.48f	14	33.50	+.33	+.5
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PattUTI	**.20**	**16**	**22.00**	**+.62**	**+18.1**
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ProctGam	**2.41**	**20**	**76.16**	**+.57**	**+12.2**
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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
15,709.58	12,471.49	Dow Jones Industrials	15,191.70	+62.03	+.41	+15.93	+12.68
6,754.81	4,838.10	Dow Jones Transportation	6,672.24	+89.81	+1.36	+25.73	+35.93
537.86	435.57	Dow Jones Utilities	484.16	+1.87	+.39	+6.86	+1.72
9,906.32	7,841.76	NYSE Composite	9,693.27	+72.02	+.75	+14.80	+16.86
2,509.57	2,186.97	Amex Index	2,348.76	-14.53	-.61	-.29	-4.80
3,798.76	2,810.80	Nasdaq Composite	3,817.98	+46.50	+1.23	+26.44	+22.37
1,729.86	1,343.35	S&P 500	1,695.00	+13.45	+.80	+18.85	+17.24
18,409.85	14,036.94	Wilshire 5000	18,146.59	+164.16	+.91	+21.02	+20.21
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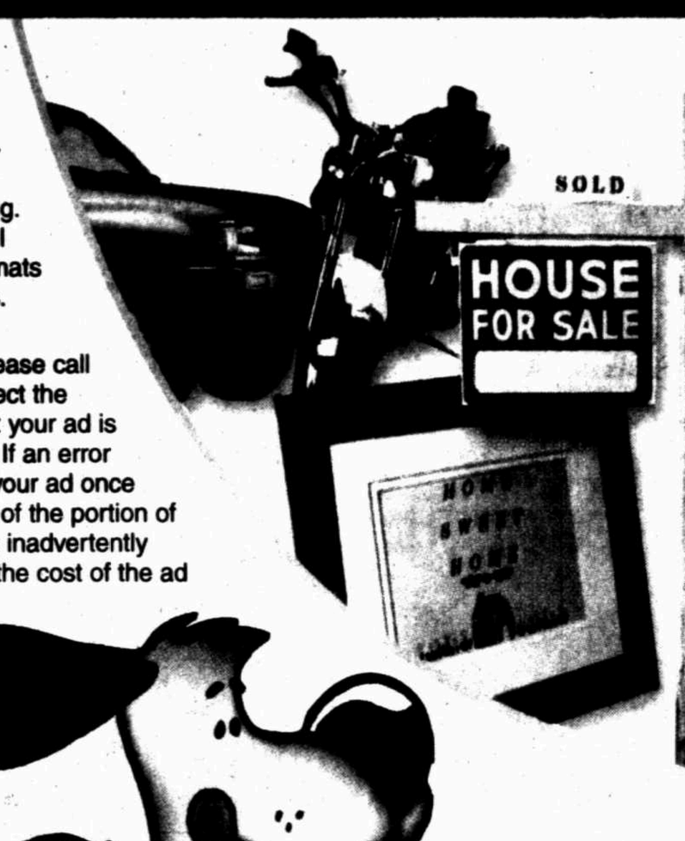

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U12547	12 FIAT 500 2DR HB POP WHITE	$14,881
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U12560	11 JAGU XF 4DR SDN PREMIUM BLACK	$37,981
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U12580	13 JEEP GRAND CHER RWD 4DR LIMITED	$35,982
2374MB	07 JEEP WRANGLER 2WD 4DR UNLIMITED	$17,895
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LINCOLN		
U12583	12 LINC NAVIGATOR 4WD 4DR SILVER	$45,781
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M12519	11 MERC GLK-CLASS RWD 4DR GLK350	$26,995
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U12513A	07 PONT SOLSTICE 2DR CONVERTIBLE	$11,881
PORSCHE		
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U12595	11 TOYO TUNDRA 4WD CREWMAX 5.7L	$36,890
U12557	12 TOYO TUNDRA 4WD CREWMAX 5.7L SR5	$31,885
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ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Staff Accountant

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AEROSPACE & AVIATION

Welders, Operators, and Mechanics

Madron Services Inc is seeking experienced Rig Welders, Operators and Mechanics this is not a part time job. lots of hours, it is oilfield. Competitive wages. Call Rickey @ 575-725-9383 or send resume to fax 575-234-9547 or mail to P O Box 1926 Carlsbad NM 88220.

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ENERGY & UTILITIES

Hunt

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A privately held exploration and production company, Hunt Oil has successfully conducted worldwide petroleum operations for over 75 years, and is one of the world's leading independent energy companies. We are currently seeking a Compressor Operator in our Knox City, TX office.

- Operate & maintain surface facilities including CO2 recompression, water injection pumps, dehydration and associated equipment
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Oilfield Positions

Oilfield Supply Store FT
Midland, TX

Hiring all position. Outside/Inside Sales. Hose Tech. Shop hands. Drivers. send resumes to cbelcourt@relianceindustrial.com

Plant Operator

West Texas Gas, Inc. FT

Plant operator needed immediately. Experience preferred but not required. Location near Rankin, TX. Fax resume to (432) 693-2132 or mail to Benedum Gas Plant, HC 34, Box 63, Midkiff, TX. 79755.

PRODUCTION FOREMAN and OPERATOR II

BreitBurn Energy, an independent oil and gas company focused on acquisition, exploitation, and development of oil and gas properties, is looking for talented people to join its expanding Team. We are currently looking for a **Production Foreman** and an **Operator II**. For full descriptions of these positions, please visit our website at www.BreitBurn.com. All positions are located 30 miles northeast of Midland. All interested candidates, please send your resume to the Human Resources Department at **HR@breitburn.com** or at **515 S. Flower Street, Suite 4800, Los Angeles, CA 90071**

Swab Rig Operator

Swabbing Services, Inc FT

Local oilfield service company seeking Swab Rig Operator. Full benefits. Must have a CDL license and pass drug test. Apply at 14 East Industrial Loop, Midland, TX. 79701. Call 432-699-1200.

Technical Service Manager

Performance Chemical Co. FT

Currently has a career opportunity available in our Midland, TX location. BS/BA with minimum 5 years O & G preferred. Please contact Travis Pitcock at 432-425-7718 or travis.pitcock@perf-chem.com

HEALTHCARE

Deerings Nursing and Rehabilitation

Nursing Department staffing schedule offers one 3 day weekend off each month. Benefits are available. If you are a person dedicated to providing quality care, please apply in person or email resume.

Healthcare Professionals

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- Licensed Vocational Nurse (2p-10p)
- Certified Nurse Aides (2p-10)

Email resume to:
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www.daybreakventure.com

Receptionist

Preferred Medical Center FT
Midland, TX 79701

Full time receptionist with billing and collection experience needed for Urgent Care. Dependable person with pleasant personality required. Please fax your resume to fax number (432)520-3684 or call 520-5678 or Email to **doctormidland@gmail.com**

OTHER JOBS

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person.

Pay 10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting 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.

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ADM.TerraceWest@daybreakventure.com

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CNA

Confidential FT

Need a well experienced CNA for sitting with elderly woman. References required. Non-smoking environment. Call Yadira: 432-741-9091 from 8am-8p.

Dental Hygienist

Gray Cosmetic and Family Dentistry FT

Dr. Chet and Wesley Gray are seeking a dynamic full-time Dental Hygienist. Dental experience a plus. Must be licensed and registered to work in Texas. Apply at: 2701 W. Cuthbert in Midland, TX. 79701. No phone calls.

HEALTHCARE

Experienced MA

Pediatric Office looking for Experienced MA. Please fax resumes to 682-2284 or mail to Attn: Arita Routh, P.O. Box 5291, Midland, Texas 79704
PO#7160

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Medical Assistant & Receptionist

Urgent Care clinic looking for MA & Receptionist. Please fax resumes to 682-2284 or mail to Attn: Arita Routh, P.O. Box 5291, Midland, Texas 79704
PO#UC-7066

Optician

Phillips Eye Clinic FT
4311 W. Wadley Ave. **Midland, TX 79707**

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Biller needed with 1 year experience in medical billing and accounts receivable. Requires good customer service skills with patients. Please fax resumes to 682-2284 or mail to Premier Physicians, Attn: Arita Routh, PO Box 5291, Midland, Texas 79704. *No phone calls please.*
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Receptionist

Experienced Receptionist needed for busy medical office. Attractive salary and benefits. Please mail resume to: PO Box 8729, Midland, Tx 79708.

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Front Desk

Holiday Inn Express FT
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Midland, TX 79707 **No phone calls**

Now hiring Front Desk AM and PM shift. Professional appearance required. Will train the right person. Competitive pay. Apply in person only. No phone calls.

Management and Area Director of Sales

Insignia Hospitality Group FT

We are now accepting resume for energetic management and area director of sales in Midland for Marriott Springhill Suites and Holiday Inn Express. Please submit resume to careers@insigniamgmt.com

OTHER JOBS

Emergency Shelter Opening

We are seeking energetic; youth oriented persons for part time/full time employment as a **direct care staff** working directly with children who have been removed from their families due to abuse or neglect. Children range in age from 0-17. Duties include cooking, cleaning, goal planning, goal teaching, transportation, meeting medical needs, complete assessments, daily logs of events, activity planning and working with a team. We offer part time benefits for vacation and sick time, competitive salary based on experience, work history and education. This person should be at least 25 years of age, have a good driving record, valid driver's license, clear criminal history, drug screen, High School diploma or GED. Preference given to those with a bachelor's degree. Current Open Shifts are: Evenings : 2-3 nights per week and rotating weekends: Weeknights are 3p-11p and weekends are 8a-11p. Awake Night: 3-4 awake overnight per week. Awake night hours are 10p-8a. Please contact Karen Kendrick at 432.694.7728 or karenb@highsky.org. Contact by email is preferred.

OTHER JOBS

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person.

Pay 10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting 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 [illegible]

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OTHER JOBS

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Green Tree Country Club FT/PT
CERTIFIED FITNESS/PERSONAL TRAINERS SEND RESUME TO: mail@gttennis.com

Copier Service Technician
Hilliard Office Solutions FT
Hilliard Office Solutions has an opening for an **Experienced Copier Service Technician.** Service copiers in the field for the Midland/Odessa region. Canidate must have 3-5 years experience and a clean driving record. To apply, send resume to: careers@mmbo.com or fax to: 432-617-3043.

FLOWER SALES/ DELIVERY
FLOWERLAND FT/PT
Salesperson needed. Must have good customer relations and phone etiquette. Computer experience preferred. Saturdays & holidays included.

Full-time employee needed to process and deliver flowers and perform other job related duties. Saturdays and holidays included. Must be 21 & over.

Fax resume to 432-682-8949, apply in person, or email resume tomwilliams@flowerlandmidland.com

Foster Care Opening
We are seeking energetic; youth oriented persons for **part time** employment as a **direct care staff** working directly with children who have been removed from their families due to abuse or neglect. Children range in age from 0-17. Duties include cooking, cleaning, goal planning, goal teaching, transportation, meeting medical needs, complete assessments, daily logs of events, activity planning and working with a team. We offer part time benefits for vacation and sick time, competitive salary based on experience, work history and education. This person should be at least 25 years of age, have a good driving record, valid driver's license, clear criminal history, drug screen, High School diploma or GED. Positions requires someone who can work weekends, stay overnight and occasional weekday work. Please contact Cindy McDonald at 432.694.7728 or cindym@highsky.org Contact by email is preferred.

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Midland, TX
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Pool Cleaning Service Tech.
Confidential FT
Midland, TX 79703
Pool Cleaning Service Tech. Must have valid DL, insurance & transportation. Apply in person: 5023 Princeton, #11 or call 432-699-0555.

Positions Needed
Wyndham Garden Hotel Positions needed: Hotel: Front Office Manager, Front Desk Agents AM - PM. Night Auditor, Housekeepers, Laundry Attendant. Housemen, Maintenance/Handyman. Restaurant & Banquet Dept.: Food & Beverage Manager & Supervisor, Cooks, Servers/Hostesses, Breakfast Attendants & Busboys. Bar- Bar Managers, Bartenders, Servers/Hostesses. Full/Part Time Hotel experience a plus. Will train the right people. Pay based on experience. Please email or hand deliver resume, wyndhammidlandgm@gmail.com / 3100 W. Wall Street, Midland, TX.

Resident Monitor, Cook & Social Service Coordinator
Dismas Charities FT/PT
Midland, TX 79701
Dismas Charities is hiring Full, Part-time & relief staff for the positions of Resident Monitor, Cook & Full-time Social Service Coordinator. Walk-in applicants are welcome at: 24 W. Industrial Loop.

Restaurant Positions
Osaka Japanese Steakhouse FT
Would you like to make $15-$20 an hour? Now hiring Hibachi Chef. Will train. Also need all positions: Waitress, Hostess, Cashier, Bartenders, Bus Help, Dishwasher & Kitchen Help. Apply in person: 1207 Tradewinds Blvd. 79706.

Shop Assistant
Permian Petroleum Services, Inc. FT
Need experienced Shop Assistant to service and wash trucks, change truck tires and assist mechanics. Must be 21 years or older and have valid driver's license with clean driving history. Competitive wages, paid health insurance, uniforms and vacations. Retirement plan, vision and dental insurance available. Apply to 4601 Rankin Highway, Midland, fax resume to 432-687-1643, call 432-682-0434 or email rvmaskell@gmail.com.

Warehouse Manager
Natural Gas Service Group FT
NGSG, Inc. has an immediate opening for a **Warehouse Manager.** This position is responsible for materials, equipment, and supplies by directing, receiving, warehousing, inventory control, budget, distribution services and supervising staff. The ideal candidate must have the 5 years + as Warehouse Manager Excellent Salary and Benefit package for the right person. For more information or to submit your resume contact employment@ngsgi.com or call (432) 262-2700.

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an opening in its Production Department for the position of:

Pressman/Pressman Trainee

for our Harris N-1650 Printing presses. This 5 - 6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires night shift weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.

Send resume and salary requirements to:
John Maddox, Production Director
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701
E-mail: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
or
come by 201 E. Illinois Street to fill out an application.

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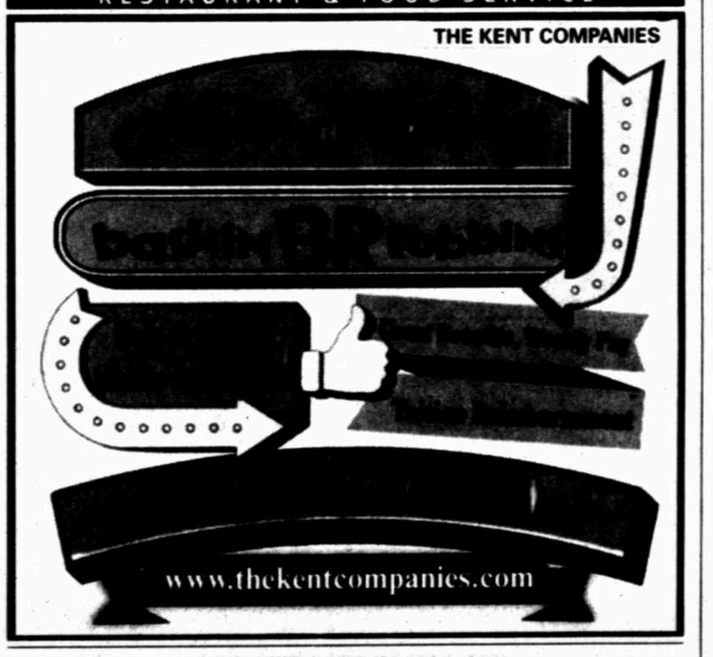
FINANCIAL ACCOUNTANT

Clayton Williams Energy, Inc., a publicly-traded oil and gas company in Midland, Texas is seeking a Financial Accountant. Qualified applicants should possess an Accounting degree, and 3 years experience in the oil and gas industry or public accounting. This position demands an energetic individual with advanced computer experience and effective written/verbal communication skills. We are an equal opportunity employer and offer competitive salary with an excellent benefit package.

Please direct your resume and salary history to: hr@claytonwilliams.com

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE



Assistant Manager and Mid Level Manager
Genghis Grill FT
Midland, TX 79705
NOW HIRING. Great benefits. Please apply in person: 4517 N. Midkiff Dr., Midland, Tx 79705.

Chef
Confidential FT
Midland, TX 79703
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2700 N. Big Spring Street **Apply in Person**
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Midland, TX 79705
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SKILLED LABOR

Accountant
Requirements:

Bachelor's Degree in Accounting
5 yrs Accounting Experience including General Ledger experience Required
Oilfield Accounting experience preferred

Send Resume to
310 W Wall St Suite 705
Midland TX 79705

Automotive Painter & Auto Body Tech
Advance Collision FT
We are seeking an Automotive Painter & Auto Body Tech.
Experience required. Apply at 961 Advance Ave. 79701. 432-262-3407.

Backhoe Operator
TCO Field Services FT
Oilfield service company needs experienced Backhoe operator. Must have Class A CDL license and must pass DOT drug screen. Apply in person at 2815 East I-20, Midland, TX.

Diesel Mechanic
South Environmental Services, Inc. FT
Diesel Mechanic Needed. South Environmental Services is looking to hire Diesel Mechanic. Please send resume to joanna@southenv.com or apply in person at 2400 S. loop 250W Midland Texas. Across the loop from the DPS.

Technicians
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SALES JOBS

Multi-Media Sales Consultant

The Midland Reporter-Telegram and mywesttexas.com advertising department is looking for a Multi-Media Sales Consultant. The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of personal sales successes, preferably in a newspaper/media environment. Some knowledge of the advertising industry would be helpful, but not required.

Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products, including mywesttexas.com.

Qualifications & Skills:

- *Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented environment*
- *Excellent customer service and time management skills*
- *Highly organized with the ability to work independently with minimal supervision*
- *Detail-oriented with good communication, spelling and math skills*

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Jeri Houston, Advertising Sales Manager
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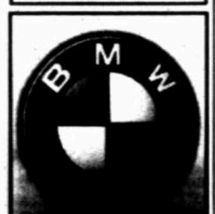

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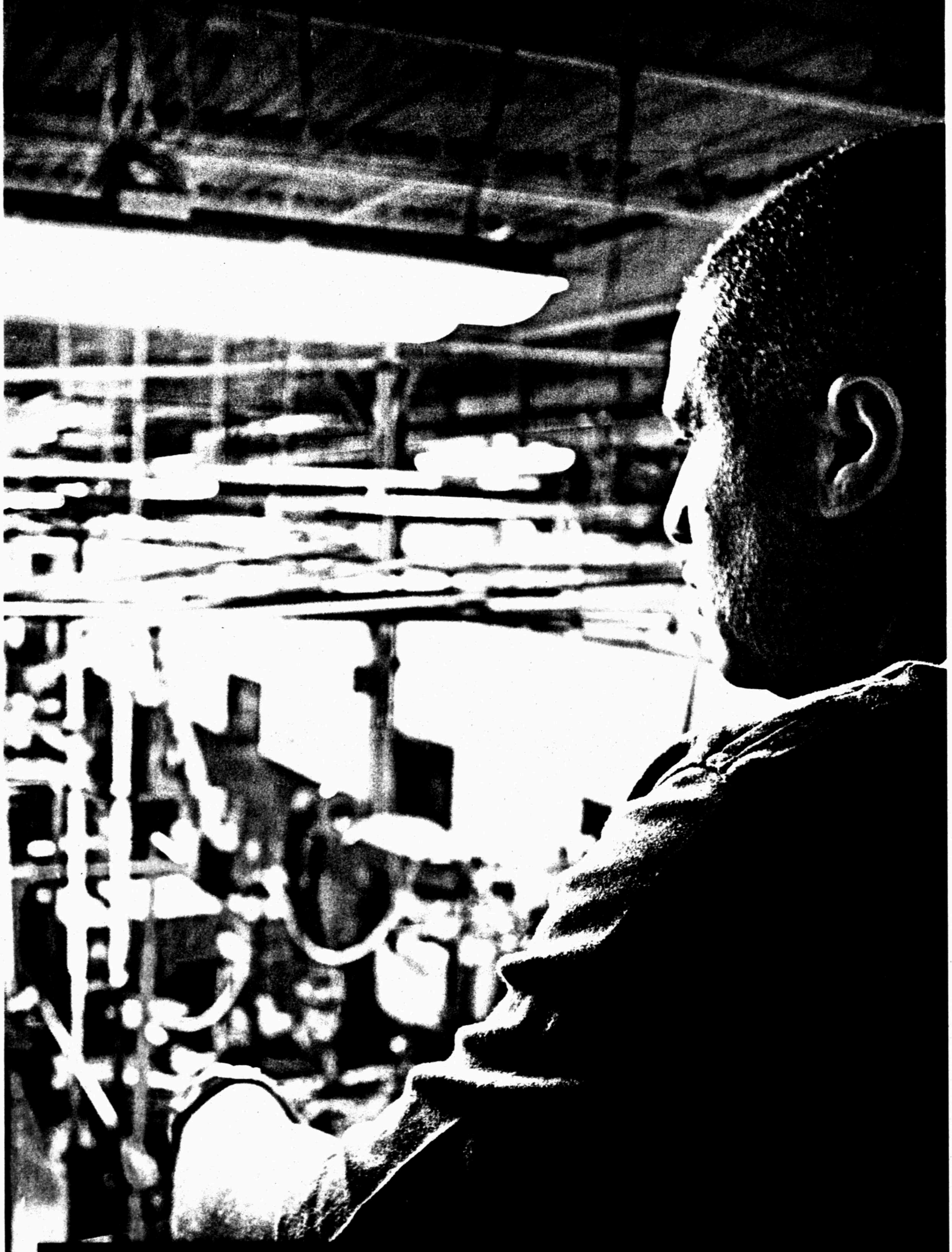

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