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Record prices, low inventory highlight housing report

By Stewart Doreen
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There has never been a better time for Midland County residents to sell their homes.

The Permian Basin Board of Realtors reported this week that the sellers' market that is Midland County reached record heights in April in terms of the average and median prices (\$341,174 and \$290,000, respectively). And it appears that record level

might become the norm as the PBBOR also reported that for the second straight month the numbers of homes sold (209) was higher than the number of homes on the market at the end of the month (194).

Another indicator showed homes are not only selling for nearly \$60,000 more than April 2017, but they are coming off the market at an average not experienced consistently since 2014. The PBBOR reported the average number of days a home stayed on the market dropped to 35, more than 20 days

lower than April 2016.

Realtor Victoria Printz says there are choices out there, but buyers have to be ready. She told the Reporter-Telegram that buyers looking to compete in this heated sellers' market need to be prequalified and ready to go with a lender letter in hand. Finances, she said, must be good because some sellers will have five or six offers in front of them, and they will go with the least amount of risk.

Printz added the newer homes — espe-

cially in northwest Midland — might have six offers in an eight-hour period and some homes are being sold before the listing goes public.

"Anything under \$450,000 to \$500,000, particularly the newer properties, are flying off the market," Printz said. "Buyers need to adjust their thinking rather than thinking they have time to sleep on it."

The PBBOR's statistics for April were in

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GREENWOOD GRADUATES



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Greenwood seniors make their way in during the processional Thursday evening for the Class of 2018 Commencement ceremony at Chaparral Center. View a list of graduates and profiles of the valedictorian and salutatorian in Saturday's edition.

Average price of gas in Midland surges above \$3

Price increases more than 11 cents this past week, nearly double state average

By Stewart Doreen
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Midland again took the lead for the most expensive average price of gas in Texas.

The average price for a gallon of regular unleaded gasoline in Midland surged this past week as Midland retailers combined to increase the average price by 11 cents, which — according to AAA Texas — was the largest increase in the state during the past week and nearly doubled the state average.

The increase pushed the average price not only past El Paso, but put the average price above \$3 for the first time since oil prices started their most recent ascent. AAA Texas reported Thursday that Midland drivers are paying an average of \$3.06 a gallon. El Paso was second at \$3.03. Odessa was the only other Texas city surveyed with an average more than \$3 (\$3.02). AAA Texas' survey takes data from 27 of the state's largest metropolitan areas.

The average price across the state, according to the organization, is \$2.76 — 30 cents lower than Midland. The average price across the nation is \$2.96 — 10 cents lower than Midland.

For Midland drivers, higher prices were the same story a year ago as Midland drivers were paying an average of \$2.30 a gallon, according to AAA Texas. That price was the highest across the state and 12 cents higher than the state average.

Distributors have told the Reporter-Telegram there are many complexities in the fuel business that impact pricing. They pointed to the high cost of transportation from Gulf Coast refineries and Midland's distance from pipelines.

Across West Texas and into the Panhandle, increases were the norm. Amarillo's average price increased 9 cents to \$2.69. San Angelo's average increased 8 cents to \$2.80. Abilene and Lubbock reported more modest increases of 3 and 4 cents, respectively. The average price in Abilene is \$2.90. The average in Lubbock is \$2.72.

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State senator puts spotlight on threats to power grid

By Mella McEwen
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Electronics permeate American life. And if the electricity that powers those devices was lost, so would many Americans.

Today, electricity is the third most important thing for sustaining life, behind only air and water, said State Sen. Bob Hall, R-Edgewood. If the U.S. were to lose all electricity for 11 to 18 months, he told members of the Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists, studies

show 90 percent of the population would be lost.

"We'd go back to the 1800s. No one knows how to plant tomatoes or potatoes anymore," he said.

He explained that the loss of electricity would eliminate everything from transportation and the ability to deliver food, water and medical supplies to communications.

Hall is discussing the subject because he sees a rising threat to electric grids around the world from electromagnetic pulses.

"What's concerning today is the geopolitical atmosphere, and our reliance on

electronic technology," he said.

Hall, an Air Force veteran, began his active career as a systems engineer helping develop the Minuteman Missile System. He said the damage EMPs can cause to electric grids was discovered in the 1960s when both the United States and Russia conducted nuclear bomb tests in the atmosphere.

He told his audience that Russia and China both possess electromagnetic pulse technology and that the technology has

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Price of oil

\$70.71 ▼ \$1.13

The big number

100 degrees; That's how high temperatures are predicted to be the next 6 days. Page 2A

Word of the Day:

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LOCAL ROUNDUP

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Miami man dies in I-20 accident west of Monahans

A 58-year-old Miami, Florida, man is dead after he rolled his truck tractor Wednesday in Ward County, according to the Department of Public Safety. DPS troopers reported Juvier H. Santurinio was pronounced dead at the scene after an accident at about 11:58 p.m. 4.1 miles east of Wickett. Santurinio was towing a semi-trailer west on Interstate 20 when the vehicle left the roadway. DPS reported Santurinio overcorrected and rolled.

City reports new traffic pattern in Green Tree

Green Tree Boulevard between Holiday Hill Road and Midland Drive was recently re-paved as part of the city of Midland's 2017 Road Bond. Now, a new traffic pattern is in place with the installation of signs and pavement markings, according to the city of Midland. "The intent of the new traffic pattern is to encourage lower speeds that are more compatible with the character of the neighborhood," said Michael Pacelli, city traffic engineer. Factors that led to the decision included the residential nature of the area surrounding Green Tree Blvd., the presence of pedestrians and golf carts traveling along the street and frequently crossing between the clubhouse and golf course, and the existing posted 25 mph speed limit. Input from the adjacent homeowners' associations and country club also helped spur the change.

The new pavement marking pattern, according to the city, provides for a single travel lane in each direction, eliminating the opportunity to pass and thus providing for calmer traffic flow. There is a 2-foot wide buffer area separating the travel lane from the next lane to the right. The right lane, which is marked with diamond symbols designating it as a "special use lane," is for use by bikes and golf carts only. On the far right side, there is a 6-foot wide shoulder, which provides a space for pedestrians to walk or jog, well-separated from the higher-speed motor vehicle traffic.

Drivers turning right into side streets or driveways should safely merge into the bike/golf cart lane just before their turn, according to the city. Motorists should not turn across the path of bikes or golf carts coming from behind, but always merge with that traffic and turn from the rightmost portion of the pavement.

As per state law and safety guidelines, pedestrians should walk facing oncoming traffic, and should utilize the outside shoulder area that has been provided.

Vehicles are still permitted to park along Green Tree Boulevard in the outside shoulder area when necessary, but residents are encouraged to keep vehicles in their driveways and off this roadway as much as possible to allow room for pedestrians to remain separated from traffic.

City to begin annual chlorine flush

The city of Midland's Water and Wastewater Department will conduct its annual chlorine flush beginning June 1.

This preventative measure will ensure continued safe drinking water by temporarily changing the method used to disinfect the water supply. Chloramine, a combination of chlorine and ammonia, is normally used as a disinfectant to remove possible bacteria and viruses from water supplies in Midland and many other cities across the nation, accord-

ing to information from the city. During a period of approximately 30 days, the city will use only chlorine to disinfect the water supply.

"Free" chlorine is a more powerful disinfectant, and this temporary change in the water treatment process denies bacteria the ability to form resistances to the usual disinfection treatment process, according to the city. This may cause the water to have a chemical odor or smell, slightly like water in a swimming pool. Some residents may detect no change at all.

Both forms of chlorinated water are safe for people and animals to drink. Cooking and bathing, watering the garden and all other common uses are also safe, the city reports. Still, chlorine can be removed by boiling water or using treatment devices to reduce chlorine levels. Letting water sit for 20 minutes after dispensing also allows the chlorine to dissipate.

The city is required to send notification of this change to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), which suggests the free chlorine method for maintaining adequate chlorine residuals throughout the distribution system.

In preparation for, and following the disinfection conversion, fire hydrants in various areas of town will be "flushed" or drained of their existing supply of water, according to the city.

Residents may notice a different method of hydrant flushing this year, such as fewer hydrants being drained for longer periods of time. This helps maintain water clarity and quality in the city's distribution system.

NWS: 100-degree heat on its way

The National Weather Service is reporting 100-degree days for at least the next six days.

The hot forecast will help close out what has already been one of the hottest months of May on record. It also means more heat for an area that is still plagued by severely dry conditions.

The NWS on Thursday reported the 100-degree stretch of weather is slated to begin Friday with a relatively mild start of 100 degrees. Temperatures are then expected to reach 104 degrees Saturday and then again Wednesday. Sandwiched in between are high temperatures of 102 and 103 degrees.

It will be an appropriate end to the month, which so far has been one of the warmest on record and more than 6 degrees warmer than average. The NWS reports an average temperature of 80.0 degrees through May 23. The typical average temperature for May is 73.6 degrees. The streak of 100-degree days could mean May's all-time record average temperature 81.1 degrees (in 1996) is threatened.

The 100-degree streak also might be a precursor to a warmer-than-average June.

The Climate Prediction Center's latest 30-day forecast says to expect a 50 percent chance of warmer-than-average conditions during the month of June.

The National Weather Service's hot forecast didn't have any expectations of rainfall, which won't help an already parched region.

The U.S. Drought Monitor shows severe to extreme conditions across much of the Midland-Odessa area on its May 22 report.

Midland County is also one of 98 counties across the state with a burn ban in place.

The National Weather Service reports 0.84 of an inch of rain through May 23. That total means the rainfall at Midland International Airport is nearly 3 inches behind what is normal.

Dallas Fed chief: Texas economy poised for sustained growth

By Collin Eaton
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — Texas' rapidly increasing population will give the state an economic edge in coming years as the United States wrestles with sluggish growth in both the labor force and productivity, two trends that could weigh on the nation's economic future, said Robert Kaplan, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.

Kaplan, in a recent interview with Houston Chronicle editors and reporters, said the number of people living in Texas has grown from 22.5 million about a decade ago to more than 28 million and could rise above 40 million over the next quarter century, enabling it to outperform the nation as a whole in coming years, said Kaplan. Population is one of two key drivers of economic growth, not only providing workers needed by businesses, but also customers who buy houses, cars and other goods and services.

"At a time where rest of the country is challenged by aging populations, slowing workforce growth and a loss of working age population, with this population growth, Texas is bucking a lot of those trends," Kaplan said. "Texas is extremely well positioned."

The U.S. economy is strong, at or near full employment nine years after the Great Recession ended in 2009. The unemployment rate is 3.9 percent, the lowest in nearly two decades while the economy this year is expected to grow at a pace near 3 percent. But the national economy faces several challenges that federal, state and local policy makers will need to address to maintain healthy economic growth in coming years, Kaplan said.

The biggest of those challenges is demographic. The nation's population is aging and leaving the workforce, creating potential shortages that will slow the production of goods and services. The labor participation rate — the proportion of people aged 16 to 64 working or looking for work — has fallen down from 66 percent in 2007 to 62.8 percent today. The Dallas Fed projects that figure could slip below 61 percent over the next several years.

In an effort to bolster the nation's workforce, Dallas Fed researchers have said the United States would be well served to develop a skills- and employer-based immigration system, in which government agencies figure out the kind of jobs that are open and adapt immigration policies to fit the needs of the job market.

"If you think you're going to cut immigration growth by half, you have to recognize that's inconsistent with growing GDP," Kaplan said. "That may be a trade-off decision policymakers want to make. But that's going to make it harder because you have to grow the workforce to grow GDP."

Texas is flush with newcomers, but it faces its own workforce challenges. As technology plays a larger role in the economy, skills will play an ever more important role and workers will need to adjust to changing industries and jobs. State policymakers, he said, should take steps to improve early childhood literacy, secondary education and college readiness — more than half of the state's college students don't finish with degrees within six years.

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Melissa Phillip/Houston Chronicle

Robert Kaplan, president and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, is shown during an interview Tuesday in Houston.

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projects in recent years, the world will become far more reliant on U.S. shale drillers headquartered in Houston to meet the growing demand, Kaplan said.

"With the port here and the growth in the energy business, there are increasing opportunities for Houston," he said.

Kaplan said he expects the U.S. economic growth to slip below 2 percent by 2020 as the aging population slows workforce and productivity growth, and stimulus effects the recent federal tax cuts and spending increases wane. That's why he favors the Fed raising interest rates gradually to avoid adding more drag on economic growth.

He said he favors boosting the Fed's key short-term interest rate twice more this year, which would bring the benchmark to just over 2 percent.

"The reason I'm on the gradual side is I'm worried about these structural headwinds — aging, sluggish productivity, and ... high to unsustainable levels of government debt," he said.

The debt has reached such high levels — above \$20 trillion — that government is unlikely to take the traditional steps of increasing federal spending to help lift the economy when the next recession hits, said Kaplan. And as the Fed raises interest rates to keep the economy from overheating, the nation's debt burden will only grow as the federal government pays more to borrow, Kaplan added.

The path of debt growth could likely not be sustainable," he said. "And the reason we don't notice it as much is because interest rates are historically low."

Border Patrol agent fatally shoots immigrant

Associated Press

RIO BRAVO — The U.S. Border Patrol says an agent was trying to detain some people when he suspected had entered the country illegally when they attacked

him and he shot and killed one of them.

Border Patrol says the unidentified agent was investigating a report of illegal activity Wednesday in Rio Bravo, just south of Laredo, when he came across the group.

The agency said in a statement Thursday that the agent was trying to take them into custody when some attacked him "using blunt objects." The agent fired at least once, striking one of his assailants. Three others who fled were apprehended by responding agents.

Gas

From 1A

AAA Texas reports higher gas prices won't keep holiday travelers home this weekend, with automobile travel expected to increase for the fourth straight year, by nearly 5 percent over last Memorial Day. The 88 percent of travelers choosing to drive will pay the most expensive Memorial Day gas prices since 2014. Gas prices are up primarily because of expensive crude oil, record gasoline demand and shrinking global supply, according to the organization.

The south and southeast regions continue to tout the cheapest gas in the country, but prices are at least 50 cents more expensive than this time last year, according to AAA Texas. Inventory

levels in the region continue to fall and have now reached their lowest point in two years.

"Texans are paying 58 cents more for a gallon of gas compared to Memorial Day weekend last year," said Daniel Armbruster, AAA Texas/AAA New Mexico spokesperson. "Even with more expensive gas prices, automobile travel is expected to increase by nearly five percent this Memorial Day in Texas. AAA Texas reminds motorists that distracted driving is deadly. Don't drive intoxicated or 'intoxicated' this Memorial Day weekend."

Drivers in Wichita Falls were paying the least for gasoline. AAA Texas reports an average price there of \$2.65.

Gas price report

Cheapest gas: \$2.88 (Sun's Club, Tulewinds/SH 191)	Midland-Odessa	Texas
Cheapest gas (non-membership club): \$2.89 (Valero, Big Spring/Flores Street)	\$3.027	\$2.733
Most expensive gas: \$3.09	\$2.953	\$2.698
Most expensive price: \$2.99, \$3.09	\$2.720	\$2.533
Cheapest prices 1: West Texas: Amarillo \$2.54, Lubbock \$2.57, San Angelo \$2.63, Odessa \$2.78, Abilene \$2.87, Midland \$2.89	\$2.252	\$2.181
Thursday		
Last week		
Last month		
Last year		

REPORT

From 1A

line with Printz' comments. Statistics showed the most homes sold in April were for between \$300,000 and \$399,999, and those homes were on the market less than one month. What had been thought of as workforce housing in Midland — \$200,000 to \$249,999 and \$250,000 to \$299,999 — were the fastest movers at 25 and 19 days, respectively.

It remains to be seen if this year will follow the usual trends of the spring time being the busiest months for Realtors. Printz said business has been constant for

nearly 18 straight months.

Printz reports having her best year in 23 years in 2017 (and the numbers aren't even close) and this year is already ahead of last year's pace.

"I have not had a break since December 2016," Printz said.

And all signs point to business staying good. April set a new standard in 2018 for homes sold. Combine that with the heated economy and basically record-low inventory, and those selling homes should only have to worry about picking the best offer.

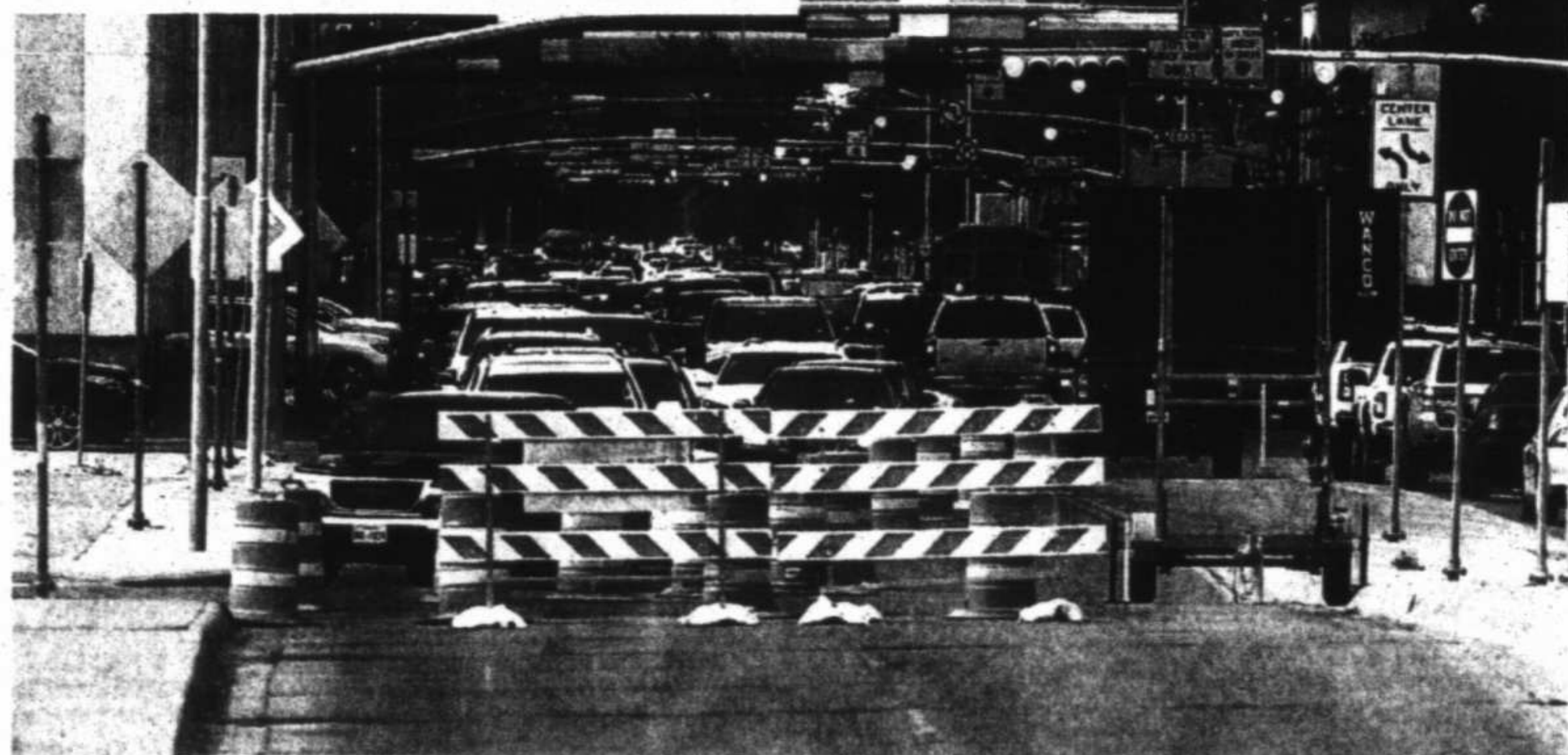
April statistics

Average total on the market	194
Homes sold	209
Average days on the market	35
Average sold price	\$341,174
Average list price	\$348,584
Median sold price	\$290,000
Median list price	\$299,999
Total house sales sold (dollar volume)	\$71,848 million
Average number of houses on market in April	
2012	184
2013	209
2014	291
2015	490
2016	601
2017	394
2018	194
Total houses sold in April	
2012	184
2013	209
2014	163
2015	136
2016	138
2017	202
2018	209
Average days on market in April	
2012	39
2013	47
2014	43
2015	42
2016	36
2017	31
2018	35
Average sold price in April	
2012	\$229,920
2013	\$246,882
2014	\$271,722
2015	\$281,007
2016	\$298,176
2017	\$304,480
2018	\$341,174

Source: Realtors Board of Realtors

TODAY IN MIDLAND

Backed up



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Traffic backs up near downtown Midland while the southbound lanes of Big Spring Street are closed Wednesday evening while city of Midland employees work to repair a major water leak.

WORD OF THE DAY

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Cajole [Kuh-JOHL] verb
1: a: to persuade with flattery or gentle urging especially in the face of reluctance: coax b: to obtain from someone by gentle persuasion

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Things to do

- Evening Storytime at the Library, 4:30 p.m. (2-6 years), Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.
Friday Night Fish Fry, 6 p.m., Ranchland Hills Golf Club, 1600 E. Wadley Ave. ranchlandhills.com
Bingo Nights, 7 p.m., American Legion, 501 Veterans Airport Lane. 682-5511.
Hold 'em poker tournaments, 7 p.m., The Detour, 1709 Rankin Highway.
Ghost Town Blues Band, 8 p.m., Riley's Bar and Grill.
Tim Kretz Band, 9 p.m., The Bar.
DJ Widman, 9 p.m., the Lift on 7th, 1401 E. Seventh St. Odessa.
DJ Boris, 9 p.m., Supernova Nightclub, 2215 N. Midland Drive. \$10.
Bobby Champion, 9 p.m., Your Place, 3704 W. West St.
'Smoke from the Mountain' by the Maverick Players, 7:30 p.m., Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. \$20. maverickplayers.org.

Pool season approaches

Doug Russell and Washington aquatic centers will open Saturday for a Memorial Day preview. The pools will then close May 29 - June 1 and re-open for the summer season on June 2.
More information: http://www.midland-texas.gov/204/Midland-Swimming-Pools

MSD Special Services fair

Midland ISD Special Services is hosting its 'Footsteps to Transition' Fair -- an event designed to assist junior high and high school students with special needs and their families in making a successful transition to adult life and independence.
The fair is scheduled for 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Leo High School Cafeteria, 3500 Neely Ave. Please RSVP to Laura Arthur at 240-1434. Source: Midland ISD

TML recognizes Councilman Love

The Texas Municipal League recognized City Councilman John B. Love III as a Leadership Fellow earlier this month in Round Rock. Love was honored by Bennett Sandlin, Texas Municipal League (TML) executive director, with the award ceremony, in addition to serving as host emcee of the event in his capacity as TML President Elect.

communication skills and practiced negotiation for strategic influence. They discussed local issues in the broader leadership context, with the goal of applying learnings to their public service role and to benefit their cities and residents. Source: City of Midland
This date in Midland
On May 25, 1960, Johnny Rutherford took the checkered flag giving car owner Jim Hall of Midland his second Indianapolis 500 title in three years.
Today in History
Today is Friday, May 25, the 145th day of 2018. There are 220 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On May 25, 1968, the Gateway Arch in St. Louis was dedicated by Vice President Hubert Humphrey and Interior Secretary Stewart Udall.
On this date:
In 1787, the Constitutional Convention began at the Pennsylvania State House (Independence Hall) in Philadelphia after enough delegates had shown up for a quorum.
In 1818, Argentina began its revolt against Spanish rule with the forming of the Primera Junta in Buenos Aires.
In 1916, the Chicago Tribune published an interview with Henry Ford in which the automobile industrialist was quoted as saying, 'History is more or less bunk.'
In 1935, Babe Ruth hit his last three career home runs -- nos. 712, 713 and 714 -- for the Boston Braves in a game against the Pittsburgh Pirates. (The Pirates won, 11-7.)
In 1961, President John F. Kennedy told Congress: 'I believe that this nation should commit itself to achieving the goal, before this decade is out, of landing a man on the moon and returning him safely to the earth.'
In 1968, an estimated 7 million Americans participated in 'Hands Across America' to raise money for the nation's hungry and homeless.
In 1982, Jay Leno made his debut as host of NBC's 'Tonight Show,' succeeding Johnny Carson. Source: The Associated Press

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 0-8-3
Pick 3 day: 4-1-2
Pick 3 evening: 3-8-1
Pick 3 night: 0-4-6
Daily 4 morning: 0-2-6-3
Daily 4 day: 6-2-4-5
Daily 4 evening: 8-9-6-6
Daily 4 night: 9-2-9-4
Cash Five: 11-25-28-35-36
Triple Chance: 7-17-21-22-24
34-37-47-48-51
Texas Two Step: 1-8-18-33-
BB: 22
All or Nothing morning: 3-6-7-9-11-13-14-15-19-20-21-24
All or Nothing day: 5-7-10-11-12-13-14-16-18-21-22-23
All or Nothing evening: 2-5-8-9-10-11-13-14-16-21-22-24
All or Nothing night: 1-2-4-7-8-12-13-15-18-19-20-21

Weather

Thursday's temperatures
High.....93
Low.....66
Normal high.....90
Normal low.....62
May 24's records
Record high: 108, set in 1989 and equaled in 2000
Record low: 48, set in 1940
Precipitation
Wednesday.....0.00 in.
Thursday.....0.00 in.
Month total.....0.68 in.
Year total.....0.84 in.
Normal total (year to date).....3.74 in.
Winds
Average speed: 9.6 mph
Highest speed: 20 mph
Highest gust speed: 29 mph
Today's forecast
High: 100
Low: 72
Conditions: Partly sunny during the day/mostly cloudy at night
Winds: 10-15 mph during the day and night
Chance of rain: None
Sunrise.....6:46 a.m.
Sunset.....8:46 p.m. Source: National Weather Service

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult
weekend early. A little self-discipline will make the next few days much more rewarding. Do not fight a quickly changing situation. Understand what is happening with a co-worker or dear friend. Tonight: Accept a fun invitation.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
You suddenly see your life from a different perspective. As a result, you might be open to a lifestyle change. Your sense of humor opens up as you exchange funny thoughts with someone else. Tonight: Get ready for an unforgettable night.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Your vision of what is possible opens many new doors for you. You could be questioning why you are heading in a certain direction. Remain centered and positive, and you'll feel better. Carefully consider an invitation from a new friend. Tonight: Let mystery swirl around you!
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Aim for more of what you want and/or need. You could be in a predicament in which you feel you must make a choice. Tap into your imagination, then decide what you want. Examine your needs more often and be willing to go for them. Tonight: Be where there is good music.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Face yourself, and be willing to adjust plans if need be. You have the ability to cruise through work more easily than many other people. Decide to get as much done as possible. You will feel more content if you put out a hardy and determined effort. Tonight: A must appearance.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Look beyond the obvious. Listen to someone who has a very open and dynamic perspective. You might be surprised by how differently this person views certain situations. Try to observe more and talk less. Relax with the moment. Tonight: Togetherness is the theme.
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Abbott meeting with Santa Fe students, shooting survivors

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Gov. Greg Abbott wrapped up three days of emotional meetings on school safety and mass shootings Thursday by speaking with survivors from last week's mass shooting at a high school near Houston. But there's little expectation that the staunch gun-rights supporter will push for major changes.

The Republican, who is campaigning for re-election, organized the mostly closed-door meetings shortly after eight students and two substitute teachers were fatally shot last week inside Santa Fe High School. Abbott said he wanted to find "swift and meaningful" ways to stop future shootings.

Most of his meetings centered on monitoring student mental health and security measures, such as "hardening" campuses with armed guards and teachers. Abbott hasn't said when or what he'll recommend to address those issues, but said Thursday that "we are going to do more than just talk, we are going to act."

Abbott so far has ignored calls from a handful of state lawmakers from both parties to call the Legislature into special session to address gun laws, which is a sharp contrast to the response in Florida after a high school shooting in February killed 17 people. Three weeks after that massacre, Florida politicians, who were already in session, passed a gun-control package after a lobbying campaign led by student survivors of the attack.

Lawmakers aren't scheduled to meet until January 2019 in Texas, a state that embraces its gun-friendly reputation and has more than 1.2 million people licensed to carry handguns. And unlike the students in Florida, several students at Santa Fe High School have been vocal opponents of increased gun control, including some of those who were invited to meet Abbott on Thursday.

The only tweaks to gun safety Abbott mentioned as possibilities this week were stronger laws on gun storage and reporting of lost or stolen weapons, and quicker reporting to law enforcement when a court order denies someone access to a gun.

Abbott has signed bills in recent years that reduce the cost and training needed for a handgun license and expanded where handguns can be



Eric Gay/Associated Press

Alice Tripp, Legislative Director of the Texas State Rifle Association, left, shakes hand with Gov. Greg Abbott, center, following a roundtable discussion Wednesday to address safety and security at Texas schools in the wake of the shooting at Santa Fe, at the State Capitol in Austin. Ed Scruggs, Board Vice-Chair of Texas Gun Sense, is at right. Abbott, a Republican who has worked to expand gun rights in the state, called for the meetings as he weighs ideas for possible legislative action or executive orders. Two dozen groups were invited to attend the session, which was expected to include conversations on monitoring students' mental health.

legally carried. During a National Rifle Association meeting earlier this month, Abbott said the violence problem isn't caused by guns but by "hearts without God."

This week's meetings included representatives of both gun rights and gun control groups. However, Alice Tripp, legislative director of the Texas Rifle Association, an affiliate of the NRA, said her group found "no common ground" on gun restrictions and would be cautious of anything that would deny access to buy or own guns.

"No common ground except to say that public safety is very important and no one supports the criminal misuse of anything," Tripp said. "Crimes are not stopped by laws."

Thursday's meeting included more than 30 students, families and staff members from Santa Fe High School, as well as two survivors of the November church shooting in rural Sutherland Springs, Texas, that left more than two dozen people dead. Stephen Willeford, the church neighbor and former NRA gun instructor who was hailed as a hero for grabbing a rifle and firing back at the attacker, also attended the meeting.

The issues that seemed to get most of Abbott's attention — better security, tracking student mental health and school counseling — would cost mon-

ey, and the state's public schools are already living under strained budgets.

"If they are serious about making schools more secure, they need to quit talking about arming teachers and start appropriating the state funds necessary to hire more campus police and install more security safeguards in school buildings," including metal detectors, said Clay Robison, spokesman for the Texas State Teachers Association.

Texas Democrats called the meetings little more than theatrics for the governor. The meetings were mostly closed to the public and didn't address major gun restrictions.

"Greg Abbott's track record is that nothing of substance will come out of this that keeps weapons out of the hands of school shooters," said Manny Garcia, deputy director of the state Democratic Party. "Texans need leadership at a time when they are afraid to send their kids to school."

Rhonda Hart, a military veteran whose daughter Kimberly Vaughan was killed in the Santa Fe shooting, has been outspoken this week on the need for more gun control. She wasn't invited to the meetings this week.

"You should have to wait a week, have counseling and walk through lines of protesters who tell you you're a murderer" to buy a gun, Hart said.

Officials: Weinstein to surrender in sexual misconduct probe

By Colleen Long
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Hollywood mogul Harvey Weinstein is expected to surrender to authorities Friday to face charges involving at least one of the women who have accused him of sexual assault, two law enforcement officials told The Associated Press.

It would be the first criminal case against Weinstein to come out of the barrage of sexual abuse allegations from scores of women that destroyed his career and set off a national reckoning that brought down other powerful men in what has become known as the #MeToo movement.

The two officials said the criminal case involves allegations by then-aspiring actress Lucia Evans, who told a magazine that Weinstein forced her to perform oral sex. She was among the first women to speak out about the 66-year-old film producer.

The officials spoke Thursday to the AP on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to discuss the investigation.

A grand jury has been hearing evidence in the case for weeks, and the precise charges against Weinstein weren't immediately clear. Weinstein's attorney, Benjamin Brafman, declined to comment, though Weinstein has said repeatedly through his lawyers that he did not have nonconsensual sex with anyone.

Evans told The New Yorker in a story published in October that Weinstein forced her to perform oral sex during a daytime meeting at his New York office in 2004, the summer before her senior year at Middlebury College.

"I said, over and over, 'I don't want to do this, stop, don't,'" she told the magazine. "I tried to get away, but maybe I didn't try hard enough. I didn't want to kick him or fight him."

Evans, who is now a marketing consultant, didn't report the incident to police at the time, telling The New Yorker's Ronan Farrow that she blamed herself for not fighting back.

"It was always my fault for not stopping him," she said.

Brafman said in court paperwork filed this month in a bankruptcy proceeding that the allegations that Weinstein forced himself on women were "entirely without merit."

"I am trying my very best to persuade both the federal and state prosecutors that he should not be arrested and/or indicted, because he did not knowingly violate the law," Brafman wrote.

Brafman said in the same court filing that he had been informed that Weinstein was a "principal target" of an investigation being

conducted by the U.S. attorney's office in Manhattan.

Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus Vance has come under enormous public pressure to bring a criminal case. Some women's groups, including the Hollywood activist group Time's Up, accused the Democrat of being too deferential to Weinstein and too dismissive of his accusers.

In March, New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo took the extraordinary step of ordering the state's attorney general to investigate whether Vance acted properly in 2015 when he decided not to prosecute Weinstein over a previous allegation of unwanted groping, made by an Italian model.

Vance had insisted any decision would be based on the strength of the evidence, not on political considerations. His office declined comment Thursday.

More than 75 women have accused Weinstein of wrongdoing. Several actresses and models accused him of criminal sexual assaults, including film actress Rose McGowan, who said Weinstein raped her in 1997 in Utah, "Sopranos" actress Annabella Sciorra, who said he raped her in her New York apartment in 1992, and the Norwegian actress Nastassja Malthe, who said he attacked her in a London hotel room in 2008. Another aspiring actress, Mimi Halesy, said Weinstein forcibly performed oral sex on her in his New York apartment in 2006.

New York City police detectives said in early November that they were investigating allegations by another accuser, "Boardwalk Empire" actress Paz de la Huerta, who told police in October that Weinstein raped her twice in 2010.

It's not clear whether Weinstein will face additional charges involving other women. The statute of limitations for rape in New York was eliminated in 2006, but not for attacks that happened prior to 2001.

Several filed a federal lawsuit claiming his efforts to prey on women and cover up complaints amounted to a criminal enterprise.

Authorities in California and London are also investigating assault allegations. Britain has no statute of limits on rape cases; some of the allegations under investigation there go back to the 1980s.

Harvey and his brother Bob Weinstein started his now-bankrupt company after leaving Miramax, the company they founded in 1979 and which became a powerhouse in '90s indie film with hits like "Pulp Fiction," and "Shakespeare in Love." The Weinstein Co. found success with Oscar winners "The Artist" and "The King's Speech."

Survivors seek purpose in shadow of Parkland

By Claire Galofaro
Associated Press

SANTA FE — She had seen the memorials on television, the familiar white crosses erected after each massacre, and now there were 10 of them lined up on her high school's lawn.

Kyleigh Elgin was part of a new set of young victims, like many before her, who left flowers and letters and searched for ways that their tragedy might be different, that it might end the grim routine of school shootings.

"Our community is really small, but we're like one big family, and I genuinely feel like we can make a difference," said Elgin, a sophomore who ran for her life last week when a gunman blasted his way

into a classroom and killed 10 people at Santa Fe High School near Houston.

But for these survivors, deciding what to do next has not come into focus as clearly as it did for the students who lived through the most recent mass school shooting, only three months ago, in Parkland, Florida.

Those teens galvanized the nation with an impassioned and aggressive plea to tighten the nation's gun laws.

In Santa Fe, a rural Texas town with just 13,000 residents who pride themselves on responsible gun ownership, a different mantra was repeated: "It's not a gun issue. It's a heart issue, and heart issues are harder to fix than guns."

"We can't be compared to the Parkland kids," said

Callie Wylie, a 16-year-old soccer player who lost eight classmates and two teachers in last week's attack. "It's too new. As we move on, maybe we'll build a stronger stance. Maybe we won't. But I hope we do."

Sandy Phillips has watched this agonizing search for purpose again and again, at the sites of nine mass shootings since her own daughter's name appeared on one of the white crosses.

Jessi Ghawi was gunned down with 11 others when a man opened fire in a Colorado movie theater six years ago. That's when Phillips began a morbid mission to visit the sites of American massacres to comfort the families of the dead and the ones who made it out alive. She

believes her work can't end until the country gets serious about addressing the ease with which killers can get access to guns.

"America isn't handling this well," said Phillips, herself a gun owner who grew up around firearms. "I hear politicians say all the time, 'We're not going to let this define our community. We're not going to let this define who we are. Aurora Strong. Las Vegas Strong. Parkland Strong.'"

Each shooting has been followed by pleas for change and yet here Phillips stood again, among teenagers wearing shirts reading "Santa Fe Strong." The phrase has appeared on bumper stickers and storefronts and tattoos. The tight-knit community has gathered for vigil after vigil, day after day.

Man gets 7 life terms in prison for 7 rapes

Associated Press

HOUSTON — A 35-year-old Houston man linked to more than 20 rapes and convicted in seven has been sentenced to seven life terms in prison.

A Harris County jury convicted Marquis Tate of an attack in 2015.

As the trial's punishment phase was about to begin Wednesday, prosecutors say he pleaded guilty to six other charges

of aggravated sexual assault. He received the maximum sentence — life in prison — for each conviction.

Prosecutors say they had a dozen victims prepared to testify against him.

In the case that went to trial, DNA evidence tied him to the rape of a woman who was walking on a Houston road when she was forced at knifepoint into his car, then taken to a secluded area where she was assaulted.

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been leased to Iran and North Korea. All four nations have the use of EMPs to wipe out America's electric grids as part of their military protocol, he said.

Natural causes, primarily in the form of coronal mass ejections, better known as sun spots, he said. He said Earth narrowly missed a massive event in July 2012 and NASA puts the odds of a future threat at 12 percent.

And yet, he said, few steps have been taken to protect the commercial electric grid from such attacks. The nation's military has taken steps, but he pointed

out that the military relies on the commercial grid for 95 percent of its electricity.

The technology to protect against such pulses already exists, he said: Neutral grounding, surge protectors and shielding of computers.

Hall authored legislation requiring the state's power companies to install technology to protect the grid from such threats. It failed in the last session and he plans to reintroduce it next year.

"I'd like the power companies to say they recognize the problem and fix it, the way they realized reliability was a problem and stepped up," he said.

"It's irresponsible of the

leaders of the power companies to not address the seriousness of the issue."

Texas' electric grid is virtually isolated, with the Electric Reliability Council of Texas covering 85 percent of the state.

"If the federal government won't do it, it's up to Texas to step up. The cost to Texans is extraordinary," he said.

He added, "We're always talking about Texas being the place to do business. I can't think of a better situation, if the lights go out, than to say 'But they'll be back on in Texas.' I think businesses would move here if that were the case."



Protests worldwide against US idea of auto import tariffs

By Christopher Bodeen
Associated Press

BEIJING — China, Japan and the European Union condemned Thursday the Trump administration's decision to launch an investigation into whether tariffs are needed on imports of vehicles and automotive parts into the United States.

President Donald Trump invoked a provision authorizing the president to restrict imports and impose unlimited tariffs on national security grounds. The move is seen as an effort to gain a bargaining chip in stalled talks with Canada and Mexico over the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Mexico is the top exporter of passenger vehicles and light trucks to the U.S. followed by Japan, Canada, Germany and South Korea, according to the Department of Commerce.

Japan's minister of Economy, Trade and Industry, Hiroshige Seko, said Japan, which accounts for about 40 percent of U.S. vehicle imports, will continue to remind U.S. officials that any trade measures must conform to the rules of the World Trade Organization.

If such a measure is taken, "it would be an extremely far-reaching trade sanction that would put the global market into turmoil," Seko said. "We are extremely concerned."

Germany's association of industry groups

said auto tariffs would be a "provocation" and "another nasty blow to our economic relations" with the United States. The EU executive said it would be against the rules of global trade.

In Beijing, Commerce Ministry spokesman Gao Feng told reporters that abusing national security provisions would "undermine the multilateral trade system and disrupt the order of international trade."

"China will pay close attention to the progress of the U.S. investigation, conduct a comprehensive assessment of the possible impact and firmly defend our legitimate rights and interests," Gao told reporters at a news conference.

Japanese and European automakers did not issue individual comments but some referred to Global Automakers, based in Washington, an industry group of international automakers. Global Automakers Chief Executive John Bozzella said the move would merely hurt American consumers.

"The U.S. auto industry is thriving and growing. Thirteen, soon to be 14 companies, produced nearly 12 million cars and trucks in America last year. To our knowledge, no one is asking for this protection. This path leads inevitably to fewer choices and higher prices for cars and trucks in America," he said in a statement.

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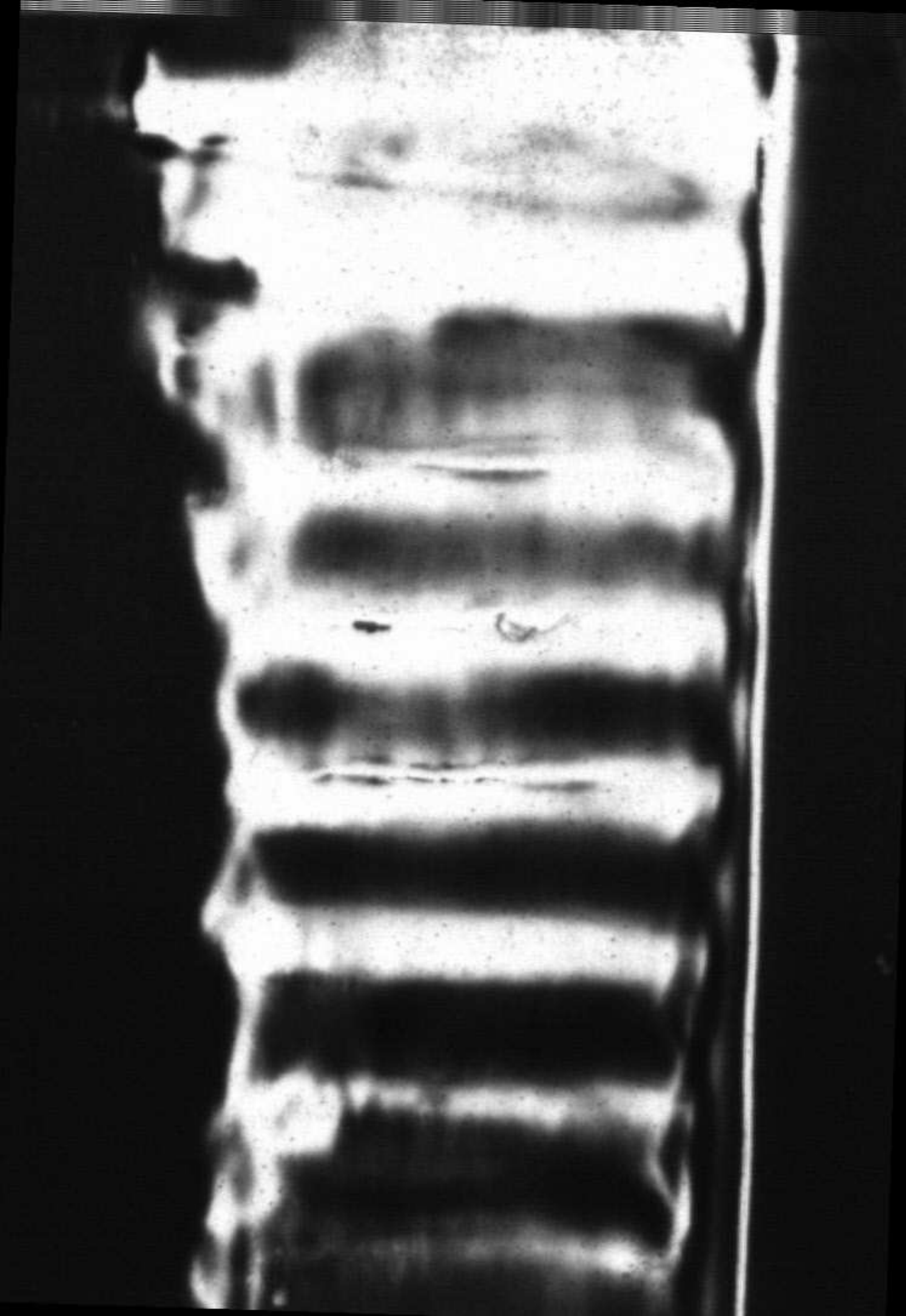
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Trump might be the most pro-life president in history

■ A Marist poll released in January found that 60 percent of Americans oppose using tax dollars for abortion, while only 36 percent approve

President Trump's critics were apoplectic last week when the president referred to MS-13 gang members as "animals." Of course, no one should be dehumanized. Yet many of the same people expressing outrage that Trump would dehumanize vicious gang members have no problem dehumanizing innocent, unborn children.

Trump has stood up for the humanity of the unborn child like no president in recent memory. And this is why so many Christian conservatives stick with him. Witness the foot-stomping standing ovation the president received Tuesday night at the annual Campaign for Life gala of the pro-life Susan B. Anthony List. Not only was Trump reportedly the first president to address this incredible organization in its 26-year history, he used the occasion to deliver on yet another pro-life promise, one that his Republican predecessors could not, or would not, fulfill: He announced a new rule to stop indirect taxpayer funding of abortion through the Title X family planning program.

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"When I ran for office, I pledged to stand for life, and as president, that's exactly what I have done," Trump declared. "Today, we have kept another promise. My administration has proposed a new rule to prohibit Title X funding from going to any clinic that performs abortions."

Any organization receiving Title X funds will be required to establish a bright line of both physical and financial separation between its family planning activities and any program or facility that performs or refers women for abortions. Since 1976, federal law has prohibited use of federal funds for abortion. But today, Planned Parenthood clinics that receive federal family planning funds often essentially refer women for on-site abortions. Under Trump's Protect Life Rule, this will no longer be permitted.

The Protect Life Rule is a victory pro-life Americans have been awaiting for three decades. President Ronald Reagan

first issued a version of the rule in 1988, but pro-abortion groups challenged it in court. The George H.W. Bush administration fought them all the way to the Supreme Court and won: In 1991, the court upheld the Reagan rule in *Rust v. Sullivan*. But the ruling came too late; Bill Clinton soon took office and withdrew the rule.

When George W. Bush was elected, he failed to reinstate the rule during his eight years in office. My former White House colleague, Yuval Levin, recently wrote that the reinstatement effort "was abandoned in the spring of 2006, in a deputies-level policy gathering that was one of the most contentious meetings I ever witnessed in government."

In the Trump administration, there were apparently no "contentious" meetings or hand-wringing over the impact on Capitol Hill. He just did it. This fearlessness when it comes to the cause of life is what warms the hearts of Christian conservatives and makes them loyal to the president.

The left is, of course, outraged. Sen. Diane Feinstein (D-Calif.) called Trump's action "despicable," and the New York Times editorial page complained that the rule "could devastate groups like Planned Parenthood." That is, unfortunately, a gross overstatement, as Planned Parenthood gets three-quarters of its federal funds through Medicaid, which would not

be impacted. But it is music to pro-life ears. And despite Democrats' anger, the new rule should have broad public support. A Marist poll released in January found that 60 percent of Americans oppose using tax dollars for abortion, while only 36 percent approve.

Since taking office, Trump has taken many steps to ensure our tax dollars are not used to subsidize the taking of innocent human life. He got a record number of conservative judges confirmed during his first year, allowed states to defund Planned Parenthood, defunded the pro-abortion United Nations Population Fund; restored and expanded the Mexico City policy banning taxpayer funds for groups that perform abortions overseas; and exempted organizations with moral objections against providing abortifacient drugs from the Obamacare Health and Human Services mandate. He is, as SBA List President Marjorie Dannenfelser put it Tuesday, "the most pro-life president in our nation's history."

"Every life is sacred, and ... every child is a precious gift from God," Trump declared Tuesday night. "We know that every life has meaning and that every life is totally worth protecting." Trump is doing everything in his power to protect those lives. That is why pro-life conservatives stick with him.

OPINION EXTRA

The Russia investigation actually helps Trump

This week, for the first time in months, a generic ballot poll showed Republicans beating Democrats in the midterm elections. According to Reuters, Republicans are now leading by six points. And while that poll is obviously an outlier, the movement of the generic ballot in the direction of Republicans isn't. The average lead for Democrats has been dropping steadily since late February, from a nine-point lead to a four-point lead.

Why?

Certainly, the economy has something to do with it: The job market continues to boom; the stock market continues to hover around 25,000; and GDP continues to grow steadily. And, certainly, foreign policy has something to do with it: There are no catastrophic foreign wars on the horizon, and President Trump's gutsy calls to pull out of the Iran nuclear deal and move the U.S. embassy in Israel to Jerusalem resulted in zero serious backlash.

Democrats opposed the Trump tax cuts and have whined incessantly about Trump's Middle East foreign policy, even going so far as to demonstrate a certain level of warmth toward terrorist group Hamas. This isn't exactly brilliant politicking.

But there's another reason Democrats seem to be dropping like a stone, too: their Russia obsession. The reality is most Americans think the Russia investigation is going nowhere. As of early May, just 44 percent of Americans thought the FBI special counsel investigation of President Trump and his associates is justified; 53 percent thought that the investigation is politically motivated. Three-quarters of Americans think Trump should cooperate with the probe, but Americans are skeptical that there is a *there* there.

And, so far, Americans have been right. Special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation has resulted in indictments of Trump associates on a charge of lying to the FBI, but there have been no indictments related to the original brief of his investigation: election collusion with the Russians. Meanwhile, each day seems to bring new headlines regarding the extent of the FBI investigation, dating all the way back to mid-2016. Americans aren't going to read all the details of the various stories — they're just going to take away that law enforcement was all over the Trump campaign, has come up with nothing thus far and continues to hound the Trump White House.

Furthermore, Democrats are getting discouraged. They were promised a *deus ex machina* — an alien force that would swoop in to end the Trump presidency. They hoped it would be Mueller; they were convinced the election was stolen. It wasn't, and it's unlikely Mueller will end Trump's presidency.

So when Trump fulminates about the supposed sins of the "deep state," few Americans are exercised. Most shug, some even nod along. Democrats seethe but have no new fodder for their ire — and every day that passes with the media chumming the waters and coming up empty drives down enthusiasm even more. And Trump's focus on Russia means that he spends less time tweeting about other topics — which helps him, since he's less likely to make a grave error on those fronts.

If Mueller truly has nothing, there's a serious case to be made that the Russia collusion investigation actually *helped* Trump more than it hurt him. And Democrats might just have to come up with a plan for dealing with Trump's policies other than praying for an avenging angel to frog-march him from the White House.

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Conservatives demand an investigation

■ This group of Republicans want to bring spotlight back on Hillary Clinton

Robert S. Mueller III's investigation has won indictments against President Trump's former campaign chairman and 16 others and has secured guilty pleas from five people, including Trump's former national security adviser and two campaign advisers.

This can mean only one thing: It is time to reopen the investigation into Hillary Clinton's emails.

Federal agents raided the properties of Trump's personal attorney, who was paid by corporations seeking to influence Trump and who was reimbursed by Trump for paying hush money to a porn actress.

As a natural consequence of this, it is imperative to probe the dealings of the Clinton Foundation. Evidence has emerged showing that Russians and other foreign nationals met with the Trump campaign with offers to help him win the election.

And this leads inevitably to the conclusion that federal prosecutors must look into the Uranium One sale during Clinton's tenure as secretary of state.

This, at any rate, is the peculiar view expressed by a group of House conservatives Tuesday as they introduced a 12-page resolution demanding that a special prosecutor be appointed to investigate various allegations against Clinton, the vanquished Democratic presidential nominee. They also want this new special prosecutor to look into the circumstances that started the Russia probe, though here, too, they blame Clinton, and to probe the conduct of Mueller and top officials at the Justice Department and FBI, who, as these lawmakers see it, are all hopelessly biased against Trump.

"We need a special prosecutor to investigate the special prosecutor," asserted Rep. Louie Gohmert. Rep. Paul A. Gosar, R-Ariz., joining his fellow conservatives, alleged "an orchestrated campaign against a duly elected government" — namely, Trump's. "That's why there's nothing short of treason for those that actually participated," he added.

The group of them — 10 men and one woman — tossed in their greatest hits from the Obama years: the "Fast and Furious" gun-running scheme, Anthony Weiner, political targeting at the IRS, Bill Clinton's tarmac meeting with Loretta Lynch, Andrew McCabe's wife getting Clinton-connected money. It's a wonder they didn't bring up Benghazi or Monica Lewinsky.

"It's the scandal of our time, the scandal perhaps of our lifetime," judged Rep. Andy Biggs, R-Ariz.

There are just a couple of problems with this reprise of 2016's "lock her up" mania: Clinton is no longer a candidate or an officeholder. Besides, if the FBI and Justice Department tipped the vote toward anybody in '16, it was toward Trump.

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when FBI Director James B. Comey announced shortly before the election that he had reopened the email investigation. Mueller, the other focus of the conservatives' ire, is a Republican appointed by another Republican, Deputy Attorney General Rod J. Rosenstein, who was appointed by Trump. But such nuance was not on the minds of those demanding a new independent counsel to probe Mueller, Rosenstein, Clinton and, presumably, anybody Trump feels is out to get him — a persecutor prosecutor, if you will.

NBC's Kasie Hunt offered the conservatives an observation: "I've spoken to the more moderate members of your caucus, one of whom used the word 'crazy' to describe all of you and this effort." Rep. Lee Zeldin, R-N.Y., who wrote the anti-Clinton resolution, argued that "what's crazy about all of this is the fact that every single thing in that resolution is accurate. That's crazy."

No, what's crazy is that Zeldin believes his allegations are somehow relevant. Democrats would like nothing more than for Republicans to attack Clinton again; that would further rattle the base. This, presumably, is why GOP leaders want nothing to do with the Zeldin resolution. But the conservatives, who tend to come from districts that voted heavily for Trump, don't care what anybody else thinks.

Thus did Zeldin, reading from his resolution Tuesday morning, sound as if a time warp had taken him back to 2016, or to an alternate reality in which Clinton won.

"With regards to Secretary Clinton, federal law and State Department rules, regulations and protocol were violated with her use of a private email server in her Chappaqua, New York, home," Zeldin said.

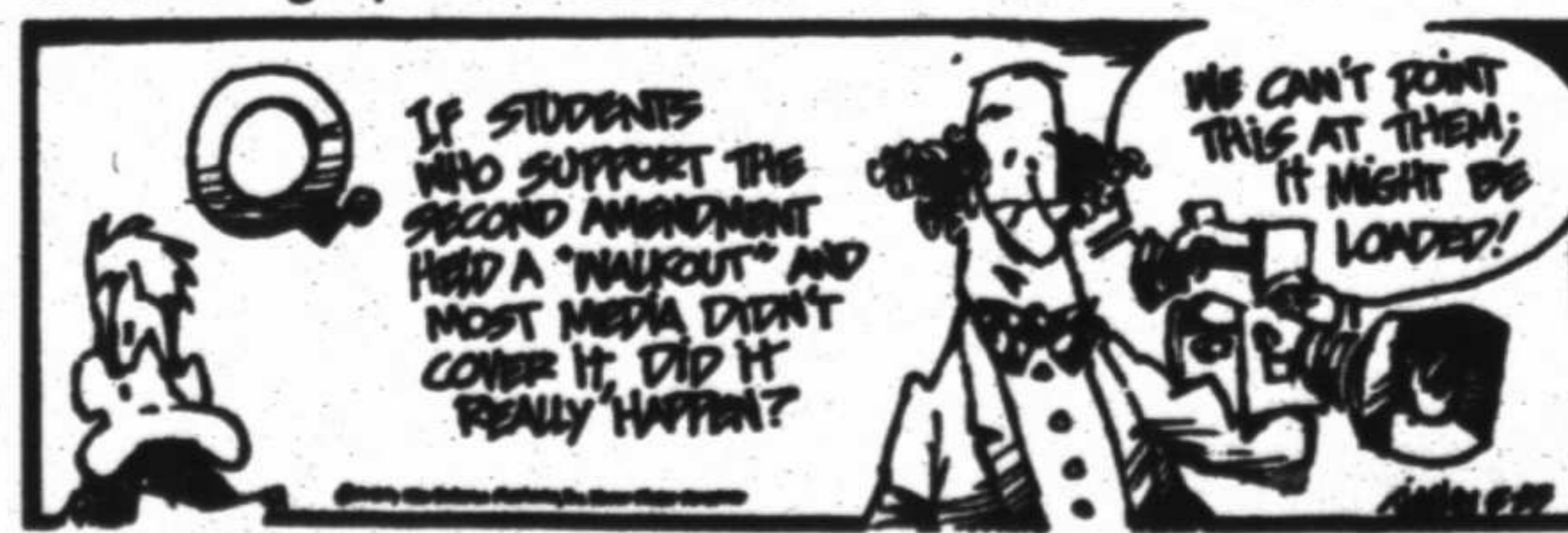
There are 57 "whereas" clauses in the resolution, and the name "Clinton" appears 33 times, including the Clinton Foundation allegedly getting Uranium One money and Clinton's campaign backing the Fusion GPS dossier.

Toward the end of this hourlong exercise in subject changing, a reporter's phone went off. The ringtone was the sound of a duck. It was, quite accidentally, a perfect soundtrack: Having tried all other means of defending Trump, his allies are now practicing quackery.

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Trump cancels summit, citing 'open hostility' by North Korea

By Catherine Lucey, Zeke Miller and Matthew Lee
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a dramatic diplomatic turn, President Donald Trump on Thursday called off next month's summit with North Korea's Kim Jong Un, calling the cancellation a "tremendous setback" for peace and stressing that the US military was ready to respond to any "foolish or reckless acts" by the North.

Trump first announced his decision in a letter to Kim released by the White House, in which he cited "tremendous anger and open hostility" in a recent statement by the North, adding that it was "inappropriate, at this time, to have this long-planned meeting."

Speaking at the White House later, Trump said a "maximum pressure campaign" will continue against North Korea and that he was "waiting" should Kim choose to engage in "constructive" actions.

He added that it was "possible that the existing summit could take place or a summit at some later date."

The abrupt cancellation of the June 12 meeting withdraws the U.S. for now from an unprecedented summit that offered the prospect of a historic nuclear peace treaty or an epic diplomatic failure. No sitting American president has ever met with a North Korean leader.

In the North Korean statement that Trump cited, a top Foreign Ministry official referred to Vice President Mike Pence as a "political dummy" for his comments on the North and said it was up to the U.S. whether they will "meet us at a meeting room or encounter us at nuclear-to-nuclear showdown."

Trump said the world was losing a "great opportunity for lasting peace and great prosperity and wealth."

But he left the door open to the chance that the summit could yet be rescheduled. "If you change your mind having to do with this most important summit, please do not hesitate to call me or write."

The question now is how the message will be received. The letter could possibly make the situation worse in a culture where saving face can be pivotal. Kim has both international and internal respect to maintain, and could take offense at Trump making this move after he released American detainees and destroyed a nuclear site.

The North Korean leader is positioned by the North Korean system as the pinnacle of his nation and the venerated heir to the House of Kim.

One U.S. official said the decision to call off the summit was made Thursday morning in response

to the statement disparaging Pence and threatening nuclear war. A White House official said it was incorrect to focus solely on the "dummy" comment, saying that the nuclear threats meant that no summit could be successful under such circumstances. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss internal deliberations.

Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, testifying on Capitol Hill, said North Korea had not responded to repeated requests from U.S. officials to discuss logistics for the summit. He told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee the lack of responses was an additional reason for Trump's decision.

Pompeo said the North's attitude had changed markedly since he returned from a trip to Pyongyang earlier this month during which he met with Kim and oversaw the release of three Americans being held there.

South Korean President Moon Jae-in played a major role in planning for the summit and sought to keep it on the rails in a visit to the White House this week. His office said Thursday that it was trying to figure out Trump's intentions in canceling the summit.

Pompeo, asked about a report that the South had not been informed before the president's letter was made public, said simply, "We are locked in to the Republic of Korea. We are in lockstep with them."

The cancellation came shortly after Kim made good on his promise to demolish his country's nuclear test site, which was formally closed in a series of huge explosions Thursday as a group of foreign journalists looked on. The explosions at the test site deep in the mountains of the North's sparsely populated northeast were supposed to build confidence ahead of the summit. However, the closing of the site is not an irreversible move and would need to be followed by many more significant measures to meet the demand for real denuclearization.

The president had agreed to the historic sit-down in March after months of trading insults and nuclear threats with the North Korean leader. But after criticism from North Korea, Trump cast doubt this week on whether the meeting would happen.

White House officials have privately predicted for weeks that the summit could be canceled once or twice before actually taking place, owing to the hard-nosed style of the two leaders. Trump has seemed to welcome chatter of a Nobel Peace Prize, but that has yielded in recent weeks to the sobering prospect of ensuring a successful outcome with the Kim.

Trump's allies in Congress applauded the president, saying he was justified in pulling out of the meeting.

"North Korea has a long history of demanding concessions merely to negotiate. While past administrations of both parties have fallen for this ruse, I commend the president for seeing through Kim Jong Un's fraud," said Sen. Tom Cotton, R-Ark.

Critics were less impressed. Rep. Eliot Engel, D-N.Y., top Democrat on the Foreign Affairs Committee, called the development "another embarrassment for the country." He added, "This is not ding dong school. It's serious."

This spring, scoring a diplomatic win with Pyongyang had become Trump's top focus.

That had been a far cry from his bellicose rhetoric, issued both on Twitter and from the rostrum of the United Nations last fall. Trump threw off ominous taunts of raining "fire and fury" on the North while belittling its leader as "Little Rocket Man, alarming many global capitals and much of Washington's national security establishment and increasing worries about nuclear war. But Trump believed his outside-the-box behavior would bring Kim to the negotiating table.

Drawn to big moments and bigger headlines, Trump has viewed the North Korea summit as a legacy-maker for him, believing that the combustible combination of his bombast and charm already had led to warmer relations between North and South.

He immediately agreed to the proposed meeting, conveyed by South Korean officials, accepting it before consulting with many of his top national security advisers. And earlier this month, when welcoming home three Americans who had been detained in North Korea, Trump used a televised, middle-of-the-night ceremony to play up both his statecraft and

stagecraft.

Some observers raised concerns that Trump was risking legitimizing Kim's government by agreeing to meet him on the world stage without evidence of denuclearization or other concessions. But Trump had bet big on the summit, telling one confidant that he believed a deal with North Korea, rather than in the Middle East, could be his historic victory.

White House officials also believed that a triumph on the Korean Peninsula — something that has eluded the United States for generations — could bolster Trump's approval ratings, help inoculate him against the investigations swirling around him and trickle down to help Republicans in this fall's midterm elections.



Ahn Young-joon/Associated Press

People watch a TV screen Thursday showing file footage of U.S. President Donald Trump, left, and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un during a news program at the Seoul Railway Station in Seoul, South Korea. North Korea carried out what it said is the demolition of its nuclear test site Thursday, setting off a series of explosions over several hours in the presence of foreign journalists. The signs read: "North Korea demolishes nuclear test site."

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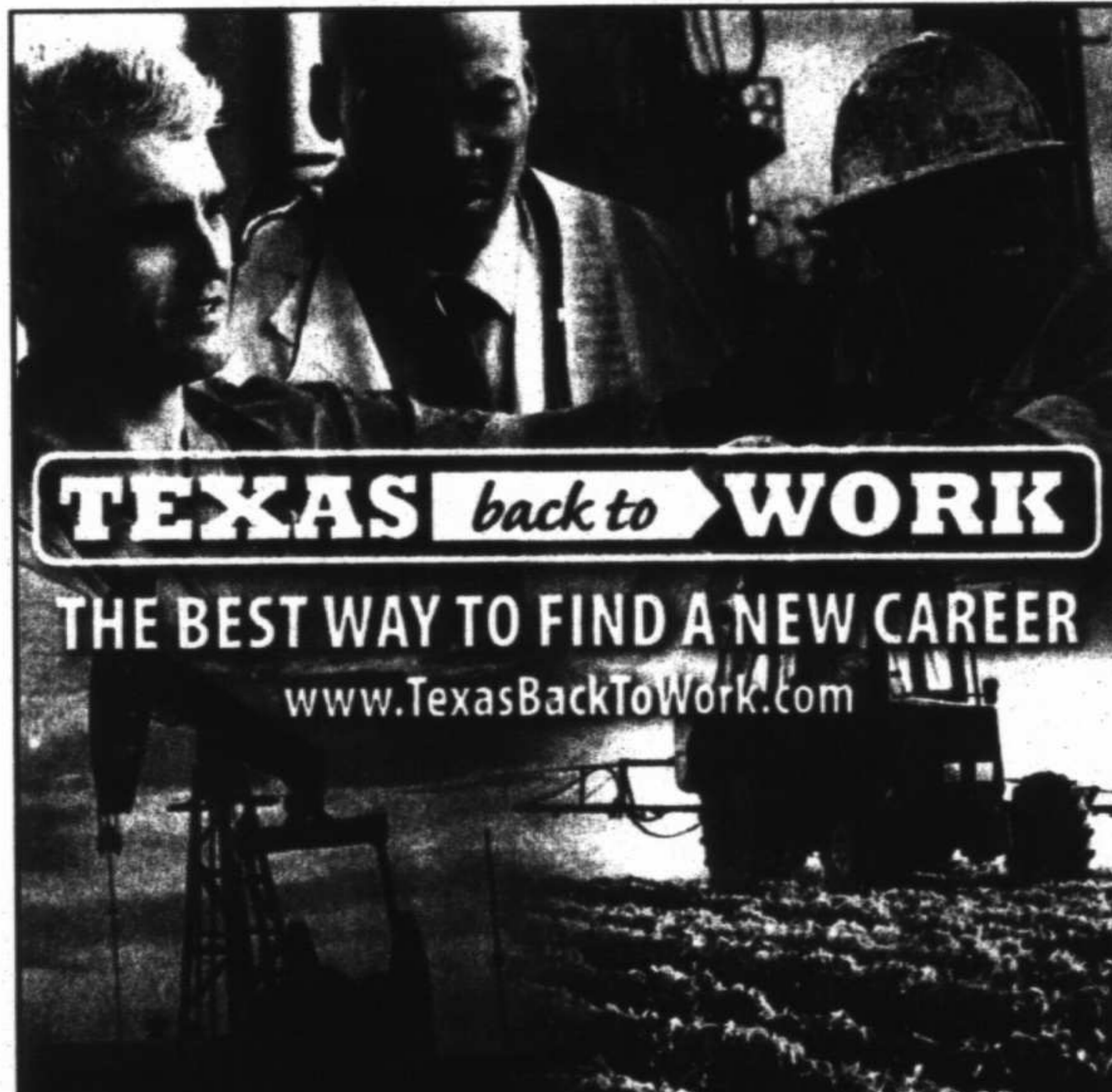
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SATURDAY



CANINE COOL
Cinergy Midland hosts its Sensory-friendly Screening of "Show Dogs" offering a controlled environment welcoming to guests on the autism spectrum. 9:30 a.m.

HIP TRIP
Christian hip-hop comes in full force when the Transformation Tour stops at the Palmer Activity Christian Center. The free concert features GS, Palace, Mayy V, Henry Z and Korbvn. 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY



TAKE A CHANCE
"A Chance in the World," based on the true story of an abused foster child in search of his biological parents, screens at Regal Tall City Stadium. A live panel simulcast will follow the film to discuss the story as well as adoption and foster issues. 7 p.m.

THURSDAY



DON'T STRESS
The Lifestyle Medicine Center hosts the workshop Stress Management and Relaxation Techniques at Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus. 6 p.m.

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DONATION NEEDS
Crisis Center of West Texas is looking for magazines as part of a self-esteem lesson for students. Take your issues to the offices at 910-B S Green Ave. in Odessa.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
Midland Volunteer Connections offers an online list of opportunities at midlandvolunteerconnections.com for current needs by area nonprofit.

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Volunteer opportunities for two to four hours a shift. Call 682-2853 for more information.

RETAIL SKILLS
Retail Nation is in need of people who enjoy decorating and setting up displays to help set up the Retailer for maximum customer appeal. Must be at least 16 years old.



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ABOVE: Milestone Environmental hosted an event May 17 at The Bar to celebrate a donation to Texas Veterans Outdoors. BELOW: Jon Sperl, left, with Milestone Environmental, presents a "check" to Yvette Rodriguez, community leader with Texas Veterans Outdoors.

Milestone Environmental donates to Texas Veterans Outdoors

■ Company offers \$2,500 toward community project honoring those lost in Iraq, Afghanistan

By Mella McEwen
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Milestone Environmental Services is announcing its presence in the Permian Basin by offering support for community projects. The company is partnering with Texas Veterans Outdoors to honor those lost in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The company presented TVO with a \$2,500 check — proceeds from sales of T-shirts sold at The Bar in downtown Midland. Yvette Rodriguez, community leader with Texas Veterans Outdoors, envisions a pathway lined with trees, each dedicated to an area resident lost in those wars. Markers in the shape of military dog tags and detailing the one being honored would sit at the base of the tree. She said a specific site has not yet been selected. She said Jon Sperl, who handles sales in the Permian for Milestone, liked her proposal and got his company involved. "Anything that supports veterans and the community, I feel is a worthy project," said



Sperl, a veteran and a member of TVO. He said Rodriguez's proposal also fit in with the company's focus on the environment and giving back to the communities where they have a presence. "Milestone is new to this area, and when we go to a new area, we get involved with the community. First, it shows we're here to

stay, and second, Milestone has been around 25 years, and in each community we've entered, we're still there," Sperl said. The company will donate more as the project moves forward, he said. The partnership with Milestone is just the initial step in the project, Rodriguez said. "We still need lots of local support."



Yi-Chin Lee/Houston Chronicle

Darrington Seminary Program graduate Kerry Callihan and his wife, Brandie, have Kerry's graduation photo taken after the graduation ceremony at Darrington Unit on May 7 in Rowseron. Thirty-five graduates earned their Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies of the Class of 2018.

More than 30 inmates graduate from Texas prison's seminary

By Keri Blakinger
Houston Chronicle

ROSHARON — Kenny Callihan sat alone in the dark of a prison cubicle when it finally hit him: He couldn't live like that anymore. He needed something different, something better. The Houston Chronicle reports years of drug use and fighting had gotten the 36-year-old man where he was, in the middle of a 45-year prison sentence for aggravated robbery. He'd squandered a shot at probation, destroyed relationships with those around him and gotten

into "all the worst that prison had to offer." "I just looked at myself and saw that everything I'd started on my own had crumbled," he said. But on a recent Monday, he started the process of rebuilding. The 36-year-old was one of 35 prisoners graduating from the four-year seminary at Darrington Unit, a milestone marked by a jailhouse commencement attended by inmates' families, high-ranking prison officials and state Sen. John Whitman, D-Houston.

Please see SEMINARY/4B

Historic Hispanic church celebrates 100 years in New Mexico

Associated Press

DEMING, N.M. — A historic Hispanic church in southern New Mexico is set to celebrate its 100th anniversary.

Parishioners at Santa Ana Catholic Church in Deming are preparing for a monthlong festival to commemorate the occasion, the Deming Headlight reports.

The church was built in 1918 as Deming grew from the merging of the Southern Pacific and Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad lines. The emergence of World War I and the Mexican revolutionary Gen. Francisco "Pancho" Villa and his attack on U.S. soil in the border town of Columbus, New Mexico, brought the U.S. Army into Luna County. Those troops and a growing Hispanic population helped expand the Santa Ana Catholic Church.


The centennial celebration and feasts will begin June 3 with the Feast of Corpus Christi and conclude June 24 with a closing Mass and outdoor dance. The celebration's theme is, "Looking at our Past with Gratitude; Living our Present with Passion; and Embracing our Future with Hope."

Organizers have put together activities for all ages, co-chair Christine Milo said. "We hope the focus of our feasts will involve parishioners, the community and southern New Mexico," she said.

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Triumphant Warrior Sock Drive. The nonprofit collects donations of fun socks for cancer patients. All sizes for men, women and children welcome. Noon-6 p.m. through Monday at Wall Street Lofts, 100 N. Main St.

Reunion de Mujeres Bible study. 6:30 p.m. at Iglesia Emanuel, 1800 Cherry Lane.

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

SATURDAY

Midland Downtown Farmers Market celebrates its 11th season. Along with a variety of vendors, the market will include Music on the Porch, DELL workshops and onsite food trucks.

Visit the calendar online for details and changes. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturdays through Oct. 27 at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. midlanddowntownfarmersmarket.com.

Yoga classes are offered weekly. 9 a.m. Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely Ave. Fre. uumidland.org.

Sensory-Friendly Screening: "Show Dogs." These screenings feature tempered and controlled environment welcoming to guests on the spectrum. 9:30 a.m. at Cinergy Midland, 1917 Liberty Drive.

Volunteer Training offers help on working and helping grieving children in the community. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Rays of Hope, 900 W. Wall St. RSVP to jmorgan@raysofhope.org or by phone at 684-5437.

Financial Peace University is a

nine-week course for financial control and success. 10 a.m. Saturdays through June 2 at Goodwill Bible Baptist Church, 1001 S. Main St. Register at fpu.com.

The Practice of Meditation, 2-3 p.m. at Pilates Reformer and Namaste Yoga Studio, 3303 N. Midkiff Road. RSVP to kachazeh@gmail.com.

Transformation Tour with GS, Palace, May V, Henry Z, Korbva. 6:30-10 p.m. at Palmer Activity Christian Center, 1305 E. Illinois Ave. Free.

Movie Night: "The Case for Christ." 7 p.m. at Alamo Heights Baptist Church, 1305 N. Midland Drive.

SUNDAY

Soul Surfers Youth Bible study. 9:30 a.m. at Alamo Heights Baptist Church, 1305 N. Midland Drive.

MONDAY

Gentle Healing Yoga. This weekly yoga camp is open to all survivors of cancer. Led by Anne Lucero. 5:30 p.m. Mondays at Yoga Sanctuary, 4202 Dawn Circle. Free. 575-937-3609.

Grief Support six-week session, 6:30-8 p.m. at Hospice Midland, 911 W Texas Ave. hospiceofmidland.org.

Belly dancing class, 8 p.m. at Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely Ave. uumidland.org.

TUESDAY

Intro to Buddhism features basic meditation and then discussion. Hosted by Permian Basin Buddhists. 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely Ave. meetup.com/Permian-Basin-Buddhists. The 12 Step Group, 7 p.m.

Tuesdays, 10 a.m. Saturdays at Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road. 553-7220.

WEDNESDAY

Caregiver Support group, noon-1 p.m. at Hospice Midland, 911 W Texas Ave. hospiceofmidland.org.

"A Chance in the World" is based on the true story and book about Steve Pemberton, an abused foster child in search of his biological parents. The screening will include a live telecast of a panel discussion. 7 p.m. at Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250. \$16.21. fathomevents.com.

THURSDAY

Brothers in Christ is a weekly men's group with studies that range from the Bible to topical issues. 6:30 a.m. at Midland Bible Church, 5900 Whittman Drive. midlandbible.org.

Stress Management and Relaxation Techniques by the Lifestyle Medicine Center. Registration is required as the class is limited to 20. 6-7 p.m. at Midland Memorial West, 4314 Andrews Highway. \$5. eventbrite.com.

"Andy Irons: Kissed by God" is a film about bipolar disorder and opioid addiction as seen through the life of the three-time world champion surfer. 7 p.m. at Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250. \$13.50. fathomevents.com.

La Hacienda Alumni: Support group for former patients and guests. 7 p.m. Thursdays at Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road. 553-7220.

To include your event on this calendar, please email Rich Lopez at rlopez@mrt.com.

Obituaries



James Allen Johnson Jr.

Johnson James Allen beloved husband and father, is finally at rest in the arms of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He was born in Beckville, Texas, April 19, 1926 to Allie Davis Johnson and James Allen Johnson, Sr. He was educated in the Marshall ISD. James Allen was drafted and served during WWII in both the Army and Air Force and received an honorable discharge. Once discharged, he met the love of his life, Miss Pearl Mae Allen.

In 1959, Pearlie was hired to teach in Midland, Texas and the family moved. James was hired as the lead Tailor for Fashions Cleaners. He worked there for 9 years until he was hired by the City of Midland's Water Pollution Control Plant as a laborer. Over the next 20 years he worked his way up from laborer to retire as the Assistant Superintendent for the Plant.

In 1988, James Allen and his wife retired and returned home to Marshall, Texas. They purchased a beautiful home on a country lane. The beauty and love that resided in them was on display for all to see in their interactions with each other and the manicured appearance of the lawn of their home.

James Allen was preceded in death by his parents, step-father Willis Moore; his sisters Frances Johnson and Emma Lee Reese, brother, Willie D. Moore and beloved wife of 66+ years, Pearlie. He leaves to cherish his memory his loving daughter and son-in-law Roslyn Johnson Brooks and Jay Brooks, other family members and friends.

The service for James Allen Johnson will be held, Saturday, May 26, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at Ward Chapel AME Church, 501 S. Allen, Marshall, Texas 75670. Arrangements are being handled by Lewis Funeral Home, 508 E. Bowie St. Marshall, Texas 75670.

Texas; grandchildren Brandi, Kristen, Miranda, Kaci and Justin and eleven great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Friday, May 25, 2018 at Ellis Funeral Home. A graveside service will be held at Kermit Cemetery in Kermit, Texas on Saturday, May 26, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

Online condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com

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Nicole Suzanne Armock

Nicole Suzanne Armock was called home to be with Our Father in Heaven May 14, 2018. Originally from Michigan, she moved to Midland, Texas in the early eighties.

She was a Rebel, class of '93, and called Midland home for 37 years. Nikki worked in the medical profession most of her life, first for Midland Pediatric, then Greg Santilli Md, and finally found her work home at Midland Surgical. She had a special way with helping people. Patients came to see Nikki, not the Doc's. She could make you smile and lift your spirits even if all the news was bad. With the most tenure in the office, she would say what she thought and was the go-to girl when the drama got too deep.

Her work was a second home and her co workers family to her. She was a member of the Lutheran Church and attended regularly. Nikki had a soft spot for stray dogs. She had a small collection of them, and they brought her the most joy. Honey, Brown, Sugar and Bell miss you mom, the cats Zoro and Zena do too. "Any day spent with your dog is a good day" is what she would always say or, "I'd rather be with my dogs". Nikki never met a stranger and had more friends than most. Especially if they were walking their dog.

She is preceded in death by her father Marv and Duder dog. She is survived by her mother Yavon Armock, Life partner and other half Billy Duewall (Husband), son Christian Duewall, sister Angela Armock, Nephews and nieces Bill, Sara, and Luke Condra. As well as Griffin, Baron, and Phoenix Duewall and Brothers and sisters Scott Condra and Clint and Tanya Duewall. There will be a celebration of life memorial June 8th at The Willows from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. NO flowers please. Dog and cat food donations or monetary donations for Project Freedom Ride on Facebook, MSMA, or Bully beds. Please see social media for details.

Death Notices

Mike Ditmore

Mike Ditmore, age 71, of Midland, Texas passed away on May 22, 2018 in Midland. Funeral Services will be at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 30, 2018 at First United Methodist Church in Midland. Arrangements are entrusted to Sunset Memorial Gardens and Funeral Home in Odessa, Texas.



Lynda Kay Thurmond

Lynda Kay Thurmond, 70, of Midland, Texas passed away on May 22, 2018.

She was born in Kermit, Texas on May 20, 1948 to Charlie and Susie Jones. She married Cecil Thurmond, Sr. on August 19, 1967.

Lynda is preceded in death by her husband, parents, and brothers James and Jerald Jones.

She is survived by her sons Cecil Thurmond, Jr. and Randy Thurmond both of Midland; brother Jimmy Jones of Baird, Texas; sister Wanda Davis of Wickett,

SEMINARY

From 1B

"Each and every one of us today is witnessing a miracle," Whitmire told the new graduates, black graduation robes hiding their prison whites.

With the addition of the 2018 class, there are now 180 seminary graduates who've been sent out to do God's work as field ministers at 26 prisons across the state, according to prison spokesman Jeremy Desel.

By 2024, there will be field ministers on hand in all 104 Texas Department of Criminal Justice prisons.

Darrington was once known as a bad unit, plagued by violence and unrest. It was a place you didn't want to be sent.

Now, men are vying to get into the maximum-security Brazoria County prison, competing for a few dozen coveted slots in the program funded by the nonprofit Heart of Texas Foundation and run by the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, based in Fort Worth.

To qualify, would-be students need to have high school diplomas or GEDs, clean disciplinary records for the past year and at least 10 years left until their earliest possible release dates.

That last caveat is one that makes the seminary program stand out from many other prison offerings. While vocational programs and education typically aim to help inmates lead productive lives after their release, the seminary program is aimed at those who have long stretches of time left — and an interest in doing good works behind bars.

For four years they study rhetoric, Western civilization, health science and the Bible. They hole up in the library and take full-time classes instead of holding prison jobs, and they learn together in the groupings they'll stay in when they're eventually sent out to prisons across the state as graduates of the nondenominational program.

"There is a sense of community that develops among the students," said Ben Phillips, the seminary professor who serves as the Darrington Unit's program director. "For a great many of them, they really want to seize this opportunity and wring every ounce of value out of it."

The Class of 2018 will fan out to units across the state in the coming weeks, walking in as the first field ministers newly dispatched to seven prisons from Huntsville to Rosharon to outside San Antonio. Prison officials say the program has been transformative and become a model for other states, which have sent high-ranking corrections officials to look in on the Lone Star State's success.

"We're doing it, and we're doing it in ways that no other country or state in the world has done it," said Grove Norwood, founder and CEO of the Heart of Texas Foundation, a nonprofit that works to provide Christian teachings to long-term inmates.

It was over dinner that seminary president Paige Patterson's brother-in-law told him about Angola.



Darrington Seminary Program graduate Kenny Callihan and his wife, Brandie, wait to have their photo taken after Kenny's graduation ceremony at Darrington Unit on May 7 in Rosharon.

The notorious Louisiana State Penitentiary had been a hotbed of violence, but officials there were crediting a forward-thinking program with changing the culture behind bars. And Patterson's in-law, Charles Kelley, had a hand in that. As head of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Kelley had overseen the four-year program there — and watched it work.

"He said I didn't deserve to go to heaven if I didn't do the same thing in Texas," Patterson said with a smile. The high-stakes urging was all in jest, but Patterson took it to heart.

What happened next may have been coincidence or divine intervention, but as Patterson mullied his next steps he bumped into Norwood at a convention. They'd never met before, but once they started talking they realized they had a common interest in bringing God behind bars.

So Norwood introduced Patterson to Whitmire, and soon they'd organized a three-day trip to Louisiana to see the program in person. Everyone came away impressed.

"I knew what kind of prison Angola had been, and it was like moving from

the center of a storm to a peaceful haven," Patterson said. "You knew something miraculous had happened."

After holding hands and praying about it, Whitmire recalled, they made a decision: "Let's go to Texas."

At the time, the seminary didn't even have a four-year program; its academic offerings focused on master's degrees and doctoral programs.

"They made one just for this," Norwood said. With legislators, prison officials and the seminary all on board, it didn't take long to cut through the red tape.

By 2011, the first class of future ministers started their studies. And on May 7, the Darrington Unit saw its fourth graduating class walk across the stage. They sang, tossed their caps and flipped their tassels. It had all the elements of a traditional graduation, mixed in with a little rapping and a very Texas sermon involving a mishap with a bear along the border.

"Graduations happen throughout our state," said Oscar Mendoza, TDCJ's deputy executive director. "But graduations like this only happen at the Darrington Unit."

F&PBRIEFS

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

Clay shoot to benefit planned Catholic high school

Holy Cross Clay Shoot and Youth Invitational, a fundraiser for a planned Catholic high school, is set for June 9 at Midland Shooters Association, 5911 S. Farm-to-Market Road 1788.

Buckles will be awarded as trophies. There also

will be a live auction for a 2018 Kawasaki Pro FXT LE Mule.

Proceeds from the clay shoot will go toward Holy Cross Catholic High School to be built on Holiday Hill Road.

Proceeds from the live auction will be shared with Helping Hands.

There will be door prizes, breakfast, lunch and music. For more information, call Jesus Chavez at

238-0378 or Elias Reyes at 528-2862.

Fairmont Park plans VBS

Fairmont Park Church of Christ, 3813 N. Midland Drive, is planning its vacation Bible school for 7 p.m. June 4-7.

The theme is a Broadway-style musical. For more information,

visit fmpchurch.com, call 699-7064 or email info@fpcoc.org.

Vatican: Martyred archbishop, Pope Paul VI to be canonized

VATICAN CITY — The Vatican has announced that Pope Francis will elevate to sainthood martyred Salvadoran Archbishop Oscar Romero

and Pope Paul VI in a ceremony on Oct. 14.

Pope Francis approved miracles attributed to Romero and Paul VI earlier this year, paving the way to sainthood.

The canonization ceremony will coincide with a Vatican meeting on youth.

Romero was gunned down by right-wing death squads on March 24, 1980, as he celebrated

Mass.

El Salvador's military dictatorship had vehemently opposed his preaching against the repression of the poor by the army at the start of the country's 1980-1992 civil war.

Paul is best remembered for having presided over the close of the Second Vatican Council, the 1962-65 meetings that reformed the church.

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MAX	300-597	17-17	17-17	17-17	17-17	17-17	17-17
MAX2	302-598	18-18	18-18	18-18	18-18	18-18	18-18
PLEX	300-599	19-19	19-19	19-19	19-19	19-19	19-19
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Long hours, high debt doomed marriage man can't let go of

DEAR ABBY: I was divorced seven years ago. My ex-wife, "Annie," and I were married almost seven years and had what I thought was a great relationship. Then we bit off more than we could chew financially. I began working long hours to get us out of the pit, which created distance between us until divorce became inevitable. We tried working things out five years ago. It failed.

Since then, I have been in a handful of relationships that ultimately went down in flames. Three months ago, I rekindled one of those relationships, but it ended quickly because, in a moment of passion, I called her by Annie's name. I contacted Annie and shared it with her hoping for something. A month later, I lost my mother to lymphoma and contacted Annie as a shoulder to lean on because I had no one else. She has a new fiance now, and when she told me, I was devastated.

I have started talking to someone new, and it's going well so far, but I find myself dreaming about Annie and longing for her and the good times. How do I get over her? I find myself looking at mutual friends' Facebook pictures just to get a glimpse of her. —
TORN APART IN TEXAS
DEAR TORN: Stalking

DEAR ABBY

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your ex-wife on Facebook isn't going to get you what you want. It won't win her back or help you to get on with your life. What WILL help will be to start talking with a licensed mental health professional who can help you begin to reorient your thinking and start living in the present rather than the past. Please consider it, because your emotional dependence on your ex is neither helpful for you nor productive.

Is there any written protocol about the use of toothpicks? I know my mother-in-law reads your column, and I'm hoping she won't miss this. —
"PICKED" OFF
DEAR "PICKED": I agree that good manners dictate oral hygiene should be attended to away from the dinner table, and so does Emily Post. In Emily Post's "Etiquette" (18th edition), she writes, "Toothpicks should be used in private, not as you walk out of the restaurant, or, worse still, at the table." The same is true of flossing, in order to avoid having one's dental detritus land on the table or, worse, on a dinner companion.

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GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

Pretty ending

East-West vulnerable, East deals

NORTH
♠ 10 5
♥ K J 9 4
♦ A J 8
♣ A J 8 4

WEST
♠ 9 8 6 3
♥ Q 8
♦ 10 9 4 3
♣ K 5 3

EAST
♠ K Q 7 2
♥ A 10 7 6
♦ 5 2
♣ Q 10 7

SOUTH
♠ A J 4
♥ 5 3 2
♦ K Q 7 6
♣ 9 6 2

The bidding:
EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH
1♠ Pass 1♠ 2♠
2♠ 3♠ All pass

Opening lead: Eight of ♠

East's decision to open the bidding would not meet with universal approval, but it started the type of competitive auction frequently seen in today's tournament world.

The opening spade lead went to East's queen and South's ace. Declarer led a heart to dummy's jack, won by East with the ace. East cashed the king of spades and led a heart to the queen

and king. Declarer drew three rounds of trumps, ending in his hand. This was the position:

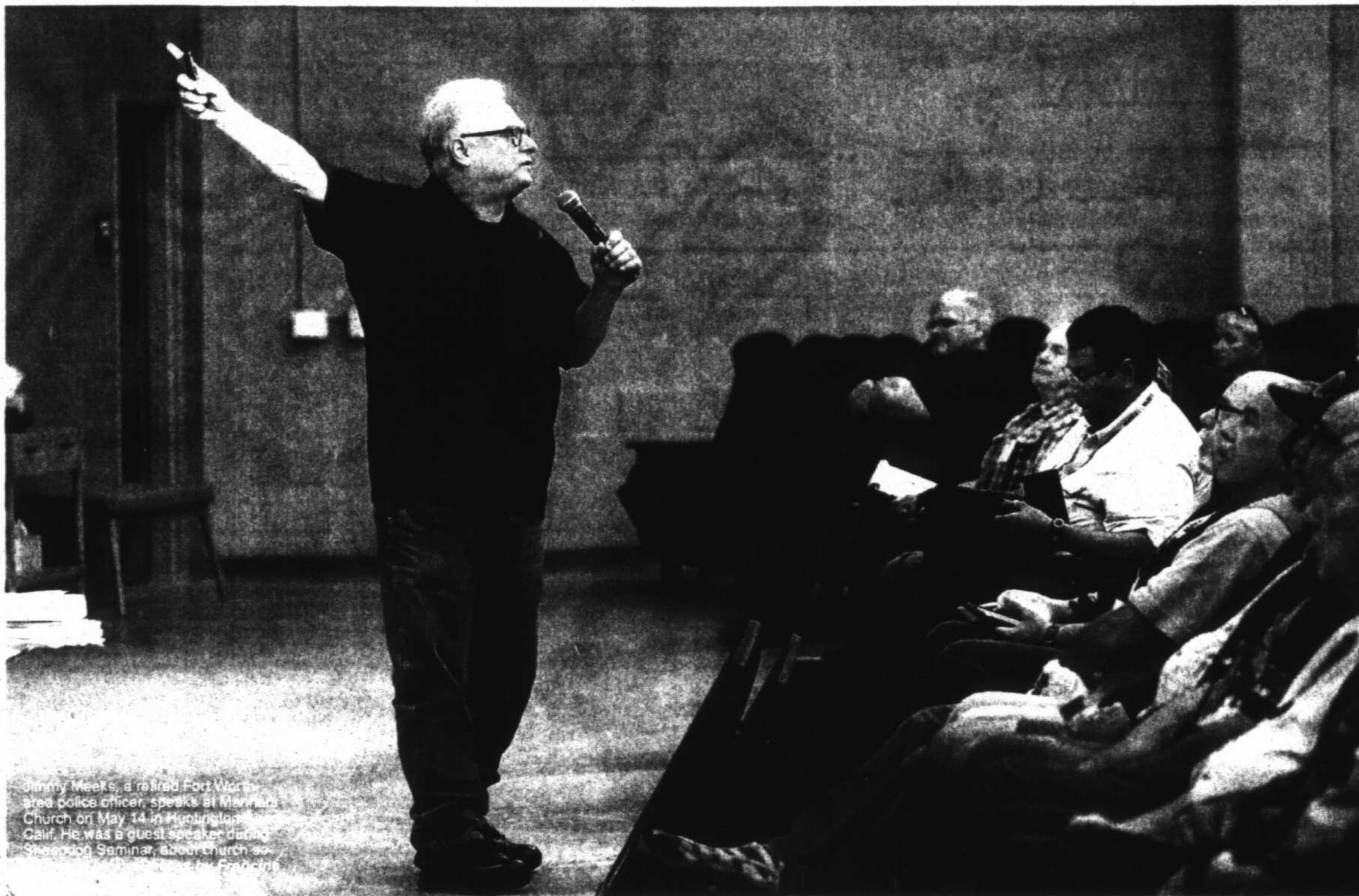
NORTH
♠ Void
♥ 9 4
♦ Void
♣ A J 8 4

WEST
♠ 9 6
♥ 7
♦ Void
♣ 10

EAST
♠ 7
♥ 10 7
♦ Void
♣ Q 10 7

SOUTH
♠ J
♥ 5
♦ K
♣ 9 6 2

South drew the last trump, discarding a club from dummy as East shed his spade. The jack of spades saw another club go from dummy, but what was East to do? A heart discard would give up a heart trick, so East let go of his low club. Now a club to the ace and another club ruined the defense. Should East win the second club, he would have to give dummy a trick with the nine of hearts. If East unblocks the queen of clubs under the ace, allowing West to win the second club, West would eventually have to give South a trick with the nine of clubs. A pretty ending!



Jimmy Meeks, a retired Fort Worth-area police officer, speaks at the Shepherd Seminar on May 14 in Huntington Beach. He was a guest speaker during the Shepherd Seminar, about church security.

Seminar speaker: 'Get those heads up' when praying

■ Retired Fort Worth-area police officer among those who lead Sheepdog Seminar on church security

By Hailey Branson-Potts
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Just as the people in Mariners Church began to pull off their hats, bow their heads and close their eyes to pray, Jimmy Meeks snapped at them.

"Get those heads up!" said the pastor and retired Fort Worth-area police officer.

Hadn't he just warned them that closing their eyes made them targets? Sheep in the presence of wolves. "What's wrong with y'all?"

Their eyes duly peeled, he then led the crowd in a prayer.

"Wherever we are, Father, should the wolf cross our path, give us the wisdom to know what to do with that moment, and give us the power and the courage to act to stop the wolf and protect our sons and daughters."

Churchgoers, preachers and law enforcement officers from across Southern California had gathered for a church security seminar in Huntington Beach hosted by the California Rifle & Pistol Association, which delivered a warning: Faith alone will not protect you in a house of God.

In the sleek sanctuary of Mariners Church, the mostly male crowd sipped coffee, jotted notes and punctured the air with shouts of "Amen!" and "Hooah!" as a series of out-of-town speakers at the Sheepdog Seminar encouraged them to be the ones who step up and protect others if, God forbid, an attacker comes.

In the months since a gunman killed 26 people at the First Baptist Church in rural Sutherland Springs in November, many people of faith have begun questioning how to keep religious institutions safe, said Rick Travis, the association's executive director. His organization has been inundated with requests for church security training and probably will be hosting events for the next several years, he said.

"We don't want people to be afraid," said Travis, who is a churchgoer. "We want people to be knowledgeable."

The seminar happened four days before a mass shooting at Santa Fe High School killed 10 people, mostly students, and reignited the never-ending debate over gun control, the Second Amendment and the place of firearms in American society.

"If you do not have an armed presence in your



The audience listens as retired Army Lt. Colonel Dave Grossman speaks at a Sheepdog Seminar hosted by The California Rifle & Pistol Association.

church, you are simply not ready," Meeks said.

If, at times, the speakers were a little circumspect about telling people to carry a weapon, there was a reason.

California has some of the strictest gun laws in the country — and there is overwhelming support for keeping it that way.

Meeks, a self-deprecating man whose voice ranged from the fiery yell of a preacher at an old-fashioned tent revival to a subdued, choked-up whisper, began the eight-hour, \$75 seminar with a playful jab at the Golden State.

"Wow, it's good to be here," Meeks said. "It's not often we get to do a Sheepdog Seminar in a foreign country."

Many at the seminar said they were disturbed because the Sutherland Springs shooting, the deadliest church massacre in modern American history, seemed to quickly fade from the national news cycle, especially compared to recent school shootings.

Travis said he was alarmed by another incident on the same day as the Sutherland Springs attack. That morning, a man fatally shot his estranged wife and her new boyfriend at a church parking lot in Fresno before committing suicide. The Fresno shooting was

eclipsed by the larger killing in Texas and received scant attention outside the city.

"I thought, wow, how often does this happen in California and we just don't know about it?" Travis said.

Statistically, it's exceedingly safe to go to church on Sunday morning, said Dallas Drake, a criminologist at the Center for Homicide Research in Minneapolis. There is such a vast number of American churches that the number of violent incidents is small.

"It's such an affront to our moral sensibilities that someone would even bring a firearm into a church," Drake said. "It really crosses a line that we cannot deal with. We don't want to see a gun in church. This is a place where we come for peace and solace."

Drake and other researchers compiled a database of church shootings from 1980 to 2005 and found 139 incidents, an average of 5.5 per year. But the annual rate doubled in ensuing years.

In the Huntington Beach sanctuary, Meeks asked the crowd, "Faith without works is what?"

"Dead!" they yelled back, completing the Bible verse with the same words. "And you might be, too, if you don't have a plan."

In the Orange County city of 200,000 people, the Sheepdog Seminar speakers found a place in Southern California that was not entirely opposed to the gun-friendly ideas they were espousing.

This year, a Huntington Beach resident circulated a proposed initiative, trying to get it on the city's November election ballot, that would make the possession and sale of semi-automatic and automatic guns a felony. The city responded by suing him, saying the petition was unconstitutional.

But despite pockets of conservatism, California is a state that remains at the forefront of gun control.

Meeks travels around the country conducting Sheepdog Seminars, calling on congregants to prepare for violent attacks.

"One of the faultiest beliefs among Christian people is this: Faith is enough to protect us from harm. That's not true," Meeks said. "Jesus said the rain falls on the just and the unjust. ... To tell me faith is enough to protect? Read your Bible. It doesn't say that."

Attendees said it can be awkward discussing security in houses of worship because they pride themselves on welcoming all. Some of the strongest pushback comes from the faithful themselves,

lost their job — who are neither mentally ill nor foreign terrorists.

"You've got people in your church who are ticking time bombs. ... A bullet from a Methodist is going to hurt just as much as a bullet from a Muslim," he said.

Dave Grossman, a retired Army lieutenant colonel and police trainer who attended President Donald Trump's roundtable on violent video games after the February school shooting in Parkland, Florida, laid much of the blame for mass killings on television shows, movies and video games that are creating "sick, sick people." He said the news media do not adequately report on mass killings in other countries and that reporters are trying to "brainwash" people.

"Words have power, do you understand?" he said. "It's anti-gun propaganda every time we call a criminal act a shooting."

As the day wound on, Grossman and Meeks gave the audience tips for keeping their churches safe: Lock the door. Greet and study every person who enters. Watch the parking lot. Have Sunday school and day care teachers carry pepper spray. Teach people to throw projectiles at attackers.

Meeks lingered over projected photos from Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston, South Carolina, where Dylann Roof, a white supremacist, fatally shot nine black congregants in a Bible study class in 2015.

Roof didn't start shooting, he said, until the parishioners closed their eyes in prayer.

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HENRY

Deuteronomy 31:6

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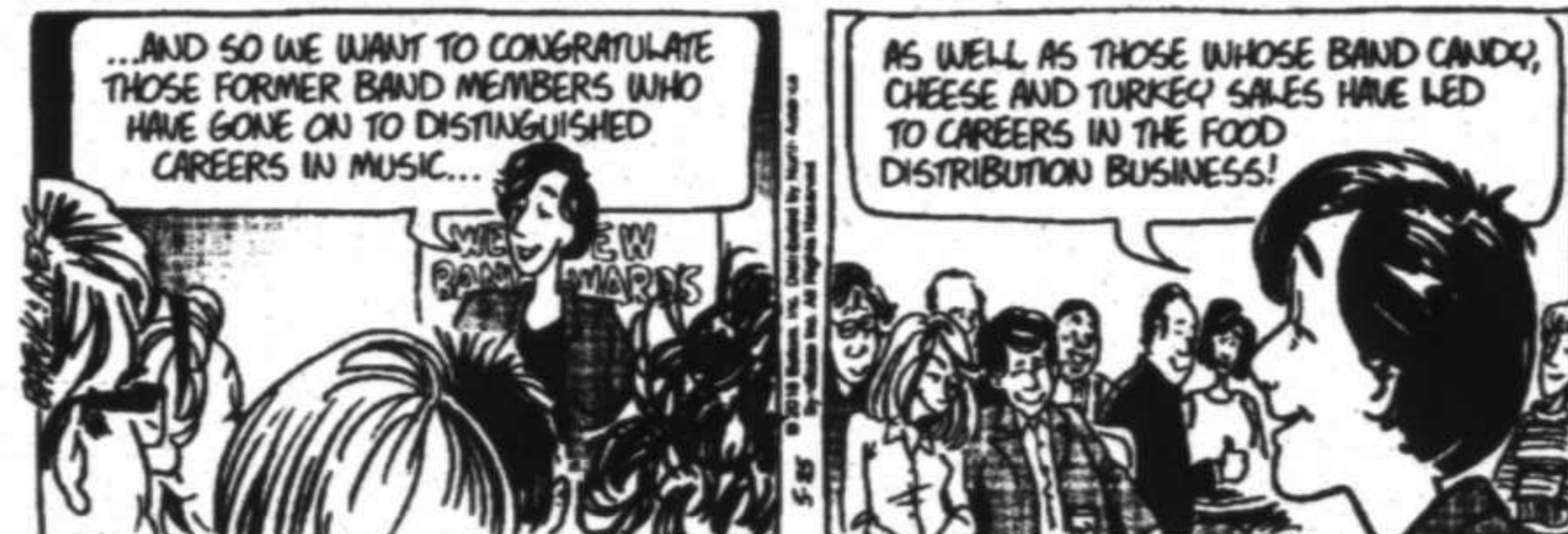
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More than 500,000 people visit Museum of Bible since opening

By Julie Zauzmer
The Washington Post

More than half a million people have visited the Museum of the Bible since Washington's newest museum opened near the National Mall six months ago, the museum said Friday.

The museum, which opened in November with splashy attractions such as a walk-through Old Testament and a motion ride, was funded largely by the Green family, the evangelical Christian owners of the Hobby Lobby crafts chain.

Christian tour groups especially have been drawn to the six-story museum, two blocks south of the National Mall, that focuses on the history and influence of the Bible in America and worldwide.

The tally of 565,000 guests in the first six months that the museum reported Friday places it in company with many of Washington's other free museums.

(Those are operated by the public Smithsonian Institution, while the Museum of the Bible is privately owned.)

The most popular Smithsonian museums far outpace the

Bible museum: The National Air and Space Museum, National Museum of Natural History and the National Museum of American History each had more than 1 million visitors in the first four months of 2018, the Smithsonian said.

The American Art Museum and National Portrait Gallery and the National Museum of African American History and Culture also had more visitors in those four months than the Bible museum has had in six months.

But the Bible museum comes in ahead of or on pace with several Smithsonians, includ-

ing the National Museum of the American Indian, with 342,000 visitors in that four-month period; the Hirshhorn Museum, with 255,000 guests in four months; the Renwick Gallery, with 220,000 guests in four months; and the National Zoo, with 390,000 guests in four months.

Washington's other private museums tend to charge admission, unlike the free-but-donation-suggested Museum of the Bible.

The Bible museum is on pace to exceed the first-year visitor total at the Newseum, which

hosted 714,000 paying guests during its inaugural year on Pennsylvania Avenue NW from 2008 to 2009.

And although the time periods are not the same, the Bible museum recorded more visitors in six months than the International Spy Museum, another pay-to-enter museum, recorded from January to June 2017.

In those six months, 319,352 people bought tickets, the spy museum said; it is planning a move next year to a new location where it expects a higher visitor count.

RELIGIONNEWS

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ARKANSAS Lawsuits seek removal of Ten Commandments display

LITTLE ROCK — Opponents of a Ten Commandments display at the Arkansas state Capitol filed federal lawsuits Wednesday to have the monument removed, arguing it's an unconstitutional endorsement of religion by government.

Separate complaints were filed challenging the display, which was installed on the Capitol grounds last month. A 2015 law required the state to allow the privately funded monument. The monument was destroyed by a man who crashed his car into it.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Arkansas sued on behalf of four Arkansas residents — three who identify themselves as agnostics and one as atheist — who are members of a walking and cycling club whose routes include the state Capitol grounds. The group asked that the monument and the law requiring its installation be ruled unconstitutional.

"Viewing the context surrounding both the Act and the resulting Ten Commandments Monument makes it likely that they will be perceived by adherents of the majority religious denominations as an endorsement of their beliefs, and by nonadherents as a disapproval of their individual religious choices," the group said in its lawsuit.

The second lawsuit was filed on behalf of a coalition that includes the Freedom from Religion Foundation and the Arkansas Humanist Association, as well as a Methodist minister and a rabbi who objected to the monument's display.

A spokesman for Secretary of State Mark Martin, who is named as the defendant in both groups' lawsuits, declined to comment on the lawsuit. The

lawmaker who led the push to put the Ten Commandments at the Capitol said he's confident the display will be upheld.

"It is time for the people of this nation to stand together and defend our history and heritage," Republican Sen. Jason Rapert said in a statement. "I am committed to defending this law, I am committed to defending the U.S. Constitution and I am committed to defending the Ten Commandments monument."

Last June, the original monument was outside of the state Capitol less than 24 hours before it was demolished. Michael Tate Reed, the man accused of driving his car into it, apologized in 2015 for also destroying a Ten Commandments monument outside Oklahoma's Capitol. Reed was charged with criminal mischief in Arkansas, but a judge in November found him mentally unfit for trial and ordered Reed to be held by the state hospital for further evaluation.

The 6,000-pound, 6-foot-tall granite display is now flanked by four concrete barriers intended to prevent its destruction.

VATICAN CITY Pope to China Catholics: Make gestures showing communion

Pope Francis urged Chinese Catholics on Wednesday to show they are in full communion with the Holy See, amid what appears to be another stall in the Vatican's longstanding attempts to reach a deal with Beijing over bishop nominations.

Francis made the comments during his general audience, noting that many Chinese Catholics will be marking a feast day dedicated to the Virgin Mary this week in Sheshan, near Shanghai.

Francis prayed that all Chinese faithful "can live their faith with generosity and serenity, and can make gestures of fraternity, harmony and reconciliation

in full communion" with the pope.

China's estimated 12 million Catholics are split between those belonging to the government-backed Chinese Catholic Patriotic Association and an underground church loyal to the pope. These underground priests and parishioners are frequently detained and harassed.

Francis — and before him Pope Benedict XVI — have tried to unite the two communities, and in recent months Vatican officials had expressed hope that a deal to resolve the key stumbling block to reconciliation was nearing completion.

Under the deal, the Vatican would recognize seven bishops not chosen by the pope who have been appointed over the years by Beijing, and two underground bishops named by the pope would step aside. Going forward, the pope would have effective veto power over Beijing-nominated bishops, according to a Vatican official familiar with the talks.

But since the beginning of the year when word first emerged that an agreement was near, China appears to have hardened its position. In February, the government introduced new regulations on religious affairs and has hardened attitudes toward any organization outside the direct control of the Communist Party.

Supporters say the Vatican-pushed deal would help the Holy See achieve its years-long goal of bringing all of China's Catholics ostensibly under the pope's wing. Critics say the deal is selling out China's long-suffering underground Catholics to an authoritarian regime.

ALASKA

Muslim inmates sue
Alaska corrections
officials over policy

JUNEAU — Muslim inmates are suing state corrections officials, arguing that they are not provided adequate nourishment as

they break their daily fasts during Ramadan at an Alaska jail.

The lawsuit was filed Tuesday by the Council on American-Islamic Relations Legal Defense Fund. It asks a federal judge to require the Anchorage Correctional Complex to provide the men with meals with sufficient calories.

It also seeks an unspecified amount in damages.

The lawsuit argues the existing policy is unconstitutional cruel and unusual punishment and has a chilling effect on the men's rights to exercise their religion.

Ramadan is the Muslim holy month, marked by daily fasting from dawn to sunset. In Anchorage, for those who observe Ramadan, that can mean going about 18 hours without food. Sunrise in Anchorage is shortly before 5 a.m. and sunset is about 11 p.m.

Those observing Ramadan receive bagged meals each evening that range from about 500 and 1,100 calories a day, the lawsuit says.

The men should be receiving 2,600 to 2,800 calories per day under federal health guidelines, said Lena Masri, national litigation director for the Council on American-Islamic Relations.

Hindu hardliners criticize archbishop for talking politics

Associated Press

NEW DELHI — India's governing Hindu nationalists on Wednesday criticized the archbishop of New Delhi for saying that a turbulent political atmosphere is posing a threat to the country's democratic principles.

The president of the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party, Amit Shah, accused the archbishop of trying to divide people on the basis of religion.

"I personally believe that no one should say things like this, for a religious person to make such comments cannot be accepted and appreciated," Shah said. A top party lawmaker, Subramanian Swamy, demanded the scrapping of diplomatic ties with the Vatican because of the archbishop's remarks.

Archbishop Anil Couto, in a May 8 letter sent to New Delhi's Catholic churches, urged members to pray for democracy and for marginalized people ahead of national elections next year.

He included a prayer to be read during Masses that asked "May the ethos of true democracy envelope our elections with dignity." The prayer also called for marginalized people to be "brought into the main-

stream of nation-building."

Minorities have complained of rising attacks by Hindu hardliners against them since Prime Minister Narendra Modi came to power in 2014.

Christians make up just 2 percent of India's population, which is overwhelmingly Hindu but has a sizable Muslim minority. Church leaders normally avoid getting too deeply involved in politics.

The archbishop's letter angered Hindu nationalists as it came at a time when Modi and his party are preparing for next year's national polls.

K.J. Alphons, India's tourism minister and a BJP leader, said the archbishop's comments were unfair and that "godmen" should stay away from politics.

The archbishop was, however, supported by opposition politicians.

Mamta Banerjee, the top elected official in West Bengal state and a member of the All India Trinamool Congress party, said, "I think whatever he has said was correct. It is a fact." Sitaram Yechury, general secretary of the Communist Party of India (Marxist), defended the archbishop, saying the only protection for minorities is the constitution's promise of equality.

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Gordon leads Rockets over Warriors to take series lead

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Eric Gordon came off the bench to score 24 points and his steal on Golden State's last possession secured a 98-94 victory Thursday night that gave the Houston Rockets a 3-2 lead in the Western Conference finals.

The Rockets head into Game 6 on Saturday night in Oakland one win away from knocking off the defending champions and advancing to the NBA Finals for the first time since winning back-to-back titles in 1994-95.

Chris Paul scored 20 points and James Harden struggled for his 19, but Paul had to leave the game in the final minute with what appeared to be a hamstring

injury. Kevin Durant scored 29 points for the Warriors, who lost in Game 5 of a playoff series for just the second time since 2015.

The Rockets won a second straight defensive struggle between the two potent offenses, leaving the Warriors a loss from missing the NBA Finals for the first time since 2014.

"We had to rely on our defense once again," Harden said. "Game 4, we weren't making shots but defensively we were really good. Same thing tonight."

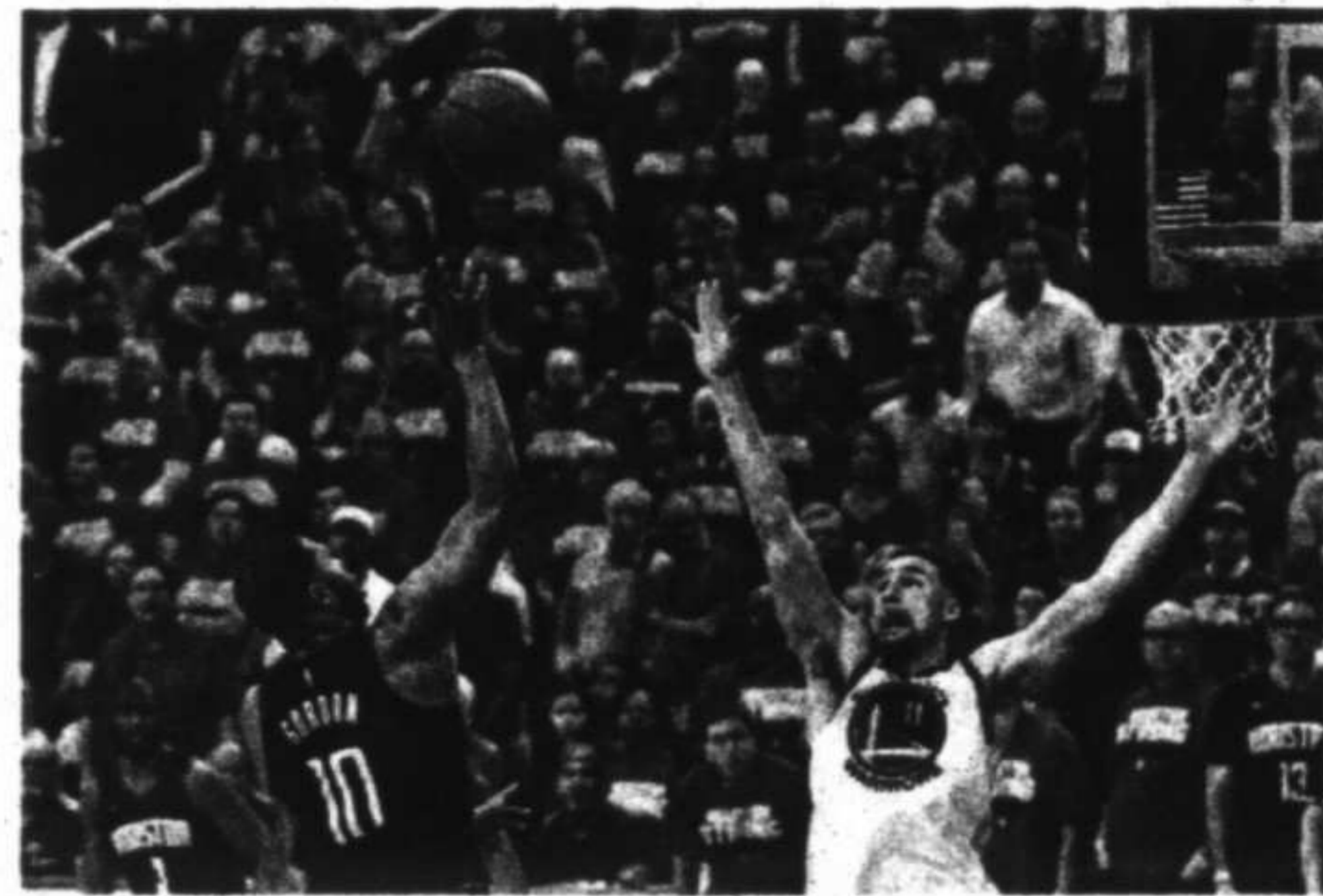
Draymond Green made a 3-pointer with just over minute left to get Golden State within one. Harden, who was 0 for 11 on 3s, missed his last one with less than 30 seconds left, giving the Warriors the ball back.

Stephen Curry missed a floater

and Trevor Ariza grabbed the rebound and was fouled with 10 seconds left. But he made just one of two free throws to give the Warriors another chance.

But Gordon came up with his steal when Green lost control in the lane and added two free throws with 2.4 seconds left to put it away. Klay Thompson shook off a knee injury that had his status for this game in question to score 23 points and Curry added 22. A bruised left knee kept Andre Iguodala out for the second straight game, and Kevon Looney started in his place.

After losing Game 1 of the series, the Rockets made the best of home-court advantage this time, thrilling a sellout crowd that included Justin Timberlake, Houston Texans star J.J. Watt and rapper Travis Scott.



Karen Warren / Houston Chronicle

Houston Rockets guard Eric Gordon (10) shoots over Golden State Warriors guard Klay Thompson (11) during Game 5 of the Western Conference Finals Thursday, in Houston.

Can't break the slump



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Sockers FC's Xavi Lao steals the ball away from Laredo Heat's Daniel Espeleta on Thursday evening at Grande Communications Stadium.

Diaz haunts old team, lifts Laredo past Sockers

By Will Korn
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When it took the field Thursday night, Midland-Odessa Sockers FC was looking to snap a two-match losing streak.

But an old friend returned to spoil the bid.

Behind a pair of second-half goals and accompanying celebratory handspring backflips, former Sockers FC standout midfielder Guillermo "Memo" Diaz led his Laredo Heat SC to a 3-1 regulation win over Sockers FC in a National Pre-

mier Soccer League Lone Star Conference Division match at Grande Communications Stadium.

Diaz, an El Paso native and midfielder who played at UNLV and starred on last year's Sockers FC squad that reached the NPSL Final in a historic run, was thrilled to return to his old stomping grounds and help his new team improve to 2-0 overall with six points in conference play.

"The (Midland) fans are great and I miss being in Midland," Diaz said. "I showed up confident, I knew my team was ready to play. We knew when we

were coming in that Midland was a strong team after seeing the film on them. My team showed up to play."

After a first half that saw the visitors struggle with the speed of Grande's turf, Diaz gave his team control early in the second half.

With a stunning fully extended header off of a pinpoint cross by Kevin Hernandez, Diaz put Laredo in front 1-0 in the 51st minute.

He capped off the breakthrough goal

Please see SOCKERS/2C

NFL teams under no time pressure to form own anthem policies

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press

With no deadlines to meet and a monthlong summer break coming up, NFL teams are in no hurry to formulate a policy on demonstrations during the national anthem.

One day after league owners mandated that players must stand for the "Star-Spangled Banner" — they now have the option of remaining in the locker room for the playing of the anthem — few of the 32 teams had done more than preliminary work on the issue.

The NFL gave teams the option of developing their own workplace rules, which many players interpreted as a backhanded way of subjecting them to fines, suspensions or loss of jobs should they carry on with

the protests.

For now, other than New York Jets owner Christopher Johnson's decision to pay any fines doled out by the league without passing punishment to the players, each franchise's approach is uncertain.

After all, once mandatory minicamps end in mid-June, teams don't get together again until training camps open in late July. The opening preseason game — the first time the anthem would be played before an NFL match — is Aug. 2 when Baltimore and Chicago face off in the Hall of Fame game.

"I'm sure it's something that will be addressed, by the players and by the coaches, collectively," Lions receiver Golden Tate said Thursday.

Please see ANTHEM/3C



Elaine Thompson/AP file photo

Houston Texans players kneel and stand during the singing of the national anthem before a game against the Seattle Seahawks, in 2017 in Seattle. NFL owners have approved a new policy aimed at addressing the first-time over national anthem protests, permitting players to stay in the locker room during the "The Star-Spangled Banner" but requiring them to stand if they come to the field. The decision was announced Wednesday, by NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell during the league's spring meeting in Atlanta.

Na's ending 90-foot chip to lead Colonial

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — Kevin Na stood over his ball after taking a drop in the rough beside the ninth green following two wayward shots, on his final hole of the day and with a share of the lead in the Fort Worth Invitational at Colonial.

As Na looked toward the hole more than 90 feet away, he saw the huge ridge going through the middle of the green. He then noticed the caddie of one of his playing partners move a bag from behind the green.

"Because I can chip it over the right down the other side," Na said.

Instead, Na chipped in for an incredible birdie to wrap up an 8-under 62.

That gave him a one-stroke lead over Charley Hoffman, who also had a bogey-free round Thursday. Jhonattan Vegas, Emiliano Grillo, Andrew Putnam and Beau Hossler all shot 64.

Na's tee shot at the 399-yard ninth hole went into the rough to the right, then his approach flew over the green and settled against a temporary grandstand. His relief was a drop into more rough, but after the chip landed on the green, the ball started to curl toward the cup.

"It got over the ridge and I was like, 'This is going to be good. It's going to be close.' Then it catches the right lip," Na said, describing it as a perfect chip.

This is the sixth time Na has had a first-round lead, his third at Colonial.

"This is a great golf course for me. Every year I come here I have high, high expectations," he said, before emphasizing a note that had been relayed by a PGA Tour media official. "Did you hear what he said? I've had the lead a few times. He never said I won, did he?"

Na's best finish at Hogan's Alley was a tie for seventh in 2007, and his only PGA Tour victory came seven years ago in Las Vegas.

After starting the day with six consecutive pars, Na went 6 under on a five-hole stretch that he called one of the best in his career. There were birdies at Nos. 16-18 before his approach at the 558-yard first hole rolled to 3 feet to set up an eagle putt. He made a nearly 50-footer at the second.

Asked about the unsponsored logo on his visor, which he bought for \$22 at The Players Championship after the 30 percent discount for PGA Tour players, he said it was a goat.

"I found out what GOAT meant I think early this year," he said. "I do social media, but they kept calling Tiger the GOAT. I go, 'Man, why do they keep calling Tiger the GOAT? That's just mean.' Then I realized it meant greatest of all-time."

Na hopes to get Jack Nicklaus' signature on that visor next week.

Sixty of the 121 players were under par, and another 16 shot 70. Jordan Spieth, the No. 3 player in the world, was at 1-under 69 and defending Colonial champion Kevin Kisner shot 72.

Hoffman had birdies on four of his first seven holes, then three of his last four.

"Not much wind ... and the greens were receptive," Hoffman said. "Really didn't have an opportunity to make bogey besides one missed green on 17 which I knocked up to about 4 feet and made that. It was nice, very stress-free round."

Vegas certainly felt much better after the first round at Colonial this year.

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THURSDAY'S SCORE
Midland 2
Arkansas 1

TODAY'S GAME
Midland at NW Arkansas
7:05 p.m.

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RECORDS
Midland 23-24
NW Arkansas 23-24

Table with 5 columns: Thursday, Today, Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday. Rows show game times and locations for Midland and Arkansas.

DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

College Baseball
Louisville vs. Duke, 10 a.m., FSSW
Georgia Tech vs. North Carolina, 2 p.m., FSSW
Georgia/Ole Miss winner vs. Texas A&M/Auburn loser, 3 p.m., SEC
Oklahoma/Texas winner vs. Baylor/Kansas loser, 3:15 p.m., FSSW+, FCSC
Iowa/Ohio State winner vs. Michigan/Purdue loser, 3:30 p.m., BTN
LSU/South Carolina winner vs. Florida/Arkansas loser, 6:30 p.m., SEC
Oklahoma State/Baylor winner vs. Texas Tech/TCU loser, 7 p.m., FSSW+, FCSC
Michigan State/Indiana winner vs. Minnesota/Illinois loser, 7:30 p.m., BTN
College Softball
Super Regional, Game 1: Arkansas at Oklahoma, 4 p.m., ESPN2
Super Regional, Game 2: Tennessee at Georgia, 4 p.m., ESPN2
Super Regional, Game 2: Florida vs. Texas A&M, 6 p.m., ESPN2
Super Regional, Game 1: LSU at Florida State, 6 p.m., ESPN2
Super Regional, Game 2: UCLA vs. Arizona, 8 p.m., ESPN2
Super Regional, Game 1: Alabama at Washington, 8 p.m., ESPN2
Super Regional, Game 2: Oregon vs. Kentucky, 10 p.m., ESPN2
Super Regional, Game 1: South Carolina at Arizona State, 10 p.m., ESPN2
2018 Senior PGA Championship, 2nd Round, Noon.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
COMMISSIONERS OFFICE - Suspended Chicago White Sox C. Heston/Casillo 80 games after testing positive for violating Major League Baseball's Joint Drug Prevention and Treatment Program.
American League
BOSTON RED SOX - Options LHP Bobby Poyner to Philadelphia (R), RHP Hector Velazquez from the 10-day DL.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX - Placed OF Leury Garcia on the 10-day DL.
MINNESOTA TWINS - Options OF Jake Cave to Rochester (L), RHP Jason Mearns from the 10-day DL.
NEW YORK YANKEES - Options LHP Ryan Dooling to Toronto (R), RHP Billy McKinney from the 10-day DL.
TEXAS RANGERS - Options LHP Brandon Moss to Cleveland (R), RHP Matt Brash from the 10-day DL.
WASHINGTON NATIONALS - Signed OF Adam Bell to a minor league contract.
FARGO MOORHEAD REDHAWKS - Released RHP Tyler Hise.
KANSAS CITY TIGERS - Signed OF Johnny Doney.
LINCOLN SALTDODGS - Traded C Michael Hart to Sioux Falls for a player to be named.
SIOUX CITY EXPLORERS - Signed RF

NBA PLAYOFF GLANCE

Table showing NBA playoff schedules for Eastern and Western Conferences, including dates and times for first and second rounds.

STANLEY CUP GLANCE

Table showing Stanley Cup playoff schedules for Eastern and Western Conferences, including dates and times for first and second rounds.

WNBA GLANCE

Table showing WNBA playoff schedules for Eastern and Western Conferences, including dates and times for first and second rounds.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

At Vegas, Justin Gaethje vs. Tony Ferguson, 12, for UFC Fight Night 128, 7 p.m.
At Las Vegas, Anthony Joshua vs. Andy Ruiz Jr., 12, for Premier Boxing Champions, 9 p.m.
At Las Vegas, Devin Haney vs. Keith Thurman, 12, for Premier Boxing Champions, 9 p.m.

LITTLE LEAGUE Northern Rockies win City Tournament



The Northern Rockies won the 2018 National League Little League City Tournament by defeating the Mid-City Giants, 12-1, in five innings on Wednesday night. Front row, left to right, Abel Hernandez, Cutter Smith, Brody Renz, Levi Bayley and Ean Shadden. Middle row, from left to right, Yomar Prado, Amori Crosby, Cadon Griffin, Gavin Garcia, Adan Hernandez and John Edward Kitch. Back row, from left to right, assistant coach Marly Renz, assistant coach Juan Hernandez and head coach Andy Bayley.

MCS SIGNING CAPSULE

MCS' BROWN TO COMPETE FOR ACU TRACK
ABBY CLAIRE BROWN
Signing school: Abilene Christian University, NCAA Division I
High school: Midland Christian
Sport: Women's track and field
Brown is a preferred walk-on who plans to major in biology. Brown had already been accepted to ACU academically, but she caught the attention of Wildcats hurdles coach Michael Rasor and ACU track public address announcer Don Garrett with her performance in the 100-meter hurdles at the Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays in Austin in March. Both Rasor and Garrett expressed interest in Brown to Fleet, who threw the shot, discus and hammer at ACU between 2007-11. "I never even thought that was even possible," Brown said. "I've done well in high school, but I never even thought I heard at that level of competition. Once I heard (Rasor) talk to my coach, the idea started coming to life." Brown is a four-time TAPPS state meet qualifier. Brown, who competed in both 100 and 300 hurdles in high school, is expecting to take up the 400 hurdles in college. "400 hurdles sounds honestly terrible," Brown said. "But I think with the right coaching and the training that could be an event that I excel at."

HS BASEBALL/SOFTBALL PAIRINGS

Table listing high school baseball and softball pairings for Class 6A, Class 5A, Class 4A, and Class 3A, including game times and locations.

James on record 12th All-NBA 1st team; Harden also unanimous

Associated Press
NEW ORLEANS — LeBron James was unanimously selected to the All-NBA first team for a record 12th time, while Houston's James Harden also appeared on all 100 first-team ballots. They were joined Thursday on the first team by New Orleans' Anthony Davis, Golden State's Kevin Durant and Portland's Damian Lillard. James passed Kobe Bryant and Karl Malone with the 12th first-team selection of his 15-year career. He also was a second-team selection twice. The second team was forwards Giannis Antetokounmpo of Milwaukee and LaMarcus Aldridge of San Antonio, Philadelphia center Joel Embiid, and guards Russell Westbrook of Oklahoma City and DeMar DeRozan of Toronto.

SOCKERS

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with a backflip all too familiar to Sockers FC fans. Then, 11 minutes later Diaz struck again on a breakaway down the nearside of the field, as he placed a shot by Sockers FC goalkeeper Lee Howarth for a 2-0 advantage. Laredo coach Dana Taylor said it took over 50 minutes to do so, but once his team got a feel for the tricky playing surface, things began to flow more smoothly on offense. Laredo is a squad accustomed to playing on grass on its home field, which had an effect when it wanted to push the pace Thursday. "We're not a dribbling team, we're a passing team," Taylor said. "As you saw in the second half, we like to move the ball, we like to play it on the ground a lot and we have a lot of quick players. At halftime, I told the guys 'I think you're trying to play one-touch, which you can play on grass. But here (on turf) we have to play two-touch.' Since it's turf, everything will happen faster." Sockers FC (2-3, 3 points in Lone Star Conference Division) got on the board in the 73rd minute, when Colombian forward Andres Rodriguez ripped a free kick attempt into the upper right corner of the net and cut the deficit to 2-1. In the 87th minute, Laredo's Tor Trosten sealed the victory with a goal, assisted by Joao Monteiro. Said Taylor on Diaz' banner evening: "Memo, he has been great for us. I knew him coming home would be a great opportunity for him to put his stamp on the game. This was his home last year and he loved it here. All in all for us, it was a good outing." Diaz, whose team has now outscored its opposition 10-1 in two conference matches, said earning Thursday's result on the road was key early in conference play. "We know Midland will be one of the top teams in the conference and getting three points here and their house is huge for us," he said.

MIDLAND HUMANE COALITION
6/02 9:30 am No-Sew Adoption Blanket Demo at Brew St. Bakery
6/07 6:30-8:30 Microchip Clinic at Bear Garden's Yappy Hour
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MLB ROUNDUP

Associated Press



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Kansas City Royals starting pitcher Danny Duffy delivers against the Texas Rangers during the first inning Thursday in Arlington.

American League

ROYALS 8 RANGERS 2 ARLINGTON — Danny Duffy didn't need much help Thursday night. Still, he and catcher Salvador Perez got a nifty assist from Shin-Soo Choo's face.

Duffy took a shutout into the eighth inning after Perez threw out a baserunner on a ball that hit Choo in the nose, and the Texas City Royals beat the Texas Rangers 8-2 for their season-best third straight victory.

Perez had four RBIs on a pair of two-run singles with two outs, first in the fifth and then the seventh innings. But the catcher's caught stealing in the first inning was more memorable.

Duffy's pitch in the dirt bounced off Perez and then hit Choo in the face, sending the left-handed hitter staggering out of the box. Perez scrambled to get the ball from in front of home plate, then threw out Delino DeShields trying to take second on the play.

"I saw the ball like right in front of me," Perez said. "I said, 'Bro, I think you're bleeding.'" Choo remained in the game and drew a walk in the plate appearance.

Duffy (2-6) allowed a run and four hits, struck out five and walked two in 7 2/3 innings in his longest outing of the season. The veteran left-hander entered the game with a 6.86 ERA this season and had allowed at least five earned runs in five of his previous 10 starts.

"It was nice to do something beneficial to the team," said Duffy, who said his slider might have been his best of the season.

"He needed it," Royals manager Ned Yost said. "He was on the attack. He was throwing the ball in good spots and was ahead in the count."

Last season against Texas, Duffy allowed only one run in 15 2/3 innings. Both of Duffy's 2017 appearances vs. Texas were 1-0 Rangers wins. He got one loss and one no-decision.

gave him plenty of support. Houston scored three runs in the fifth and added five in the sixth to put the game away.

Mike Clevinger (3-2) opened with four scoreless innings, but couldn't hold a 2-0 lead in the fifth. Bregman capped the inning with his fifth homer over the 19-foot high wall in left field that put Houston ahead. He added an RBI double in the sixth.

Marisnick, recalled from the minors Wednesday, homered to straightaway center in the sixth off Neil Ramirez. Marisnick was sent to Triple-A Fresno on May 15 and was called up when outfielder Josh Reddick went on the 10-day disabled list with a leg infection.

Clevinger allowed five runs in 5 1/3 innings. The right-hander was pulled with two on in the sixth, but pinch-hitter Max Stassi's single off Tyler Olson drove in a run before Marisnick homered.

The defending World Series champions have won four straight and taken three of four from Cleveland this season. Brantley singled up the middle in the third to give Cleveland a 2-0 lead.

Roberto Perez led off with a single and took third on Francisco Lindor's double. Brantley is second in the AL in batting and extended his hitting streak to 13 games. He began the season on the disabled list following ankle surgery in October.

ANGELS 8 BLUE JAYS 1 TORONTO — Mike Trout and Albert Pujols each hit solo home runs. Shohei Ohtani doubled twice and the Los Angeles Angels beat the Toronto Blue Jays 8-1 on Thursday.

Nick Tropeano (2-3) pitched a season-high 7 1/3 innings to snap a five-start winless streak.

CHICAGO — Dylan Bundy struck out a career-high 14 and pitched a two-hitter for his second complete game in the majors, leading the Baltimore Orioles over the Chicago White Sox 9-3 on Thursday.

Adam Jones and Trey Mancini hit solo home runs as Baltimore took a 9-0 lead after three innings. Jones and Manny Machado each had three hits, and Chance Sisco drove in three runs for the last-place Orioles, who won for just the third time in nine games and improved to 6-21 on the road.

Jose Rondon hit a three-run homer with two outs in the fourth for the first hit off Bundy. It was Rondon's second career homer and second in two days.

Earlier in the day, White Sox catcher Wellington Castillo was suspended for 80 games by Major League Baseball following a positive test for a performance-enhancing substance. The commissioner's office cited use of Erythropoietin (EPO).

The 31-year-old Castillo was signed in the offseason by the rebuilding White Sox to help guide their young pitching staff. Barring rainouts, Castillo would be able to return on Aug. 24.

Bundy (3-6) had been roughed up in losing four of five previous starts, but sparked once again in an afternoon contest. The 25-year-old right-hander improved to 2-1 with a 1.32 ERA in five day games.

Omar Narvaez's single in the seventh was the only other hit off Bundy, who walked one and hit a batter. His other complete game was last Aug. 29 against Seattle.

Narvaez was behind the plate for the White Sox. The Orioles sent 25 batters to the plate in the first three innings to build a big lead off White Sox starter Lucas Giolito (3-5) and Chris Beck, the first of five Chicago relievers.

colly's double off Hernandez (5-4). Hernandez settled down and retired 16 of the last 17 batters he faced in going six innings.

Yusmeiro Petit (2-1) pitched three scoreless innings in relief. He was among five A's pitchers manager Bob Melvin used after Sunday. It would be a bullpen day with rookie reliever Josh Lucas making a spot start.

Lucas lasted just two innings in his first career start, allowing two runs on three hits and three walks and throwing 52 pitches. The Mariners loaded the bases with no outs in the first, but managed just one run as Nelson Cruz grounded into a double play and Kyle Seager struck out.

Seager hit an RBI double off Blake Treinen in the eighth. Treinen got Daniel Vogelbach to fly out to end the inning with runners at second and third, and worked the ninth for his 11th save.

Jed Lowrie hit a sacrifice fly in the first. Piscotty doubled and Dustin Fowler had an RBI single.

REDS 6 RAYS 3 ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Blake Snell threw six scoreless innings, Wilson Ramos drove in two runs, and the Tampa Bay Rays avoided a three-game sweep by beating the Boston Red Sox 6-3 on Thursday night.

Snell (6-3) allowed three hits, walked two and struck out eight. The left-hander is 2-0 in three starts against Boston this season, giving up two runs and 11 hits in 19 innings.

Mitch Moreland hit a solo homer and Rafael Devers had an RBI double off Matt Andriese in the ninth as Boston got within three runs. But, Alex Colome retired Sandy Leon on a two-out grounder with Devers on second to get his 11th save.

Red Sox starter Rick Porcello (6-2) last just 3 2/3 innings, allowing six runs — four earned — and eight hits. He threw 92 pitches.

ROCKHOUNDS REPORT

ROCKHOUNDS 2, TRAVELERS 1 At Dickey-Stephens Ballpark, North Little Rock, Arkansas

TOP HITTERS: For Midland, Brett Verigan was 3-for-5 with a double and a run. ... El White went 2-for-4 with a double and Brett Siddall was 2-for-4 with a run.

TOP PITCHERS: Midland's Cody Stull picked up a win after tossing 2 1/3 shutout innings of one-hit ball in relief. Stull struck out three and walked one. Nolan Blackwood notched his fourth save for the RockHounds after tossing two scoreless frames with three strikeouts. ... Arkansas' Anthony Misiewicz took a tough luck loss after holding the RockHounds to two runs, seven hits and one walk over 6 2/3 innings. ... In his Double-A debut, Midland starter Logan Shore allowed one run (unearned), two hits and three walks over 4 2/3 innings, while striking out three.

HIGHLIGHTS: Arkansas took a 1-0 lead in the fifth when Logan Taylor doubled home Chris Mariscal. ... J.P. Sportman pushed Midland to a 2-1 lead with his two-run single in the seventh, plating Siddall and Verigan.

NOTES: The RockHounds won their second straight game and won the series, 2-1, over the Travelers. The RockHounds begin a three-game road series against Northwest Arkansas at 7:05 p.m. today. ... Shore joined the team from high Single-A Stockton of the California League. Shore, 23, was 2-0 with a 1.21 earned run average and had 25 strikeouts in 22 1/3 innings for Stockton. Shore was selected by the Oakland Athletics in the second round of the 2016 amateur draft out of Florida. He was ranked as the No. 10 prospect in the A's organization by Baseball America.

TODAY'S PROBABLES: Midland — TBD; Northwest Arkansas — RHP Foster Griffin (2-4, 4.21)

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TL Standings

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BIG 12 BASEBALL

Associated Press

OKLAHOMA 3, TEXAS 1 OKLAHOMA CITY — Blake Brewster hit a solo homer in the third inning and No. 4 seed Oklahoma eliminated top seed Texas from the Big 12 Tournament with a 3-1 victory on Thursday.

Brewster entered the game with just one home run and a .129 batting average this season. Levi Prater got the win in one inning of relief for the Sooners (35-22).

Big 12 Player of the Year Kody Clemens had two hits for Texas (37-20), but he struck out swinging with a runner on in the eighth. Longhorns coach David Pierce was ejected for arguing.

Kyler Murray's RBI single scored Cade Harris in the first inning for Oklahoma, and Brewster's blast put the Sooners up 2-0. Dominic DeRozon doubled to score Brandon Zaregas and make it 3-0 in the fifth.

Andy McGuire scored in the fifth to put Texas on the board, but that's all the Longhorns got.

TEXAS TECH 6 OKLAHOMA ST 2 OKLAHOMA CITY — Cameron Weaver hit two home runs and No. 3 seed Texas Tech eliminated No. 2 seed Oklahoma State with a 6-2 victory in the Big 12 Tournament on Thursday.

Warren knocked in three runs and scored twice for the Red Raiders (38-18). The lower seeds won the first six games of the tournament.

Oklahoma State (29-24-1) won its last season as a No. 8 seed. Oklahoma State's Jon Littell opened the scoring with an RBI single in the first inning.

Warren cranked a solo homer in the second and a two-run blast in the third to put the Red Raiders up 3-1. Both came against Carson Teel, Oklahoma State's All-Big 12 first-team pitcher.

Christian Funk's RBI single in the fourth scored Littell to trim Tech's lead to 3-2, but the Red Raiders scored three runs in the seventh.

MLB GLANCE

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Standings table for American League and National League.

Schedule table for MLB games.

Scoreboard table for MLB games.

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NHL Deputy Commissioner Bill Daly, right, poses with members of the Washington Capitals and the Prince of Wales trophy after the Capitals defeated the Tampa Bay Lightning 4-0 Wednesday, in Tampa, Fla.

ANTHEM

From 1C

"But right now, we don't play a game until August, and that's when it's going to be applicable in football stadiums. So we've got time to kind of brainstorm some ideas on how we could stand for justice and what we can do."

What some teams have done in the past likely indicates how they will handle disciplining players for demonstrations during the anthem — regardless of the intent. Owners Jerry Jones of the Cowboys and Robert McNair of the Texans have been among the staunchest advocates of no exceptions to standing during the anthem.

Others have taken a less stringent stance, emphasizing working together with the players in their communities rather than focusing on how the message about social injustice is being delivered.

"I have always believed it is the responsibility of sports teams to be very proactive in our communities," says Jeffrey Lurie, owner of the Super Bowl champion Philadelphia Eagles.

"In this great country of ours, there are so many people who are hurting and marginalized, which is why I am proud of our players for continuously working to influence positive change. Their words and actions have demonstrated not only that they have a great deal of respect for our country, but also that they are committed to finding productive ways to fight social injustice, poverty and other societal issues that are important to all of us.

"We must continue to work together in creative and dynamic ways to make our communities stronger and better, with equal opportunities for all."

One certain thing: The uncertainty about how each team will deal with players who defy the NFL's mandate will last for weeks.

Not so for any league personnel such as game officials, sideline crews, et al. They will be disciplined for any violations of the anthem policy, though the exact punishments have not yet been determined by the NFL.

One organization, the National Action Network, will march on league headquarters Friday to "advocate for players' right to kneel and call on NFL owners to reverse (the) dangerous decision violating players' First Amendment rights by imposing fines for not standing during the national anthem."

Such protests could become more prevalent if teams decide to strongly discipline players who demonstrate during the anthem.

But some franchises aren't sure they need their own policy. Or if that is even the proper description.

The Falcons' position is any players on the field will stand, so no need to make plans for any other outcome.

Team spokesman Brian Carns suggested it's too strong to say they have a team policy: "The word policy sounds like it was mandated. It was discussed as a team and agreed upon as a team," Carns said in an email to The Associated Press.

Defensive linemen Dontari Poe and Grady Jarrett knelt during an early season game at Detroit last year. Coach Dan Quinn said that was a "one-off" and, sure enough, after that game all players stood together on the sideline, with arms interlocked, the remainder of the season.

Buffalo linebacker Lorenzo Alexander doesn't expect his team "to do anything."

"I understand where they're at. And it's hard," Alexander said. "And I understand that from a business perspective trying to be socially responsible. And people can act like it's in a vacuum and say you have to pick a side. But it's not that simple. It's a very complex situation."

Capitals' run to Cup Final ends 20-year drought

By Stephen Whyno
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Jimmy Patterson was a fresh-faced 22-year-old in the stands at the old Capital Centre in October 1974 when the expansion Washington Capitals won for the first time.

As he was leaving, an elderly man from Brooklyn told Patterson he'd always get to say he saw the Capitals' first win. The man smiled and added, "You can't lose 'em all."

Forty-plus years, more than 3,000 games and 27 unsuccessful playoff runs later, Patterson and legions of longtime Capitals fans finally have a reason to believe that. Many who watched Wednesday night at an arena watch party far from Game 7 in Tampa Bay took to the steps of the National Portrait Gallery to celebrate the Capitals' first trip to the Stanley Cup Final since 1998. Game 1 in Las Vegas against the Golden Knights is Monday night.

"It's been really gratifying," said Patterson, now 65. "It feels a lot different, and it's a weird feeling."

Filling the area, fans chanted, "We want the Cup," "We want Vegas" and "DC! DC!" in an outpouring of joy decades and crushing losses in the making. Alex Ovechkin's Capitals are the first Washington team in the major four professional sports leagues to reach the final in a generation. To get this far, they had to not only outlast the Lightning but survive longtime playoff nemesis Pittsburgh, which has won the last two championships.

"It's been 20 long, dry years and we are back," Capitals public address announcer Wes Johnson said. "This is catharsis. Once we beat the Penguins, then you could see that the fan base was like, 'Let's just play hockey.' As John Walton said, it's OK to believe. It's not just OK to believe. Just believe."

Among markets with teams in the NFL, NBA, NHL and Major League Baseball, only the Twin Cities in Minnesota has a longer championship drought going than Washington. The Redskins won their third Super Bowl title in January 1992 and it's been mostly grim since then. None of the Redskins, Wizards, Nationals and Capitals even reached a league semifinal

from 1998 until this spring.

In that same time, Boston's teams have made 25 league semifinal appearances and won 10 titles. Maybe success is contagious.

"Last year all of those (other Washington) teams made the playoffs and then it was like, hey we got to do the same too, and we dropped the ball," Redskins running back Chris Thompson said. "If you see your D.C. teams succeeding and the Capitals won (in) the finals and stuff like that, it's a little bit of motivation."

The Capitals got over the hump in their 10th playoff appearance after early exits marred by sudden-death overtime winners, a hot goaltender named Jaroslav Halak, the New York Rangers and — of course — the Penguins.

"It's just been one nightmare after another," said Anthony Beverina, who has had season tickets in section 417 since 1997-98. "And it makes you wonder if there's some inherent cosmic conspiracy or a core character issue in the core guys."

The nightmare has slowly felt like a dream on this playoff run, which was unexpected following an offseason of salary-cap casualties in the wake of another crushing second-round loss to Pittsburgh. Players rallied around lower preseason expectations, and even going into the playoffs Washington wasn't supposed to do this.

"This team is so fun," said George Christo, a Boston transplant who has had season tickets since 1995-96. "This team is the most fun since that '98 team primarily because, both of those teams, who on earth expected either of these teams to be able to get this deep and to be that tough?"

After so many early playoff exits, Capitals fans are reluctant to feel too good about things. Christo said even his children have almost gotten sick of going to games — until this year, which has challenged a lot of the old conventions about doomsday D.C. sports.

"There are people sitting in season-ticket-holder seats because they're home mashing teeth and biting their fingernails," Patterson said. "A lot of fans around the country when their team is in the playoffs, they like to have get-togethers and parties, viewing parties for the away games and stuff like that. But if you've been through some of this stuff, after

the second game of a playoff series, there won't be any of that because you can't have your friends over and watch a game and then have everybody in that awful mood when it's over and they're shaking hands and you're on the losing side."

It was the opposite Wednesday night when almost 10,000 people wearing red watched on video screens above a basketball court as Capitals players and coaches were on the winning side of their handshake line with the Lightning. Cheers greeted Ovechkin touching the Prince of Wales Trophy and then the flash of the Stanley Cup Final schedule before the series against former general manager George McPhee's Vegas Golden Knights begins.

"We're going to the Stanley Cup Final," Ovechkin said. "I think everybody is happy, but we still have unfinished, you know what I mean. I don't know, I'm emotional right now. I think we've been waiting for this moment for a long time."

Game 3 on June 2 will be the first Cup Final game in the district since 1998, when the Capitals were swept by the Detroit Red Wings. One more win will make this the most successful season in franchise history, and though superstition and history keeps fans from thinking about the "what if" of four more, they're no longer afraid to enjoy the ride.

"Now you're excited by the win, you're not just dreading how are they going to blow this game," Beverina said. "It's been nothing but fun this year."

That fun extends to the Capitals' locker room, which looked to have much less talent on paper than in previous seasons. But players feel different about this year, too, and have embraced each other as much as their common goal.

"I think our group here really understands what it means to be a team and how to win," goaltender Braden Holtby said. "Maybe in the past we've had more skill or been better on paper or whatever. But this team everyone knows their role and everyone wants to pitch in and everyone is comfortable with each other. I haven't been on a team like this where in any situation we're confident and confident in each other."

Video shows intoxicated Cowboys receiver Williams

By Clarence E. Hill Jr.
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH, Texas — Frisco police released dash cam and body cam video of their investigation and arrest of Dallas Cowboys receiver Terrance Williams on a charge of public intoxication Saturday morning after police found his 2017 Lamborghini crashed into a light pole.

The police found the Lamborghini abandoned in the area of Frisco Green Avenue and Lebanon Road, not far from the Cowboys' practice facility, at 4:45 a.m. After police determined that the vehicle was registered to Williams, the receiver was found near his home riding an electric bicycle and was arrested.

The video lines up with the story in the initial police report and is contrary to statements released by Williams and his lawyer, Chip Lewis, who claim the car accident didn't involve a light pole at all.

After coming up on the accident and determining that the car belonged to Williams, police went to his residence where they found a visibly intoxicated Williams riding and then falling off a motorized bike in the road.

Williams claimed he had

been home all night and blamed the crash on former Baylor teammate Kendall Wright, whom he called an "idiot."

Williams said Wright left the scene in a yellow Camaro and went to a club but called him to let him know where to find the car.

This is in contrast to a statement Williams released on Saturday, saying, "The driver in front of me slammed on his brakes and I turned to the left and hopped the curb to avoid him."

Two problems with Williams' story are the police found his cellphone in the car and security at his gated community said the Cowboys player was driven home just 15-20 minutes earlier riding with someone else.

The police also said they found the key to Williams' car in his pocket when they searched him after the arrest.

When Williams initially encountered the police he said he didn't know where he was going.

When asked about his car and the accident, he then said he was riding the motorized bike to find his car.

He said he has nine cars, including the \$325,000 Lamborghini, and knew he was in no condition to drive one of them.

Ovechkin, Capitals headed to Stanley Cup Final vs. Vegas

By Fred Goodall
Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — Alex Ovechkin is thrilled, though hardly satisfied.

The Washington Capitals star is headed to the Stanley Cup Final for the first time in his 13-year career, eager to put more distance between the Eastern Conference champions and a lingering perception of Ovechkin and the Caps as playoff underachievers.

"Finally we get what we want, be in the Stanley Cup Final," the 32-year-old Russian star said. "There's still a lot of hockey to play."

Ovechkin scored just over a minute into Washington's 4-0 victory over the Tampa Bay Lightning in Game 7 of the Eastern Conference final Wednesday night.

Braden Holtby stopped 29 shots to notch his second straight shutout. Andre Burakovsky scored two goals, and Nicklas Backstrom added an empty-netter to help the Capitals close it out.

Now, they've got to do it again against the expansion Vegas Golden Knights, who are Western Conference champions in their inaugural season.

"I feel very happy, but

we're not finished yet," Ovechkin said. "We've been waiting for this moment a long time."

The Golden Knights breezed through the Western Conference, scoring 43 goals and allowing 27 while going 12-3 to eliminate the Los Angeles Kings, San Jose Sharks and Winnipeg Jets during an improbable run to the Stanley Cup Final.

Vegas went 2-0 against the Capitals in the regular season, winning 3-0 at home on Dec. 23 and 4-3 at Washington on Feb. 4.

"It's a great story. They're a good hockey team, they have a lot of good players, players from other teams — I know a lot of people say we didn't want those players, but we all did," Capitals coach Barry Trotz said.

"The rules were the rules. They did a great job, they've been galvanized as a group. There's nothing tighter than that first-year group because there's no pre-conceived notion. Leadership's not in place, nobody knows where to live, all those things are galvanizing."

The Golden Knights' top scorer during the playoffs has been former Lightning forward Jonathan Marchessault with 18 points (eight

goals, 10 assists). Alex Tuch is second among league rookies with nine points (six goals, three assists).

Goalie Marc-Andre Fleury, who's in the Stanley Cup Final for the third straight season and fifth time overall, has been a huge part of the team's success, too, with a 1.68 goals-against-average and .947 save percentage.

Fleury and teammate James Neal return to the Cup Final after facing each other in the championship round last year — Fleury with the Pittsburgh Penguins, Neal with the Nashville Predators.

"They're deep. They're probably the most veteran team still playing in the playoffs. But they've done a fabulous job," Trotz said. "They're a fabulous story. ... It's a great story, not only for our game, but for everybody."

To reach the Cup Final for the first time since 1998, the Caps beat Tampa Bay three times on the road to run their record to 8-2 away from home this postseason.

The Lightning, the NHL's highest-scoring team during the regular season, didn't have a goal over the final 159 minutes, 27 seconds of the series.

THE MARKET IN REVIEW

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Table of stock market data for the New York Stock Exchange, including columns for Name, Div, Last, and Chg. Lists various companies and their stock prices.

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A DAY ON WALL STREET

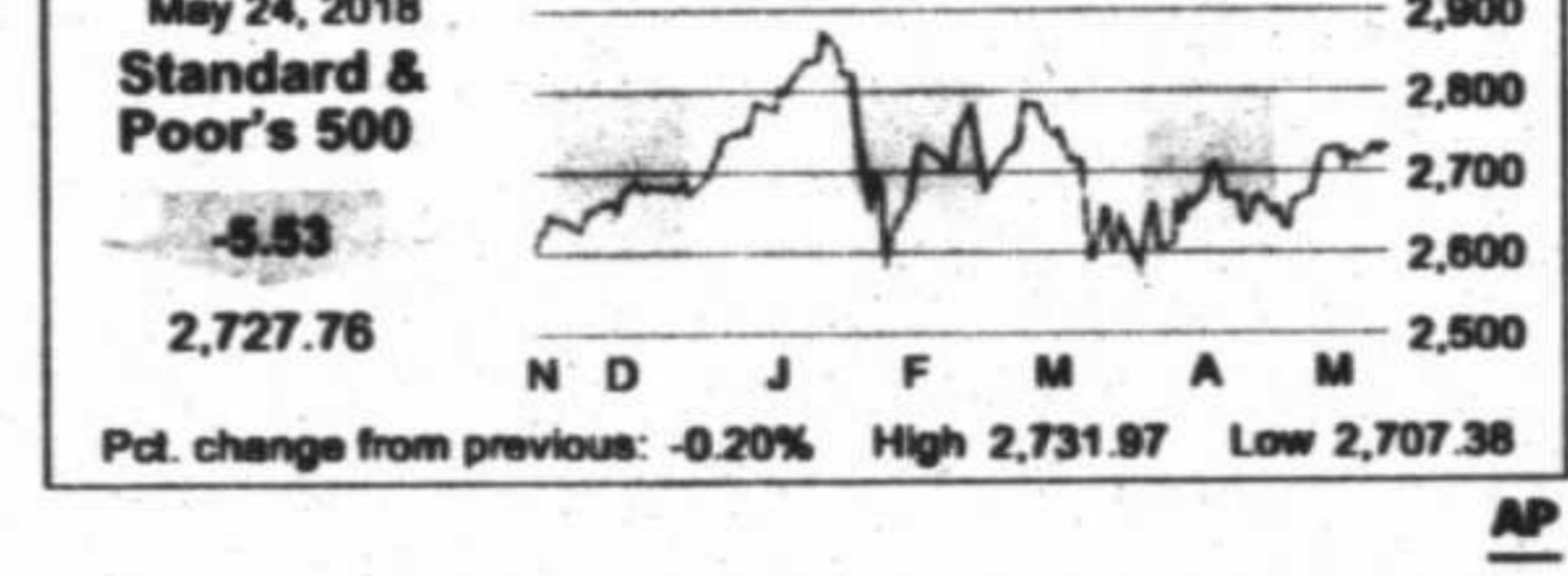
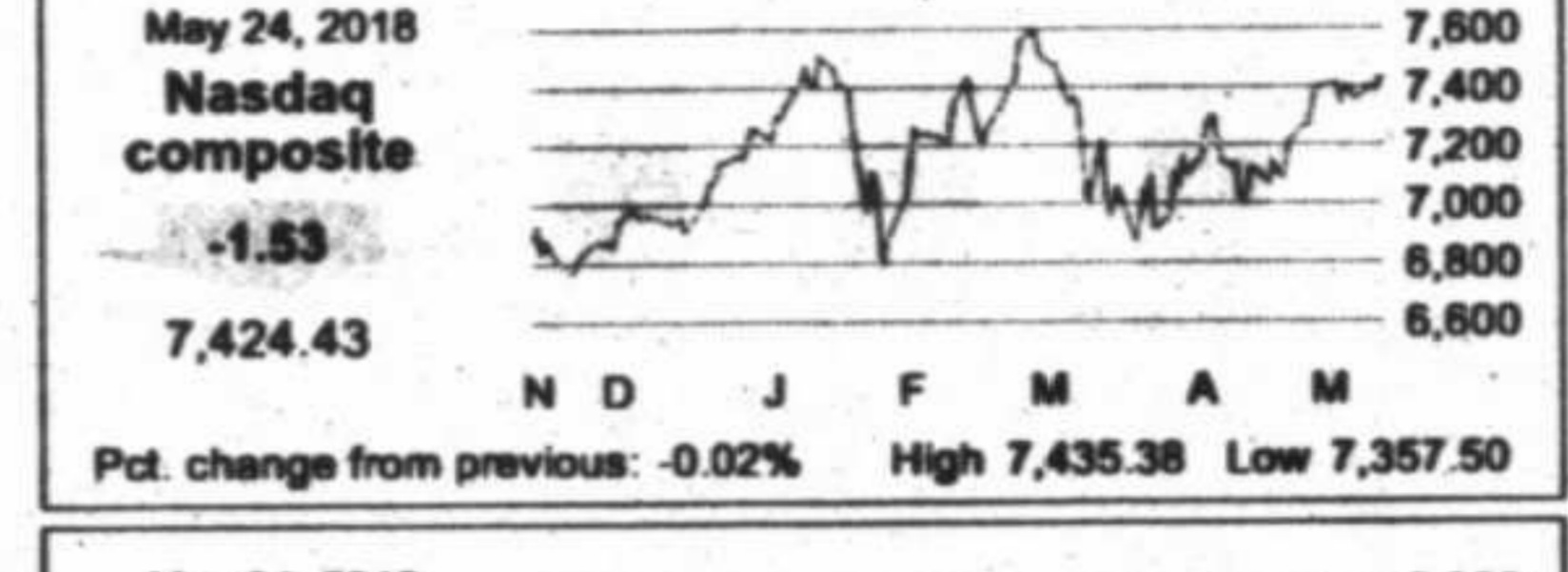
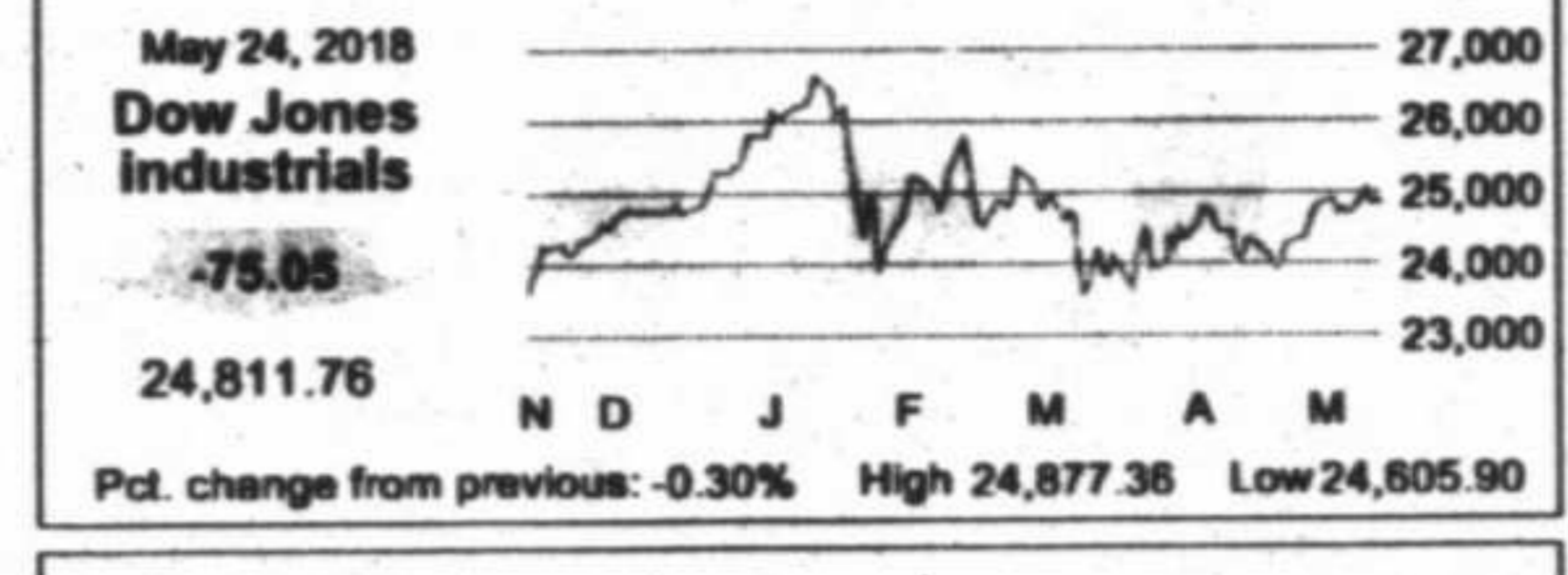


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SOLUTION TO THURSDAY'S PUZZLE

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Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answers tomorrow

Yesterday's Jumbles: MIGHT THIRD PEDDLE FINISH
Answer: The tourists thought they'd be able to visit Big Ben, but they couldn't — FIND THE TIME

JUMBLE CROSSWORDS

by David L. Hoyt

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| CLUE | ACROSS | ANSWER |
| 1. Seem | | AERPAP |
| 5. Dell | | ADGEL |
| 6. Pricker | | HTRNO |
| 7. Allow in | | CPEATC |

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| CLUE | DOWN | ANSWER |
| 1. African country | | GLOAAN |
| 2. ___ bag | | TPISLAC |
| 3. Paint solvent | | AEECNT |
| 4. ___ school | | GTEMNA |

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

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CLUE: A male ___ can weigh up to about 350 pounds.

BONUS

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Today's Answers:

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2. Board the ship

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Answers

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at Burlington coat factory

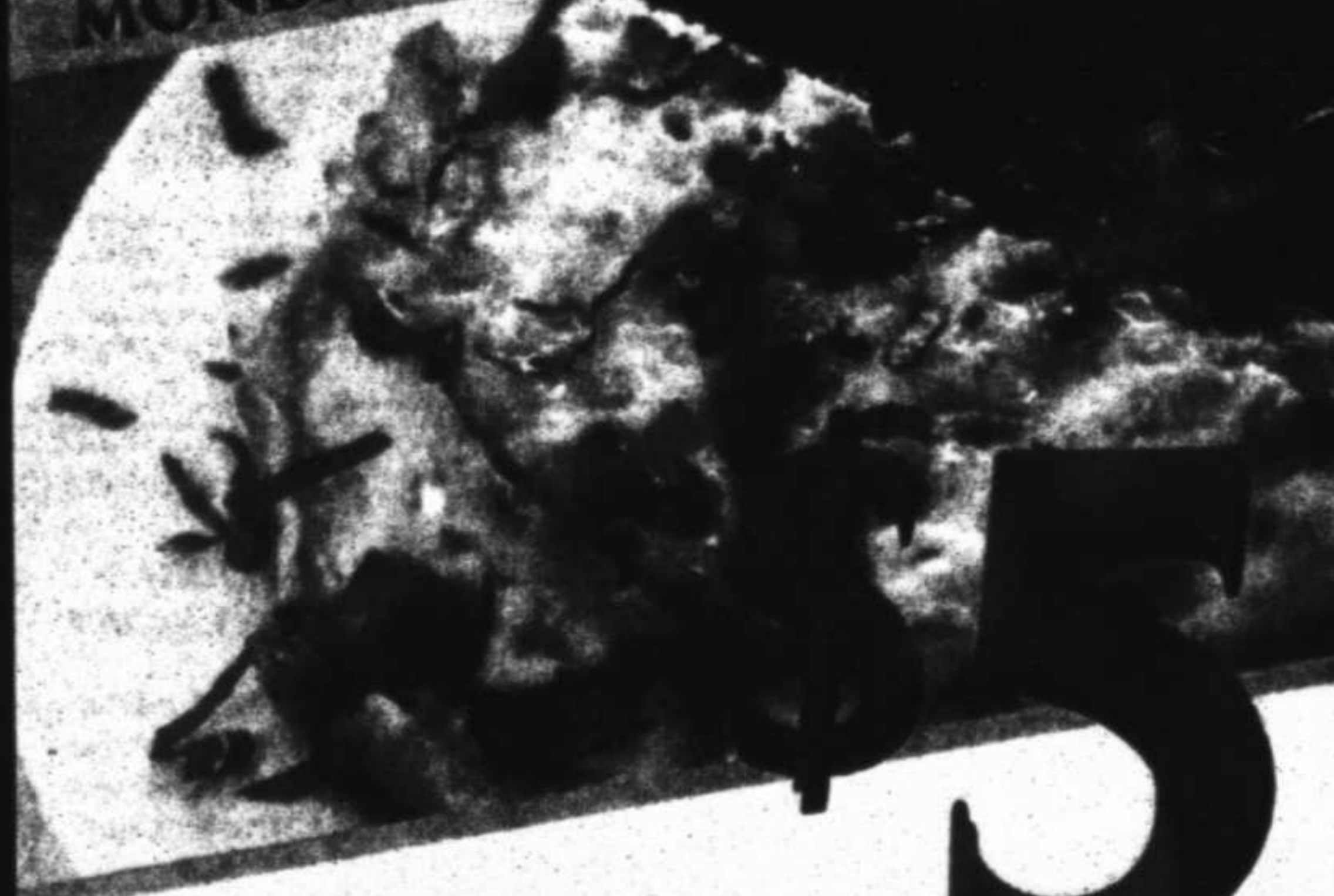
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Sliced Avocado | STARCH (Select 1)
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2 Biscuits
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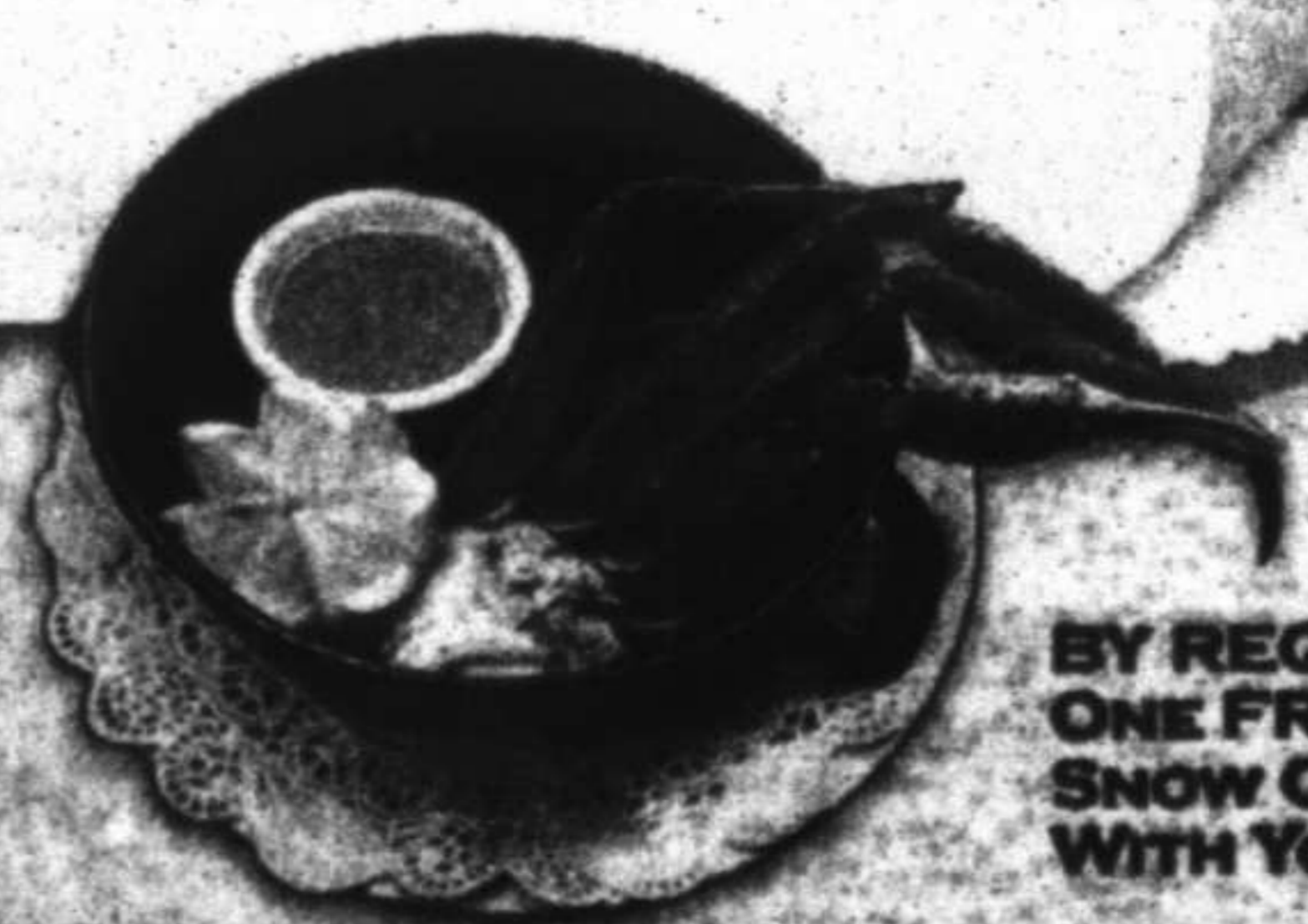
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• Review all phases of the planning process for commercial and retail development
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• Prepare analysis and recommendations for the installation and maintenance of traffic control devices within the city
Qualifications:
• Bachelor's degree in civil engineering or related field with a minimum of three years' experience in traffic engineering or related field.
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Prepares and administers the annual division budget. Monitors expenditures during the year and makes recommendations for budget modifications.
Job Duties:
• Reviews staff work including reports, maps and special studies for presentation to Planning Commission and City Council.
• Coordinates, supervises and manages staff time.
• Prepares, administers and monitors annual budget.
• Presents information at public meetings. Participates with other staff members concerning interrelated projects.
• Answers various questions from general public and developers concerning city ordinances, development trends, and population.
• Performs related duties as required.
Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group. Communication with the general public, developers, outside agencies and other departments within the organization is required.
Knowledge of planning and zoning process. Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Skill in writing and interpreting budgets. Ability to write and review reports, memos and other correspondence. Ability to supervise and communicate with employees. Basic comprehension of computer use. Valid Texas Driver License.
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BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES:
Manages the GIS Division budget and recommends budget request for new hardware and software as appropriate.
Job Duties:
• Supervises all phases and implementation of the City Enterprise GIS.
• Supervises GIS Division staff.
• Provides planning and direction for GIS growth to serve the City and Public.
• Provides general customer service, responds to concerns and inquiries related to Division services.
• Negotiates and reviews contracts provided by consultants for GIS services, e.g. - LIDAR, ortho-mosaic imagery, Cityworks, etc.
• Develops policies and standards for the GIS Division.
• Manages the setting of priorities for projects, software, database, and application development.
• Oversees development of GIS applications, web services, and tools to ensure they are current and within industry standards and practices.
• Oversees the GIS Division in managing ArcGIS Server installation, maintenance, upgrades and use.
• Provides recommendations to the Director of Engineering Services regarding annual GIS Division budget, priorities for projects, and resources required to complete them.
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Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing, with employees within and outside the department, and with outside agencies, and to respond to questions from Councilmembers, City Management, constituents, vendors, businesses, and other governmental agencies or staff.
Proven ability to plan, organize and manage multiple concurrent projects with minimal supervision. Willingness to work in a team environment and learn new skills to help improve systems and procedures. Ability to supervise and manage other staff with a variety of skills and abilities.
Demonstrated proficiency in the use of Esri ArcGIS software (ArcGISDesktop, ArcGISOnline, ArcGISPro). Solid understanding of database design/management and programming is desirable.
Knowledge of land surveying, municipal governmental operations, acquisitions and procedures is desirable.
Bachelor's degree in GIS, Geography, Computer Science, Engineering, or a related technical or business field required. Minimum of five years' experience using Esri GIS software required. Master's degree in a related field preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required.
Benefits:
• Health care Plans
• Paid Vacation/ Sick Leave
• Paid Holidays
• Employee Wellness Program
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MANAGEMENT-EXECUTIVE

MIDLAND
NOW HIRING
Right-Of-Way Manager
This position manages the acquisition, sale, and financing of City rights-of-way and other real property, oversees the execution of transactions of real property, and administers the issuance of assessments and notices to outside parties for the use of City-owned rights-of-way and property.
Budgetary Responsibilities:
Assist management staff with recommendations and budget data for potential right-of-way and assessment acquisitions for public improvements.
Job Duties:
• Develops policies and procedures for standardization of third-party use of City rights-of-way and property.
• Manages the distribution of surface damages for City rights-of-way and other real property owned by the City, including 47,000+ acres of City-owned parcels.
• Develops and negotiates Surface Use Agreements, Right-of-Way License Agreements, Easement Agreements, for third-party users of City-owned parcels or rights-of-way, and coordinates with appropriate City Departments or Management.
• Prepares and presents reports to City officials, Council members, and representatives of outside agencies.
• Obtains Approvals, Title Work, and coordinates Closings on tracts of interest.
• Coordinates and processes public easements for City projects.
• Coordinates departmental actions related to acquisition of real property to ensure compliance with City policies, and legal and regulatory guidelines.
• Coordinates preparation of offers to purchase, leases, deeds, exchange agreements, easements, releases, and related property transaction documents.
• Coordinates with others and utilizes engineering plans and plats to determine accuracy of property legal descriptions and boundaries, file histories, etc.
• Other duties as assigned.
Qualifications:
Proven ability to plan, organize and manage multiple concurrent projects with minimal supervision. Willingness to work in a team environment and learn new skills to help improve systems and procedures.
Knowledge of land surveying, oil drilling and pipeline operations, and typical petroleum industry practices related to land use and acquisition is desirable. Knowledge of municipal governmental operations, acquisitions and procedures is helpful.
Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing, with employees within and outside the department, and with outside agencies, and to respond to questions from Council members, constituents, vendors, businesses, and other governmental agencies or staff.
Demonstrated proficiency in the use of Esri ArcGIS software is desirable.
Bachelor's degree required. Minimum of five years' experience in real estate, land acquisition, or a similar field. Valid Texas driver's license required.
Benefits:
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Gate Attendants needed

Gate Guard Services is looking for Gate Attendants in West Texas area, must have RV or Traveling trailer and must pass background. Requirements needed: Non-Commissioned Recruit.
Please call Patty for more information @ 361-649-6992.



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Family Owner hair salon looking for experienced hairdressers, make your own hours. Call Kyan at (432) 697-6666 for more information. Located at 3211 W. Wesley St. #2-A, Midland TX

OTHER JOBS

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE


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.

\$13.00 PER HOUR

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: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk - Monday - Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddock@hearstnp.com

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Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - **MUST BE DEPENDABLE**
Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm-4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person.

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- Your own vehicle with insurance
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- Great first job for student over 16 years old
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960 E 87th St. - Odessa
1106 E 42nd St. - Odessa
2251 Linda Ave. - Odessa
9001 W University Blvd. - Odessa

MIDLAND NOW HIRING Planner

Performs field and office work related to planning and development programs for utilization of land and physical facilities of the city.

Job Duties:

- Prepares special studies and reports related to code amendments and amendment studies. Assists with comprehensive plan and studies and updates as necessary.
- Prepares statistical reports such as annual population estimates.
- Reviews requests and prepares written reports for zone change and proposed subdivision plat applications and special studies.
- Presents information and recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Commission.
- Reviews miscellaneous applications including temporary land uses, special events, public rights of way, etc.
- Responds to public inquiries concerning development of the city in general as well as specific areas.
- Researches, compiles and analyzes land use and related data.
- Works with the public and developers in answering questions and providing information.
- Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:

- Ability to effectively communicate with developers and citizens in order to provide information and guidance on planning and zoning issues. Ability to work in conjunction with employees from different departments.

Knowledge of current planning processes and procedures. Ability to read and understand technical materials, reports and journals. Skill in developing related reports and ability to analyze and present data on land use applications and planning. Ability to effectively communicate, both orally and in writing, to citizens and other government officials.

Bachelor's degree or equivalent in architecture, planning, engineering or equivalent plus one to three years of experience. Valid Texas Driver's License.

Benefits:

- Health care Plans
- Paid Vacation/ Sick Leave
- Paid Holidays
- Employee Wellness Program
- Tuition Reimbursement

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MIDLAND NOW HIRING Public Safety Dispatcher

Directs calls for service for emergency purposes and directs non-emergency inquiries.

Job Duties:

- Answers the phone and assists citizens with requests for emergency and non-emergency services for police, fire, sheriff and emergency medical service.
- Directs citizen inquiries and non-emergency calls to the appropriate agency or organization.
- Dispatches law enforcement and fire and rescue personnel and notifies support and other personnel as needed through the use of multi-channel radio system and computer aided dispatch system.
- Requests and disseminates vehicle registration, driver's license, criminal history information through the use of the Texas National Computer System (TNIC, NCIC).
- Obtains computer information and disseminates to law enforcement officials and investigators. Enters related information into the system.
- Sends and receives teletype information to and from related agencies.
- Maintains records of work performed.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- Ability to work with dispatch equipment and communicate with citizens and emergency personnel in highly stressful, possibly emergency situations. Employee communicates with other employees in the work group, citizens and other law enforcement agencies in order to discuss requests for service and possible criminal activities. Will also exchange information or request assistance from other agencies and make referrals when necessary.
- Ability to read and understand technical and professional manuals in order to record work activities, keep records or work with computers. Skill in the operation and maintenance of a number of office machines and equipment such as specialized computers and related information systems and two-way radio dispatch equipment. Typing speed of 38 WPM.
- Will also be required to take and pass ALL tests.

1. Keyboarding
2. Data Entry MT
3. Data Entry MT (Audio)
4. Call Summarization
5. Memory Recall-Numeric (Audio)
6. Map Reading
7. Spelling
8. Sentence Clarity
9. Reading Comprehension

Employees work rotating shifts and gather, organize, translate and process information from various emergency callers.

DAYS & HOURS: Rotating Shifts, Rotating Days Off - Valid Texas Driver License

Benefits:

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MIDLAND NOW HIRING Recycle Supervisor

Supervises and monitors Citizens Collection Station and recycle drivers in day to day operations and projects. Works as a service attendant at the Citizens Collection Station as needed. Acts as a Solid Waste Supervisor as needed.

BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES

Provides input as to needed equipment and employment positions. Monitors supplies and equipment at the Citizens Collection Station.

Job Duties:

- Schedules and monitors the work of subordinate employees.
- Instructs employees in the use, care, and preventive maintenance of equipment and machinery.
- Reads schematics, manuals, and other specifications in order to determine and make necessary repairs and maintenance.
- Maintains equipment in good working order and keeps records of work performed.
- Ensures the cleanliness and maintenance of facilities, equipment, tools and grounds.
- Acts as the customer service representative of the Recycle Division at the Citizens Collection Station and on recycle issues.
- Keeps records and reports readily available.
- Coordinates efforts with Solid Waste operations.
- Serve as service attendant when necessary.
- Serves as a Solid Waste Supervisor when necessary.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- Ability to effectively communicate with employees and to receive work orders or instructions for any project. Interacts frequently with the public, vendors, and government agency representatives.
- Ability to read, interpret, and understand local, state, and federal regulations related to disposal of refuse. Knowledge of processes used in the disposal of solid waste.
- Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools and heavy equipment utilized in disposal activities. Ability to train others in safe operation of equipment. Ability to work with cash and adhere to cash-handling policies. Ability to properly evaluate activities and make recommendations for improvement. Good public relation skills as well as verbal and written communication skills.
- High school diploma or general education degree required and some college preferred. One to three years of experience in Solid Waste and/or supervising and evaluating the work of others preferred. Must possess a valid Texas Driver's License and possess or acquire a valid Texas Class 'B' Municipal Solid Waste Operator License within two years of hire date.

Benefits:

- Health care Plans
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WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS PERMAN BASIN 2-1-1 INFORMATION & REFERRAL COMMUNITY OUTREACH COORDINATOR

Accepting applications for the position of 2-1-1 Information and Referral Community Outreach and Resource Coordinator. Job duties include developing and implementing a community and business outreach plan, developing public education and information materials, and networking with agencies to gather resource information for the 2-1-1 database of resources.


Minimum qualifications include a Bachelor's degree in a social/human service or related field and minimum of two years' experience with the non-profit community or social/human services agencies in the Permian Basin. Bilingual (English and Spanish) preferred. Certified Information and Referral Specialist (CIRS) OR must obtain Alliance of Information and Referral Systems (AIRS) within 18 months of employment. Position requires ability to work in a team-oriented environment, strong customer service orientation and skills, and ability to build and maintain strong community relationships.

Please submit resume to: gill.schaefer@workforce.org OR Fax: 432-861-8785

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Would you like to make \$16 to \$20 an hour, depending on position?
Now hiring Hibachi Chefs, Waitresses, Hostesses, Cashiers, Bartenders, Bus Help, Dishwashers & Kitchen Help. Come apply in person: 11am-3pm at 1287 Tradewinds Blvd. 79796 or online at: www.my-osaka.com



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METAL FAB PRODUCTS

Metal Fab Products, Inc. is a well-established metal fabrication company that has served the Permian Basin since 1969. We are currently seeking an Outside Sales Rep. The ideal candidate will have:

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Carter's Furniture currently has a position available in our Sales Department.

Applicants Must be able to:

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- Detail Oriented
- Self-Starter

Apply in office located at 2101 W. Wadley Ste. 8 Midland, TX

MIDLAND NOW HIRING Systems Administrator

Performs network and system support functions on segments of the computer environment, including planned and emergency maintenance, performance and security analysis, and monitoring, tuning, and implementing new products and procedures. Analyzes emerging technology and makes recommendations for constant improvements to network and infrastructure services and capabilities.

Job Duties:

- Designs and coordinates segments of the IT architecture
- Manages server applications, including but not limited to social media, Active Directory, operating systems, and email
- Produces and maintains IT design, architectural, and specifications documentation, as identified
- Monitors information storage systems, schedules, and tests, including backup and recovery tasks, as identified
- Provides research, development, and planning of the IT infrastructure
- Is responsible for the validating, building, and testing IT solutions; analyzing IT infrastructure technical issues, and supporting the design, planning, building, and testing of new IT solutions, as assigned
- Performs related duties as assigned
- Subject to recall 24/7

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science plus two years of experience in a related field is required
- Four years experience may be substituted for the Bachelor's degree requirement
- Valid Texas Driver's License

Benefits:

- Health care Plans
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- Tuition Reimbursement

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MIDLAND NOW HIRING Fleet Technician

Diagnoses, repairs and maintains city trucks and heavy equipment.

Job Duties:

- Diagnoses equipment and vehicle malfunctions such as ignition, steering, emission control, electrical, and heating and air conditioning. Estimates costs and submits to specifications.
- Determines the appropriateness of off-site repairs such as oil and filter changes, tires and mufflers.
- Inspects vehicles for state stickers.
- Determines readiness and fitness of new vehicles. Installs special equipment.
- Employee must provide own hand tools. City supplies major equipment including power tools, computerized analyzer, and other diagnostic equipment.
- Reads blue prints, electrical diagrams, manuals and other specifications in order to make repairs.
- Performs emergency repairs for various departments.
- Maintains records of work performed such as work orders, logs, historical information, and special written requests.

Qualifications:

- High School graduate or GED
- Knowledge of proper tools used in welding and fabrication
- Three years training as a mechanic or in a related field
- Valid Texas Class A CDL Driver's License within one year of employment
- Texas Department of Public Safety Inspector Certificate required within one year of employment.

Benefits:

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CNC Machinists, Machine Operators & Shop Hands

Machine Shop Openings: Peak Completion Technologies, a Midland based tool company, is seeking experienced CNC machinists and machine operators. Peak offers modern equipment, an excellent benefits package and competitive pay in a drug free workplace.

We also have openings for experienced Shop Hands to assemble/re-dress packers and other downhole tools in our Midland facility. Mechanical aptitude, a good work ethic, and attention to detail are critical in this position. These are full time positions, with overtime as required. Pay is based on experience.

Apply in person between 8 AM and 5 PM on weekdays at 7718 W. Hwy 88, Midland, or submit a resume to careers@peakcompletions.com. EOE



MIDLAND NOW HIRING Code Enforcement Officer

Performs inspections of private and public properties to ensure compliance with municipal ordinances, zoning and land use regulations which govern the maintenance of property, grounds and structures.

Job Duties:

- Visually inspects properties for code violations as initiated by a complaint or routine inspection.
- Enters data into the computer to generate notice of violations to property owners or to record inspections.
- Responds to citizen calls regarding code violations, mail information regarding zoning or city regulations.
- Researches planned districts, nonconforming uses, plats and legal uses of property for the department.
- Manages city contracts for the clearing of lots, to include bidding projects, preparing contracts, awarding contracts and preparing payments to contractors.
- Conducts inspections to ensure proper environmental compliance in response to complaints.
- Provides information to the public and contractors regarding the requirements of zoning and related code and city requirements.
- Conducts field inspections of junked and abandoned vehicles, abandoned structures and other properties for compliance with city codes.
- Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:

- Ability to effectively communicate with developers, citizens and other employees in order to provide information regarding city codes and possible violations.

Ability to read and understand materials including City Ordinances, professional standards, plans, correspondence and manuals. Ability to write reports and correspondence. Skills in math. Skills to communicate both orally and in writing. Knowledge of office equipment including personal computer.

High school diploma or equivalent and a valid Texas driver's license required. Certification through Texas Department Health as a Certified Code Enforcement Officer, or ability to obtain after one year of training. Certification as Property Maintenance and Housing Inspector, or ability to obtain within one year.

Benefits:

- Health care Plans
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Heavy Equipment Operators

Hiring experienced heavy equipment operators for oilfield dirt work - multiple open positions. 3+ years OMS experience required. Deter, bleed, cracker experience a plus. Pay DOE. Health, vision, and dental insurance 100% paid. Apply in person: 9400 S. Service Rd, Coahoma, TX, or call 432-354-4804 for more information.

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Commercial Construction Project Estimators and Superintendents

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Concrete Foreman/Finisher/Form Setter for K. Barnett & Sons, Inc. in Clovis, NM. Knowledge of form setting, finishing experience, blue prints, laser levels, ADA requirements, drainage structures, curb, gutter and sidewalk. Prefer someone with experience leading a crew and talking to inspectors. Ideal candidate will have a minimum of five years of experience. Company offers medical/dental/vision/life insurance/401k and paid time off. COMPETITIVE hourly rate. DOE. Equal opportunity employer. Send resumes to maria@kbarnett.com.



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Customer Service (Field Work)

Performs field work regarding current or past water service.

Job Duties:

- Turns water on for new customers, disconnects water for customers leaving or re-connects service that had been disconnected. Obtains new or current readings due to new service or broken lines.
- Sets meters to establish or re-establish service.
- Pumps meters should instances occur when customer fails to set up service.
- Collects past due utility bills so that water can be connected.
- Changes our broken meter stop valves and meter box lids.
- Verifies or re-reads meter information when complaints are filed.
- Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:

Ability to effectively communicate with citizens, other departments and employees in order to provide information on current repairs or the reading of meters.

Ability to read work orders and maps in order to find street locations. Skill in math in determining amount of water utilized. Skill in the use of variety of hand tools such as shovels, meter wrenches and meter keys.

Valid Texas Driver's License required. Employee must be bondable.

Benefits:

- Health care Plans
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Effluent Distribution Technician

Maintains pivots in good working order and prevents holding ponds from overflowing.

Job Duties:

- Determines which pump units to operate and maintains center pivots in good working order. Repairs and services when necessary.
- Operates gates and laggon system in order to store water without allowing holding ponds to overflow. Determines where and when to store water.
- Monitors operations in order to apply the proper amount of water.
- Repairs water line leaks and breaks.
- Uses equipment such as loaders and backhoes in order to fill gullies caused by operations.
- Maintains and repairs electrical systems on central pivot units.
- Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:

Ability to effectively communicate with employees in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read operator's manuals, gauges and work orders in order to maintain or repair meters or parts. Skill in writing to record results.

High school diploma or equivalent required plus six months to one year of experience. C Operator's certification from the THRCC. Valid Texas Driver's License required.

Benefits:

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Electronics Tech - Airport

Performs routine and preventive maintenance of electrical equipment systems. Works under the direction of the Electrician/Electronics Specialist.

Job Duties:

- Performs preventive maintenance on automatic gates, automatic doors, parking lot equipment, lighting, security systems, jetway systems, etc.
- Assists the Electrician/Electronics Specialist in the day to day operations of the Airport facility as needed.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Employee communicates with other employees in the work group and may respond to questions from the general public regarding services or specific projects.

Ability to read and understand work orders and equipment manuals. Skill in the operation of hand tools and equipment such as electrical measuring meters and devices.

High school diploma or equivalent plus two to three years of experience as an electrician required. Journeyman's License as an electrician required. Valid Texas Driver's License required.

Benefits:

- Health care Plans
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Well Field Technician - Paul Davis

Has primary responsibility for operation and maintenance of well fields, Water Purification and associated potable water storage.

Job Duties:

- Assists other Utility Department Divisions as required.
- Performs Operations & maintenance duties as required at WPP.
- Controls water distribution processes to meet regulatory standards.
- Operates and maintains various water production and storage equipment.
- Maintains required records of operations, generates monthly report and maintenance records.
- Monitors and controls booster pumps and storage.
- Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.
- Operates SCADA system to monitor and control well field production.
- Performs routine cleaning of assigned areas. Maintains grounds at well field compounds.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

RELOCATION MANDATORY

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Knowledge of pumps, motors and tower operations and maintenance. Knowledge of electricity and electronics. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. On call 50% overtime and weekends.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Groundwater license from the State of Texas within 90 days of employment. Must receive Hazard Awareness level and SCDA certification within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Must possess a valid Texas Class "B" CDL required or have the ability to obtain license within a reasonable amount of time.

Benefits:

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Electrical/Electronics Tech - WPP

Troubleshoots and maintains electrical, SCADA and control equipment for the well field, Purification Plant, Water Pollution Control Plant, water storage towers, booster station.

BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES

Assists in the development of the budget and makes recommendations for purchases and capital items to the appropriate division during the annual budget process.

Job Duties:

- Troubleshoots and repairs electrical service to any facility within the Utilities Department.
- Troubleshoots and repairs control circuits at any facility within the Utilities Department.
- Troubleshoots and repairs SCADA equipment at any facility within the Utilities Department.
- Programs SCADA and control circuits at any facility within the Utilities Department.
- Instructs users of SCADA and control circuits at any facility within the Utilities Department.
- Calculates electrical loads for equipment and installs wiring.
- Determines equipment and supplies required for jobs by reading code books and blue prints.
- Keeps abreast of changes in the Electrical Code and Regulations and makes recommendations on their impacts to the City.
- Maintains inventory of supplies used and replaces as needed.
- Performs Operations & Maintenance duties as assigned.
- Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:

Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Ability to read operator's manuals, blue prints and schematics in order to maintain electrical, SCADA and control equipment throughout the Utilities Department in good working order. Skill in the operation of electrical and mechanical hand and power tools. Employee must perform mathematical calculations in order to determine electrical needs. Skill in writing to record results and track work. Will be on-call.

High school diploma or equivalent required plus two years of experience. A valid Apprentice Electricians license from the State of Texas or have successfully completed 12 college hours of electronics coursework would be preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required. Must also obtain a valid state of Texas class 'C' or above water works license.

Benefits:

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Engineering Tech - Construction Inspector

Perform responsible work in support of city engineering staff. Work relates to engineering construction activities such as construction inspection of municipal projects involving construction of asphalt or concrete pavement, sidewalks, ramps, water lines and sewer lines.

Job Duties:

- Inspect forms, materials and workmanship for compliance with plans and specifications. Test materials and workmanship as required.
- Maintain daily diary and records on projects including emergency telephone numbers for key people.
- Maintain inspection project files for all phases of construction for each project. Provides information to update record drawings.
- Inspect traffic control devices for compliance with plans and the Texas Manual on Uniform Control Devices. Make safety inspections to note deficiencies for correction.
- Analyze field construction problems and assist engineers with recommending corrections.
- Performs survey work as requested by engineering staff.
- Coordinate with traffic, utility companies, landowners, etc. before and during construction.
- Acts as project field coordinator for contractors, utility companies and city departments.
- Researches utility locations and right of way, assemble plat and deed information and produces plan views.
- As appropriate, trains and evaluates the progress of other employees.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Must be able to use and communicate by hand-held radio. Basic skill in the use of a variety of machines, including personal computers, printers, calculators, scanners and large document copier are preferred.

Must have a valid Texas Driver's License and a good driving record. Employee must be able to effectively communicate with other employees in the work group. Must be able to correctly respond to questions from contractors, surveyors, inspectors, or city staff regarding work performed or applicable specifications related to a design or construction project.

Must coordinate effectively with other city departments, contractors, and utility companies when designing or scheduling work. Must possess skill to observe, read, and interpret written technical materials and construction drawings. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment.

Must have obtained a High school diploma or equivalent GED plus 5 years of experience in civil construction trades. College degree or construction certifications preferred. Extensive knowledge of state, federal, and local laws and requirements regarding construction, surveying and safety standards.

Extensive skill in observing, reading and interpreting written technical materials and construction drawings. Extensive knowledge of city codes and ordinances and other state and federal requirements regarding utility construction and safety standards.

Extensive knowledge of engineering standards and construction practices for water, sewer, street and drainage design. Intermediate skill in drafting with computer aided design systems such as AutoCAD. Intermediate skill in developing field notes and survey plats for boundary surveys.

Benefits:

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Equipment Operator - Landfill

Disposes for release through the use of heavy equipment at the Landfill.

Job Duties:

- Disposes of refuse with the use of heavy equipment such as compactors, scrapers, bulldozers and related equipment.
- Covers refuse at the end of each day.
- Maintains all equipment in good working order and keeps records of service problems. Submits daily maintenance sheets to supervisor.
- Performs preventive maintenance on equipment such as oil changes. Determines when servicing of vehicles is required.
- Monitors vehicles as they enter, unload and leave the Landfill. Gives directions to citizens.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Ability to effectively communicate with employees in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read, interpret and understand local, state and federal regulations related to disposal. Knowledge of the processes used in collection and disposal of waste materials. Ability to follow instructions and manuals for equipment repair and maintenance. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools and hydraulic systems as well as slings, shovels, brooms and rakes. Ability to read operator's manuals and work orders.

High school diploma or equivalent, plus one to three years of equipment operation preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required.

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Lead Water Purification Plant Operator

This position requires a demonstrated ability to perform advanced functions related to the operation and maintenance of equipment at all water treatment facilities. This position functions as a Lead Operator and also as Chief Plant operator when required, performing complex analysis of the Water Treatment Plant operations and having direct charge of the operation of a water treatment facility or Water Production Facility. Positions at this level provide instruction and assistance to lower level Water Treatment Plant Operators. This position is normally filled by advancement from the Water Treatment Operator II. Position requires three to five years of experience in a Surface Water Treatment Plant Operator and must possess a minimum of a Class "C" Surface Water Treatment Plant Operator Certificate issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality of the time of accepting position.

Benefits:

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Equipment Operator - Water and Wastewater

Performs manual and unskilled labor of more than ordinary difficulty, which often involves the use of acquired skills and operates several types of light vehicles and equipment. Does related work and training as required.

Qualifications:

Ability to effectively communicate with employees in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read, interpret and understand local, state and federal regulations related to water and sewer system maintenance. Knowledge of the processes used in utility maintenance. Ability to follow instructions and manuals for equipment repair and maintenance. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools. Skill in the use of heavy equipment utilized in maintenance activities such as backhoes, ditch witch, and jet truck. Ability to read operator's manuals and work orders.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Valid Texas CDL Class A driver's license required or must be obtained within 6 months of employment. Must possess or be able to obtain Wastewater Certification Class I and Water Distribution D Certificate with in a reasonable length of time.

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Lab Technician

The employee is responsible for performing, monitoring, and interpreting the results of tests necessary for the operation and regulatory compliance of the water and wastewater operations of the City of Midland. They are also responsible for the inspection and implementation of regulations promulgated by State and Federal authorities.

Assists in the development of the budget for laboratory operations and makes recommendations for purchases and capital items during the annual budget process. Monitors expenditures during the year.

Job Duties:

- Responsible for the daily operation of laboratories in support of the Utilities Department. Conduct bacteriological, chemical, physical and instrumental analysis of water and wastewater samples submitted to the laboratory.
- Maintains equipment and supplies for the laboratory as well as for the City's facilities. This includes accurately maintaining extensive records tracking all chemicals, supplies, and equipment used for daily operations.
- Collects, analyzes, and interprets results of environmental, water and wastewater samples.
- Prepares reagents for use at the laboratory and performs standardization of reagents to ensure quality.
- Must maintain work area, supplies, and equipment in an orderly, safe, and clean manner.
- Maintains accurate and extensive analytical data records of data for future use.
- Investigates and reports on complaints and all other problems delegated by the Director of Utilities.
- Make monthly reports or as required to the Water Regulator Agencies and Utilities.
- Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.
- Keeps abreast of State/Federal regulations and makes recommendations on their impacts to the City.
- Performs related duties as required. Available for on-call obligations and work on weekends as needed.

Qualifications:

Employee has contact with general public, other employees, and other organizations.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Must have skill in writing to record results of analysis. Employee generates memos and reports of work performed. Ability to perform chemical analysis. Must have thorough knowledge of chemistry and good knowledge of water and wastewater treatment. Must possess knowledge of computer software and applications. Working in experience lab preferred.

Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry, Biology or related field is preferred. Must be able to obtain Class D water operator license in the State of Texas within a year after hired and be able to maintain the license while employed.

Benefits:

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Maintenance Specialist - Animal Services

Maintains the animal shelter and grounds, provides quality care for the animals in our custody and assists the public and other animal control personnel.

Job Duties:

- Processes animals that are brought to the animal shelter by providing health evaluations, parasite control, scanning for microchips and placing in the proper holding area.
- Maintains the sanitation and environment of kennel areas, cat facilities, quarantine areas, wildlife facilities and sick/quarantined animal room.
- Assists in euthanasia and the disposal of animals as required.
- Maintains and operates the animal cremation system for mass disposal and private cremations.
- Picks up large quantities of dead animals from veterinarians for disposal by cremation.
- Micro-chips animals that leave animal control custody.
- Unloads dead and live animals from the public, veterinarians and animal control officers.
- Performs preventative maintenance on equipment, building and grounds.
- Provides assistance to visitors.
- Operates a vehicle to pick up dead livestock and supplies and other machinery.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Employee communicates with other employees in the work group and may respond to questions from the general public regarding services or animals that may be in the kennel. Employee may have direct contact with other animal control personnel such as the SPCA, various humane societies and animal rescue organizations.

Ability to deal with the public and provide humane care for the animals. Some knowledge in the recognition of animal diseases is needed. Ability to follow both written and oral instructions is also necessary.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required. Must be able to obtain Department of State Health Services Basic Certification within one year of employment. Must be able to obtain euthanasia certification within six months of employment.

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Maintenance Specialist - Parks - Sports Complex

Performs all routine maintenance work for the parks division at the sports complex, including special events.

Job Duties:

- Performs routine buildings and grounds maintenance.
- Removes trash from containers.
- Inspects grounds and athletic areas and facilities for repairs.
- Operates and maintains equipment used in daily operations. Files out reports and submits to supervisor.
- Helps set up of special events and sports tournaments.
- Works weekends and evenings as required.
- Performs other related duties as required.

Qualifications:

Employee communicates with other employees in the work group and may respond to questions from the general public regarding services or specific projects.

Ability to read and understand work orders and equipment manuals. Skill in troubleshooting air conditioning and plumbing. Ability to operate hand tools and equipment such as mowers, gas powered trimmers, saws and other gardening and maintenance tools.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred. Valid Texas Driver's License, CDL preferred.

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Plant Maintenance Mechanic - Water Purification Plant

Performs skilled & Semi-skilled maintenance duties as they relate to equipment repair and upkeep. Perform manufactures recommended preventative maintenance to equipment at the Water Purification Plant.

Job Duties:

- Repairs equipment including pumps, chemical feeders, valves and specialized equipment.
- Performs preventative maintenance on plant equipment according to manufacturer's recommendations.
- Performs annual maintenance at plants including but not limited to cleaning and painting of water treatment basins and painting of equipment.
- Performs electrical repairs including wiring of electric motors, switches, and panels.
- Troubleshoots electrical problems including checking and repairing control circuits.
- Serves as a shift relief as needed, assuming full authority, duties and responsibilities of position that is being filled.
- Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:

Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Knowledge of plant operations and maintenance. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. Skill in the use of hand tools, test equipment, and welding tools. May work rotating shifts.

High school diploma or equivalent required. One to three years experience in a related field preferred. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Water License within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Must possess a valid Texas Class "B" CDL or have the ability to obtain license within a reasonable amount of time.

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Service Center Technician

Performs tire installation and repair and general maintenance on vehicles and machinery.

Job Duties:

- Repair flat tires. Remove and install wheels and tires from vehicles and equipment.
- Responds to requests for towing and service calls.
- Performs electrical jump starts on vehicles and equipment.
- Performs diagnostic checks on batteries and alternators. Changes out as necessary.
- Balance tires.
- Performs engine oil and filter changes. Changes transmission oils and filters.
- Cleans and maintains shop facilities, equipment, tools and grounds.
- Orders and routes parts.
- Opens work orders, changes out parts and closes work orders as required.
- Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:

Ability to effectively communicate with employees, management and vendors in order to diagnose repairs and order materials for repair.

Knowledge of proper tools used in general automotive repairs. Ability to safely use tools, vehicles and equipment such as wreckers, the hammers and breakdown bars, tire and wheel balancers, tire machines, jacks, air impact wrenches, lock bits and assorted hand tools. Skill in the reading and practical application of manuals, schematics and other similar specifications used by city departments. Ability to read, measure and calculate types and sizes of materials needed and ability to perform amount of time that will be used in the actual repair process. Ability to speak, understand and follow instructions in English.

High school diploma or equivalent plus one year of general service station experience is required. Experience in towing vehicles, changing oil and all filters, and changing or repairing auto and large equipment tires is also required. Employee must have dependable transportation and a telephone at their residence. A valid Texas license required, CDL preferred. Must have a State of Texas Inspection License or ability to obtain within 90 days.

DAYS & HOURS:
Monday - Friday, 2:00 pm to 11:00 pm

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Utility Plant Operator - Water Purification Plant

The primary function of a Water Plant employee is to perform semi-skilled and skilled operations and maintenance duties in our water facility, including monitoring, operating, maintaining and adjusting equipment. Additionally, an employee performs data collection and reporting functions to ensure compliance with Federal and State water quality requirements & Standards.

Job Duties:

- Gathers and computes chemical analysis of water samples. Interprets and logs results.
- Controls water treatment processes to meet regulatory standards.
- Operates and monitors various water plant equipment and machinery.
- Maintains daily and hourly records of plant operations.
- Monitors and controls booster pumps and storage within the City.
- Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.
- Operates SCADA system to monitor and control well field production.
- Reports maintenance issues that affect plant operations.
- Assists maintenance personnel as assigned and when needed.
- Performs routine cleaning of work areas.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. Must work rotating shifts.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Surface Water License from the State of Texas within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Must possess a valid class "C" Texas driver's license.

Benefits:

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Well Field Technician - Airport Well Field

Has primary responsibility for operation and maintenance of well fields, Water Purification Plant and associated potable water storage.

Job Duties:

- Assists other Utility Department divisions as required.
- Performs operations and maintenance duties as required at WFP.
- Controls water distribution processes to meet regulatory standards.
- Operates and maintains various water production and storage equipment.
- Generates monthly reports and maintenance records.
- Monitors and controls booster pumps and storage.
- Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.
- Operates SCADA system to monitor and control well field production.
- Performs routine cleaning of assigned area.
- Maintains house and grounds at well field compounds.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Knowledge of pumps, motors and lower operations and maintenance. Knowledge of electricity and electronics. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. On call 50% of evenings and weekends.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Groundwater License from the state of Texas within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Valid Texas class "B" CDL required or must be obtained within 1 year of employment.

Benefits:

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Utility Plant Operator - WPCP

Assists in the operation of the waste water treatment plant.

Job Duties:

- Collects water samples for testing and analysis in primary treatment area.
- Operates and maintains primary treatment equipment and observes the operation of related plant equipment.
- Reads gauges, records information and reports problems to the Operator, or other supervisors.
- Performs janitorial and grounds keeping duties in assigned areas.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Ability to effectively communicate with employees and supervisors on plant condition and in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read operator's manuals, gauges and work orders to collect samples for analysis. Skill in writing to record results. Shift work required.

High school diploma or equivalent required plus ability to obtain C operator's certification from the TNRCC within established time constraints. Valid Texas Driver's License.

DAYS & HOURS:
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Benefits:

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Sanitation Driver

Drives a single or tandem axle side loading refuse packer truck and collects and disposes of solid waste. Serves as standby driver until a regular route becomes available. Works at recycling center when required sorting recyclables. May be assigned to a roll-off truck or broom truck instead of side loader.

Job Duties:

- Drives a sanitation vehicle and collects and disposes of solid waste from containers. Collects and disposes of yard waste and logs, bulky items when assigned to hand pick up.
- Travels to and from the landfill in order to dispose of waste materials.
- Assists in litter pickup and other programs when required.
- Maintains and inspects vehicles and performs safety checks daily.
- Maintains records of work performed for supervisor such as vehicle check list, trip logs and repair requests.
- Performs waste management activity required of the solid waste management division in order to adequately perform public service responsibilities.
- Assists in recycling activities.
- Assists in solid waste disposal related activities when not driving a regular route.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Ability to effectively communicate with employees and citizens who will require services provided.

Knowledge of processes used in the collection and disposal of waste materials. Ability to read and write and follow oral and written instructions from supervisor. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand tools and heavy equipment utilized in disposal activities such as compactors, lifts, chutes and various hydraulic systems as well as shovels, buckets and rakes.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred with six months to one year of experience in a related position. Valid Texas Class B Commercial Driver's License required.

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Equipment Operator - Traffic Operations

Perform manual and unskilled labor on traffic signs and markings, which often involves the use of acquired skills. Operate several types of light and heavy vehicles, equipment, and tools. Do related work and training as required.

Job Duties:

- Assist in loading and unloading transported equipment.
- Operate equipment used in the daily activities of the Traffic Operations division such as paint machines, sign installation equipment, welders and other heavy equipment.
- Perform maintenance, service minor repairs on vehicles and equipment.
- Install and maintain roadway signs, markings and all other traffic devices.
- Assist in maintaining inventory of supplies and equipment.
- Maintain records of work performed, schedules, status reports and work orders.
- Perform related duties as required.

Qualifications:

Employee must be able to communicate effectively with employees, management and citizens in order to effectively receive and complete assigned work.

Ability to read, interpret and understand local, state and federal regulations related to traffic control devices and operations. Knowledge of the processes used in traffic control maintenance. Employee must be able to follow instructions for equipment repair and maintenance. Skill in use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools is required. Employee must be able to use heavy equipment required in maintenance activities such as backhoes, ditch witch, and stepping truck. Ability to read operator's manuals and work orders is also required.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Valid Texas Class "A" or "B" CDL required, or must be obtained within 6 months of employment.

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Equipment Operator - Transportation

Under Supervision, performs unskilled, semi-skilled and skilled duties in the maintenance and repair of the City's street infrastructure. Performs a variety of tasks including general labor and the operation of light and heavy equipment used in the repair of streets, alleys, and drainage ways.

Job Duties:

- Performs routine maintenance and repair of City streets and alleys through the operation of light and heavy equipment including walk-behind saws and compactors, dump trucks and water trucks, and other equipment related to the maintenance of streets and alleys.
- Performs daily preventative maintenance of equipment.
- Performs manual work and general labor such as making street and curb cuts.
- Maintains tools and equipment.
- Assists with the proper set up of work zone traffic control.
- Assists in loading and unloading of transported material and equipment.
- Fulfills on-call duties as required and outlined on Transportation's on-call roster.
- Assists with the maintenance of Transportation's buildings and grounds.
- Assists other City divisions and departments, as needed.
- Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:

Employee must effectively communicate with all co-workers, managers, and citizens. Must effectively communicate with managers regarding work orders.

Knowledge of power and hand tools. Ability to read materials including equipment manuals and daily work logs. Ability to read fluid levels and fuel gauges. Ability to calibrate and understand leveling materials and demonstrations regarding the proper operation of light and heavy equipment for which employee has no prior knowledge or experience.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Valid Texas Class A or B Commercial Drivers License required.

Monday - Friday, 7:30 am until 4:00 pm. Overtime work may be required.

Benefits:

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Maintenance Specialist - Transportation

Operates some motorized equipment, hand tools and assists Equipment Operators in the maintenance and/or construction of streets, alleys and drainage channels. Installs devices that provide for the orderly and predictable movement of all motorized, non-motorized and pedestrian traffic.

Job Duties:

- Performs routine maintenance and/or construction on streets, alleys, right of ways, drainage channels, etc.
- Performs daily preventative maintenance of motorized equipment or hand tools.
- Performs manual work and general labor such as weed cutting, pothole repair, snowing, etc.
- Maintains tools and equipment in good and safe operating condition.
- Performs any related duties needed to complete projects.
- Installs and maintains signage throughout the city.
- Paints lane lines on the streets and thoroughfares. Paints designated curbs.
- Installs lane marking devices.
- Trims trees in order to clear sign obstructions.
- Fabricates signs.
- Maintains records of work performed such as work schedules, status reports and records of work orders.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Employee communicates with other employees in the work group.

Knowledge of power and hand tools. Ability to train on some motorized equipment or tools. Ability to read materials such as equipment manuals and work orders. Ability to write and record information such as feedback on work requests/work orders.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required.

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Sanitation Driver

Drives a single or tandem axle side loading refuse packer truck and collects and disposes of solid waste. Serves as standby driver until a regular route becomes available. Works at recycling center when required sorting recyclables. May be assigned to a roll-off truck or broom truck instead of side loader.

Job Duties:

- Drives a sanitation vehicle and collects and disposes of solid waste from containers. Collects and disposes of yard waste and logs, bulky items when assigned to hand pick up.
- Travels to and from the landfill in order to dispose of waste materials.
- Assists in litter pickup and other programs when required.
- Maintains and inspects vehicles and performs safety checks daily.
- Maintains records of work performed for supervisor such as vehicle check list, trip logs and repair requests.
- Performs waste management activity required of the solid waste management division in order to adequately perform public service responsibilities.
- Assists in recycling activities.
- Assists in solid waste disposal related activities when not driving a regular route.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Ability to effectively communicate with employees and citizens who will require services provided.

Knowledge of processes used in the collection and disposal of waste materials. Ability to read and write and follow oral and written instructions from supervisor. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand tools and heavy equipment utilized in disposal activities such as compactors, lifts, chutes and various hydraulic systems as well as shovels, buckets and rakes.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred with six months to one year of experience in a related position. Valid Texas Class B Commercial Driver's License required.

Benefits:

- Health care Plans
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- Employee Wellness Program
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Legal and Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0311570
DATE OF ISSUANCE: May 22, 2018 Status/Permit No. 839885
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Jun 26, 2018
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, [RR Operator No. 191554] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 37, Bk. 35 T1N, T&P RR CO Survey, A-544, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MARTIN County, being 8.29 miles NE direction from STANTON, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and present the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Jun 26, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name: WRS HESPERALOE F
Lease/Unit Well No.: 5HA
Lease/Unit Acres: 375.2
Nearest Lease Line (ft): 1.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft): 940.0
Lease Lines: 2250.0 F N (offlease) L, 2260.0 F E (offlease) L
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Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral: TH1

Penetration Point Location
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Terminus Location
BH County: HOWARD
Section: 1 Block: 35 T1S Abstract: 518

Survey: T&P RR CO
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Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA): Special Rules 3300, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Ann Ritchie, at (432)6846381.

Legal and Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0311563
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Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate of CHARLES WILLIAM MILES, Deceased, were issued on May 22, 2018 in Docket Number P-19,434, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas to WILLIAM HARVEY PICKERING, Independent Executor.

The address of record for WILLIAM HARVEY PICKERING is 317 Solomon Lane, Midland, Midland County, Texas 79705.

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

DATED the 23rd day of May, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,

LAW OFFICE OF J. BRIAN MARTIN

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Midland, Texas 79705
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ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE OF JERRY DEANN PICKERING

Legal and Public Notices

The City Council of the City of Midland, Texas will hold a public hearing at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, on a request by Chase Gardaphe for a Specific Use Permit without Term for the addition of homes to an existing Manufactured Home Park on the following property:

Lot 1, Block 1, Fairgrounds Addition, City and County of Midland, Texas.

Generally located on the east side of North Fairgrounds Road, approximately 950 feet south of East Golf Course Road (Council District 2)

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

CITY OF MIDLAND
Amy M. Turner, MMC
City Secretary

Legal and Public Notices

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Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate of CHARLES WILLIAM MILES a/k/a/ Charlie William Miles, Deceased, were issued on May 22, 2018 in Docket Number P-19,427, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas to SHIRLEY MILES, Independent Executor.

The address of record for SHIRLEY MILES is #2 Ridgeman Court, Midland, Midland County, Texas 79707.

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

DATED the 23rd day of May, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,

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ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE OF CHARLES WILLIAM MILES a/k/a/ Charlie William Miles

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Mary Gayle Warner, Deceased, were issued on May 23, 2018, in Cause No. B19442 pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to: Michael James Warner.

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

c/o: L. Stans Skobas

Attorney at Law

300 North Marinerfield, Suite 700

Midland, TX 79701

DATED the 23rd day of May, 2018.

Madison Rose

Attorney for Michael James Warner

State Bar No.: 24106370

300 North Marinerfield, Suite 700

Midland, Texas 79701

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Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE OF SALE

Alamo South Mini-Storage wishes to avail themselves of the Texas provision of Chapter 56, Texas Property Code. This sale is being held to satisfy a landlord's lien on the following unit's contents. The company reserves the right to reject any bid and withdraw any items from the sale.

ROCKY PEARSON

ZANE DOMINGUEZ

LAURA WRIGHT

Location: Alamo Mini-Storage South

1301 South Cornell

Midland, TX

Sale: JUNE 11, 2018 @ 11:00 am

JOSEPH SAEZ

ROCKY PEARSON

RICARDO PARRA

Location: Alamo Mini-Storage

605 N. Fairgrounds Road

Midland, TX

Sale: JUNE 11, 2018 @ 10:00 am

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO SWR 28/27 SURFACE COMMINGLING PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that XTO Energy Inc., Operator 945936, has filed to amend existing P-17 permit #7169 with the Texas Railroad Commission. The following amended P-17 application is for the exception to SWR 28 and/or 27 to surface commingling production from oil and gas leases in (45382) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3304 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (45772) Elona Brown 35 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (45856) Pat Anderson 26 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48018) Frank Midiff 35 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47254) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3301 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47368) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3302 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (47269) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3303 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47279) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3304 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3305 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3306 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3307 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3308 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47380) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3311 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47278) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3312 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47458) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3313 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47379) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3314 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3315 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) LHS Ranch 27-33 Allocation 3316 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47810) LHS Ranch 27-22 Allocation 2205 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47394) LHS Ranch 27-22 Allocation 2206 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47798) LHS Ranch 27-22 Allocation 2207 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47935) LHS Ranch 27-22 Allocation 2208 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47816) LHS Ranch 27-22 Allocation 2215 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47857) LHS Ranch 27-22 Allocation 2217 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47598) LHS Ranch 27-22 Allocation 2218 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47831) Elona Brown 35 Allocation 2603 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47850) Elona Brown 35 Allocation 2602 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47861) Elona Brown 35 Allocation 2604 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48018) Elona Brown 35 Allocation 2612 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (47866) Elona Brown 35 Allocation 2614 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48330) Elona Brown 35 Allocation 2611 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48501) Elona Brown 35 Allocation 2613 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48711) Frank Midiff 35 Allocation 2608 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48672) Frank Midiff 35 Allocation 2618 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48620) Frank Midiff 35 Allocation 2616 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48628) Frank Midiff 35 Allocation 2605 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48757) Frank Midiff 35 Allocation 2616 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48945) Frank Midiff 35 Allocation 2617 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48957) Frank Midiff 35 Allocation 3606 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48773) Frank Midiff 35 Allocation 3607 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48750) Midiff-Halfmann 39-46 4606 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48580) Midiff-Halfmann 39-46 4607 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48753) Midiff-Halfmann 39-46 4608 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (48766) Midiff-Halfmann 39-46 4609 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) LHS Ranch 27-21 Allocation 2101 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) LHS Ranch 27-21 Allocation 2102 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) LHS Ranch 27-21 Allocation 2103 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; 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(New Lease ID) LHS Ranch 27-21 Allocation 2198 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) LHS Ranch 27-21 Allocation 2199 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EX

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0309273
DATE OF ISSUANCE: May 23, 2018 Status/Permit No. 835919
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Jun 27, 2018
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Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the LARIO OIL & GAS COMPANY, [RRC Operator No. 486710] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 23, Blk. 38 T4S, T&P RR CO Survey, A-109, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC Field, MIDLAND County, being 21.7 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessee of record of adjacent tracts and the proposer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Jun 27, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC

Lease/Unit Name :	CLARK 5
Lease/Unit Well No. :	403
Lease/Unit Acres :	660.45
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	354.0
Lease Lines :	321.0 F S L, 758.0 F W L
Survey Lines :	321.0 F S L, 758.0 F W L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral: TH1

Penetration Point Location

Lease Lines :	50.0 F S L
Survey Lines :	760.0 F W L

Terminus Location

BH County:	MIDLAND
Section:	14
Block:	38 T4S
Abstract:	1041
Survey:	T&P RR CO / MOORE, H H
Lease Lines :	50.0 F N L
Survey Lines :	760.0 F W L
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Survey Lines :	760.0 F W L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10600 feet. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Austin Koble, at (512)4783456.

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF RICHARD CARL GIBSON, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Richard Carl Gibson, deceased, were issued to Nancy Hermann Gibson, on May 22, 2018, in the proceeding styled "Estate of Richard Carl Gibson, Deceased." Cause No. P19433 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, which is still pending and that said person now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in Midland County, Texas, are hereby required to present the same to Nancy Hermann Gibson, c/o W. Scott Ryburn, 300 N. Marlenfeld, Ste. 700, Midland, Texas 79701, before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such Estate is closed, and within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Nancy Hermann Gibson, as Independent Executor of the Estate of Richard Carl Gibson, Deceased, Cause No. P19433 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas

ORDINANCE NO. 9760

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING USE CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 13, BLOCK 41, BELMONT ADDITION, SECTION 24, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF SOUTH RANKIN HIGHWAY AND WEST STOKES AVENUE), WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED PD, PLANNED DISTRICT FOR SHOPPING CENTER, BY PERMITTING SAID PROPERTY TO BE USED UNDER A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT WITH TERM FOR THE SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN A RESTAURANT FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION; MAKING SAID PERMIT SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

City of Midland
Amy M. Turner
City Secretary

ORDINANCE NO. 9761

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING USE CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS A 4,189-SQUARE FOOT PORTION OF LOT 4A, BLOCK 1, NORTH PARK ADDITION, SECTION 5, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF NORTH MIDKIFF ROAD AND WEST LOOP 250 NORTH), WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED LR-2, LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT, BY PERMITTING SAID PROPERTY TO BE USED UNDER A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT WITH TERM FOR THE SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN A RESTAURANT FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION; MAKING SAID PERMIT SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

City of Midland
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City Secretary

ORDINANCE NO. 9762

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION BY AMENDING CHAPTER ONE, TITLE XI, OF THE CITY CODE OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, BY PERMITTING LOT 1, BLOCK 161, AND LOT 2A, BLOCK 185, WILSHIRE PARK ADDITION, SECTION 9, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED PD, PLANNED DISTRICT FOR A HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, TO BE USED AS AN ESTATE DEVELOPMENT (GENERAL RETAIL DISTRICT) LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF SOUTH LOOP 250 WEST AND LEISURE DRIVE); CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

City of Midland
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ORDINANCE NO. 9763

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION BY AMENDING CHAPTER ONE, TITLE XI, OF THE CITY CODE OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, BY PERMITTING LOT 18E, BLOCK 14, BRIARWOOD ADDITION, SECTION 20, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED PD, PLANNED DISTRICT FOR A SHOPPING CENTER, TO BE USED AS AN LR-2, LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT (GENERAL RETAIL) LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF BRIARWOOD AVENUE AND NORTHCREST DRIVE); CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

City of Midland
Amy M. Turner
City Secretary

ORDINANCE NO. 9764

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING USE CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 1, BLOCK 80, PERMAN ESTATES, SECTION 3, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF THOMASON DRIVE, APPROXIMATELY 320 FEET SOUTH OF ANETTA DRIVE), WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED LR-3, LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT, BY PERMITTING SAID PROPERTY TO BE USED UNDER A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT WITH TERM FOR THE SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN A RESTAURANT FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION; MAKING SAID PERMIT SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

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ORDINANCE NO. 9765

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION BY AMENDING CHAPTER ONE, TITLE XI, OF THE CITY CODE OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, BY PERMITTING LOT 2, BLOCK 12, MELVIEW HEIGHTS, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED PD, PLANNED DISTRICT FOR AN OFFICE AND SHOPPING CENTER AS A TRANSITION DISTRICT, TO BE USED AS AN LR-2, LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF NORTH BIG SPRING STREET, APPROXIMATELY 100 FEET SOUTH OF WEST PINE AVENUE); CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

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ORDINANCE NO. 9766

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION BY AMENDING CHAPTER ONE, TITLE XI, OF THE CITY CODE OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, BY PERMITTING LOT 6A, BLOCK 2, WESTRIDGE PARK ADDITION, SECTION 24, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED PD, PLANNED DISTRICT FOR A SHOPPING CENTER, TO BE USED AS AN AMENDED PLANNED DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF WESTRIDGE BOULEVARD, APPROXIMATELY 445 FEET NORTH OF DEALVILLE BOULEVARD); CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

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ORDINANCE NO. 9767

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING USE CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 24, MOODY ADDITION, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF EAST ILLINOIS AVENUE AND NORTH LEE STREET), WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED LR-2, LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT, BY PERMITTING SAID PROPERTY TO BE USED UNDER A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT WITH TERM FOR THE SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN A BAR AND LOUNGE FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION; MAKING SAID PERMIT SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

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Autos For Sale-Lease

Pickup Trucks
2003 DODGE Ram 2500 diesel 5.9L straight 6, 148k miles used to pull only a 8th wheel but hasn't in pulled a trailer for 2 years. Small dent in rear passenger quarter panel. Has a grill guard and trailer breaks with an attachment mount for 8th wheel or gooseneck. \$15,250 OBO. Never been wrecked and has only had 2 owners. Call 432-213-9921

DODGE 2016 Ram 2500 Big Horn Diesel 4x4 Mega Cab w/ leather and cover, 31,800 miles. One owner, excellent condition. \$48,500 432-557-3015.

2004 JEEP Wrangler Columbia Edition. AC, Power Steering, fuel, auto, low package. Yellow with Black top. Never wrecked. Excellent interior/exterior. \$10,250.00 Sanders 432-238-9533 text before calling please.

2015 SUBARU Legacy 11,885 miles, clean. \$18,000. Call Red Wing Shoe store 682-2851.

JEEP 2008 Commander Limited, sunroof, heated seats, DVD player, Boston sound system, excellent condition. 130k miles. \$7,950. 432-528-3721.

RV Vehicles
RV LOTS for lease, at Lake Brownwood heavily wooded, access to waterfront parks. 325-642-5253

SALEM 2016 308HBS, leather interior, 2 slides, 2 AC's, built-in washer & dryer. Non smokers no pets. Very clean. Must sell by May 25th. \$26,000 OBO. Midland. 701-518-8948.

2016 5TH wheel 43', 4 slides, 2 bedrooms, 3 AC's, washer & dryer! Excellent condition. \$37,000 OBO. 817-978-0374

COACHMAN 2016 Freedom Edition travel trailer, barely used, 29', 3 slides. Original price \$45,000 asking \$32,000 OBO. 432-999-1438 or 432-999-4928

MONTE CARLO 2016 5th wheel, 44', 5 slide outs, 2 bedrooms, 3 AC's, washer & dryer, many extras, will deliver. \$44,000 OBO. 817-978-0374

MONTE CARLO 2017 5th Wheel travel trailer, 37', 3 slides, washer & dryer, air, electric awning. Must sell \$35,000 the new. 817-706-2922

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Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF COUNTRYSIDE ACRES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. FOR A WATER CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY (CCN) IN MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS

Countryside Acres Homeowners Association, Inc., filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas to obtain water CCN in Midland County, Texas.

The requested area is located approximately 14.5 miles east of downtown Midland, Texas, and is generally bounded on the north by FM 307; on the east by CR 1049; on the south by CR 120; and on the west by CR 150. The total area for the water utility service being requested includes approximately 132 acres of land and 0 current customers.

A copy of the proposed service area map may be viewed at: Countryside Acres HOA, Inc. 1991 State Highway 137, Stanton, Texas 79782 (432) 425-1194.

Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon action sought should contact the Public Utility Commission, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or call the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the commission at (512) 936-7136. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is 30 days from the mailing or publication of notice, whichever occurs later, unless otherwise provided by the presiding officer. You must send a letter requesting intervention to the commission which is received by that date.

If a valid public hearing is requested, the commission will forward the application to the state Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) for a hearing. If no settlement is reached and an evidentiary hearing is held, SOAH will submit a recommendation to the Commission for final decision. An evidentiary hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court.

A landowner with a tract of land at least 25 acres or more, that is partially or wholly located within the requested area, may file a written with the Commission to be excluded from the requested area ("opt out") within (30) days from the date that notice was provided by the Utility. All opt-out requests must include a large scale map and a notes and bounds description of the landowner's tract of land.

Persons who wish to request this option should file the required documents with:

Public Utility Commission of Texas
Central Records
1701 North Congress Avenue
P.O. Box 13326
Austin Texas 78711-3326

In addition, the landowner must also send a copy of the opt-out to the applicant. Staff may request additional information regarding your request.

Si desea informacion en español, puede llamar al 1-888-782-8477

Notice of Public Sale Of Personal Property

Pursuant to the lien granted by the Texas Self-Storage Facility Act, notice is hereby given that the undersigned self-storage units will be sold at a public sale by competitive bidding, to satisfy the lien of the Lessor, with Metro Storage LLC as managing agent for Lessor, for rental and other charges due from the undertenant. The said property has been stored and is located at the respective address below. Units up for auction will be listed for public bidding on-line at www.StorageSelfBid.com beginning five days prior to the scheduled auction date and time. The terms of the sale will be lot to the highest bidder for cash only. A 10% buyer's premium will be charged per unit. All sales are final. Metro Self Storage LLC reserves the right to withdraw any or all units, partial or entire, from the sale at any time before the sale or to refuse any bids. The property to be sold is described as "general household items" unless otherwise noted. All contents must be removed completely from the property within 48 hours or sooner or are deemed abandoned by bidder/buyer. Sale rules and regulations are available at the time of sale.

Property includes the storage unit contents belonging to the following tenants at the following locations:

Metro Self Storage
315 N. Midland Dr., Midland, Texas 79703
The bidding will close on the website StorageSelfBid.com and a high bidder will be selected on June 14, 2018 at 10AM

E006 - Michael Flint
T879 - Jeremiah Hutton
T010 - Brittany Hicks
O018 - Betty Maria Rodriguez
RV15 - Joshua W. McKenzie
Blue and Silver 2004 Ford Exc. Vln9 1F8MUM1124ED33768
RV15 - Joshua W. McKenzie
Black Polaris Vlnf XAWY78AB2181088
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View full details at EstateSales.NET:
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<p>Swcs-Professionals Cleaning Services Home Cleaning HOUSEKEEPING 18 years experience. References available. Eva @ 432-864-5541</p>	<p>Painting ABC CONSTRUCTION Wood, chair lift, block gates & repairs are my specialty. Native Midlander building since 1979. Call Lonnie 432-528- 5282</p>	<p>Pool Services & Hot Tub Installation POOL Renovation. Pool deck stone de- cor, overlay, coping, tile, waterfall & grando. By artist Man- ribera native Midlander (432) 967- 3 7 1 0 mRiber@Construction.com Video: https://youtu.be/BLUKStQDg</p>	<p>Remodeling/Repair ALPHA GENERAL Construction, residen- tial or commercial. New constructions, re- modeling & additions. Small jobs welcome. Call 432-813-8552.</p>	<p>General Yard EDDIE'S LAWN SERVICE Cut and Trim Yards, Trees and Bushes. Clean up yards & rake leaves. Free Estimates. Call 432-636-5559</p>
<p>Repair/Replacement ALPHA WELDING Capropts, iron works & fencing. Small jobs welcome. Call 432- 813-8552.</p>	<p>Painting BILL TEMPLE PAINTING Exterior Specials, Interior tool Professly using Sherwin Williams "Super Paint" A Plus BBB. Free estimates. 432-349-1583</p>	<p>Remodeling/Repair ALPHA GENERAL Construction, residen- tial or commercial. New constructions, re- modeling & additions. Small jobs welcome. Call 432-813-8552.</p>	<p>Remodeling/Repair ALPHA GENERAL Construction, residen- tial or commercial. New constructions, re- modeling & additions. Small jobs welcome. Call 432-813-8552.</p>	<p>General Yard GENERAL YARD Clean-up, mulch- ing, tree & shrub trimming/ pruning, planting, mowing & many more services. 432-853-8897</p>
<p>Brick/Block/Stone BRICK, BLOCK Concrete & Stone Work. 45 years experience. References. Max 432-861-8899</p>	<p>Painting, Sheet PAINTING, SHEET rock, repairs, fans, electrical, plumbing, tile-floor & bath. Per- man Maintenance 432-697-5417</p>	<p>Remodeling/Repair ALPHA GENERAL Construction, residen- tial or commercial. New constructions, re- modeling & additions. Small jobs welcome. Call 432-813-8552.</p>	<p>Remodeling/Repair ALPHA GENERAL Construction, residen- tial or commercial. New constructions, re- modeling & additions. Small jobs welcome. Call 432-813-8552.</p>	<p>General Yard LONE STAR Lawn care service and flower bed clean up, trim hedges, raking leaves, wood fence & gates repairs Call (432) 889-2333</p>
<p>Concrete ALPHA MASONRY and Concrete work. Free Estimates. Small Jobs Welcome 432- 813-8552.</p>	<p>Painting, Sheet PAINTING, SHEET rock, repairs, fans, electrical, plumbing, tile-floor & bath. Per- man Maintenance 432-697-5417</p>	<p>Remodeling/Repair ALPHA GENERAL Construction, residen- tial or commercial. New constructions, re- modeling & additions. Small jobs welcome. Call 432-813-8552.</p>	<p>Remodeling/Repair ALPHA GENERAL Construction, residen- tial or commercial. New constructions, re- modeling & additions. Small jobs welcome. Call 432-813-8552.</p>	<p>General Yard M & M Landscape 22 years experience. Grass sodding, Xeriscaping, tree & shrub removal. Native Midlander 432-230-3372.</p>

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I've just got back from a 5,000-mile trip to the east coast and back. I found many beautiful things including Victorian garnet earrings, 1870's 14k gold earrings, Large Cameo set in gold, Cameo with lady and dog, Empire Rosewood sewing cabinet, 1870's Mans shaving stand, Black forest carved Eagle, Mahogany coffee table Chippendale style, Mahogany Reiry coffee table, two drawer miniature chest, antique books, English cups & saucers, Chintz, Pink milk glass, Majolica basket, Amberina pitcher, Tiffany & Co. cake set, Hummels, Oyster plates, Flow Blue & Transferware, Cobalt pitcher, large ironstone bowl, 4 pair, Staffordshire dogs & 2 single figurines, Spode bowl, Imani, Wedgewood, Rose Medallion, German punch bowl (Hunt scene), Turquoise Chinese cats, Textiles and too much more to mention. Bring this ad in for 20% savings. We look forward to seeing you.
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Yard/Garage Sales
79701
615 S. LORANE Friday & Saturday 8am-3pm. Huge sale too much to list. Designer handbags, small appliances, men & ladies clothing. Arthur Court.

Yard/Garage Sales
79701
5300 HILLTOP DR. SAT 8-12
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Yard/Garage Sales
79701
3507 ANETTA Friday 8am-7 Clothes, furniture, odds & ends & too much too list!

Yard/Garage Sales
79701
4605 CHEROKEE Dr. Thursday 10am-7 Friday & Saturday 8am-7 Back yard sale. Old clothes, size 56/7/8, mens & womens clothes, baby crib, set of 20' trees & more.

Yard/Garage Sales
79701
717 DEVONIAN St. Sat ONLY 8-12 Roping saddles, man cave items, yard and power tools, misc

Yard/Garage Sales
79701
3205 SHELL Friday 8am-1pm. Antique furniture, women's new clothing, fabric rolls, bins, pillow forms, jewelry, antique trunk & chandeliers, collectibles.

Yard/Garage Sales
79701
4805 HEATHER ROAD Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Monday 8am-5pm. Estate/ Moving Sale. Lots of furniture & household items. Everything must go!

Yard/Garage Sales
79701
8617 ECR 102 (Greenwood) Saturday 8am-noon. Teen clothing, household goods, shop items. Too much to list.

Miscellaneous 4-Sale
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Miscellaneous 4-Sale
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Miscellaneous 4-Sale
LAKE BROWNWOOD by owner, approximately 2 acres of water front with septic, other utilities available. 325-842-5253

Miscellaneous 4-Sale
LAKE BROWNWOOD by owner, RV and building sites, Access to waterfront parks. All utilities available. 325-842-5253

Miscellaneous 4-Sale
LOT OR Building site Lake Leon (East of TX.) on deep water out of flood plain, storage building & carport, lots of trees. Call 254-498-0299 for more information.

Miscellaneous 4-Sale
1.58 CARAT engagement ring. Certified yellow diamond (center stone), radiant cut pave setting. Purchased from Zales. 9th flm. 432-425-3127

Miscellaneous 4-Sale
4.5 ACRES OF LAND 1.8 miles West of FM-829 overpass on 120 between Midland & Stanton. Located on the North side of 020 service road. Ideal location for commercial development. Call for price. 432-488-6185

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