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4th mayoral candidate emphasizes possibilities

White names affordable housing, assisting senior citizens as top priorities

By Joseph Basco
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A fourth candidate has filed for the November mayoral election, a commitment that has been coming to her, she said.

"I like civics; I like people," said Kathy White, a stress management instructor at St. Nicholas Episcopal Church and sales associate at Talbots. "I'm a humanitarian, and I enjoy Midland."

White was born and raised in Odessa, graduated from Permian High School, attended Texas Tech University, came back to Midland and has raised a family since. She was also a PTA president at Sam Houston Elementary, experience that has helped her learn to delegate and get along with others, she said.

To differentiate herself from the other three candidates — Jerry Morales, John James and Keith McLelland — White said she brings possibilities and a new energy to the table that she believes her opponents do not have.

White first mentioned affordable housing as her first citywide topic that she wants to address. White was favorable toward converting Midland Airpark to an affordable housing site. From conversations with small business owners, White is prioritizing affordable housing first so that Midland can have more workers. Alternatively, getting businesses to raise their hourly wages would attract more workers, she said.

"I don't think they're on the ball," White said, referring to City Council's efforts to bring more housing. "I think they could be on the ball a little quicker, a little sooner. But I'm sure they're doing the best they can with what they have at this particular moment in time."

Providing care for senior citizens is another priority. Her solutions include reaching out to nonprofits and hiring more police to assist senior citizens.

To address traffic concerns, White said the police should have a greater presence on the road. Another proposal she made was getting the traffic light synchronization system working better.

White's final issue is water. She said people need to conserve better and not allow runoff water onto the street, which helps contribute to the roads' deterioration. She said she needs more education on ways to increase the water supply.

White, who filed for the election on Wednesday, is the only female mayoral candidate thus far. She did not want this election to be about gender or race, bur rather, about the person.

Kathy White: Mayoral candidate advocates creating affordable housing, caring for senior citizens and improving the traffic light system.

HARDCOREKICKOFF

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Members of the band Disciple perform Thursday during Rock The Desert. Several Christian heavy metal and post-hardcore bands kicked off this year's event.

Bands travel from afar to rock Midland

By Tyler White
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As Christian post-hardcore band Wolves At The Gate performed songs "Dead Man" and "In Your Wake" at Rock the Desert on Thursday, some members of the crowd jumped up and down, keeping rhythm with the music.

A few even flailed their necks and arms in time with the double bass drum kicks as vocalist Steve Cobucci and screamer Nick Detty shared lyrics on the stage.

Thursday's lineup highlighted the hard rock side of Christan/gospel music that also includes groups such as Sleeping Giant, For Today and headliner Flyleaf, which several said was exactly what they were looking for in the concert.

Caden Coots, 17, attended Rock The Desert for the first time on Thursday. He said his parents don't like this music, but he doesn't like their classic rock.

"I like the idea of bringing metal out here because it reaches all groups, not just the K-Love crowd," Coots said.

Odessan Camron Lawrence, 18, stood and watched Wolves At The Gate as he mouthed the lyrics to some of their songs, including "In Your Wake":

"Then at the cross, you bore my sin / And as you bled, you thought of me / And still these bones will cry / Who am I that you would give your life and die for me?"

Lawrence said the screaming in the band's songs holds more passion than what he has listened to on contemporary Christian radio stations, and said the

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Hospital to convert old rooms into living quarters

■ Renovation of inpatient rooms at Midland Memorial Hospital's West Campus costs $321,000.

By Meredith Moriak
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The conversion of 44 former patient rooms into hotel-style rooms at Midland Memorial Hospital's West Campus is expected to provide temporary housing relief to the hospital and other governmental and nonprofit agencies.

"We are taking advantage of space we have no immediate need for and accommodating the short-term housing needs," said MMH President and Chief Executive Officer Russell Meyers.

The majority of West Campus' inpatient rooms were vacated after the December opening of MMH's Scharbauer Patient Tower, and hospital administrators have since considered a variety of uses for the space, Meyers said.

Without any long-term use planned for the inpatient rooms, Meyers said administrative staff decided about 45 days ago to spend the money necessary to transform the rooms and make them available for lease.

"A patient room is essentially a hotel room and with some fairly minor changes it can function in that way pretty easily," Meyers said. Changes made to the room have been minimal and have not affected the rooms' ability to be used for medical patients in the future.

Locks have been added to the doors, and purchases for each room include new mattresses, refrigerators, microwaves and rugs, he said. Hospital furnishings have

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Area economy poised for growth through year's end

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Halfway through 2013, the Midland-Odessa economy continues in expansion mode.

Karr Ingham, the Amarillo economist who prepares the Midland-Odessa Regional Economic Index for Security Bank, Midland Development Corp. and the Reporter-Telegram, reported that the Midland-Odessa economy grew 10.3 percent in June compared to June 2012. The May index was 10.7 percent higher than May 2012.

The rate of growth in the index has narrowed steadily since peaking at 18 percent in March 2012, Ingham said. He predicted the rate could drop into single digits next month but expected economic expansion to continue through the rest of the year.

"There is nothing on the horizon, nothing in any set of numbers right now to suggest anything but steady growth through the end of 2013," he said.

For the first half of 2013, the index grew by 3.4 percent, "which suggests an annualized rate of growth of 6.8 percent in 2013," Ingham said. "Of course, that comes on top of a 14.4 percent rate of annual growth in 2012."

"Though that metropolitan area is experiencing the challenges of rapid growth, it is a desirable scenario," he said. "Economic expansion at a steady pace is desirable, though it brings challenges."

Pam Welch, executive director of the MDC, said the slower growth rate could benefit the area.

"We need time for the market to catch up and services to catch up. The city needs time to keep up with the infrastructure," said Welch, whose agency works to

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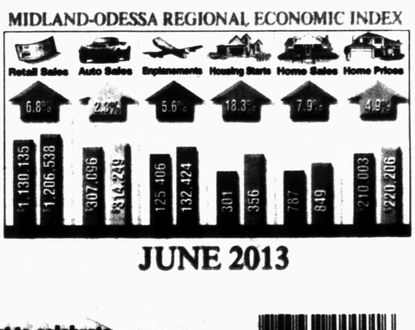

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Weary lawmakers again tackle road funding

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Wearily dragging into an unusual eighth month of the Texas Legislature, a House committee on Thursday again approved boosting spending for overcrowded and crumbling roads, a plan twice sunk at the Capitol this summer by turmoil and no-show lawmakers.

The ongoing failure to ratify an extra $900 million for transportation is raising political stakes on the eve of the campaign season for 2014, when Texas faces a major shake-up of leadership with the departure of Gov. Rick Perry.

Perry, the longest-serving governor in Texas history, wants more roads to meet the needs of a booming Texas population before he goes. He lashed out at the House and ordered a third special session — the first since 2006 — when a second try fizzled out this week.

On Monday, House members will revisit what is largely the same transportation bill they failed to pass last time, with a new twist: a requirement that the Texas Department of Transportation cut internal costs by $100 million before being handed more money for highways.

Democratic Rep. Joe Pickett, who is carrying the bill, said the reductions would not mean layoffs of state employees.

"That's not going to happen," Pickett said. "There's a lot of ways for an agency with (billions of dollars), through efficiencies and savings, to come up with $100 million."

Pickett said the cost-cutting aims to appease critics wary of giving TxDOT more funds without assurances that the agency is committed to spending every dollar wisely.

TxDOT Executive Director Phil Wilson told the House Select Committee on Transportation Funding that the reductions were possible.

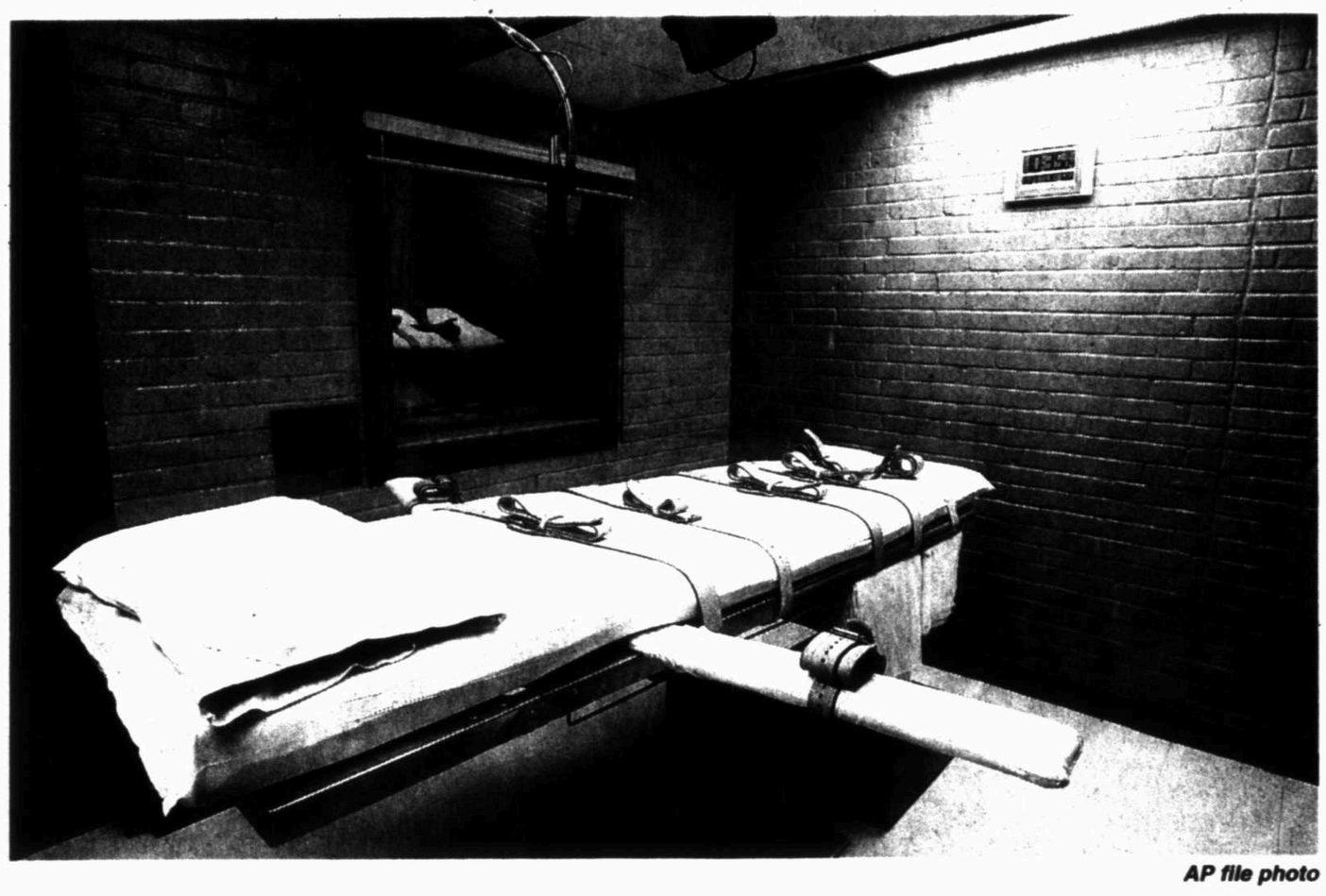
"We're doing everything we can to reduce spending," Wilson said.

Road capacity has sorely lagged behind population growth in Texas the past quarter-century. One major stream of highway construction revenue comes is a gas tax that charges drivers 20 cents per gallon at the pump. But the tax rate hasn't budged in decades, while the population has soared and cars have become more fuel-efficient.

With tax hikes of any kind unpopular in the Republican-controlled Legislature, lawmakers hatched a plan to siphon money currently funneled to the state's Rainy Day Fund and put it toward roads. Pickett has proposed giving budget-writing lawmakers authority to regularly set a minimum balance for that reserves fund.

Even given another $900 million, it's still only a sliver of the $4 billion more that TxDOT said is needed just to maintain the status quo on roads.

The Texas Legislature is supposed to handle its business in 140 days every two years. Thursday marked Day 203.



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The gurney in the death chamber is shown in this 2008 from Huntsville, Texas Department of Criminal Justice officials say their remaining supply of pentobarbital, the single drug now used in lethal injections, expires in September. The nation's most active death penalty state has yet to find an alternative.

Texas running out of execution drug

Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE — The nation's most active death penalty state is running out of its execution drug.

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice said Thursday that its remaining supply of pentobarbital expires in September and that no alternatives have been found. It wasn't immediately clear whether two executions scheduled for next month would be delayed. The state has already executed 11 death-row inmates this year, and at least seven more have execution dates in coming months.

"We will be unable to use our current supply of pentobarbital after it expires," agency spokesman Jason Clark said. "We are exploring all options at this time."

Texas switched to the lethal, single-dose sedative last year after one of the drugs used in its three-drug execution process became difficult to obtain and the state's supply expired. Other death-penalty states have encountered similar problems after some drug suppliers barred the drugs' use for executions or have refused, under pressure from death-penalty opponents, to sell or manufacture drugs for use in executions.

No executions in Texas were delayed because of that shortfall.

"When Texas raises a flag that's it having a problem, obviously numerically it's significant around in the country because like they're doing half the executions in the country right now," Richard Dieter, executive director of the Washington-based Death Penalty Information Center, an anti-death penalty organization, said Thursday.

"The states really scramble to go all over to get drugs," he said. "Some went overseas, some got from each other. But these manufacturers, a number them are based in Europe, don't want to participate in our executions. So they've clamped down as much as they can," Dieter said.

Some death penalty states, most recently Georgia, have announced they're turning to compounding pharmacies, which make customized drugs that are not scrutinized by the Federal Drug Administration, to obtain a lethal drug for execution use.

Missouri wants to use propofol, the anesthetic blamed for pop star Michael Jackson's 2009 death — even though the drug hasn't been used to execute prisoners in the U.S. Its potential for lethal injection is under scrutiny by the courts and its first use isn't likely anytime soon. The Missouri Supreme Court has declined to allow execution dates to be set in that state until the legal issues are resolved.

Missouri Attorney General Chris Koster recently suggested that if a suitable execution drug can't be found, the state should consider the gas chamber. State law still allows for execution by lethal gas, though Missouri no longer even has a gas chamber.

A return to the gas chamber or electric chair anywhere would be difficult, Dieter suggested.

"Those things just raise the spectacle level and I don't think it's where states want to go," he said.

Pentobarbital, which has been used alone or in concert with other drugs in all executions in the U.S. the past two years, was more readily available because it was commonly used as a sedative.

"But I guess restrictions have been put on its distribution," Dieter said. "It's uncertain where all of this goes because it's inherently a medical kind of procedure involving some health professionals who are largely focused on keeping people alive. It runs into contradictions with executions — people strapped to a table. Executions aren't exactly what the medical model is."

Texas has by far executed more inmates than any other state in the U.S. since the Supreme Court allowed executions to resume. Since 1982, six years after the high court's order, Texas has executed 503 inmates. Virginia is a distant second at 110.

Obama orders review of chemical plant rules

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama on Thursday ordered federal agencies to review safety rules at chemical facilities in response to the deadly April explosion at a Texas fertilizer plant.

In an executive order, Obama tasked agencies with identifying new ways to safely store and secure ammonium nitrate, the explosive chemical investigators say caused the blast.

The massive explosion at the plant in the community of West killed 15 people, leveled hundreds of structures and damaged three of the town's four schools. It also prompted new scrutiny of regulations at chemical plants and the risks posed by deadly chemicals to people living in surrounding areas.

While the explosion is still being investigated, preliminary findings have been presented to Congress. A report sent to the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee in June showed that the decades-old standards used to regulate fertilizer chemicals are far weaker than those used in other countries.

The report concluded that the safety of ammonium nitrate fertilizer storage "falls under a patchwork of U.S. regulatory standards and guidance — a patchwork that has many large holes."

The Environmental Protection Agency, for example, does not regulate the chemical. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration requires that ammonium nitrate be stored separately from other combustibles in a room that has a partition that can withstand fire for up to an hour. But the agency had not inspected the West plant since 1985.

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MIDLAND

Bar stabbing sends 1 man to jail, 1 to hospital

A 32-year-old Midland man was arrested Wednesday after allegedly stabbing a man outside of a northeast Midland bar.

Tombie A. Ramos is being held on a $50,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Ramos

A Midland police sergeant responded to a disturbance at about 11:30 p.m. at Rudy's Sports Bar and Grill, 409 E. Scharbauer Drive, where patrol officers had Ramos in custody for the alleged stabbing, according to his arrest affidavit.

Witnesses standing at a nearby portable water dispenser observed Ramos and another man fighting with the victim, who was treated at Midland Memorial Hospital for one stab wound to the back that punctured his lung, according to the affidavit. The witnesses observed Ramos allegedly stab the victim, and police uncovered a pocket knife with blood on the blade, the affidavit states.

In convicted, Ramos could face up to 20 years in prison.

MIDLAND

MPD: Man arrested for assault, firing gun

A Midland man was arrested Wednesday after he struck another man with a gun and fired three shots toward that man's vehicle, according to court documents.

Nemen Robert Wilson, 26, was being held on a $50,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. He posted bond and was released Thursday.

Wilson

Midland police responded to a call of shots fired at about 10:30 p.m. Tuesday in the 5000 block of West Loop 250 North at the Santa Fe Apartments.

The alleged victim said he was parked in his vehicle facing east when Wilson approached his vehicle. The two began arguing, and Wilson struck the man in the head with a handgun. The driver then put the vehicle in reverse and began backing out of the parking lot. Wilson then pulled out his handgun and fired three shots in the direction of the vehicle, according to the arrest report.

Wilson told police that the man had fired a gun at him during the altercation, but no evidence showed that a weapon had been inside or discharged in the vehicle, according to the report.

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

MIDLAND

Simply Mac to celebrate opening in Midland Park Mall

Simply Mac, which quietly opened earlier this week in Midland Park Mall, is holding a grand opening celebration this weekend.

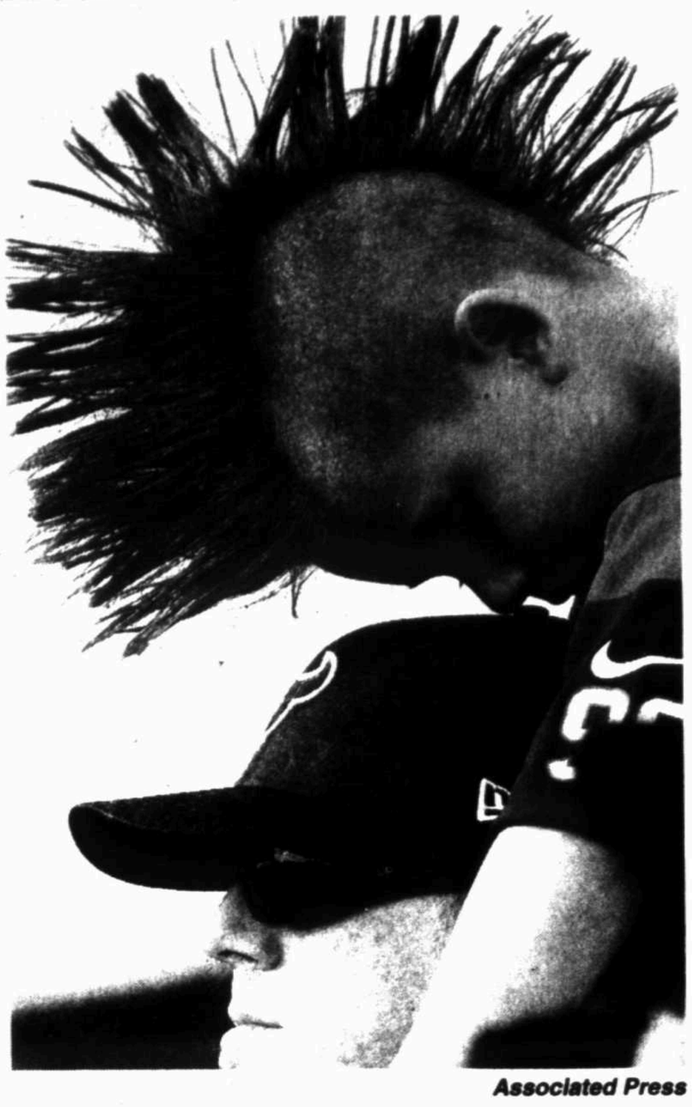
Between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. today and Saturday, the first 50 customers will receive gift bags from the store, located in the former Radio Shack location near the food court. Some of the gift bags will contain surprises such as iPods. Other prizes to be given away include Apple accessories, Simply Mac T-shirts, up to $50 off an in-store purchase, and even a one-hour free Simply Answers training class.

Customers can register online at www.simplymac.com/grandopenings, download a code and bring it to the store to be eligible to win a MacBook Air that will be given away Saturday.

Simply Mac is an Apple Specialist, an authorized Apple retailer that sells only Apple products and accessories — from Apple computers to iPods, iPads and iPhones. Customers can even trade in old Apple products for credit to upgrade to the latest technology. The store also offers personalized classes and service — in or out of warranty — on Apple products.

"We're excited to bring Apple's innovative products closer to the people of Midland," said Steve Bain, Simply Mac's president. "This is one of 13 new locations we plan to open across several states this year."

The Midland store will be the company's first Texas location.



Associated Press

TUCKERED OUT TEXAN

Kross Lowery, 6, rests atop his father Bryan as they watch the Houston Texans during NFL football training camp Thursday in Houston.

MIDLAND

Drivers transported to hospital after 2-car crash

Two drivers were transported to Midland Memorial Hospital on Thursday afternoon with unknown injuries after a two-vehicle collision on Wall Street.

Midland police and emergency personnel responded to the crash at about 1 p.m. at the intersection of Wall and I streets.

A silver sedan was traveling northbound on I street when the driver failed to yield the right of way to a westbound white sedan, causing the crash, according to an officer at the scene.

The driver of the silver sedan was cited for failure to yield the right of way.

MULESHOE

West Texas teacher accused of sex with student

A West Texas high school teacher has been indicted after she was accused of having sexual contact with a 14-year-old student.

A Bailey County grand jury indicted 25-year-old Morgan Shea Marricle on Wednesday.

The Muleshoe High School English teacher is charged with having an improper relationship between an educator and student. If convicted of the second-degree felony, she could receive from two to 20 years in prison.

She has since resigned from her teaching position but says she is not guilty of wrongdoing. She remains free on bond.

Muleshoe is just east of Clovis, N.M., along the Texas-New Mexico border.

AUSTIN

Board of Ed begins devising new curriculum rules

The State Board of Education has begun discussing how to implement a sweeping new law overhauling high school standardized testing and curriculum requirements.

Approved by the Legislature in May, the measure eases some college prep requirements and is designed to create flexibility for those students who want to focus on career training.

But the board must decide what courses count toward the new standards. Can students take robotics rather than traditional, upper-level science courses, or statistics instead of Algebra III?

Some educational groups have also urged members to include speech training in the new standards.

The board met Thursday to begin debate, but will take months to compile the finished curriculum.

The new law also cuts the number of standardized tests required for high school graduation from 15 to five.

HOUSTON

Retail gas prices down 4 cents across Texas

The average in Texas for gallon of regular unleaded gasoline is at $3.50 this week, 4 cents less than a week ago.

AAA Texas said Thursday that this week's average is 13 cents less than the national average of $3.63.

Drivers in Dallas and Fort Worth are paying the most at $3.54 and drivers in Amarillo, El Paso, and Corpus Christi are paying the least at $3.43.

The association says motorists in most states are paying less at the pump than a week ago, with the declines most dramatic in the Midwest. But, the association says, crude oil prices remain elevated because of positive signs for the global economy, continued unrest in Egypt and recent reports of violence in Libya, which produces two percent of global oil consumption.

AUSTIN

Perry to attend weekend conference in New Orleans

Gov. Rick Perry is heading to New Orleans to address the same conservative conference where he launched his unsuccessful 2011 White House bid.

Spokesman Josh Havens said Thursday that Perry will attend the fifth annual RedState Gathering. At the same event in Charleston, S.C., in August 2011, Perry announced he was running for president.

He was briefly the frontrunner for the Republican nomination but dropped out of the race in January 2012.

Perry has ruled out seeking a fourth full gubernatorial term next year, but he hasn't said if he will mount another presidential run for 2016.

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Weary lawmakers again tackle road funding

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Wearily dragging into an unusual eighth month of the Texas Legislature, a House committee on Thursday again approved boosting spending for overcrowded and crumbling roads, a plan twice sunk at the Capitol this summer by turmoil and no-show lawmakers.

The ongoing failure to ratify an extra $900 million for transportation is raising political stakes on the eve of the campaign season for 2014, when Texas faces a major shake-up of leadership with the departure of Gov. Rick Perry.

Perry, the longest-serving governor in Texas history, wants more roads to meet the needs of a booming Texas population before he goes. He lashed out at the House and ordered a third special session — the first since 2006 — when a second try fizzled out this week.

On Monday, House members will revisit what is largely the same transportation bill they failed to pass last time, with a new twist: a requirement that the Texas Department of Transportation cut internal costs by $100 million before being handed more money for highways.

Democratic Rep. Joe Pickett, who is carrying the bill, said the reductions would not mean layoffs of state employees.

"That's not going to happen," Pickett said. "There's a lot of ways for an agency with (billions of dollars), through efficiencies and savings, to come up with $100 million."

Pickett said the cost-cutting aims to appease critics wary of giving TxDOT more funds without assurances that the agency is committed to spending every dollar wisely.

TxDOT Executive Director Phil Wilson told the House Select Committee on Transportation Funding that the reductions were possible.

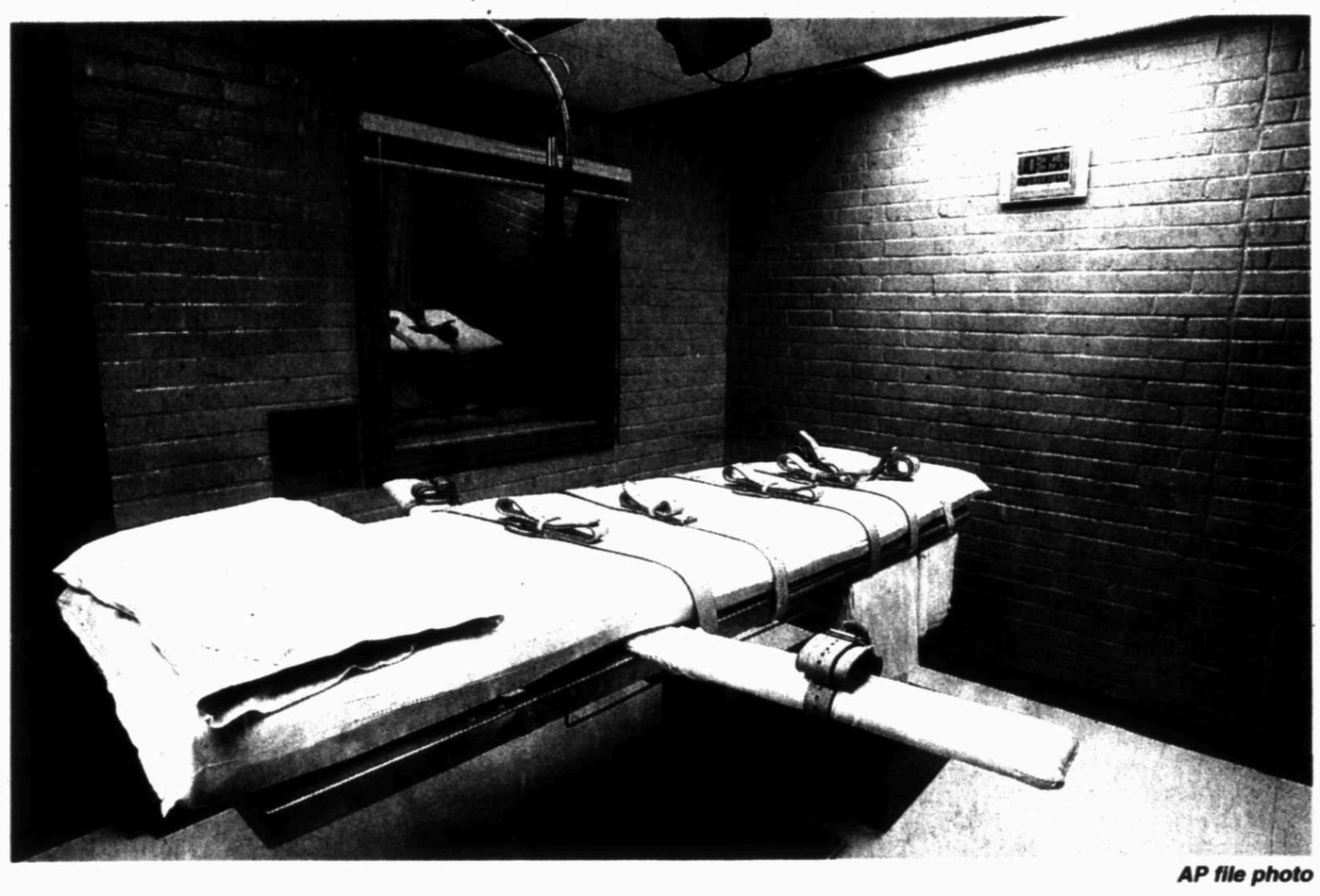
"We're doing everything we can to reduce spending," Wilson said.

Road capacity has sorely lagged behind population growth in Texas the past quarter-century. One major stream of highway construction revenue comes is a gas tax that charges drivers 20 cents per gallon at the pump. But the tax rate hasn't budged in decades, while the population has soared and cars have become more fuel-efficient.

With tax hikes of any kind unpopular in the Republican-controlled Legislature, lawmakers hatched a plan to siphon money currently funneled to the state's Rainy Day Fund and put it toward roads. Pickett has proposed giving budget-writing lawmakers authority to regularly set a minimum balance for that reserves fund.

Even given another $900 million, it's still only a sliver of the $4 billion more that TxDOT said is needed just to maintain the status quo on roads.

The Texas Legislature is supposed to handle its business in 140 days every two years. Thursday marked Day 203.



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The gurney in the death chamber is shown in this 2008 from Huntsville, Texas Department of Criminal Justice officials say their remaining supply of pentobarbital, the single drug now used in lethal injections, expires in September. The nation's most active death penalty state has yet to find an alternative.

Texas running out of execution drug

Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE — The nation's most active death penalty state is running out of its execution drug.

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice said Thursday that its remaining supply of pentobarbital expires in September and that no alternatives have been found. It wasn't immediately clear whether two executions scheduled for next month would be delayed. The state has already executed 11 death-row inmates this year, and at least seven more have execution dates in coming months.

"We will be unable to use our current supply of pentobarbital after it expires," agency spokesman Jason Clark said. "We are exploring all options at this time."

Texas switched to the lethal, single-dose sedative last year after one of the drugs used in its three-drug execution process became difficult to obtain and the state's supply expired. Other death-penalty states have encountered similar problems after some drug suppliers barred the drugs' use for executions or have refused, under pressure from death-penalty opponents, to sell or manufacture drugs for use in executions.

No executions in Texas were delayed because of that shortfall.

"When Texas raises a flag that's it having a problem, obviously numerically it's significant around in the country because like they're doing half the executions in the country right now," Richard Dieter, executive director of the Washington-based Death Penalty Information Center, an anti-death penalty organization, said Thursday.

"The states really scramble to go all over to get drugs," he said. "Some went overseas, some got from each other. But these manufacturers, a number them are based in Europe, don't want to participate in our executions. So they've clamped down as much as they can," Dieter said.

Some death penalty states, most recently Georgia, have announced they're turning to compounding pharmacies, which make customized drugs that are not scrutinized by the Federal Drug Administration, to obtain a lethal drug for execution use.

Missouri wants to use propofol, the anesthetic blamed for pop star Michael Jackson's 2009 death — even though the drug hasn't been used to execute prisoners in the U.S. Its potential for lethal injection is under scrutiny by the courts and its first use isn't likely anytime soon. The Missouri Supreme Court has declined to allow execution dates to be set in that state until the legal issues are resolved.

Missouri Attorney General Chris Koster recently suggested that if a suitable execution drug can't be found, the state should consider the gas chamber. State law still allows for execution by lethal gas, though Missouri no longer even has a gas chamber.

A return to the gas chamber or electric chair anywhere would be difficult, Dieter suggested.

"Those things just raise the spectacle level and I don't think it's where states want to go," he said.

Pentobarbital, which has been used alone or in concert with other drugs in all executions in the U.S. the past two years, was more readily available because it was commonly used as a sedative.

"But I guess restrictions have been put on its distribution," Dieter said. "It's uncertain where all of this goes because it's inherently a medical kind of procedure involving some health professionals who are largely focused on keeping people alive. It runs into contradictions with executions — people strapped to a table. Executions aren't exactly what the medical model is."

Texas has by far executed more inmates than any other state in the U.S. since the Supreme Court allowed executions to resume. Since 1982, six years after the high court's order, Texas has executed 503 inmates. Virginia is a distant second at 110.

Obama orders review of chemical plant rules

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama on Thursday ordered federal agencies to review safety rules at chemical facilities in response to the deadly April explosion at a Texas fertilizer plant.

In an executive order, Obama tasked agencies with identifying new ways to safely store and secure ammonium nitrate, the explosive chemical investigators say caused the blast.

The massive explosion at the plant in the community of West killed 15 people, leveled hundreds of structures and damaged three of the town's four schools. It also prompted new scrutiny of regulations at chemical plants and the risks posed by deadly chemicals to people living in surrounding areas.

While the explosion is still being investigated, preliminary findings have been presented to Congress. A report sent to the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee in June showed that the decades-old standards used to regulate fertilizer chemicals are far weaker than those used in other countries.

The report concluded that the safety of ammonium nitrate fertilizer storage "falls under a patchwork of U.S. regulatory standards and guidance — a patchwork that has many large holes."

The Environmental Protection Agency, for example, does not regulate the chemical. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration requires that ammonium nitrate be stored separately from other combustibles in a room that has a partition that can withstand fire for up to an hour. But the agency had not inspected the West plant since 1985.

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Bar stabbing sends 1 man to jail, 1 to hospital

A 32-year-old Midland man was arrested Wednesday after allegedly stabbing a man outside of a northeast Midland bar.

Tombie A. Ramos is being held on a $50,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Ramos

A Midland police sergeant responded to a disturbance at about 11:30 p.m. at Rudy's Sports Bar and Grill, 409 E. Scharbauer Drive, where patrol officers had Ramos in custody for the alleged stabbing, according to his arrest affidavit.

Witnesses standing at a nearby portable water dispenser observed Ramos and another man fighting with the victim, who was treated at Midland Memorial Hospital for one stab wound to the back that punctured his lung, according to the affidavit. The witnesses observed Ramos allegedly stab the victim, and police uncovered a pocket knife with blood on the blade, the affidavit states.

In convicted, Ramos could face up to 20 years in prison.

MIDLAND

MPD: Man arrested for assault, firing gun

A Midland man was arrested Wednesday after he struck another man with a gun and fired three shots toward that man's vehicle, according to court documents.

Nemen Robert Wilson, 26, was being held on a $50,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. He posted bond and was released Thursday.

Wilson

Midland police responded to a call of shots fired at about 10:30 p.m. Tuesday in the 5000 block of West Loop 250 North at the Santa Fe Apartments.

The alleged victim said he was parked in his vehicle facing east when Wilson approached his vehicle. The two began arguing, and Wilson struck the man in the head with a handgun. The driver then put the vehicle in reverse and began backing out of the parking lot. Wilson then pulled out his handgun and fired three shots in the direction of the vehicle, according to the arrest report.

Wilson told police that the man had fired a gun at him during the altercation, but no evidence showed that a weapon had been inside or discharged in the vehicle, according to the report.

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

MIDLAND

Simply Mac to celebrate opening in Midland Park Mall

Simply Mac, which quietly opened earlier this week in Midland Park Mall, is holding a grand opening celebration this weekend.

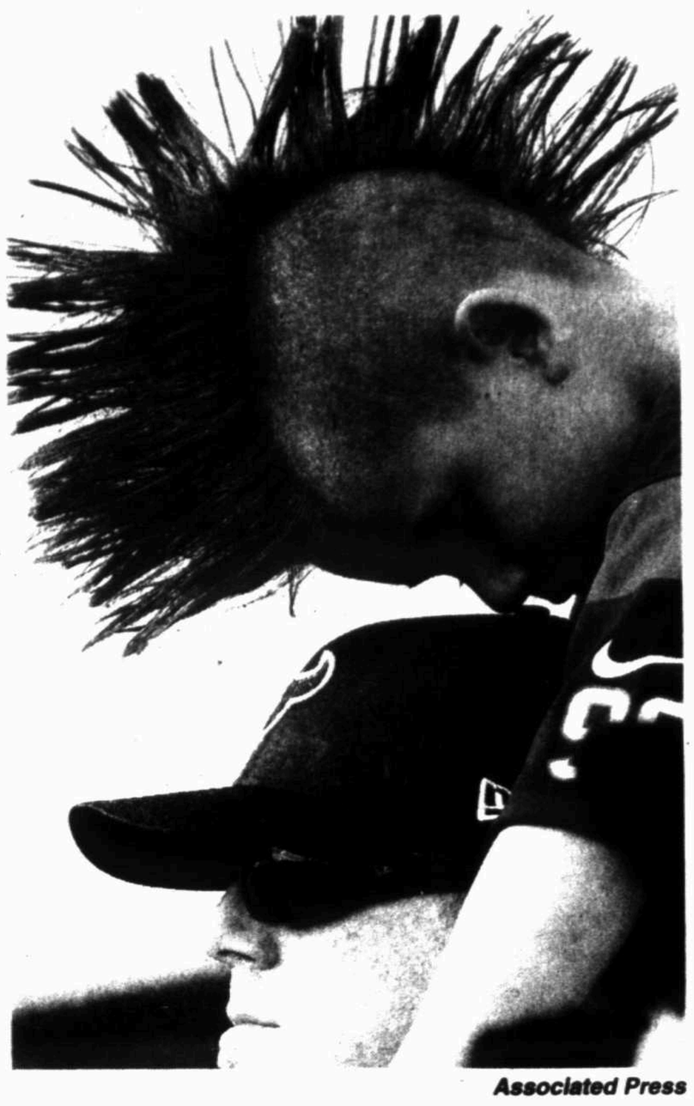
Between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. today and Saturday, the first 50 customers will receive gift bags from the store, located in the former Radio Shack location near the food court. Some of the gift bags will contain surprises such as iPods. Other prizes to be given away include Apple accessories, Simply Mac T-shirts, up to $50 off an in-store purchase, and even a one-hour free Simply Answers training class.

Customers can register online at www.simplymac.com/grandopenings, download a code and bring it to the store to be eligible to win a MacBook Air that will be given away Saturday.

Simply Mac is an Apple Specialist, an authorized Apple retailer that sells only Apple products and accessories — from Apple computers to iPods, iPads and iPhones. Customers can even trade in old Apple products for credit to upgrade to the latest technology. The store also offers personalized classes and service — in or out of warranty — on Apple products.

"We're excited to bring Apple's innovative products closer to the people of Midland," said Steve Bain, Simply Mac's president. "This is one of 13 new locations we plan to open across several states this year."

The Midland store will be the company's first Texas location.



Associated Press

TUCKERED OUT TEXAN

Kross Lowery, 6, rests atop his father Bryan as they watch the Houston Texans during NFL football training camp Thursday in Houston.

MIDLAND

Drivers transported to hospital after 2-car crash

Two drivers were transported to Midland Memorial Hospital on Thursday afternoon with unknown injuries after a two-vehicle collision on Wall Street.

Midland police and emergency personnel responded to the crash at about 1 p.m. at the intersection of Wall and I streets.

A silver sedan was traveling northbound on I street when the driver failed to yield the right of way to a westbound white sedan, causing the crash, according to an officer at the scene.

The driver of the silver sedan was cited for failure to yield the right of way.

MULESHOE

West Texas teacher accused of sex with student

A West Texas high school teacher has been indicted after she was accused of having sexual contact with a 14-year-old student.

A Bailey County grand jury indicted 25-year-old Morgan Shea Marricle on Wednesday.

The Muleshoe High School English teacher is charged with having an improper relationship between an educator and student. If convicted of the second-degree felony, she could receive from two to 20 years in prison.

She has since resigned from her teaching position but says she is not guilty of wrongdoing. She remains free on bond.

Muleshoe is just east of Clovis, N.M., along the Texas-New Mexico border.

AUSTIN

Board of Ed begins devising new curriculum rules

The State Board of Education has begun discussing how to implement a sweeping new law overhauling high school standardized testing and curriculum requirements.

Approved by the Legislature in May, the measure eases some college prep requirements and is designed to create flexibility for those students who want to focus on career training.

But the board must decide what courses count toward the new standards. Can students take robotics rather than traditional, upper-level science courses, or statistics instead of Algebra III?

Some educational groups have also urged members to include speech training in the new standards.

The board met Thursday to begin debate, but will take months to compile the finished curriculum.

The new law also cuts the number of standardized tests required for high school graduation from 15 to five.

HOUSTON

Retail gas prices down 4 cents across Texas

The average in Texas for gallon of regular unleaded gasoline is at $3.50 this week, 4 cents less than a week ago.

AAA Texas said Thursday that this week's average is 13 cents less than the national average of $3.63.

Drivers in Dallas and Fort Worth are paying the most at $3.54 and drivers in Amarillo, El Paso, and Corpus Christi are paying the least at $3.43.

The association says motorists in most states are paying less at the pump than a week ago, with the declines most dramatic in the Midwest. But, the association says, crude oil prices remain elevated because of positive signs for the global economy, continued unrest in Egypt and recent reports of violence in Libya, which produces two percent of global oil consumption.

AUSTIN

Perry to attend weekend conference in New Orleans

Gov. Rick Perry is heading to New Orleans to address the same conservative conference where he launched his unsuccessful 2011 White House bid.

Spokesman Josh Havens said Thursday that Perry will attend the fifth annual RedState Gathering. At the same event in Charleston, S.C., in August 2011, Perry announced he was running for president.

He was briefly the frontrunner for the Republican nomination but dropped out of the race in January 2012.

Perry has ruled out seeking a fourth full gubernatorial term next year, but he hasn't said if he will mount another presidential run for 2016.

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■ Family Fridays, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Info: Planned activities every Friday during the summer. This week is "Flower Power."

■ Fun Fridays, 1-3 p.m., Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane. Info: Activities for children age 8 and older. Call 685-7355.

■ Centers for Children & Families Present "An Evening With Col. Bruce P. Crandall," 7 p.m., Horseshoe. Info: Crandall is a Medal of Honor recipient. Call 432-570-1084 for tickets.

■ Marco Antonio Solis, 8 p.m., Ector County Coliseum, Odessa

■ Summer Mummers, 8 p.m., Yucca Theatre, 208 Colorado Ave. Tickets: 570-4111. Recommended for those 16 and older because of adult content

■ "Oliver!" 8 p.m., Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd St., Odessa. Tickets: $7-$14 at www.permianplayhouse.com or 550-5456

■ Rock the Desert "Awake My Soul," festival grounds, 2000 S. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. Tickets are $25 in advance and $30 at the gate and allow access for the entire festival. Purchase tickets at Chick-fil-A, Mardel and 7-Eleven stores.

Editor's note: See Section B for more information on the fesitval

New movies in Midland

■ **Opening Friday at Regal Tall City Stadium 14:** "Two Guns" and "Smurfs 2" ("Smurfs 2 opened Wednesday)

■ **Opening at Big Sky Drive-in:** "2 Guns," "RIPD" "Smurfs 2"

Weather report for July

July 2013 will go down as a slightly cooler and drier month of July, according to information from the National Weather Service.

Temperature

■ Average high: 92.4 degrees
■ Average low: 70.5 degrees
■ Average temperature: 81.5 degrees
■ Typical average for July: 82.2 degrees
■ 100-degree days: 4
■ Warmest day: 102 degrees (July 30)
■ Coolest night: 62 degrees (July 3, July 15)

Precipitation

■ July 2013 rain: 0.98 inch
■ Normal for July: 1.82 inches
■ Days of measurable rain: 5
■ Most rain in one day: 0.50 inch (July 17)

Source: National Weather Service

Water Tracker

The following is the amount of water delivered to the city of Midland from the Colorado River Municipal Water District and the Paul Davis water fields.

■ Wednesday's total: 21,952,000 gallons (CRMWD 18,282,000, Paul Davis fields 3,670,000)
■ July 24 total: 19,892,000 gallons

The average CRMWD delivery for June was 15,208,033 gallons. The average for July was 14,930,355.

Source: City of Midland

Gas prices in Midland

■ **Cheapest gas:** $3.34 (Murphy USA, Midland Drive, Briarwood Avenue)
■ **Most expensive gas:** $3.69 (Town & Country, Andrews Highway/Boeing)
■ **Most common price:** $3.55
■ **Cheapest prices in West Texas:** Lubbock $3.08, San Angelo $3.31, Abilene $3.34, Midland $3.34, Odessa $3.36

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Thursday	$3.481	$3.483
Last week	$3.551	$3.528
Last month	$3.360	$3.333
Last year	$3.343	$3.350

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

Know a troop coming home?

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Today in history

Today is Friday, Aug. 2, the 214th day of 2013. There are 151 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1776, members of the Continental Congress began attaching their signatures to the Declaration of Independence.

In 1909, the original Lincoln "wheat" penny first went into circulation, replacing the "Indian head" cent.

In 1974, former White House counsel John W. Dean III was sentenced to one to four years in prison for obstruction of justice in the Watergate coverup. (Dean ended up serving four months.)

In 1985, 135 people were killed when a Delta Air Lines jetliner crashed while attempting to land at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Members of the band Disciple perform Thursday during Rock The Desert.

ROCK

From 1A

hard rock songs personally connect with him.

"It makes (Christianity) all more realistic," he said. "It's not all rainbows and sunshines."

When Rock The Desert first started, the goal was to reach the "edgier skateboard kids," said Allison Tull, office administrator for the concert. She said this genre drew them into the event.

Nathan Madden, lead promotions manager for Air1 and K-Love radio stations, said the hard rock reaches different folks with different musical taste. He said it helps that the bands all seem helpful and engaged in philanthropic organizations.

Many of the bands' vocalists took time to share stories of struggles with faith, depression and life issues.

Midlander Janet Pruitt said she may not be a fan of the hard rock acts — citing Lecrae and Third Day as more her style — but she does appreciate the musicians ministering to attendees, especially the kids, in that way.

Cobucci said he and the members of his band strive to provide an outlet for their genre to a large audience because it wasn't around for them during their younger years.

"We wanted it to be available when we were kids," Cobucci said.

Despite Thursday primarily focusing on hard rock, musician Aaron Gillespie, who performed an intimate set of gospel songs and songs from his solo work and tenure as frontman for The Almost, said Jesus Christ uses all types of music to reach people.

Entertainment writer Nick Wendel contributed to this story.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Fans look on during a performance by the band Disciple on Thursday during Rock The Desert.

Rock The Desert

Today's lineup includes:

Green River Ordinance, Lara Watson, SAMESTATE, The City Harmonic, Shonlock, Lecrae, Craig King and Third Day will perform on the main stage. Performing in the Teen Tent are Jenny Simmons, S.O.G., Nate Feuerstein, Aaron Gillespie, The Letter Black, Manafest, We Are Leo and a late night dance party with Family Force 5.

Gates open at 11 a.m.

Saturday's lineup includes:

We Are Leo, Je'Kob, StompTown Revival, Anthem Lights, Family Force 5, James Stell, Thousand Foot Krutch, Craig King and Red will perform on the main stage. Teen Tent performers include Jenny Simmons, Big Rich, Unspoken and Finding Favour.

Gates open at 10 a.m.

ROOMS

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been replaced with used furniture purchased from a hotel furniture resaler, Meyers said.

"They're not fancy, but they're a nice utilitarian space. We're expecting it to be a reasonable place to live," Meyers said. The total project cost for renovation and furnishings for 44 rooms was $321,000.

Rooms vary in size and are converted from private, semi-private and suite-style rooms, Meyers said. Every tenant will have their own private bathroom, and adjoining rooms will be rented to families, as if it were a two-bedroom apartment, Meyers said.

Though designed to provide temporary housing to hospital employees, Meyers said unoccupied rooms will be offered to local governmental and nonprofit entities "with missions similar to ours."

If the need is there, Meyers said Midland ISD employees likely will occupy a block of the rooms.

Rental rates are not set, but Meyers said the hospital is not trying to compete with the commercial market and one "can assume they will be a little lower than comparable space in the market."

Though many details — eligibility requirements, the maximum length of stay and price per night — have not been established, Meyers said only a few small renovation projects remain before occupancy can begin as early as next week.

In addition to offering housing, West Campus is home to administrative offices, several physicians and an out-patient imaging center. Continue Care Hospital of Midland, a long-term acute care hospital managed by Plano-based CHC Community Care, LLC., will open in mid-August on the third floor, Meyers said.

"There's a lot going on, and it's a pretty busy place. Once we get the temporary housing up, we'll use the majority of the space for one thing or another," Meyers said.

NATIONBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW MEXICO

Officials: DWI attorney came to court drunk

ALBUQUERQUE — A New Mexico DWI attorney is facing charges after authorities said he walked into an Albuquerque courtroom drunk — and into the wrong scheduled hearing.

John W. Higgins was taken into custody at Metro Court on Wednesday when he allegedly showed up drunk in the courtroom of Chief Judge Julie Altwies, the Albuquerque Journal reported.

Higgins, 69, had no appearances before Altwies, but he did have settings before two other judges two floors below, officials said.

Authorities said his blood-alcohol content registered at 0.11. The presumed level of intoxication in New Mexico is 0.08 percent.

Officials said the attorney had been in the courtroom for about 45 minutes and stumbled getting up. Altwies told him she was concerned about his safety, and other defense attorneys in the courtroom assisted him until he was taken away by court security officers.

Higgins was taken into custody for direct contempt of court.

In 2009, Higgins was convicted of aggravated drunken driving. He was sentenced to a mandatory 48 hours in jail.

In 2010, he was accused of aggravated battery after allegedly hitting his wife with his silver Mercedes-Benz. That case was dismissed last month after a 2nd Judicial District judge found no probable cause at a hearing.

IOWA

Experts: Health risks higher from packaged greens

DES MOINES — The outbreak of a stomach bug linked to bagged salad came as little surprise to food safety experts, who say the process of harvesting, washing and packaging leafy greens provides numerous opportunities for contamination.

Although nutritionists stress the chances of getting sick from vegetables are low compared to the dangers of a diet without them, packaged salads heighten the risk because leaves from several batches often are mixed together.

"The washing and comingling of different batches of lettuce means a hazard that may appear in one field can show up in lots of bags of lettuce because of the common bath," said Caroline Smith DeWaal, director of the food safety program for the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a consumer health advocacy organization based in Washington.

Officials in Iowa and Nebraska said a packaged salad mix containing iceberg and romaine lettuce, carrots and red cabbage was infected with cyclospora, a parasite blamed for sickening 397 people in 16 states.

FELONYARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Oline Basped III, 47, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram in a drug-free zone.

Cary D. Free, 41, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of abandoning or endangering a child with criminal negligence.

Rakeeb I. Grimes, 23, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram in a drug-free zone.

Carlos Martinez III, 21, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of tampering or fabricating physical evidence.

Fausto Quezada, 39, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on charges of violation of probation and bench warrant.

Tombie A. Ramos, 32, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Jose J. Reyes, 25, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of theft between $20,000 and $100,000.

William O. Sauls, 24, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on charges of failure to appear or bail jumping, violation of probation and theft.

Nemen R. Wilson, 26, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

GROWTH

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help with efforts to expand infrastructure.

"The fact is, we've been at this for 40 months," Ingham said, cautioning that there are no quick fixes to the infrastructure challenges the rapid economic growth has brought. These challenges range from labor to housing; from roads to water.

Midland-Odessa seems to be moving into a period of healthy economic growth and overall stability, Ingham said.

Even the area's petroleum economy — which he said had flattened by the end of 2012 into 2013 — has begun to move higher as the rig count begins to increase. A surge in crude prices has strengthened not only crude production volumes but the value of that production.

Jim Smitherman, chief executive officer of Security Bank, said bank customers reported a relatively flat first quarter but the second quarter "picked back up and was back to full force."

The bank's loan portfolio grew faster than expected in the first half of the year as companies sought financing for work and to purchase equipment, he said. Ingham expects the second half of the year to be slower.

Companies that had worked in areas where there was less competition are now seeing more competition and that has put tremendous pressure on pricing, personnel and salaries, Smitherman said.

"I've never seen anything like it," he said.

Welch said she was pleased to see the continued strength in housing construction.

"It will help get the skilled labor we need," she said. Having plentiful and affordable housing "is important for industry recruiting and recruiting skilled labor."

Midland and Odessa issued 356 permits for new homes in the second quarter, up 18.3 percent from the same quarter a year earlier. So far this year, the two cities have issued 692 new housing permits, up 18.5 percent from 584 last year.

Hopefully some of the apartment communities will be completed by the holidays, which is a popular time for families to relocate, Welch said.

Supply is working on catching up with demand, said Ron Betenbough, who founded Lubbock-based Betenbough Homes with his son, Rick.

"Our waiting list is still growing. If supply was catching up with demand, it would be shrinking. Or supply might be catching up with demand in areas other than our sweet spot."

The company came to Midland five years ago, building houses on East Wadley Avenue near Ranchland Hills Golf Club and has built the Legends housing development near Scharbauer Sports Complex.

"We are happy with the margins we have and we are maniacal about controlling costs," he said. "Those folks need homes and we try to provide them."

With Legends near completion, Betenbough said the company has purchased 300 acres on north Big Spring Highway north of Highway 349 and north of Midland Country Club where it will develop Lone Star Trails "as soon as we finish Legends."

The city of Midland has a plan for a sewer line extension, he said. In addition, Betenbough said the land contains a number of pipelines that will be used to help develop equestrian trails.

The company loves being in Midland, is active in the community and has built a local staff that decides where corporate donations are directed, he said.

Existing home sales numbers are rising, with 849 homes sold in the second quarter, up 7.9 percent from 787 a year ago. To date this year, 1,523 homes have been sold, up 3.7 percent from 1,468 last year. Home prices are also continuing to increase, averaging $220,206 in the second quarter, up 4.9 percent from $210,003 in the second quarter of 2012, which was up 14 percent from the second quarter of 2011. To date in 2013, housing prices have averaged $215,665, up 3.9 percent from $207,581 in the first half of 2012, which was 11 percent higher than the first half of 2011.

Ingham said the construction sector continues to put up some dramatic numbers this year. In March alone, the city issued more than $150 million in building permits, including an apartment complex and other high-value new commercial construction projects. Second quarter building permit valuations in Midland-Odessa were nearly double the second quarter of a year ago at 95.1 percent, up 175 percent in the month of March alone, and are up by 64 percent in the first half of this year. In the first half of 2012, permit valuations were 88 percent higher than the first six months of 2011, Ingham said.

Consumer activity also continued strong, with retail spending posting its third year of strong growth. Retail spending in the second quarter rose 6.8 percent compared to the second quarter of 2012, which was more than 15 percent higher than the second quarter of 2011. For the first half of 2013, retail spending is up 10.1 percent compared to the same time frame of 2012.

Ingham said automotive spending has softened significantly, with second quarter spending up 2.3 percent over the previous year and up 3.1 percent so far in 2013 compared to 2012. However, 2012 spending was up nearly 30 percent and 2011 spending was up nearly 40 percent, he said.

Pipeline supporters blast president

By Jennifer Dlouhy
Houston Chronicle

WASHINGTON — Supporters of the Keystone XL oil pipeline are blasting President Barack Obama's claims that the project would lead to relatively few U.S. jobs.

American Petroleum Institute President Jack Gerard said Thursday that Obama was "acting cavalierly" in dismissing potential jobs tied to the proposed pipeline, and a trio of lawmakers said Wednesday that the president's comments portray the United States as taking an "arbitrary" approach to vetting cross-border energy projects.

At issue are Obama's assertions in a New York Times interview — echoed by a speech on Tuesday — that "the most realistic estimates" are that Keystone XL could create "maybe 2,000 jobs during the construction of the project" and about 50 to 100 over the long term.

"Republicans have said that this would be a big jobs generator," Obama told the New York Times. "There is no evidence that's true."

Obama also said Keystone ultimately would support 50 permanent jobs, which he cast as a "blip" in an economy of 150 million people.

The State Department, which is tasked with determining whether the pipeline is in the national interest, previously gave a much higher estimate, predicting that the project could directly and indirectly support as many as 42,100 jobs and would create up to 4,000 temporary construction jobs.

Republican Reps. Lee Terry of Nebraska, Fred Upton of Michigan and Ed Whitfield of Kentucky said in a letter to Obama that his comments "have signaled an arbitrary and abrupt shift in how our nation approves cross-border energy projects."

"Your recent comments have only added to the immense amount of uncertainty that currently surrounds the Keystone XL approval process, unnecessarily jeopardizing $7 billion in private investment," they said.

Obama understates Keystone XL jobs

By Matthew Daly
Associated Press

AP file photo

President Barack Obama arrives at the TransCanada Stillwater Pipe Yard in Cushing, Okla., in March 2012. Obama has revived debate about the number of jobs that would be created by the proposed Keystone XL oil pipeline from Canada to Texas. The 1,700-mile pipeline would carry oil from tar sands in Alberta to refineries in the Houston area, passing through Montana, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma. During a jobs speech Tuesday in Tennessee, Obama downplayed the pipeline's effect on jobs, calling it a "blip" compared to the overall economy. He also made that point during an interview with The New York Times last week.

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The president correctly characterized the project's overall effect on U.S. employment but underestimated the number of jobs it would create.

The $7 billion pipeline has become a contentious issue. Project supporters, including unions and lawmakers from both parties, tout the jobs it would create and demand its approval, while environmentalists urge the president to reject it, saying it would carry dirty, carbon-intensive oil.

The State Department expects to issue a final report later this year on whether the project should move forward. The department has authority over the pipeline because it crosses a U.S. border.

Asked Wednesday about the number of jobs that would be created by the pipeline, State Department spokeswoman Marie Harf said, "The president was clearly stating the proposed Keystone XL project would have a negligible impact on the overall U.S. job market, which was the finding of the State Department" in a draft report last March.

A look at some of the president's recent assertions on the pipeline and jobs and how they stack up:

OBAMA: "Republicans have said that this would be a big jobs generator. There is no evidence that that's true," he said in a New York Times interview. "And my hope would be that any reporter who is looking at the facts would take the time to confirm that the most realistic estimates are this might create maybe 2,000 jobs during the construction of the pipeline — which might take a year or two — and then after that we're talking about somewhere between 50 and 100 (chuckles) jobs in an economy of 150 million working people. ... That is a blip relative to the need."

THE FACTS: It's not clear where Obama came up with the 2,000-jobs figure.

The project's developer, Calgary-based TransCanada, has said the pipeline could create as many as 13,000 construction jobs — 6,500 a year over two years.

In its March report, the State Department put the number of construction jobs at 3,900 on an annual basis. That figure doesn't include an estimated 4,000 workers that TransCanada says it has hired for a 485-mile southern segment of the pipeline that already is under construction and nearing completion.

Nor do the figures include the peripheral jobs that would be created as a result of a major infrastructure project.

TransCanada says about 7,000 manufacturing jobs will be needed to support the overall project, which will stretch from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico.

The State Department report goes further. It estimates that the project could help create — directly and indirectly — as many as 42,000 jobs, including jobs for suppliers and subcontractors that provide equipment and materials, as well as lodging, food services and other jobs related to construction. The figure includes part-time jobs.

The report said these jobs would amount to 0.02 percent of total U.S employment, a figure that is consistent with Obama's characterization that the project would have minimal impact on the overall U.S. jobs picture.

OBAMA: Republicans "keep on talking about this — an oil pipeline coming down from Canada that's estimated to create about 50 permanent jobs. That's not a jobs plan," he said in Tennessee.

THE FACTS: Obama is on more solid ground with this assertion. The State Department report, citing figures provided by TransCanada, said there would be about 50 permanent jobs created along the route of the pipeline once it is completed. The report says the number of permanent jobs in the six affected states would have "negligible impacts" on the economy.

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Tendencies are resurfacing to fracture GOP

■ National security and Obamacare battles tell two different tales between healthy debate and a suicide mission.

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A combination of early presidential maneuvering and internal policy debate is feeding yet another iteration of that media perennial: the great Republican crackup. This time it's tea party insurgents versus get-along establishment fogies fighting principally over two things: (a) national security and (b) Obamacare.

(a)*National security*

Gov. Chris Christie recently challenged Sen. Rand Paul over his opposition to the National Security Agency metadata program. Paul has also tangled with Sen. John McCain and other internationalists over drone warfare, democracy promotion and, more generally, intervention abroad.

So what else is new? The return of the most venerable strain of conservative foreign policy — isolationism — was utterly predictable. GOP isolationists dominated until Pearl Harbor and then acquiesced to an activist internationalism during the Cold War because of a fierce detestation of communism.

With communism gone, the conservative coalition should have fractured long ago. This was delayed by 9/11 and the rise of radical Islam. But now, 12 years into that era — after Afghanistan and Iraq, after drone wars and the NSA revelations — the natural tension between isolationist and internationalist tendencies has resurfaced.

In fact, both parties are internally split on domestic surveillance, as reflected in the very close recent House vote on curbing the NSA. This is not civil war. It's a healthy debate that helps recalibrate the delicate line between safety and security as conditions (threat level and surveillance technology, for example) change.

The more fundamental GOP divide is over foreign aid and other manifestations of our role as the world's leading power. The Paulites, pining for the splendid isolation of the 19th century, want to leave the world alone on the assumption that it will then leave us alone.

Which rests on the further assumption that international stability — open sea lanes, free commerce, relative tranquility — comes naturally. If only that were true. Unfortunately, stability is not a matter of grace. It comes about only by Great Power exertion.

In the 19th century, that meant the British navy, behind whose protection America thrived. Today, alas, Britannia rules no waves. World order is maintained by American power and American will. Take that away and you don't get tranquility. You get chaos.

That's the Christie/McCain position. They figure that America doesn't need two parties of retreat. Paul's views, more measured and moderate than his fringy father's, are still in the minority among conservatives, but gathering strength. Which is why Christie's stroke — defending and thus seizing the party's more traditional internationalist consensus — was a signal moment in the run-up to the 2016 campaign. The battle lines are drawn.

(b)*Obamacare*

The other battle is about defunding Obamacare. Led by Sens. Mike Lee and Ted Cruz, the GOP insurgents are threatening to shut down the government on Oct. 1 if the stopgap funding bill contains money for Obamacare.

This is nuts. The president will never sign a bill defunding the singular achievement of his presidency, especially when he has control of the Senate and when, though a narrow majority (51 percent) of Americans disapprove of Obamacare, only 36 percent favor repeal. President Obama so knows he'll win any shutdown showdown that he's practically goading the Republicans into trying.

Never make a threat on which you are not prepared to deliver. Every fiscal showdown has redounded against the Republicans. The first, in 1995, effectively marked the end of the Gingrich revolution. The latest, last December, led to a last-minute Republican cave that humiliated the GOP and did nothing to stop the tax hike it so strongly opposed.

Those who fancy themselves tea party patriots fighting a sold-out cocktail-swilling establishment are demanding yet another cliff dive as a show of principle and manliness.

But there's no principle at stake here. This is about tactics. If I thought this would work, I would support it. But I don't fancy suicide. It has a tendency to be fatal.

As for manliness, the real question here is sanity. Nothing could better revive the fortunes of a failing, flailing, fading Democratic administration than a government shutdown where the president is portrayed as standing up to the GOP on honoring our debts and paying our soldiers in the field.

How many times must we learn the lesson? You can't govern from one house of Congress. You need to win back the Senate and then the presidency. Shutting down the government is the worst possible way to get there. Indeed, it's Obama's fondest hope for a Democratic recovery.

OUR VIEW

Competition election trend is good for Midland

Laurels

■ **For Vidal Torres and Justin Walker**. They were named Region 18's teachers of the year. Torres is a fifth-grade bilingual teacher at Milam Elementary, and Walker, who was the marketing teacher at Midland High for the past there years, is the new seventh-grade assistant principal at Goddard Junior High. Kudos to these educators, who will be recognized by the Texas Association of School Administrators during a dinner Oct. 3 in Austin and also are being considered for the statewide honor. We're sure Milam and MHS students are better for having been in these teachers' classes.

■ **For Bernie Gonzalez**. She is the second woman to become a member of the Midland Fire Department. She moved to Midland to play softball at Midland College and stayed to fulfill a lifelong dream. Manuel Heredia, an EMS training captain for the department, said he was impressed with Gonzalez's ambition and her ability to push herself and improve her weaknesses. We wish her well as she pursues her new career and continues studying to be a paramedic.

■ **For Lee graduate Eric Winston.** The former Midlander has found a new NFL home wth the Arizona Cardinals. Winston, an offensive lineman, was drafted by the Houston Texans and played with them for five years. He then played one season with the Kansas City Chiefs. The former Lee Rebel said he realizes he'll be competing for playing time but expects to be the starter, according to a previous Reporter-Telegram report. Eric, we hope your expectations become reality.

■ **For oilman George P. Mitchell.** If you are considered a pioneer when it comes to hydraulic fracturing, this region owes you a tip of the cap. Mitchell passed away last week. The Permian Basin and the state are better because of his association with the oil and gas industry.

■ **For competitive elections.** We now know that all three of the city council elections in November will have at least two candidates (there will be at least four running for mayor). After having one competitive election in local races involving the city, county and school district in 2012, this is a change we can be proud of. Competitive elections allows the community to talk about local issues. That discussion is a great thing.

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GOP 'internationalists' isolate Paul

■ When it came to stripping Egypt of its foreign aid, the establishment Republicans picked and won its fight with the libertarian.

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To be objectivist about it, you would have to conclude that the Republican Party is shrugging at Rand Paul right now.

Chris Christie, the popular GOP governor of New Jersey, last week called Paul's libertarian views "dangerous." And on the Senate floor Wednesday, Republican colleagues dealt the junior senator from Kentucky what can be described only as a resounding rebuke.

Even the 86-13 vote against Paul's proposal to strip Egypt of its foreign aid doesn't capture the lopsided nature of the defeat. In the final seconds of the roll call and long after the outcome was obvious, a bloc of six GOP lawmakers led by Minority Leader Mitch McConnell quietly cast their votes with Paul — not in agreement with him but in fear of the tea party voters who adore him.

But whether Paul's position had seven Republican votes or 13, the isolationist gadfly found himself in the decided minority of the 45-member Senate GOP caucus. And in the hourlong debate that preceded the vote, Paul was alone on the floor defending his position against an emotional onslaught from his party's most respected voices on foreign policy.

"I think most people on this side of the aisle understand that this is terrible public policy," Sen. Bob Corker, of Tennessee, the ranking Republican on the Foreign Relations Committee, told the Senate. "This is a vote that gives us an opportunity to step away from those short-term, hot, poll-tested amendments that have nothing to do with furthering the greatness of this nation."

Sen. Lindsey Graham, of South Carolina, said a vote for Paul's plan "is probably easier to explain" but "your country would be well-served if you decided today to pause and wait."

A vigorous Sen. John McCain, of Arizona, urged "my friend from Kentucky, with respect, to realize that this amendment would send the wrong message at the wrong time."

Paul sat a few feet away, pressing his pen to his upper lip.

This was the Senate at its best, producing a lively and emotional debate without notes or prepared speeches. More than a dozen senators sat or stood at their desks in the usually empty chamber, engaging Paul, who tried to rebut their points. So many wished to join the fray that Majority Leader Harry Reid extended the debate.

The result reinforced the proud tradition of internationalism in the body, and in the GOP. For all the talk of a Republican civil war over foreign policy, Wednesday's vote showed that the internationalists still dominate. McCain portrayed Paul as the heir to the America Firsters. But there has been no growth in the isolationist sentiment since March, when an amendment to restrict aid to Egypt failed, 74-25, or since September 2012, when a Paul bill to cut off aid to Egypt, Pakistan and Libya went down, 81-10.

Paul, attempting to attach his proposal to a domestic spending measure, made his familiar argument for "nation-building here at home" instead of overseas.

His colleagues had different ideas. Sen. Jim Inhofe, of Oklahoma, the top Republican on the Armed Services Committee, said he might have agreed with Paul 15 years ago, "before we realized the threats that we have in the Middle East." Sen. Marco Rubio, of Florida, tried a practical appeal, saying the aid cutoff would mean "you lose leverage." And Graham read aloud a letter from the American Israel Public Affairs Committee opposing Paul's amendment.

"One of the reasons we are the greatest nation," Corker argued, "is because of the values we extend around the world and the fact that we have been a voice of calm."

Paul responded to all this with rambling speeches and wild gestures, refusing to yield when colleagues asked him to and accusing his opponents of "empty thoughts and empty promises." He called the AIPAC letter "a canard" and he wandered into an account of a Paris shopping spree by the wife of Mobutu Sese Seko, the late Congolese dictator.

McCain needled Paul. "The question here is whether the senator from Kentucky knows what's better for Israel, or Israel."

Paul shook his head, reclaimed the floor and challenged the "so-called leadership" of AIPAC.

When the clerk called the roll, McCain whipped his colleagues aggressively: arguing with Dean Heller ,of Nevada, after the new senator took Paul's side, applauding when John Hoeven, of North Dakota, voted against Paul and working over Tim Scott, of South Carolina, until the senator cried uncle. "I'm with you," Scott said.

For the Republican internationalists, this wasn't about winning but dominating.

From the Left | Doonesbury

From the Right | Mallard Fillmore

House's last votes about messaging, not laws

By Henry C. Jackson
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Forget the last-minute deals of years past and the huge pile of undone business.

The Republican-led House is spending the last days before Congress' five-week summer vacation on bills aimed at rousing the party's conservative base but with little chance of become law: The "STOP IRS Act." The "Stop Government Abuse Act." And the "Regulations in Need of Scrutiny Act."

Before they leave today, House members will for the 40th time vote on a GOP measure to effectively repeal Obama's health care overhaul.

The last-minute flurry of politically themed bills is a sharp contrast to two years ago, when Congress scrambled to finish a deficit-reduction bill that set in place more than $2 trillion in spending cuts over the following decade. This year, House Republicans are content with messaging after getting their way on a student loan bill but falling short in trying to carry out further spending cuts in highway and housing programs.

"It's sort of the political equivalent of visiting some place and bringing back a T-shirt," said Ross Baker, a political science professor at Rutgers University. "These bills say, 'I've been there, I've done something and here's a T-shirt.'"

Democrats were less charitable.

"It is politics at any cost by the Republican majority," said Rep. Sander Levin, D-Mich. "They want to change the subject."

On these measures, congressional approval isn't the point.

Several of this week's House bills dredged up past controversies or perceived failings of the Obama administration. One was a twofer: The "Keep the IRS Off Your Health Care Act" would repeal Obama's health care overhaul while invoking the name of the scandal-tainted Internal Revenue Service. The bill would stop the IRS from putting in place any part of the health care law. It's scheduled for a vote today.

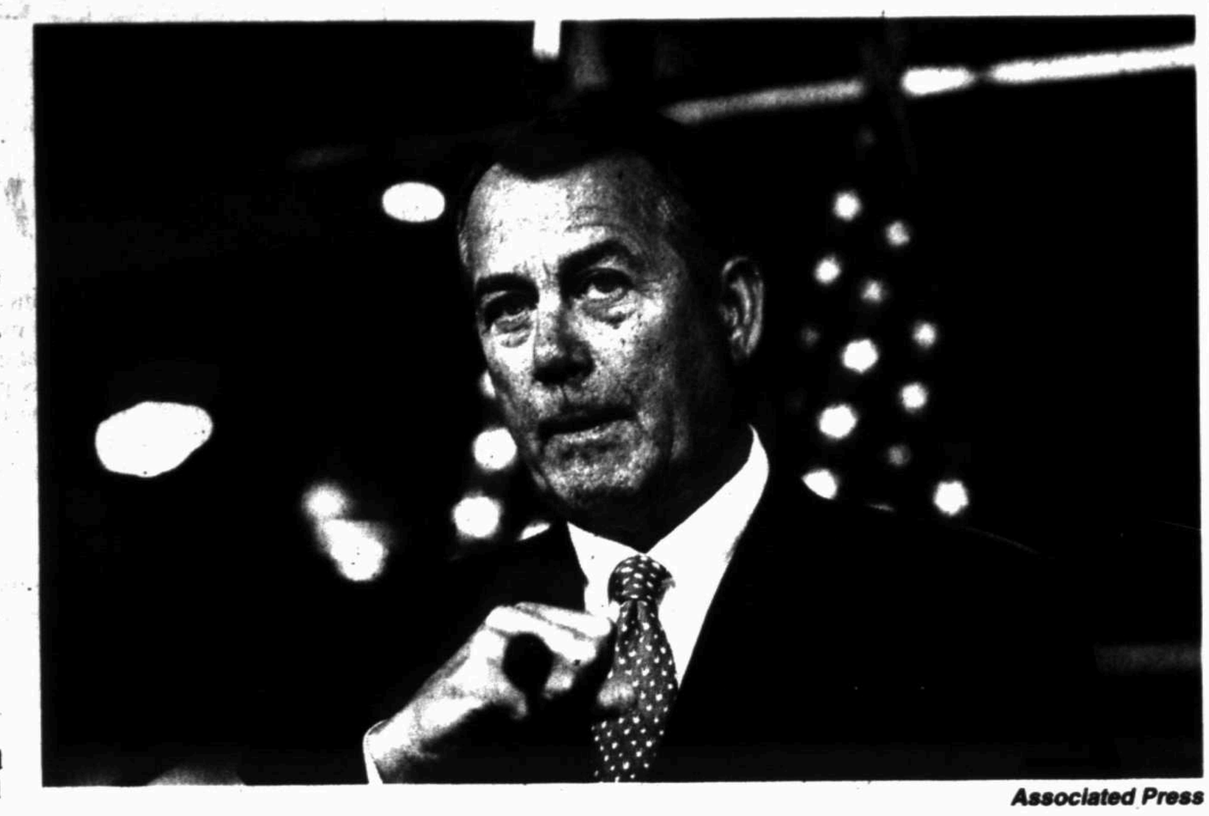
The IRS is getting ample floor time among the bills, reminders of the controversy surrounding the agency's targeting of conservative political groups. The "STOP IRS Act" passed on Wednesday would terminate any IRS employees who "take official actions for political purposes." No IRS employee, at least so far, has been found to have done that in investigations into the extra scrutiny that the agency devoted to tea party and other conservative groups seeking tax-exempt status.

Another bill, titled the "Stop Playing on Citizens' Cash Act" or "SPOCC" Act, would prohibit the tax agency from spending money on employee conferences until it carries out reform recommendations from its inspector general. The bill's title references a widely criticized "Star Trek"-themed video costing more than $50,000 and produced by some IRS employees featuring the TV series' iconic character Mr. Spock.

A "Government Spending Accountability Act" is designed to remind voters of the troubles at the General Services Administration, the government's property manager whose top managers resigned after an inspector general report last year revealed lavish agency spending on a Las Vegas conference. The bill would cap non-military government travel spending.

The "Regulation From Executive in Need of Scrutiny Act," or the REINS Act, sponsored by Rep. Todd Young, R-Ind., would require Congress to give final approval before any major new federal regulations are put in place. It gets a vote today. The White House issued a veto threat, calling it a "radical departure from the longstanding separation of powers" doctrine in the Constitution.

Three previously introduced bills were combined this week into a "Stop Government Abuse Act." Passed Thursday, it would limit federal bonuses through 2015, specifically allow citizens to record most conversations with federal employees and give agencies more leeway to put employees under investigation on unpaid leave.



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House Speaker John Boehner of Ohio gestures during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington on Thursday. The GOP-led House is spending the last days before Congress' summer vacation on bills that tout the party's favorite political themes but have little chance of becoming law.

Senate approves nominee for UN ambassador

WASHINGTON — The Senate easily confirmed President Barack Obama's selection for ambassador to the United Nations on Thursday, capping a month in which senators used a bipartisan truce on once-mired nominations to fill a cluster of vacancies in the president's second-term administration.

Senators approved Samantha Power for the post by 87-10. The vote put the former Obama foreign policy adviser and outspoken human rights advocate into the job formerly held by Susan Rice.

"As a long-time champion of human rights and dignity, she will be a fierce advocate for universal rights, fundamental freedoms and U.S. national interests," Obama said in a written statement after the vote.

Power joined a stack of nominees that senators have approved since striking a bipartisan deal in mid-July. Republicans agreed to allow votes on seven of Obama's picks after Democrats agreed to drop plans to invoke the so-called nuclear option, forcing Senate rules changes that would have made it harder for the chamber's minority parties to block some nominations.

Over the past three weeks, senators have approved Obama's choices to head the Environmental Protection Agency, the FBI, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and other agencies.

Associated Press

Obama picks restructuring expert to take over IRS

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama has chosen a retired corporate and government official with experience managing numerous organizations in crisis to take over an Internal Revenue Service under fire for targeting political groups.

Obama said his nominee for commissioner of the tax agency, John Koskinen, "is an expert at turning around institutions in need of reform."

"With decades of experience, in both the private and public sectors, John knows how to lead in difficult times, whether that means ensuring new management or implementing new checks and balances," Obama said in a statement. "Every part of our government must operate with absolute integrity and that is especially true for the IRS. I am confident that John will do whatever it takes to restore the public's trust in the agency."

Koskinen came in to overhaul mortgage buyer Freddie Mac after its near collapse in the financial crisis at the end of the George W. Bush administration. The 74-year-old also helped restructure the assets of the largest failed life insurance company in U.S. history, Mutual Benefit Life, and reorganize the Penn Central Transportation Company after it became the largest bankruptcy in U.S. history.

His government experience includes handling preparation for the Year 2000 challenge for President Bill Clinton and helping restore the District of Columbia to financial stability after years of mismanagement as city administrator from 2000-2003.

Koskinen's nomination to a five-year term must be confirmed by the Senate.

If confirmed, Koskinen would take over an agency in crisis, just as it is gearing up to administer large parts of the president's health care law.

The IRS has been under siege since May when agency officials acknowledged that agents working in a Cincinnati office had improperly targeted tea party groups for extra scrutiny when they applied for tax-exempt status. The IRS has since released documents suggesting that progressive groups may have been targeted, too.

Congressional investigations have so far shown that IRS supervisors in Washington — including lawyers in the chief counsel's office — oversaw the processing of tea party applications.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON MIDLAND CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT BUDGET

The Midland Central Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2014 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on August 22, 2013, time: 9:00 a.m., 4631 Andrews Highway, Midland, Texas 79703 (Board Room).

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget is:
Appraisal Department, $2,550,992.
Appraisal Review Board Department, $86,464.
Collection Department, $426,381.
Total Combined Budget, $3,063,837.

The total amount of increase over the current year's budget is:
Appraisal Department, $185,875.
Collection Department, $5,138.
Appraisal Review Board Department, $7,253.
Total combined increase $198,266.

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget will be 29 (28 full-time, 1 part time).

The number of employees compensated under the current budget is 29 (28 full-time, 1 part time).

The Midland Central Appraisal District collects Ad Valorem taxes for Midland Independent School District, City of Midland, Midland Community College, Midland County Hospital District and Midland Downtown Management District.

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities, and town served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.

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Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Midland County Hospital District adopts a 2013 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of $0.12727 per $100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2012 taxes by $494,575.

Schedule A – Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the Midland County Hospital District's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Maintenance and Operations	$ 5,321,533

Schedule B – 2013 Debt Service

Midland County Hospital District plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment To Be Paid From Property Taxes	Interest To Be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts To Be Paid	Total Payment
General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009A	$2,355,000	$ 449,625	$ -	$2,804,625
General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009B	$ -	$6,175,660	$ -	$6,175,660
Total Debt Services	$2,355,000	$6,625,285	$ -	$8,980,285

Total required for 2013 debt service	$ 8,980,285
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	$ -
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	$ 1,973,432
- Excess collections last year	$ 675,175
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2013	$ 6,331,678
+ Amount added in anticipation that the until will collect only 98% of its taxes in 2013	$ 139,422
= Total Debt Levy	$ 6,471,101

Schedule C – Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax – Not Applicable to Midland County Hospital District

Schedule D – State Criminal Justice Mandate (for counties) – Not Applicable to Midland County Hospital District

Schedule E – Transfer of Department, Function or Activity – Not Applicable to Midland County Hospital District

Schedule F – Enhance Indigent Health Care Expenditures – Not Applicable to Midland County Hospital District

Name of person preparing this notice: Stephen Bowerman
Title: Vice President /Chief Financial Officer, Midland Memorial Hospital
Date Prepared: July 31, 2013

US Postal Service considers delivering alcohol

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Special delivery from the post office — beer, wine and spirits, if Postmaster General Patrick Donahoe has his way.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Donahoe said Thursday that delivery of alcoholic beverages is on his wish list as the agency considers ways to raise revenue and save money after losing $16 billion last year. He also said he endorses ending most door-to-door and Saturday mail deliveries as a way to help stabilize the service's finances.

Donahoe said delivering alcohol has the potential to raise as much as $50 million a year. He mentioned how customers might want to, for example, mail bottles of wine home when they tour vineyards. Donahoe said his agency has looked at the possibility of using special boxes that would hold two, four or six bottles and ship for a flat-rate anywhere in the country.

"There's a lot of money to be made in shipping beer, wine and spirits," Donahoe said. "We'd like to be in that business."

The Postal Service said mailing alcoholic beverages is currently restricted by law. Customers are even told to cover any logos or labels if they use alcoholic beverage boxes for shipments.

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> **Postmaster General Patrick Donahoe**

The agency is also urging changes in how it delivers the mail. A House committee has passed legislation to stabilize the Postal Service's ailing finances that would cut letter deliveries to five days and phase out door-to-door deliveries over 10 years. The bill does not include a provision to allow the agency to deliver alcohol.

The Senate passed a postal reform bill last year that included a provision allowing the agency to deliver alcohol. The bill would require that such shipments would have to comply with any state laws where the shipment originated and was delivered. The measure also said the recipient would have to be at least 21 years old and would need to provide valid, government-issued photo identification upon delivery.

The agency faces $15 billion in losses this year and is working toward restructuring its retail, delivery and mail processing operations.

"We don't want to take any more debt on," Donahoe said. "We want to be able to get profitable, pay it down, just like any other business would, so that you stay strong for the future."

The service's losses are largely because of a decline in mail volume and a congressional requirement that it make advance payments to cover expected health care costs for future retirees. About $11.1 billion of last year's losses were because of the health care payments.

Donahoe said that over the past decade, the mail volume at his agency's trademark blue boxes has dropped 60 percent.

"That's our most profitable mail," he said. "That will continue to drop off because people pay bills online. And we understand that. It's easy, it's free, and so we have to continue to make changes."

On a bright note, Donahoe said the volume of packages the service handles has grown considerably in recent years, a trend he expects to continue.

The House Oversight and Government Reform Committee recently approved a plan for the service to gradually shift from door delivery to cluster box and curbside delivery, which includes mailboxes at the end of driveways. The agency has been moving toward curbside and cluster box delivery in new residential developments since the 1970s.

About 1 in 3 mail customers has door-to-door delivery. Some lawmakers have complained that ending home delivery in many densely developed urban areas would be difficult and pose hardships for many people, including the elderly and places where the weather can be harsh.

"We'd work with the communities," Donahoe said, adding there would be special hardship exemptions for those physically unable to get their mail at centralized locations.

Donahoe said there are ways to install centralized mail boxes that fit in well with the neighborhood and also don't cause a lot of hardship for customers.

About 30 million residential addresses receive delivery to boxes at the door or a mail slot. Another 87 million residential addresses receive curbside or cluster box delivery.

Door-to-door delivery costs the agency about $350 per year for each address. Curbside delivery costs average $224, while cluster box delivery averages $160.

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Anthem Lights returns to Rock the Desert for a 5 p.m. performance Saturday in the main tent. The group is composed of singers Caleb Grimm and Chad Graham and acoustic guitarists/singers Alan Powell and Joey Stamper.

Anthem Lights to perform Saturday at Rock the Desert

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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Anthem Lights is returning to Rock the Desert for the second year, and vocalist Caleb Grimm said the band is excited to meet so many people with a passion for glorifying God through music.

The four-person pop group will perform at 5 p.m. Saturday in the main tent.

Based out of Nashville, Tenn., Anthem Lights has been touring for about two and a half years. Grimm described their style as "energetic pop rock."

The group is composed of singers Grimm and Chad Graham and acoustic guitarists/singers Alan Powell and Joey Stamper, who all met while attending Liberty University in Virginia.

Also at RTD

Jenny Simmons will take the stage at 1 p.m. today and 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the teen tent.

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"From the beginning, Anthem Lights has been about ministry," Grimm said. "The message of our music is twofold — to the believer, Christianity is supposed to affect every part of your life. To the nonbeliever, there is more to life than just getting up in the morning and chasing whatever you're chasing — job or car or girl. You were made for a purpose by a creator that loved you."

The group's self-titled album "Anthem Lights" came out in 2011, and they will release a second album, "You Have My Heart," in September.

Along with original music, the group does covers of "clean pop songs" from famous pop artists such as *NSYNC, Justin Bieber, Demi Lovato, Taylor Swift and One Direction.

"We've found that's a really cool way to reach non-Christians who wouldn't be searching for Christian music," Grimm said. "They wouldn't be looking up Anthem Lights — they'd be looking up One Direction or Justin Bieber or something."

Music is an outlet for the group's faith, Grimm said.

"I don't know how to do music without letting my faith speak through the music," he said. "I feel like it touches every aspect of my life."

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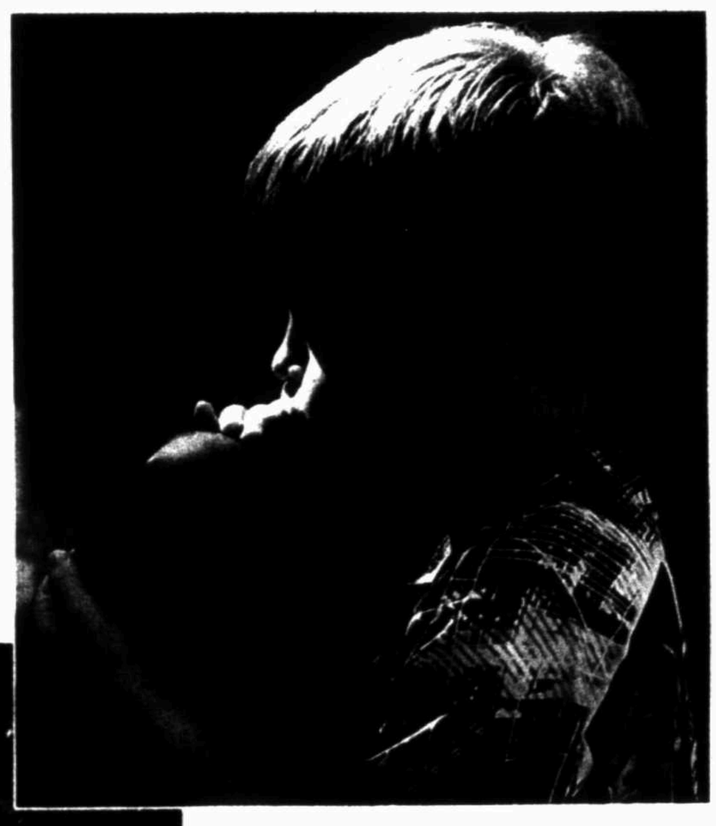

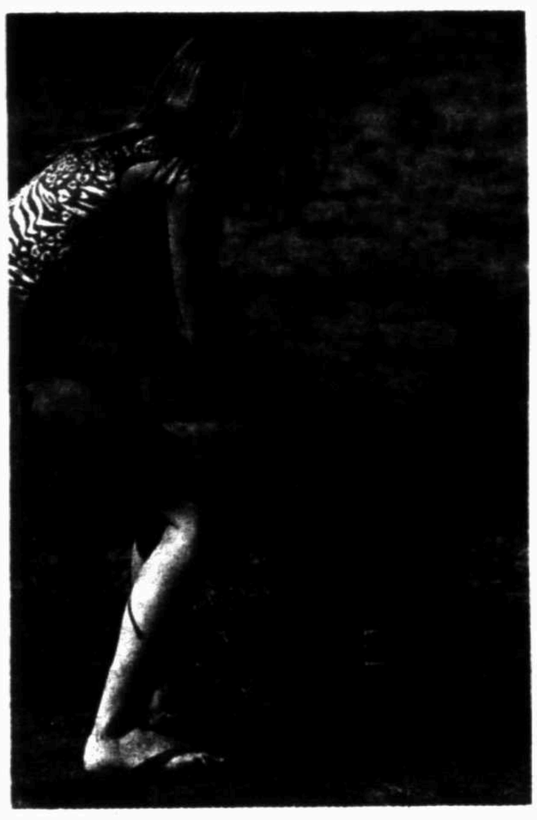

LEFT
Solomon Owunna cools off sliding down a Slip-n-Slide Friday during activity time at vacation Bible school at Northwestern Baptist Church.

TOP RIGHT
Dyllan Griffith blows up a balloon Friday during activity time.

ABOVE
Bethany Smith empties a sponge as she and others play games Friday during activity time.

Photos by Tim Fischer

Religion with Ragini: St. Luke's UMC searches for God in Broadway musical 'Rent'

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Editor's note: Every few weeks, MRT staff writer Ragini (rhymes with mahogany) Venkatasubban will visit a different religious gathering in the Permian Basin and write about her experience. The column serves to give readers, especially those who are new to Midland, a glimpse inside West Texas churches, temples and religious communities.

Can God be found on Broadway?

This was the question posed by St. Luke's United Methodist Church in July, with each week's service devoted to discovering God in a different musical. After going through "Sister Act," "Camelot" and "Beauty and the Beast," I attended last Sunday's worship that celebrated the often controversial rock musical "Rent."

As I entered the sanctuary, greeters handed me a candle and a program, stylized to look like the playbill for a Broadway musical. Pews lined the room, with an altar and piano at the front.

We began the service by singing a traditional hymn, "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah." As we sang, the choir walked down the aisle and took their places at the front of the sanctuary, ready for a morning of belting out show tunes.

Pastor Kathryn Boren took the stage, her gentle voice calming the congregation and bringing a sense of peace to the room. I realized how truly important it is to have a religious leader who exudes a feeling of calm yet strong leadership.

Boren asked the congregation to share any joys, news or concerns. Several birthdays were announced. One lady, growing emotional, shared that she was officially adopting her foster child. After each announcement, Boren stated, "God in your graciousness/mercy," to which the congregation responded with, "Hear our prayers."

We moved on to a silent prayer and the Lord's Prayer, along with hearing the first musical selection from "Rent," "Will I?" Then came the cutest part of the morning — the Children's Moment, where every child came to the front of the room and listened as Boren talked to them and prayed with them.

Two more "Rent" songs, "One Song Glory" and "Without You," were performed, and then came Boren's pastoral message, or "soliloquy."

The idea of exploring God in the musical "Rent" came from a trip to Louisiana that Boren had been on with a youth group to repair damage from Hurricane Andrew, she said. Boren was traveling from Abilene to Louisiana in a car full of teenagers, one of whom had just visited New York City and seen "Rent" on Broadway.

The girl was full of life and enthusiasm, excitedly describing the musical, until she realized there were "church people" in the car and lowered her voice because "Rent" contained "bad language," Boren said. Teenagers sometimes get disillusioned with church and church leaders because they feel like they're out of touch with the world, Boren said. The church often makes things too simple and gives too many "easy answers,"

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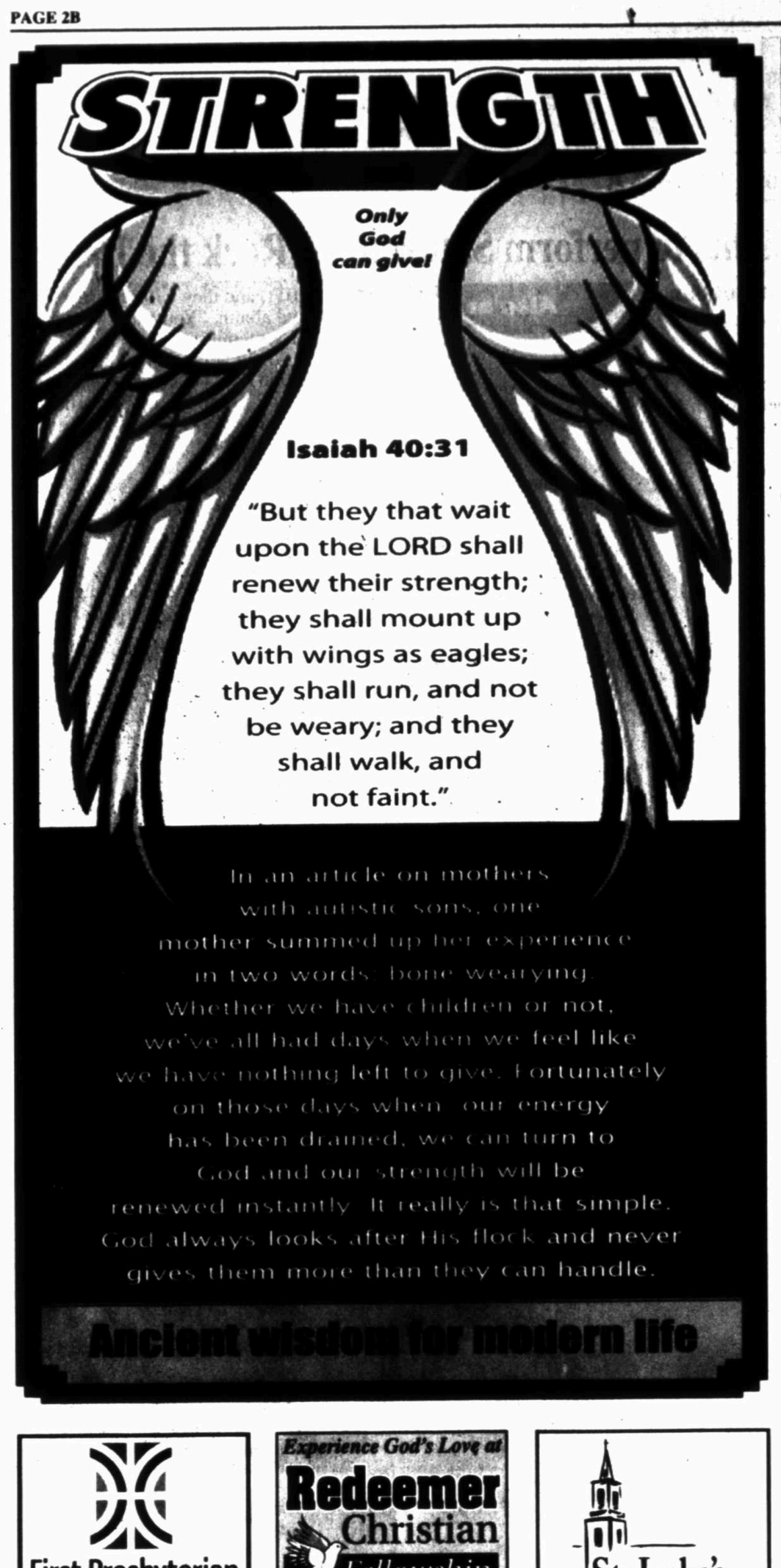

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RELIGION BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

CALIFORNIA

Televangelist Schuller out of hospital after fall

GARDEN GROVE — Crystal Cathedral founder and former televangelist the Rev. Robert H. Schuller is out of the hospital after a fall at his Southern California home last month.

Schuller's daughter, Carol Schuller Milner, told The Associated Press on Thursday that her father needed physical therapy and was alert and walking.

The 86-year-old televangelist, who started the popular "Hour of Power" broadcast and built Orange County's glass-paned Crystal Cathedral, fell on July 20 at his home in Orange.

Schuller once attracted millions of viewers worldwide with his sermons broadcast from the Crystal Cathedral, but in later years his ministry suffered from a decline in viewership and donations.

Schuller resigned from the ministry's board in 2012, two years after the famed church filed for bankruptcy.

ALABAMA

State focuses on church involvement with vets

AUBURN — About 170 church representatives and other faith-based groups have attended a conference aimed at getting churches and other religious groups more involved with helping veterans returning home

The Alabama Veterans Well-Being Ministry Conference was held Thursday at Auburn High School. It was a joint project of state agencies including the governor's office and private organizations.

Retired Army chief of chaplains, Douglas L. Carver, said about 40 percent of veterans with mental issues seek help from spiritual leaders, and faith groups need to know how to help.

The conference included sessions for pastors and others on post-traumatic stress disorder and recognizing warning signs of potential suicide.

Alabama has more than 20,000 veterans who are in the process of returning home.

TENNESSEE

2nd man says 'In God We Trust' violates rights

CLINTON — A second criminal defendant is claiming his rights are violated by "In God We Trust" emblazoned on the Anderson County Courthouse.

Floyd Hammond Jr., 65, of Knoxville is held on drug and theft charges. The Knoxville News Sentinel reported Hammond's lawyer filed a motion Tuesday, seeking dismissal of the charges. The attorney is David A. Stuart, who filed a similar motion a week ago on behalf of another client, Kenneth Darrin Fisher.

The motions claim the placing of the national motto on the sides of the courthouse render it "a temple of fundamentalist self-styled Christianity."

The motion for Hammond states a trial in a courthouse with what the filing calls "unconstitutional religious displays adorning each of its public portals" would be flawed.

Similar assertions in the motions claim a July 23 ceremony dedicating the first sign was dominated by fundamentalist Christian remarks, the county government endorsed a particular view of religion as its "official state religion" in approving the sign and the sign and ceremony dedicating it have violated the state constitution as it pertains to worship.

The motions also cite statements during the dedication ceremony that, according to the filing, "anyone who does not agree with the preachers and proselytizers on matters of religion is going to hell."

Obituaries

Dorothy Davis Mashburn

Dorothy Davis Mashburn, 86, of Midland passed away on August 1, 2013. Dorothy was born December 22, 1926, to James Stant Davis and Ivey Hightower Davis in Franklin County, Texas.

Dorothy graduated from Stanton High School in 1944 and from Texas Tech with a BBA degree in 1948. She was employed in the Human Resources Department of Humble (now Exxon Mobil) until 1983, retiring as the Benefits Administrator for the Southwestern Division.

On March 27, 1952, Dorothy married Jimmie Warren Mashburn in Stanton, Texas. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Midland.

She was preceded in death by her husband Jimmie, her parents, her brothers Harold Davis and Garnett Davis, her sister Seple Davis Orren, and two nephews Harold Glen Orren and Donald Keith Orren.

Dorothy is survived by four nieces: Marilyn Orren Owens of Mt. Vernon, Texas, Patricia Davis of Tucson, Arizona, Cynthia Davis of Arlington, Virginia, Mary Helen Davis of Lancaster, Pa. and one nephew: Steven Harold Davis of Webster, Texas.

Graveside services have been scheduled for 11:00am, Saturday, August 3, 2013 at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Memorials may be directed to the Permian Basin Area Foundation, 200 N. Loraine, Suite 500, Midland, TX 79701 or to the charity of one's choice.

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Midland Reporter-Telegram

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Patty Jean Hobbs

Patty Jean Hobbs went home to be with her Lord and Savior on July 31, 2013.

A private graveside service is planned at Resthaven Memorial Park. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 am, Saturday, August 3, 2013 at Crestview Baptist Church with Dr. John Gerlach and Dr. Larry Ashlock, officiating.

Patty was born March 29, 1927 in Bloomburg, TX to Morris and Mildred Cash. She was reared and educated in Bloomburg. She graduated in 1942 as salutatorian of her class. She attended East Texas State and University of Oklahoma. Patty met Mark Hobbs in Dallas in 1946 and they were married on September 18, 1946 at Highland Park Baptist Church in Dallas. She and Mark then moved to Alpine, TX where he attended Sul Ross and later University of Oklahoma.

They moved to Midland in 1952 where she worked for Tidewater, several other companies and went to work for Drilco as Secretary and Administrative Assistant until it closed. Patty worked for several other companies until she retired. She loved working in the business world.

Patty was a member of Crestview Baptist Church since 1956 where she taught Sunday school for 55 years and served on many committees including Pastor Search Committees.

Patty loved her Lord and her family. She loved people and enjoyed being around them and helping them any way she could.

Patty is survived by her daughter, Julianne Lawrence and her husband Jerry; her daughter-in-law, Elizabeth Hobbs; seven grandchildren, Leslie Nelson, Jeff Hobbs and his wife Pam, Wendy Ghiasinejad, Derek Daugherty and his wife Chelsea, Lindsay Lawrence, Michael Lawrence and his wife Patricia, Matthew Lawrence and his wife Coleen; eleven great grandchildren; three sisters, Nancy McWilliams, Mary Shurtleff and husband Robert, Pam Miller and husband Sam; two brothers, Tommy and wife Sharon, and George and wife Margie; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Patty was preceded in death by her husband, Mark, her parents, Morris and Mildred Cash, son, Lee Hobbs, and sister, Nelda Cummins.

Memorial contributions may be made to Crestview Baptist Church, Forward by Faith Fund.

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

Rita M. Turk

Rita M. Turk, 86, of Midland Texas, passed away on Wednesday, July 31, 2013. The family will receive friends on Friday, August 2, 2013 from 5:00-7:00PM at the funeral home. Graveside services will be on Saturday, August 3, 2013 at 2:00PM at Resthaven Memorial Park with Don Mitchell officiating.

Rita was born on October 23, 1926 in O'Donnell, TX to Lester and Lora Parker. She grew up in O'Donnell and graduated Valedictorian. Rita married the love of her life A.R. Vaughn on June 3, 1944 in Tahoka, TX. She was a bank teller at First National Bank in Midland from 1956-1969 and retired with Texas Commerce Bank in San Angelo in 1989. Rita was an avid seamstress, reader, and loved working on her computer. She enjoyed arts and crafts, fishing, hunting, and shopping.

Rita is survived by her son, Roy Allen Vaughn of Lewisville, TX; daughter, Rita Wade of Midland, TX; grandchildren, David Vaughn of Sanger, TX; Chris Vaughn of Lewisville, TX; Jessica Kirby and husband Tim of Midland, TX; and Shane Wade of Long Beach, CA; great-grandchild, Jake Kirby; brother, Lester Darrell Park Jr., sister, Martha Cannon; and 6 great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by parents, first husband, A.R. Vaughn on April 14, 1966; second husband, Maynard Reed on June 24, 1972; and A.C. Turk on October 22, 1976; two brothers, Darrell Park and Price Parker; and son-in-law, James Weldon Wade on November 8, 1998.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials be donated to the Midland Dialysis.

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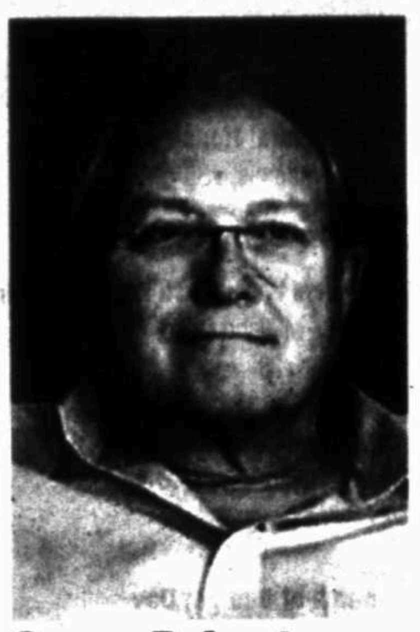

Gerry Robert Edney

Gerry Robert Edney was born Sept. 28, 1946, in Houston, TX. He died of a heart attack on July 30, 2013, in Midland, TX.

Our beloved husband, dad, stepdad, grandpa, and friend has gotten to heaven and said "FANTASTIC!" for the last time. We rejoice in our knowledge that he was a Christian and one of the nicest people you could ever meet.

Gerry worked many years for the Texas Workforce Commission in Odessa and Midland. He then worked almost 14 years for HEB in many departments. He was the voice of the deli when he was there and many have heard his announcements for that department. In April of 2012, he opened Salt Haven Wellness Center in Midland and enjoyed meeting many new friends.

Gerry was preceded in death by his parents - Robert Edney and Christine Knight Edney. He is survived by his wife, Donna; sons, Shawn of Raleigh, NC and Stephen & Kristen Edney of Ben Wheeler, TX.; step-daughters, Carol & Rick Stocks of St. Louis, MO. and Sharon & James Schwab of Midland, TX.; nine grandchildren, Cory, Matthew, Andrew and Samuel of Raleigh, NC., Isabel, Audrey, Kaitlyn, and Sofia of Ben Wheeler, TX. and Wheeler of St. Louis, MO.

Visitation will be Thursday evening at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory, from 6:00 until 8:00 pm.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday August 2, 2013, at Memorial Christian Church (1001 Andrews Highway). Please dress casually as Gerry hated ties and loved his jeans.

Memorials can be made to Family Promise of Midland (PO Box 7601 Midland TX 79708) or the charity of your choice.

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

Death Notices

A. G. Martinez, II

A. G. Martinez, II, of Big Spring passed away on Tuesday, July 30, 2013.

Vigil services will be at 8:00p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:30a.m. Friday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

He is survived by his wife: Paula M. Martinez; six sons; three daughters; thirty-two grandchildren; and a number of great grandchildren.

Jack Eugene Walcher

Jack Eugene Walcher passed away on July 30, 2013.

Memorial services will be at 2p.m., Monday, August 5th at First United Methodist Church with reception following. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Joyce Ann Barrett

Joyce Ann Barrett, 78, of Coahoma, passed away on July 31, 2013.

She passed peacefully in her home with the aid of Crossroads Hospice. Graveside services will be at 11:00 AM Friday, August 2, 2013 at Coahoma Cemetery. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

She is survived by her children: daughter: Lynda Long; sons: Dale Holder and wife Debbie and Dean Holder; her brothers: Henry Hicks and Ricky Hicks; and numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Walton J. "Walt" Schuyler

Walton J. "Walt" Schuyler, 88, of Midland, passed away Saturday, July 27, 2013.

Mr. Schuyler will be in state all day Thursday, August 1 at the funeral home. Graveside services will be held at 1:00p.m., Friday, August 2, 2013 at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Survivors include brother-in-law, W.A. Douglas; sister-in-law, Billie Douglas; nephews, Alan Douglas, Gary Douglas, Greg Douglas, Michael Douglas and Marty Douglas; nieces, Patty Thomas and Carrie Leeper of Midland; and cousin, Karlos Quillin.

AP file photo

In November 2012, Tuskegee Airman John Allen holds a photograph taken when he was in his early 20s, in Rio Rancho, N.M. Allen died Tuesday of multiple myeloma. He was 84.

Tuskegee Airman living in NM dies

Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — John Edward Allen, a New Mexico veteran who served as a Tuskegee Airman during World War II and later earned honors for his Air Force service during the Vietnam War, died Tuesday after a long battle with cancer.

The NAACP Albuquerque Chapter President Harold Bailey said Allen died from multiple myeloma. He was 84.

A longtime resident of New Mexico after retiring, Allen was drafted into the U.S. Army Air Forces right out of high school in Live Oak, Fla., in 1945. At 17, he was assigned to the 332nd Fighter Wing of the Tuskegee Airmen — a group that broke racial barriers in World War II by becoming the first black aviators in the U.S. military.

He did not see combat in World War II, but he later received the Air Force Commendation Medal for assisting in de-arming two dozen 500-pound bombs that were dropped from the wing of a B-52 being prepared for a Vietnam War mission.

Upon retiring, the Rio Rancho resident was a sought-after speaker around New Mexico and founded in 2000 a local arm for the General Lloyd W. "Fig" Newton Chapter of the Tuskegee Airman.

"History speaks for itself," Bailey said. "He was a role model, not only for African-Americans, but for all Americans in general."

Despite his accomplishments, Allen's wife, Willie E. Allen, said her husband rarely talked about them unless he was asked.

"I didn't even know he was a Tuskegee Airman until after we were married," she said.

Lauded Texas author Graves dies

New York Times News Service

GLEN ROSE — A battered maple canoe paddle hangs on a wall at Texas State University in San Marcos, framed like a holy relic. Which, to the many admirers of author John Graves, is not far off.

The paddle, part of the university's Wittliff Collections of papers and artifacts from Southwestern literature, was used by Graves on a trip down the Brazos River in 1957. The book that resulted from that trip, "Goodbye to a River," established Graves as a giant in Texas letters and one of the nation's more elegant prose stylists.

Graves died early Wednesday at his home, Hard Scrabble, outside Glen Rose. He was 92.

In an article in Garden and Gun magazine, which celebrated the author's 90th birthday, writer Rick Bass called Graves "the best-loved writer in Texas and one of the least-known beyond the state lines."

Graves wrote about nature without being a nature writer, and about Texas and Texans without falling into bluster or cornpone, "never being puffy, never being boosteristic," said William D. Wittliff, the screenwriter who helped bring to television "Lonesome Dove," a novel by another Texan, Larry McMurtry.

Novelist Stephen Harrigan (the author of, among other books, "The Gates of the Alamo") said of Graves' work: "It all starts with the voice, which is so intoxicating. There's a sense of real authenticity and authority."

He pointed to an opening sentence from "Goodbye to a River," which is as meandering as the river itself but which conveys a sense of the place:

"Most autumns, the water is low from the long dry summer, and you have to get out from time to time and wade, leading or dragging your boat through trickling shallows from one pool to the long channel-twisted pool below, hanging up occasionally on shuddering bars of quicksand, making six or eight miles in a day's work, but if you go to the river at all, you tend not to mind."

John Alexander Graves III was born on Aug. 6, 1920, in Fort Worth. He attended what is now Rice University. In 1942 he entered the Marine Corps and served in the Pacific, where he was wounded by a Japanese grenade in Saipan. The injury left him blind in one eye. He came back to Texas to teach English at the University of Texas but left for New York after three years to earn a master's degree in English at Columbia University.

WEEK AHEAD

Religion opportunities for Aug. 2-8

TODAY

Singles event

First Baptist Church, 2104 W. Louisiana Ave., is hosting the first event in its new "First Fridays" program 6:30-9 p.m. today at the church's fellowship hall. First Fridays will offer music, food, entertainment and a message for single adults ages 30-35 on the first Friday of each month. Free child care is available; email singles@fbc-midland.org. Today's program will include music by Albert Hall and Adriana Jaso and Bible study with Moses Caesar. For more information, call 683-0654 or 683-0644.

Music class

Registration is ongoing for fall Musikgarten classes at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, 1412 W. Illinois Ave. Classes are held on Wednesday afternoons and led by Lydia Willis, a certified Musikgarten instructor. Classes are available for infants through 4-year-olds. For more information, call 683-4207 or email Bert@holytrinity.org.

SATURDAY

Giveaway

Macedonia Baptist Church Crises Ministry is hosting a Family Clothing & School Supplies Giveaway from 8 a.m.-noon Saturday at 201 S. Carver St. For more information, call Alfredia Adkison at 699-0493.

Run/walk

A run/walk is planned Saturday to send Big Spring missionaries to Zambia. Proceeds from "We Sent our Harts to Zambia 5K Fun Run/Walk" will go to send Shawn and Lauren Hart to Zambia. Registration will begin at 8 a.m., and the race will start at 9 a.m. at Scenic Mountain State Park. Entry fee is $30. For more information, call Shawn Hart at 432-238-0642 or Lauren Hart at 432-213-0790.

SUNDAY

Opera singers

Opera singers Susan Graham and Edward Pleasant, both former Midlanders, will perform songs from "The Sound of Music" at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3011 W. Kansas Ave. Selected works include "Morning Hymn" performed with the St. Luke's choir, "The Sounds of Music," "Edelweiss," "Climb Ev'ry Mountain" and "Do-Re-Mi" with children from St. Luke's. The church is continuing the sermon series "Can God be Found on Broadway" through Sunday. The series pairs messages with Broadway musicals including "Sister Act," "Camelot," "Beauty and the Beast," "Rent" and "Sound of Music." The church also is hosting Tuesday Night Lights family movie nights in conjunction with the worship series. For more information, call 694-2571 or visit www.stlukesumc-midland.org.

Summer nights

Alamo Heights Baptist Church, 1305 N. Midland Drive, will host its final Super Summer Sunday Nights 6-8:30 p.m. Sunday. Children will participate in Colossal Coaster World vacation Bible school at the same time as the adult programs. Sunday's program is "Family Finances" with Wayne Keller, pastor of Alamo Heights Baptist Church. For more information, call 697-3101.

Children's ministry

Northwestern Baptist Church, 3901 Mockingbird Lane, is looking to rebuild its children's ministry and welcomes young families to the church. Sunday school starts at 9:30 a.m. and worship begins at 10:30 a.m. The church is planning a Kid's Day on Aug. 25. For more information, email Lucian Rudd, pastor, at pastor@nwbcmidland.org or call 557-0233.

Authors Day

More than 25 local and regional writers will read at 2-4 p.m. Sunday at the Authors Day celebration hosted by The Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely Ave. Readings will include poetry, short stories, essays, articles, interviews, memoirs and excerpts from novels. The event is put on in conjunction with the publication of "Interlude," an anthology of regional works. Authors included in the anthology are from Midland, Odessa, Lubbock, Alpine, Lamesa, Houston and other areas in Texas. Former state poet laureate Larry McGinty contributed his work to the publication. Free copies of the anthology will be available to the authors, friends and family members. The free event is part of the church's Summer Arts and Film Festival.

TUESDAY

Luncheon

Midland/Odessa Christian Women's Connection will host a "Perfect Assistance Luncheon" 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Tuesday, in the Koinonia Room of First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave. Cost is $12 and includes a buffet and program. Guest speakers include representatives of Safe Place of the Permian Basin and Jeri Harkins from Hillsboro who will speak on "Putting Perfection First - Phooey!" Christian Women's Connection has no membership or dues and reservations may be made by calling 432-770-8704 or emailing jehillredbird@aol.com.

FUTURE

Fine arts classes

Music and art camps at First Presbyterian Church will continue with Session 3 on Aug. 12-15. Other summer opportunities at First Presbyterian's Fine Arts School include Musikgarten for babies at 10:15 a.m. Wednesdays, Handbells and Handchimes Camp for students in third through sixth grades. For more information, visit www.fpcmid.org or call Kathy Schorr at 230-2042 for art classes or Becca Sawyer at 684-7821 for music classes.

Church anniversary

Golf Course Road Church of Christ is celebrating 50 years of service. All are invited to join the festivities for the 50 Years Celebration, Aug. 16-18. Visit www.gcrcc.org/50years for more details and to register for this free event.

NEWS

Cowboy camp meeting

First Baptist Church pastor the Rev. Randel Everett preached during morning and evening services at the 93rd consecutive cowboy camp meeting at Paisano Baptist Encampment. About 850 people attended the meeting July 21-26, including 126 children in first through sixth grades and 105 junior and senior high school students. The camp located between Alpine and Marfa was organized in 1915.

During the meeting Paisano president Levi Price announced his intent to retire after serving in the position for 20 years. Price is a former pastor of First Baptist Church in El Paso and professor at Baylor Truett Seminary. A search will commence for the encampment's sixth president.

Jenny Simmons, formerly of Addison Road, to perform at Rock the Desert at 1 p.m. today and 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

Jenny Simmons to perform at Rock the Desert

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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Jenny Simmons, former lead singer for the band Addison Road, will perform this weekend at Rock the Desert.

Simmons will take the stage at 1 p.m. today and 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the teen tent.

"I wouldn't say I started out to do Christian music or not Christian music," she said. "I just started out to write about my life, and I'm a spiritual person, so it works its way into my songs."

Simmons described her style of music as "pop Americana." She was the lead singer in the pop rock band Addison Road, which ended in 2012 after 12 years. The band included Ryan Gregg, Travis Lawrence and her husband, Ryan Simmons.

"It wasn't a bad breakup," she said. "Road life was very hard. I have a daughter — she's 3 years old, and she's already been on 300 airplane rides. There's a certain point where you migrate into your 30s and want to do different things."

After the band ended, Simmons said she felt at a loss for what to do next.

"I wasn't trying to be a solo artist," she said. "I wrote these blogs about how I was feeling totally lost and not knowing what comes next. It was kind of a spiritual moment. New stuff was being born and brought to life — I just couldn't see it yet."

She started writing and performing again and released her first solo album, "The Becoming," in February.

"I've been singing in my hairbrush since I was 3 to Whitney Houston," she said. "It was really kind of a fluke, honestly. I didn't set out to write songs to save people — I set out to write songs that were true to my own story and my own journey."

Simmons will perform Addison Road favorites such as "Hope Now" and "What Do I Know of Holy" in addition to songs from her solo album. This will be her first visit to Midland.

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when teenagers' lives are anything but simple and easy.

Following Boren's 20-minute message were a few more hymns and then a Broadway-style intermission, where the congregation was encouraged to greet their neighbors. People turned to each other, shook hands and said, "Peace of Christ be with you."

Ushers came down the aisles with gold plates, which were passed throughout the pews for people's offerings and donations. After a few more prayers, the hourlong service closed out with the "Rent" favorite, "Seasons of Love," featuring the iconic lyrics, "five hundred twenty-five thousand six hundred minutes" — the number of minutes in a non-leap year.

As the choir sang, we lit our candles by passing the flame from person to person.

Services at St. Luke's are traditional and hymn-based. Though the Broadway worship series will end Sunday, a regular service follows the same order, replacing Broadway songs with hymns.

Services are at 10:30 a.m. Sundays during the summer. Starting Sep. 8, services will be at 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. Sundays.

If you go

Final week of worship series "Can God Be Found on Broadway?" featuring "The Sound of Music" with performances by opera singers Susan Graham and Edward Pleasant.
10:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 4
St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3011 W. Kansas Ave.
Dress code: Casual to semi-formal

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

To have information included on this list, email Megan Buck at mbuck@mrt.com.

THE ORCHARD CHURCH, MISTY@ORCHARDMIDLAND.COM
5-8 p.m. Aug. 4-7
Info: Theme is Kingdom Rocks: Where Kids Stand Strong for God. Dinner at 5 p.m. for children and families.

CUTHBERT AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH, 694-6075
6-8:30 p.m. Aug. 5-8
Info: Theme is Iron Kids Camp

ST. NICHOLAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 694-8856
9 a.m.-noon Aug. 5-8
Info: Theme is Faith Through the Arts. Activities include bookbinding, photography, painting and stitching.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, 683-4207
5:30 p.m. Aug. 12-14
Info: Theme is God's Backyard Bible Camp. Intergenerational vacation Bible school includes evening meal.

ST. MARK'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 683-3339
9 a.m.-3 p.m. Aug. 17
Info: Theme is Everywhere Fun Fair VBS: Where God's World Comes Together. VBS will include book give-aways and back-to-school giveaways. For more information, go to 2013.cokesburyvbs.com/st-marksunitedmethodistchurch.

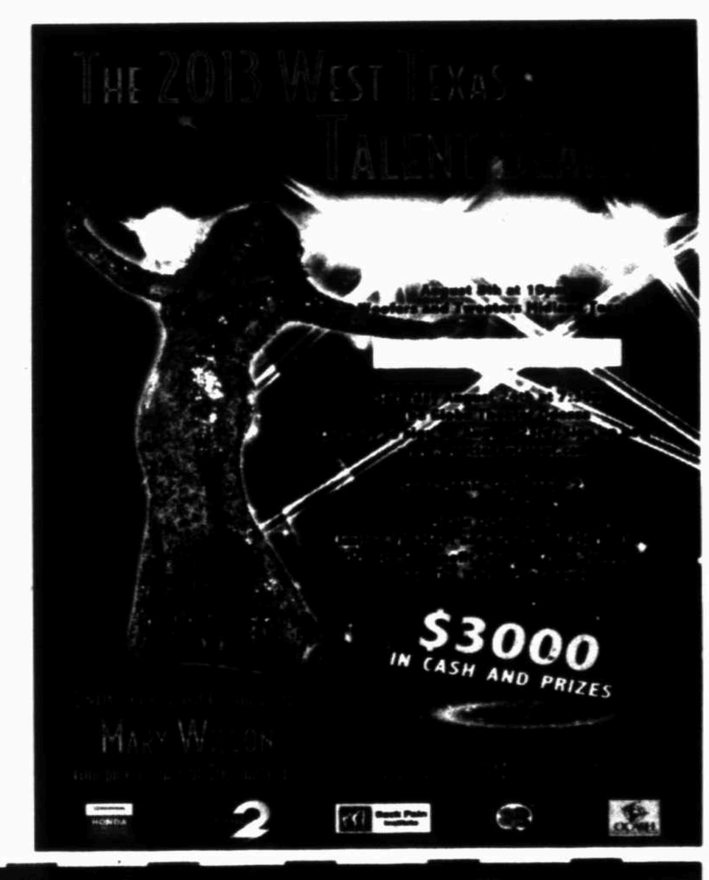
Rick Warren returns to pulpit after son's suicide

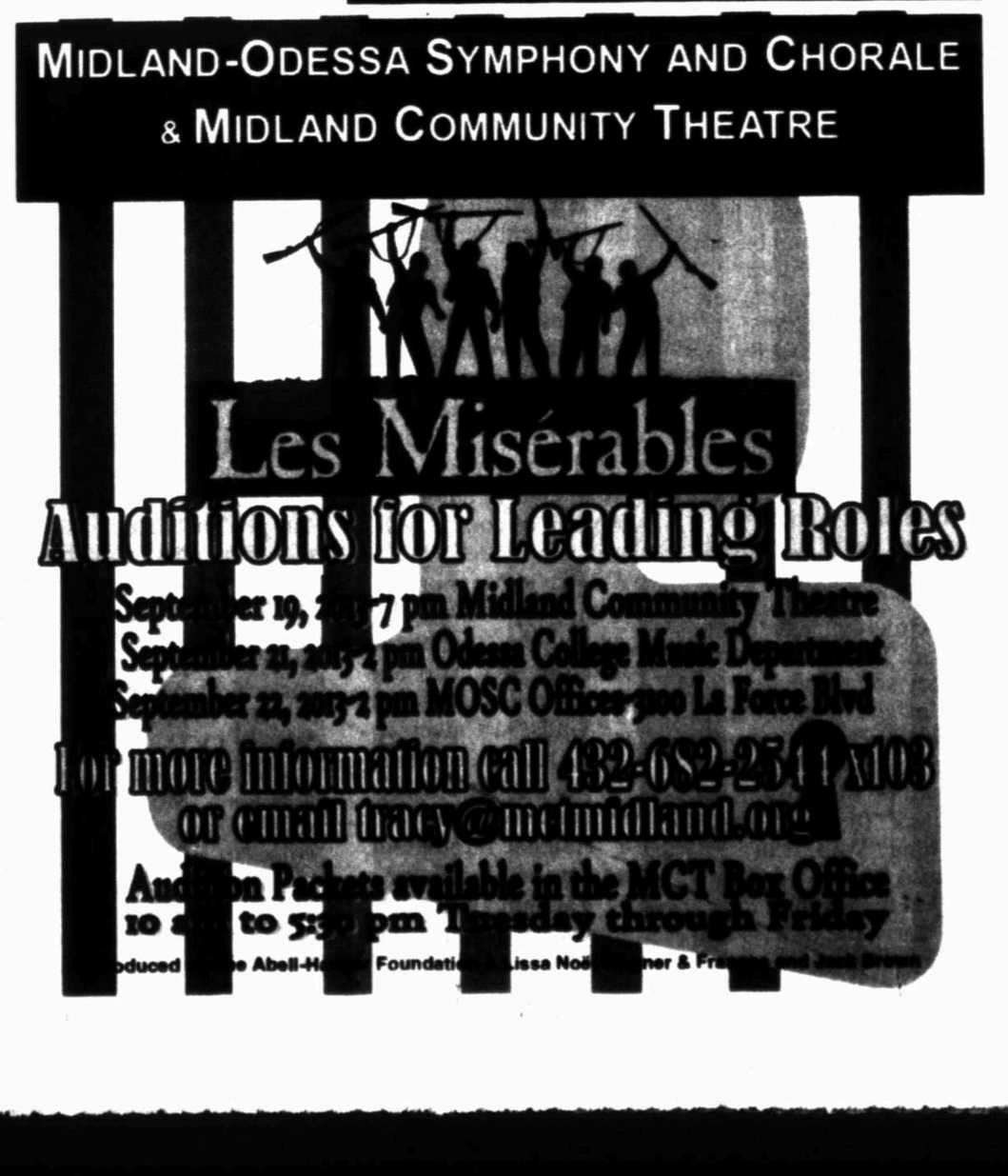
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Nearly four months after his son's suicide, popular pastor Rick Warren has returned to the pulpit at the Southern California megachurch he founded.

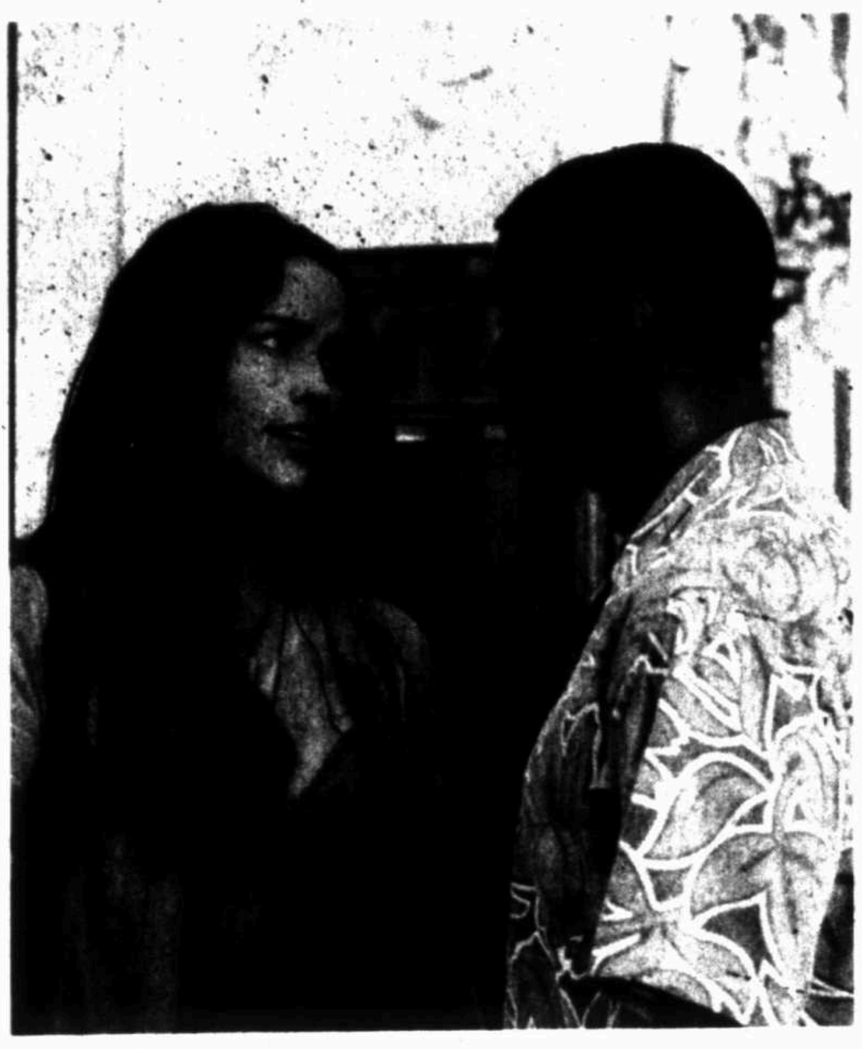
Warren took the stage at services last weekend at Saddleback Church in Lake Forest, Calif., with wife, Kay Warren. They were greeted with standing ovations by their congregation.

It was the first time Warren had taken the Saddleback pulpit since his 27-year-old son Matthew shot and killed himself April 5.

In the sermon, first in a series called "How To Get Through What You're Going Through," Rick Warren said he had the perfect role model for his struggles. He said, "God knows what it's like to lose a son."







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This image at top released by Universal Pictures shows Denzel Washington, left, and Mark Wahlberg in a scene from "2 Guns." **ABOVE** Paula Patton, left, and Washington in a scene from "2 Guns."

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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Shark Tank		Would You Fall for That? (N)		20/20		KMID News.	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	Undercover Boss "Squaw Valley"		Hawaii Five-0 "La O Na Makuahine"		Blue Bloods "No Regrets"		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman		(:35) Late Late (N)
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Seinfeld	Rules of Engage.	America's Next Top Model "Meet the Guys and Girls of Cycle 20" (SP) 1/2 cont'd Aug 8 (N)				Cops	Seinfeld	Rules "Play Ball"	That '70s Show	King of Queens	'Til Death
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Bones "The Cinderella in Cardboard"		The Following "Guilt"		The Simpsons	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Loves Ray	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	
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FLIX	340	65		165		(5:05) October Sky		★★ Die Another Day Pierce Brosnan.				(:15) ★★ Paycheck ('03, Sci-Fi) Ben Affleck.				(:15) Eye See You	
HBO	300	68	14	14		★★★★ Pitch Perfect Anna Kendrick.				Bill Maher		Bill Maher (N)		Bill Maher		The Newsroom	
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PLEX			96			Movie	(:25) Hercules in the Underw...			★★ Little Nikita			(:40) ★★ Speechless			(:20) Jackie Cha...	
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(5:30) Our Idiot B...		★★★ The Help ('11, Dra) Viola Davis, Emma Stone.					Every Day Skyler Fortgang.			(:05) Public Sec...	
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:00) Kinky Boots		Gone ('11, Thril) Molly Parker.			(:35) The Twilight Saga: Breaking Daw...				(:35) The Three Musketeers		
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BET	58	26		40		106&Park	★ Lottery Ticket ('10, Com) Ice Cube, Bow Wow.					★ Crossover ('06, Dra) Tamer Werfali.				Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Tia and Tamera		Tia and Tamera		★★ How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days					How to Lose a Guy in 10 ...		
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FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	★★ The Last Song ('10, Dra) Miley Cyrus.				So Undercover ('12, Act) Miley Cyrus.				The 700 Club		Fresh P.	Fresh P.
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TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Yes to the Dress	Yes to the Dress	Yes to the Dress	Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to (N)	Yes to the Dress	Randy to the Rescue "Miami" (N)		Yes to the Dress	Yes to the Dress	Randy to the Rescue "Miami"	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Supernatural "The Born-Again Identity"		★★★ Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring Elijah Wood. A group of mythical beings are brought together in a quest to destroy a ring of power.							(:45) King & Maxwell "Job Security"		(:45) Percept.
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There's way too many guns in '2 Guns'

By Jocelyn Noveck
Associated Press

■ **REVIEW**

"2 Guns"? Please. There are enough guns in this movie to arm a small country. Maybe a medium-sized one.

There are plenty of jokes in "2 Guns," this summer's latest variation on the buddy-cop theme, starring the engaging duo of Denzel Washington and Mark Wahlberg. But one of the funniest things about it is that title.

Bullets fly every few seconds. By the end, it's impossible to count how many people have died; it's much easier to count who's still alive.

And that's a shame, because ultimately the bang-bang in "2 Guns," directed by Baltasar Kormakur, becomes so tiresome that you forget what should be the main focus of the film: The appealing, easy chemistry between the leads. What should have been an entertaining two hours with this charismatic pair becomes a somewhat exhausting affair that might more aptly be called "Boys and Their Toys."

And permit us here to express some nostalgia for a recent buddy-cop movie that also had chemistry between its stars: "The Heat," with Melissa McCarthy and Sandra Bullock. If they could carry a laugh-filled action film without frequent helpings of violence and torture, why can't the men?

The script, written by Blake Masters and based on the BOOM! Studios graphic novels by Steven Grant, is complicated — perhaps unnecessarily so. We begin with Bobby (Washington) and Stig (Wahlberg) plotting a small-town bank robbery, each believing the other to be a disposable criminal, and each trying for his own reasons to seize the loot of drug lord Papi Greco (an excellent Edward James Olmos).

They soon discover that instead of the couple million bucks they were expecting to find, there's upward of $40 million in the bank. To whom does it belong? Well, wait, because first we need to tell you that each man also learns the other's real identity. Bobby, you see, is a DEA agent. And Stig? Navy intelligence.

Both are now on the run, pursued by a shady character, Earl, who says the money's his and wants it back (Bill Paxton, amusingly sleazy). Earl, who's always surrounded by henchmen, has an unnerving interrogation method: it's called Russian Roulette.

But it's not only Earl who's after the duo: Stig is persona non grata with the Navy now, after running afoul of a corrupt boss (James Marsden, his usual charm untapped in this role).

In short, the boys are in all kinds of trouble, and we haven't even told you about Bobby's girlfriend, Deb (Paula Patton), who also works for the DEA and loves Bobby, but might be dating somebody else who ALSO might be big trouble.

Confused? Well, at least you'll find yourself laughing often at the Washington-Wahlberg banter. These guys are funniest doing little things, like quibbling over how much you should tip a waitress — just after they've set a huge fire to the diner she works in and the place is about to blow. Or discussing their relationship — Stig's the touchy-feely one, hoping, he says, for an "Ebony and Ivory" sort of union. He wants to work "together." Bobby wants to work "in the same area code."

But for each amusing exchange, there's a gratuitous scene that dampens the proceedings. One of the worst involves the torture of chickens. Yes, that's what we said.

There's also a juvenile obsession with male private parts, and guns aimed at said private parts.

It all ends in an orgiastic shootout, of course. Will there be a sequel? Well, we'd like to see more of Washington and Wahlberg together. Hey, maybe they could join McCarthy and Bullock in THEIR sequel?

"2 Guns," a Universal Studios release, is rated R by the Motion Picture Association of America for "violence throughout, language and brief nudity." Running time: 109 minutes. Two stars out of four.

STILL SHOWING

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RATINGS: 4 stars: Excellent; 3 stars: Good; 2 stars: Fair; 1 star: Poor

"THE CONJURING" — Husband-and-wife paranormal investigators are thrown for a loop by the most terrifying case they've ever dealt with in this unexpectedly fresh, alive, and vibrant haunted house thriller. 1 hr. 52 R (profanity, violence, demonic horror, filicide). 3 stars.

"DESPICABLE ME 2" — The Anti-Villain League recruits Gru when a powerful new criminal emerges in this animated family sequel. 1 hr. 38 PG (mild scares, rude humor, use of flatulence guns). 2 1/2 stars.

"FRUITVALE STATION" — Michael B. Jordan gives a deeply nuanced performance as Oscar Grant, the 22-year-old Oakland, Calif., man shot and killed by a transit cop in the early hours of New Year's Day, 2009. Ryan Coogler's film reconstructs — and in some instances, reimagines — the events of the day and night leading up to this tragic episode. 1 hr. 25 R (violence, profanity, drugs, adult themes). 4 stars.

"THE HEAT" — Sandra Bullock is the brains, Melissa McCarthy the mouth and the muscle in this mismatched-cop comedy founded on the proposition that the lower the humor, the louder the laughter. That's true until this profanely funny comedy veers into a sinkhole of "Pulp Fiction" comic violence in its final third. 1 hr. 57 R (extreme profanity, violence, sexual candor, surgical humor, drugs).

"MONSTERS UNIVERSITY" — Pixar's first prequel takes a look at how its "Monsters, Inc. stars, Mike and Sully (the voices of Billy Crystal and John Goodman), first met, in the ivied halls of a college campus where the multi-hued, multi-limbed, multi-eyeballed students learn how to be "scarers." Cute, funny, but not on the top tier when it comes to originality. 1 hr. 50 G (mild scares) 2 1/2 stars.

"PACIFIC RIM" — Guillermo del Toro's thunderous, thumping monsters-vs.-robots throwdown fuses a modern day, apocalyptic sense of dread with the crazed spirit of those vintage Japanese sci-fi pics starring Godzilla and Gorgo. It's a nuclear-powered mixed martial arts match, and pretty soon you lose count of how many rounds they've gone. Big, loud fun. PG-13 (intense action, violence, adult themes). 3 stars

"RED 2" — The explosive adventures of retired spies Bruce Willis, Helen Mirren and John Malcovich never get old. Just a little formulaic in this sequel. 1 hr. 56 PG-13 (profanity, violence, drugs). 2 1/2 stars.

"TURBO" — A snail in the Indy 500? That's the premise of this formulaic animated feature that definitely isn't hitting on all cylinders. With the voices of Ryan Reynolds, Paul Giamatti, Michael Pena, Maya Rudolph and Snoop Dogg. 1 hr. 36 PG (mild action and thematic elements). 2 stars.

"WORLD WAR Z" — Brad Pitt goes running around the world — and driving, and helicoptering, and bicycling and jet-planing — in a desperate attempt to find the cure for a zombie pandemic. A relentless horror thriller. First stop: Philly. 1 hr. 56 PG-13 (intense scares, zombie violence, adult themes) 3 stars.

"GROWN UPS 2" — A family man who has relocated his brood back to the small town where he grew up endures the last day of school along with his childhood friends. With Adam Sandler, Kevin James, Chris Rock and David Spade. Written by Sandler, Fred Wolf and Tim Herlihy. Directed by Dennis Dugan. (1:41) PG-13.

"R.I.P.D." — A pair of undead cops are dispatched by the Rest in Peace Department to protect the world from supernatural threats. With Ryan Reynolds, Jeff Bridges and Mary-Louise Parker. Written by Phil Hay and Matt Manfredi. Directed by Robert Schwentke. In 3-D. (2:16) PG-13.

"THE WOLVERINE" — In modern-day Japan, the X-Man known as Wolverine faces deadly opponents and struggles with his own immortality. With Hugh Jackman. Written by Mark Bomback and Scott Frank. Directed by James Mangold. In 3-D. (2:06) PG-13.

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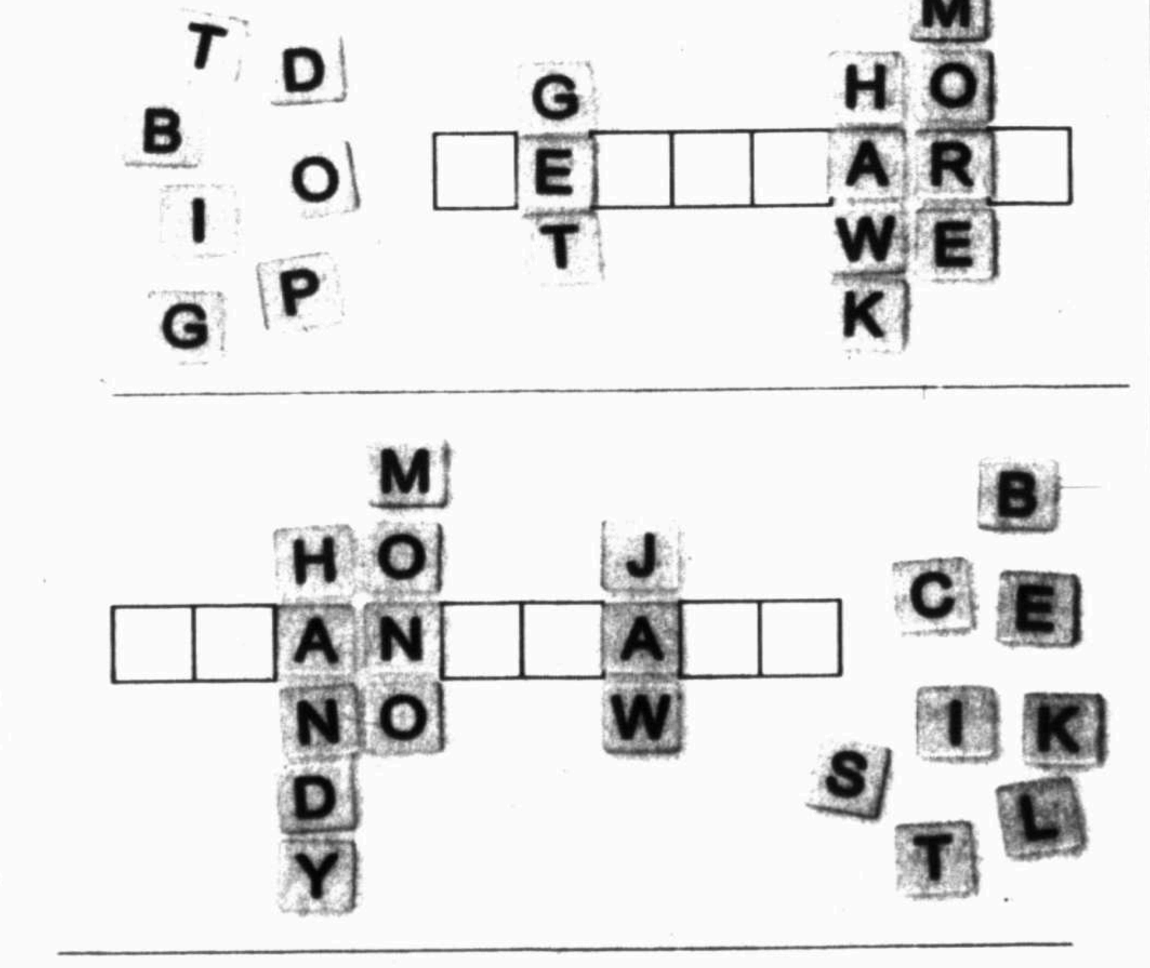

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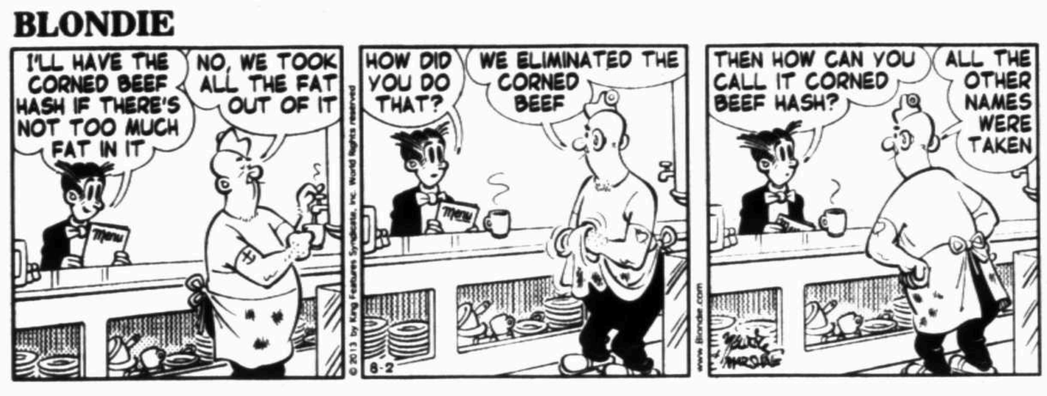

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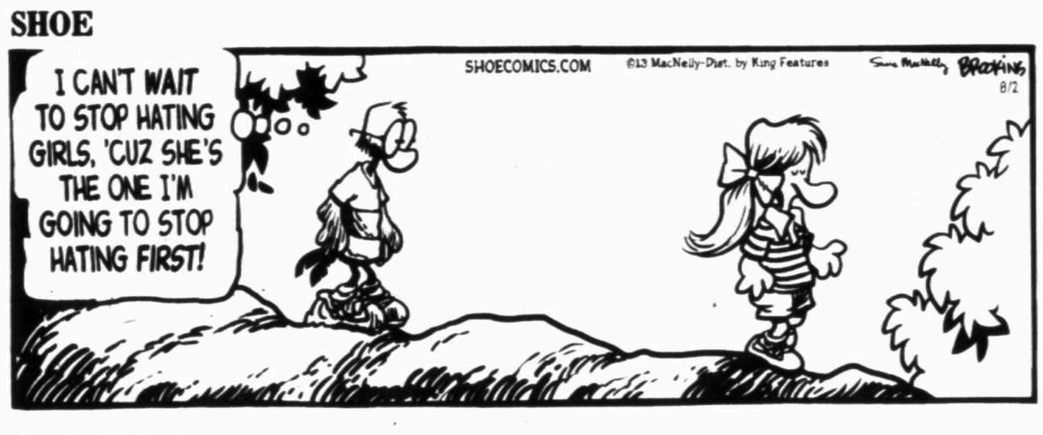

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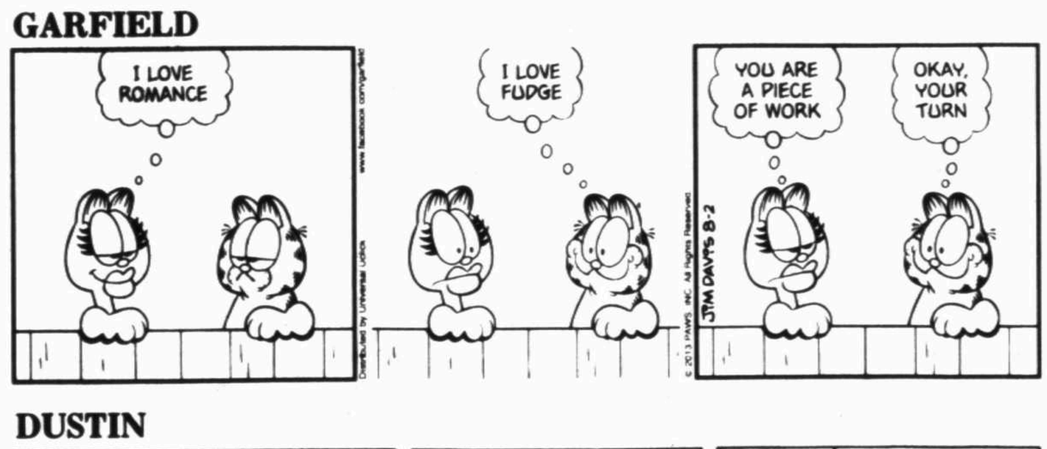

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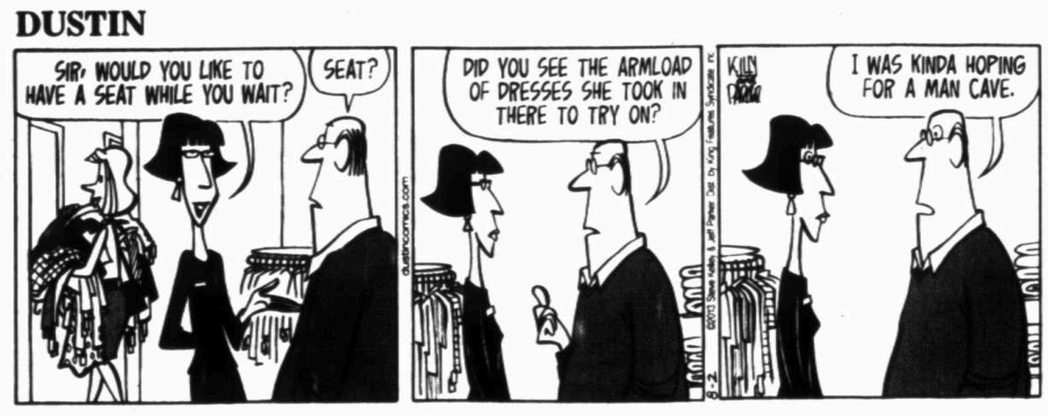

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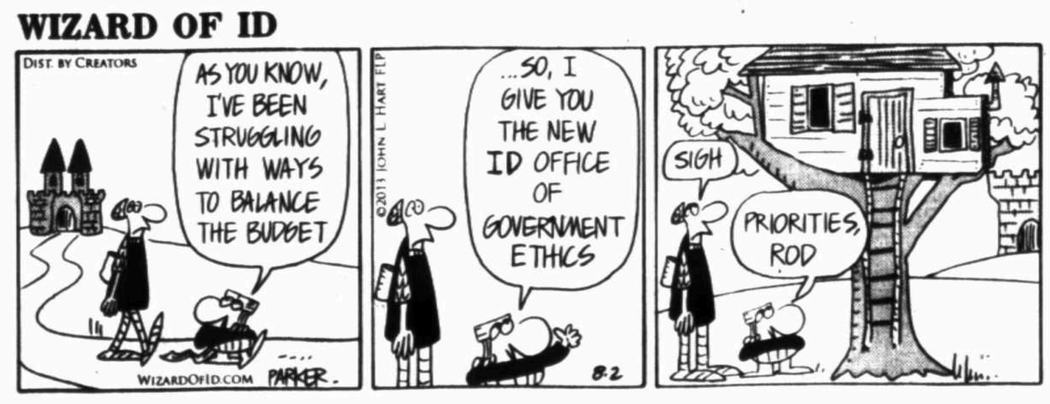

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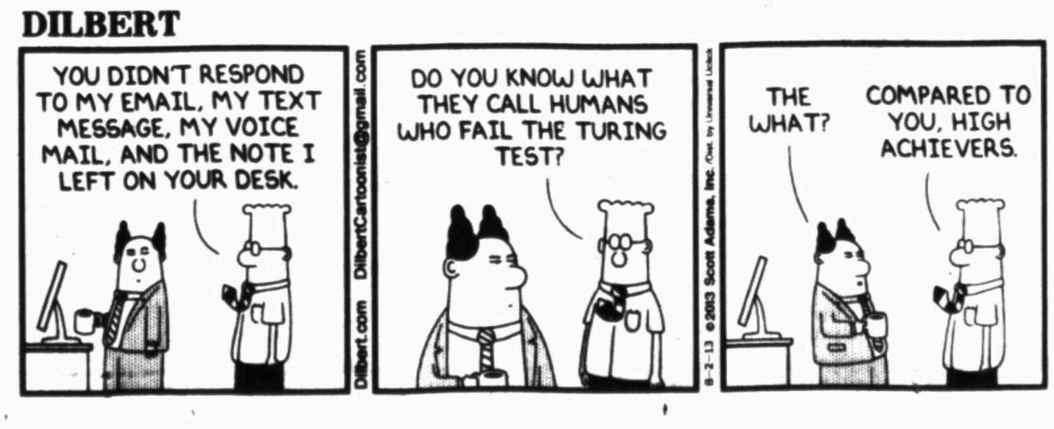

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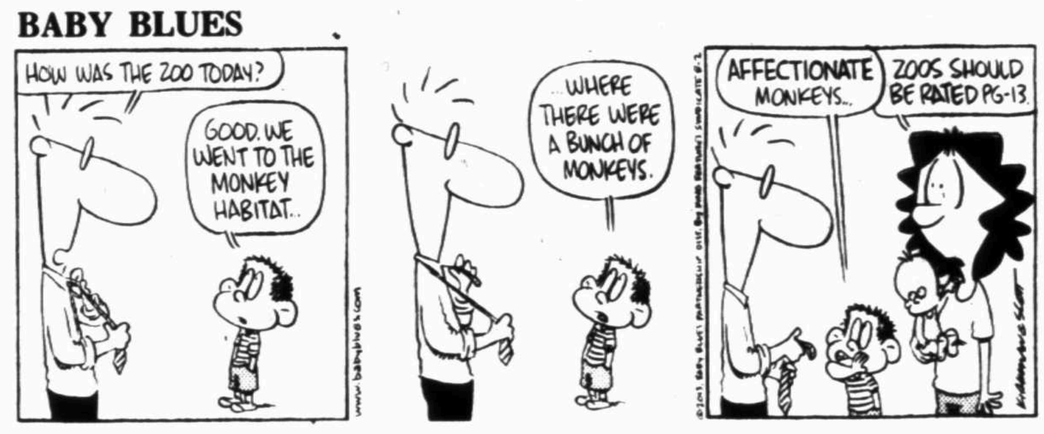

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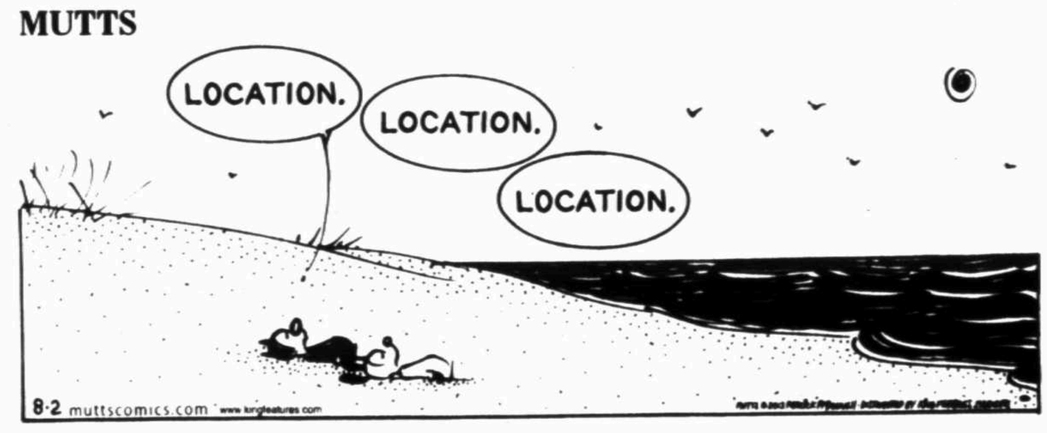

CLOSE TO HOME

"I'm here to find my inner child."

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"WHAT DO WE EAT TO KEEP *HER* AWAY?"

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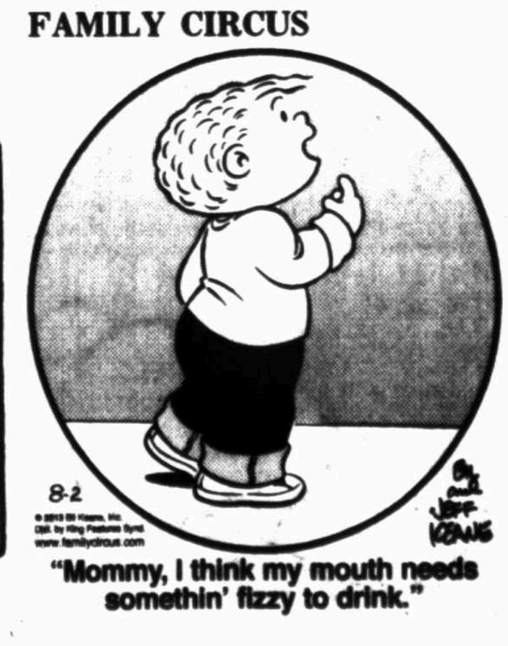

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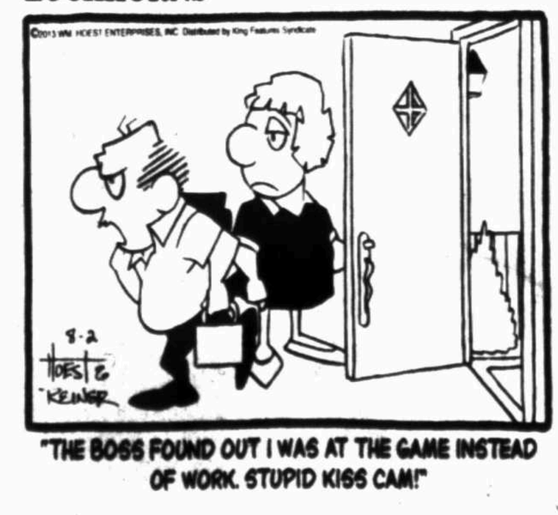

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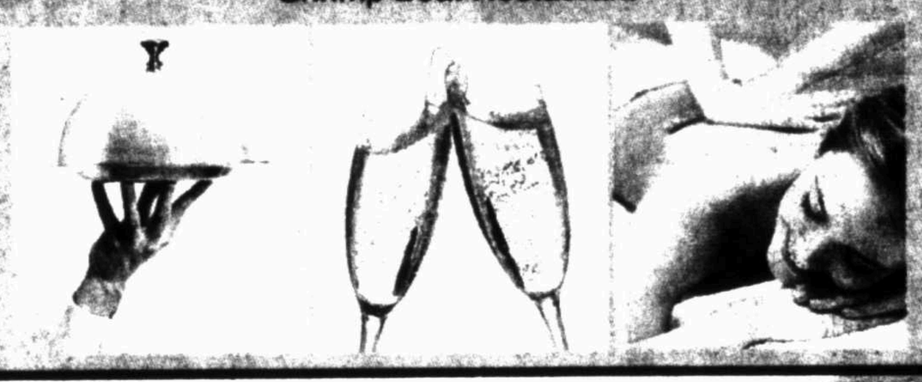

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'Hounds can't get key hit versus Hooks

From staff reports

CORPUS CHRISTI — The Midland RockHounds managed to get the tying run in scoring position with no outs in the top of the ninth inning, but couldn't come up with one last hit to prolong the game.

As a result, the Corpus Christi Hooks held on for a 5-4 victory against the RockHounds at Whataburger Field on Thursday.

RockHounds third baseman Jefry Marte, who was a defensive substitution for Vinnie Catricala in the bottom of the sixth, doubled to lead off the ninth inning, trailing 5-4. However, Hooks closer Jonas Dufek got Max Muncy to fly out and then got back-to-back strikeouts of Ryan Lipkin and Darwin Perez for his first save with Corpus this season.

Hooks	5
RockHounds	4

Goebbert

Catricala

Midland was up 4-3 heading into the bottom of the fifth inning, but some command issues for RockHounds starter Murphy Smith along with an error, two stolen bases and two singles led to the Hooks scoring two runs and taking the lead.

The inning began innocently enough with Smith getting Ronald Torreyes to ground out and Preston Tucker to pop out in foul territory. Yet after a ground ball single to center by Hooks catcher Max Stassi, Smith went wild.

He threw two wild pitches during Domingo Santana's at-bat, allowing Stassi to advance to third, and then didn't get any help from his defense when Catricala committed an error, allowing Santana to

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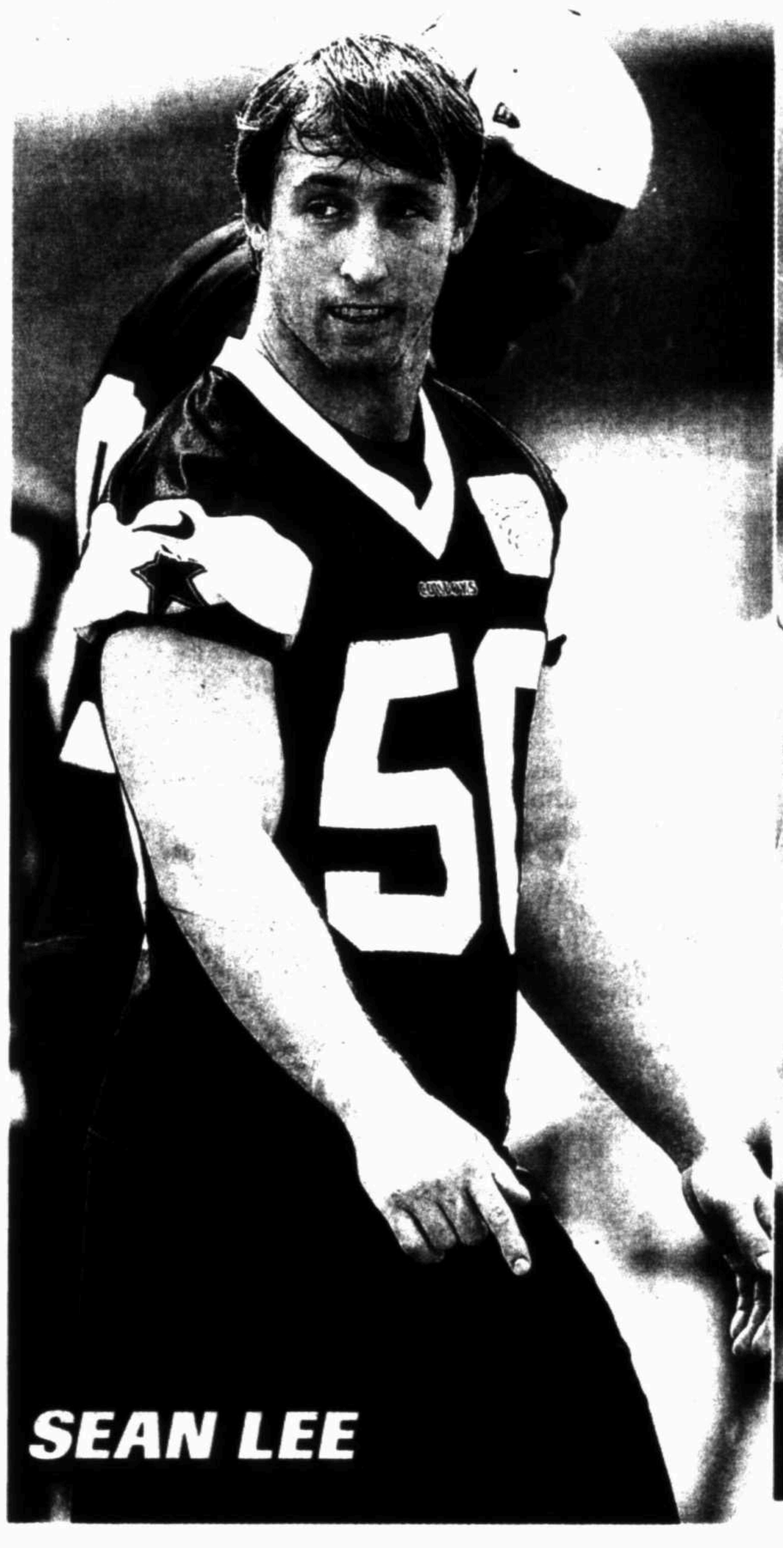
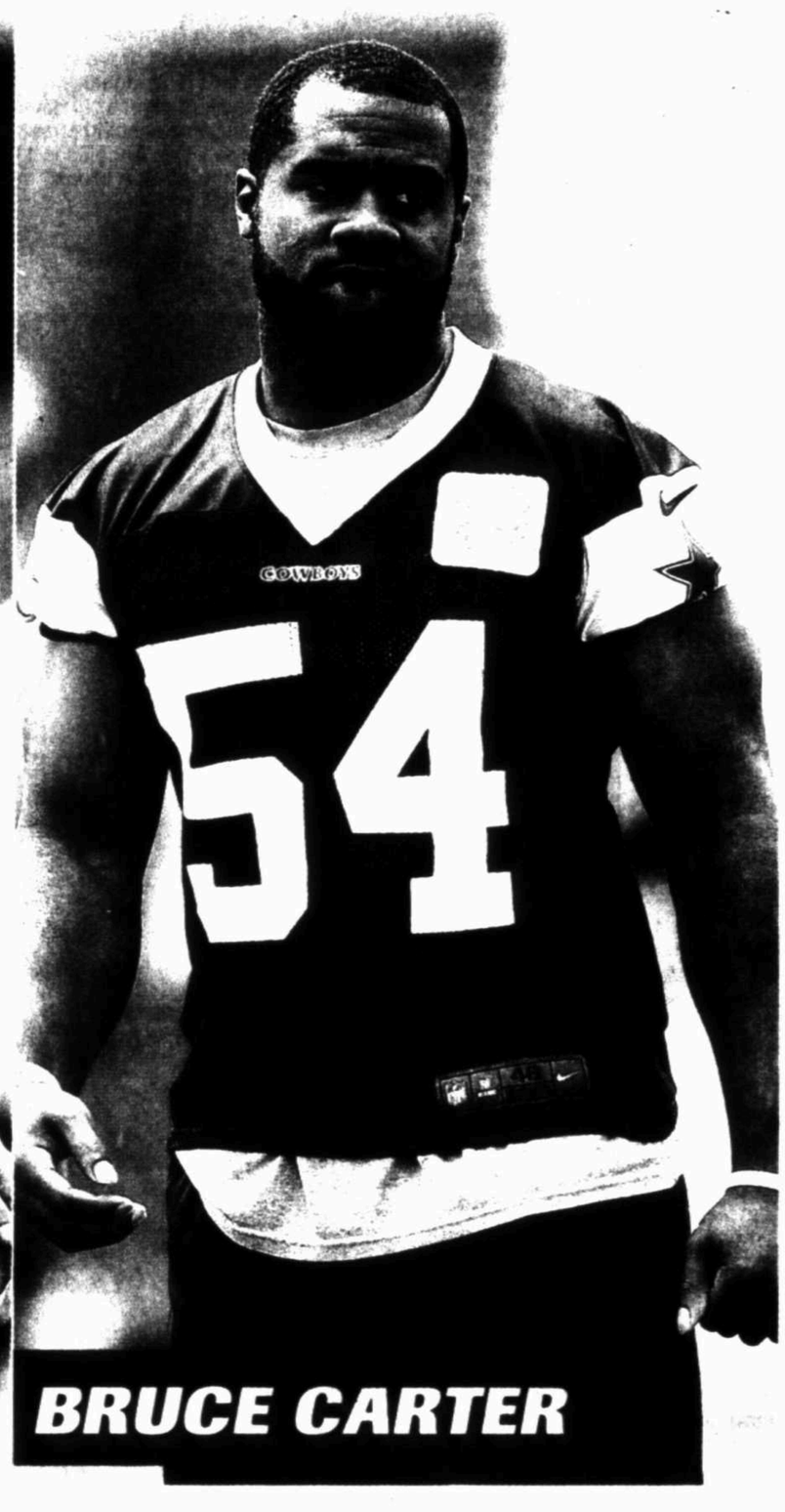
Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Rick Houston watches his drive off the tee on Aug. 4, 2012 in the second round of the Men's City Championship a Hogan Park Golf Course.

Playmaking pair



SEAN LEE



BRUCE CARTER

Cowboys counting on Carter, Lee on defense

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

OXNARD, Calif. — Sean Lee dismisses talk of how good the Dallas defense could be if he and Bruce Carter started together at linebacker for a full season.

It hasn't happened yet. So until it does — and until the Cowboys get back to the playoffs — Lee's not listening.

"Until you win a Super Bowl, until you've got it on tape week to week, it means nothing," Lee said. "That's all hype. If we lean on that hype, we're never going to be good."

The Cowboys are counting on this playmaking pair to be good.

Dallas won three straight games last season when both were sidelined by season-ending injuries — Lee with a badly damaged toe in the sixth game at Carolina and Carter with a dislocated elbow on Thanksgiving against Washington.

But the defense ultimately faltered without them. The Cowboys couldn't stop Drew Brees' passing game and got run over by Washington rookie Alfred Morris in a pair of season-ending losses that kept them out of the playoffs for the third straight year.

Carter and Lee aren't watching anymore, though.

They're at the center of a defensive makeover that started soon after the season, when the Cowboys fired defensive coordinator Rob Ryan and replaced him with Monte Kiffin so they could return to the more linebacker-friendly 4-3 defense after nearly a decade in the 3-4.

"When you're playing the 4-3 defense, those ... (linebackers) are protected a little bit more," coach Jason Garrett said. "They gotta get to the football and make plays."

Both have shown they can. Lee has a knack for interceptions, something that was sorely missing last season on a defense that tied a franchise low with seven. Lee has that many in 35 career games, a high number for a linebacker.

Carter could have led the Cowboys in tackles last season if he hadn't been injured. His strength is speed, and he'll get his best chance to show it in the new scheme because one of the weakside linebacker's biggest jobs is running down plays away from him.

"I think guys are doing it well," Carter said. "Coaches kind of introduced us a little slow just to get guys the whole grasp of the whole scheme. Now we're out here just flying around, getting to the ball."

Carter and Lee joined the Cowboys a year apart and followed similar paths.

Both were second-round draft picks who played quite a bit as rookies but never started. Both earned starting jobs going into their second seasons. When Lee injured his toe last year, Carter took over the defensive play-calling on the field.

Even though he missed the final five games, Carter's first season as a starter did plenty to help him prepare for a leading role.

"A whole lot more comfortable," he said. "The more years you play, the more experience you gain, it just makes the game a lot slower for you. Especially for me, a guy coming off an injury."

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Men's City Championship tees off at Hogan Park

From staff reports

The Midland Men's City Championship is set to start today at Hogan Park Golf Course with 23 participants vying to become 2013 city champion.

The Championship Flight of the three-day tournament is set to tee off at 1:15 p.m. on the Quail Course. Among those competing in the top flight are two former champions. Rick Houston won the city title in 2009 and 2010, while J.B. Luttrell claimed it in 1995. Last year's winner, Omar Sanchez, is not listed among the entrants.

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Houston and Luttrell are in the same group, along with Braxton Dunaway, and will tee off on the Quail Course at 1:52 p.m.

Participation in the tournament is down significantly from a year ago when it attracted 150 players, including 33 in the Championship Flight. This year's edition has just 82 entrants with 23 in the Championship Flight.

The second and third rounds of the tourney will also be played at Hogan Park. The Championship Flight will play on the Road Runner Course on Saturday and return to the Quail Course for Sunday.

Darvish Ks 14 as Rangers beat Arizona

Rangers	7
Diamondbacks	1

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Inconsistency was the key for Yu Darvish.

With a devastating slider going in different directions and command of his fastball, Darvish matched his major-league high with 14 strikeouts and the Texas Rangers won their fourth game in a row, 7-1 over the Arizona Diamondbacks in a makeup game Thursday night.

"Some of (the sliders) were dropping down, some of them were going sideways," Darvish said through an interpreter. "The movement on my slider was really inconsistent and that worked in my favor."

Darvish (10-5) certainly had the Diamondbacks hitters baffled, 78 of his 111 pitches were thrown for strikes over seven scoreless innings. He had no walks and scattered five hits in his 50th major league start.

"As a hitter you have a lot of different thought processes in the box,"

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Manziel, Clowney headliners in SEC's bid for No. 8

By John Zenor
Associated Press

The players are providing the star power in the Southeastern Conference's drive for an eighth-straight national title not those millionaire coaches.

Hop in the backseat, Nick Saban and Steve Spurrier, and enjoy the ride.

There's plenty of headliners on the field, starting at quarterback with Texas A&M's Johnny Manziel, Alabama's AJ McCarron and Georgia's Aaron Murray plus a bounty of dangerous receivers. Tailbacks Georgia's Todd Gurley and 'Bama's T.J. Yeldon are superb sophomore runners.

Defensively, South Carolina end Jadeveon Clowney and Crimson Tide linebacker C.J. Mosley lead the way.

That bounty of talent gives the SEC ample hope that the league can maintain its seven-year grip on the BCS title.

Manziel, who won the Heisman Trophy as a freshman, and Clowney are regarded as favorites to claim the league's fifth Heisman in seven years.

But like Aggies coach Kevin Sumlin said of his team, it's time to "hit the reset button." Or at least the challengers of Saban and the two-time defending national champion Tide are hoping that button is working. So are the other power conferences, for that matter.

Saban's peers aren't backing down.

LSU's Les Miles: "I like us in any game."

South Carolina's Spurrier, in humble-confident mode: "We may fall flat on our face but that's what we're going to try to do, try to win the conference."

Win the SEC, and a national title shot seems likely to come.

Georgia defensive end Garrison Smith's take on the SEC: Crystal balls don't win crystal trophies.

"There's no telling which team is going to come from where with the amount of talent," Smith said. "Nobody can predict the future."

5 THINGS TO WATCH

1: CHASING THE TIDE: Alabama might be the team to beat

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Rogelio V. Solis/AP

In this Nov. 3, 2012, file photo, Texas A&M quarterback Johnny Manziel (2) runs past Mississippi State defenders for a touchdown in Starkville, Miss. Manziel and Jadeveon Clowney are providing the star power in the Southeastern Conference's drive for an eighth straight national title.

MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

ORIOLES 6
ASTROS 3

BALTIMORE — One day after being acquired from Houston, Bud Norris dominated his former teammates over six innings in his Orioles debut, and Baltimore got a home run from Chris Davis to beat Houston.

The only runs Norris (7-9) allowed were on solo homers by Brett Wallace and Mark Krauss. The right-hander gave up four hits, walked two, and his season-high eight strikeouts included three by cleanup hitter Chris Carter.

Jim Johnson worked the ninth for his 37th save.

Davis hit his major league-leading 39th home run in the seventh, a solo shot that gave him 100 RBIs for the season. He is the 39th player in club history to reach the 100-RBI mark and the first since Nick Markakis in 2009.

Jordan Lyles (4-5) took the loss.

RED SOX 8
MARINERS 7

BOSTON — Daniel Nava's long single to center field capped a six-run rally in the bottom of the ninth inning as the Boston Red Sox stung the Seattle Mariners 8-7 Thursday night for a three-game sweep.

One night after winning in 15 innings for their major league-leading 10th walkoff victory, the Red Sox did it again to open a one-game lead in the AL East over idle Tampa Bay.

Henry Blanco hit a grand slam and Felix Hernandez pitched seven innings of six-hit ball to help Seattle take a 7-1 lead after five innings. But Boston scored once in the eighth and six more in the ninth against three relievers who recorded just one out.

Steven Wright (2-0) pitched three scoreless innings in relief of Ryan Dempster. Oliver Perez (2-3), who blew a seventh-inning lead on Wednesday, took the loss.

ROYALS 7
TWINS 2

MINNEAPOLIS — The Kansas City Royals won their ninth straight game, stretching their longest winning streak in more than a decade by beating Minnesota behind Billy Butler's hitting and Lorenzo Cain's highlight reel catch in center field.

The Royals last won nine straight when they opened the 2003 season at 9-0. The last time Kansas City won more in a row was a 10-game string in 1994, STATS said.

Butler had two hits and drove in two runs. Justin Maxwell had a hit and an RBI a day after being acquired in a trade with Houston.

James Shields (6-7) gave up two runs on five hits and five walks in six innings for the Royals.

Scott Diamond (5-10) gave up seven runs and nine hits in five innings and was sent to Triple-A. Justin Morneau homered and doubled for the Twins.

INDIANS 6
WHITE SOX 1

CLEVELAND — Ryan Raburn homered twice and drove in four runs and the Cleveland Indians won their eighth consecutive game, topping the Chicago White Sox.

The Indians have won 13 of 17 and completed a four-game sweep of the reeling White Sox, who have dropped seven in a row and are 26 games under .500 for the first time since 1980.

Justin Masterson (13-7) outpitched Chris Sale (6-11) in a matchup of All-Stars.

National League

CARDINALS 13
PIRATES 0

PITTSBURGH — Joe Kelly and the St. Louis Cardinals averted a five-game sweep at Pittsburgh, ending a season-worst seven-game losing streak by routing the Pirates 18-0 Thursday night in a matchup between the NL's top two teams.

St. Louis began the series with a 2 1/2-game lead in the NL Central but left with the Pirates ahead by 1 1/2 games. The Cardinals avoided their first sweep in a set of at least five games since 1916, when the New York Giants took all six games.

Pittsburgh had won the previous four games at PNC Park by a combined score of 36-10.

BRAVES 11
ROCKIES 2

ATLANTA — Justin Upton drove in five runs with two homers, Julio Teheran matched his career high with 11 strikeouts, and Atlanta beat Colorado for its seventh straight win.

Jason Heyward added a two-run homer, and Chris Johnson had three hits as the Braves completed a four-game sweep of the Rockies. The Braves outscored the Rockies 31-5 in the last three games of the series.

GIANTS 2
PHILLIES 1

PHILADELPHIA — Joaquin Arias and pinch-hitter Roger Kieschnick had RBI singles off Jonathan Papelbon in the top of the ninth inning, then Sergio Romo escaped a bases-loaded jam in the bottom half as San Francisco beat Philadelphia.

Matt Cain (7-6) gave up one run and six hits in eight innings. The struggling ace lowered his ERA to 4.57.

MARLINS 3
METS 0

MIAMI — Tom Koehler pitched six effective innings, and Miami stalled Matt Harvey once again, beating the New York Mets.

Logan Morrison's two-out single broke a scoreless tie in the sixth. Donovan Solano added a two-run single later in the inning.

DODGERS 6
CUBS 4

CHICAGO — Yasiel Puig hit a long home run and scored two runs to lead the Los Angeles Dodgers over the Chicago Cubs.

Hanley Ramirez and Jerry Hairston each drove in two runs for the Dodgers, who got a win a night after having a four-game winning streak snapped. Los Angeles is 11-2 since the All-Star break.

RANGERS

From 1C

Arizona's Adam Eaton said. "When you hit your spots and you have that many pitches, it's tough as a hitter to put the ball in play and get good swings on the ball."

Darvish also had 14 strikeouts when he faced the Diamondbacks just more than two months ago. But they managed to score four runs over 7 2-3 innings that night and won with a run in the ninth.

A.J. Pierzynski, Mitch Moreland and David Murphy all homered off Zeke Spruill (0-1), who went four innings in his first major league start. Pierzynski later added a two-run single.

Those homers were all hit early for the Rangers, who came off a three-game sweep of the Los Angeles Angels with game-ending homers in each. They had been shut out in three of the four games before the short homestand, and will now play 10 in a row on the road.

"Our offense has woken up, and the key is to just keep going," Rangers manager Ron Washington said. "We knew it was in there, it was just a matter of it coming out, and we're playing as a group."

Darvish struck out 10 of his first 13 batters, marking the 16th time since he joined the Rangers from Japan last season that he fanned at least 10. Dwight Gooden with 20 is the only other pitcher since 1900 with more in his first 50 starts.

"He was as good as I've seen him all year, counting the almost perfect game he threw the first start of the year. His stuff was just nasty," said Pierzynski, also the catcher when Darvish retired the first 26 batters at Houston four months ago. "He was throwing fastballs to the corners, he had a really good split, and obviously he always has a slider.

"He just kept mixing it up, and the strikeouts just kept coming and coming. Nights like that are fun."

It was the fourth game this season Darvish reached 14 strikeouts — there are only two other 14-K games in the majors this season. It is the most 14-strikeout games in one season for the Rangers, surpassing Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan's three in 1990. Over seven seasons in Japan, Darvish had 15 strikeouts three times.

The only Arizona starter who didn't strike out was Cody Ross. Leadoff hitter Gerardo Parra, who had a 10-game interleague hitting streak, and All-Star first baseman Paul Goldschmidt both struck out three times against Darvish.

"He was using all his pitches, pounding the strike zone," Washington said. "Everything he threw up there, they just couldn't get on."

The Diamondbacks scored their only run in the ninth inning on Martin Prado's RBI single.

Arizona had to make a side trip to Texas, on the way from Tampa Bay to Boston, to make up the game postponed on May 29 because of unplayable field conditions. A severe thunderstorm hit the area about an hour before that scheduled game, and the grounds crew struggled to get the tarp on the field.

For the makeup, it was 101 degrees when the game started and still in the upper 90s at the end.

Texas right fielder Nelson Cruz is among 14 players targeted for discipline by Major League Baseball because of their relationship to a closed Florida anti-aging clinic accused of distributing banned performance-enhancing drugs. The All-Star was lifted for a pinch-hitter in the seventh because of tightness in his left quad.

Depending on the timing and length of any possible suspension, which could be announced this weekend, it could have been the last home game this season for Cruz. He leads the Rangers with 25 home runs and 73 RBI and is eligible for free agency after the season.

LM Otero/AP

Texas starting pitcher Yu Darvish throws during the first inning against Arizona on Thursday in Arlington.

HOUNDS

From 1C

reach first and Stassi to score and tie the game at 4.

Santana promptly stole second and Erik Castro drew a walk. Another wild pitch by Smith allowed Castro and Santana to advance to second and third, respectively, and a single by Jonathan Meyer plated Santana, putting the Hooks up 5-4.

The RockHounds couldn't score again after putting up four runs in four innings to start the game. Jake Goebbert hit a two-run homer in the first and Caticala hit a solo shot in the fourth. In between, Tyler Ladendorf singled to left, scoring D'Arby Myers in the third.

The RockHounds play the second of a four-game series with the Hooks at 7:05 p.m. today at Whataburger Field.

HOOKS 5, ROCKHOUNDS 4

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Myers cf	4	2	2	0	Tucker rf	4	1	1	2
Goebbert dh	3	1	1	2	Stassi c	4	1	2	0
Coleman ss	4	0	0	0	Santana cf	4	1	1	0
Ladendorf lf	4	0	1	1	Castro 1b	3	0	1	1
Caticala 3b	3	1	1	1	Meyer 3b	4	0	1	1
Marte 3b	1	0	1	0	Burgess lf	4	0	0	0
Muncy 1b	4	0	1	0	Hernandez dh	4	0	1	0
Lipkin c	4	0	1	0	Mier ss	3	0	0	0
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Corpus Christi						201	020	00x	—5

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Texas League

Second half
North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arkansas	24	17	.585	—
NW Arkansas	22	19	.537	2
Springfield	19	22	.463	5
x-Tulsa	18	23	.439	6

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Corpus Christi	24	17	.585	—
San Antonio	24	17	.585	—
Frisco	17	24	.415	7
Midland	16	25	.390	8

x-clinched first half

Thursday's Scores
Northwest Arkansas 5, Tulsa 3
Corpus Christi 5, Midland 4
Frisco 7, San Antonio 2
Arkansas 5, Springfield 3

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

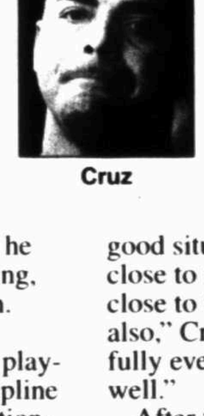
Rangers' Cruz no decision on appeal if suspended

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Texas Rangers slugger Nelson Cruz said Thursday he hadn't decided whether to appeal if he is suspended as a result of Major League Baseball's latest drug investigation.

When asked before a game against Arizona if he had been told specifically what penalty could be forthcoming, Cruz responded, "No, I can not tell you, sorry."

The All-Star right fielder, whose 25 home runs and 73 RBIs lead the Rangers, was in the lineup batting sixth against Arizona.



Cruz

"I've heard a lot of stuff," Cruz said, though he wasn't specific about what and from whom before saying he couldn't comment further on that.

He sighed when asked if there was any indication when he might know something, then said, "It's tough. Sorry."

Cruz is among 14 players targeted for discipline because of their relationship to Biogenesis of America, a closed Florida anti-aging clinic accused of distributing banned performance-enhancing drugs. He appears to be facing a 50-game suspension as a first offender under baseball's drug program.

Discipline could be announced by Monday.

"It's tough. I mean we're in a good situation now, we're close to first place and close to the wild card, also," Cruz said. "Hopefully everything plays well."

After three consecutive victories on game-ending home runs to sweep the Los Angeles Angels, Texas was within four games of idle Oakland in the AL West. The Rangers were a half-game back in the wild-card chase.

Their makeup game against Arizona was their 109th game, leaving 53 to go in the regular season. They open a 10-game, 11-day trip against AL West teams Friday in Oakland, before going to Los Angeles and then Houston.

If Cruz is suspended 50 games, he could lose more than $3.2 million: $2,732,240 in salary for the rest of this season and another $500,000 in potential performance bonuses based plate appearances that would become unattainable. He is eligible for free agency after the season.

Russia will enforce anti-gay law during Olympics

By Laura Mills
Associated Press

MOSCOW — Russia will enforce a new law cracking down on gay rights activism when it hosts international athletes and fans during the 2014 Olympics in Sochi, the country's sports minister said Thursday, appearing to contradict assurances to the contrary from the International Olympic Committee.

Russia's contentious law was signed by President Vladimir Putin in late June, imposing fines on individuals accused of spreading "propaganda of nontraditional sexual relations" to minors, and even proposing penalties for those who express these views online or in the news media. Gay pride rallies also are banned.

"An athlete of nontraditional sexual orientation isn't banned from coming to Sochi," Vitaly Mutko said in an interview with R-Sport, the sports newswire of state news agency RIA Novosti. "But if he goes out into the streets and starts to propagandize, then of course he will be held accountable."

Mutko emphasized that the law wasn't designed to punish anyone for being gay or lesbian. But like the Russian lawmakers who authored the bill, Mutko said athletes would be punished only for propaganda, a word that remains ambiguous under the new law.

"The corresponding law doesn't forbid non-traditional orientation, but other things: propaganda, involvement of minors and the youth."

The law specifies punishment for foreign citizens, to include fines of up to 100,000 rubles ($3,000), time in prison for up to 15 days, deportation and denial of reentry into Russia. Four Dutch citizens working on a documentary film in the northern Russian town of Murmansk were the first foreigners to be detained under the new law, although their case did not make it to court, according to RIA Novosti.

While activists and organizations supportive of gay rights have called for a ban on Russian-made products like Stolichnaya vodka in bars across North America, they have yet to find a unified response to the Sochi games.

Instead of a boycott of the Olympics, athletes have made individual gestures and called for gestures of protest, such as a pride parade, to be held during the games.

The IOC said last week that it had received assurances "from the highest level of government in Russia that the legislation will not affect those attending or taking part in the games." It pledged to ensure there would be no discrimination against athletes, officials, spectators and the media in Sochi.

Teen arrested in Calif. 'Surf City' mob violence

Associated Press

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. — A 15-year-old boy has become the ninth person arrested in connection with mob violence that erupted in a Southern California beach town after a popular surf contest.

The Orange County Register reported that the boy arrested Thursday is suspected of throwing glass bottles at police and tipping over portable toilets in his hometown of Huntington Beach on Sunday night after the U.S. Open of Surfing, which draws an annual crowd of thousands.

The boy's name was withheld because he's a juvenile.

On Wednesday, police arrested an 18-year-old Chino man on suspicion of lighting fires during the disturbance. Seven others, including a Fullerton firefighter, were arrested previously.

The mob broke windows, looted and fought in Huntington Beach's downtown streets. There were several injuries and thousands of dollars in damage.

SPORTSSCOREBOARD

Swimming

FINA World Championships Results
Thursday
At Barcelona, Spain
Swimming
Men
100 freestyle
Final

1, James Magnussen, Australia, 47.71. 2, James Feigen, United States, 47.82. 3, Nathan Adrian, United States, 47.84. 4, Cameron McEvoy, Australia, 47.88. 5, Vladimir Morozov, Russia, 48.01. 6, Marcelo Chierighini, Brazil, 48.28. 7, Fabien Gilot, France, 48.33. 8, Luca Dotto, Italy, 48.58.

200 backstroke
Heats (qualifiers for semifinals)

1, Tyler Clary, United States, 1:56.76. 2, Craig McNally, Britain, 1:57.18. 3, Ryan Lochte, United States, 1:57.19. 4, Peter Bernek, Hungary, 1:57.20. 5, Yannick Lebherz, Germany, 1:57.33. 6, Matson Lawson, Australia, 1:57.48. 7, Kosuke Hagino, Japan, 1:57.52. 8, Ryosuke Irie, Japan, 1:57.53.

9, Christopher Walker-Hebron, Britain, 1:57.95. 10, Gabor Balog, Hungary, 1:57.98. 11, Radoslaw Kawecki, Poland, 1:57.99. 12, Xu Jiayu, China, 1:58.29. 13, Federico Turrini, Italy, 1:58.54. 14, Danas Rapsys, Lithuania, 1:59.11. 15, Leonardo de Deus, Brazil, 1:59.17. 16, Darren Murray, South Africa, 1:59.19.

Semifinals (qualifiers for final)

1, Tyler Clary, United States, 1:55.16. 2, Ryan Lochte, United States, 1:55.88. 3 (tie), Ryosuke Irie, Japan, and Radoslaw Kawecki, 1:56.14. 5, Kosuke Hagino, Japan, 1:56.24. 6, Xu Jiayu, China, 1:56.42. 7, Craig McNally, Britain, 1:56.97. 8, Peter Bernek, Hungary, 1:57.37.

200 breaststroke
Heats (qualifiers for semifinals)

1, Marco Koch, Germany, 2:09.39. 2, Andrew Willis, Britain, 2:09.91. 3, Daniel Gyurta, Hungary, 2:09.94. 4, Matti Mattsson, Finland, 2:10.16. 5, Akihiro Yamaguchi, Japan, 2:10.17. 6, Ryo Tateishi, Japan, 2:10.41. 7, Giedrius Titenis, Lithuania, 2:10.70. 8, Viatcheslav Sinkevich, Russia, 2:10.82.

9, Laurent Carnol, Luxembourg, 2:10.94. 10, Tomas Klobucnik, Slovakia, 2:11.00. 11, Kevin Cordes, United States, 2:11.40. 12, Marat Amaltdinov, Russia, 2:11.41. 13, Christian vom Lehn, Germany, 2:11.45. 14, Michael Jamieson, Britain, 2:11.47. 15, Bernard Johnson, United States, 2:11.64. 16, Panagiotis Samilidis, Greece, 2:11.71.

Semifinals (qualifiers for final)

1, Daniel Gyurta, Hungary, 2:08.50. 2, Marco Koch, Germany, 2:08.61. 3, Andrew Willis, Britain, 2:09.11. 4, Viatcheslav Sinkevich, Russia, 2:09.47. 5, Michael Jamieson, Britain, 2:09.62. 6, Matti Mattsson, Finland, 2:09.96. 7, Akihiro Yamaguchi, Japan, 2:10.00. 8, Ryo Tateishi, Japan, 2:10.01. Also: 9, Kevin Cordes, United States, 2:10.03, did not qualify.

200 individual medley
Final

1, Ryan Lochte, United States, 1:54.98. 2, Kosuke Hagino, Japan, 1:56.29. 3, Thiago Pereira, Brazil, 1:56.30. 4, Wang Shun, China, 1:56.86. 5, Laszlo Cseh, Hungary, 1:57.70. 6, Daniel Tranter, Australia, 1:57.88. 7, Daiya Seto, Japan, 1:58.45. 8, Simon Sjodin, Sweden, 1:59.79.

Women
50 backstroke
Final

1, Zhao Jing, China, 27.29. 2, Fu Yuanhui, China, 27.39. 3, Aya Terakawa, Japan, 27.53. 4, Etiene Madeiros, Brazil, 27.83. 5, Mercedes Peris, Spain, 27.93. 6, Georgia Davies, Britain, 27.96. 7, Rachel Bootsma, United States, 28.05. 8, Lauren Quigley, Britain, 28.33.

100 freestyle
Heats (qualifiers for semifinals)

1, Cate Campbell, Australia, 53.24. 2, Missy Franklin, United States, 53.36. 3, Sarah Sjostrom, Sweden, 53.61. 4, Britta Steffen, Germany, 53.93. 5, Ranomi Kromowidjojo, Netherlands, 54.12. 6 (tie), Tang Yi, China, and Femke Heemskerk, Netherlands, 54.21. 8, Shannon Vreeland, United States, 54.25.

9, Arianna Vanderpool-Wallace, Bahamas, 54.42. 10 (tie), Michelle Coleman, Sweden, and Veronika Popova, Russia, 54.53. 12, Bronte Campbell, Australia, 54.67. 13, Camille Muffat, France, 54.84. 14, Pernille Blume, Denmark, 54.88. 15, Qiu Yuhan, China, 54.93. 16, Karin Prinsloo, South Africa, 55.05.

Semifinals (qualifiers for final)

1, Sarah Sjostrom, Sweden, 52.87. 2, Cate Campbell, Australia, 53.09. 3, Ranomi Kromowidjojo, Netherlands, 53.29. 4, Femke Heemskerk, Netherlands, 53.68. 5, Missy Franklin, United States, 53.78. 6, Britta Steffen, Germany, 53.85. 7, Shannon Vreeland, United States, 53.99. 8, Tang Yi, China, 54.09.

200 butterfly
Final

1, Liu Zige, China, 2:04.59. 2, Mareia Belmonte, Spain, 2:04.78. 3, Katinka Hosszu, Hungary, 2:05.59. 4, Natsumi Hoshi, Japan, 2:06.09. 5, Zsuzsanna Jakabos, Hungary, 2:06.58. 6, Jiao Liuyang, China, 2:06.65. 7, Cammile Adams, United States, 2:07.73. 8, Judit Ignacio, Spain, 2:08.40.

200 breaststroke
Heats (qualifiers for semifinals)

1, Micah Lawrence, United States, 2:21.74. 2, Rikke Moller Pedersen, Denmark, 2:22.20. 3, Yuliya Efimova, Russia, 2:23.13. 4, Rie Kaneto, Japan, 2:23.91. 5, Marina Garcia, Spain, 2:24.21. 6, Viktoriya Solnceva, Ukraine, 2:24.65. 7, Shi Jinglin, China, 2:25.73. 8, Martha McCabe, Canada, 2:25.91.

9, Jessica Vall, Spain, 2:26.62. 10, Breeja Larson, United States, 2:26.90. 11, Satomi Suzuki, Japan, 2:27.31. 12, Sally Foster, Australia, 2:27.41. 13, Back Suyeon, South Korea, 2:27.47. 14, Yang Jiwon, South Korea, 2:27.78. 15, Jenna Laukkanen, Finland, 2:28.04. 16, Hrafnhildur Luthersdottir, Iceland, 2:28.12.

Semifinals (qualifiers for final)

1, Rikke Moller Pedersen, Denmark, 2:19.11. 2, Yuliya Efimov, Russia, 2:19.85. 3, Marina Garcia, Spain, 2:22.88. 4, Micah Lawrence, United States, 2:23.23. 5, Rie Kaneto, Japan, 2:23.28. 6, Sally Foster, Australia, 2:24.14. 7, Viktoriya Solnceva, Ukraine, 2:24.19. 8, Martha McCabe, Canada, 2:24.68. Also: 12, Breeja Larson, United States, 2:26.22, did not qualify.

4x200 freestyle relay
Heats (qualifiers for final)

1, China (Ye Shiwen, Shao Yiwen, Guo Junjun, Wenqing Zhang), 7:52.50. 2, Australia (Brittany Elmslie, Emma McKeon, Ami Matsuo, Alicia Coutts), 7:52.69. 3, United States (Chelsea Chenault, Karlee Bispo, Madeline Dirado, Jordan Mattern), 7:53.03. 4, Spain, 7:54.90. 5, France, 7:56.38. 6, Canada, 7:56.64. 7, Japan, 7:56.86. 8, Italy, 7:57.41.

Final

1, United States (Katie Ledecky, Shannon Vreeland, Karlee Bispo, Missy Franklin), 7:45.14. 2, Australia (Bronte Barratt, Kylie Palmer, Brittany Elmslie, Alicia Coutts), 7:47.08. 3, France (Camille Muffat, Charlotte Bonnet, Mylene Lazare, Coralie Balmy), 7:48.43. 4, China, 7:49.79. 5, Spain, 7:53.20. 6, Canada, 7:55.48. 7, Italy, 7:57.91. 8, Japan, 7:58.15.

Water Polo
Men
Semifinals

Hungary 11, Croatia 10
Montenegro 10, Italy 8

5th-8th Bracket

Greece 11, Australia 9
Spain 14, Serbia 13, 6-6 after regulation, 8-8 after OT, Spain wins penalty shootout 6-5

Tennis

ATP/WTA
Citi Open Results
A U.S. Open Series event
Thursday
At William H.G. FitzGerald Tennis Center
Washington
Purse: Men, $1.55 million (WT500); Women, $235,000 (Intl.)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
Men
Second Round

Juan Martin del Potro (1), Argentina, def. Ryan Harrison, United States, 6-1, 7-5.
Kevin Anderson (7), South Africa, def. James Duckworth, Australia, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.
Kei Nishikori (2), Japan, def. Jack Sock, United States, 7-5, 6-2.
Tommy Haas (3), Germany, def. Tim Smyczek, United States, 3-6, 7-5, 6-3.

Third Round

Marinko Matosevic, Australia, def. Milos Raonic (4), Canada, 7-5, 7-6 (7).
Dmitry Tursunov, Russia, def. Radek Stepanek, Czech Republic, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5.
Kevin Anderson (7), South Africa, def. Mardy Fish, United States, 7-6 (2), 6-1.
John Isner (8), United States, def. Somdev Devvarman, India, 7-5, 7-5.
Marcos Baghdatis (16), Cyprus, def. Kei Nishikori (2), Japan, 6-1, 6-2.
Grigor Dimitrov (11), Bulgaria, def. Sam Querrey (6), United States, 6-3, 6-2.
Juan Martin del Potro (1), Argentina, def. Bernard Tomic (14), Australia, 6-3, 6-3.

Women
Second Round

Ekaterina Makarova (3), Russia, def. Caroline Garcia, France, 6-2, 6-0.
Alize Cornet (4), France, def. Heather Watson, Britain, 6-4, 6-4.
Angelique Kerber (1), Germany, def. Melanie Oudin, United States, 7-5, 6-0.
Sorana Cirstea (5), Romania, def. Alison Riske, United States, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3.
Paula Ormaechea, Argentina, def. Olga Puchkova, Russia, 3-6, 6-3, 4-1, defaulted.
Magdalena Rybarikova (7), Slovakia, def. Jana Cepelova, Slovakia, 7-5, 5-7, 7-5.
Monica Niculescu, Romania, def. Madison Keys (8), United States, 6-1, 2-6, 7-6 (6).

Doubles
Women
Quarterfinals

Shuko Aoyama, Japan, and Vera Dushevina (1), Russia, def. Alexandra Mueller, United States, and Adriana Perez, Venezuela, 6-1, 6-4.
Maria Fernanda Alvarez Teran, Bolivia, and Keri Wong, United States, def. Catalina Castano, Colombia, and Jessica Pegula, United States, 6-4, 6-7 (7), 10-6.
Eva Hrdinova, Czech Republic, and Irina Falconi (2), United States, def. Caroline Garcia, France, and Christina McHale, United States, 2-6, 7-5, 11-9.
Eugenie Bouchard, Canada, and Taylor Townsend, United States, def. Heather Watson, Britain, and Anna Tatishvili (3), Georgia, 6-4, 6-4.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	66	44	.600	—
Tampa Bay	64	44	.593	1
Baltimore	60	49	.550	5 1/2
New York	56	51	.523	8 1/2
Toronto	50	57	.467	14 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	61	45	.575	—
Cleveland	60	48	.556	2
Kansas City	54	51	.514	6 1/2
Minnesota	45	60	.429	15 1/2
Chicago	40	66	.377	21

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	63	45	.583	—
Texas	60	49	.550	3 1/2
Seattle	50	58	.463	13
Los Angeles	48	58	.453	14
Houston	36	71	.336	26 1/2

Thursday's Scores

Cleveland 6, Chicago White Sox 1
Kansas City 7, Minnesota 2
Texas 7, Arizona 1
Baltimore 6, Houston 3
Boston 8, Seattle 7
Toronto at L.A. Angels, late

Today's Games

Seattle (Harang 5-9) at Baltimore (Tillman 13-3), 6:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (H.Santiago 3-6) at Detroit (Fister 9-5), 6:08 p.m.
Arizona (Delgado 3-3) at Boston (Lester 10-6), 6:10 p.m.
Cleveland (U.Jimenez 8-5) at Miami (Fernandez 7-5), :10 p.m.
Kansas City (W.Davis 5-9) at N.Y. Mets (Gee 7-8), 6:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 10-6) at Tampa Bay (Archer 6-3), 6:10 p.m.
Houston (Cosart 1-0) at Minnesota (Deduno 7-4), 7:10 p.m.
Texas (Ogando 4-3) at Oakland (Milone 9-8), 9:05 p.m.
Toronto (Redmond 1-1) at L.A. Angels (Hanson 4-2), 9:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 9-9) at San Diego (Cashner 7-5), 9:10 p.m.

National League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	64	45	.587	—
Washington	52	56	.481	11 1/2
Philadelphia	50	58	.463	13 1/2
New York	48	58	.453	14 1/2
Miami	42	65	.393	21

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Pittsburgh	65	43	.602	—
St. Louis	63	44	.589	1 1/2
Cincinnati	60	49	.550	5 1/2
Chicago	49	59	.454	16
Milwaukee	46	62	.426	19

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	58	49	.542	—
Arizona	55	53	.509	3 1/2
Colorado	51	59	.464	8 1/2
San Diego	50	59	.459	9
San Francisco	48	59	.449	10

Thursday's Scores

Miami 3, N.Y. Mets 0
Texas 7, Arizona 1
San Francisco 2, Philadelphia 1
St. Louis 13, Pittsburgh 0
Atlanta 11, Colorado 2
L.A. Dodgers 6, Chicago Cubs 4

Today's Games

L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 9-3) at Chicago Cubs (T.Wood 7-7), 3:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Medlen 7-10) at Philadelphia (E.Martin 0-0), 6:05 p.m.
Colorado (Chacin 9-5) at Pittsburgh (Cole 5-4), 6:05 p.m.
Arizona (Delgado 3-3) at Boston (Lester 10-6), 6:10 p.m.
Cleveland (U.Jimenez 8-5) at Miami (Fernandez 7-5), 6:10 p.m.
Kansas City (W.Davis 5-9) at N.Y. Mets (Gee 7-8), 6:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 10-6) at Tampa Bay (Archer 6-3), 6:10 p.m.
St. Louis (S.Miller 10-7) at Cincinnati (Arroyo 9-8), 6:10 p.m.
Washington (Zimmermann 12-6) at Milwaukee (Gorzelanny 2-4), 7:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 9-9) at San Diego (Cashner 7-5), 9:10 p.m.

THURSDAY'S AL WEST BOXES
RANGERS 7, DIAMONDBACKS 1

Arizona	ab	r	h	bi	Texas	ab	r	h	bi
GParra rf	4	0	0	0	LMartn cf-rf	5	0	1	2
Eaton cf	4	0	1	0	Andrus dh	4	1	1	0
Gldsch 1b	4	0	0	0	Kinsler 2b	3	1	1	0
ErChvz 3b	3	0	1	0	ABeltre 3b	4	0	0	0
Pnngtn 2b	1	0	0	0	Przyns c	4	1	3	3
C.Ross lf	4	1	2	0	N.Cruz rf	3	0	0	0
Prado 2b-3b	4	0	2	1	Gentry ph-cf	1	0	0	0
Kubel dh	4	0	0	0	DvMrp lf	4	1	3	1
Gregrs ss	3	0	1	0	Profar ss	4	1	1	0
Gswsch c	3	0	1	0	Morlnd 1b	3	2	1	1
Totals	34	1	8	1	Totals	35	7	11	7

Arizona ....000 000 001 — 1
Texas ....011 300 20x — 7

E—Sipp (1). DP—Texas 1. LOB—Arizona 6, Texas 6. 2B—L.Martin (10), Andrus (12), Dav.Murphy (18). HR—Pierzynski (12), Dav.Murphy (12), Moreland (15). SB—C.Ross (2), Pierzynski (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Arizona						
Spruill L,0-1	4	7	5	5	0	3
Collmenter	2	1	0	0	0	2
Sipp	1	2	2	0	1	0
D.Hernandez	1	1	0	0	0	1
Texas						
Darvish W,10-5	7	5	0	0	0	14
Cotts	1	1	0	0	0	0
Soria	1	2	1	1	0	0

HBP—by Spruill (Moreland).
T—2:47. A—41,569 (48,114).

ORIOLES 6, ASTROS 3

Houston	ab	r	h	bi	Baltimore	ab	r	h	bi
Villar ss	3	0	0	0	McLoth lf	4	1	2	2
Hoes cf	4	0	1	1	Machd 3b	4	0	2	1
JCastro c	4	0	1	0	Markks rf	3	0	0	1
Carter dh	4	0	0	0	A.Jones cf	4	0	1	0
Wallac 1b	3	1	1	1	C.Davis 1b	4	1	2	1
Krauss rf	3	1	1	1	Wieters c	4	0	0	0
Pareds 2b	4	0	1	0	Hardy ss	4	1	1	0
MDmn 3b	4	0	0	0	Urrutia dh	4	2	2	0
Grssmn lf	2	1	1	0	BRorts 2b	4	1	1	1
Totals	31	3	6	3	Totals	35	6	11	6

Houston ....010 100 010 — 3
Baltimore ....000 032 10x — 6

E—Villar (1). DP—Baltimore 1. LOB—Houston 5, Baltimore 6. 2B—Grossman (7). HR—Wallace (7), Krauss (3), C.Davis (39). SF—Markakis.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Lyles L,4-5	5 2-3	9	5	3	0	5
Blackley	1 1-3	2	1	1	0	0
Zeid	1	0	0	0	0	0
Baltimore						
B.Norris W,7-9	6	4	2	2	2	8
Tom.Hunter	1 2-3	2	1	1	0	0
Matusz	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Ji.Johnson S,37-43	1	0	0	0	1	0

HBP—by Ji.Johnson (Krauss).
T—2:52. A—17,909 (45,971).

RED SOX 8, MARINERS 7

Seattle	ab	r	h	bi	Boston	ab	r	h	bi
BMiller ss	4	1	1	0	Ellsury cf	4	2	2	0
Frnkln 2b	5	0	0	0	Victorn rf	5	2	2	3
Seager 3b	4	2	2	1	Pedroia 2b	4	1	1	1
KMorls dh	5	1	4	1	D.Ortiz dh	4	0	1	1
MSndrs cf	4	0	1	0	Carp 1b	3	0	0	0
Smoak 1b	4	1	2	1	JGoms ph-lf	1	0	1	1
EnChvz rf	5	0	0	0	Drew ss	3	0	1	0
Ackley lf	3	1	0	0	Nava lf-1b	4	1	2	1
HBlanc c	3	1	1	4	Lvrnwy c	4	1	2	0
					Holt 3b	4	1	1	1
Totals	37	7	11	7	Totals	36	8	13	8

Seattle ....101 050 000 — 7
Boston ....001 000 016 — 8

One out when winning run scored.
DP—Seattle 1. LOB—Seattle 9, Boston 10. 2B—Smoak (14), Ellsbury (24), Nava (16), Holt (2). 3B—B.Miller (3), Seager (2). HR—H.Blanco (2), Victorino (6). SB—Seager (4). SF—D.Ortiz.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
F.Hernandez	7	6	1	1	2	8
Furbush	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wilhelmsen	0	2	4	4	2	0
O.Perez L,2-3	1-3	2	2	2	0	1
Medina	0	2	0	0	1	0
Boston						
Dempster	6	9	7	7	5	6
S.Wright W,2-0	3	2	0	0	1	2

Wilhelmsen pitched to 4 batters in the 9th.
Medina pitched to 3 batters in the 9th.
T—3:17. A—35,886 (37,499).

THURSDAY'S LINESCORES
AMERICAN LEAGUE
INDIANS 6, WHITE SOX 1

Chicago ....000 001 000 — 1 5 1
Cleveland ....012 020 10x — 6 14 0

Sale, Axelrod (6) and Flowers; Masterson, R.Hill (7), J.Smith (9) and Y.Gomes. W—Masterson 13-7. L—Sale 6-11. HRs—Chicago, De Aza (13). Cleveland, Raburn 2 (13).

ROYALS 7, TWINS 2

Kansas City ....021 112 000 — 7 11 0
Minnesota ....002 000 000 — 2 5 1

Shields, Hochevar (7), Coleman (9) and S.Perez; Diamond, Swarzak (6), Roenicke (9) and Doumit. W—Shields 6-7. L—Diamond 5-10. HRs—Minnesota, Morneau (9).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
MARLINS 3, METS 0

New York ....000 000 000 — 0 6 1
Miami ....000 003 00x — 3 6 0

Harvey, Atchison (6), Germen (7) and Buck; Koehler, A.Ramos (7), Cishek (9) and Mathis. W—Koehler 3-6. L—Harvey 8-3. Sv—Cishek (23).

CARDINALS 13, PIRATES 0

St. Louis ....010 301 800 — 13 17 0
Pittsburgh ....000 000 000 — 0 5 1

J.Kelly, Maness (7), Blazek (8), Mujica (9) and T.Cruz, Ro.Johnson, Morton, J.Gomez (7), Black (7) and T.Sanchez. W—J.Kelly 2-3. L—Morton 3-3.

GIANTS 2, PHILLIES 1

San Francisco ....000 000 002 — 2 11 1
Philadelphia ....000 010 000 — 1 7 0

M.Cain, Romo (9) and Posey; Hamels, Papelbon (9) and Ruiz. W—M.Cain 7-6. L—Papelbon 2-1. Sv—Romo (25).

BRAVES 11, ROCKIES 2

Colorado ....010 000 100 — 2 9 0
Atlanta ....210 200 15x — 11 14 0

Bettis, Corpas (6), Escalona (8), Brothers (8) and W.Rosario; Teheran, S.Downs (6), D.Carpenter (7), Avilan (7), Varvaro (9) and McCann. W—Teheran 8-5. L—Bettis 0-1. HRs—Atlanta, J.Upton 2 (18), Heyward (10).

DODGERS 6, CUBS 4

Los Angeles ....002 003 001 — 6 12 1
Chicago ....201 000 010 — 4 5 0

Nolasco, Howell (6), Withrow (6), P.Rodriguez (8), Jansen (9) and Federowicz; Rusin, Bowden (6), E.Sanchez (7), H.Rondon (8) and D.Navarro. W—Nolasco 7-9. L—Rusin 1-1. Sv—Jansen (15). HRs—Los Angeles, Puig (11). Chicago, Lake 2 (4), Rizzo 2 (17).

WEDNESDAY'S LATE LINESCORES
INTERLEAGUE
YANKEES 3, DODGERS 0

New York ....000 000 003 — 3 6 0
Los Angeles ....000 000 000 — 0 6 1

Kuroda, Logan (8), M.Rivera (9) and C.Stewart; Kershaw, Belisario (9), P.Rodriguez (9), League (9) and A.Ellis. W—Logan 3-2. L—Belisario 4-6. Sv—M.Rivera (34).

AMERICAN LEAGUE
RED SOX 5, MARINERS 4, 15 INNINGS

Seattle ....000 102 010 000 000 — 4 16 2
Boston ....000 020 200 000 001 — 5 12 0

Iwakuma, O.Perez (6), Medina (7), Furbush (9), Farquhar (10), Luetge (13) and Quintero; Lackey, Tazawa (8), Uehara (9), Thornton (11), Breslow (12), D.Britton (14) and Saltalamacchia. W—D.Britton 1-0. L—Luetge 0-2. HRs—Seattle, Seager (17). Boston, Pedroia (8).

GOLF

PGA

Bridgestone Invitational Scores
Thursday
At Firestone Country Club (South)
Akron, Ohio
Purse: $8.75 million
Yardage: 7,400; Par: 70 (35-35)
First Round

Webb Simpson	33-31 —	64
Henrik Stenson	32-33 —	65
Ryan Moore	33-33 —	66
Chris Wood	31-35 —	66
Tiger Woods	31-35 —	66
Keegan Bradley	33-33 —	66
Jason Dufner	34-33 —	67
Bubba Watson	32-35 —	67
Rickie Fowler	35-32 —	67
Bill Haas	33-34 —	67
Jim Furyk	33-34 —	67
Luke Donald	31-36 —	67
Scott Piercy	35-33 —	68
Kiradech Aphibarnrat	35-34 —	69
Ian Poulter	36-33 —	69
Paul Lawrie	34-35 —	69
Zach Johnson	33-36 —	69
Justin Rose	34-35 —	69
Harris English	32-38 —	70
Gonzalo Fdez-Castano	35-35 —	70
Jonas Blixt	34-36 —	70
Ken Duke	37-33 —	70
Peter Hanson	33-37 —	70
Richard Sterne	36-34 —	70
Satoshi Kodaira	35-35 —	70
Francesco Molinari	36-34 —	70
Jamie Donaldson	35-35 —	70
Rory McIlroy	35-35 —	70
Paul Casey	35-35 —	70
Branden Grace	38-32 —	70
Matteo Manassero	35-36 —	71
Nick Watney	35-36 —	71
Bo Van Pelt	37-34 —	71
Graeme McDowell	37-34 —	71
Lee Westwood	35-36 —	71
Miguel A. Jimenez	36-35 —	71
Steve Stricker	36-35 —	71
Sergio Garcia	36-35 —	71
Ernie Els	34-37 —	71
David Lynn	36-35 —	71
Brian Gay	37-35 —	72
Michael Thompson	35-37 —	72
Shane Lowry	35-37 —	72
Hideki Matsuyama	38-34 —	72
Dustin Johnson	37-35 —	72
Nicolas Colsaerts	35-37 —	72
Russell Henley	36-36 —	72
John Merrick	35-37 —	72
Angel Cabrera	35-37 —	72
Brandt Snedeker	37-35 —	72
Phil Mickelson	37-35 —	72
Carl Pettersson	38-34 —	72
Matt Kuchar	38-34 —	72
Jaco Van Zyl	35-38 —	73
Boo Weekley	37-36 —	73
Adam Scott	37-36 —	73
Mikko Ilonen	38-35 —	73
Derek Ernst	36-37 —	73
Richie Ramsay	36-37 —	73
Sang-Moon Bae	39-34 —	73
Thorbjorn Olesen	36-37 —	73
D.A. Points	36-37 —	73
Stephen Gallacher	36-38 —	74
Tommy Gainey	37-37 —	74
Billy Horschel	38-36 —	74
Martin Kaymer	37-37 —	74
Charl Schwartzel	37-37 —	74
Jason Day	38-36 —	74
Toru Taniguchi	38-37 —	75
Kevin Streelman	37-39 —	76
Brett Rumford	35-41 —	76
Martin Laird	40-37 —	77
Daniel Popovic	38-41 —	79

Reno-Tahoe Open Scores
Thursday
At Montreux Golf & Country Club
Reno, Nev.
Purse: $3 million
Yardage: 7,472; Par 72
First Round
Note: Scoring is by the Modified Stableford system; Double Eagle: 10 points; Hole-in-One: 8 points; Eagle: 6 points; Birdie: 3 points; Par: 1 point; Bogey: 0 points; Double Bogey: (-2) points.

Josh Teater	15
Gary Woodland	14
James Driscoll	14
Greg Chalmers	13
Stuart Appleby	12
Colt Knost	12
Trevor Immelman	10
Bud Cauley	10
Justin Bolli	10
David Mathis	10
Dean Wilson	10
Chris Williams	9
Ricky Barnes	9
Mark Wilson	9
Kevin Stadler	9
Brandt Jobe	8
Scott McCarron	8
Will Claxton	8
Andres Romero	8
Robert Streb	7
Skip Kendall	7
Woody Austin	7
Ted Potter, Jr.	7
Brendon Todd	7
James Hahn	7
Nathan Green	7
Chris DiMarco	6
Rich Beem	6
Matt Bettencourt	6
Richard H. Lee	6
Ryo Ishikawa	6
Alex Cejka	6
Tom Gillis	6
Bobby Gates	6
Doug LaBelle II	6
Steve LeBrun	6
Nick O'Hern	5
Robert Garrigus	5
Scott Verplank	5
Brian Harman	5
Tag Ridings	5
Michael Bradley	5
Brendan Steele	5
Dicky Pride	5
Robert Karlsson	5
Scott Langley	4
Ben Kohles	4
Jesper Parnevik	4
Jim Herman	4
T.J. Vogel	4
Johnson Wagner	4
Charlie Wi	4
Heath Slocum	4
Russell Knox	4
Ryuji Imada	3
Ben Crane	3
Bill Lunde	3
Steve Flesch	3
Vaughn Taylor	3
Ted Purdy	3
Seung-Yul Noh	3
Chris Riley	3
Rory Sabbatini	3
Peter Tomasulo	3
Jason Schmuhl	3
Jeff Gove	2
Jason Gore	2
Jonathan Byrd	2
Davis Love III	2
Bryce Molder	2
David Toms	2
Thomas Aiken	2
Mark Hubbard	2
D.J. Trahan	2
Shaun Micheel	2
Aaron Baddeley	2
Rod Pampling	2
Joey Snyder III	2
Ryan Blaum	2
David Duval	1
Joe Durant	1
Camilo Villegas	1
Brian Stuard	1
Frank Lickliter II	1
Aaron Watkins	1
Tim Petrovic	1
Henrik Norlander	1
Joe Ogilvie	0
Michael Letzig	0
Cameron Beckman	0
Casey Wittenberg	0
Greg Owen	0
Kevin Sutherland	0
Si Woo Kim	0
Luke List	0
Chad Campbell	**0**
John Rollins	0
Padraig Harrington	0

LPGA

Women's British Open Scores
Thursday
At The Old Course, St. Andrews
St. Andrews, Scotland
Purse: $2.75 million
Yardage: 6,672; Par: 72 (36-36)
First Round
a-ameteur

Camilla Lennarth	33-33 —	66
Morgan Pressel	34-32 —	66
Nicole Castrale	31-36 —	67
Na Yeon Choi	32-35 —	67
Mi-Jeong Jeon	33-34 —	67
Eun-Hee Ji	31-36 —	67
Stacy Lewis	36-31 —	67
Sydnee Michaels	34-33 —	67
Ryann O'Toole	33-34 —	67
Dori Carter	35-33 —	68
Paula Creamer	34-34 —	68
a-Georgia Hall	34-34 —	68
Danielle Kang	33-35 —	68
Pernilla Lindberg	33-35 —	68
Catriona Matthew	33-35 —	68
Lizette Salas	32-36 —	68
Liz Young	32-36 —	68
Katie M. Burnett	30-39 —	69
Shanshan Feng	34-35 —	69
Sandra Gal	34-35 —	69
Caroline Hedwall	35-34 —	69
Katherine Hull-Kirk	34-35 —	69
Malene Jorgensen	36-33 —	69
a-Lydia Ko	37-3269	
Ai Miyazato	32-37 —	69
Ji Young Oh	37-32 —	69
Inbee Park	31-38 —	69
Florentyna Parker	33-36 —	69
Mikaela Parmlid	34-35 —	69
So Yeon Ryu	35-34 —	69
Miki Saiki	34-35 —	69
Hee Kyung Seo	34-35 —	69
Jenny Shin	34-35 —	69
Marianne Skarpnord	34-35 —	69
Angela Stanford	33-36 —	69
Ayako Uehara	34-35 —	69
Mariajo Uribe	36-33 —	69
a-Amy Boulden	35-35 —	70
Holly Clyburn	37-33 —	70
Mamiko Higa	34-36 —	70
Karine Icher	34-36 —	70
I.K. Kim	35-35 —	70
Brittany Lang	34-36 —	70
Jee Young Lee	35-35 —	70
Brittany Lincicome	34-36 —	70
Rikako Morita	34-36 —	70
Anna Nordqvist	37-33 —	70
Lee-Anne Pace	35-35 —	70
Hee Young Park	34-36 —	70
Suzann Pettersen	34-36 —	70
a-Emily Taylor	35-35 —	70
Linda Wessberg	35-35 —	70
Lindsey Wright	34-36 —	70
Minea Blomqvist	34-37 —	71
Irene Cho	36-35 —	71
Chella Choi	34-37 —	71
Jacqui Concolino	35-36 —	71
Laura Diaz	36-35 —	71
Moira Dunn	35-36 —	71
Julieta Granada	33-38 —	71
Natalie Gulbis	35-36 —	71
Mina Harigae	33-38 —	71
Daniela Holmqvist	34-37 —	71
Cristie Kerr	35-36 —	71
Meena Lee	36-35 —	71
Se Ri Pak	34-37 —	71
Jane Park	34-37 —	71
Jiyai Shin	36-35 —	71
Ashleigh Simon	34-37 —	71
Nontaya Srisawang	34-37 —	71
Thidapa Suwannapura	36-35 —	71
Alison Walshe	35-36 —	71
Sun Young Yoo	34-37 —	71
Christel Boeljon	35-37 —	72
a-Celine Boutier	33-39 —	72
Laura Davies	34-38 —	72
Katie Futcher	35-37 —	72
Sophie Gustafson	36-36 —	72
Mi Jung Hur	35-37 —	72
Jeong Jang	36-36 —	72
Trish Johnson	37-35 —	72
Moriya Jutanugarn	33-39 —	72
Jessica Korda	34-38 —	72
Candie Kung	36-36 —	72
Cindy LaCrosse	35-37 —	72
Xi Yu Lin	35-37 —	72
Paola Moreno	36-36 —	72
Belen Mozo	35-37 —	72
Pornanong Phatlum	34-38 —	72
Yani Tseng	34-38 —	72
Line Vedel	34-38 —	72
Helen Alfredsson	38-35 —	73
Juli Inkster	34-39 —	73
Haeji Kang	36-37 —	73
Sarah Kemp	35-38 —	73
Mindy Kim	35-38 —	73
Kristy McPherson	35-38 —	73
Azahara Munoz	35-38 —	73
Margherita Rigon	35-38 —	73
Jennifer Rosales	34-39 —	73
Dewi Claire Schreefel	34-39 —	73
Klara Spilkova	35-38 —	73
Veronica Zorzi	37-36 —	73
Beth Allen	35-39 —	74
Carlota Ciganda	36-38 —	74
Austin Ernst	36-38 —	74
Sahra Hassan	36-38 —	74
Jennifer Johnson	33-41 —	74
Stacey Keating	36-38 —	74
Louise Larsson	36-38 —	74
Amelia Lewis	34-40 —	74
Mika Miyazato	37-37 —	74
Gwladys Nocera	35-39 —	74
Gerina Piller	36-38 —	74
Marta Silva	35-39 —	74
Karen Stupples	34-40 —	74
Karrie Webb	35-39 —	74
Michelle Wie	37-37 —	74
Sakura Yokomine	35-39 —	74

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Mylan Classic Scores
Thursday
At Southpointe Golf Club
Canonsburg, Pa.
Purse: $675,000
Yardage: 6,951; Par 71 (35-36)
First Round
a-denotes amateur

Zack Sucher	33-32 —	65
Guy Boros	32-34 —	66
Steve Wheatcroft	33-33 —	66
Billy Hurley III	33-33 —	66
Chad Collins	31-35 —	66
Ben Martin	32-34 —	66
Whee Kim	32-34 —	66
Cliff Kresge	33-34 —	67
Franklin Corpening	32-35 —	67
Blayne Barber	32-35 —	67
Dustin Garza	32-35 —	67
Vince Covello	33-35 —	68
Jeff Klauk	34-34 —	68
Kevin Kim	35-33 —	68
Fernando Mechereffe	34-34 —	68
Brad Elder	33-35 —	68
I J Jang	36-32 —	68
Andy Pope	37-31 —	68
Peter Malnati	34-34 —	68
Shane Bertsch	35-34 —	69
Hudson Swafford	35-34 —	69
Will MacKenzie	35-34 —	69
Ariel Canete	35-34 —	69
Adam Crawford	33-36 —	69
Kyle Reifers	33-36 —	69
Roland Thatcher	34-35 —	69
Kevin Foley	35-34 —	69
James Nitties	32-37 —	69
Peter Lonard	37-32 —	69
John Chin	35-34 —	69
Matt Hill	33-36 —	69
Stephan Jaeger	33-36 —	69
Ashley Hall	36-34 —	70
Paul Claxton	36-34 —	70
Todd Demsey	34-36 —	70
Len Mattiace	34-36 —	70
Brad Adamonis	34-36 —	70
Scott Sterling	34-36 —	70
Brice Garnett	34-36 —	70
Matt Hendrix	36-34 —	70
Nick Rousey	36-34 —	70
Alex Carpenter	33-37 —	70
Wes Roach	34-36 —	70
Lee Bedford	33-37 —	70

HOUNDSWATCH

THURSDAY'S SCORE
Corpus Christi 5, Midland 4

TODAY'S GAME
Midland at Corpus Christi
7:05 p.m.
Whataburger Field

RADIO/INTERNET
www.milb.com
KCRS (550 AM)

RECORDS
Midland 16-25, Corpus Christi 24-17

Wednesday	Thursday	Today	Saturday	Sunday
Frisco 2, Midland 1	Corpus Christi 5, Midland 4		Midland at Corpus Christi, 7:05 p.m.	Midland at Corpus Christi, 7:05 p.m.

DAILYRUNDOWN

ON THE AIR

WHAT'S ON TV
AUTO RACING

NASCAR, Sprint Cup, practice for GoBowling.com 400, at Long Pond, Pa. (same-day tape), Noon, Speed
NASCAR, Sprint Cup, pole qualifying for GoBowling.com 400, at Long Pond, Pa., 2 p.m., Speed
ARCA, ModSpace 125, at Long Pond, Pa., 4 p.m., Speed

BOXING

Featherweights, Javier Fortuna (22-0-0) vs. Luis Franco (11-1-0), at Miami, Okla., 8 p.m., ESPN2

CANADIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Hamilton at Edmonton, 8 p.m., NBC Sports Network

EXTREME SPORTS

X Games, at Los Angeles, 8 p.m., ESPN

GOLF

Women's British Open Championship, second round, at St. Andrews, Scotland, 8 a.m., ESPN2
Web.com Tour, Mylan Classic, second round, at Canonsburg, Pa., 9 a.m., TGC
Champions Tour, 3M Championship, first round, at Blaine, Minn., 11 a.m., TGC
PGA Tour-WGC, Bridgestone Invitational, second round, at Akron, Ohio, 1 p.m., TGC
PGA Tour, Reno-Tahoe Open, second round, at Reno, Nev., 6 p.m., TGC

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

L.A. Dodgers at Chicago Cubs, 3 p.m., WGN
Regional coverage, St. Louis at Cincinnati or Arizona at Boston, 6 p.m., MLB
Texas at Oakland, 9 p.m., MYTV16

TENNIS

ATP World Tour, Citi Open, quarterfinal, at Washington, 3 p.m., ESPN2
ATP World Tour, Citi Open, quarterfinal, at Washington, 6 p.m., ESPN2
WTA, Southern California Open, quarterfinal, at Carlsbad, Calif., 10 p.m., ESPN2

WHAT'S ON DECK

GOLF

Midland Men's City Tournament, Hogan Park Golf Course

LOCAL SPORTS

NELSON TAKES 2ND AT STATE TRACK MEET

Odessa Permian junior Miah Nelson, who runs with the Midland-based Tall City Christian Track Club, picked up a second-place finish in the 800 meters at Texas Athletic Amateur Federation Track & Field Championships last weekend.

Nelson's weekend was expected to be quite full, and actually started in Greensboro, N.C., at the Junior Olympics. However, after finishing third in the preliminaries of the 800 meters, rain started to delay the meet, and instead of taking the risk of missing the TAAF meet, Nelson opted to leave the Junior Olympics early.

Nelson, who holds the TAAF record for her age group in the 800 meters, failed to successfully defend her 2012 title in the meet, but her record managed to stand. Nelson took silver with a time of 2 minutes, 19 seconds.

In all, the Tall City Christian Track Club took 28 athletes to Corpus Christi and two more — Odessa High senior Dekwaan Wynn and Midland seventh grader Candice Box — to the Junior Olympics.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Assigned RHP Jairo Asencio outright to Norfolk (IL).
BOSTON RED SOX — Added RHP Jake Peavy to the active roster. Optioned RHP Jose De La Torre to Pawtucket (IL). Recalled RHP Steven Wright from Pawtucket. Optioned RHP Brandon Workman to Pawtucket.
HOUSTON ASTROS — Released 1B Carlos Pena.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Placed INF Chris Getz on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 28.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Optioned LHP Scott Diamond and OF Aaron Hicks to Rochester (IL).
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Placed RHP Dustin McGowan on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Tuesday. Reinstated RHP Sergio Santos from the 60-day DL. Transferred RHP Brandon Morrow to the 60-day DL.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Placed C Miguel Montero on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 29. Optioned RHP Chaz Roe to Reno (PCL). Recalled RHP Zeke Spruill from Reno. Selected the contract of C Tuffy Gosewisch from Reno.
CINCINNATI REDS — Assigned RHP Greg Reynolds outright to Louisville (IL).
COLORADO ROCKIES — Optioned LHP Jeff Francis to Colorado Springs (PCL). Recalled RHP Chad Bettis from Tulsa (Texas).
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Recalled INF Scooter Gennett from Nashville (PCL). Sent RHP Mark Rogers to the AZL Brewers for a rehab assignment.
SAN DIEGO PADRES — Reinstated RHP Sean O'Sullivan from paternity leave. Optioned RHP Miles Mikolas to Tucson (PCL).

American Association

AMARILLO SOX — Signed RHP Andrew Romo.
EL PASO DIABLOS — Signed OF Welington Dotel.
SIOUX CITY EXPLORERS — Released INF Eddie Young.

Can-Am League

NEWARK BEARS — Released INF Manny Mayorson.

Frontier League

JOLIET SLAMMERS — Signed RHP Ian Hanley. Released OF David Christensen and RHP Chris DeBoo.
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS MINERS — Signed INF Danny Hernandez and RHP Bobby Hurst.
WASHINGTON WILD THINGS — Released OF Mario Yepez.
WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS — Signed RHP Wes Torrez.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association

MILWAUKEE BUCKS — Signed G Nate Wolters.
TORONTO RAPTORS — Signed F Austin Daye.

FOOTBALL
National Football League

NFL — Suspended Minnesota OT DeMarcus Love first four games of the 2013 regular season for violating the NFL policy on performance enhancing substances.
ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed CB Jordan Mabin. Waived CB Saeed Lee.
CAROLINA PANTHERS — Released OL Geoff Hangartner.
CINCINNATI BENGALS—Acquired OT Jason Weaver off waivers from Tampa Bay. Signed WR Jheranie Boyd.
DALLAS COWBOYS — Released DE Cameron Sheffield and CB Devin Smith. Signed G Jeff Olson and OT James Nelson.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Waived G Robert Griffin and LB Scott Lutrus. Signed G Danous Estenor and C Thomas Austin.
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS — Signed CB Kamaal McIlwain and OT Mike Tepper.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Signed DL Travis Chappelear, WR Johnathan Haggerty, WR Lavasier Tuinei and DL Scott Vallone. Released DB Stephon Morris.
NEW YORK GIANTS — Placed WR Jeremy Horne on the waived-injured list. Signed WR Julian Talley.
NEW YORK JETS — Activated S Rontez Miles from the PUP list.
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Waived RB Ray Holley. Waived/injured WR Greg Herd. Claimed WR Perez Ashford off waivers from New England. Signed TE Andrei Lintz.

Canadian Football League

MONTREAL ALOUETTES — Fired coach Dan Hawkins. Announced general manager Jim Popp will take over coach.
WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Signed DB David James to the practice roster.

SOCCER
Major League Soccer

SEATTLE SOUNDERS FC — Agreed to terms with MF Shalrie Joseph.

National Women's Soccer League

SKY BLUE FC — Signed MF Ashley Nick.

COLLEGE

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE — Promoted Charlie Hussey to associate commissioner for SEC Network relations.
BENTLEY — Named Matt Curley men's assistant ice hockey coach.
BOWLING GREEN — Named Victoria Chatman assistant track and field coach.
GEORGE MASON — Named Ted Nagorsen rowing coach.
LA SALLE — Named Shannon Clegg assistant athletic trainer.
LIMESTONE — Announced the retirement of softball coach Jimmy Martin. Named Amy Yates softball coach.
MOUNT ST. MARY'S — Named Brittany Pinkney women's assistant basketball coach.
NYU — Named Bridgette Ingram men's and women's assistant track and field coach.
OHIO STATE — Named Gabby Capuzzi women's assistant lacrosse coach.
OHIO WESLEYAN — Named Chelsea Huguenard women's lacrosse coach.
OKLAHOMA STATE — Named Diego Flaquer sprints coach for track and field.
PACIFIC—Named Dwight Young men's assistant basketball coach.
SPRING HILL — Named Matt Tanner men's assistant soccer coach.
TEXAS-PAN AMERICAN — Named Brandon Stokes men's tennis coach.
TROY — Promoted Rawia Elsisi to women's tennis coach.
WAKE FOREST — Announced RB Josh Harris is ineligible for his senior season.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Today

At Buffalo Run Casino, Miami, Okla. (ESPN2), Javier Fortuna vs. Luis Franco, 10, featherweights.

Saturday

At Uncasville, Conn. (NBCSN), Curtis Stevens vs. Saul Roman, 10, middleweights; Eddie Chambers vs. Thabisco Mchunu, 10, cruiserweights; Tomasz Adamek vs. Tony Grano, 10, heavyweights; Tomasz Adamek vs. Tony Grano, 10, heavyweights.

Aug. 9

At Morongo Casino Resort & Spa, Cabazon, Calif. (ESPN2), Rustum Nagaev vs. Jose Hernandez, 10, lightweights; Jose Pedraza vs. Gabriel Tomalyjan, 10 super featherweights.
At Fantasy Springs Resort Casino, Indio, Calif. (SHO), Deontay Wilder vs. Sergei Liakhovich, 10, heavyweights; Francisco Vargas vs. Brandon Bennett, 10, lightweights; Jermall Charlo vs. Antwone Smith, 10, junior middleweights.

Aug. 10

At Panama City, Panama, Anselmo Moreno vs. William Urina, 12, for Moreno's WBA Super World bantamweight title; Oscar Escandon vs. Nehomar Cermeno, 12, for the interim WBA World junior featherweight title.

Aug. 12

At Tokyo, Shinsuke Yamanaka, vs. Jose Nieves, 12, for Yamanaka's WBC bantamweight title; Akira Yaegashi vs. Oscar Blanquet, 12, for Yaegashi's WBC flyweigh title.

Aug. 16

At U.S. Cellular Field, Chicago (ESPN), Andrzej Fonfara vs. Gabriel Campillo, 12, for the IBO light heavyweight title; Artur Szpilka vs. Mike Mollo, 10, heavyweights.

Aug. 17

At Cardiff, Wales (HBO), Nathan Cleverly vs. Sergey Kovalev, 12, for Cleverly's WBO light heavyweight title.
At Revel Resort, Atlantic City, N.J. (HBO), Daniel Geale vs. Darren Barker, 12, for Geale's IBF middleweight title; Jonathan Romero vs. Kiki Martinez, 12, for Romero's IBF super bantamweight title.
At Cancun, Mexico, Takashi Miura vs. Sergio Thompson, 12, for Miura's WBC junior lightweight title.

Aug. 23

At Bangkok, Thailand, Nobuo Nashiro vs. Denkaosan Kaovichit, 12, for the interim WBA World super flyweight title.
At Dover (Del.) Downs Hotel & Casino, Amir Mansour vs. Maurice Harris, 12, for the vacant U.S. Boxing Association heavyweight title.

Upbeat Church a Garrett favorite, and vice versa

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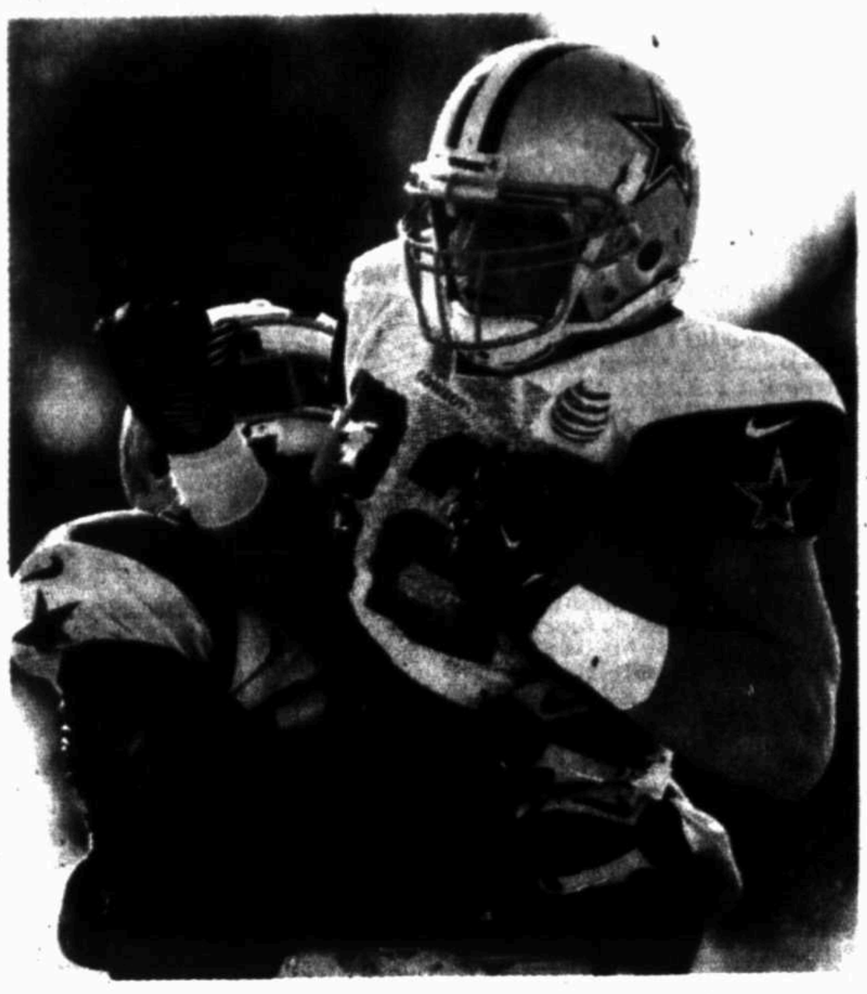

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Dallas Cowboys tight end Jason Witten, front right, is tackled by safety Barry Church, back left, during training camp Tuesday in Oxnard, Calif.

OXNARD, Calif. — It's been said that like attracts like, so it's no wonder Dallas Cowboys coach Jason Garrett is such a big fan of safety Barry Church.

"He's got such an upbeat personality, and it reflects in how he plays the game," Garrett said.

The same, of course, can be said of Garrett, who preaches constantly to his players about the benefits of positive thinking. Not surprisingly, Church is all ears when he hears his coach sermonize about the importance of exhibiting a good attitude.

"Jason is really upbeat and positive about everything," Church said. "I want to model myself after him."

When he was young, Church emulated his parents, Barry Church Sr. and Denise Church. The Pittsburgh native and Ball State alum said his optimistic attitude stems from the way he saw them react to life.

"My dad is real big on the discipline and real stern," said Church, 25. "My mom is kind of a free-spirited, happy-go-lucky person. I'm kind of split right down the middle… After they would discipline me, they would speak positively to me. I said to myself, 'Why not look at life that way?

"I feel like if you keep positive vibes, positive things happen to you. If you think negative, negative things will happen. I try to have a positive view on everything."

Church believes his sunshiny outlook is a big reason why he came back so quickly from the season-ending torn Achilles tendon he suffered in the third game last season, his second in the NFL and first as a starter.

"I figured the season's over, you can't dwell on it or you will fall further into a hole," Church said. "I just looked at the positive things. It gave me time to be more of a student of the game and reflect on how my career was going. It worked out for the best."

Church's teammates took notice of his swift recovery.

"I am impressed," cornerback Brandon Carr said. "I was tracking his progress to see how long it would take for him to get back. He's out here full speed and is probably a little faster than he was last year. I guess things have changed since back in my college days (seven years ago) when people used to have an Achilles and their career would be done. I guess it's medicine and technology."

And, in Church's case, a positive attitude.

"He's always got a smile, always in a good mood," Carr said. "That carried over to his rehab."

Outside of a root canal that forced him to miss one day of practice, Church is enjoying a strong camp.

"He's one of those guys who over-achieves," Garrett said. "A free agent coming out of school, (we said), 'Can he make this team?' He said, 'Damn right, I'm making this team.' Can he have a role on this team? He said, 'You're damn right I'm going to have a role on this team.'

"At every turn, you say, 'Can he do it? He's deficient here, can he really do this?' And at every turn he's proven us wrong and overachieved and done more than anybody thought he could do. Last year, he came in and said, 'I'm going to be one of your starting safeties, and I'm going to show you I'm going to do that every single day.' And he did. He won that job.

"He just has that way about him, and those are the kind of guys you want on your team."

Church's latest challenge is to prove he can be effective in defensive coordinator Monte Kiffin's 4-3 Tampa 2 defense, which requires safeties to play on the perimeter. In Rob Ryan' 3-4, Church played closer to the line of scrimmage.

"In the past, I felt like I was kind of a fourth linebacker out there," Church said. "I really feel good about (the 4-3).

And just about everything else.

Clutch, difficult catches helped set Carter apart

By Dave Campbell
Associated Press

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In this Nov. 8, 1999 file photo, Minnesota Vikings wide receiver Cris Carter (80) celebrates his 6-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Jeff George in Minneapolis. Carter will be inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio on Saturday.

MINNEAPOLIS — Cris Carter's entry into the exclusive club in Canton will be commemorated with a bronze head-and-shoulders bust, like all of the Pro Football Hall of Fame members before him.

His hands might be a more appropriate body part to feature.

Over 16 seasons in the NFL, with fire and grit and flair, Carter exemplified just what a wide receiver is paid to do: catch the ball.

After overcoming some well-publicized troubles in his early years, Carter became a highlight-reel fixture and unflappable performer in the 1990s for the Minnesota Vikings. He wasn't the fastest, the biggest or the most elusive of the bunch, but he made happen some of the most impossible grabs and often did so at the most opportune times.

Tiptoeing both feet at the sideline and successfully pulling in a pass in the split-second before falling out of bounds.

Leaping to his feet after being whistled down and sticking his arm straight out to signal a first down.

Jumping in front of two defenders to corral a ball in the end zone with his fingertips.

Those are the images of what set Carter apart. After missing the cut five times for the Hall of Fame, Carter was finally voted in. He'll be inducted on Saturday with this year's group about a 3 1/2-hour drive from where he grew up in Middletown, Ohio.

"I catch everything that the normal people catch and I catch a few things that no one catches. That's what I used to say to myself before every game," Carter said recently.

Four of his former Vikings teammates, Chris Doleman, John Randle, Randall McDaniel and Gary Zimmerman, preceded Carter with enshrinement over the past five years.

Carter retired after the 2002 season behind only Jerry Rice for all-time receptions and touchdowns. He's fourth in those categories now, passed by Tony Gonzalez and Marvin Harrison in catches and Randy Moss and Terrell Owens in scores. Wherever he landed on those lists was always going to be a product of his fierce determination.

Raised in poverty in a four-room apartment with a single mother and five siblings, Carter could've easily strayed from his Hall of Fame track. He was ineligible for his senior year at Ohio State because of a federal investigation for organized crime that revealed he signed early with an agent. He forced Philadelphia coach Buddy Ryan, who famously said of Carter, "All he does is catch touchdowns," to cut him after the 1989 season. Then, Carter's abuse of alcohol and drugs were destroying his career, let alone his life.

But with arguably the best investment in franchise history, the Vikings paid the $100 waiver fee to claim Carter. Ten years later, he had been picked for eight Pro Bowls, made the playoffs eight times and, in the latter part of his career, helped lead one of the most potent passing games in the league. The Vikings never reached the Super Bowl with him but were NFC runners up twice in that span.

Carter hatched an offseason conditioning plan with his personal trainer to fuel all those accomplishments, using Rice, the San Francisco star, as his motivation and a time-zone advantage as his reward. The addictive behavior that fueled his chemical dependency worked in his favor on the field.

"By the time Jerry Rice woke up I was done with my work," Carter said, adding: "I knew that if Jerry Rice was ahead of me, that day I had caught up to him a little bit."

That drive to be the best also produced a brash personality and the potential for conflict with opponents. There are many memorable video clips, too, of Carter shouting at a teammate or a coach.

Moss thrived under Carter's mentorship as a rookie but later grew tired of him and blasted him on Twitter last year after critical comments Carter made as an ESPN analyst of Moss's work ethic. Carter later wrote in his autobiography "Going Deep," that the two are back on good terms.

COWBOYS

From 1C

Lee has missed at least one game in each of his three seasons after an injury-filled career at Penn State.

Last year's injury — when he got his foot stuck awkwardly in a pile — came after he had a career-high 21 tackles against Seattle and just a week after he tripled his career best in quarterback pressures with six.

Lee uses the word "urgency" a lot. He shows it in practice, too, chasing running backs and receivers and swiping at the ball long after the whistle blows and griping at referees over where the ball should be spotted in short-yardage work.

He doesn't disagree that it's on him and Carter to lead the way.

"We have to get better, and we have to get better fast," Lee said. "If we want this defense to be good, there are a lot of parts that need to play well. But me and Bruce need to step our game up."

Lee says Carter shares his view that the talk means nothing. That's not news to linebackers coach Matt Eberflus.

"They work hand-in-hand," Eberflus said. "They're like two peas in a pod."

SEC

From 1C

Alabama might be the team to beat nationally after claiming three of the past four championships, but navigating the competitive SEC is a challenge for any team. Johnny Manziel and Texas A&M are in pursuit, and so are Georgia, South Carolina and Florida. All four finished last season among the nation's top nine teams. It's hard to count out still-talented LSU, even after 11 underclassmen departed for the NFL. The Crimson Tide, though, remains loaded with talent and has a talented group of tailbacks and receivers to go with the always sturdy defense led by the All-America linebacker Mosley.

2. MADE-FOR-TV GAMES: This list clearly begins with the Sept. 14 rematch in College Station between Alabama and Texas A&M, the only team to beat the Tide last season. That game was a Heisman moment for Manziel. Alabama gets a bye week to change gears for the no-huddle offense. A week earlier, defending East champion Georgia tries to avenge a 35-7 loss to South Carolina. Florida and LSU, perhaps somewhat overlooked in the preseason, meet on Oct. 12 a year after Will Muschamp's team managed to end the Tigers' 18-game regular-season win streak, 14-6. The season gets started Aug. 29 with Mississippi visiting Vanderbilt, not ordinarily a scintillating matchup but a chance for both to make an early statement,

Predicted order of finish in SEC

EAST
1. Georgia
2. South Carolina
3. Florida
4. Vanderbilt
5. Missouri
6. Tennessee
7. Kentucky

WEST
1. Alabama
2. Texas A&M
3. LSU
4. Mississippi
5. Auburn
6. Mississippi State
7. Arkansas

Title game winner: Alabama

3. SEC NEWBIES: Arkansas nabbed a proven winner in Bret Bielemma, Auburn landed offensive whiz Gus Malzahn, Kentucky got a spark with Mark Stoops and Tennessee turned to Butch Jones, who is already making waves on the recruiting trail. Now, if only all four of the league's new head coaches can find a starting quarterback. In the meantime, it's no coincidence that those teams had the SEC's four most generous defenses before the bosses made changes at the top. The result: A combined mark of 3-29 in league play, $15 million in buyouts and fresh starts.

4. RISING STOCK: Vanderbilt is coming off its best record since 1915, going 9-4 two years after a second straight two-win season led to the hiring of James Franklin. Back-to-back bowl game is also a first for the Commodores, who have gone from doormats to respected foe under the ever-confident coach. They're led by one of the SEC's top wide receivers in Jordan Matthews. Mississippi's turnaround in Hugh Freeze's first season was impressive, too. The Rebels won seven games, including the BBVA Compass Bowl. Freeze then made even bigger waves with a highly touted recruiting class. Back are quarterback Bo Wallace and linebacker Denzel Nkemdiche.

5. YOUTH MOVEMENT: From five-star newcomers to talented players with a year under their belt, the SEC is full of youngsters with the potential to emerge as stars. Missouri wide receiver and prized 2012 signee Dorial Green-Beckham racked up 21 catches for 267 yards and four touchdowns in the final five games. Alabama's Yeldon ran for 258 yards in the SEC and BCS championship games plus freshman runner Derrick Henry, linebacker Reuben Foster and tight end O.J. Howard could develop significant roles. Ole Miss defensive end Robert Nkemdiche, defensive tackle Lavon Hooks and wideout Laquon Treadwell are freshmen to watch, along with Florida cornerback Vernon Hargreaves and defensive ends Carl Lawson (Auburn) and Chris Jones (Mississippi State)— among others.

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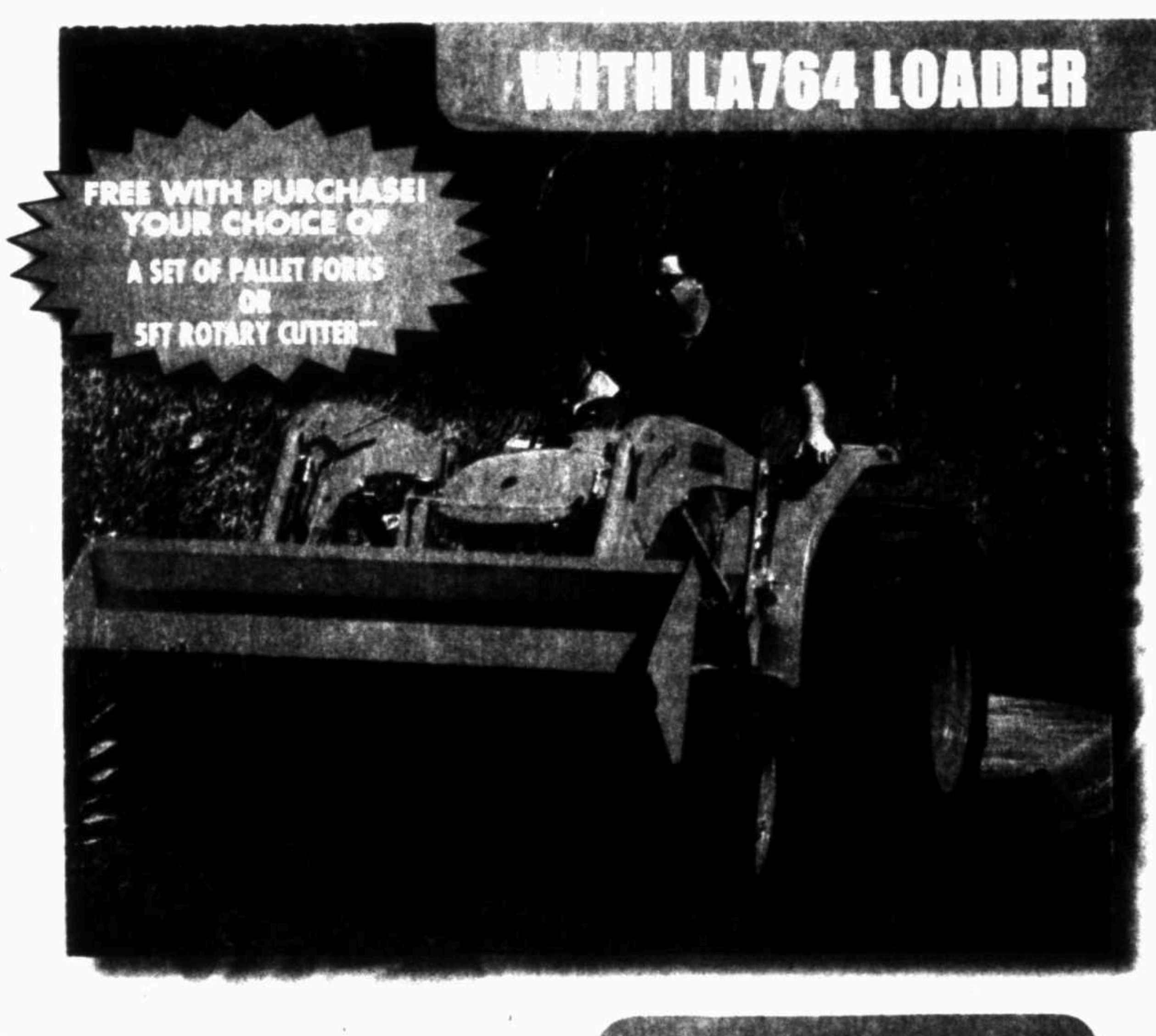

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Simpson makes most of his 1st Bridgestone round

By Rusty Miller
Associated Press

AKRON — So much for course knowledge.

Webb Simpson, playing his first competitive round at Firestone Country Club, shot a 6-under 64 on Thursday to take a one-stroke lead in the Bridgestone Invitational.

It all came down to trust.

"Well, I knew it all through my caddie (Paul Tesori), who's been here so many years," Simpson said. "I just kind of had to listen to him."

Tesori has caddied for years on tour, for Vijay Singh and Jerry Kelly, in addition to being a pro himself.

"It's hard for us players to listen to our caddies, but he basically showed me where to go yesterday and told me where to hit it, where the lines were, what clubs to hit," said Simpson, the 2012 U.S. Open champion. "I didn't feel like it was my first time because he has so much experience here."

Seven-time Bridgestone winner Tiger Woods did not have to rely so much on the man on his bag, Joe LaCava, while shooting a 66. Woods has 11 top-10 finishes in his 13 starts at the course, so he clearly knows where to go.

Still, he needed his counsel from time to time.

"I hit a lot of good shots. I had a really good feel for the distance today, and Joey and I really read the wind right today," Woods said after his best opening round at the course since another 66 spurred him to a one-shot victory in 2005. "We changed a lot of shots out there, and we both had a really good handle on what we were doing feelwise with the wind."

Henrik Stenson was alone in second with a 65. Defending champion Keegan Bradley, Ryan Moore and Chris Wood, another first-time entrant, matched Woods at 66.

Simpson had six birdies in an eight-hole span.

There was only one glitch.

"I wish I didn't bogey the last hole," he said after missing the green on the par 4 and failing to get up and down. "It's one area I've got to get better at. When I'm between clubs, hitting more club and swinging easy is where I've been struggling.

"You know, there's always something to work on."

Simpson hasn't won this season. He called his year "encouraging and frustrating."

"I feel like I've let a couple of tournaments go that maybe I should have closed out," he said.

Stenson started out birdie, eagle — hitting his second shot 243 yards on the par-5 hole to inside 4 feet. He slowed down from there, parring every hole except for birdies at the 11th and 12th holes.

He had more problems with his outfit than the course. He was breaking in a new pair of shoes and felt a blister coming on at the turn, so had to switch to an older pair that didn't necessarily fit with his ensemble.

"They might not match the outfit perfectly, but it felt like I had socks on compared to the other ones," he said, grinning.

Woods would have a nice career if only World Golf Championship events, such as the Bridgestone, counted. He won three in a row (1999-2001) at Firestone, then had three top-five finishes before reeling off victories in his next four appearances (2005-2009), and missing the 2008 tournament while recovering from knee surgery.

In 41 WGC starts, he has 32 top-10 finishes.

There's something about Firestone that brings out the best in him.

"Luckily, over the years I've taken advantage of it," he said. "I have played well and I've scored well, and I've won my share of tournaments here."

Bradley won the Bridgestone a year ago when he shot a closing 64, and Jim Furyk, who had led all week, double-bogeyed the closing hole.

Bradley put together a workmanlike, efficient 66 that didn't include a bogey.

The 2011 PGA Championship winner doesn't want to stress out on defendlng his title.

"No, it's business as usual," he said. "I just want to not put too much pressure on myself to do anything crazy. I know this golf course fits me, so to let the course come to me is big here."

Another shot back at 67 in the star-studded field were Furyk, Jason Dufner, Bubba Watson, Rickie Fowler, Bill Haas and Luke Donald.

Fowler was speaking for a lot of players when he said that there are a lot of similarities between Firestone and Oak Hill, the site of the PGA Championship next week.

"If the course stays dry and it starts to firm up through the weekend, it's very comparable as far as you've got to drive the ball well and position yourself off the tee," said Fowler, who practiced at Oak Hill on Monday. "It's a great warm-up here, but obviously this is one of our bigger weeks of the year, too. Two great weeks, back-to-back, and two great golf courses."

While the world's top-ranked player, Woods, was in prime position, that wasn't necessarily the case for Nos. 2 and 3.

Phil Mickelson, coming off his dramatic victory at the British Open two weeks ago, struggled with his concentration and came in with a 72.

"Tonight I'll get a little bit more rest and try not to do too much and see if I can come out tomorrow a little bit more focused," he said.

He missed two par putts inside 3 feet on consecutive holes early in his round.

Rory McIlroy shot a 70. The defending PGA champion is winless this year.

"I just threw a few shots away around the greens," he said. "You know, you start to save shots there and all of a sudden you're 3-, 4- or 5-under par."

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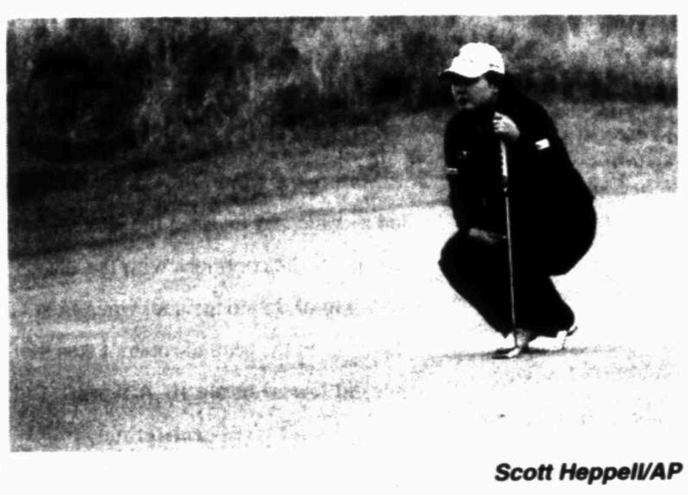
Webb Simpson chips to the ninth green during the first round of the Bridgestone Invitational on Thursday at Firestone Country Club in Akron, Ohio.



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Inbee Park lines up her putt on the first green during the first round of the Women's British Open on the Old Course at St Andrews, Scotland on Thursday.

Park, seeking 4th straight major, opens with 69

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — Wearing a black rain suit and a soft smile, Inbee Park looked calm as ever standing before the imposing Royal & Ancient clubhouse just moments before she teed off Thursday in the Women's British Open.

Only after her unsteady round of 3-under 69 did Park reveal perhaps the biggest surprise at St. Andrews.

She was nervous.

"But then once the round started, and especially playing so good in the first few holes, that really gave me a lot of confidence," Park said. "I didn't feel much pressure when I was playing during the round. I'm just glad that it's already started and I got the first round under my belt."

Park wound up three shots behind Morgan Pressel and Camilla Lennarth of Sweden, a solid start to what should be a fascinating week at the home of golf.

Her pursuit of history looked more like a high-speed chase when the 25-year-old South Korean made six birdies in 10 holes. Three poor tee shots, two three-putt bogeys and one double bogey from a pot bunker on the back nine made her realize there's a reason no golfer has ever won four majors in a single year.

"Felt like a roller coaster today," Park said.

She was only too happy it finally stopped with a 6-foot birdie on the 18th hole, ending a slide during which she dropped four shots in a five-hole span.

Pressel, one spot out of making the Solheim Cup team this week, caught a break when the rain and wind never materialized in the afternoon. She made seven birdies in a round of 66 that gave her a share of the lead with Lennarth, who birdied the 18th.

Stacy Lewis, the former No. 1 player in women's golf, shot 31 on the tougher back nine for a 67 to be part of a large group that included former U.S. Women's Open champion Na Yeon Choi and Nicole Castrale. Another shot behind were Paula Creamer, Catriona Matthew and Lizette Salas.

Those who played early had reason to worry.

Lewis was on the 10th tee when she looked over at Park knocking in an 18-foot birdie putt, her fifth of the round. Castrale had not yet teed off when her husband saw a leaderboard with Park's name in a familiar position.

"It's amazing, the fact we all possibly can play with history," Castrale said. "It's amazing what she's done to this point, the composure she has. I don't know what she shot today, but I'm going to guess she'll be in the mix come Sunday."

If there were nerves on the first tee for Park, she didn't show it.

She opened with a wedge into about 7 feet for birdie, and then she really poured it on with an astounding display of her putting stroke. She rolled in a 30-foot birdie putt on No. 3 with perfect pace. She made an 18-foot birdie on No. 4 and a 35-footer on No. 6. It didn't look as if she would ever miss. Her sixth birdie came at the 10th, when her sand wedge checked up to 5 feet right of the hole. Another birdie.

Just like that, there was a feeling of inevitability about this Women's British Open, much as there was for Tiger Woods when he won the British Open for the first time at St. Andrews by eight shots to complete the career Grand Slam in 2000.

But not for long.

It started with a tee shot into thick grass to the right of the 12th fairway. She saved par with another great putt, this one from 15 feet, but she couldn't save herself much longer. After another poor tee shot on the 13th, she came dangerously close to a large gorse bush. She chipped to 15 feet and made bogey, her first of the day. A delicate pitch-and-run helped her avoid another bogey on the 15th after a third tee shot to the right.

GOLF ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

PGA

RENO-TAHOE OPEN: At Reno, Nev., Josh Teater took the first-round lead in the Reno-Tahoe Open, scoring five points with an eagle on the par-5 eighth hole and finishing with 15 in the modified Stableford event.

Winless on the PGA Tour, Teater also had six birdies and two bogeys at Montreux Golf & Country Club. Players receive eight points for double eagle, five for eagle, two for birdie, zero for par, minus-one for bogey and minus-three for double bogey or worse.

Gary Woodland and James Driscoll were a point back, Greg Chalmers followed at 13, and Stuart Appleby and Colt Knost had 12. Defending champion J.J. Henry had three points.

Amateur

JACOB SOLOMON LEADS JUNIOR PGA: At Potomac Falls, Va., Jacob Solomon took the third-round lead Thursday in the Junior PGA Championship and Abbey Carlson and Kristen Gillman shared the top spot in the girls' division.

The 16-year-old Solomon, from Dublin, Calif., had a 4-under 67 to reach 9-under 204 at Trump National Golf Club - Washington, D.C. Tyler McDaniel of Manchester, Ky., was a stroke back after a 65 that tied the male competitive course record. Second-round leader Brad Dalke of Hobart, Okla., was third at 7 under after a 70.

The 15-year-old Carlson, from Lake Mary, Fla., had a 69 to match Gillman, also 15, at 4 under. Gillman, from Austin, Texas, shot 70. Amy Lee of Brea, Calif., matched the female competitive course record with a 67 to move into third place at 3 under.

STANFORD'S RODGERS LEADS WESTERN AMATEUR: At Roland, Ark., Stanford's Patrick Rodgers shot a 6-under 66 on Thursday to open a four-shot lead after the third round of stroke-play qualifying in the 111th Western Amateur.

Rodgers, from Avon, Ind., had a 15-under 201 total at The Alotian Club. After the fourth round Friday, the low 16 will advance to match play.

U.S. Public Links champion Jordan Niebrugge was second after a 70. Niebrugge, from Mequon, Wis., plays for Oklahoma State.

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SUNDAY: Partly sunny High: 97 Low: 75

Local forecast

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 101 and south winds between 5 and 15 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly clear conditions with a low around 75 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday, look for sunny skies with a high around 100 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph. Expect mostly clear conditions at night, a low around 74 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph.

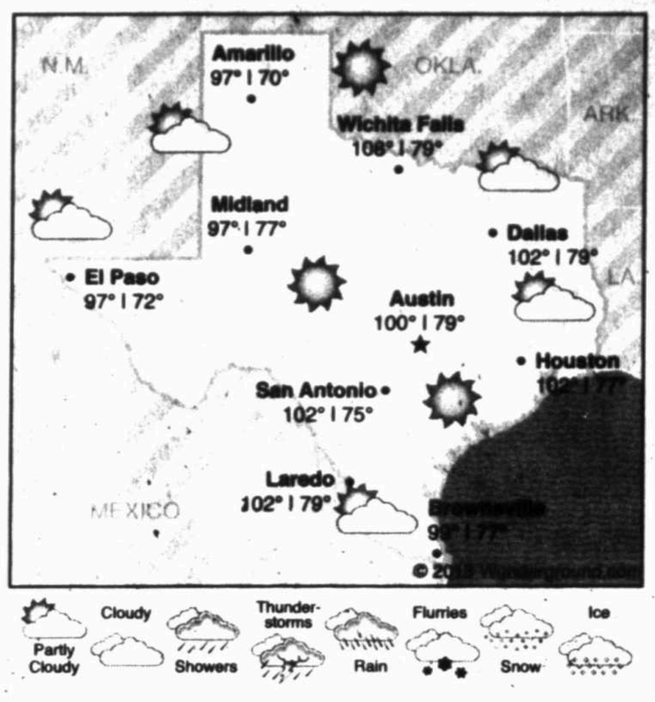
Sunday, the forecast calls for sunny skies during the day, mostly clear skies at night, a high around 97 and a low around 75.

The high on Thursday reached 100, while the low dropped to 75. The record high for Aug. 1 is 105 set in 1944. The record low is 56 set in 1936.

National forecast

Cooler-than-average air for early August will reach from the northern Plains to the Midwest, interior South and the Northeast today. A south dip in steering-level winds will allow air to drain out of Canada and across this area.

Dry weather with low humidity will reach from much of New England to the southern Appalachians and Tennessee Valley.



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Wednesday	0.00 in.
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Thursday's temperatures

High	100°
Low	75
Normal high	95
Normal low	70
Sunrise	7:05 a.m.
Sunset	8:44 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, Aug. 2

Fun at the beach can turn tragic in the blink of an eye

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As you take your family to your favorite swimming hole this summer, please be careful. If your child isn't a competent swimmer, NEVER allow him or her to go beyond arm's reach. Never exceed the ratio of two nonswimmers to one adult. If possible, stay where the child can touch the bottom.

If your children can swim and you allow them to go into the pool, lake, ocean without you, ALWAYS WATCH THEM! Yes, lifeguards are observing the swimmers, but no one on this planet will watch your child with the same vigilance that you will.

So put down the book, the e-reader, the tablet, the cellphone and ACTIVELY WATCH. If you're chatting with friends, don't look at them; watch your child. It can take as few as 10 to 20 seconds for a person to get into trouble and slip without a sound beneath the surface. I guarantee you: Your parent-to-child ratio is lower than that of any lifeguard-to-swimmer. — LIFEGUARD JOHN IN AUBURN, WASH.

DEAR LIFEGUARD JOHN: Your message is important and timely. Every year we read about families basking in the sun near water and children who have lost their lives because the person who was supposed to be watching them became momentarily distracted. I agree the best way to protect against tragedies like this is unremitting vigilance.

DEAR ABBY: I have a brother-in-law whom I love dearly who lives out of state and stays in our guest room frequently. I try hard to be a thoughtful hostess. When he comes, we spend the first 45 minutes rearranging the guest room furniture because he likes the bed to face west. Currently, it faces north, as do the nightstands and the dresser.

I accommodate him, but frankly, it's getting very old. Am I being nasty to want our furniture arranged the way we're comfortable? Or must I allow him to rearrange it the way he wants it? He is here for only 24 hours and then leaves. — GOOD HOSTESS IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR HOSTESS: Your brother-in-law may be a frustrated interior decorator or want the room to be the way he sleeps at home. A good hostess tries to accommodate the needs of her guests; however, if the furniture in your house has been moved, your brother-in-law should put it back the way it was before he leaves.

DEAR ABBY: Do you or your readers think it's acceptable for a father to ask his 21-year-old college student son whether he and his girlfriend of one year are sexually active? This is his first girlfriend.

I am his mother, and I say it's none of our business. My husband says it's a reasonable question; he just wants to give him fatherly advice — like "be careful." — MOM IN COLORADO

DEAR MOM: Would you still say it's none of your business if your son made his first girlfriend pregnant? I would, however, caution your husband to be more tactful about how he approaches the subject because a blunt question like the one he's contemplating could be off-putting. If he has birth control information he wants to impart, a better way to approach it would be to raise the subject without putting his son on the spot.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

East-West vulnerable. West deals.

NORTH
♠ 6 5 4
♡ Q 7
◇ Q 10 5 4
♣ J 7 6 5

WEST
♠ 10 8
♡ K 10 8 5 2
◇ J 8 7 6
♣ K 4

EAST
♠ K 9 7 3 2
♡ J 9 6 4
◇ 9
♣ A 3 2

SOUTH
♠ A Q J
♡ A 3
◇ A K 3 2
♣ Q 10 9 8

The bidding:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pass	Pass	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening lead: Five of ♡

One pip can make a big difference in your choice of opening lead. Change West's eight of hearts to the nine and the correct opening lead would have been the 10!

Declarer has only one chance for two heart tricks — to rise with the table's queen. When that holds, declarer can count eight likely tricks — two spades, two hearts, and four diamonds. However, there is no time for declarer to establish a club trick — the defenders will come to three hearts and two clubs, since they are a tempo ahead in the race. The only hope is a successful spade finesse.

Suiting the word to the deed, declarer led a spade and finessed the jack. When that holds, he continues with the ace and king of diamonds and, when East discards on the second round, takes the marked finesse of the 10. A repeat spade finesse gives declarer nine tricks — three spades, two hearts and four diamonds — nine tricks without a single one in clubs!

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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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Aug. 2, 2013:

This year you will be in the last year of a 12-year cycle. Be willing to eliminate what does not work if you can't make the necessary adjustments. You will want to enter the next phase of your life with as few problems as possible. If you are single, a potential sweetie could knock on your door. Be sure that this person is emotionally available before you jump in and commit. If you are attached, the two of you will benefit from taking some time away from everything. You will start acting like newlyweds before you know it! CANCER understands you almost too well.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ You will accomplish a lot in a small amount of time. You also will be able to straighten out a misunderstanding that could have been a problem. Communication flourishes. Make plans for a late lunch, or take the day off to go on a day adventure. Explore. Tonight: Out and about.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ Finally, you'll have the energy you have been wishing for. An emotional conversation could remind you to be more expressive than you have been lately. Sometimes you assume that someone else knows how you feel, but perhaps you are wrong. Tonight: Be a little naughty!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ You might feel as if you have accomplished a lot. Before spending any more money on a particular venture, consider whether it really will pan out. Do some price comparisons, and then decide whether it is a luxury or a necessity. Be smart. Tonight: Bring your friends together.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ You'll want to do your own thing, and you have the energy to complete an important task. Do not hold back, and know full well where you are heading with an issue. A discussion of a sensitive nature would be best postponed until tomorrow. Tonight: Love the one you're with.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ A meeting could set the tone for the day, as an intuitive response from a friend or an associate will warn you that there might be more going on than meets the eye. Think carefully about what is causing a sense of frustration or possibly anger. Tonight: Accept an invitation to join friends.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ Honor a sense of responsibility. You know where you are heading and why. Expect a loved one to feel differently from how you do; know that this person won't hesitate to express those feelings. Sometimes you can't seem to reach a compromise. Tonight: Run errands first.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You could be dealing with a touchy situation that involves a special person in your life. Realize that you will need to take a stand. Listen and try to understand where this person is coming from. You might choose to say nothing and just observe. Tonight: Togetherness works.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Rest assured that you'll have the support you need as you pursue an unusual solution. You could be full of get-up-and-go. Listen to news with a more open mind. You'll be able to see several alternatives and possibly a better course of action. Tonight: Catch up with a dear friend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ Others have a way of taking the lead again, but you might decide to undermine their position. The more gently you proceed and the less anger you bring to the situation, the better your success. Tonight: Join your friends for some fun. After all, it is Friday night!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Considering everything that you might want to accomplish, it would be wise to put a little more time into a project. A partner could get upset if you're not free to join him or her. Understand that he or she really would like your company. Tonight: Better late than never. Join friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Tap into your ingenuity to finish a project quickly. You might want to take the day off, or throw a party with friends. Your playful manner attracts many people. What others might not realize is the amount of effort you've made to free yourself up. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ You still might be a bit nervous. You will relax when you decide to find a way to eliminate some of the stress and tension around you. A partner would be only too happy to help you find the right path. Tonight: Chill out, then decide.

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BORN TODAY

Actor Peter O'Toole (1932), film executive Jack Warner (1892), co-founder of Broadcast.com Todd Wagner (1960)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Track
5 Put up
10 Agile
14 Song in the musical "Kismet"
15 1973 Stones ballad
16 Small music group
17 Custard concoction
18 Sticking point
19 Big refs.
20 Gap that's easy to bridge?
23 Chemical ending
24 Animal enclosure
25 They're found in mines and minis
28 Prize for neatest coloring?
33 Icelandic literary collection
34 Look down on the clouds, perhaps
35 Ice cream entrepreneur Joseph
36 Kiss while hiking?
41 Diving bird
44 __ vodka: ristorante phrase
45 Ally of Rodengo
49 Alien adopted by Herman and Lily?
54 Big name in beauty
55 That, in Madrid
56 Inc. abroad
57 "If you don't go to bed, Santa won't come," e.g.?
62 Lion portrayer
64 Words to a kidder, and a hint to how this puzzle's five longest answers were created
65 "__ off?"
66 It's not a big case
67 __ lazuli
68 Sandy shade
69 Family fare letters
70 Plato's market
71 Soccer broadcaster Messing

DOWN
1 Not meant to be public
2 Airport security req.
3 Over
4 Filmmaker Riefenstahl
5 Cupcakes-to-be
6 Like curtains to be installed
7 Role for Marty Feldman
8 Currency until 2002
9 Leader after Mao
10 Pinched
11 Where some thank-yous are written
12 Divested (of)
13 Howdies
21 Clod
22 False friends
26 Sludge
27 Wire wearer
29 Latin case: Abbr.
30 Guardian of Narnia
31 Co-star of Carroll, Jean and Sally
32 Cross-shaped letter
37 Not as prevalent
38 Draft pick
39 Mer land
40 One of the fam
41 Bolted down
42 Hesitating sounds
43 Whopper topper
46 Unavailable, in a way
47 Become irritated
48 Cook's "Food's ready!"
50 Baseball's "Iron Horse"
51 Obama's "Dreams From My Father," e.g.
52 Olympics chant
53 Terrible twos cries
58 City in Kansas
59 Go after, as flies
60 Slip in the pool?
61 Some reddish deer
62 Rent
63 Beach transp.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

	K	I	D	S	T	U	F	F		H	O	S	P	
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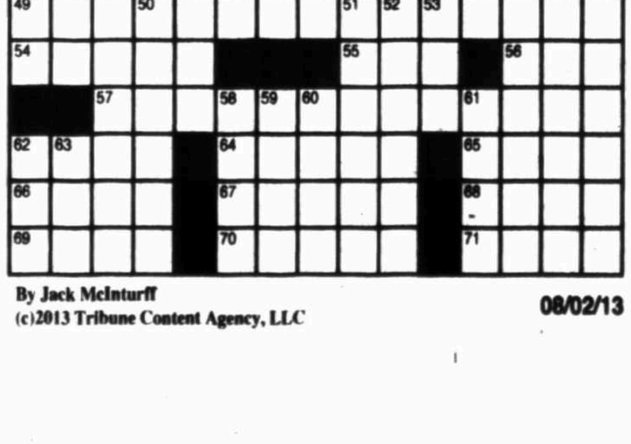

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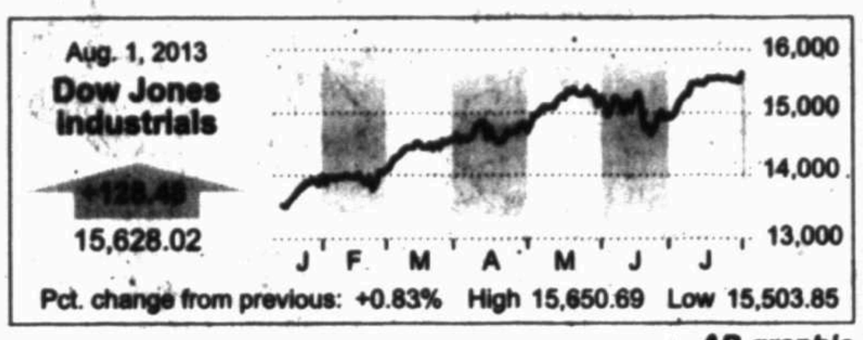

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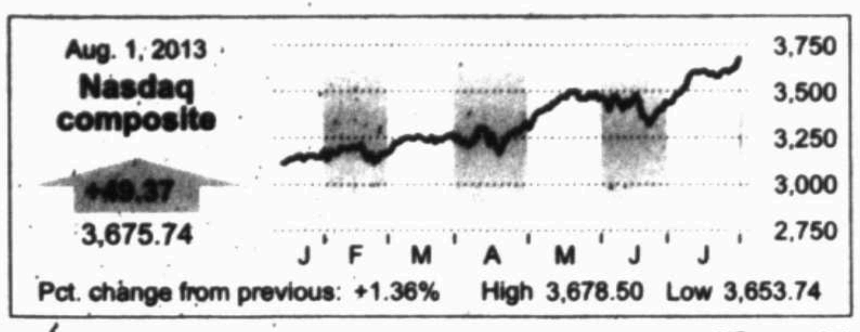

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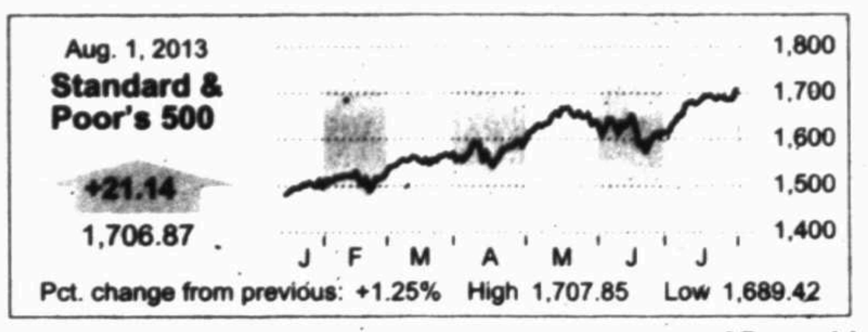

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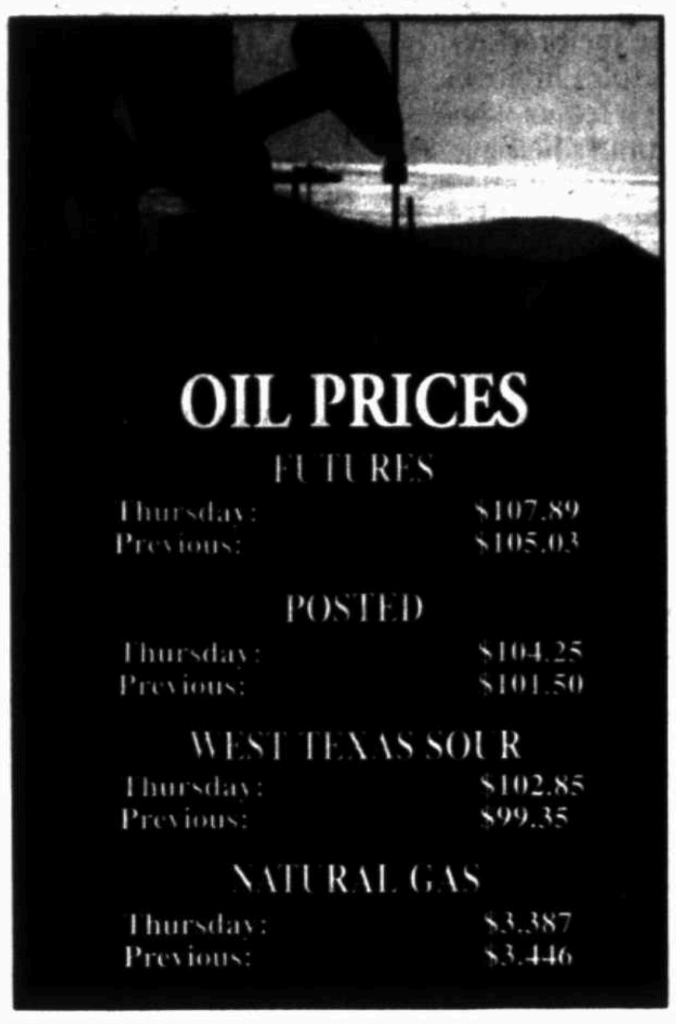

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	1022249	14.95	+.35
S&P500ETF	996012	170.66	+1.95
iShEMkts	736228	39.72	+.71
Sprint n	534907	6.38	+.42
iShJapan	453592	11.53	+.31

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
StdRegis rs	13.80	+10.80	+360.5
Modine	13.61	+2.61	+23.7
Yelp	51.50	+9.70	+23.2
HomexDev	2.12	+.39	+22.5
Renren	3.98	+.65	+19.5

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Hangr Inc	31.75	-5.17	-14.0
OrionMar	11.01	-1.56	-12.4
SallyBty	26.83	-3.68	-12.1
GP Strat	23.46	-2.95	-11.2
IFM Invest	2.47	-.29	-10.5

DIARY

Advanced	1,912
Declined	1,191
Unchanged	73
Total issues	3,176
New Highs	402
New Lows	84
Volume	3,706,135,241

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
InovioPhm	121268	1.95	+.20
Organovo	34473	5.35	+.28
NwGold g	31054	7.01	-.30
AlldNevG	25798	6.28	-.39
BarcGSOil	22776	25.37	+.74

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Fibrocell rs	5.49	+.51	+10.2
GlobT&T	4.54	+.29	+6.8
AbdnChile	14.45	+.85	+6.3
Oragenics	3.35	+.20	+6.3
TriangPet	7.51	+.41	+5.8

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
StrPathC n	5.67	-.73	-11.4
MGT Cap	4.07	-.25	-5.8
AlldNevG	6.28	-.39	-5.8
SCEd pfD	22.16	-1.34	-5.7
ParkCity	7.48	-.44	-5.6

DIARY

Advanced	212
Declined	207
Unchanged	24
Total issues	443
New Highs	17
New Lows	14
Volume	95,753,802

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Facebook	1042139	37.49	+.69
Microsoft	419486	31.67	-.17
Intel	372950	23.20	-.14
Dell Inc	325136	12.96	+.29
MicronT	322170	13.58	+.34

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
QKL Str rs	6.23	+2.13	+52.0
Kingtne rs	3.01	+1.00	+49.8
ZeltiqAes	8.47	+2.43	+40.2
Galectin wt	2.80	+.60	+27.3
LiveDeal	3.17	+.63	+24.8

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
MedicActn	6.24	-2.95	-32.1
Stereotx rsh	4.20	-1.04	-19.8
Hydrognc	12.04	-2.94	-19.6
IridiumCm	6.85	-1.57	-18.6
Reliv Intl	3.05	-.61	-16.7

DIARY

Advanced	1,829
Declined	698
Unchanged	103
Total issues	2,630
New Highs	314
New Lows	10
Volume	1,818,529,400

Despite boom, higher costs push Big Oil into slump

Associated Press

NEW YORK — New troves of oil have been found all over the globe, and oil companies are taking in about $100 for every barrel they produce. But these seemingly prosperous conditions aren't doing much for Big Oil: Profit and production at the world's largest oil companies are slumping badly.

Exxon Mobil, Shell and BP all posted disappointing earnings this week. Chevron is expected to post a profit decline today. All of them face the same problem: The cost to get newfound oil from remote locations and tightly packed rock is high and rising. And it takes years and billions of dollars to get big new production projects up and running.

The higher extraction costs could translate to higher oil and gasoline prices for consumers.

Strong production growth at an oil company can offset higher operating costs, "but when production is flat or declining, it's a big hit," said Brian Youngberg, an analyst at Edward Jones. "Even though oil prices are $100 or higher, the returns on investment aren't what they used to be."

The new oil being found and produced is in ultra-deep ocean waters, in sands that must be heated to release the hydrocarbons, or trapped in shale or other tight rock that requires constant drilling to keep production steady.

That makes this new oil far more expensive to get out of the ground than what's known as conventional oil — large pools of oil and gas in relatively easy-to-drill locations. Those reserves have always been hard to find, but now they are all but gone outside of the Middle East.

David Vaucher, who tracks oil production operating costs at IHS CERA, said oilfield operation costs are at a record high. "The fields are more remote and the resource conditions are more extreme," he said.

New oil projects in the U.S. and Canada, where production is growing faster than anywhere in the world, require high oil prices to be profitable, Vaucher said.

In order to make an industry average return, a new production project in the Canadian oil sands requires a price of $81 per barrel. For an onshore U.S. field, it's $70 per barrel, but it ranges from $45 to $95 per barrel, depending on the rate of oil flow. In the Gulf of Mexico, it's $63. In the Middle East, just $23 per barrel.

Many oil analysts predict that relatively weak growth in world oil demand coupled with rising production from newfound fields will make for flat or lower oil prices in the years to come. But if big oil companies can't earn strong profits at today's oil prices, it may mean prices will have to rise higher to convince them it's worth the risk to continue to aggressively explore new fields. If they worry they can't make enough money, they'll cut back.

Oswald Clint, an analyst at Bernstein Research, said in a recent report that oil prices can hold steady and even rise into 2015. Among his reasons: The growth of U.S. oil production is slowing because the best new American fields have been tapped, and the number of rigs probing new fields has flattened out.

One of the more difficult places for Big Oil lately has been onshore in the U.S., which is in the midst of a historic oil boom being driven by the new discoveries. American production is now rising faster than any time since the 1950s, putting the nation on track to become the world's biggest oil producer.

But major oil companies such as Exxon Mobil, Chevron, Royal Dutch Shell and BP were late to get into the U.S. shale oil game and therefore had to pay high prices to acquire promising land. And the drilling is hugely expensive, too. Because the oil is thinly dispersed and hard to squeeze out, dozens of wells must be systematically drilled over an area to get to the oil.

Drillers are making technological leaps that are reducing some costs, but those are being countered by higher costs to lease equipment, buy supplies and pay workers rise that are shrinking profits.

Smaller oil companies like EOG Resources and Continental Resources that found these troves early were able to acquire the best acreage for relatively low prices. Because oil production is rising for these smaller companies, profits can rise even if costs increase. For a major oil company like Exxon or Shell, even big increases from dozens of wells in Texas or North Dakota aren't enough to make up for declining production in giant fields around the globe.

Royal Dutch Shell announced Thursday that oil production fell 1.3 percent from a year earlier and profit fell 57 percent, largely because of a write-down of the value of the leases on U.S. land that the company thought held large amounts of oil or other liquid hydrocarbons.

"Production curves are less productive, less positive, shall we say, than we originally expected," Shell CFO Simon Henry said on a call with investors.

Shell CEO Peter Vosser said that while U.S. shale oil production was proceeding well in general, the company plans to sell stakes in four or five of the nine regions where it has holdings because it hasn't been able to get as much oil to flow as it thought it could.

The company also announced it was abandoning plans to boost production to 4 million barrels per day by 2018 from its current rate of 3 million barrels per day.

Exxon Mobil, the world's biggest investor-owned company, said Thursday that profits fell 57 percent, to their lowest level in more than three years. Poor performance from the company's refining operations was largely to blame, but oil production fell 1.9 percent, the ninth straight quarter production has declined compared with the year earlier.

Oil prices soar

The price of oil is suddenly marching upward again.

Oil rose $2.86 a barrel Thursday, for a two-day gain of $4.81, or 4.7 percent. That erased a $4 decline in the week ended Tuesday.

Positive signs on the global economy were the catalyst Thursday. Data from China and Europe showed improvement in manufacturing. In the U.S., in addition to a strong report on manufacturing, a drop in unemployment claims indicated a strengthening job market.

Even with those signs of improvement, global central bankers show no inclination of easing up on measures that have kept interest rates at historic lows — and prompted investment in riskier assets like oil and stocks.

On Thursday, Mario Draghi, head of the European Central Bank, indicated it is nowhere near withdrawing its help for the euro area's economy. On Wednesday the U.S. Federal Reserve hinted that it's not ready to slow its bond-buying program, which has kept long-term rates low in an effort to boost borrowing and spending.

At the gas pump, drivers paid an average of $3.63 Thursday, down 3 cents from a week ago, but still 11 cents higher than at this time a year ago.

Benchmark oil for September delivery gained 2.7 percent to close at $107.89 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Today, attention will be focused on the release of hiring figures for July, which will be examined for hints about future energy demand in the world's No. 1 economy.

Brent crude rose $1.84 to finish at $109.54 per barrel.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $54.39 Up 0.46

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $95.12 Up 5.43

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $37.02 Up 0.94

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $42.61 Up 4.43

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $27.18 Up 0.05

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $5.70 Up 0.19

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $25.03 Up 0.68

Ring Energy (RNGE)
Closing Price $11.40 Down 0.15

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.80	27	35.72	+.45	+6.0
Abraxas	...	...	2.45	+.02	+11.9
AdamsEx	.67e	...	12.56	+.11	+18.6
AMD	...	...	3.81	+.04	+58.8
AlcatelLuc	...	...	2.49	-.05	+79.1
Alcoa	.12	29	7.95	...	-8.4
AlonUSA	.24f	5	13.39	-.27	-26.0
AHm4Rnt n	...	...	15.60	...	...
AmIntlGrp	.40	37	47.07	+1.56	+33.3
Amgen	1.88	18	109.39	+1.10	+26.9
Anadarko	.36	27	90.40	+1.88	+21.7
Apache	.80	17	81.68	+1.43	+4.1
ApldMatl	.40	...	16.49	+.18	+44.1
ATMOS	1.40	18	45.19	+.95	+28.7
AutoData	1.74	24	71.85	-.24	+26.2
Avon	.24	...	22.02	-.84	+53.3
BP PLC	2.16	14	41.72	+.28	+.2
BabsCCInv	1.20a	...	15.52	-.13	+1.6
BakrHu	.60	21	48.41	+1.13	+18.5
BkofAm	.04	27	14.95	+.35	+28.8
BarIPVix rs	...	...	14.60	-.47	-54.1
BarrickG	.80	5	16.81	-.16	-52.0
BasicEnSv	...	...	11.99	+.55	+5.1
BerkHa A	...	18	175700.00	+1800.00	+31.1
BerryPet	.32	13	41.89	+1.34	+24.9
BlkHillsCp	1.52	20	54.82	+1.77	+50.9
BostonSci	...	...	11.15	+.23	+94.6
BrMySq	1.40	54	43.99	+.75	+36.4
Broadcom	.44	39	27.63	+.06	-16.8
BrownFA s	1.02a	27	74.65	+.82	+21.4
BrownFB s	1.02a	27	72.90	+.39	+15.3
CVS Care	.90	19	62.17	+.68	+28.6
Cameron	...	20	60.15	+.85	+6.5
Caterpillar	2.40f	14	84.44	+1.53	-5.8
Celestic g	...	23	10.75	+.17	+31.9
CntryLink	2.16	26	36.32	+.47	-7.2
ChesEng	.35	...	24.95	+1.65	+50.1
Chevron	4.00	10	126.44	+.55	+16.9
Chicos	.22	16	17.53	+.40	-5.0
Cimarex	.56	20	80.48	+4.05	+39.4
Cisco	.68	14	25.89	+.30	+31.8
Citigroup	.04	14	52.86	+.73	+33.6
ClayEng	...	...	57.39	+.46	+43.5
CocaCola s	1.12	21	40.57	+.49	+11.9

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
ColgPalm s	1.36	25	60.56	+.69	+15.9
Comcast	.78	18	45.84	+.76	+22.7
ConAgra	1.00	17	36.57	+.36	+24.0
ConchoRes	...	23	95.12	+5.43	+18.1
ConocoPhil	2.76f	11	66.09	+1.23	+14.0
CrackerB	3.00f	20	99.58	+1.68	+55.0
CrosTim	1.98e	12	27.50	-.09	+2.2
Ctrip.com	...	58	43.72	+7.12	+92.9
DCP Mid	2.84f	43	54.09	+1.42	+29.6
DTE	2.62	19	71.59	+.89	+19.2
Dataram rs	...	...	3.10	+.03	+56.6
Dawson	...	26	37.02	+.94	+40.3
Dell Inc	.32	12	12.96	+.29	+27.8
DevonE	.88	...	56.33	+1.32	+8.2
DxGldBll rs	...	...	6.70	-.65	-87.8
Disney	.75f	20	65.36	+.71	+31.3
DowChm	1.28	39	35.40	+.36	+9.5
EOG Res	.75	56	152.07	+6.58	+25.9
Elan	...	...	15.45	+.05	+51.3
EmpDist	1.00	17	23.26	+.08	+14.1
Energen	.58	20	65.97	+6.08	+46.3
EngyTsfr	3.58	11	50.82	-.35	+18.4
EnPro	...	30	59.04	+2.21	+44.4
EntPrPt	2.72f	22	62.65	+.62	+25.1
Ericsson	.43e	...	11.88	+.15	+17.6
ExterranH	...	...	31.93	+.18	+45.7
ExxonMbl	2.52	9	92.73	-1.02	+7.1
Facebook	...	...	37.49	+.69	+40.8
FordM	.40	12	17.19	+.31	+32.7
ForestOil	...	15	5.11	-.01	-23.6
FMCG	1.25a	10	29.10	+.82	-14.9
FrozenFd h	...	...	2.08	...	+133.7
GATX	1.24	17	46.86	+1.68	+8.2
GabMultT	.80	...	10.02	+.07	+27.6
GAInv	2.00e	...	33.72	+.33	+21.2
GenElec	.76	18	24.62	+.25	+17.3
GenMotors	...	13	36.47	+.60	+26.5
GtPlainEn	.87	16	24.54	+.35	+20.8
Groupon	...	...	8.84	-.01	+81.9
HalconRes	...	...	5.85	+.37	-15.5
Hallibrtn	.50	17	46.41	+1.22	+33.8
Hertz	...	32	24.98	-.63	+53.5
iShBrazil	1.36e	...	43.89	+.39	-21.5
iShJapan	.15e	...	11.53	+.31	+18.3

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
iShChinaLC	.93e	...	34.92	+.66	-13.7
iShEMkts	.77e	...	39.72	+.71	-10.5
iS Eafe	1.76e	...	61.17	+.82	+7.6
iSCorSPMid	1.69e	...	125.51	+2.49	+23.4
iShR2K	1.75e	...	105.07	+1.42	+24.6
iSh3-7yTrB	.72e	...	120.37	-.61	-2.3
IntegrysE	2.72	13	63.34	+.54	+21.3
Intel	.90	13	23.20	-.14	+12.5
InterDig	.40a	7	41.03	+1.30	-.1
ItauUnibH	.50r	...	13.10	+.36	-12.4
JPMorgCh	1.52f	9	56.54	+.81	+29.5
JohnJn	2.64	21	93.77	+.27	+33.8
KimbClk	3.24	21	98.79	-.01	+17.0
KindME	5.28f	30	82.66	+.15	+3.6
KindMM	5.28t	...	81.24	+.26	+7.7
Kinross g	.16	...	5.12	-.11	-47.3
LegacyRes	2.32f	23	27.18	+.05	+14.2
Lubys	...	35	8.09	+.05	+20.9
MktVGold	.46e	...	26.17	-.82	-43.6
McDnlds	3.08	18	99.00	+.92	+12.2
Merck	1.72	26	48.58	+.41	+18.7
MeritMed	...	48	14.03	+.89	+.9
MexcoEn	...	...	5.70	+.19	-11.5
MicronT	...	...	13.58	+.34	+114.1
Microsoft	.92	12	31.67	-.17	+18.6
Mosaic	1.00	9	41.88	+.79	-26.0
Nabors	.16	37	15.79	+.40	+9.3
NatGrid	3.16e	...	59.85	+.26	+4.2
NOilVarco	1.04f	13	71.20	+1.03	+4.2
NvMAd	.80a	...	12.33	-.15	-18.9
NvPMI	.88	...	12.43	-.08	-16.7
NuvPI	.86	...	12.36	-.09	-17.4
NSTFI3	.63a	...	12.64	-.19	-13.5
NTXQI	.70	...	13.76	-.03	-13.1
OcciPet	2.56	17	89.85	+.80	+17.3
Oracle	.48f	14	32.75	+.40	-1.7
ParTech	...	...	4.32	+.12	-11.8
ParkDrl	...	51	6.09	+.02	+32.4
PattUTI	.20	15	20.26	+.49	+8.7
Penney	...	...	14.58	-.02	-26.0
PennaRE	.72	...	20.49	-.21	+16.2
Prmian	.76e	15	13.31	-.05	+8.6
Petrobras	.27e	...	14.10	+.46	-27.6
Pfizer	.96	15	29.11	-.12	+16.1
PioNtrl	.08	49	174.15	+19.39	+63.4

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PlainsAA s	2.35f	17	53.90	+.66	+19.1
Potash	1.40f	11	29.48	+.48	-27.5
PwShs QQQ	.94e	...	76.54	+.77	+17.5
Praxair	2.40	21	120.04	-.13	+9.7
PrmEgy	...	9	44.92	...	+95.3
Pro7-10yrT	...	...	50.73	-.97	-10.6
ProctGam	2.41	20	81.64	+1.34	+20.3
RangeRs	.16	...	80.51	+1.41	+28.1
RegionsFn	.12	13	10.26	+.25	+43.9
RiteAid	...	...	3.13	+.13	+130.1
Rowan	...	24	35.25	+.90	+12.7
RoyDShllA	3.60	8	64.47	-3.88	-6.5
SpdrDJIA	3.49e	...	155.89	+1.05	+19.4
S&P500ETF	3.33e	...	170.66	+1.95	+19.8
SabnR	3.52e	14	51.25	...	+28.8
SallyBty	...	19	26.83	-3.68	+13.8
SanderFm	.68	30	71.92	+1.28	+51.3
SandRdge	...	...	5.54	+.12	-12.8
Sapient	...	32	13.96	+.26	+32.2
Schlmbrg	1.25	17	83.55	+2.22	+20.6
SigmaAld	.86	22	85.27	+1.71	+15.9
SiriusXM	.05e	54	3.78	+.04	+30.8
Smucker	2.32f	23	113.67	+1.15	+31.8
Sprint n	...	...	6.38	+.42	+15.0
Sprouts n	...	...	40.11	...	...
SPDR Fncl	.31e	...	20.82	+.33	+27.0

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
SunocoLog	2.40f	13	61.46	+.55	+23.6
Synovus	.04	...	3.38	+.05	+38.0
TaiwSemi	.50e	...	17.25	+.27	+.5
TelefEsp	...	...	14.37	+.18	+6.5
Tesoro	.80	10	57.75	+.90	+31.1
3M Co	2.54	19	118.41	+.98	+27.5
Torchmark	.68	14	72.94	+1.86	+41.6
TriContl	.71e	...	18.88	+.20	+17.6
TylerTech	...	68	75.64	+1.02	+56.2
UBWV	1.24	18	28.75	+.43	+18.1
US NGas	...	...	17.92	-.29	-5.2
Vale SA	.78e	...	13.68	-.04	-34.7
ValeroE	.90f	9	36.06	+.29	+5.7
VangEmg	1.56e	...	39.78	+.72	-10.7
Visa	1.32	22	179.17	+2.16	+18.2
VulcanM	.04	...	49.68	+2.50	-4.6
Walgrn	1.26f	23	51.13	+.88	+38.2
WellsFargo	1.20	12	44.26	+.76	+29.5
WstnRefin	.72f	6	31.20	+1.07	+10.7
WhitingPet	...	16	53.35	+1.88	+23.0
WmsCos	1.41f	40	36.10	+1.93	+10.3
XcelEngy	1.12f	15	30.34	+.39	+13.6
Xerox	.23	10	9.91	+.21	+45.3
Yamana g	.26	12	9.67	-.83	-43.8
Zynga	...	...	3.03	+.05	+28.4

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15,634.32	12,471.49	Dow Jones Industrials	15,628.02	+128.48	+.83	+19.26	+21.35
6,608.87	4,838.10	Dow Jones Transportation	6,670.06	+208.26	+3.22	+25.69	+33.83
537.86	435.57	Dow Jones Utilities	509.06	+5.09	+1.01	+12.35	+4.83
9,695.46	7,710.83	NYSE Composite	9,673.39	+114.56	+1.20	+14.57	+24.57
2,509.57	2,186.97	Amex Index	2,366.41	+10.02	+.43	+.46	-1.01
3,649.35	2,810.80	Nasdaq Composite	3,675.74	+49.37	+1.36	+21.73	+26.32
1,698.78	1,343.35	S&P 500	1,706.87	+21.14	+1.25	+19.68	+25.05
18,023.66	14,036.94	Wilshire 5000	18,128.87	+238.26	+1.33	+20.90	+27.67
1,056.86	763.55	Russell 2000	1,059.88	+14.62	+1.40	+24.79	+37.90

Big night for Lochte, Magnussen, US golden girls

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press

BARCELONA, Spain — Ryan Lochte feels like himself again. Looks more like himself, too, with that gold medal around his neck.

Missy Franklin and Katie Ledecky have felt this way all along. They're piling up so much gold they might need bigger suitcases to get home.

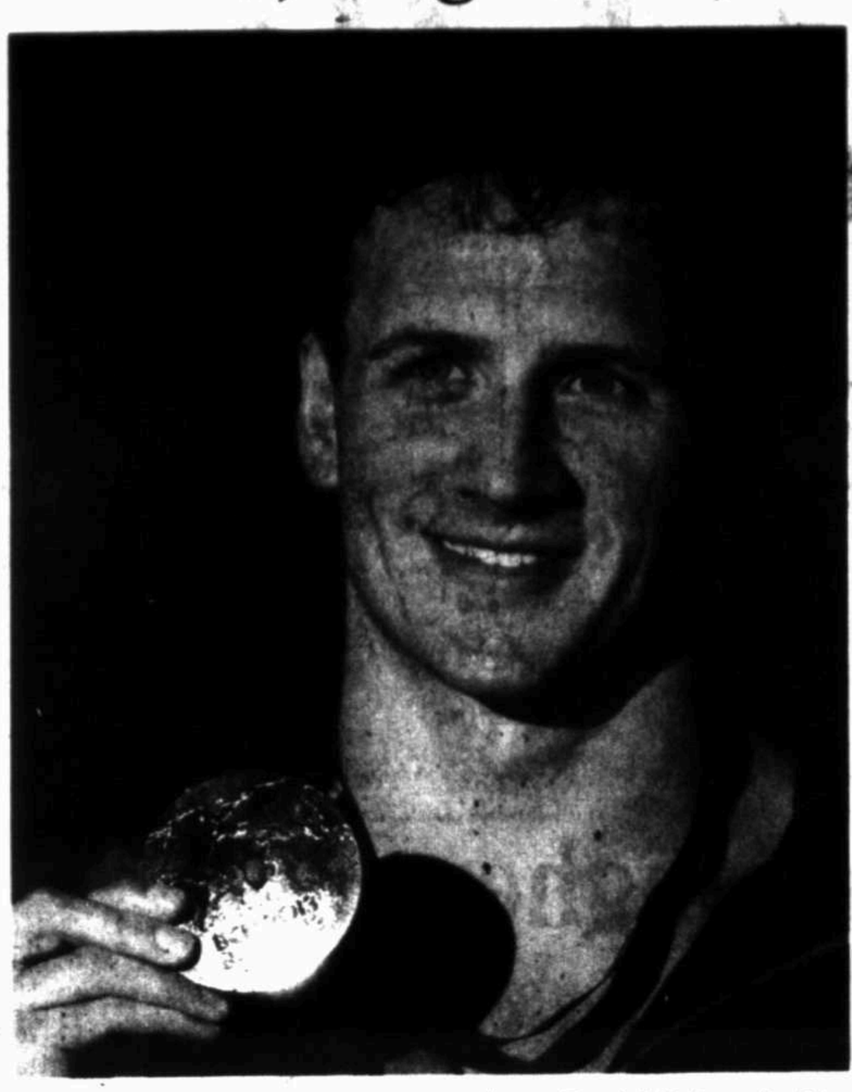
Lochte bounced back from a disappointing start to the world swimming championships, showing he still knows how to touch the wall first with his victory in the 200-meter individual medley Thursday night.

That's worthy of a "Jeah!"

"The first two days I wasn't myself," Lochte said. "I was too worried about the outcome of each race, about finishing first, about my times, and that's not me. I am a swimmer who is really relaxed and goes out there to have fun."

No one is having more fun than a pair of American teenagers.

Franklin, the 18-year-old who recently graduated from high school, is 4 for 4 at the championships after anchoring the U.S. to victory in the 4x200 freestyle relay, matching her gold-medal haul at the London



Daniel Ochoa de Olza
Ryan Lochte smiles as he holds the gold medal he won in the men's 200-meter individual medley final at the FINA Swimming World Championships in Barcelona, Spain on Thursday.

Olympics.

Ledecky, only 16 and getting ready for her junior year of high school, is 3 for 3 after swimming the leadoff leg of the relay. It was her first chance to be part of a U.S. relay team at a major international meet.

"Being part of a team is the most important part about swimming for me," Franklin said. "You want to go out there and race harder than you've ever raced before."

Chances are, there will be more trips to the podium for the stalwarts of the American team.

Lochte has four events remaining and Franklin three. Ledecky will be a big favorite in the 800 free, the event that produced her breakout gold medal at the London Olympics last summer.

"I am not going to think about the outcomes or about winning," said Lochte, who got through a demanding double by posting the second-fastest time in the semifinals of the 200 backstroke behind another American, Olympic gold medalist Tyler Clary. "I just need to have fun."

The U.S. settled for silver and bronze in the men's 100 free — swimming's glamour event. Australia's James Magnussen rallied on the return lap to edge Jimmy Feigen and reigning Olympic champion Nathan Adrian.

Lochte barely celebrated after his race, letting out a deep breath as he squinted to see his winning time — 1 minute, 54.98 seconds. Japan's Kosuke Hagino claimed the silver, more than a second behind, and Brazil's Thiago Pereira took bronze.

Lochte, who took a long break after London and cut back his training to work on a reality TV show, hardly looked in peak form while swimming the second leg on the 4x100 free relay team that finished second behind France. That was followed by an even bigger disappointment — fourth place in the 200 freestyle.

NCAA taking flexible approach to tourney games

By Michael Marot
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The NCAA announced changes Thursday to the way it will select teams for the men's basketball tournament, adding flexibility in hopes of keeping teams properly seeded.

The selection committee voted last week to change the bracketing principles in hopes of keeping teams where they naturally belong, Chairman Ron Wellman told reporters. In previous years, the committee has had to move a team up or down one or two lines to accommodate rules such as when conference teams can meet in the tourney.

Previously, conference teams couldn't meet until the regional final — unless a conference had nine teams in the field.

The move comes in the wake of realignment that has seen league numbers swell over the past few seasons and has made the old rules difficult to navigate. The Big East, for instance, had 11 teams make the tournament in 2011 and 2012, and with more league expansion, conflicts seemed more likely to pop up.

The changes will not affect which teams get into the tourney. But they will allow conference teams that have played only once during the season — including league tournaments — to meet as early as the third round. Teams that have played twice will not face one another until the regional semifinals and teams that have played three times cannot meet until the regional championship.

Most of the conflicts didn't show up until the Sunday of selection weekend, when the bracketing debate is going full bore.

"It was a real struggle because we feel the seed lines are really important to the competitiveness of the tournament. The committee spends hours scrubbing the seeds," Wellman said. "We compare No. 1 to No. 2, No. 2 to No. 3, so on right through No. 68. At the end of the day, we feel that the seeds are in proper order. ... Then we go to bracketing, and oftentimes we move a team either within the line or we have moved a team two lines a couple of years ago, and a number of teams one line. So there was great discomfort with that."

During the call, NCAA spokesman David Worlock noted that in recent years, two teams were dropped two lines — Marquette in 2007 and Brigham Young in 2012. Wellman also said there was a long debate in the selection room last year regarding Oregon, which wound up with a No. 12 seed and played in one of the First Four games at Dayton, Ohio.

The concern is that by moving teams from line to line across the field, it impacts the entire 68-team tournament.

"The debate was considerable as to what we should do and what was best for not only Oregon but the tournament, and of course the teams that were going to be playing Oregon," Wellman said. "When you move a team off of its seed line, you're not only affecting that team, but you are affecting the team that it plays and the teams that it might eventually play. So it has a tremendous impact."

Gay and lesbian hall of fame honors athletes

By Don Babwin
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Dave Pallone, who was part of Chicago history when he umpired the first night game at Wrigley Field, is returning to Chicago to take part in another chapter of American sports history: His inclusion in the inaugural class of what organizers say is the first-of-its-kind National Gay & Lesbian Sports Hall of Fame.

Tonight, Pallone will be honored in the first class of inductees that includes tennis greats Martina Navratilova and Billie Jean King, Olympic diving champion Greg Louganis, and Jason Collins, who in April became the first active male professional athlete in a major team sport to publicly reveal he was gay.

"It is a tremendous honor and ... I hope it gives young people and adults alike who happen to be LGBT and want to be in professional sports another example of why they should continue to strive for their dreams," Pallone said.

Rick Garcia, a prominent Illinois gay rights activist agreed, saying he hopes the hall of fame encourages gay and lesbian youth to "have a career in sports and excel in that career and still be honest about who they are."

The events will include a dinner Friday night to honor the inductees at a ceremony at the Center on Halstead and an event on Saturday at Wrigley Field called "Out at Wrigley," which organizers said is the largest "Gay Day' at a major league sporting event.

Executive Director Bill Gubrud said the decision to establish what he said is the country's first hall of fame honoring gay athletes and their supporters is not tied to Collins' announcement earlier this year. He said factors such as changing attitudes about homosexuals, particularly among young people, made him and others think this was the ideal time to create an institution that honors the contributions that gays have made in sports as well as the hardships many endured because of their sexual orientation.

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Baseball

GCM Baseball Academy
What: Professional private baseball lessons & clinics covering pitching, fielding, catching and hitting provided by three former professional players
For: Ages 5 & up
Cost: Individual lessons $65 an hour or $40 for 30 minutes. Bulk purchases & group lesson rates available at discount
For more info: Call (432) 425-6108

Private batting and pitching instruction
For more info: Call Danny Jordan at 230-0096 for instruction on mechanics and pitch selection in a one-on-one setting

Private hitting and catching instruction
For more info: Call Scott Chapman at 967-2364 for instruction in a one-on-one environment

Pitching, hitting and fielding lessons
For more info: Call Midland High baseball coach Barry Russell at 296-2438

Private Baseball/Softball lessons
For more info: Contact Extra Innings Midland/Odessa at (432) 617-4487 or visit www.extrainnings-midlandodessa.com

Midland Little League Umpires Needed
For more info: Contact 889-6080

Minor League Baseball scorekeepers needed
What: Baseball Info Solutions needs scorekeepers for Midland RockHounds games
Qualifications: Demonstrate knowledge of baseball and baseball scorekeeping, computer proficiency and the ability to learn and use the provided software, and regular ability to attend nSight and weekend games in person
For more info: Contact Don Masi at milbscorers@yahoo.com or phone 210-471-1676 for information and website. All inquiries will be answered

Midland Drillers Evaluation Day
What: Drillers will be holding an evaluation workout for players for the 2014 season
When: July 28. Ages 8-9, 2-3:30 p.m. Ages 10-12, 3:30-5 p.m.
Where: Mid City Little League
For more info: Contact 617-4487

West Texas ABA Fall Showcase Tryout
When: 9 a.m., Aug. 20 (incoming freshman and sophomores). Aug. 21 (incoming juniors and seniors)
Where: Lubbock
For more info: Go to www.ababaseball.com or call Ryan Brewer at 505-730-6879

Basketball

Permian Basketball Association needs officials
For more info: Jim Cox, 685-4143 or 553-3714

YMCA needs basketball referees
For more info: 682-2551

Lunch break Pick-up Basketball
When: Noon-1 p.m., Monday-Friday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut Lane
For more info: Call 413-0521

Monday Night Skills Training
When: Starting May 6: 1st hr. session: 3rd to 6th grade, 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.; 2nd hr. session: 7th to high school, 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Where: Lifehouse Fellowship Gym: 300 Thomas St.
Cost: $15 per session
For more info: Contact Eddie Venzant, venzanteddie@yahoo.com or 432-254-6894

Hidden Gems in West Texas Showcase
When: Aug. 9-10
Where: Big Spring
For: Middle school and high school age players
Cost: $75
Deadline: July 26
For more info: Contact Roy Green at 512-917-0946 or rgreen10@att.net

Bowling

Tuesday Night Petroleum Men's League
When: Meets at 6:45 p.m.
For more info: Mellon Post 684-5176 or Cactus Lanes 694-0177

Edith McElmore Three-Person League
When: 10 a.m. Wednesdays
Where: AMF Lanes
For more info: Call AMF Lanes at 689-9725

Camps/Clinics

Ten Star All Star Camp
For whom: Boys and girls ages 10-19
For more info: Call (704) 373-0873 for a brochure

COM Aquatic Camps
What: Swimming, diving, snorkeling
Ages: Preschool and grade school
For more info: Call 684-7755

Beginner tennis clinics
Where: Midland High School tennis courts
When: Monday-Thursday from 8:30 to 10 a.m. or 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For: Kindergarten-12th grade; community-based organizations, parents and adults
Deadline: Two weeks before week wanting to attend
For more info: Call Luis Valdez at 570-6245, Brandi at 687-7059 or Elizabeth at 699-6058

YMCA Basketball Skills Clinic
When: Every Saturday
Times: 1 p.m.-3:45 p.m. for grades 3 through 12
Cost: YMCA Family member: free. YMCA Youth member: $5 and program participant: $10 per visit
For more info: Call Midland YMCA at 682-2551

Midland Christian Mustang Summer Camps
X-Factor Weight Clinic
When: 6-8 p.m., July 1-Aug. 8
For: Boys and girls entering grades 5th-8th
Tennis
For: Ages 4-8
Cost: $100
For more info: Contact jlanier@midlandchristianschool.org

Cycling

Permian Basin Bicycle Association Meetings
When: 7 p.m., third Monday of every month
Where: Atmos Energy's Fischer Community Room, 2304 Loop 40, Midland International Airport
Dues: $25/$30 for a family
For more info: Peyton's Bikes 699-1718 or go to www.pbbatx.com

Dodgeball

Sticks and Kicks Leagues
Who: Kids, adults, co-ed players
Cost: $35 per player (8 game season)
Where: Register at Sticks and Kicks, 3918 W. Wall
For more info: Call 520-6633

Fitness

Beach Body
When: 7-8 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
Note: Instructor is Tommy Hindman
For more info: Call 685-7355

P-90X/Beach Body Fitness Club
When: 12-1 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Yoga
When: 5:30-6:30 p.m., Tuesdays & Thursdays
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Cardio/Core
When: 11 a.m., Tuesdays & Thursday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Flag Football

YMCA Officials Needed
What: The YMCA needs officials for Youth Flag Football games Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
For more info: Call 682-2551

Football

Permian Basin Officials Chapter seeks officials
Note: Education and training will be provided
For more info: Call Terrell Pierce at 559-5004 or Don Orren at 631-2395

Midland Lee Rebel Football Camp
When: Aug. 5-8
Where: Lee High School
For: 8:30-10 a.m., incoming 1st through 5th grades; 10:30 a.m.-noon, incoming 6th through 8th graders
Cost: $50 per athlete

Golf

Hogan Park Junior Golf Summer Program
When: Session III, Aug. 5-9. Check-in: 9:30 a.m., Clinic: 10 a.m.-Noon
For: Boys and girls ages 9-17
Cost: $100 per session
For more info: Call Hogan Park Golf Shop at 685-7360 or jon@hoganparkgolf.com

Pee Wee Golf Summer Program
When: Session III, Aug. 5-7. Check-in: 8 a.m. Clinic: 8:30-9:30 a.m.
For: Boys and girls 4-8
Cost: $70
For more info: Call Hogan Park Golf Shop at 685-7360 at jon@hoganparkgolf.com

Ice Hockey

Jackalopes Amateur Hockey Association
Where: MCM Ice, Odessa
When: May through August
What: Hockey 101 Skills and Drill every Tuesday, 7-8 p.m., for beginners to advanced. Power skating every Saturday, 13 year olds: 8:30-10 a.m., 14 year olds: 10:15-11:45 a.m.
Cost: $15 per class, helmet required
For more info: Contact jaxyouthhockey@hotmail.com or call 661-3453

Martial Arts

Aikido
When: Monday, Friday, 7 to 9 p.m., Saturdays, 12:30 p.m.
Note: Specializing in traditional Hombu style Aikido
For more info: Call John Riggs, 684-7008 or 770-3155

Cardio Kickboxing Class
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do and Fitness Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
Cost: $35 a month
For more info: Call 689-8139

Women's Self Defense Class
When: Monday and Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Friday, 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
For more info: Call 697-8554

Private Tae Kwon-Do lessons
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
For more info: Call 697-8554

Brazilian Jiu Jitsu
When: 6-8 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, 2-3 p.m. Saturdays
Where: Perez Martial Arts Academy, 350 N. Midland Dr., Suite A
For more info: Call 634-9621 or (469) 248-8472

Matthews Martial Arts
When: Monday through Thursday, 5-8 p.m.
What: Karate-Judo-Jujitsu-Kempo-KungFu
For: Ages 3 and up
Where: 3205 Cuthbert
For more info: Contact Jason Matthews at 488-7467 or 689-8444

Taekwondo
When: 6-7 p.m. Tuesday nights; Saturdays, 10-11 a.m.
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Miscellaneous

Student-Athlete Sports Consultant
For: Assisting high school student athletes with academic-athletic scholarships
For more info: Call Jacob Santillano at (915) 240-1030

Etiquette
When: 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays
Note: Instructors is Natalie Cargile
For more info: Call 685-7355

Poker

Lone Star Poker League
What: Free to play Texas Hold 'em Poker tournaments
For: Beginners to experienced players. Ages 21 and up
When/where: 7 p.m., Sunday, Wednesday and Friday at Woofers & Tweeters, 7 p.m., Monday and Tuesday at The Detour. Players must be signed in by 6:45 p.m. each night
For more info: Go to www.lonestarpokertour.net

Professional Wrestling

Old School Wrestling School
What: Professional wrestling school for all ages
Where: 404 E. 61st St., Odessa
When: 7-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 2-6 p.m. Sunday
Cost: $50 down, $35 a month
For more info: Call Fred, 770-7001, or Sam 349-3055

Rugby

Midland Mad Dog Rugby Club
What: Recruiting for 2012-13 season, no experience necessary
For: Participants 16 years and older, need shorts, t-shirt or jersey, cleats or running shoes, watch
When: Practice is 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays
For more info: Go to www.maddogrugby.com

Midland Rugby (Bloodhounds) Club
For more info: Call Joshua 661-7147

HHD Dads & Lads Rugby
When: 7-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays
Where: Cowden Park
For more info: 212-6088

Running

Permian Basin Running Club
Cost: $20 per year for individual membership, $30 for per year for family membership
For more info: Go to www.pbrunningclub.com or email Shawn Hailey, president at haileyshawn@pbrunningclub.com

Gazelles Training Group
When: 6 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
For more info: Call Popcorn Leonard at 512-762-1020 or 682-0988

Martin County EMS Labor Day 4 mile Run/Walk
When: Monday, Sept. 2. Registration, 8 a.m., race begins, 9 a.m.
Where: 1101 Broadway, Stanton
Cost: $20 prior to Aug. 30, $25 after Aug. 31 and on day of race
For more info: Contact Bob Teveni at 661-8597 or Stacey Harris at 230-7228

We send out Hart's to Zambia 5K Fun Run/Walk
When: Registration 8 a.m., race, 9 a.m., Aug. 3
Where: Scenic Mountain State Park, Big Spring
Cost: $30
For more info: Contact Shawn Hart at 238-0642 or at ed_rn101@yahoo.com or Lauren Hart at 213-0790 or laurenpfluger@hotmail.com

Shooting

Comanche Trail Shootists
What: Single Action Shooting Society affiliated club in Midland
When: Monthly shoots first Saturday and third Sunday of each month, first Saturday beginning at 10 a.m., Third Sunday from 1 p.m. (Mandatory safety meeting at 12:30 p.m.) Also shoot on fifth Sunday on months that have them (begin at 1 p.m. and are no cost to the shooter). Mandatory safety meeting at 9:30 a.m.
Where: Timberline Ranch adjacent to Jake's Clays
For more info: Go to comanchetrailshootists.org or call Hoodoo Brown 682-1422

Midland Shooters Association
What: All types of shooting practice and competition, featuring archery, benchrest rifle, bullseye rifle, high power rifle, pistol silhouette, rimfire silhouette, 3 gun, practical pistol, skeet, trap 5 state and sporting clays
When: Members can access rifle and pistol ranges from sunrise to sunset seven days a week. Shotgun ranges open 11 a.m. until dusk Wednesday to Sunday.
For more info: Go to www.midlandshooters.com

Soccer

Permian Basin Soccer Association
What: Registration for women's spring/summer season
Where: Dunagan Park, located at corner of Gist and Terrell
When: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For more info: Contact Jesus Chavez at 557-7032 anytime or Josh Chavez at 238-6947 after 6:30 p.m.

Midland Soccer Association
For: Youth Recreational League Ages 4-18
When: Spring/Fall Games
Note: Also information on becoming a certified referee
For more info: Register online at www.midlandsoccer.com and go to 432-684-5425

Softball

Midland Softball Association Tournament Schedule
Now available at www.midlandsoftball.com
For more info: call Tommy Hawkins at 520-9100

Midland Men's Woodbat Fastpitch Association
What: Men's fastpitch softball
For more info: Call 634-6474 or visit www.facebook.com/pages/Midland-Texas-Mens-Fastpitch or wyofastpitch@gmail.com

USA Softball Jr. Men's National Fastpitch Team looking for players
For: Boys players born between 1995 and 1998
Note: No softball experience is needed
For more info: Tim Lyon, USA Jr Men's National Team coach, 801-244-7477 or Dave Parker, West Texas Men's Fastpitch Association, 634-6474 or wyofastpitch@gmail.com

Swimming

COM Pre-competitive swimming
Where: Mabee Aquatic Center
Cost: $49 per month
Prerequisite: Must be able to swim 25 yards or freestyle or backstroke
For more info: 684-7755

COM Water Aerobics Classes
When: All times, Monday through Saturday
Who: All skill levels
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

COM Learn to Swim
Ages: All ages
Note: Private, semi-private and group lessons are available
For more info: 684-7755

COM Masters Swimming
What: Competitive or non-competitive program for adults of all skill levels
When: 5-6 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Cost: $40 per month (includes cardio training)
For more info: Call 684-7755

COM Diving Instruction
Who: All ages and levels invited
For more info: 684-7755

COM Learn to Dive
What: Learn basic skills for beginners then advance to pre-competitive and competitive diving that emphasize skilled diving techniques and participation in diving meets
Ages: 4 and up
For more info: 684-7755

COM Competitive Dive Team
Who: Try out for Bronze, Silver, Gold Prep or Gold levels of COM Dive Team.
What: Emphasizes is on diving techniques and participation in local and out of town competitive meets
For more info: 684-7755

COM Elite Dive Team
What: Highest level of COM diving. Concentrates on perfecting Olympic level skills, national and international travel
For more info: 684-7755

COM Competitive Swim Team
Who: Try out for COM Swim Team, tryouts available by appointment
What: Emphasizes stroke correction and participation in local and out of town competitive meets
For more info: 684-7755

COM Adult Conditioning
What: Allows adult participation use of top quality lap pools and fitness room during specified hours
For more info: 684-7755

COM Water Walking Class
What: Unstructured, self-paced class
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

COM Senior Fitness Class
Who: Senior citizens that need help with physical conditions resulting from injury, disease, chronic conditions, advanced age, etc.
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

Central YMCA Water Aerobics Classes
When: Early morning, morning and evening
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Arthritis Water Exercise Classes
When: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Swimming Lessons
Who: All ages and ability
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Synchronized Swimming
For: Ages 6 and up
For more information: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Tennis

West Texas Tennis Association
What: West Texas Tennis Association, a non-profit community tennis association, promotes and oversees USTA leagues, programs and events in the area
For more info: Call 432-563-1333 or www.westtexastennis.com for more information

Bush Tennis Center Youth Clinics
What: Tennis clinics for beginners to advanced players ranging from preschoolers to high school seniors. Ages 3-5, balloon tennis, ages 6-8, Quick Start (red ball); ages 9-10, Quick Start (orange and green ball); ages 11-18, junior development; all levels of adult programs
Where: Bush Tennis Center
For more info: Visit www.bushtenniscenter.com and click on "Programs & Events" or call, 620-8180

USTA Team Tennis Adult Leagues
When: Leagues run May through November
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Sherry 620-8610 or Email www.midlandtennis@aol.com

WTTA/USPTA Junior Circuit
For: Boys and girls singles players, ages 10-18
When: Sept. 18, Oct. 10
Register: By the Thursday before each event
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Contact Lance or Kathy at 694-6321

Midland Tennis Club (MTC)
What: MTC is a non-profit public tennis club for all ages, all levels. Tournaments are free for members. Non-members may play by paying a tournament fee.
When: Aug. 17-18; Sept. 14-15; Sept. 21-22; Nov. 16-17
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
Annual dues: $65 Adults, $30 Youths, $140 Families
Call: 687-4046 or 563-1333 to join

Midland College tennis classes
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 12:30 to 1:50 p.m.
Where: Midland College
For more info: Midland College 685-4500 or Lance Armstrong 687-4046

Youth Clinics
When: For children 4-8 years of age (Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 to 4 p.m.) and 9-15 years of age (Mondays and Wednesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: 687-4046

Midland Women's Tennis Association fall league
For more info: 689-4340

Walking

Midland Walkabout AVA Club Meetings
When: Fun Walks, 10K, 3rd Saturday morning of the month; Monthly meeting 3rd Sunday at 5 p.m.
Where: Fun Walks, vary; meetings in Room 227, First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave.
Who: All ages
For more info: Call Alex Rose 687-2588 or go to www.midlandwalkabout.org

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FOUND DOG Poodle Mix, medium size, white male. Found Sunday July 28, 432-230-2763

FOUND FEMALE Blue Heeler mix dog and male puppy. Call 432-634-4458.

FOUND MALE Basset Hound puppy, Bluebird/Garfield vicinity. Call 432-631-9869.

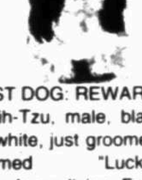
FOUND MALE Chihuahua mix, brown/tan, vicinity Illinois near health dept, 432-661-5784.

FOUND MEDIUM Size White Dog, 432-978-8453.

MALE BOXER found at the corner of Gulf and McDonald. Call 432-559-8529.

LOST- $200 REWARD! DJ Phantom Quad Copter-a remote-flying 4-bladed helicopter w/ camera. Lost while flying at Museum of SW concert, Sun, 7/28 near J St & Illinois. (918) 408-8449 for immediate reward.

LOST 6mo old Sun Conure, named Tiki. $1000 REWARD. Colors are yellow & orange on head & green feathers. Lost 6/18 in the vicinity of Ruby Dr. Pls call 432-230-0724 or 432-661-1604. He's very friendly and will go to anyone.



LOST DOG: REWARD. Shih-Tzu, male, black & white, just groomed, named "Lucky". Needs medicine. Family pet. Our hearts are broken. Please help us find him. Southern of Midland on Harrison St. 432-664-1284

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DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 18, 2013
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ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 38 Case No. 7C-0283643
Status/Permit No. 766313

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Lease/Unit Well No. :	2100H
Lease/Unit Acres :	17433.41
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1217.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	132.0

Lease Lines : 8615.0 F South L, 945.0 F West L
Survey Lines : 5271.0 F North L, 945.0 F West L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral : TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines : 8615.0 F SOUTH L
1217.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location
BH County : UPTON
Section : 2 Block : Abstract : 543
Survey : THROCKMORTON CSL
Lease Lines : 9397.0 F NORTH L
1217.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines : 4500.0 F SOUTH L
1217.0 F WEST L

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SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres

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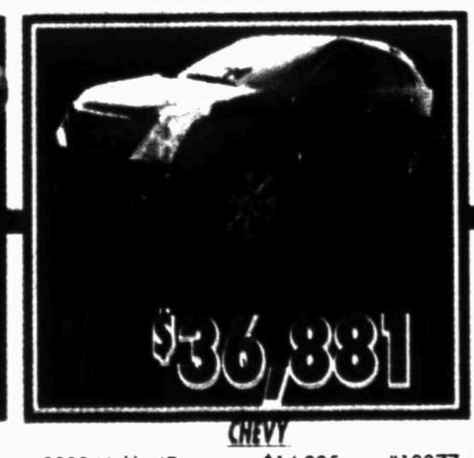

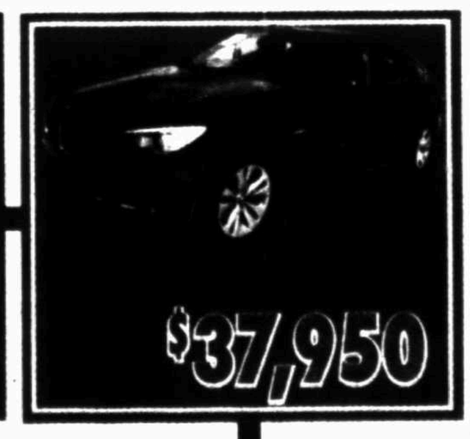

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2013 Edge SE	$23,884	#12480
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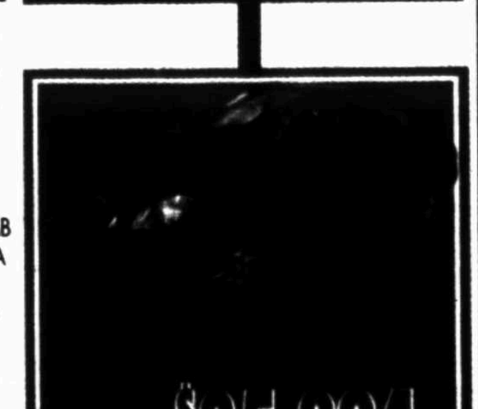

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DISTRICT 7C
Rule 38 Case No. 7C-0283642
Status/Permit No. 766306
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 18, 2013
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug 22, 2013
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
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Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 30.0

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Survey Lines : 5271.0 F North L, 915.0 F West L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral : TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines : 8615.0 F SOUTH L
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Terminus Location
BH County ; UPTON
Section : 2 Block : Abstract : 543
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Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 3, Bk. , THROCKMORTON CSL Survey, A-544, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, UPTON County, being 16 miles NW direction from RANKIN, Texas.

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

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Aug 22, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO FILE A 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 : XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE
Lease/Unit Well No. : 2101H
Lease/Unit Acres : 17433.41
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1577.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 126.0

Lease Lines : 8615.0 F South L, 975.0 F West L
Survey Lines : 8271.0 F North L, 975.0 F West L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral : TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines : 8615.0 F SOUTH L
1577.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location
BH County : UPTON
Section : 2 Block : Abstract : 543
Survey : THROCKMORTON CSL
Lease Lines : 9404.0 F NORTH L
1577.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines: 4500.0 F SOUTH L
1577.0 F WEST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9935 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, DAVID VINCENTI, at (972) 969-3935.

Passenger Cars

CHEVROLET 1999 MALIBU, good condition, A/C works, recent tune up. Asking $1,600. Must see! Call 432-349-0041.

CHEVY 1988 Corvette, only 51k original miles, new tune up, runs great, beautiful red paint, excellent condition, $8,500, 432-262-2453, 432-312-0779.

CHEVY 2001 Corvette. 41K Miles. Red. 6 Speed. Perfect condition. Always garaged. $25,900. 432-967-3110

CHRYSLER 2010 300S, 5.7L V-8, Hemi, fully loaded, black leather interior, navigation, keyless entry remote start, 20" rims, garage kept, 5,779 miles, immaculate condition, $30,000, 432-210-6333.

FORD 2005 Mustang, V6, auto, silver w/black racing stripes, 89k miles, $10,500, 432-889-2133.

NEW TODAY!
FORD 2011 Fiesta. Hatchback SE. 20k miles, factory warranty, Nice School Car. $13,500. Call 432-661-5777.

Passenger Cars

FSBO 2010 Nissan, Sentra, excellent running condition 40K. $8,900 firm. Call 432-682-1569

INFINITI 2008 G37 Sport Coupe. Upgraded Stillen cold air intake and exhaust. 68,500 miles. 19,000$. 1 owner no accidents no smoking. New tires. Call 832-270-9485

LEXUS 2006 SC430: Beautiful Pearl White, Retractible hard top convertible. fully loaded tan leather and wood interior, wheel covers and locks, spoiler and more. 122K miles. $17,000. 432-230-9476

LINCOLN 1997, Town Car. new Michelins, 112K miles. $5,500. 432-664-9749

NEW TODAY!
LINCOLN 2004, Ultimate Town Car, white pearl, loaded, gray leather, 89k original miles. Wife's car, garage kept. Will pay for CARFAX $11,200, 432-683-1374.

Need some cash? Call CLASSIFIED 682-6222

Passenger Cars

MERCEDES 2008 Benz GL 550 Silver 78k miles premium package. Includes navigation system, DVD players and heated seats. Asking $32k 432-553-8545

MERCEDES-BENZ 2010 GL450 Silver Low mileage of 42K. Call 432-296-1613 Priced to sell $39,900.00

MINI COOPER 2013. 2 door, 600 miles. Perfect condition. Please call or text 432-352-6313 $23,950

NISSAN 2005 Altima black 98K miles good tires runs good $4500 432-556-0838

TOYOTA 2001 Avalon. 4 door sedan, power seats, CD/Casset, Toyota Dealer maintained. 89,600 miles. $7,000. 432-528-5084

TOYOTA 2001 Avalon XL; 137K, power doors, windows & seats, A/C, Alloy wheels. Runs great. Asking $5900. Call 432-247-1110

Antique & Vintage

NEW TODAY!
DATSUN 1977 280Z. New interior, new paint. No Rust. 2nd owner. Excellent condition. 432-661-5777. Serious inquiries only.

MERCEDES BENZ, 1967 250SE Coupe. Gas, 4 speed on floor, European model, very rare. Looks brand new. Garaged and under cover. Serious inquiries only! $38,000. 432-688-2406

Pickup Trucks

CHEVY 2006 Z71 Colorado, 4x2, Green. 1 owner, 70,966 all in town miles. current tags and up keep. new battery, tires and radio/CD, $14,000. 432-520-8356

DODGE 2001 Ram 1500, 150,000 miles, rebuild trans., $5,000. 432-934-3672

DODGE 2002 Ram 150k miles, $5000 OBO. 432-528-6173 or 432-296-9564

DODGE 2010 Ram black, 4 door, V8. 93k miles, $25,000. Call 432-770-2470.

Legal & Public Notices

Request for Cost Proposals
Site Evaluation & Professional Design Services Midland County

Midland County is implementing a Texas Community Development Block Grant Contract No. 712055 On-Site Sewage Facility (OSSF) Replacement Project on private property in Midland County Colonia areas which include but may not be limited to: Ranchero Park, Chandler, Warren Road Addition, Twin Oaks, South Plains Addition, Sawyer, Del Norte, Ranchland Acres, Wakefield, and Southwest Estates. As part of that project, the County seeks site evaluation and professional design, cost proposals from licensed site evaluators, registered sanitarians and professional engineers.

Interested parties should submit proposed price per unit for: (1) Site Evaluation performed for each OSSF according to Midland County Safety and Inspection Department requirements and (2) OSSF Design Services (per unit).

Site Evaluators must carry general liability and vehicle liability insurance in order to be considered. The awarded site evaluator will not be eligible to bid on the installation of septic tanks for this project.

Full packages including additional submission requirements may be obtained at the **Midland County Risk Management and Safety Office,** 2110 North A St., Room 175, Midland, TX 79705, (432) 688-4505.

Cost proposals will be received until 5:00 pm Friday, August 16, 2013 at the Midland County Risk Management and Safety Office, 2110 North A St., Room 175. For more information, please contact Catherine Duarte, Grant Administrator, at (512) 420-0303 x 312.

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Legal & Public Notices

The City Council of the City of Midland, Texas, will hold a public hearing at 10:42 a.m., on Tuesday, August 13, 2013 in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, on a request by Rust Oil and Gas (Moss Partnership "9" No. 1) for a Permit to Drill an Oil and Gas Well inside the City Limits on the following described property: Located 2183' FSL and 1616' FEL, Section 9, Block "X", H.P. Hilliard Survey, City and County of Midland, Texas.

Generally located on the west side of the extension of N. Garfield Street, approximately 1/2 mile north of Mockingbird Lane.

The meeting facility is accessible to disabled persons. A wheelchair 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

Pickup Trucks

FORD 2002 F250 Crew cab, 4x4, 7.3 Diesel, good condition, 230K miles. $12,000. 432-557-2130

GMC 2006 Sierra SLT Crew-Cab 2WD. New tires, excellent condition. 99k. $15,400. Call 432-312-9312.

GMC 2008 SIERRA 2500HD, W/B, Duramax 6.6 L, V8, Turbo Diesel, 2WD, 4D, Crew Cab, 79k miles, new tires, exc. cond, $21,500. Call 432-570-6704 or 432-924-4225.

TOYOTA 2004 SR5. 95k miles, 1 owner. Auto, $9,500. Call 432-889-1647.

Passenger Cars

BMW of the Permian Basin
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432-522-5900

2012 Toyota Highlander
White/Tan, AWD
3rd Row Seat, Rear Entertainment, Top And Rear View Camera, 20,000k Miles

2009 Nissan Rogue SL
Red/Black, w/Red Stitching Sporty AWD, Heat Seats, Keyless Start, Moonroof
55,056k Miles

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Red/Tan
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CHRYSLER VAN 2006 Maroon, 56,000 miles, price $10,500, call (325) 396-4603

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BUICK 2008 Enclave CXL approximately 77,000 miles. It has a black interior and tan interior. Price is $19,500 FIRM. Call 432-294-2054

CHEVROLET 2004 Suburban, 2WD, 117K mi. Rear DVD, Excellent condition, well maintained $9,000. 432-352-3310.

CHEVY 2010 Tahoe, all power, 34K miles, garage kept. $25,000. 432-235-8816

FORD 2005 Expedition Eddie Bauer edition. 66500 miles. Leather interior, third row, multi disc CD, great condition. 432-352-6495

GMC 2005 Yukon SLT, Blue 122K miles, great condition! $12,000 432-553-8879

GMC 2008 Acadia SLT, white, 63K miles, Exc. cond. Transferable 80,000 mile extended warranty. $21,500. 432-553-9019

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TOYOTA 1992 4 Runner SR5. 4 door, V6, 4WD, 142,500 original miles. Runs well. Some hail damage and body damage on right rear wheel well. Interior in good condition, $4,995. Call 432-686-8407.

4WD & SUV

TOYOTA 2002 Sequoia SRS, 123k mi, excellent condition, fully loaded, well maintained, leather, front & rear A/C, new tires & brakes. Asking $10,000 OBO, 432-488-9784.

YUKON 2000 DANALI dark green with tan leather interior, 4WD, 189,000 miles, great condition, $4,900, 432-260-8893.

Commercial Vehicles

Tractors & Trailors

1998 FRIEGHT fld 120 Detroit engine, excellent condition. $12,500. 432-312-1994.

Motorcycles

2003 HARLEY Davidson Centennial Edition Duece. Fuel injected with 10,000 garaged miles. 1 year only Gun Metal Peal paint. all the chrome and whistles you could want. $9,900.00 OBO Please call 432-557-1228.

RVs

10/40 RV PARK, 1 space, 1 mile from Odessa Mall, 432-550-5582, 432-634-2602.

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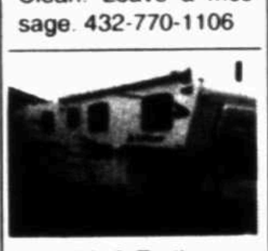

2007 2619 Trailmanor, hard side foldout. Half ton towable, good condition. $12,500 Call 432-699-0804

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ARCTIC 2007 Fox 811 cab over camper for sale. Used 10 times, like new condition. 2500 Onan propane generator, slide out, sleeps 5, toilet and shower. Dual battery, dual 7 gallon propane tank, 8 cubic foot refrigerator/freezer, outside shower, electric jacks, heater/AC, hot water heater, $18,000. 806-368-5248.

KEYSTON 2010 Passport Ultra Lite Travel trailer 28'. 2 doors, large slide out and awning. Under 10k miles, Excellent condition, many extras. Asking $19,500. See at 1912 Centerview in Midland. 432-262-0359

LA JOYA RV spaces: County Rd 1270 & 154, $475/mo, 432-661-1180.

4WD & SUV

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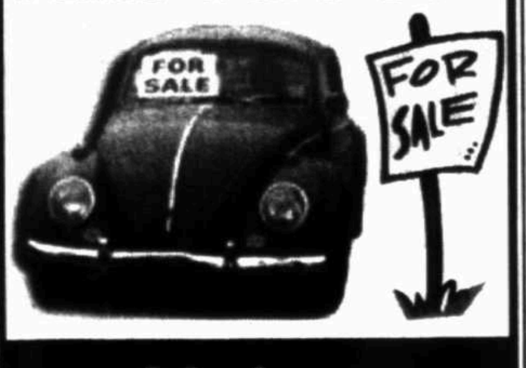

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SEADOO 2011 RXT 260. Super charged, 3 seater, black and yellow, 380 hours, $12,000 obo. 432-853-9650.

Recreational Vehicles

'07 KAWASKI Barcon 900 garage kept black and silver 8,000 miles. $5,000 firm. 432-631-4799

1993 FLEETWOOD Prowler 26' fifth wheel travel trailer, sleeps 6. $4,500. Located at 1216 NCR 1130, Midland, Tx. Call 432-940-2760 after 5pm.

2001 DUTCH Star 38'. single slide, diesel pusher. Buy loan. 806-669-3349

2002 SOUTHWIND Motor home 37', model 36T, Ford chassis. V10, 2 slides, 4 door fridge freezer with icemaker, washer, dryer, custom cabinets, convection microwave, satilite dish, 43K miles Exc. cond. $52,500 432-528-2580

2003 WILDCAT 28' Fifth wheel camper, good condition, non-smoking, tub/shower combo, good A/C & heater. Asking $11,500 or best offer. Located at Midland RV Campground Lot @ 127. Call or text Misty or John Leeson 405-380-7562, 405-380-4677. Must sell.

2005 WILDERNESS Advantage tongue pull, 2 slides, 2 bedroom, very clean. $19,900. Located at 1216 NCR 1130, Midland, Tx. Call 432-940-2760 after 5pm

2007 OUTBACK 26' Travel trailer, excellent condition, only used 3x for vacation, one slide, built - in outdoor cooker, $14,995 OBO, Call 918-938-1225. Trailer is in Midland

322 FUSION 5th Wheel with 6 point hydraulic auto 1 leveling systems and 2 AC units. Call 432-425-5199 for details.

38' PREMIER by Hyline 2011 5th Wheel. 3 slide outs, washer/dryer, microwave, and many extras. $28,500 obo. 817-694-8268.

BAYPOINT 2012, 40 ft, 5th wheel, 3 Slideouts, 2 bdrms, washer / dryer, 2 a/c, all options, deluxe interior, showroom new, no pet, non smoker. Sweetwater. $29,000. Call for info. 956-329-3560.

FIFTH WHEEL for sale: 2010 Forest River Sandpiper 356RL/Signature--3 slides, full kitchen, excellent condition. Never smoked in. Asking $38,500 which is $10,000 or more under the list price. Financing available. Please call Dan @817-846-6249

MOTOR HOME for sale. '05 Winnebago, Sight Seer, workhorse chassis, 8.1 Vortec, 3 slides, low mileage Good condition! 806-544-4937 Lubbuck.

MUST SELL!!
2012 willow Creek 32 ft. Travel Trailer. Super slide, bedroom slide, double A/C, W/D, electric awning, loaded, $19,500 OBO. Call 432-254-1504 or 817-501-8361

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Auto Services and Parts

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Administrative/Legal Assistant
Confidential FT
F/T assistant to CEO of Oil Co. & General Counsel wanted. Wide variety of duties include letter writing, maintaining files, answering phones, managing emails, booking travel reservations. Basic bookkeeping and legal secretarial experience helpful. Must be proficient in Word, Outlook Express & Excel and have strong communications & organizational skills & Internet research abilities. Salary DOE. Email resume to tmocomic@sbcglobal.net.

Part time Bookkeeper/Accountant
Independent Oil & Gas Company seeks part time Bookkeeper/Accountant. Requires experience with working interest & JIB reconciliation, AFE's, revenue accounting, accounts payable and problem resolution. Must have Quikbooks & Excel skills. Very flexible hours. Call 325-277-9898 to schedule an interview.

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

FULL CHARGE BOOKKEEPER/ ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT
Full Charge Bookkeeper with a minimum 10 years experience needed for busy multiple entity office. Must have strong Excel and analytical skills, solid working knowledge of QuickBooks and exposure to oil and gas accounting software. Job includes reconciliations, receivables, payables, creating and maintaining spreadsheets. Ideal candidate should be detail oriented, organized and self-motivated with ability to manage multiple tasks. Pleasant working environment with good salary and benefit package.

Equal Opportunity employer, Non-smoking environment.

Please email resume and cover letter to: Blind.box.p110@gmail.com or mail to: P-110 c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701

Office Assistant
Oilfield Services Office Assisant needed. Computer skills, MS Office, self starter, 432-684-7373

Office Manager
Machinist Specialty FT
Small business has an immediate need of an Office Manager for accounts receivable/payable, Taxes, payroll, data entry, and knowledge of quick books a must. Hours and salary flexible. Email resume to: msipurchasing@gmail.com or fax to 866-255-1578.

Receptionist/Admin Assistant
Natural Gas Services Group FT
NGSG has an immediate opening for a Receptionist/ Admin Assistant. Must have experience answering multi-line phone while providing administrative support. This individual must be detail oriented and have intermediate to advance skill in Microsoft Excel and Word. Excellent Salary and Benefit package. For more information or to submit resume contact employment@ngsgi.com or call 432-262-2700.

Receptionist
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Receptionist needed for CPA firm. Professional appearance and telephone etiquette required. Basic computer experience preferred. Hours 8:30-5:00. Possible overtime in busy tax season. Send resumes to: courtney@dhc-cpa.net or call 432-682-0963.

Receptionist/Front Desk
Bethlehem Glass Inc. FT
Receptionist/Office Assistant needed for family business. Personable reliable with good phone etiquette. Quickbook software knowledge helpful. Benefits after 90 days. Fax resume to 432-683-6889.

SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST
Position available. Microsoft Office skills a must. Email resume to **cawatson@wpg-us.com** or mail **P.O. Box 11186 , Midland, TX 79702**

CONSTRUCTION & FACILITIES

Heavy Equipment Operators
Fretco, Inc. FT
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CUSTOMER SERVICE

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EDUCATION & TRAINING

CHILD CARE TEACHERS
Mrs. Irene's Child Care FT/PT
Child Care Teachers needed. Above average wages for Full and Part-time positions. Call 432-520-8888.

PRIVATE S.A.T. TUTOR
Trinity Senior is home for the summer and wants to study for S.A.T. We have the study materials, but need an experienced and certified teacher as a tutor immediately. References required. Call 432-685-9914

Teachers
First Presbyterian Childrens Day Out & Preschool seeks part time teachers,, teachers assistants & MUSIC TEACHER for the 2013-2014 school year starting in September Call 432-683-0851.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Power Plant Craftsman
Luminant Power is Hiring!
Seeking multi skill Craftsman for our Permian Basin gas plant in Monahans, TX. Competitive pay, annual bonus and benefits start day one! Please apply at our website and reference job # 4989 http://luminantcareers.com/

HEALTHCARE

Admission Clerks
Martin County Hospital District now hiring 2 Admission Clerks, one FT days & one PRN-all shifts. Apply @ 600 E. I-20, Stanton, Tx 79782. Fax: 432-607-3265, email: pdority@martinch.org.

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Billing/Insurance Clerk needed for busy Urology office. Job duties include collections from patients & insurance companies verifying eligibility & benefits for patients & pre-certification of procedures & completing FMLA forms. The successful candidate will have a high school degree. Some college is preferred, computer knowledge, good analytical skills, the ability to multi-task, affinity for detail & excellent communication skills. Some knowledge of CPT codes, ICD-9 codes & experience in medical billing is preferred. Resumes will be accepted at: 2706 West Cuthbert, Bldg. C, Midland, Tx 79701.

Caregivers
Legacy Ranch is accepting applications for **caregivers**. If you would like to make a difference and join a dynamic team then you need to visit us at **4800 Briarwood, Midland** or call **432-694-5600**.

HEALTHCARE

CNA or Nurse
Confidential FT
Need a well experienced CNA or Nurse for sitting with elderly woman. References required. Please call Yadira at: 432-741-9091 from 8am-8pm.

Receptionist
West Texas Urology FT
Receptionist needed for busy multi-physician office. Duties include: high volume telephones, posting charges and receiving payments. Bilingual required. Send resume to: 2706 West Cuthbert Bldg C, Midland TX 79701.

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HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

House Keeping
Midland's Premier Country Club FT
Has openings for **House Keeping** 10am-6pm, with weekends. *We hire attitude and personality over experience.* In addition to competitive wages we offer paid medical and 401K. Please apply in person Midland Country Club, 6101 Hwy 349, Midland, TX 79705.

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Rapidly growing management company seeking experienced managers. Must be detail oriented and a proactive, self-starter. Email resume to Roland.lavine@hcsgcorp.com to apply.

OTHER JOBS

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QSN Realty: Office Supervisor, A/C Techs, Bar Supervisor, Desk Clerks, Night Auditor, Housekeepers, Houseman, Servers. Pay based upon experience. Bring resume to 5010 W. Loop 250 N. or fax 432-520-9434. For info call 432-694-1349.

Available Positions
The YMCA of Midland is currently seeking Childcare Counselors, Van Drivers, Fitness Attendants, Lifeguards and Maintenance staff. Please apply in person at 800 N. Big Spring Street, no phone calls please.

Caretaker
Confidental
Caretaker for small ranch and animals/dogs, horses. Salary and housing provided. Non-smokers. References required. Call 432-254-6151

Cook
Legacy Ranch is currently seeking a **cook** to join our team both full time and part time available. New kitchen with a great team. Apply at **4800 Briarwood, Midland** or call **432-694-5600**.

OTHER JOBS

Foreman, Operators, CDL Holder & Helpers
4D Excavating FT
Pay depending on experience. Bonuses. Must have valid driver license. Pass drug screen and background check. Call JR at 432-257-5966 or apply in person at 4600 North East Loop 338, Suite C. Odessa, TX. 79762. Or email resume to: jr@4dexc.com

Resident Monitor & Cook
Dismas Charities FT/PT
Midland, TX 79701
Need extra income? Looking for a 2nd job? Available to work a few hours a week? Dismas Charities Midland, a residential re-entry center is hiring Full, Part-time & relief staff for the positions of Resident Monitor & Cook. The program operates 24/7. Flexible hours & shifts available. Apply online at: www.dismas.com Walk-in applicants are welcome at: 24 W. Industrial Loop.

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Security Officers
Imperial Guard Service FT/PT
Midland, TX 79701
No experience necessary. Will train. Uniforms provided. Benefit packages available. Up to $700 per week. Call 866-840-2066
TX Lic# 12202

Survey Company Position
West Texas Consultants Inc. FT
Midland, TX 79701 0-1 Years Exp.
WTC Inc. a dynamic engineering and land surveying firm, in Andrews Texas, is growing and expanding. If you enjoy working hard and having fun in a family style, drug free atmoshpeer. We are looking for you. We are currently accepting resumes or applications for a New Mexico PLS survey drafting technician. Survey Party Chef and field help. Please email your resume to Alexisyatwtcengenieering .com or Mail it to 405 SW 1st St. Andrews, Texas 79714

Warehouse Person
Basin Engine and Pump FT
Basin Engine & Pump is looking for an industrial oilfield warehouse person. Pump and or warehouse experience preferred. Position includes uniforms and a benefits package. Pay DOE. Please submit resume by fax to: 432-570-1115 or email to: shawn@basinengine.com. Applications may also be filled out at 1914 South County Rd. 1083, Greenwood/Midland.

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

DOMINO'S PIZZA NOW HIRING!
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Dining Services Staff
Midland's Premier Country Club FT
Is looking for **Line Cooks**. *We hire attitude and personality over experience.* Position is full-time. In addition to competitive wages we offer paid medical and 401k. Please apply in person: Midland Country Club, 6101 N. Hwy 349, Midland, TX 79705.

Restaurant General Manager & Assistant Manager
We are looking for self-motivated leaders to join our team. As a Restaurant Manager at one of our restaurants, you will be an important member of the team who'll drive the JumBurrito Brand and deliver on the JumBurrito promise of "The Perfect Burrito Experience" to every single customer. You'll be responsible for managing our human resources, meeting our operational, financial goals and objectives. If you exceed our expectations you can progress rather quickly in our company. Salary/ bonus/ 401k/ vacation. Email resume to: sgallego@jumburrito.com

Restaurant Positions
Osaka Japanese Steakhouse FT
Would you like to make $15-$20 an hour? Now hiring Hibachi Chef. Will train. Also need all positions: Waitress, Hostess, Cashier, Bartenders, Bus Help, Dishwasher & Kitchen Help. Apply in person: 1207 Tradewinds Blvd. 79706

SALES JOBS

Multi-Media Sales Consultant

The Midland Reporter-Telegram and mywesttexas.com advertising department is looking for a Multi-Media Sales Consultant. The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of personal sales successes, preferably in a newspaper/media environment. Some knowledge of the advertising industry would be helpful, but not required.

Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products, including mywesttexas.com.

Qualifications & Skills:

- *Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented environment*
- *Excellent customer service and time management skills*
- *Highly organized with the ability to work independently with minimal supervision*
- *Detail-oriented with good communication, spelling and math skills*

The Hearst Corporation is one of the largest diversified communications companies. Its major interests include magazine, newspaper and business publishing, cable networks, television and radio broadcasting, Internet businesses and more. As an associate of the Midland Reporter-Telegram, you join more than 20,000 in the Hearst family. The Multi-Media Sales Consultant is a full-time, outside sales position. We offer a competitive compensation plan and benefits package, comprehensive training, mileage allowance, and the opportunity to advance your career in an exciting, progressive, and innovative organization in one of the fastest growing markets in Texas.

If you are the one we are looking for, please send current resume to:

Jeri Houston, Advertising Sales Manager
Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Avenue, Midland, TX 79701
or email to: jhouston@mrt.com

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OTHER JOBS

Sales Manager:
Looking for an upbeat individual who would be responsible for the development and performance of all sales activities in our market. This would include managing several sales teams, identifying growth opportunities, and help managing strategies all while staying in line with the company vision and values.
Need a minimum of 5 years sales experience with 2 years of management experience
Bachelor's degree preferred
Computer skills are a must (excel, powerpoint, office)

Logistics Assistant
Looking for an organized, detail oriented individual.
Computer skills are a must. Mostly Excel based position

Dispatcher
Needs to have knowledge of the Permian basin with the ability to direct CDL drivers on where to deliver their cargo.
DOT compliance experience necessary
Computer skills are a must.

Internal Auditor
Looking for an organized, detail oriented individual.
Computer skills are a must. Mostly Excel based position
Management skills are a plus

...work, health benefits and competitive pay
Apply Online at www.milfordpipeandsupply.com

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

Servers and Cooks
Cattle Baron FT
Cattle Baron Restaurant now hiring experienced servers and cooks. Starting wage $11.00 - $15.00 per hour depending on experience. Please apply daily 2:00 pm – 5:30 pm 418 Wadley Ave., Midland, TX No phone calls please!! EOE

RETAIL JOBS

Customer Service Representative
Athletes World, Inc. FT
Athletes World, Inc. is looking for a full time employee. Offering competitive salary and friendly staff to work with. Duties will include assisting customers and answering phones. Computer skills a plus, but will train the right person. Ability to work under pressure in a fast pace environment is essential. Please email resume to: Becky@stadiumsportsusa.com, fax to: 432-684-5481 or come by our location at 2040 West Cuthbert Ave to fill out an application.

SALES JOBS

Apprentice
Peerless Tyre Company FT
Do you have the desire to make an above average income? Peerless Tyre Co. is now hiring for an Apprentice. Person should have previous sales experience or tire experience but not necessary. Person must be over 18 years of age, possess a valid driver's license and pass a pre-employment drug screen and background check. Starting $12/hour or depending on experience. Apply 2804 W. Wall, Midland or 3401 Andrews Hwy, Odessa.

Are you energetic, a people person with professional work ethics and would like a job with a future?

We are currently in need of **Sales Associates**. You must be able to pass a drug screen and background check. We offer a great benefit package of vacation and 401k.

Qualified applicants apply at:
Jacks 1
1000 Andrews Hwy
Midland, TX 79701
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Jack's Convenience Store

STORE MANAGERS and CASHIERS
Smoker's Outlet is looking for **Store Managers** and **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid is weekly plus tips. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply.

SKILLED LABOR

Electrician Apprentice
Immediate opening for an Electrician Apprentice. Sign-on bonus. Call 432-697-4439

Framers and Drywall Hangers
Anderson Construction FT
Framers and Drywall Hangers needed. Call 432-561-5880.

Journeyman/Electrician
Apple Electrical Contractors, Inc. FT
Odessa, Tx 79765
Apple Electrical Contactors, Inc. has immediate openings for Journeyman Electricians with industrial experience in the oil & gas industry. Pre-employment drug testing & a valid drivers license are required. Email resumes to: alan@appleelectric.com or fax to 432-363-0192 or come in to fill out application at: 7540 Andrews Hwy in Odessa. No phone calls please.

Journeyman Plumber
Superior Plumbing FT
Journeyman Plumber needed for new commercial. Join our growing company. Please call Superior Plumbing 432-687-5905

Local Welders in Midland, TX
Structural & Pipe Welders needed. Must be able to pass required weld test and provide references. Top pay for experienced, quality, capable Welders. No contractors or Rig Welders need apply. Call for appointment at 432-697-7400. If no immediate answer please leave name, telephone number & a brief description of weld capabilities. Your call will be returned promptly.

Maintenance Director
Legacy Ranch is looking for a dynamic **Maintenance Director** to join our team! Must have previous building experience. Newer building, great work environment, full benefits. Apply at **4800 Briarwood, Midland** or call **432-694-5600**.

Maintenance Technician
Clusters Apartment FT
4415 Northcrest Dr.
Midland, TX 79707
Full-Time Maintenance Technician needed. Please apply in person.

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Western Auto FT
Mechanics! Western Auto is hiring! Apply at Western Auto, 4000 S. FM 1788, Midland.

Metal Building Workers
RRR Construction FT/PT
Pay based on experience. Call 325-514-7336
EOE

Welders
M & D Welding FT
Single hand contract needed. Oil field experience a plus & Drivers License a must. Salary DOE. Please call for application 432-520-3853 or 432-638-8266.

OTHER JOBS

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE
Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person
Pay 10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and social security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois. Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: ebtsscurtis@hearstnp.com
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Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE
Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person
Pay 10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

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JW Powerline is seeking to hire an experienced

Electrical Service Manager

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- Experience in Oilfeild Electrical Service - 5+ years
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Competitive Salary & Full Benefits Package!

Email resume to hr@jwpwr.com or fax to 432-695-6256

O Tex pumping is in need of the following:

Pump Operators, Service Supervisors and Field mechanics
CDL required for all positions. DOT regulated.
Offer great benefits with matching 401K.
Must be able to pass driving record and drug screening
Please fill out applications on-line at Otexpumping.com
Or come see us at 2611 E I-20 Midland, TX, NO PHONE CALLS!

Roustabout and Sandblast/Coating Pushers
Franks Tanks and Trucking is looking for roustabout and sandblaster/coating pushers. Top pay if you have 5 years experience. will train new hands.Call office 432-563-8018

Shop Mechanic
Basin Engine and Pump FT
Experienced Shop Mechanic needed for an Industrial Oilfield Shop. Position includes uniforms and a benefits package. Only experienced mechanics need apply. Pay is DOE. Please submit resume by fax to: 432/570-1115 or email to: shawn@basinengine.com. Applications may be filled out in person at 1714 S. Country Rd. 1083, Greenwood/Midland, TX. No telephone calls please.

SURVEYING
Experienced Crew Chief, Draftsman, SIT and Rodman (will train). Positions available at **Watson Professional Group Inc.** Email resume to **cawatson@wpg-us.com** or mail **P.O. Box 11186 , Midland, TX 79702**

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

Class A CDL Drivers
Class A CDL needed - Guaranteed Weekly Pay! Brown Brothers is a new Oil & Gas Transportation Co. in Midland/Odessa. Job starts July 22.
Apply today to reserve your position. Email JOBS@BBDOS.COM, visit WWW.BBDOS.COM, or call 432-272-7640 to schedule an interview. We are located at 11308 W. Hwy. 80 E. in Odessa.

Class A CDL Truck Drivers
Prefer drivers with Pneumatic Tanker experience. Benefits include: driver $2,000 sign-on bonus, medical, life and dental insurance, and paid vacation. Applicants having experience hauling sand and/or dry cement helpful. Good driving record, DOT, drug & alcohol testing required. Apply in person, call **432-563-1894** for interview or online @ **www.silverlinetx.com**

Delivery Driver
Ferguson Enterprises FT
Immediate opening for Delivery Driver. Must have a CDL license. Competitive wages. Background and drug test required. Apply in person at: 2121 W. Florida. Midland, Tx 79701. E.O.E.

Driver
Part time delivery/pick up driver. Need a Texas drivers license, good driving record, pass a drug test and be able to lift 100 pounds. Call 432-686-8877.

Drivers
Renzenberger, Inc. FT
Renzenberger, the leading provider of transportation services, is seeking qualified drivers in the Midland, TX area to provide transportation services for our clients. We provide well-maintained, late model vehicles in excellent condition. Starting salary is $12.00/ hour. Apply online at www.renzenberger.com.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

Vacuum Truck Driver
Midkiff Transports, Inc. Class A CDL Req.
6601 FM 715, Midland Apply in Person
Seeking Vacuum Driver. Must have good driving record and be able to pass drug test. Experienced applicants only. Competitive wages, paid health insurance/dependant, uniforms & retirement benefits. Call 432-682-2405 or apply in person.

Warehouseman/Delivery Driver
DYNAenergetics US - Andrews, Tx. FT
Immediate opening warehouseman/Delivery Driver. Must be at least 21 years of age with a clean driving record, with the ability to acquire CDL with Hazmat endorsement required. Competitive salary, 401(k), and Insurance available. Fax resume to 361/ 573-4385 (subject:ANDREWS).

General

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Selling Newspapers On The Street Corners
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IF INTERESTED CALL
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Thursday and Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Wonderful home, Beautiful items. For pictures go to...
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This Month the Antiques Barn will be open Saturday, August 10th, instead of the first Sautruday.

Yard & Garage Sales

79701

719 West Kansas
Fri 8am-1pm
Sat 8am-12pm
Collectibles Sale
Furniture: Barley Twist dining table & chairs, desk, buffet, lamp table, antique corner wall cabinet, decorative painted secretary, tall antique dresser, mirrored vanity & seat. Glassware & collectibles: Large collection of depression glass (Miss America & Rose of Sharon patterns). Many small antiques & collectible glassware & figurines. Miscellaneous: Core lamps, several large Franklin oil paintings, silverware. Too many items to mention! Cash or checks only. Too Many Breakables, No Children.

Yard & Garage Sales

79701

Daley's Consignment Summer Clearance Up to 75% Off Children's, Teens, & Maternity San Miquel Square Midkiff & Wadley.

Yard & Garage Sales

79701

1607 WEST Kansas 9-11 Saturday only, mostly furniture, 2 couches, dining rm table and matching buffet, automated TV lift in console, coffee tables

1708 PRINCETON Ave 3 Familly Garage Sale 1 Day Only! Saturday, Aug. 3, at 8AM. Furniture, Sectional with matching swivel rocker chair and pillows, Loft bunk beds with matching desk, dresser and chest of drawers, oak book shelf and chest of drawers, Cherry wood Armoire, Setee chairs with ottoman. washer, dryer. **Clothing and shoes** for men, women, juniors and children. most priced only $1. Toys, Home Interior Decor. Many other various items.

1714 & 1721 S. Marshall Friday & Saturday 8am-5pm. Two family yard sale. Baby, men, womens clothes, furniture, Atari game, lamps, baby walker, swing, bouncer, Neon Beer signs, sewing machines, dishes, teenager clothes, XX large mens clothes, purses, luggage. Some vintage things, wicker dress forms.

3527 W. Shandon Ave. Moving Sale Everything Goes. 8am-3pm Friday 8/2 & Saturday 8/3. Furniture, accessories, clothing, grill, mattess, washer dryer, lawn equipment.

712 AINSLEE St. (Kansas & Ainslee) - SAT. ONLY 7 - Noon. Lots of kitchen stuff, home decor, Playstation 3, digital camera, furniture, designer clothes, shoes & purses, media console, Ikea bed. And LOTS MORE!

THE MARC-ET
3205 W. Cuthbert
Terra del Sol
Shopping Center
Last Chance!
Storewide Sale
50% Off
Thursday -Saturday
10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

79703

1600 W. Pine Saturday 8am-? King size bedroom furniture, washers & dryers, men, women & baby clothing & shoes, BBQ grill, computer desk, lots of miscellaneous items. Everything must go!

3508 PRINCETON Ave. Fri & Sat 7 - 12. MOVING SALE! Front load washer & dryer, gas stove, oak entertainment center, tons of kids uniforms for school (some new), western wear, adult size clothes, household items and more.

Yard & Garage Sales

79703

1602 MCDONALD St. Sat. & Sun. 8-12. Armoire, dining table chairs, coffee/end tables, lamps, desk, hutch, antique couch, Entertainment center, oval rug, large frames, Stereo equipment, photo equipment, printers, Britannica books, Dehydrator, bread machine, Dodge toolbox, tiller, weedeater, Pwr. washer, compressor, Honda generator, pwr. tools, Jamis bike, Solar panels invertor, Lladro, Hummel, old mags. (Life, Natl. Geo), barbed wire, teapots, beer steins, ham radio, Caithness paperweight

3408 WEST Louisiana. Friday and Saturday, 8am-? Baby and adults clothes, play pin, stroller and car seat combo, adult clothes medium - XXL and lots of miscellaneous.

3507 THOMAS Ave. backyard sale Friday 5:30pm-9pm & Saturday 7:30am-11pm. All sorts of items.

4405 STOREY Dr. Fri & Sat 8 am - ? MOVING SALE! Lots of household furniture, appliances, and more.

4717 SHADYLANE Dr. Fri & Sat 8 am - ? Two Family Sale! New O'Brien Water skis, tubes, computer desk, kids Barbie Car & Motorcycle, toys, games, puzzles, baby items, lots of clothes (including plus sizes) & more!

4730 HARVARD Ave. Saturday from 7am-12noon. Soft tub, ping pong table, living room furniture, and lots of miscellaneous.

4903 BROOKDALE Dr. Friday 8am-? & Saturday 8am-12pm. Good condition boys school uniforms, purses, kitchen stuff, shoes, & lots of miscellaneous. Roasted corn for sale.

500 BROWNWOOD Saturday 8am-1pm 3 in 1 Crib, Boys clothes, toys and odds and ends.

5014 JOY Dr. Saturday only from 8am-11am. Boy's and girl's clothes, size 6X, small and large. Lots of sandals, boots and tennis shoes, home accessories and more.

5100 W Illinois Ave Clothes, decorations, and furniture. 8 am Friday and Saturday

5300 THOMASON Behind Church Friday 8am-3pm & Saturday 9am-12pm. Entertainment center, like new baby boy & girl clothes, F P baby swing, adult clothes & lot of miscellaneous.

906 BONHAM St. Sat. 8am Inside sale: furniture, baby clothes, TV's, beds, small kitchen appliances, toys.

Fax Your Ad 682-6999

Yard & Garage Sales

79705

1331 TERRA CT Fri 8/2/13 - Sat 8/3/13 FURNITURE, clothes, home decor, books, electronics, and more!

1409 EAST Oak Ave, Sat. 8am-2pm. Furniture, camping equipment, fishing poles & lures, golf clubs household items & lots of miscellaneous.

1705 E. Maple Friday 9am-2pm & Saturday 8am- 1pm. Girls size 5 clothes & shoes, teen girl size 9 clothes, chest of drawers, queen bedding, night stand & lots of miscellaneous.

1717 PUEBLO Friday Only, 8:30am-1pm. Lots of toys & baby items, girls, women, & men's clothing & accessories, home decor, full mattress, misc items, and the cutest lemonade & cupcake saleslacies in town!

2100 CULVER Dr, Friday & Saturday, 9:00am-? Furniture, playground equipment, toys & more!

2207 STRATFORD Ct. corner of Garfield and Bluebird. Saturday from 8am-12noon. Toy's, clothes and miscellaneous.

2218 WESTERN Saturday only 7am-3pm Interior DESIGN Items, Toyota Tundra 2/4 WD grill guard 2003-2006, children's clothing, adult clothing, shoes, kitchen items, books, fabric, seasonal decor, Christmas trees, furniture, sound system, TV's

2604 BOEING Dr 8-11am Saturday, furniture, dishes, mens and womens clothing,

2701 CALDERA, Sat. 8/3, 8am-4pm. Multi-family Moving Sale furniture, appliances, household goods, clothing, used tires, extension ladders & miscellaneous.

2808 SANDHILL Circle. Saturday from 8am - 3pm. Kenmore Dryer, Glider, car seats, 13x10 tent, men jeans 38, men shirts 17, junior clothing and shoes, bedding and household items.

3106 TEALWOOD Place Saturday 8-? kitchen table, baby boy clothes, pack-n-play, teenage girl clothes, toys, misc items

3110 HUMBLE Ave. Sat. ONLY 8 - 12. HUGH BACK TO SCHOOL SALE! Girls Junior clothes, large dining table, Pack 'n Play Car Seat & Stroller, household items and much more!

3110 STANOLIND - SAT. ONLY 8-? Crib, Antique Soda Fountain, hammock, mower, TVs, wicker, furniture, fax, copier, printer, books, Mackie PA, DeWalt tools, sewing machine, rugs, shoes, speakers, crafts, luggage, linens, small appliances, folding tables /chairs, clothes, X-Mas trees & more!

4906 SUNDOWN Circle Saturday 8am-? Furniture, queen bedding, exercise bike, weight bench & weights, tires, girls clothes, teenage boys clothes, decorative items, file cabinet, antique wardrobe, china cabinet, & much more

5005 E County Rd 73. Friday and Saturday from 9am-? Shelf, chair, bed, wig's, Halo Game pieces, shoes, purses, lots of clothes, Christmas items, shed full of nick knack's, bicycle, 2 weathered fainter goats with papers, $200 for the pair

Yard & Garage Sales

79705

807 ALMONT PL. Saturday ONLY 8 - 12. Antique Murphy bed, bunk bedroom set w/platform slide, Adult Pedal cars, MINI Bike, baby bed & bedding, household items and much more!

811 NEELY, Saturday 7:30-3. Lots of old goodies - oak wardrobe, oak desk chair, fiberglass swing horse, porch chairs, books, some glass, china, fishing stuff, primitives, / more. Some adult clothes, Some kids toys games. No early birds please. Don't miss this one!

SPECTACULAR YARD SALE: 1604 E Pecan St. Friday - Sunday from 8am-2pm. Glassware, linen, clothes, kitchenware, tools, and what not!

79706

5805 ECR 110 Saturday 8/3/2013 from 8-?. Multi-Family garage sale. Some furniture, baby items, clothing, etc.

712 DIMAGGIO Dr. HUGE GARAGE SALE Sat. Aug 3rd 8-12 workout equipment, furniture, books, clothes, frames, toys, and much more!

79707

2002 GERALDINE 9AM Saturday, 8/3, Park in front go back to alley. Furniture, clothes, lots of Misc.

3228 Patrick Place Saturday only 8 am-1 pm Computer Desk, TV stand 19' TV 27" TV Golds Gym Elliptical, Mini Trampoline, End Tables, Home Interior decorations Name brand young adult boys & girls clothes lots of misc.

3315 MAXWELL Saturday only, 8am - ? LOTS OF clothes for both genders in excellent condition, infant-adult sizes, household items, toys, crafts, movies, games, furniture pieces and lots of misc. Something for everyone! Don't miss it!

3515 IMPERIAL Ave. Sat., 8/3, 8am-2pm Summer garage cleanout: Furniture, odds & ends, lots of toys, clothes & lots of shoes

4420 GLENEAGLES, Yard sale Friday & Saturday 8am-1pm. Clothes, Decor, DVDs and other miscellaneous itmes.

4501 CIMMARON Ave. 3 FAMILY Garage Sale Saturday, August 3rd 7 AM - 2 PM Kids shoes & clothes, adult shoes & clothes, kitchenware, kids toys and lots of miscellaneous!

Yard & Garage Sales

79707

4503 SPENCE, Fri. 8 - 12. Children's clothes, men's & women's clothes, carseat, playpen, bouncer & miscellaneous items.

4503 TEAKWOOD Trace-Greentree. Sat 8-5, Sun. 10-5. HUGE SALE! Sofa, loveseat, tables, desk, full bed, Antiques, decoratives, clothes, men's suits, tools, toys, camping, Solo Flex, seasonals, kitchen items, more!

4525 FAIRGATE DR. MOVING SALE.Saturday 8am-1pm In Alley. Furniture, Bowflex, Table Saw, Beds, Couch and Love Seat, DVDs, Small Appliances. No early sales.

4983 RUSTIC Trail (Greentree) Fri/Sat 8am-? teaching supplies, storage shed, lawnmower, electronics, electric stove top, counters, decorating, household items, fishing supplies, furniture, storage boxes, misc.

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit **www.sudoku.org.uk**

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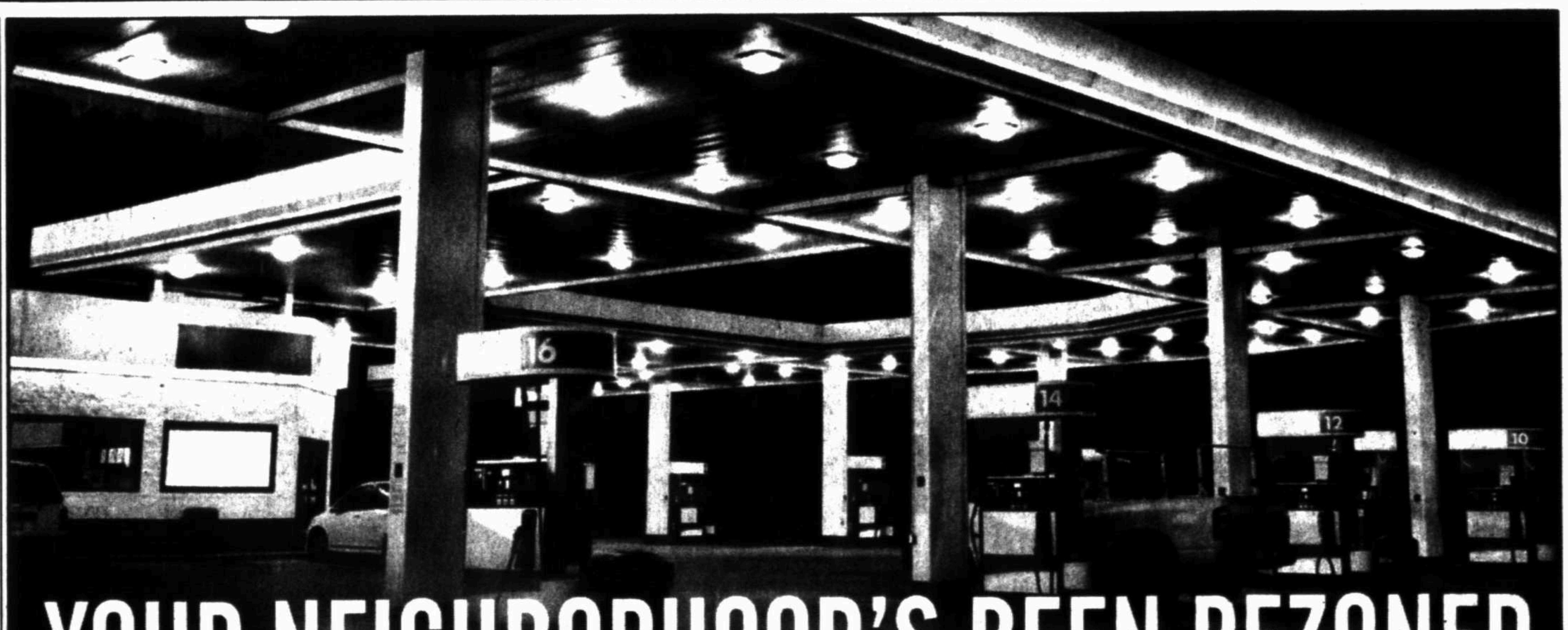

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