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Republican Donald Trump and Democrat Bernie Sanders swept to victory in Tuesday's New Hampshire primaries, adding crucial credibility to their upstart candidacies. More inside.

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Council strikes down May election for type B tax

Language part of rejection; measure could be placed on ballot in November

By Cassie Burton
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Following community feedback, City Council unanimously voted Tuesday to reject a second reading of a proposition that would put a repurposed 4B, or type B, tax on the ballot in May.

Councilman John B. Love III first initiated voting against the second reading, and Mayor Jerry Morales said that deciding not to put the measure on a May 7 ballot would give Council time to campaign.

In our view

City Council has time to bring better ballot to community.

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"It's a very important tool, and it's a very good opportunity for this community," Morales said. "There are people who support the repurposing of this tax ... because it can do a lot of good. Others are opposed to this tool as how it is written but not necessarily oppose the whole issue, and they also see it as an opportunity to do good in this community. I believe that there could be a better approach."

While an exact day for the election was not set during the meeting, Councilman Scott Dufford indicated during the discussion period that the election would be set for Nov. 8.

Morales said that Council members will campaign in the coming months to show voters the benefits of continuing the type B tax, currently used to fund the Scharbauer Sports Complex.

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PRAY TOGETHER

Bob Fu, with ChinaAid, leads prayers for the nations Tuesday at the Midland Prayer Breakfast at the Horseshoe Pavilion. See more photos of the event on **Page 4A**.

Photo by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Forum to provide access to candidates

■ Voters will be able to question candidates days before early voting

JAMES BEAUCHAMP
Midland County Republican Party Chairman

This year is certainly shaping up to be an exciting election year. Despite the awarding of about150 delegates between Iowa, New Hampshire, Nevada and South Carolina, the game changer for many of these campaigns won't occur until Super Tuesday (March 1).

On that day, 14 states, including Texas, will award 709 delegates and give these campaigns a big leg up toward the 1,237 national delegates needed to win the Republican Party's nomination. For the first time in recent history, Texas will play a large role in helping decide our party's nominee.

That being said, there are a number of other important local races right here in Midland. Local contested races include county clerk, county tax assessor-collector, county commissioner in precinct 1 and constable in precinct 2.

That's why the Midland County Republican Party will hold another local candidate forum at 7 p.m. today at the Horseshoe Pavilion to give residents an opportunity to hear from these local candidates. Elected officials are the backbone of our community and our party, and these candidates deserve our attention as voters.

In addition, we will have five of the candidates for the David Porter's seat on the Texas Railroad Commission here for

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MPD presents racial profiling report

By Cassie Burton
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Midland Police Department presented its annual racial profiling analysis to City Council during a briefing session Tuesday morning. Of drivers who went through a traffic stop by a MPD officer, slightly more than half were Hispanic and 92 percent of drivers overall were not searched, according to the report.

The report featured two charts. One chart indicated that people who identified themselves as white in the 2010 census comprised 64.6 percent of overall driving population, or "fair roads standard," and 35.51 percent of traffic stops were white.

That same report showed that Hispanics comprised about 26.9 percent of "fair roads standards," but 50.76 percent of all traffic stops. African Americans accounted for 7.31 percent of the overall driving population and added up to 12.39 percent of stops.

A second chart showed stops broken down by arrest, searches, consent searches and arrests. Out of 8,117 stops, 683 drivers were searched (about 8 percent) and 496 drivers (about 6 percent) were arrested.

Across all racial categories, 253 searches overall were consent searches, or searches done after officers asked and were granted permission by drivers.

The report said that race or ethnicity was known before the stop in 715 of the incidents, or about 8 percent.

Two complaints were filed by drivers. One was dismissed because of lack of substance and one was "exonerated" after a dashboard camera of the incident was reviewed, according to Tuesday's presentation by Eric J. Fritsch of the Professional Development Institute at the University of North Texas. Fritsch was one of two

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Card skimming device located at convenience store

By Erin Stone
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A skimming device was located on a fuel pump at Kwik Check Convenience Store, 2503 Rankin Highway, on Friday, but there is no evidence to indicate that any credit or debit card information was transmitted, according to the city spokeswoman.

A skimming device is a debit and credit card reader that illegally obtains the cardholder's information such as their name, card number and personal identification number, according to a press release.

A company that was servicing the pump discovered the device Friday, said city spokeswoman Sara Bustilloz on Tuesday. It had been 30 to 45 days since the last time the pump had been serviced, so Midland Police Department believes the device was placed about 30 to 45 days ago, she said.

"We're used to seeing traditional scanners placed outside a card reader," Bustilloz said. "The average citizen would be able to take a look and see something (in that case). It shouldn't seem like anything is on the outside."

If one jostles or pulls on the card reader, nothing should move, Bustilloz said. If something does, that could indicate a traditional scanner.

However, the skimmer that was discovered used Bluetooth technology

"For a traditional scanner, the suspect has to come back to retrieve it," Bustilloz said. "The Bluetooth scanner is transmitting card information in real time." This means the information can be sent to the suspect's computer or electronic device via Bluetooth, she said.

For this type of scanner, somebody was able to get into the gas pump to install. However, MPD has no reason to believe someone who worked at the convenience store installed the skimmer, Bustilloz said.

"The good news with this case is we haven't found any evidence yet that information was actually transmitted," Bustilloz said. "But if someone has used a card reader at that location and noticed unauthorized purchases made on their account we ask that they contact us."

There's a nationwide trend for these types of Bluetooth skimming devices: they tend to be installed at convenience stores by interstate highways in highly traveled areas because they're able to store information from several times more the number of cards than a traditional scanner, Bustilloz said.

Any individuals who used debit or credit cards to purchase fuel at this location in the last 30 to 45 days should cancel their cards to avoid accounts from being compromised, according to the release.

"Paying in cash is the safest option," Bustilloz said. "If you use a debit card, it's helpful if you select to use it as a credit card, so you don't have to punch in a PIN number. Oftentimes, gas pumps further away from the convenient store are more susceptible to having a Bluetooth skimmer since they have to be installed internally."

The investigation is ongoing and no suspects have yet been identified, according to the release.

Anyone who believes they might have unauthorized transactions on their cards can reach MPD at 685-7108.

Man allegedly punches police officer

From staff reports

A Midland man was arrested Monday for allegedly punching a police officer and tampering with evidence, according to court documents.

Goates

Joshua N. Goates, 28, was being held Tuesday on two third-degree felony charges of assault of a public servant and tampering with/fabricating physical evidence. Bond had not been set as of Tuesday afternoon.

Police officers noticed an empty white 2005 Dodge Ram with the driver's side window rolled down on the 5000 block of Gateway Court and checked the vehicle for signs of forced entry or burglary.

Upon inspecting the vehicle, officers noticed in the center cup holder of the vehicle a clear zip-close bag containing what appeared to be marijuana and a multi-colored marijuana pipe, according to the affidavit. It was determined to be about half an ounce of the drug, according to the affidavit.

Officers approached a nearby residence and saw Goates in the front yard, according to the affidavit.

When asked about the marijuana, Goates replied that he didn't know anything about it, but, when asked a second time, he stated it was in one of the alley trash cans, according to the affidavit. Goates and the officer walked to the trash can and Goates stated the marijuana was no longer there, according to the affidavit.

The officer attempted to detain Goates, who refused to comply, according to the affidavit. The officer then took Goates to the ground, but Goates was able to get back on his feet and flee, at which point he struck the officer on the left side of his face, according to the affidavit.

After several more attempts to resist, Goates then stated that the marijuana and pipe were now in a toolbox of his Toyota Tundra.

If convicted of the two third-degree felonies, Goates could face up to 20 years in prison total.

Swiss energy trading group CEO: 'We could be several years away'

By Collin Eaton
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — U.S. crude tumbled below $30 a barrel Monday, as speculation that members of OPEC could coordinate an oil production cut faded and investors refocused on the oversupplied market.

In an interview with Bloomberg TV, Ian Taylor, the CEO of Swiss energy trading group Vitol, which has one of its largest offices in Houston, said the market will begin to correct the supply-demand imbalance in the second half of the year, but it won't amount to much of a recovery. Prices will rise eventually, Taylor said, but that is a long way off, given the oil inventory increases in 2015 and 2016.

"I still think we could be several years away," he said. "You have to believe there is a possibility that you will not necessarily go back above $100, you know, ever."

U.S. oil fell $1.20 to $29.69 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, down about 8 percent since Feb. 3. Global benchmark Brent dipped 32 cents to $32.88 a barrel on the ICE Futures Europe.

Taylor said in addition to stubbornly high levels of crude inventories, daily production in the United States hasn't declined as rapidly as some investors expected.

"Stocks are still building in the U.S.," he said. Last week, U.S. oil inventories reached a record 503 million barrels.

Still, low prices are weighing on shale oil production. The U.S. Department of Energy said Monday that crude production from seven key shale plays is expected to decline by 92,000 barrels a day by March, with only the Permian Basin in West Texas pumping out a larger amount of crude than it lost naturally.

The longer crude prices stay in the current range, the bigger financial problems domestic oil explorers will have this year. Oil producers with high debt will struggle the most if they're forced to cut capital spending and give up a portion of the much-needed cash that comes from oil production.

U.S. energy companies borrowed more than $200 billion in risky debt — so-called junk bonds — to fuel the nation's shale boom, in the years before the oil downturn began in mid-2014.

A year and a half later, cash-strapped oil companies "are torn between slashing spending further to avoid additional weakening of their balance sheets and the need to maintain sufficient production and cash flow to meet financial obligations," Paul O'Donnell, an analyst at IHS Energy, said in a report Monday.

Analysts' most recent projections show U.S. and Canadian drillers cutting spending 23 percent this year to $78 billion, IHS said.

But if U.S. crude stays around $40 a barrel this year, the research firm estimates oil producers will face cash shortages, spending 188 percent of their cash flow. They'll need to whittle that down to the typical ratio of 130 percent to align capital spending and cash flow, the research firm says.

That means North American oil companies will have to cut another $24 billion, or 30 percent, in capital to stay within a reasonable range of their quickly diminishing operational income.

STATEBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

VERNON

Rams owner buys historic Waggoner Ranch, largest in US

A billionaire sports mogul has purchased a Texas mega-ranch that has been operated by one family for nearly a century.

The heirs of cattle baron W.T. Waggoner said Tuesday that a judge permitted the sale to Los Angeles Rams owner Stan Kroenke for an undisclosed sum. The ranch had been listed for $725 million when it hit the market in August 2014.

The Waggoner Ranch is about 175 miles northwest of Dallas. It's the largest ranch behind one fence in the United States.

Kroenke said in a statement that he would "protect and preserve" what broker Bernie Uechtritz called the "Statue of Liberty" of cowboy culture.

Waggoner granddaughter Electra Waggoner Biggs filed a lawsuit in 1991 to liquidate the estate, setting off a decades-long courtroom battle among the heirs.

GALVESTON

School bus driver gets nearly 42 years for porn

A Southeast Texas school bus driver who went by "Mr. Happy" on an adult website must serve nearly 42 years in prison in a child pornography case.

Michael Lee Martinez was sentenced Monday in federal court in Galveston. The 46-year-old Galveston man in September pleaded guilty to sexual exploitation of a child, plus possession and distribution of child pornography.

Investigators say Martinez, who drove a Galveston school bus in 2014, produced images for a website used by pedophiles to exchange pornography. Martinez had nearly 2,000 child porn videos and images when indicted and arrested last year.

Prosecutors say Martinez abused three girls by using them as subjects. There's no evidence that the bus driver's criminal behavior was connected to his job or that the victims were on his route.

AUSTIN

Prosecutor who sent innocent man to death row is disbarred

A former prosecutor who used false testimony and withheld evidence to send a now-exonerated man to death row in Texas has lost an appeal to overturn his disbarment.

The Dallas Morning News reported that the Board of Disciplinary Appeals on Monday upheld the decision of the State Bar of Texas to disbar Charles Sebesta. The board's decision is final.

The Texas State Bar revoked the Burleson County district attorney's law license in June, finding he had engaged in prosecutorial misconduct in the case of Anthony Graves. Sebesta appealed the ruling.

Graves was convicted in the 1992 slayings of six people in South Texas and was sentenced to death in 1994. He spent 18 years in prison, including 12 on death row, and came close to execution twice.

The U.S. Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals reversed his conviction in 2010.

Graves filed a complaint against Sebesta in January 2014, asking the bar to hold the prosecutor accountable for withholding critical evidence.

The State Bar of Texas Board of Disciplinary Appeals called Sebesta's conduct in the Graves case "egregious."

The Bar ruled in 2007 that there wasn't any cause to disbar Sebesta in the case, and his lawyers argued last month that the agency couldn't change its response to a new complaint Graves filed.

But a lawyer for the board said anyone who has been wrongfully convicted has up to four years after their release to seek discipline against prosecutors who elicit false testimony or withhold evidence, under a 2013 law.

"The bar stepped in to say that's not the way our criminal justice system should work," Graves said. "This is a good day for justice."

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House OKs Uber, Lyft bill fixing New Mexico impasse

Associated Press

SANTA FE, N.M. — The New Mexico House has approved a bill aimed at welcoming and regulating ride-booking companies like Uber and Lyft.

The GOP-led House overwhelmingly passed Monday the proposal 58-8 a year after a similar measure died in the legislature amid partisan bickering.

Rep. Monica Youngblood, an Albuquerque Republican, sponsored the bill to allow the companies to operate legally in New Mexico.

The legal status of the companies has been in limbo in the state since they began offering services in 2014. The companies say the state's Motor Carrier Act doesn't apply to them because they don't operate as commercial taxi businesses.

Uber and Lyft offer an online service that allows people with cars to connect with people seeking rides.

Traditional taxi companies say ride-booking services still need to be regulated.

The bill now moves to the Senate.

Immigrant licenses at lowest level since 2003

By Russell Contreras
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — The number of state driver's licenses issued to immigrants has plunged to its lowest level since New Mexico began granting driving privileges to those living in the country illegally, records show.

The figures emerged as lawmakers debate changes to the driver's license law so it complies with the federal the REAL ID Act, which requires proof of legal U.S. residency for those who want to use state identification to access certain areas of federal facilities.

The number of licenses given to foreign nationals last year plunged about 73 percent compared with the peak in 2010, according to state documents obtained by The Associated Press. The numbers have been steadily decreasing since more than 15,000 were issued that year. The state gave out 4,026 in 2015, documents said.

There's no clear explanation for the decrease.

State officials do not know how many licenses went to immigrants living in the U.S. illegally because applicants aren't required to submit information on immigration status. Some could have legal residency.

Associated Press

Baylor students and alumni hold a candlelight vigil outside the home of Baylor University President Ken Starr, in what organizers' call a "Survivors' Stand" on Monday in Waco. The students and supporters attended the event in an effort to urge changes to how the school handles sexual assault.

Activists demonstrate against sexual violence at Baylor

Associated Press

WACO — A candlelight vigil to protest Baylor University's response to campus sexual violence drew scores of demonstrators to the street in front of the university president's home Monday night.

About 100 people participated in the vigil in front of President Kenneth Starr's home. The group then marched to a brief prayer service outside Baylor's Truett Seminary.

The protest comes after ESPN reported earlier this month that three students said the Southern Baptist-affiliated university in Waco failed to act on allegations that they were sexually assaulted by a former football player later convicted in one of those cases.

Policies regarding Baylor's compliance with federal requirements that it address and prevent sexual harassment "are inconsistently followed and, at times, ignored altogether. Perpetrators are repeatedly allowed to go free due to these shortcomings. This makes our campus unsafe," the group said in an online statement Monday.

In a letter Sunday, Starr said university leaders' "hearts break for those whose lives are impacted by execrable acts of sexual violence." He also noted that Philadelphia law firm Pepper Hamilton, which Baylor hired, is conducting an outside review of the university's response to reports of sexual violence. When the review is complete, "we will determine how best to share the firm's recommendations," Starr said.

Starr also wrote that federal privacy laws and related requirements by the U.S. Department of Education have prevented Baylor from being forthcoming with past reports of sexual violence against students.

Starr's letter came hours after the release of a letter signed by more than 1,300 Baylor alumni, students, faculty, staff and family of students. That letter said: "Baylor students deserve more than mere assurances by administration officials that the university is doing its part. Accordingly, we respectfully insist that the University promptly take action to improve its responses to sexual assault — and publicly state what those will be. This is about more than compliance with the university's regulatory obligations."

Baylor alumna Laura Seay, now assistant professor of government at Colby College in Maine, said Starr's letter is "disappointing" and "doesn't tell us anything we don't already know."

She said the university is hiding behind privacy laws in not addressing the issue candidly.

"I think the pattern is undermining the identity that we're distinctively a Christian university," Seay said about Baylor.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Today is Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday falls on Feb. 10 this year, and Christians all over the world will observe that date in preparation for Easter, which is the celebration of Jesus Christ's resurrection.

Ash Wednesday "marks the start of the season of Lent, which begins 40 days prior to Easter."

Source: http://www.christiantoday.com

Candidate forums today

■ The Midland County Republican Party will be hosting a candidate forum for local GOP candidates in contested races and for Railroad Commission candidates.

The forum will take place at 7 p.m. today at the Horseshoe Pavilion.

The event will focus on questions and answers with the candidates. Questions will be submitted by panels, one for Railroad Commission candidates and one for local candidates. Members of the audience can also provide questions on cards available during the forum.

■ The Midland County Republican Women will hold a candidate forum at 11:15 a.m. today at Midland Country Club. Candidates for county commissioner, constable and statewide offices will be in attendance

Thing to do

■ Live Trivia by Challenge Entertainment. 8 p.m., Torino's. challengeentertainment.com.

Support group, club meetings today

■ The Knot Adoption Support Group, 11:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church; Kathy Hagler, Kathy@WTIE.net.

■ Caregiver support, noon, HospiceMidland 911 W. Texas Ave., 682-2855.

■ Midland Downtown Lions Club meets at noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday at 200 Plaza St.

■ Uptown Midland BPW, noon, Petroleum Club; Glenda Knox, 686-2819.

■ Midland Quilters Guild meets 1 p.m., Alamo Heights Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. For more information call 694-0561.

'Evening to Remember'

A fundraiser, benefiting the local Alzheimer's Association and national research, is planned for Feb. 25 at the Petroleum Club.

The event features live and silent auctions, as well as entertainment by comedian and world-class guitarist, Mike Rayburn.

"An Evening to Remember," as the event is called, is hosted by FirstCapital Bank of Texas, Ortloff Engineers and Concho Resources Inc. A wine reception will begin at 6 p.m. with dinner to follow at 6:30 p.m.

Reservations are required; to attend please contact Mary Wilkinson: 432-682-9570.

SHARE your change

Managing Editor Mary Dearen is participating in the 2016 Autism SHARE Walk, set for April 23 at Grande Communications Stadium. Her donation will include change she finds during her daily neighborhood walks. And she donated $5 for each of the 24 points the Denver Broncos scored in Super Bowl 50.

Anyone who would like to contribute to the cause may contact Dearen at mdearen@mrt.com or 687-8852. You also may make a contribution at her walk fundraising page. Google "2016 Autism SHARE Walk" and type in Mary Dearen under participant.

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Today in history

Today is Feb. 10, the 41st day of 2016. There are 325 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On Feb. 10, 1996, world chess champion Garry Kasparov lost the first game of a match in Philadelphia against an IBM computer dubbed "Deep Blue." (Kasparov ended up winning the match, 4 games to 2; he was defeated by Deep Blue in a rematch the following year.)

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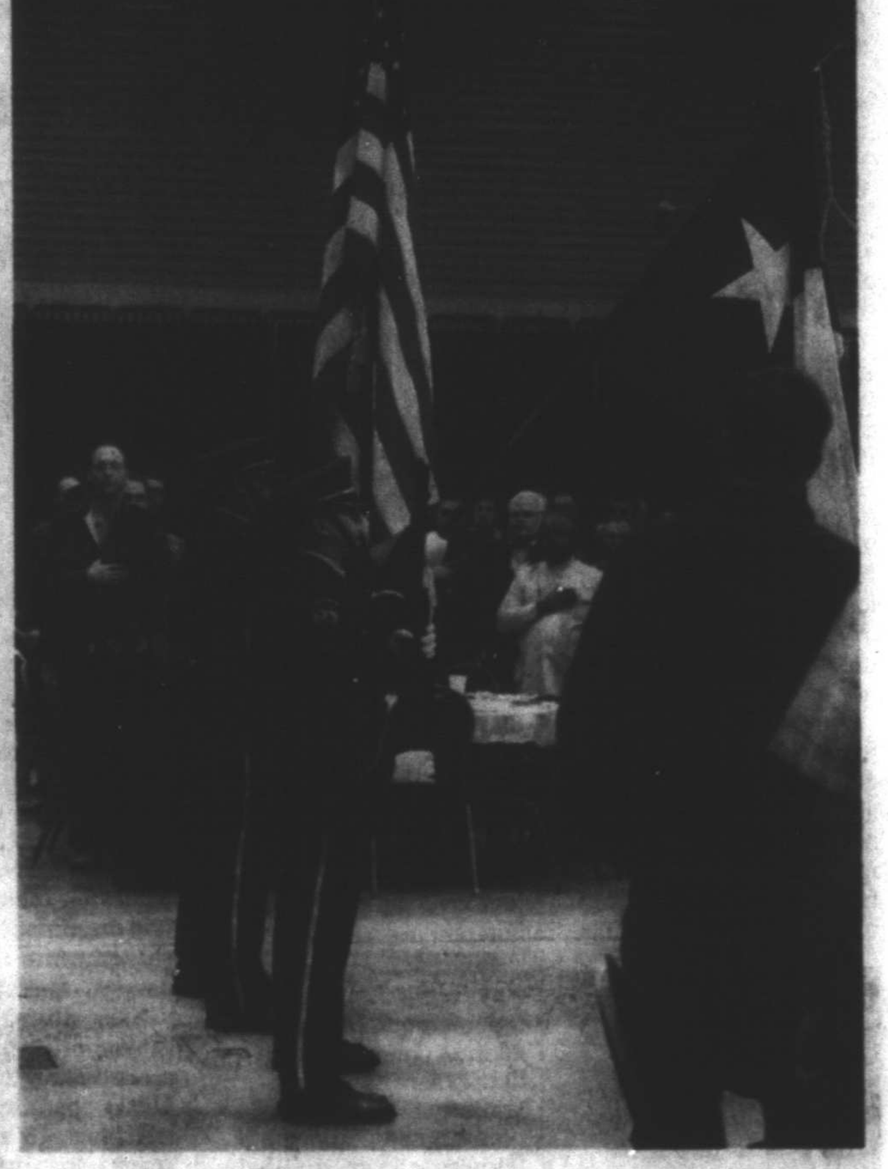

CLOCKWISE: Bishop Michael Sis speaks Tuesday at the Midland Prayer Breakfast at the Horseshoe Pavilion. Midland High JrROTC Honor Guard present the colors. Members of the Permian Basin gather and pray. The Gathering worship team leads in worship.

Photos by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

4B TAX

From 1A

The language could also be tweaked based on community feedback that the language was confusing, Morales said.

"There was enough outcry saying (residents) didn't understand the ballot language and the project specifics that we were waiting to announce in March that weren't ready today, so we thought, 'Let's just stop; let's just unify,'" Morales said.

Morales said after the meeting that the tax could continue to fund only the sports complex until officially dissolving in 2023, if no action was taken to repurpose the tax.

Had the measure been put on a May 7 ballot and voters approved it, the complex would have been paid off either in spring or at the end of the calendar year, Morales said.

The quarter-of-a-cent tax has gathered an average of $10 million a year in revenue, according to previous Reporter-Telegram articles.

Also at Tuesday's meeting:

■ Three consent agenda items formalized agreements between the city of Midland and the Midland Development Corp.'s agreements with XCOR Aerospace Inc. XCOR agreed to release half of its originally leased space back to the city because it was not needed, Councilman J.Ross Lacy said. Lacy also said that the Midland Air & Space Port Development Board was in talks with three companies about leasing the newly available space, Hangar A, but could not divulge the names because of nondisclosure agreements.

■ Council voted in favor of appropriating $420,000 to Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc. for the construction of the Washington Aquatic Center Pool and Bathhouse Renovation Project.

■ Council approved going out for bids on the 2016 Milly and Inlay project. The project will provide "for the removal and replacement of two to five inches on asphalt pavement on certain roadway sections," according to the agenda packet.

FORUM

From 1A

the forum. Wayne Christian, John Greytok, Doug Jeffrey, Ron Hale and Weston Martinez are all slated to participate.

Unlike all of the other debates you see, with lots of time used for opening and closing comments from candidates, we will distribute guides with background information from the candidates and will use the entire time to have questions and answers with the candidates. We will have two panels helping ask questions of the candidates, one for Railroad Commission candidates and one for local candidates.

Both panels will include local Republican leaders and representatives of the Reporter-Telegram. In addition, our panel for Railroad Commission candidates will include representation from the Permian Basin Petroleum Association. We will also have cards to allow for written questions from the audience.

With President Obama's recent call for a $10 per barrel tax on oil, while Permian Basin residents are losing jobs and struggling to make ends meet, it is more evident than ever that voters in Midland County realize just how important this election is and why we need strong candidates in the Republican Party.

The best protector of our democracy is a well-informed electorate, and we hope you can join us for this informative event.

REPORT

From 1A

people who compiled the report for the city.

The report included a page that said "easy determinations regarding whether Midland police officers have 'racially profiled'" are "impossible" because data comprises arrests made by all officers, not individual officers.

"In short, one cannot 'prove' that an individual officer has racially profiled any individual motorist based on the rate at which a department stops any given group of motorists" even when a group of motorists stopped is disproportionate to that group's portion of the population, the report stated.

The overall population numbers were not absolute regarding Midland's population because data was derived from census data compiled five years ago, according to the report.

MPD Chief Price Robinson explained to City Council members that a search conducted once a driver is arrested for probable cause or on a warrant and put in a police car is considered a non-consensual search.

Findings also showed that the majority of police officers did not know ethnicity before pulling over a driver for a traffic stop. About 15 percent of drivers stopped were not registered with a Midland address in the 2010 census, the report said.

Robinson said that the populations who were stopped disproportionately did not hint at racial profiling.

"I place more emphasis on if a complaint is brought and if that complaint is sustained," Robinson said. "We're not going to watch the 26.9 percent Hispanic, and then, every month when the stops get 26.9 percent, 'OK, stop, no more.' We're just going to work as hard as we can to do our business professionally, and you know you're going to have to stop people (if) there are traffic violations."

The state does not contact the department about the report unless a report is not filed by March, as required by law. Robinson said that any residents who have questions about the report can contact the MPD.

Zip code information of drivers arrested was not included because officers do not provide a driver's home address on a ticket.

Overall, the MPD was found in compliance with state law requiring a racial profiling report. The MPD instituted a formal policy prohibiting racial profiling, officer training and educational programs and a formal complaint process, as well as the data collection.

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Flint counsel says manslaughter charge harshest possible

By David Eggert
Associated Press

LANSING, Mich. — Flint's water crisis, after a switch in the source allowed dangerous levels of lead and potentially caused deadly cases of Legionnaires' disease, could result in criminal charges as serious as involuntary manslaughter, a top investigator said Tuesday.

The emergency will prompt Gov. Rick Snyder to propose another $195 million in aid in his annual budget proposal today, including $25 million to potentially replace old lead and copper pipes. Snyder also plans to call for $165 million in funding for infrastructure needs across Michigan in the 2016-17 budget.

If approved by lawmakers, state spending on the Flint water disaster will top $232 million over this fiscal year and next.

Todd Flood, who was appointed as special counsel by Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette last month because Schuette's office is defending the state in civil lawsuits, said manslaughter charges could be on the table if government officials were grossly negligent in their handling of the city's water change and the aftermath. The maximum prison sentence is 15 years.

"It's not far-fetched," Flood told reporters, pointing to similar charges against people for deaths on construction sites. He also reiterated the possibility of charges for misconduct in office.

Flood said it is possible no crimes were committed — instead just "honest mistakes" — unless authorities breached their duty in a "grossly negligent way." Another factor is what officials did or failed to do after their mistakes.

"If I knew something bad was going on ... and I just want to turn my blind eye, that could be a problem," said Flood, a former Wayne County assistant prosecutor who spoke at a news conference with the Republican attorney general and investigators.

Flint is under a state of emergency because of lead-tainted water. Outside experts also have suggested a link between the Flint River and a Legionnaires' disease outbreak. There were at least 87 cases across Genesee County during a 17-month period, including nine deaths.

The city's water supply was switched from the Detroit system to the Flint River as a cost-saving measure in 2014, when Flint was under state emergency financial management. It was an interim measure while a new pipeline to Lake Huron is being built. But the improperly treated river water caused lead to leach from old pipes.

If consumed, lead can cause developmental delays and learning disabilities. Flint has since moved back to the Detroit system; officials hope anti-corrosion chemicals will recoat the pipes so it is safe to drink without filters within months. Republican Gov. Rick Snyder, under fire for his administration's role in the emergency, has accepted responsibility while also blaming local officials and federal environmental regulators.

U.S. regulators say Michigan officials ignored federal advice to treat Flint water for corrosion-causing elements last year and delayed for months before telling the public about the health risks. State officials counter that while the state should have required Flint to treat its water, the EPA did not display appropriate urgency and allowed the problem to fester for months.

"If you think about it, this is the biggest case in the history of the state of Michigan, right? And that's what draws us to this is to get these people their answers," said Andy Arena, the lead investigator who once led Detroit's FBI office. He said at least 10 outside investigators are working on the probe.

Schuette said Tuesday that Michigan's public-records law should be expanded to include the governor's office because of the Flint disaster. Snyder has voluntarily released his personal emails related to Flint from 2014 and 2015, but not his staff's correspondence.

Flint's mayor said Tuesday that a plan to remove and replace all lead water pipes in city homes will cost $55 million. Mayor Karen Weaver said households where residents are deemed to be high-risk will be given priority.

"We're going to restore safe drinking water one house at a time, one child at a time," she said. "All lead pipes need to be replaced. We deserve new pipes because we did not deserve what happened."

No funding has been dedicated to pay for the work, with Weaver calling for the state and federal governments for financial help. Weaver also said the "Fast Start" plan requires coordination between city, state and federal officials.

Snyder will deliver his annual budget proposal to lawmakers today.

"I invite Gov. Snyder and his team to pledge their full cooperation to help us get this done," Weaver said. "And I call on the Legislature and Congress to appropriate the necessary funds so we can get started as soon as possible. The people of Flint have already paid with their lives, health and quality of life."

The work would be similar to ongoing lead pipe removal in Lansing. The Lansing Board of Water & Light has removed 13,500 lead pipes over a dozen years at a cost of $42 million.

Technical experts with the utility met Monday with Flint officials. Up to 15,000 lead pipes could be removed within one year in Flint under the best of conditions by dozens of work crews. Officials have not determined a date for the work to start.

Kim Davis obeying orders in gay marriage case, judges rules

Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Kentucky clerk Kim Davis has obeyed orders to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples in the months since she spent five nights in jail for refusing to do so, a federal judge ruled Tuesday.

United States District Judge David Bunning denied the American Civil Liberties Union's request to order Davis to reissue licenses she had altered to remove her name and title or face the possibility of further punishment. He found that Davis has allowed her deputies to issue licenses to anyone eligible since September and that the altered licenses are likely valid under Kentucky law.

After a ruling by the United States Supreme Court that effectively legalized gay marriage last summer, Davis, a born-again Christian, at first refused to allow her office to issue any marriage licenses, igniting a national firestorm over religious freedom and civil rights. She was sent briefly to jail for contempt of court. Davis relented during the turbulent court battle, but altered the licenses to remove her name and title.

The ACLU, which sued Davis on behalf of four rejected couples, asked the judge to make her reissue the marriage licenses and order that she not interfere with her deputies willing to sign them.

Matt Bevin, the state's new Republican governor, signed an executive order in December that removes clerks' names from marriage licenses in response to Davis' case.

On Tuesday, Bunning found that Davis has been complying with his order and that "there is every reason to believe that any altered licenses ... would be recognized under Kentucky law," rendering the ACLU's request "moot."

ACLU Staff Attorney Ria Tabacco Mar issued a statement after the ruling saying she was "heartened" that Judge Bunning believes the altered licenses will likely be honored. But she said the question will have to be settled conclusively by Kentucky state courts.

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OPINION

Feminists out of touch with millennial women

■ Today's young women got a dose of generational politics when being lectured about presidential picks

KATHLEEN PARKER
Washington Post Writers Group

Two recent comments by famous feminists have underscored the inevitable and predicted the foregone: The feminist era of Hillary Clinton, Gloria Steinem and Madeleine Albright has come to a close.

Each heroic in her own way, these three icons of second-wave feminism have reached a pinnacle of sorts, along with the bittersweet recognition that they are sorely out of touch with today's younger women. The world they knew and helped change has produced a new generation no longer as concerned with the issues that animated their mothers and grandmothers.

So it goes.

Adding possible injury to insult, liberal millennial women are tilting toward Bernie Sanders rather than she who would be the first woman president of the United States. What are they thinking?

Albright and Steinem, speaking on different days in different environments, offered comments that are by now familiar: "There's a special place in hell for women who don't help other women," said Albright, who was the first female U.S. secretary of state.

And, "When you're young you're thinking, 'Where are the boys?' The boys are with Bernie," said Steinem, co-founder of Ms. Magazine and iconic leader of the '60s feminist movement.

Much bestirring followed on social media. The gist of critics: How *dare* Steinem insinuate that young women are just chasing boys? And, how *dare* Albright curse young women for failing to support Clinton!

They have a point.

But they're missing the bigger point that had these women not cut a path for others to enter and expect to be treated fairly in the workplace and elsewhere, these same young women would, indeed, be following the boys in hopes of inserting an "R" between the "M" and the "S" in their titles, as their predecessors had to.

This is the irony, isn't it? For Steinem of all people to suggest that girls just wanna have fun with boys, though not untrue, has lived a life based on quite the opposite premise. It was she, after all, who said, "A woman without a man is like a fish without a bicycle." Come on, it's funny. And it is certainly true to women of a certain age.

Albright's comment, meanwhile, is a well-known and, perhaps, worn-out trope of the former secretary's. Now 78, she might have imagined that her audience — at a Clinton rally — would have been familiar with it and responded with laughter, as had so often been the case.

Rather than cursing younger versions of herself, she was offering a gift in the spirit of Arnold Schwarzenegger saying, "I'll be back," or Ronald Reagan saying, "Win one for the Gipper."

Whether some of the young women preferring Sanders to Clinton are also interested in boys, a not-dishonorable distraction, was probably a weak stab at humor, for which Steinem, 81, has apologized. Also, she was talking to Bill Maher on his show, hardly the forum for solemn pronouncements.

The more likely explanation, however, is that young liberal women, like their male counterparts, are attracted to the cool old guy because he's promising a dream in which the rich have less and the poor have more. Robin Hood is so awesome.

And socialism has always appealed to the young, the cure for which isn't age but responsibility. This usually comes in the form of taxes and children, both of which involve working and sacrificing for the benefit of others, the extent of which forms the axis upon which all politics turns. That Sanders never outgrew his own socialist-rebellious tendencies — *We're going to have a revolution*! — is vaguely interesting, but not his best recommendation for commander in chief, among other presidential duties.

Clinton, ever the adult in the room, may be doomed by her own sober "momliness." To whom do children run to when Mom is no fun? She isn't helped by the two elder women in the room.

What is obvious, if bittersweet, is that Steinem and Albright, and possibly Clinton by association, have passed the baton, if without realizing it. Through their temerity and hard work, they've created a world in which their original purposes have become obsolete through acceptance.

Millennial women, who reached adulthood around 2000, and those afterward have never known a world in which they were not treated to daily doses of go-girl power. They've never known a time when abortion wasn't an option. They really can have it all, including the choice to not vote for a woman just because she's a woman because, after all, this would be sexist.

And no one would want that.

OUR VIEW

City Council has time to bring better ballot to community

The Midland City Council made the right choice in not calling an election in May to vote on adding to the city's sales tax rate.

This was just not the right time.

Less than three months from now would not be the right time for residents to vote on an item with ballot language written as poorly as this item was. Many people we talked to were critical of the measure's broad language. Many used the term "blank check" or said the ballot provided cover for the city to be able to use the money as an addition to its general fund. That is not what we expect from such an initiative.

It was not the right time because we had no clue what to expect if voters had approved the item. Council members had taken the approach that they had to pass the ballot language before they could show you what they hoped to do with the additional sales tax revenue (that could top a quarter of a billion dollars over a 25-year period). That is not how our elected officials should operate.

This was not the right time because of the price of oil. At about the time the city council decided not to hold the election in May, the price of oil had dropped to around $29.40. No one has the crystal ball to know what the price could be in May, but we keep hearing experts say the chances of a turnaround is better later in the year.

It was not the right time because supporters of this ballot item likely would have been on their own. Even those who typically support such initiatives would have been more reserved about this one. The feeling would have been this council was going it alone if a May election had been called. While others wouldn't have opposed the measure, there wouldn't have been the collective campaigning needed to win a tax election in Midland. They likely will have backers now.

There will be some who wonder why go in November during a general election? Why go when the top of the ticket will feature a Republican and Democrat duking it out in a battle that will be described by many in Midland as less government versus more government? It's a good question. We would remind Midlanders that the largest bond in the history of our community appeared on the same ballot as a presidential race in 2012. It can be done.

At this point, those who support taking out debt to pay for sports tourism facilities will get their chance. And those who believe sales tax must be used to pay for Scharbauer Sports Complex operations — even when those campaigning for the original complex meant for those operations to be paid for through the general fund — will have the opportunity. All of them, it appears, will have until November to get organized, provide better ballot language and offer a better presentation to a community about what we will get for our money — possibly as much as $250 million.

We can't say for sure when the right time is to ask Midlanders to approve a tax increase. We just know May certainly wasn't. Not this time.

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Draft comes for your daughters

■ The facts point to all things not being equal when it comes to treating men and women comparably in combat roles

RICH LOWRY
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In the blink of an eye, we've gone from opening combat jobs to women to Republican presidential candidates endorsing registering women for a draft.

Hide your daughters — our deluded and cowardly political elites are a clear and present danger to common sense.

A proposal from the chief of staff of the Army and the commandant of the Marine Corps to require that women register with Selective Service seemed at first like an effort to highlight the absurd endpoint of the rush to women in combat, but top Republicans duly saluted and fell in line.

Asked about the proposal at the recent Republican debate, Marco Rubio said "that Selective Service should be opened up for both men and women in case a draft is ever instituted." He makes it sound as though women would completely miss out should a large-scale conventional war break out and they not be compelled to fight in it through the coercive power of the state. Chris Christie agreed. So did Jeb Bush, who gamely — and clueless — added that "we should not impose any kind of political agenda on the military."

Of course, a political agenda — namely the insistence there is no meaningful difference between men and women, even when it comes to military combat – is the entire point. The same people who tend to think that college girls need safe spaces to protect them from unwelcome speech profess to believe that their ranks are bristling with the likes of Lyudmila Pavlichenko, the legendary Soviet World War II sniper.

They are indulged in this illusion by men with ribbons on their chests who should know better. The U.S. military doesn't exist to satisfy the whims of the board of directors of the Ms. Foundation. Its job is to field a force that is most effective at winning the nation's wars. In an extensive study, the U.S. Marine Corps concluded that mixed-gender units fail by that test, although no one is inclined to take note.

The Marine study compared all-male and mixed-gender units and concluded that women in mixed-gender units "were injured twice as often as men, less accurate with infantry weapons, and not as good at removing wounded troops from the battlefield."

The physical capacity of the sexes is different, and top-end females tend to be only as capable as the lower-end males. The males in the Marine study averaged 178 pounds, with 20 percent body fat, whereas females were 142 pounds, with 24 percent body fat. The top 25 percent of females in anaerobic power overlapped with the bottom 25 percent of males; the top 10 percent of females in anaerobic capacity overlapped with the bottom 50 percent of males.

The physical disadvantage meant that women were more likely to be fatigued and suffer stress fractures. Women were six times more likely to be injured in entry-level training than males.

The rejoinder to such inconvenient facts is always that the Russians and the Israelis deployed or deploy women in combat. But this is much too simplistic. Lyudmila the sniper was an exception. According to a study for the School of Advanced Military Studies at Fort Leavenworth, even under the extreme pressure of the Nazi invasion, women were only 8 percent of the Red Army, and largely served as medics or otherwise in medical care.

As for the Israelis, women initially fought with the Haganah guerrilla force before the creation of the Jewish state. But they were pulled back over time. "Generally," the Fort Leavenworth study notes, "because of their comparative lack of physical strength, commanders employed women in defensive operations whenever possible." Today, as The New York Times notes in a report on gender integration of the Israeli Defense Forces, "it remains rare for women to kill or be killed."

It is evidently too much to ask that reality intrude on the polite fictions of this country's policymakers.

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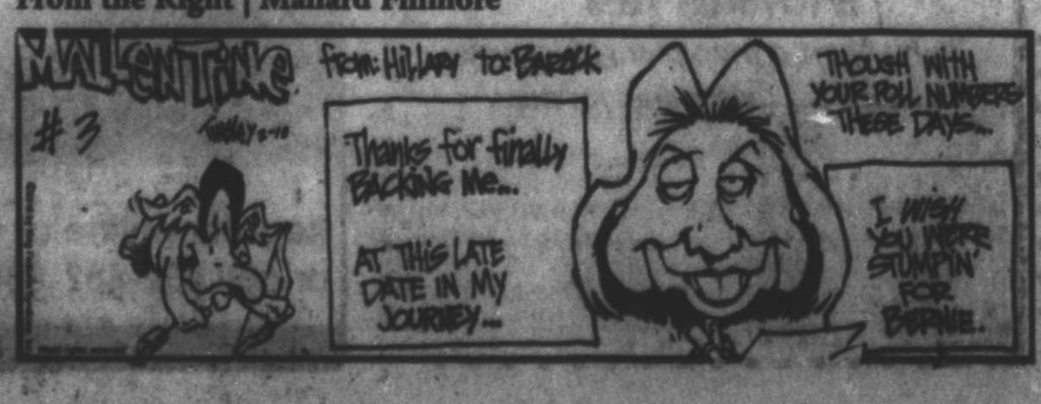


Obama unveils $4.1 trillion election-year budget

By Andrew Taylor and Martin Crutsinger
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama on Tuesday unveiled a record $4.1 trillion, election-year budget that finances Democratic priorities like education, health care and climate change with new taxes on crude oil, the wealthy and big banks.

The progressive wish list, which comes as the nation's long-term fiscal outlook is deteriorating, underscores the initiatives pushed by Democratic candidates, Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders, who hope to succeed Obama. Republicans dismissed the proposal as a tax-and-spend exercise.

Obama called the budget — his eighth and final one — "a roadmap to a future that embodies America's values and aspirations: a future of opportunity and security for all of our families; a rising standard of living; and a sustainable, peaceful planet for our kids."

The budget was unveiled on the same day as the New Hampshire presidential primary, with much of the focus on the political fight over Obama's successor.

The budget calls for a major new tax on crude oil that would raise the price of gasoline, currently averaging about $1.80 a gallon nationwide, by about 24 cents. All told, its tax hikes would average more than a quarter-trillion dollars a year to cover deficits made worse by a softening economic picture. The $2.8 trillion net tax hike package would almost double the tax increases Obama sought — and was denied — last year.

"This isn't even a budget so much as it is a progressive manual for growing the federal government at the expense of hardworking Americans," said House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis.

As in past years, Obama's budget largely leaves alone huge benefit programs like Medicare, Social Security, Medicaid and food stamps, whose spiraling growth is the main driver of budget deficits that economists say could drag down the economy unless policymakers step in.

The Obama plan sees the deficit rising from $438 billion last year to more than $500 billion for the 2017 budget year that starts Oct. 1. Deficits over the coming decade would total $6 trillion.

Obama and his GOP rivals long ago gave up on efforts to find sweeping bipartisan solutions to the government's eroding fiscal picture. An Obama proposal to curb the inflation increases for Social Security beneficiaries, seen as an overture to Republicans, was shelved years ago.

Washington's nonpartisan budget scolds were unimpressed.

"The president once promised not to leave our fiscal problems for future generations to solve, but in this budget, that is exactly what he does," said Maya MacGuineas, president of the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget.

While virtually no one in Washington is predicting a major budget pact this year between Obama and Republicans, administration officials saw bipartisan hope for proposals to combat heroin and opioid addiction, fund a "moonshot" effort to find cancer cures, and expanded tax credits for the working poor.

The budget arrived the day after Obama requested an immediate $1.8 billion infusion to combat the Zika virus, which can cause horrific birth defects and is spreading in Latin America.

"It's tempting to adopt the conventional wisdom that a president's final budget isn't relevant, but I think the conventional wisdom is wrong," said Shaun Donovan, director of the White House budget office.

The submission caps a combative few years in Obama's dealings with Republicans. A major deficit reduction effort in 2011 fell apart, though after his re-election in 2012 Obama won a higher income tax rate on couples earning more than $450,000 per year and individuals earning more than $400,000.

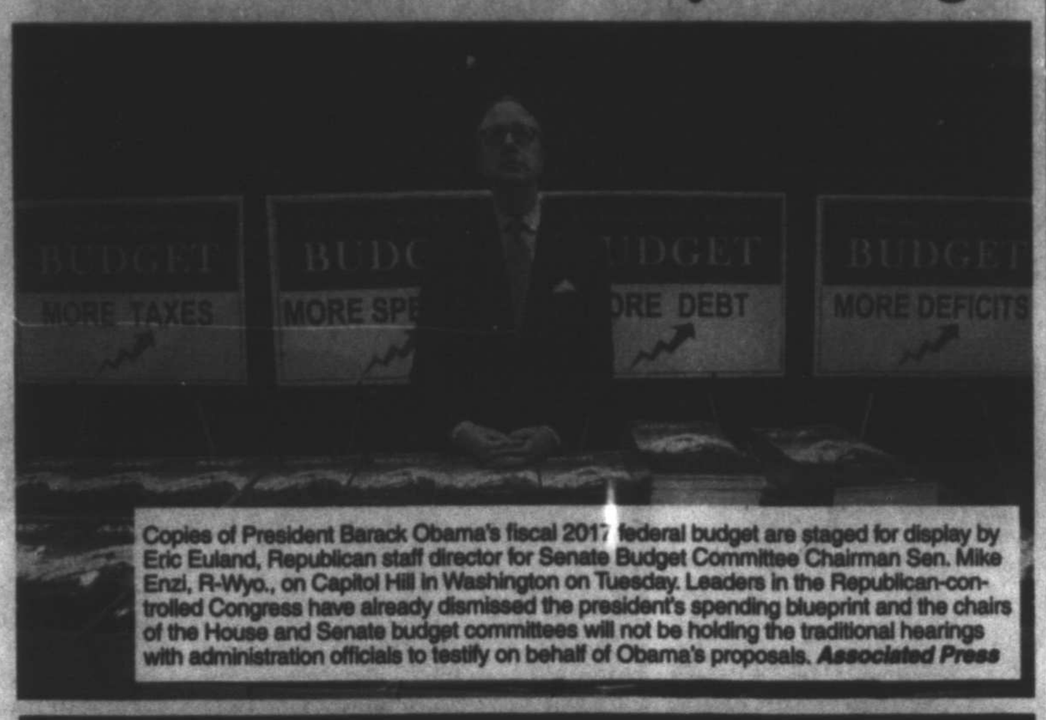
A budget pact last year set overall spending levels for this year's round of agency spending bills.

The budget proposes a 10-year, $400 billion initiative for "clean" transportation projects and other infrastructure; a $19 billion, 35 percent increase for cybersecurity, and additional funding for a summertime food program for children who receive free lunches during the school year.

It also calls for a $4 billion plan to teach computer science; and $6 billion in training funds to help young people land their first job.

Other tax increases include a .07 percent fee on larger banks that would raise about $10 billion a year; reducing the value of itemized deductions taken by wealthier taxpayers to raise a whopping $646 billion over a decade; almost doubling the approximately $1 per pack federal cigarette tax; and a new proposal to require a greater number of wealthier people pay a 3.8 percent Obamacare tax surcharge.

The so-called "Buffett Rule" would require a minimum 30 percent tax rate for upper-income earners.



Copies of President Barack Obama's fiscal 2017 federal budget are staged for display by Eric Euland, Republican staff director for Senate Budget Committee Chairman Sen. Mike Enzi, R-Wyo., on Capitol Hill in Washington on Tuesday. Leaders in the Republican-controlled Congress have already dismissed the president's spending blueprint and the chairs of the House and Senate budget committees will not be holding the traditional hearings with administration officials to testify on behalf of Obama's proposals. *Associated Press*

Rep. Conaway's comments on Obama's budget proposal

House Agriculture Committee Chairman Mike Conaway, R-Midland, issued the following statement in regard to the Obama Adminitration's final budget:

"In addition to sentencing future generations of Americans to higher taxes and mounting debt, the Obama administration's budget threatens to undermine an already-weak U.S. economy by dealing a severe blow to America's farmers and ranchers who have already suffered a 56 percent drop in net farm income over the past two years.

"The harmful changes to U.S. farm policy contained in the Obama administration budget come on the heels of attempts by the administration last year to kill federal crop insurance.

"Although the outlook for farm policy remains well underbudget and constitutes only about a quarter of 1 percent of total federal outlays, the Obama administration could take constructive steps to reduce costs even further in this area by taking long-overdue action to stop high and rising foreign subsidies, tariffs, and non-tariff trade barriers that unfairly depress the prices American farmers and ranchers receive in the market and to stop layering new and costly regulations, like EPA's Waters of the U.S. regulation, on our nation's farm and ranch families.

"Unfortunately, this final budget proposal again reflects the agenda of a president who is out of touch with the everyday concerns and lives of working families in rural America."

Source: House Committee on Agriculture

Supreme Court puts Obama's Clean Power Plan on hold

By Michael Biesecker and Sam Hananel
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A divided Supreme Court agreed Tuesday to halt enforcement of President Barack Obama's sweeping plan to address climate change until after legal challenges are resolved.

The surprising move is a blow to the administration and a victory for the coalition of 27 mostly Republican-led states and industry opponents that call the regulations "an unprecedented power grab."

By temporarily freezing the rule the high court's order signals that opponents have made a strong argument against the plan. A federal appeals court last month refused to put it on hold.

The court's four liberal justices said they would have denied the request.

The plan aims to stave off the worst predicted impacts of climate change by reducing carbon dioxide emissions at existing power plants by about one-third by 2030.

Appellate arguments are set to begin June 2.

The compliance period starts in 2022, but states must submit their plans to the Environmental Protection Administration by September or seek an extension.

Many states opposing the plan depend on economic activity tied to such fossil fuels as coal, oil and gas. They argued that power plants will have to spend billions of dollars to begin complying with a rule that may end up being overturned.

Implementation of the rules is considered essential to the United States meeting emissions-reduction targets in a global climate agreement signed in Paris last month. The Obama administration and environmental groups also say the plan will spur new clean-energy jobs.

To convince the high court to temporarily halt the plan, opponents had to convince the justices that there was a "fair prospect" the court would strike down the rule. The court also had to consider whether denying a stay would cause irreparable harm to the states and utility companies affected.

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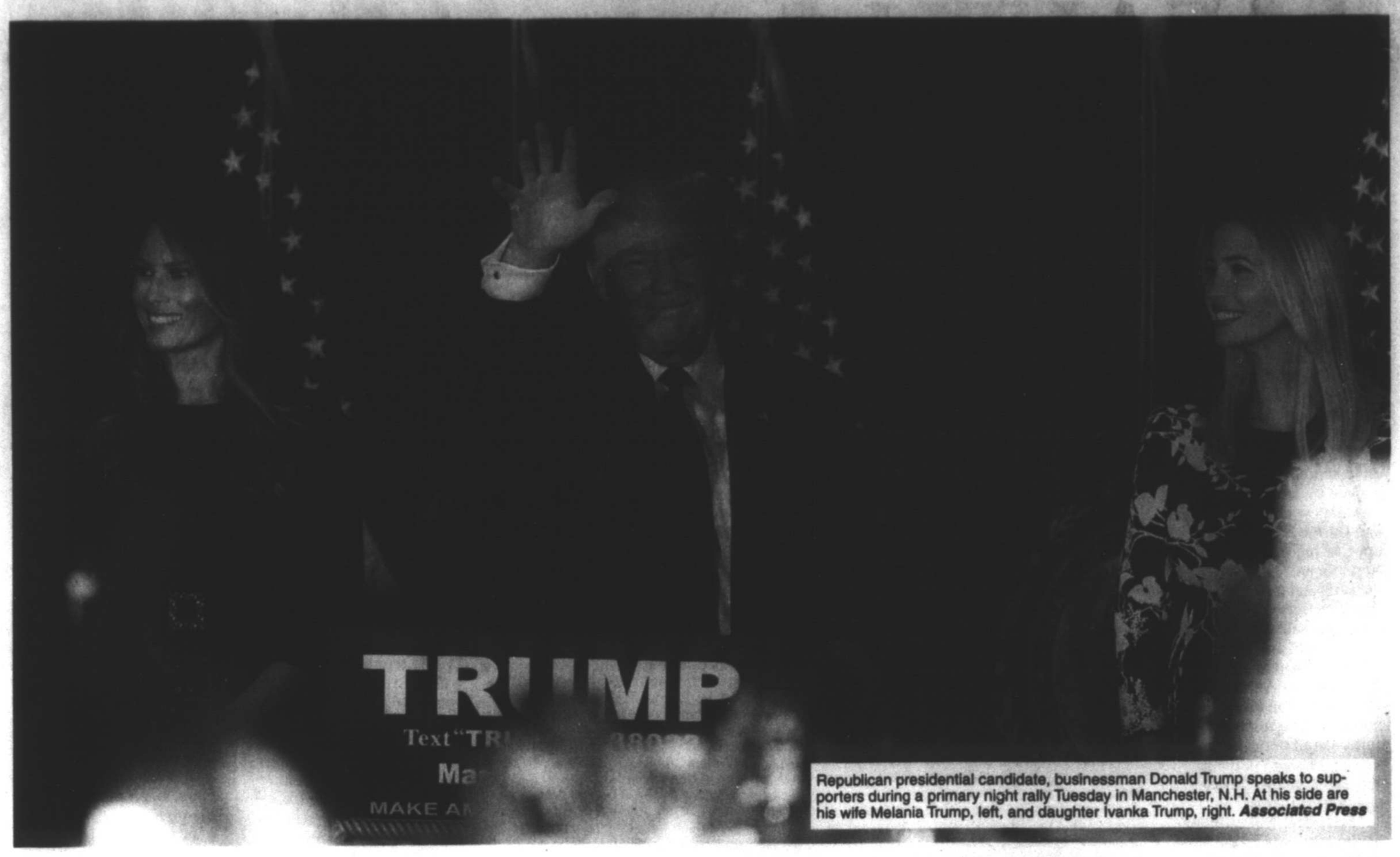


Republican presidential candidate, businessman Donald Trump speaks to supporters during a primary night rally Tuesday in Manchester, N.H. At his side are his wife Melania Trump, left, and daughter Ivanka Trump, right. *Associated Press*

Trump, Sanders victorious in New Hampshire primaries

By Julie Pace and Kathleen Ronayne
Associated Press

MANCHESTER, N.H. — Republican Donald Trump and Democrat Bernie Sanders rode a wave of voter frustration with American politics to commanding victories in Tuesday's New Hampshire primaries, adding crucial credibility to their upstart candidacies.

Sanders swept majorities of men, women, independents and young people in his win over Hillary Clinton, but faces challenges in the more diverse states to come next on the primary calendar. Trump appealed to those seeking a political outsider, and he could benefit from a persistent lack of clarity among the more mainstream Republicans struggling to challenge him.

"We are going to do something so good and so fast and so strong and the world is going to respect us again, believe me," Trump said at a victory rally.

At his own raucous rally, Sanders said his victory sent a message "that will echo from Wall Street to Washington, from Maine to California. And that is that the government of our great country belongs to all of the people and not just a handful of wealthy campaign contributors and their super PACs."

The enthusiasm behind Trump, a real estate mogul who has never held political office, and Sanders, who says he is a democratic socialist, underscores the public's anger with the current political and economic system. Even if neither candidate ultimately becomes his party's nominee, whoever wins that nomination will have to reckon with the voter frustration they've tapped into.

Clinton appeared to recognize that reality in her concession speech, echoing Sanders' calls for taking on Wall Street banks and tackling income inequality. But she cast herself as more prepared to make good on her pledges.

"People have every right to be angry. But they're also hungry, they're hungry for solutions," she said after congratulating Sanders on his win.

New Hampshire did little to clarify the crowded contest among more mainstream GOP candidates fighting to emerge as a challenger to Trump and Sen. Ted Cruz, who won the Iowa caucus. Ohio Gov. John Kasich claimed second place after devoting almost all of his campaign resources to New Hampshire, while Florida Sen. Marco Rubio and former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush battled for third, along with Cruz.

In the midst of a heated primary campaign, Kasich has prided himself on not attacking his rivals. He told supporters Tuesday night that his second-place finish could be an indication that "we're turning the page on a dark part of American politics."

The day was a blow for Rubio, who had appeared to be breaking away from the second-tier Republican pack after a stronger-than-expected showing in Iowa. But he stumbled in Saturday's debate under intense pressure from New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, who has relentlessly cast the young senator as too inexperienced and too reliant on memorized talking points to become president.

Rubio conceded that the debate may have hurt him in Tuesday's contest and pledged to supporters that his poor performance "will never happen again."

Christie, however, didn't benefit from roughing up Rubio. He lagged behind the pack as votes were being tallied.

Republican voters were more negative about their politicians than Democrats, with about half of GOP voters saying they felt betrayed by party officials. Trump carried a majority of those who said they wanted an outsider to win, according to exit polls conducted by Edison Research for The Associated Press and television networks.

Nearly half of voters in the Republican primary made up their minds in the past week. However, Trump's support appeared more sustained, with his supporters saying they made up their minds some time ago.

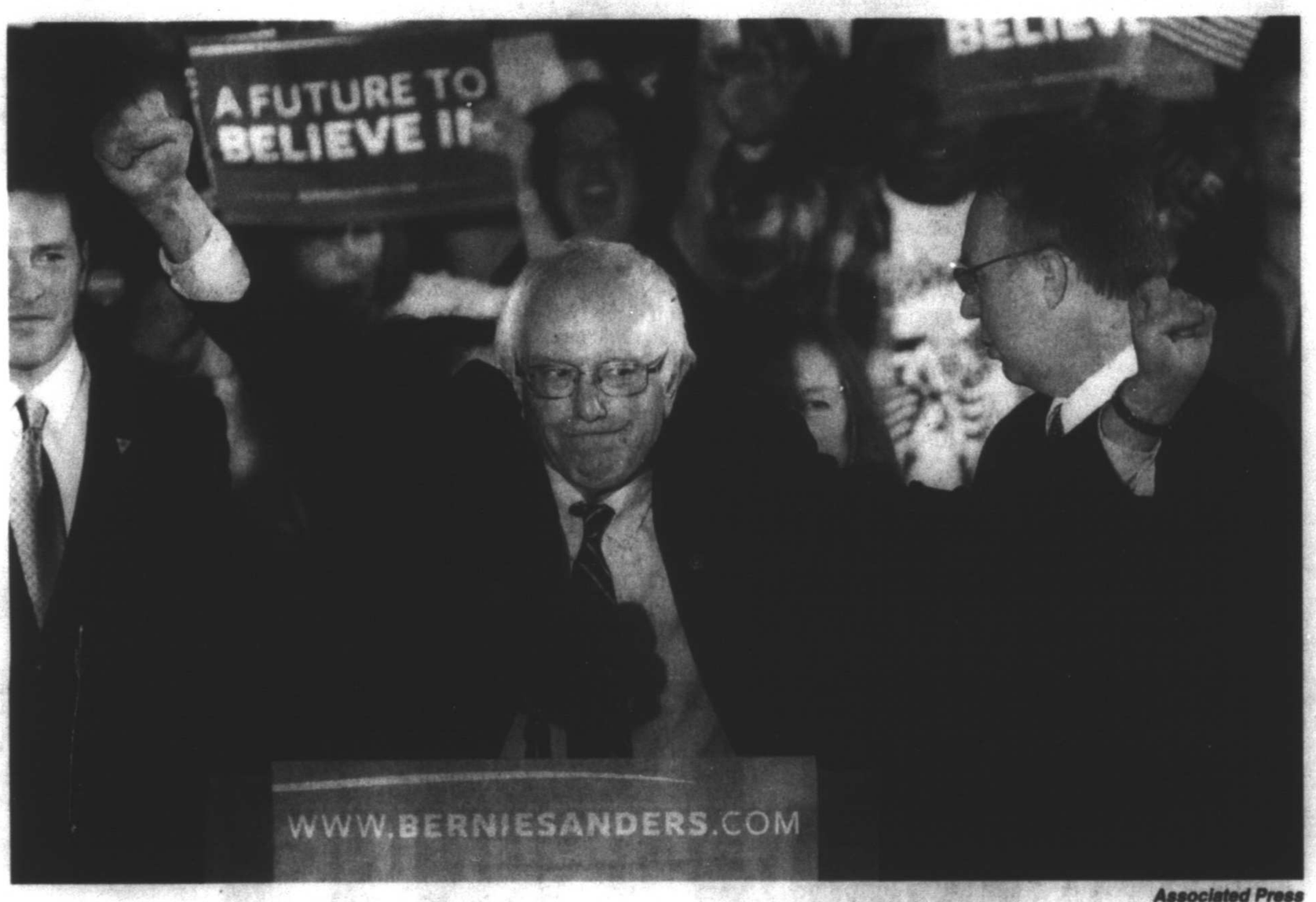
In a sign of Trump's impact on the race, two-thirds of GOP voters said they supported a temporary ban on non-citizen Muslims entering the U.S., a position the billionaire outlined last year amid rising fears of terrorism emanating from the Middle East.

Sanders pulled from a broad coalition of New Hampshire voters, gathering a majority of votes from men, independents and voters under 45, as well as a slim majority of women. Hillary Clinton won the majority of those over 65 and those with incomes over $200,000 a year, according to the exit polls.

Clinton's campaign argues she will perform better as the race heads to more racially diverse states, including Nevada and South Carolina. Both New Hampshire and Iowa are overwhelmingly white states that are far less diverse than the nation as a whole.

As polls closed, her campaign manager Robby Mook blasted out a memo touting Clinton's strength with Hispanics and black voters and arguing that a Democrat cannot win the presidency without support from those constituencies.

The distinctions between what motived Sanders and Clinton voters were sharp. The Vermont senator was backed by 9 in 10 voters for whom honesty was important and 8 in 10 who wanted a candidate who "cares about people like me." Clinton, meanwhile, won support from nearly 90 percent of those who considered the "right" experience important in their decision and about 80 percent of those regarding electability as the most important factor.



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Democratic presidential candidate, Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., reacts to the cheering crowd at his primary night rally Tuesday in Manchester, N.H.

Fast facts: How it all went down

MANCHESTER, N.H. — Donald Trump and Bernie Sanders powered to victory in the New Hampshire primary Tuesday, avenging their Iowa losses to keep the mad scramble of the 2016 presidential campaign alive with dozens of contests to come.

A knot of Republicans fought it out for second, an important perch as the campaign goes national, with Ohio Gov. John Kasich breaking through ahead of Jeb Bush, Marco Rubio and Iowa winner Ted Cruz.

It was a disappointing night both for Rubio and his tormentor in the latest Republican debate, Gov. Chris Christie of New Jersey.

Sanders, the independent socialist senator challenging Democratic front-runner Hillary Clinton, and Trump, the political neophyte ahd provocateur of the Republican race, tapped New Hampshire's occasional indulgence in political insurgencies to prevail in the nation's second contest for the nomination.

Together they are would-be slayers of the political establishment, and a loss for either one would have been potentially devastating to their hopes.

Instead, Trump put beef behind his braggadocio, and celebrated his solid victory by vowing anew that "I'm going to be the greatest jobs president" and "beat all of these countries that are taking so much of our money away from us."

And Sanders was full of fire at his victory rally, declaring, "We have sent the message that will echo from Wall Street to Washington, from Maine to California, and that is that the government of our great country belongs to all of the people and not just a handful of wealthy campaign contributors and their super PACs."

Still, Sanders, from Vermont, moves on to tougher territory in South Carolina, where Clinton has been favored and where a racially diverse population serves up an electorate that looks more like America than rural, small-town and mostly white Iowa and New Hampshire.

Trump, too, will be tested on whether he can run a truly national campaign, despite preference polls that find him on top, and whether he can unleash the organizational skills needed to slog toward the nomination state by state.

How Sanders won

Sanders attracted a broad coalition of New Hampshire voters, gathering a majority of votes from men, independents and voters under 45, as well as a slim majority of women, according to early exit polls conducted by Edison Research for The Associated Press and the television networks

The polls found that Clinton won the majority of those over 65 and those with incomes over $200,000 a year. The age gap first seen in Iowa, where younger voters backed Sanders and older ones, Clinton, appeared to be replicated to some extent in New Hampshire.

After conceding to Sanders, Clinton said she knows she has "some work to do, particularly with young people."

The exit polls also suggested Clinton has a struggle being trusted and relating to average people.

Nearly half who voted in the Democratic primary said that between Sanders and Clinton, they thought only Sanders is honest and trustworthy. And just over 10 percent said that between the two, only Clinton shares their values.

Clinton fell far short in New Hampshire after an unsatisfying hair's-breadth win in Iowa.

How Trump won

Trump capitalized on disaffection and outright anger with Washington, which was more pronounced in the Republican race, the exit polls found. He drew both from conservative and moderate Republicans.

His hardline positions on immigration and national security appeared to help him as well.

Although nearly 6 in 10 Republicans said they supported giving immigrants in the U.S. illegally the opportunity to apply for legal status, a large minority didn't — and two-thirds of Republican voters backed Trump's contentious position that non-citizen Muslims should be temporarily barred from entering the country.

The mainstreamers

Rubio, Kasich, Bush and Christie struggled over who could consolidate the support of moderate or establishment-minded Republicans. Kasich finished second behind Trump, but questions persist about his ability to run a national campaign.

Until his famously flustered debate performance — at Christie's hands — Rubio was seen as the man on the move, with a strong chance to outdistance rivals other than Trump. That didn't happen.

The excitement factor

Sanders and Trump had it, Clinton and most Republicans didn't.

Gail Malliaros-Golec, 64, of Pelham, a Trump volunteer for months, said she knew things were going well when she saw the reaction at the poll site where she was helping out.

When cars were pulling in, she said, people of all ages were "honking horns and thumbs up. People just almost causing accidents. Seriously."

She went on: "It was like a drug, seriously. People were just so excited."

For Sanders, the large, passionate rallies of many months finally paid off.

Cait McKay, 29, of Manchester backed Sanders because he's committed to "building a better society for everyone" and "he's not taking the negative ads or the negative stabs at everyone."

"I've seen so much from so many people," she said. "I'm excited about the turnout. I'm excited about my candidate."

Campaign in transition

The close-up campaigning in coffee shops and gyms in far-flung snowy expanses shifts now to bigger states, where those who come out of New Hampshire intact will need the advertising muscle and organizational strength to score big, fast and increasingly at a national level.

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Heart Institute at MMH offers wide range of cardiac services

JENNY DELK-FIKES
Midland Memorial Hospital

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Cardiac catheterization

Cardiac catheterization is a minimally invasive diagnostic and treatment option that involves passing a catheter (a thin, flexible tube) through the vessels supplying blood to the heart and then injecting dye through the catheter so that the heart can be visualized. Interventional cardiologists use this procedure to tell how well your heart is functioning and to identify heart disease or blockages. Cardiac catheterization enables cardiologists (physicians who specialize in hearts) to:

- Determine the blood flow and pressure in the heart's chambers.
- Examine the valves and blood vessels of the heart.
- Identify heart abnormalities.

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Source: COM Aquatic Center

Report: 8 states had significant drop in uninsured

By Ricardo Alonso-Zaldivar
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Eight states saw a significant drop last year in the number of residents going without health insurance, according to a government report out Tuesday that has implications for the presidential campaign.

All but Florida had accepted a Medicaid expansion that is one of two major pathways to coverage under President Barack Obama's health care law. The law's other coverage route is subsidized private insurance, available in all 50 states.

GOP presidential candidates are vowing to repeal "Obamacare," while offering hardly any detail on how they'd replace it without millions losing coverage.

Politically, the eight states with statistically significant coverage gains in the National Health Interview Survey are a mix of red, blue and purple. They are Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, and New York. Five have GOP governors.

As a whole, the nation had an uninsured rate of 9.1 percent during the first nine months of 2015, according to the survey, an ongoing research project by a unit of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The uninsured rate was 14.4 percent in 2013, before the law's big coverage expansion.

The federal report does not analyze the reasons for the coverage gains, but independent experts say the trend is because

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Training to educate on how to recognize mental illness

By Erin Stone
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When Kevin Hines was in high school, he started to hear voices. Soon after the torment started, he tried to commit suicide by jumping from the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco. He stood on the bridge for 40 minutes before flinging himself from it. No one who passed by asked him what he was doing.

The story of a suicide survivor and now speaker, author and suicide-prevention and mental health advocate is part of the curriculum in Youth Mental Health First Aid courses, which are taught throughout the U.S. and will be offered by Permian Basin Community Centers in Midland.

MHFA, an eight-hour training course, is designed to help laymen recognize mental illness and mental crises in youth and respond in an appropriate manner.

It's primarily about learning to notice and communicate, said PBCC MHFA instructor Michelle Barnes.

"(Hines) was viewed as that kid who just liked to get wasted on the weekends and sit in the back of class, and the teachers would dismiss him," Barnes said. "He had this label as a troublemaker, when in reality he was back there hallucinating. And nobody asked him a question. When it comes to youth, when they're going through stuff, we want them to come to us, not go to their peers. We want to be able to recognize those signs, know how to keep them engaged and then refer them to appropriate people."

MHFA was originally intended only for educators. Three years ago the federal government directed the Department of State Health Services to provide grants to local mental health authorities for MHFA training for their staff, who would then conduct training for educators in their community free of charge. In Midland, Permian Basin Community Center is the local mental health authorities.

In 2015, the bill was amended to offer the free training to all school district employees, such as school

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Obituaries

Carolina (Caro) Velasquez

Carolina (Caro) Velasquez, 90, formerly of Big Spring, Texas, went to rest with our good Lord on Sunday morning surrounded by her loved ones.

Carolina was born in Uvalde, Texas on September 27, 1925 to Emilio and Maria Gomez. She married Inez H. Velasquez on January 11, 1949; they were married for 24 years.

Carolina worked as a caregiver and a loyal companion to Mrs. Modesta Stokes for 16 years. She enjoyed sewing, being with family and, most of all, cooking. She was actively involved in the Guadalupanas, Cruziesta and various fund raisers for the St. Thomas Church in Big Spring.

Carolina was preceded in death by her parents, Emilio and Maria Gomez; her husband, Inez Velasquez; brother, Raymundo Gomez; and grandson, Javier Velasquez.

Carolina is survived by her daughters, Dora Hilario (Frank), Edna Gonzales (Manuel, Jr.) and Maria Padilla (Thomas); her sisters, Ramona Benavides of Uvalde and Petra Escamilla (Ruben, Sr.) of Boerne; eight grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; and various nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The family would like to thank Joann Thompson and Janie Sanchez for their loving support and comforting prayers.

There will be a visitation from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a Rosary at 7:00 p.m. at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel on Wednesday, February 10, 2016. A Funeral Mass is scheduled for Thursday, February 11, 2016 at St. Stephens Catholic Church at 1:00 p.m. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Cemetery in Big Spring, Texas.

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

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Christopher Ryan Bagwell

Christopher Ryan Bagwell, 32, of Benbrook, passed peacefully on February 4, 2016.

Funeral services will be at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 13, 2016 at Winscott Road Funeral Home, 1001 Winscott Road, Benbrook.

Chris was born April 19, 1983 in Midland to JoAnn and Don Bagwell. He graduated from Lee High School and attended Southwest Texas State. Chris will be missed in ways he never would have believed and forever loved by many. Despite many challenges, he never lost his love for life, people, and special occasions. Chris had a generous heart, an artistic spirit, great intelligence, insightful wit, and an unrivaled love of movies.

Chris was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, George and Ann Shreffler; and paternal grandparents, Howard and Lucretia Bagwell.

Chris is survived by his mother and best friend, JoAnn Bagwell; father, Don Bagwell; brothers, Brian and Stephen Bagwell; beloved nephew, Pierson; aunt, Tina Shreffler; and many other relatives and friends.

Winscott Road Funeral Home, Benbrook, 817-249-1177.

Janice L. Byrd

Janice L. Byrd, 83, of Big Spring, died Sunday, February 7, 2016 in a Midland hospital. Memorial services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 11, 2016 at St Mary's Episcopal Church in Big Spring. Inurnment will follow at the church.

Janice was born March 29, 1932 in Breckenridge, Texas. She graduated from Texas State College for Women as a licensed Dietitian. With that, she worked for the Veterans Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, Hardin Simmons University in Abilene, for Indian Health Services in both Tahlequah, Oklahoma and Santa Fe, New Mexico, and then finally as the head of Food and Nutrition at the Big Spring State Hospital where she retired at the age of 82. Her work was her life.

She was an ordained Episcopal Deacon for the Diocese of North West Texas and was assigned to St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

Janice is survived by two daughters, Mary Frances Ryder and Janetta Louise Buffington, both of Tulsa, Oklahoma; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mary Nell Short of Texarkana and Connie Fowler of Big Spring; and by a brother, Robert Mac Lovinggood of Odessa.

She was preceded in death by a grandson, Shawn Ryder; her parents, Thurman and Dorothy Louise (McAlister) Lovinggood; and by one brother, Billy Lovinggood.

Memorials may be made to the St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad St., Big Spring, TX 79720 or St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences may be made at. *www.npwelch.com*.

All Obituaries must be submitted by 3:30 P.M. prior to next publication day.

Juliana Bernal

Juliana Bernal was born February 18, 1920. She went to be with the Lord on February 8, 2016 at her home in Midland.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Simon Bernal, Sr.

She leaves to cherish her memory her children, Silver Bernal of Midland, Isabel Bernal of Monahans, David Bernal of Midland, Thomas Bernal of Carlsbad, New Mexico, Sara Rubio of Midland, Cruz Bernal of Midland, George Bernal of Midland, Abel Bernal of Cedar Park, Texas, Ruth Rubio of Midland, and Simon Bernal, Jr. of Midland.

She is also survived by 39 grandchildren, 54 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at Templo Bautista la Hermosa, 1514 West County Rd., Midland, Texas.

Burial will be in Serenity Memorial Gardens, under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

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Rebecca Meridith Kriethe

Rebecca (Becky) Meridith Kriethe, 73, of Midland, passed away on Saturday, February 6, 2016 at her residence. She was born June 17, 1942 in San Angelo, Texas to the late Charles and Cleo Reid. She was raised and educated in San Angelo, graduating from San Angelo Central High School.

Becky married the late Theodore Charles Kriethe on December 17, 1959. She worked for various grocery stores including Skaggs / Albertson's for 18 years and Gibson for 11 years. She was known as the "Butterfly" Lady."

Becky enjoyed volunteering for several charities, including St. Jude's, BETA ETA of Epsilon of Alpha and was a bingo caller for a nursing home. She also enjoyed taking care of her pets and watching old movies on the Hallmark Channel.

Becky was preceded in death by her husband, Theodore Charles Kriethe; her son, Vincent Paul Kriethe; and by four brothers.

She is survived by her daughter, Norma Barfield and husband T.J. of Midland; a son, Roland Kriethe and wife Betty, also of Midland; one sister, Berta Anne Reid Pruitt; and by seven grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and numerous nephews and nieces.

A memorial service will be Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at West Kentucky Baptist Church, 1507 W. Kentucky, with Brother Bob Porterfield officiating.

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

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

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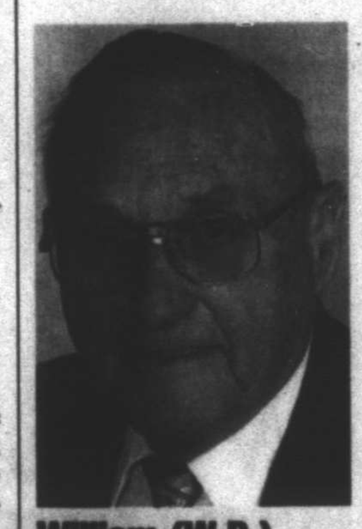

William (W.D.) Dolphus Wall

William (W.D.) Dolphus Wall, 94, of Odessa, Texas, went to be with the Lord on Monday, February 8, 2016.

He was born in Elgin, Kansas on October 19, 1921 to the late William Nelson and Grace (McKee) Wall. His family moved to Nowata, Oklahoma in 1933.

He joined the Army in 1940 and was stationed in Panama. In 1944, his second tour, he was in Patton's Third army, 10th armored division, landing in Cherbourg France into Germany for the first days of the Battle of the Bulge. Following World War II, he was in the Army Reserves.

Upon returning to Nowata, he met Melva Fry. They married April 13, 1946 and moved to Kermit, Texas. In 1950, he was called back into the army and sent to Korea. In 1952, he was working the oilfields of West Texas. He worked for Jackson Rental Tools in Kermit and retired from NL Industries in Odessa in 1985.

Those left to cherish his love and memories are his four daughters, Linda McCormick and Janice Palmer and husband Larry of Odessa, and Krysta Brooks and Cheryl Wall, both of Midland, Texas; grandchildren, James McCormick, Jr. and wife Jennifer of Palestine, Texas, John McCormick of Plano, Texas, Tina Bowlby of Brewerton, New York, Tara Anderson and husband Chad, Christopher King and wife Vanessa, and Justin King and wife Kindra, all of Midland, Airman 1st class Ryan Richardson and wife Erin of Yigo, Guam, Logan Richardson of Lubbock, Texas, Greg Palmer of Burleson, Texas, and Michelle Palmer Bailey and husband Paul of Odessa.

Expanding the family are his great-grandchildren, Caitlin and Kortney McCormick, Kayla Matthews, Camryn McCormick, Hannah Anderson, Jacob Palmer, Joslyn Bowlby, Brandon Bowlby, Ryker, Rylee, Aydin, and Kyra King, Stetson and Destiny King, Zachary Bailey and wife Tara, and Kyleigh Bailey-Gorrell and husband Ben; and great-great-grandchildren, Vaughn, Tyler, and Nikole Bailey.

He was preceded in death by his parents, W.N. and Grace Wall; two brothers, James Isaac Wall and Howard Nelson Wall; great-grandson, Brayden Ramsey King; and by wife, Melva Lavon Wall, whom he will be laid to rest beside.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, February 12, 2016 at New Dawn Fellowship, 4803 Plaza Blvd, Bldg. 1, Odessa, TX 79762, officiated by Wally Schiwart. Burial with military honors will follow at Kermit Cemetery at 2:30 p.m. in Kermit, Texas.

Pallbearers will be James McCormick, John McCormick, Chris King, Justin King, Logan Richardson, and Chad Anderson.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Stetson King, Greg Palmer, Ryan Richardson, Ryker King, Aydin King, and Paul Bailey.

In lieu of flowers, W.D. asked that memorials be made to New Dawn Fellowship at the address above.

Arrangements are entrusted to Acres West Funeral Chapel and condolences to the family may be sent online at *acreswestfuneral.com*.

Acres West

James Barron (Jim) Davis

James Barron Davis passed away peacefully February 4, 2016 at Midland Memorial Hospital surrounded by his children and friends.

He was born September 3, 1927, in Houston, Texas to Winnie Barron Davis and Bem Price Davis. He graduated from Lamar High School in Houston, joining the United States Navy. He served in the Pacific during World War II. He attended Texas A&M, graduating from the University of Houston with a degree in Geology.

He married Dana Lee Surles on November 1, 1947 and began his career in the oil business as a landman for Tidewater Oil Company, which later became Getty Oil Company. He was a landman for Bobby French and after that became an independent investor in oil and gas properties.

Jim was a member of the American Association of Petroleum Landmen and in 1968 served as President of the Permian Basin Landmen's Association. He was treasurer of the Texas Division of the American Cancer Society Round-Up '89. He was a member of the Midland Country Club Tennis Association and in 1976 and 1977, partnered with Bill Harris and won the Men's Doubles Championship. He loved bird hunting, fishing, and golf. He and his golfing friends refer to themselves as the "gangsome."

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Dana Lee Surles; an infant sister; a sister, Elinor Forney; a nephew, Dr. Pete Forney; and a great niece, Shelly Surles.

He is survived by a son, Kirby Barron Davis of Midland and a daughter, Janet Lee Harris of Midland.

He is also survived by four grandchildren, Keith Russell House and wife, Jennifer, of Austin, Quillan Grant Harris and wife, Beth, of Midland, Drew Prescott Harris and wife, Michelle, also of Midland, and Amanda Lee Henderson and husband, Erwin, of Santa Cruz, California; seven great-grandchildren, Caroline Lorraine and Sean Winfred of Austin, Georgia Elizabeth and Webber Davis of Midland, and Lyric Antoin, Jayden Alexander, and Emylia Lee of Santa Cruz; and by several nieces and nephews. He was looking forward to the birth of his eighth great-grandchild, Addison Wynne Harris. He also leaves many friends to cherish his memory.

Visitation is scheduled for Wednesday, February 10, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Memorial services are Thursday, February 11, 2016 at First Presbyterian Church at 2:00 p.m.

The family would like to thank the paramedics, and the emergency and CCU staff at Midland Memorial Hospital for their compassionate and tender care of our "papa."

In lieu of flowers, dad would have appreciated donations to the Wounded Warrior Project, the Salvation Army of Midland, or Shriners Hospitals for Children.

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

Anne Grissett

Anne Grissett, 86, of Midland, passed away on February 7, 2016.

There will be a visitation on Thursday, February 11, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home.

A funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, February 12, 2016 at the Grace Presbyterian Church of Midland.

Gerald James Erwin

Gerald James Erwin, 77, of Midland, Texas, passed away on February 9, 2016.

He is survived by his wife, Myrtle Erwin; one son, Clay Jason Erwin; one daughter, Allyson Paige McPherson; one brother; one sister.

A burial will be held on Friday, February 12, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at American Heritage Cemetery & Funeral Home, 4100 N. FM-1788, Midland, Texas, 79707.

Karen Dyke

Karen Dyke, 56, of Midland, passed away Saturday, February 6, 2016.

Funeral service will be today at 2:00 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Chapel.

A graveside service will be Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at Ater Cemetery in Ater, Texas.

She is survived by her husband, David Dyke; a son, David Ray Dyke; her parents, John H. and Mary C. Evans; and by two brothers.

Patty McCoy

Patty McCoy, 73, of Midland, passed away on Monday, February 8, 2016.

There are no services at this time.

Delk-Fikes

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heart surgery. We have one dedicated electrophysiology lab equipped with the latest technology to meet the variety of cardiovascular care needs in our community.

Cardiac rehabilitation

Our Cardiac Rehabilitation Program is the only certified program in Midland that has met strict standards of practice by the American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation. Our registered nurses hold professional certifications in cardiovascular care. Cardiac rehabilitation provides continuous education and exercise by a team of health care professionals to enable individuals with heart disease, and those recovering from heart surgery to successfully return to an active healthy lifestyle. We also provide free health screens at Casa de Amigos every Wednesday.

Cardiac and thoracic surgery

With highly skilled surgeons and a dedicated heart team, we take great pride in the services and the quality of care we provide to our patients. Our cardiovascular operating rooms are equipped with the latest technology and instruments needed to perform a variety of surgical procedures, including coronary artery bypass surgery, insertion of pacemakers and implantable cardiac defibrillators, aortic and mitral valve replacement and repair and other lung and heart procedures.

Heart failure

Heart failure affects about 6 million people annually. Many people with heart failure lead a full, enjoyable life when the condition is managed with appropriate medications and incorporates healthy lifestyle changes.

Because we strive to be a center of excellence for heart care by maintaining safe, quality-driven care to individuals diagnosed with heart failure, we are excited to announce our recent achievement of Heart Failure Accreditation from the Society of Cardiovascular Patient Care.

This accreditation demonstrates our commitment to bridge gaps and integrate evidence-based science, quality initiatives, clinical best-practices, and proven guidelines into our cardiovascular care processes.

Annual Walk for Hearts featuring the Rhythm Run

The Heart Institute is where Dr. Joseph Suckarieh performed countless cardiothoracic surgeries over his 20-plus years in Midland. Suckarieh strongly believed in giving back to the community and we continue to honor his name by hosting this event, the purpose of which is to increase awareness of cardiovascular disease, engage the community in physical activity and to raise money to provide quality resources to meet our community's cardiovascular needs.

Held annually as part of the Midland Health Wellness Tour, this event promotes cardiovascular health by offering community members the opportunity to enjoy a casual walk along a designated path or the ability to participate in a chip-timed 5K run.

Most recently, money raised was used to purchase scales for people diagnosed with heart failure who could not have been able to afford this vital equipment.

Jenny Delk-Fikes is the senior clinical manager of cardiovascular services at Midland Memorial Hospital

HEALTHBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Support groups this week

■ The Knot Adoption Support Group, 11:30 a.m. today, First Presbyterian Church; Kathy Hagler, Kathy@WTIE.net

■ Caregiver support, noon today, HospiceMidland 911 W. Texas Ave., 682-2855.

■ Permian Basin Community Service Organization (for individuals, organizations or businesses that provide services to improve quality of life), 11:45 a.m. Thursday, Mi Piaci Italian Restaurant, 2607 N. Grandview Ave., Odessa; 432-210-4234.

■ Tourettes syndrome support group, 2 p.m. Sunday, Neuroscience Institute, 3610 22nd St., Odessa; Pam Weaks, 806-438-6601, pzweaks@yahoo.com, or Rene Howell, 806-549-7788.

■ A confidential peer-to-peer support gathering for combat veterans, Tuesday, Midland College Cogdell Center, 201 Florida Ave.; Steve Cree, 770-7469.

■ The Helping Hand Metastatic Cancer Support Group meets noon Tuesday, Texas Tech Physicians of the Permian Basin Clinic, Room 210B. Lunch will be served. To RSVP, call Amber Chavez at 620-1023.

■ Midland Chapter of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness), 7 p.m. Tuesday, First Presbyterian Church (Koinonoa Room); Judith Craig, 683-3648.

■ Bariatric Support Group, 11:30 a.m. Feb. 17, ACT Counseling Center, 2445 E. 11th St., Odessa; 272-4333.

Weekly meetings & hotlines

■ Alcoholics Anonymous — hotline 580-7868.

■ Narcotics Anonymous — hotline 582-2926.

■ Survivors of sexual abuse; interactive Bible study to help deal with the consequences of sexual abuse meets Tuesdays. Child care available; House of Hope, 570-5935.

■ Overeaters Anonymous, 7-8 p.m. Tuesdays and 3-4 p.m. Sundays; B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.

■ Peer to Peer support group for veterans, active duty, guard, reserves and their families, 6 p.m. Tuesdays, Permian Basin Community Center, 401 E. Illinois Ave., Suite 403; Wil Hoggard, 213-5342, william.hoggard@wtc-mhmr.org.

How sick are you?

Midland Memorial Hospital offers a a nurse triage program "68-NURSE."

The program is designed to help people determine whether their health situation warrants a trip to the emergency room. Midland residents can call the line by dialing 686-8773.

The program is free and available 24 hours a day-365 days a year. Local nurses are available to help you determine the best place to receive care for your situation. 68-NURSE can help you save time and money by directing you to the most appropriate healthcare option, whether it's a neighborhood clinic, urgent care center, emergency room … or just staying home.

Contact your Hospital District representative

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Handmade coloring books relieve adult cancer patients' stress

By Sam Householder
The Elkhart Truth

GOSHEN, Ind. — It started as a doodle.

Now, Becca Briscoe of Goshen has developed four coloring books based on those doodles, featuring around 600 designs. Now, one of her books is being used by cancer patients to help them pass time while they're undergoing chemotherapy treatments.

Briscoe, 63, said it all started while she was watching the 2006 Winter Olympic luge competition. She said while she was curious who the winner was, she really didn't want to watch the competition.

"I don't even know who thought that sport up, that's just ridiculous," she said.

"I couldn't stand to watch it anymore," she said. "I started to doodle and I kept doodling and I have about 600 designs."

Briscoe said when she started the doodles with a Sharpie marker, the designs turned out very straight and even, without her trying.

"I'm not a symmetrical person, personality-wise, but everything turned out symmetrical," she said.

Once Briscoe began the doodles, she found that she couldn't stop.

"It was like eating popcorn," she said.

The color came about after looking at the plain black-and-white marker doodles over and over again.

"I never knew I wanted to color. I just liked to make the designs and then I got tired of just black-and-white, so I thought, 'Why don't I just color one of them?', and then I liked the coloring," she said.

Soon, Briscoe was making coloring books for her family and friends.

Then her best friend from high school, Michael Sweazy of Elkhart, was diagnosed with liver, brain and lung cancer.

As Sweazy was weak from his treatments, Briscoe made him a coloring book and told him to try it out. Sweazy took to it and according to Briscoe, eventually set up coloring stations in his home so that he and visitors would have something to do.

"It was therapeutic for him, so I thought, 'Why don't I do a coloring book for chemo patients because they're there for three, four, five hours and they need something to do?'" she said.

Briscoe made "Doodle While You Drip," a coloring book she donated to IU Health Goshen Center for Cancer Care.

"So far, the patients really like them," she said. The book had a foreword by Sweazy, who died in September.

Briscoe has brought her coloring to others through a class at the Goshen Salvation Army Church. She said she would like to continue that with a class for prisoners or others who are adjusting to life after prison.

"It is an ageless pastime," she said. "It's sort of intoxicating, and it's healthier than actually drinking."

Coloring, she said, can break barriers and allow friendships and conversation to flow.

"Adults don't generally give themselves license to be doing something that is frivolous or non-productive," she said. "But they do see the stress relief in it and that kind of legitimizes it, and it's kind of fun."

UNINSURED

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of the Obama health care law, boosted by economic recovery.

That poses a dilemma for Republican presidential candidates. Indeed, a recent blueprint from a group of conservative policy experts for replacing the health law said Republicans will need some kind of "grandfathering exemption" to avoid disrupting the lives of people who have gained coverage through the Affordable Care Act.

The new state numbers from the National Center for Health Statistics focus on adults ages 18-64. That's because virtually all seniors have coverage, and fewer than 5 percent of children and teens are uninsured.

In addition to the eight states with statistically significant coverage gains, the report named another 10 with notable reductions in the percentage of uninsured residents. However, the changes in these states did not meet the survey's test for statistical significance.

That second group included Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, and Rhode Island. Seven of those states have Republican governors.

AP file photo

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention sign is photographed at the agency's federal headquarters in Atlanta. A new government report on health insurance has implications for the presidential campaign. Out Tuesday, the National Health Interview Survey says eight states saw a significant drop last year in the number of residents without health insurance.

Kentucky led the way among the states with statistically significant reductions in the share of residents uninsured, with a drop of 6.5 percentage points. The state's new Republican governor, Matt Bevin, ran as a strong critic of Obama's law and is now grappling with how to scale back his state's involvement.

Another Republican-led state, Arizona, had the second-biggest reduction, a drop of 5.9 percentage points. New York followed, with a reduction of 5.6 percentage points.

The health care's law big coverage expansion got under way in 2014, and since then the nation's uninsured rate has fallen to a historically low level. With the 2016 sign-up season recently concluded, the Obama administration is hoping to see continued improvement this year.

The law offers subsidized private health insurance through online markets like HealthCare.gov for people who don't have access to employer-based coverage. That's coupled with a Medicaid expansion aimed at low-income adults, now accepted by 31 states. Virtually all Americans are required to have coverage or risk paying fines to the IRS.

Even with Obama's law, nearly 29 million people were still uninsured in the nine months from Jan.-Sept. of 2015. That includes an estimated 11 million immigrants without legal permission to be in the country, who are not entitled to coverage.

Online
National Health Interview Survey - http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.html

MENTAL ILLNESS

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bus drivers, cafeteria staff and custodians, instead of educators only.

"Those people on the periphery of the education system, bus drivers, etc., they have relationships with these students, too," said Leah Vernia-Amend, an MHFA instructor and counselor at PBCC. "So for them, (MHFA training) is very important as well."

Though all counselors in the Guidance and Counseling Department in MISD have received MHFA training, teachers and other staff have not, said Ron Moss, Director of Guidance and Counseling. The length of the training, coupled with personnel shortages, has made it difficult for MISD to require all staff members to do the training, Moss said.

Instead, all MISD teachers are required to complete a one-hour online training provided by Mental Health America of Texas, which walks teachers through a series of mental health scenarios and then asks them to choose the correct actions to take. On top of that, MISD counselors train teachers at the beginning of each year in protocol on responding to students who make mental health-related outcries, Moss said.

The face-to-face interaction of MHFA training sessions, however, makes the experience one that will stick, said Vernia-Amend and Barnes, and they emphasized the impact it would have on anyone who works with youth.

"Primarily, the focus is for us to facilitate a process in which they're involved in actually experiencing some of the things that a youth would experience if they were mentally ill or had something going on," Vernia-Amend said. "That includes things such as what it's like to have auditory hallucinations."

Beyond that, the course includes role-playing scenarios, in which participants act out a mental health situation — be it crisis or something more subtle — and learn how to react. They also learn specifics like typical age of onset and symptoms for each illness.

"Even as a counselor, I learned a lot from the training, because certain things in there I had never experienced — for example, what it is like to have hallucinations," Vernia-Amend said. "I've been doing counseling for over 30 years and I think it's extremely beneficial."

The training focuses on recognizing risk factors and warning signs of the primary diagnoses: bipolar disorder, schizophrenia and major depression. It also focuses on other mental health issues such as anxiety, eating disorders, AD/HD.

The training is not intended to teach to diagnose such disorders, but rather how to recognize and refer. The name of the mascot for the national program, a koala bear named ALGEE, illustrates this: assess for risk of suicide or harm; listen nonjudgmentally; give reassurance and information; encourage appropriate professional help; encourage self-help and other support strategies.

"We want to put the person first, mental illness later," Barnes said. "The thing about mental illness is that it's more about, do you know that person? A lunch lady that sees that kid every single day would be more familiar with what's normal behavior for that student and when there's something going on. So that's what MHFA does: It shows you how to recognize certain signs in people you're familiar with and then how to approach them."

Half of all chronic mental illness begins by age 14 and three-quarters by age 24, according to the National Alliance on Mental Illness.

"Whether you're a youth pastor, a teacher, lunch lady, custodian, parent, or whatever," Vernia-Amend said. "Anybody and everybody who works with youth can benefit from this training."

GUEST VIEW

Lubbock Avalanche-Journal

Congress should join in president's initiative to boost cancer research

President Richard M. Nixon declared war on cancer in 1971, first in his State of the Union address and then later when he signed the National Cancer Act in December 1971. Forty-five years later, President Barack Obama has announced -- also in a State of the Union address -- a similar initiative against the feared disease.

That should be seen as good news not only in America but throughout the world. As important as it has been for the leading nation of the world to aggressively fight terrorism, cancer is a much more deadly killer across the globe.

And if there ever was an issue that should be a slam dunk to get bipartisan support, a drive intended to eradicate cancer would be it.

Everyone has been touched by cancer. In addition to those who have been diagnosed with it, we have all lost friends and loved ones to it.

The American Cancer Society estimates about 1.7 million new cancer cases will be diagnosed in America in 2016, and about 595,000 people who have been fighting the disease will lose their battles this year.

But on the positive side, hundreds of thousands of other Americans will get the news in 2016 their cancer has gone into remission.

And untold numbers of people will avoid getting the disease because they have quit smoking, had a colonoscopy in which polyps that could otherwise have turned cancerous were removed or developed healthier lifestyles.

Dr. Otis Brawley, the chief medical officer for the American Cancer Society, commented on CNN about the significance of the National Cancer Act of 1971, saying the money it provided helped determine causes of cancer and increased the knowledge of the cellular and molecular biology of cancer.

The death rate of cancer has dropped by 23 percent in the past 2 1/2 decades. More patients are not only seeing their cancers going into remission but are living past the five-year survival rates.

For those who might be inclined to think the war against cancer that began in 1971 was lost should think again.

There's no way to determine specifically how much difference was made by the initiative, but it's safe to say many people who are alive today would have been lost to cancer without it.

We believe the effort that's now been launched by Obama similarly will lead to lives being saved and extended in the future.

Defeating cancer isn't a matter of curing a single disease. Brawley notes it is more than 200 illnesses. Every piece of research that leads to an effective treatment or a way to prevent cancers from forming in the first place will bring us closer to being a cancer-free society.

A recent exciting development is therapy that boosts a body's immune system to fight cancer. That was the tactic that led to success in former President Jimmy Carter's battle against cancer.

Obama's choice of Vice President Joe Biden, whose son Beau died last year from brain cancer, will put someone with passion at the helm.

Now Congress needs to get on board. The president's proposed budget is sure to include increased funding for cancer research.

We've said many times the president and Congress need to find areas of common ground and work together. Fighting cancer is common ground that should unite everyone.

At a glance

■ Our position: Cancer was a much more deadly disease in 1971, when Richard Nixon set the nation's sights on fighting cancer, than it is today. The mortality rate from cancer has dropped dramatically in recent years, and Obama's national initiative to increase public and private funding for cancer research could improve it even further. Biden, who is leading the initiative, also has a goal of increasing collaboration among researchers.

■ Why you should care: Cancer is a scourge against mankind. Every research advance that leads to improved prevention and treatment of it protects Americans just that much more. The new national initiative against the disease has the potential to save lives and prevent suffering.

■ For more information: Log on to our website, www.lubbockonline.com, and enter the words "Obama cancer" in the search box.

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MARCIA NORTON
Centers for Children and Families

Sharing wrong info at work could backfire

There are some issues that should not be discussed at work. Sharing the wrong information with co-workers can backfire and leave us in a vulnerable position. Sometimes, you can tell that you have shared too much information simply by the other person's facial expression. We need to learn where to draw the line on sharing. Following are the top 10 topics that should not be shared at work:

■ CONFIDENTIAL WORK INFORMATION

This includes how you got the job, your salary and any other details concerning money. Co-workers also do not need to know how much you just spent on your new house, car, vacation, designer purse, etc. Keep money matters to yourself.

■ RELIGIOUS AND POLITICAL VIEWS

There probably have been instances when political or religious discussions got out of hand with family and friends, so why bring this drama into the workplace? Be careful that you do not offend others.

■ JOKES THAT ARE NOT "POLITICALLY CORRECT."

These might seem really funny to you, but you never know who you might offend at work.

■ DETAILS OF YOUR LOVE LIFE

Your love life is not as interesting to anyone else as it is to you, and your co-workers may not be able to separate your love life from your professional life. No one needs to know details of sex (good or bad), or other things that happen in the bedroom behind closed doors.

■ MEDICAL DETAILS

Children cannot wait to show off their new scar, stitches or cast to their friends and share stories about these. Adults also love to do this, but need to refrain from doing so at work.

■ SOCIAL NETWORKING

Making friends at work is great, but you do not have to connect or friend all of them on Facebook. Sometimes there might be inappropriate posts on Facebook that you do not want co-workers to see. (Think about that one college friend who might post something embarrassing from your past.)

■ GOSSIP OR BEING NEGATIVE

Keep to yourself any negative ideas about co-workers (that do not affect work performance). f you hear gossip about someone, stop it right there.

■ DRINKING

If you are nursing a hangover, do not share that at work

■ OTHER PERSONAL DETAILS

If you have problems with the law, IRS, banks, paying bills, etc., be discreet about these things with co-workers. If you need to discuss it with a co-worker, do so over lunch, but do not tell all to everyone who walks in the door.

■ JOB HUNTING

You may actively be looking for a new job, but do not tell co-workers. This might backfire on you and your current employer might give you more time to find another job than you expected.

I am not advocating that you be a robot at work — just be careful about sharing too much information. Doing so can damage your reputation, make your co-workers avoid you and can even damage your career.

Survivors of natural disasters at risk for PTSD

By Sue Ambrose
Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — A month after tornadoes ravaged North Texas, mental health experts are warning survivors to be on the alert for another problem: post-traumatic stress disorder.

Though many people associate that syndrome with soldiers who have been through combat, PTSD can affect about one-fifth of people who were directly affected by a natural disaster, medical studies show.

After an ordeal like a tornado or hurricane, people often have trouble sleeping and concentrating, feel jumpy and may be easily startled, or see the disaster replaying in their minds.

But if those symptoms persist for 30 days, experts say, disaster survivors could have PTSD, which is often characterized by flashbacks, nightmares and anxiety.

"One of the things we get asked the most often is, 'Am I going crazy?'" said Michael Booth, a licensed counselor who volunteers for the American Red Cross. He said that even people who fall short of an official diagnosis can still benefit from therapy.

Just half of those who need treatment typically seek it, said Dr. John Burruss, chief executive of Metrocare Services, a nonprofit that runs community mental health clinics in Dallas County.

"Know that there's a remedy," he said. "If they think that this is just what you should expect after you have a bad tornado, they may not know that there is something treatable."

Dr. Carol North, a psychiatrist with Metrocare and the University of Texas Southwestern, has studied men and women who survived disasters such as the 1994 Northridge, Calif., earthquake, the 1991 mass shooting in Killeen, Texas, and floods in St. Louis in 1993.

On average, she found that 20 percent of people who were exposed to danger developed PTSD and about 6 percent of adults developed depression for the first time.

Other studies have found similar numbers. For example, after the 2011 tornadoes in Alabama, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found 22 percent of people surveyed showed PTSD symptoms.

Not every disaster produces widespread mental health problems, North said, noting that after a tornado in Florida in 1988, only one person out of 40 interviewed developed PTSD.

The American Red Cross estimates that about 7,000 people live in the households that were affected by the North Texas tornadoes, but the group does not know how many were at home when the twisters struck and so might be most at risk for PTSD.

The Garland Independent School District has tried to make sure students have access to counseling. It set up an online form and a phone bank so that neighbors, family members or co-workers could submit the name of students or staff whose property was damaged by the tornadoes.

School officials say they now know the names of the 1,000 students and 600 staff from Garland and Rowlett who lived in the tornado's path and have assigned mental health professionals to school campuses.

Research suggests that people who were hospitalized with injuries or have had had mental health problems previously are at increased risk for PTSD.

Studies have found increased incidence of child abuse or family violence after some — but not all — natural disasters.

The stress of having a home destroyed or damaged, having to move and worries about money can put kids at increased risk at the hands of grown-ups who care for them, said Dr. Desmond Runyan, a pediatrician and child abuse specialist at the University of Colorado in Denver.

In the six months after Hurricane Floyd in 1999, Runyan found a spike in very young children admitted to hospitals for a traumatic brain injury, though the total number remained small.

Studies found increases in child abuse after the Loma Prieta earthquake and Hurricane Hugo, both in 1989, but not after Hurricane Andrew in 1992.

Colleen Jamieson, chief operating officer of the New Beginning Center, a women's shelter in Garland, said she hasn't seen an uptick in calls connected to the stress of the storms.

If there's a spike, she said, "it's going to be in a month or two months from now. That's what we need to be ready for."

Although health officials don't track mental health problems in the wake of disasters, some say that would be helpful.

"It would be worthwhile to collect the data," said Randy Routon, head of LifePath, a Collin County nonprofit that treats mental illnesses.

"It doesn't change how you address one particular case, but it does change how you plan" for the future.

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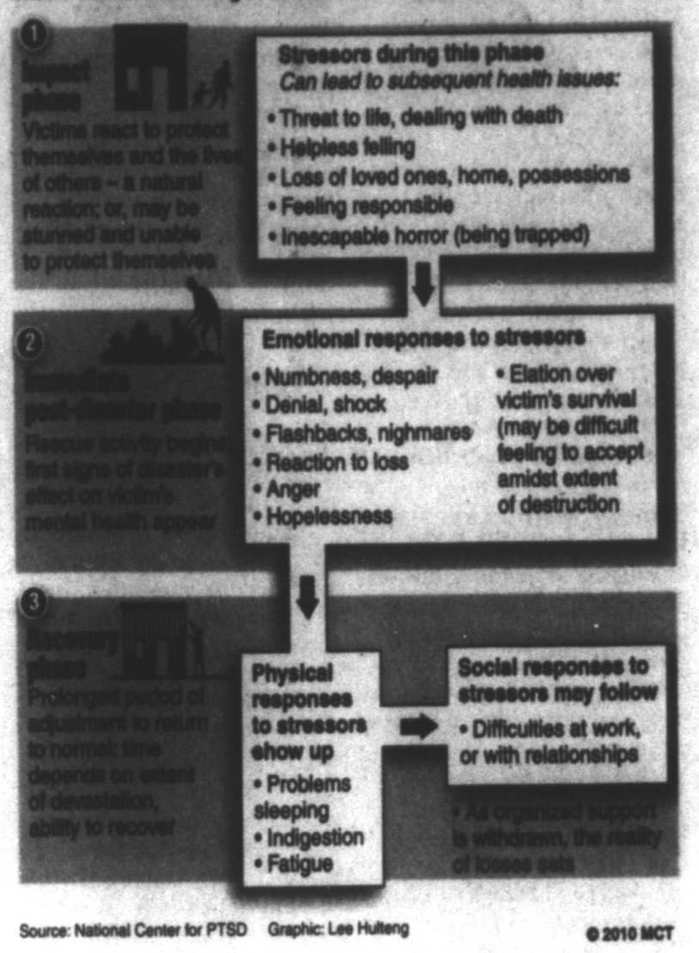
Signs of trouble

Experts advise you to seek professional help if you, a friend or a family member are experiencing any of these feelings after a natural disaster:

- Continued anxiety or re-experiencing the disaster through flashbacks or nightmares
- Crying spells or bursts of anger
- Difficulty eating or sleeping
- Increased physical symptoms like headaches or stomachaches
- Fatigue
- Feeling guilty, helpless or hopeless
- Avoiding family and friends
- Difficulty managing day-to-day obligations

Emotional road to recovery

The different phases of a natural disaster bring on varying psychological effects that can have long-term effects on victims:



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TODAY: Sunny High: 77 Low: 38

THURSDAY: Sunny High: 72 Low: 32

FRIDAY: Sunny High: 75 Low: 40

SATURDAY: Sunny High: 72 Low: 45

SUNDAY: Mostly sunny High: 71 Low: 41

MONDAY: Mostly sunny High: 70 Low: 41

Local forecast

Above-average high temperatures will warm up the area over the next week, according to the National Weather Service. Expect high temperatures from nine to 16 degrees above normal for the next seven days. The NWS also expects the dry spell to continue into mid-February. There is no rain in the seven-day forecast.

The record high for Feb. 9 is 88 set in 1932. The record low is 7 set in 2011. On Feb. 9 of last year, the high was 77 and the low was 40.

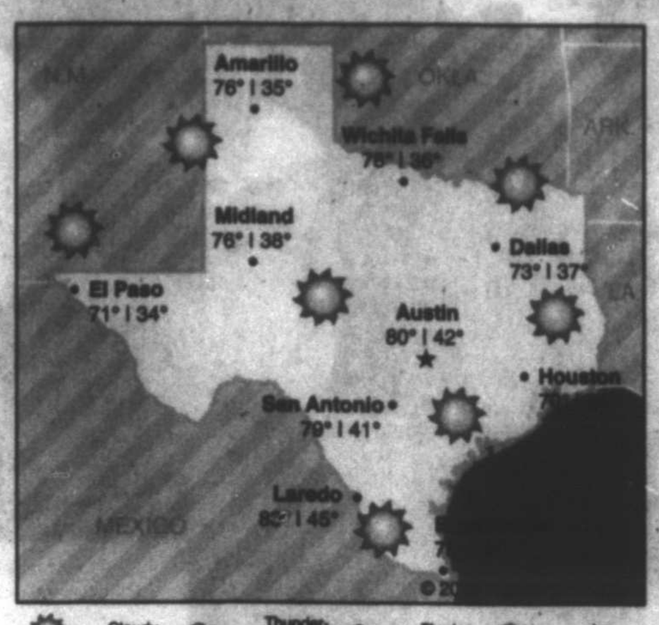
Weather brief

BOSTON

New England digs out from latest storm

A wind-driven winter storm that brought blizzard conditions to Cape Cod fell short of forecast snowfall totals and spared the Northeast the widespread power outages that had been predicted.

Snowflakes were still flying Tuesday as New England residents continued to mop up from Monday's storm. The National Weather Service forecast scattered and localized heavy snow showers in New England today.



Partly Cloudy · Cloudy · Showers · Thunderstorms · Rain · Flurries · Snow · Ice

Precipitation

Monday	0.00 in.
Tuesday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.00 in.
Year total	0.18 in.
Normal total (year to date)	0.78 in.

Tuesday's temperatures

High	65
Low	29
Normal high	61
Normal low	33
Sunrise	7:36 a.m.
Sunset	6:31 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, Feb. 10

Wedding cast of characters reflects turbulent history

DEAR ABBY

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

DEAR ABBY: My son, "Chad," is being married in June to "Jenny," a girl his sister "Madison" introduced him to. Madison feels she should be a bridesmaid in their wedding because she introduced them. Madison had sex with Jenny's boyfriend "Axel" before she met Chad, got pregnant and had Axel's baby.

Jenny feels Madison screwed up her life and even though she's about to marry my son, she doesn't want to reward Madison by asking her to be in the wedding. My daughter says if she's not in the wedding, she won't attend, and won't allow her son (by Axel) to be the ring bearer, either.

I feel Chad and his fiancee should be able to have their wedding the way they want. I do not want to miss my only son's wedding because my daughter feels slighted. What should I do and say? — COMPLICATED IN WEST VIRGINIA

DEAR COMPLICATED: While it's unfortunate that Jenny can't let bygones be bygones in the interest of future family harmony, you must not allow your daughter to dictate the plans for her brother's wedding. When the big day arrives, you should definitely attend and celebrate with Chad and Jenny. If Madison chooses not to attend as a guest, that's her decision, and you should not allow her to make it your problem.

DEAR ABBY: My mother married a man, "George," a few years ago. They met online, and he makes her happier than I've ever seen her. Our entire family adores George and is supportive of their marriage.

My husband and I had our first child, "Ella," this year. This has made Mom's dreams of becoming a grandma come true.

When I see George hold, play with, or just be in the same room with my daughter, I can't help but keep a really close eye on how he acts with her. He hasn't said or done anything for me not to trust him, but it makes me really uneasy, and I want to restrict his interaction with her.

It is my responsibility to protect my baby girl, and I'm extra-cautious because I was molested as a young girl. I can't discuss this with Mom because she doesn't know about what happened to me, and I know this would cause a huge fight between us.

How can I limit George's contact with Ella while still giving Mom the time she wants with her? Is this intuition or paranoia? — CAUTIOUS IN KANSAS

DEAR CAUTIOUS: Why does your mother not know what happened to you as a child? Did you stay silent because you were afraid you wouldn't be believed? Because you wanted to protect her? Because your abuser was your father? You should have told her. It was her job to protect YOU.

I think the time has come for you to let her know what happened and how it has affected you. While I can appreciate your reason for not trusting men, not all men are molesters. If you would feel better keeping a close eye on your daughter's interactions with males until she's old enough to know what kind of touches are appropriate and which ones are not, that's your privilege. And if it leads to an argument with your mother, you will just have to stand by your decision.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Good card reading

Both vulnerable. North deals.

NORTH
♠ 5
♡ A 7
◇ Q 10 6 2
♣ A 9 7 6 4 2

WEST
♠ Q 10 9 6 3
♡ K 2
◇ 5 3
♣ K Q 8 3

EAST
♠ J 7 2
♡ J 10 8 6 3
◇ 8 7 4
♣ J 10

SOUTH
♠ A K 8 4
♡ Q 9 5 4
◇ A K J 9
♣ 5

The bidding:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♣	Pass	1♡	1♠
Pass	Pass	3NT	All pass

Opening lead: Three of ♠

A five-diamond contract would have been easier. In fact, it takes a trump lead to defeat six diamonds. This was an all-expert game and South was John Hurd, of New York.

The opening spade lead went to East's jack, which Hurd allowed to win. Hurd won the spade return with the ace and led a club to the ace and another club. East won and led his last spade, won by Hurd with the king. Declarer cashed the queen, king and ace of diamonds, leaving this position:

NORTH
♠ Void
♡ A 7
◇ 10
♣ 9 7

WEST
♠ 9
♡ K 2
◇ Void
♣ K Q

EAST
♠ Void
♡ J 10 8 6 3
◇ Void
♣ Void

SOUTH
♠ 8
♡ Q 9 5
◇ J
♣ Void

Hurd cashed the jack of diamonds and West was pickled. A spade discard and South's eight would be good. A club discard and Hurd would end-play him with a spade and force a lead away from the king of hearts. West did the best he could by discarding his low heart, but Hurd read the position perfectly and led a heart to the ace, dropping the king, and now had the queen of hearts for his ninth trick. Well played!

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 Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2016:

This year you often opt for the most feasible decision. You are not a sign that is known to be practical, yet you will be this year. You will be particularly careful about your finances and long-term goals. Frustration often greets you around an authority figure, parent and/or boss. Know when to go along with this person's wishes. If you are single, you could meet someone quite easily. If you are attached, a trip with your sweetie will be significant. Many of you will strengthen the vitality of your bond. SCORPIO will do whatever is necessary to have his or her way.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Should you make a hasty decision today, know that it could backfire. You might be forced to spend a lot of downtime alone to figure out where you went wrong. Do some heavy thinking and decide where your energy would be best placed. Tonight: Go for some extra R and R.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Though others could stumble into hassle after hassle, you will see the situations in your life play out differently. You are OK with a more easygoing solution, whereas a friend or loved one might feel that it is important to make the right decision for you. Tonight: A force to behold.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ You are more centered and direct than usual. This mindset could be more significant than you realize. You might feel like you're at the center of a storm with many crosswinds hitting you. A partner is likely to suggest that you revise your schedule. Tonight: Working late.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Experiencing life unpredictably is easy for you. Your innate shift of moods reinforces a need for constant change. Perhaps the only consistent aspect of your life is change. Use your ability to look at the big picture, and you'll find the right path. Tonight: Use your imagination.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ No matter what your status is, someone in your life often seems to trigger many romantic thoughts. Follow a suggestion from this person, but only as long as it doesn't get you into too much trouble. This individual serves as a muse in your life. Tonight: Be responsive!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ Continue to defer to those you care about. Whether you know it, or whether you are right or wrong, it really makes no difference. You are giving the other party an opportunity to express his or her individuality. Graciousness will be appreciated. Tonight: Try a new hotspot.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ You might have been on a roll at the beginning of the week, but now you must deal with everything that you have been putting off. As a result, you are likely to be busy with an up-and-coming project, and could have to do some delegating. Tonight: Use your instincts well.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Many people see you as brilliant; however, your ingenuity and great ideas come from a strong imagination. A business meeting could become far more provocative, but only if you run with the moment. Tonight: Acting like a teenager might renew your spirit.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Pressure stems from your judgments about what is expected of you. You could be pushing yourself very hard without recognizing why. The good news is that you'll see the results you want. Others seem to admire your success and your drive. Tonight: Out till the wee hours.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ More and more you become in touch with your intuition. You are beginning to understand just how valid this voice can be, even if you don't want to acknowledge it. Stop and think about some of your decisions today and how you got where you are. Tonight: Return calls first.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Take charge of your finances. You might not want to, but consider the ramifications if you don't. Someone you admire could be very quarrelsome today. Try to walk in this person's shoes, and you will understand where he or she is coming from. Tonight: Respond to a close loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You might experience some anxiety regarding a decision. Worry less, and do more research. You will come up with the right path for you. Understand that each individual is very different and that choices will be very different from one person to the next. Tonight: All smiles.

BORN TODAY

Singer/songwriter Don Omar (1978), TV personality Glenn Beck (1964), actress Chloe Grace Moretz (1997)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Roasting bird
6 Kennel racket
10 Doze, with "out"
14 How writers often work
15 NATO alphabet ender
16 Ancient Andean
17 Lift
20 Bar sing-along
21 Quasi-convertible option
22 Rock gp. with winds and strings
23 Mil. training site
25 Pizzeria attractions
29 Nervous giggle
32 "Cure Ignorance" online reader
34 Glamorous Gardner
35 Windy-day window noise
37 Strummed strings
38 Lift
42 Linen fiber source
43 Newspaper space measurement
44 So last week
45 Take in the wrong way?
47 Split with the band
51 Pet shelter mission
53 Apt name for a cook?
55 Put the cuffs on
56 Does one's part?
58 Elves, at times
61 Lift
65 Curved entrance adornment
66 Drop
67 Nautical table listing
68 "Okay, granted"
69 "Bossypants" memoirist Fey
70 Mail-order-only company until 1925

DOWN

1 Small jewelry box
2 Acid neutralizer
3 "Little grey cells" detective
4 Draft category
5 "Quo Vadis" emperor
6 Tenochtitlán native
7 Play about automatons
8 Like much desert
9 Acquisition on a blanket, perhaps
10 Brand with a flame over the "I" in its logo
11 Artist Yoko
12 Big name in bar code scanners
13 Dennings of "2 Broke Girls"
18 Hybrid tennis attire
19 Ticked off
24 Besmirches
26 Powerful shark
27 Say with certainty
28 Carrier to Oslo
30 Cereal "for kids"
31 Work on a course
33 Many a "Hunger Games" fan
36 Bluffer's giveaway
37 Colorado natives
38 Cobalt ___
39 "Aw, shucks!"
40 Harder to see, as shapes
41 Have-at link
42 Voting yes on
45 "That stings!"
46 Hit a winning streak
48 New York lake near Utica
49 Pantry
50 Dominate the thoughts of
52 Hidden stockpile
54 Iota preceder
57 California's __ Valley
59 D-Day transports
60 __-dieu: kneeler
61 New Year's party handout
62 Clearance rack abbr.
63 Fort Worth sch.
64 Many holiday guests

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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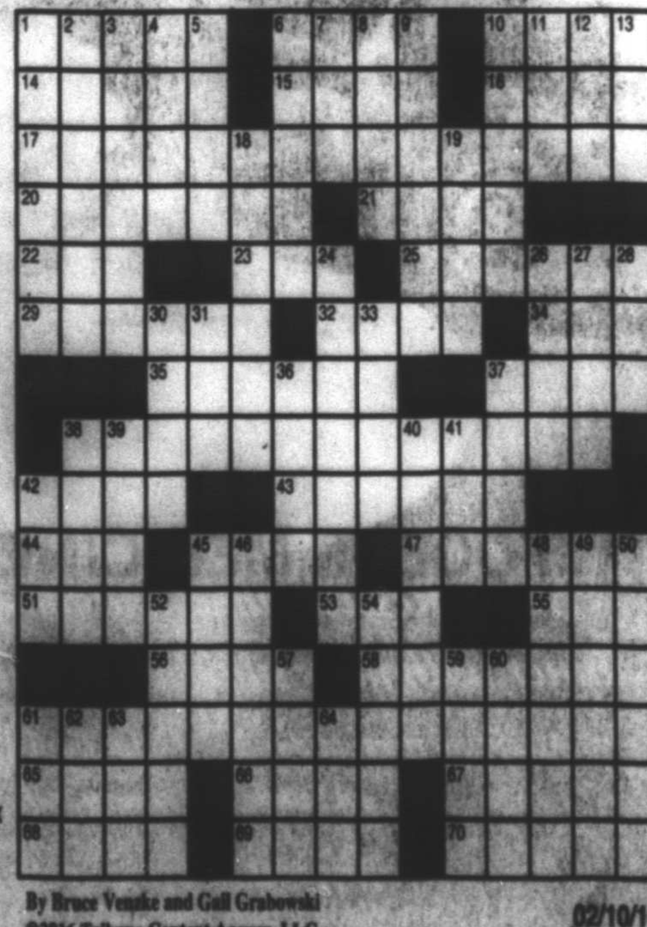

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New Mexico dentists make house calls

By Steve Sinovic
Albuquerque Journal

ALBUQUERQUE — Dental professionals are hitting the road in vans as part of an Albuquerque health care program that treats hundreds of elderly in their homes and at assisted living centers.

Dental Care in Your Home is the brainchild of Cathy Elliott, an Albuquerque dental hygienist, who noticed a few years ago that some of her long-time patients had stopped visiting the dentist's office, where she still works. She learned that many no longer received dental care because they were homebound because of illness or were in nursing homes.

Elliott, who runs the mobile nonprofit health care organization with a shoestring budget, a small staff and two vans, has grown the patient load from 100 patients in 2012 to 634 patients in 2015.

"Not to brag, but this is a godsend for many of our clients," said Elliott, who pitches in on her day off. The team is lean, and so is the money to run the service: about $200,000 per year. Dental Care in Your home has a paid full-time practice manager and a rotating crew of paid part-timers: two dentists, two hygienists and three dental assistants. A retired dentist and Elliott donate their time and talent.

Financially, the organization is supported by grants and donations and is an approved provider of several dental insurance carriers, which brings reimbursement for the care. In addition, some seniors on fixed-incomes are able to pay cash for dentistry.

"Sometimes, it's a hard choice to make — out-of-pocket dental care on one or two Social Security checks or paying for car repairs, food and utilities and other medical bills," Elliott said. The organization has donated more than $150,000 in care to seniors. Sixty percent of the clients are 80 and over.

It took a while to have all the legal and licensing requirements in place for Dental Care in Your Home to be an approved mobile provider.

Medicare, the largest provider of health care for people over 65, does not cover routine dental care. "That's really criminal because oral health is so important," Elliott said.

With two Dodge retrofitted vans filled with dental equipment and supplies, the teams care for four or five patients a day.

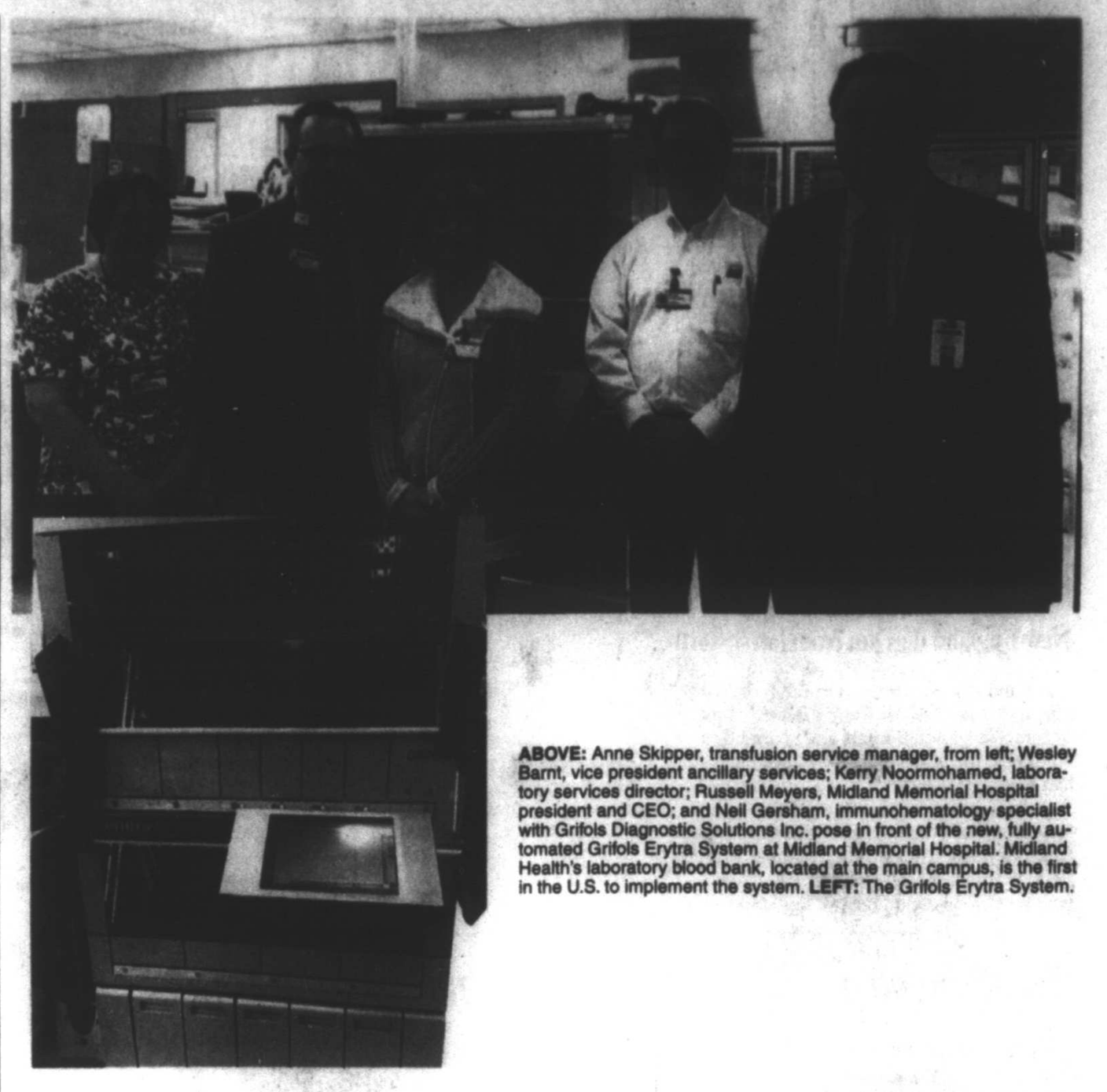
Tools of the trade include rolled dental equipment, such as a hand-held X-ray machine that staffers call the "ray gun."

Another volunteer — a retired dentist — reviews the X-rays, writes prescriptions and recommends treatment plans. Services include cleanings, fillings, extractions, root canals and denture and partial adjustments.

Trying to be as cost-efficient as possible, Elliott said patients have seen good results from affordable silver nitrite treatments on broken teeth and inflamed gums, followed by a fluoride rinse.

"It's a wonderful technique," she said of the treatments, which the team began using about two years ago. "Lots of people with dentures or partials have lost weight, so the (dental) appliances no longer fit so well. We adjust them so they do fit. They can have a more nutritious diet and socialize.

"They can smile more," she said of her patients.



ABOVE: Anne Skipper, transfusion service manager, from left; Wesley Barnt, vice president ancillary services; Kerry Noormohamed, laboratory services director; Russell Meyers, Midland Memorial Hospital president and CEO; and Neil Gersham, immunohematology specialist with Grifols Diagnostic Solutions Inc. pose in front of the new, fully automated Grifols Erytra System at Midland Memorial Hospital. Midland Health's laboratory blood bank, located at the main campus, is the first in the U.S. to implement the system. **LEFT:** The Grifols Erytra System.

Lab has new system for blood-compatability testing

HEIDI WINKLER
Midland Health

Midland Health's laboratory has selected a new system to increase speed, efficiency and accuracy of its blood-compatibility testing.

Proper blood testing is essential throughout numerous areas of a hospital. Midland Health's laboratory blood bank, located at the main campus, is now the first in the U.S. to implement the fully automated Grifols Erytra System.

A blood bank is blood or blood components, gathered as a result from either blood donation or collection, stored and preserved for later hospital use in blood transfusion.

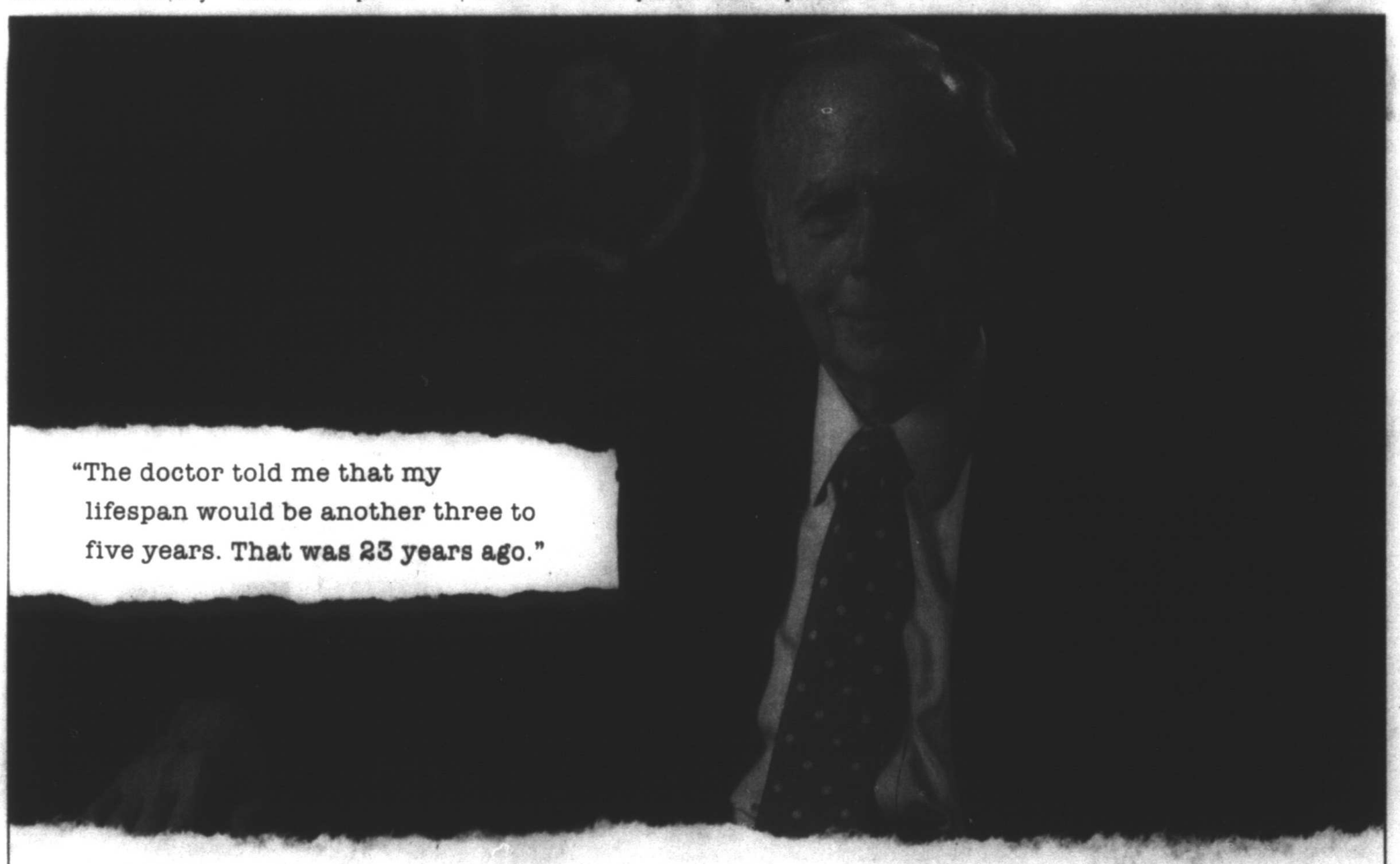
The Grifols Erytra blood bank tests patients' blood to determine type and identify possible incompatibilities, including unexpected antibodies that could cause patients to suffer rare, but serious immune system reactions.

Fortunately, Midland Health is now able to perform the testing necessary to provide blood products for a patient by decreasing both the time and variability inherent in both manual and semi-automated testing methods. In the event that blood is needed quickly, this system better allows the necessary testing to be performed in a more effective way.

The process, in turn, will aid in providing the needed blood to any patient in need.

"The Grifols Erytra system's full automation, with its ability to handle continuous loading and prioritized STAT testing, directs the communication of results to our blood bank information system," said Anne Skipper, transfusion service manager of Midland Health. "Clear, high-resolution digital readouts, all combine to improve laboratory efficiency and reduce the incidence of potential human error. Errors could result from manual handling, manual transcription of results, or visual (versus digital) assessment and interpretation of the tests."

By providing a more proficient way to identify specific antibodies, the new system will also allow more time for compatible blood to be obtained in the event it was needed for a transfusion.



My first experience with the diet came in 1992 when I was diagnosed with prostate cancer and a high PSA, about 200. Doctors did the biopsies and all the other tests. They said surgery was not an option and chemotherapy was not an option. We were looking for something else to do and luckily, maybe as the result of a lot of prayer, we found a diet called the macrobiotic diet. I got down to about 136 or so, PSA went down—it's done a good change to my lifestyle. The doctor told me that my lifespan would be another three to five years. That was 23 years ago. —Jim Alsup

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Lee takes District 3-6A

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Amber Salcido (11) guards Lee's Braydyn Hill (10) on Tuesday at Chaparral Center.

Wild finish helps Lee secure outright title

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

The Lee girls basketball team celebrates after a technical foul resulted in Lee's Kyra Lewis (12) sinking two free throws to win the game in the final seconds of play against Midland High on Tuesday at Chaparral Center.

By Christopher Hadorn
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With less than a second on the clock, the Lee girls basketball team's outright District 3-6A hopes came down to two Kyra Lewis free throw attempts in Tuesday's game versus rival Midland High.

The fans on the Midland High side of the Chaparral Center were stomping their feet and creating a ruckus to rattle Lewis to miss the attempts.

Lewis made both free throws to carry the Lady Rebels to a heart-stopping 44-43 victory over the Lady Bulldogs and claim the outright District 3-6A championship over their crosstown rivals.

"I swear it was nerve wracking but I just had to ask God for peace of mind just so I could focus through it," Lewis said. "(MHS fans) were loud, oh my goodness, they were so many people. I just had to ask God for peace. I know without it, I probably would have missed it. I would have been too nervous to even go up there.

"I told my mom (Lee head coach Monica Ramirez), 'I got it.'

Lee (24-4, 10-0 in District 3-6A) will represent District 3-6A as the No. 1 seed in the Class 6A playoffs, while Midland High (20-9, 8-2) will settle for the No. 2 seed as it came up short in its attempt to share the district championship.

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Bulldogs hold on for win; Rebels eliminated

By Will Korn
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Fighting to keep its slim playoff hopes alive, the Lee boys basketball team left everything on the court against Midland High on Tuesday at Chaparral Center.

The Rebels battled through adversity in different forms for 32 minutes and even took an early fourth quarter lead against the Bulldogs.

But as it has on a few occasions this season, Lee (3-21, 0-8 in District 3-6A) came up just short in a 54-49 loss that eliminated it from playoff contention.

The Bulldogs (10-15, 4-4 in District 3-6A) moved one step closer to locking down the fourth and final playoff spot in the district. MHS can clinch a postseason berth with a win at Odessa Permian on Friday, or with an Odessa High loss against Lee.

After the game, a frustrated Lee head coach Chris Packer said there was no way he could fault the effort of his players. He said his team just couldn't find a way to get the job done in an absolute must-win game.

"My kids fought their tails off," Packer said. "There were a few plays where we didn't take care of business and I shouldn't have gotten that technical foul (in the fourth quarter) and that's on me. But my kids fought their tails off and I'm proud as hell of them. They played their tails off and that's all I'm going to say."

Please see BOYS/3C

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Jalen Childress (11) moves the ball against Lee's Semaj Davis (1) on Tuesday at Chaparral Center.

Klingberg gives Stars 4-3 win over Wild in OT

By Dave Campbell
Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. — John Klingberg scored in overtime and Kari Lehtonen made 37 saves to win for the first time in more than a month and give the Dallas Stars a 4-3 victory Tuesday over Minnesota, the 10th loss in the last 11 games for the fading Wild.

Jamie Benn, who had two assists, set up Klingberg's high shot from the slot that eluded Darcy Kuemper with 2:21 remaining in the extra period. Patrick Eaves added a goal and an assist and Tyler Seguin notched two assists for the Stars, who recovered well from a 5-1 loss Saturday at Chicago.

Kuemper stopped 26 shots for the Wild, who fell to a woeful 1-10 in the 3-on-3 overtime format this season. They're 1-10-1 since a 2-1 win Jan. 9 at Dallas.

Mikko Koivu's power-play goal evened the game just 76 seconds into the third period, finishing a chaotic sequence in front of the net after Zach Parise and Matt Dumba each hit the post with their shots. Dumba was taken down by Stars defenseman Johnny Oduya, and as he lay face-first in the crease with his stick in the net, Koivu punched in the puck without it hitting Dumba's hand. Replay review upheld the goal, and Stars coach Lindy Ruff didn't challenge the ruling.

The Wild outshot the Stars 16-4 in the third period.

Erik Haula and Justin Fontaine scored on breakaways for the Wild in the first period for the strong start they needed, but Minnesota native Alex Goligoski gave the Stars a momentum-limiting goal between them off a slick behind-the-net pass from Seguin.

Jason Demers tied the game at 2 early in the second period with a going-wide shot that glanced off Wild defenseman Nate Prosser and slipped past Kuemper, fittingly for how rough the new year has been for the home team. Then, Eaves put the Stars in front with his power-play shot set up by another fine feed from Seguin.

The Wild stumbled home from a three-game road trip during which they lost each game while being outscored 13-6 despite a 100-92 shots advantage. Thomas Vanek, who had two assists, was back on the third line after being a healthy scratch Saturday at St. Louis. Jason Zucker returned to the fourth line from the same punishment, but the Wild were without two of their top defensemen, Jonas Brodin and Jared Spurgeon.

That's a difficult way to play the NHL's second-highest-scoring team, with an average of 3.2 goals per game and two of the top four scorers in the league with Benn and Seguin. Jason Spezza missed his second straight game with an upper-body injury, but the Stars had more than enough juice to overcome his absence.

Please see STARS/2C

MHS suspends 10, drops district opener

From staff reports

ABILENE — Severely short-handed, the Midland High boys soccer team dropped its District 3-6A opening match, 2-1 in regulation against Abilene High on Tuesday at Shotwell Stadium.

The Bulldogs (7-5, 0-0-0-1) were missing 10 starting players, including star forwards Alex VonHolle and Homero Vasquez, due to a violation of team rules. The 10 players are suspended indefinitely, according MHS head coach Warren Cottle.

"They violated team rules and are serving suspensions," Cottle said. "We're just trying to push through it."

Cottle would not elaborate further.

The defeat snapped a seven-game winning streak for MHS dating back to the final day of the President's Cup on Jan. 16.

After a scoreless first half, the Eagles (11-4, 1-0-0-0) took a 1-0 lead in the 44th minute. But MHS quickly answered in the 46th minute on an unassisted goal by Fernando Quintero.

AHS grabbed the lead again with goal in the 53rd minute and held on for the victory.

MHS will next travel to Odessa Permian to take on the Panthers at noon on Saturday.

DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

ON TV

BASEBALL

World Baseball Classic Qualifier: Australia vs. Philippines, 2:30 a.m., MLB

GOLF

European PGA: Tshwane Open, 1st Round, 2:30 a.m., GOLF

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Tulane at East Carolina, 5:15 p.m., ESPNews

Butler at Seton Hall, 5:30 p.m., FS1

LSU at South Carolina, 6 p.m., ESPN2

Memphis at Houston, 6 p.m., ESPNU

Texas A&M at Tulane, 6 p.m., SEC

Providence at Marquette, 6 p.m., CBSSN

Nebraska at Wisconsin, 6 p.m., BTN

Wake Forest at Georgia Tech, 6 p.m., FSSW+

St. Joseph's at George Washington, 6 p.m., SNY

Richmond at St. Louis, 7 p.m., FCSA

Baylor at Kansas State, 7:15 p.m., ESPNews

Washington at Utah, 8 p.m., ESPN2

Iowa State at Texas Tech, 8 p.m., ESPNU

Missouri at Vanderbilt, 8 p.m., SEC

Tulsa at SMU, 8 p.m., CBSSN

Michigan at Minnesota, 8 p.m., BTN

Air Force at Nevada, 9 p.m., ROOT+

San Diego State at Fresno State, 10 p.m., CBSSN

MEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Cal State Northridge at USC, 10 p.m., P12, P12 LA

NBA

San Antonio at Orlando, 6 p.m., FSSWSA

LA Lakers at Cleveland, 7 p.m., ESPN, ESPNDEP

Houston at Portland, 9:30 p.m., ESPN

NHL

NY Rangers at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m., NBCSN

TENNIS

ATP: Rotterdam, WTA: St. Petersburg, ATP: Buenos Aires, 10:30 a.m., TENNIS

ATP: Rotterdam, WTA: St. Petersburg, ATP: Buenos Aires, 2 a.m., TENNIS

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Baylor at TCU, 7 p.m., FSSW, FCSC

Oklahoma State at Texas, 7 p.m., LHN

LATE HS GOLF

2016 4A State Preview Tournament
at Onion Creek Country Club, Austin
Monday

Boys

Team standings — 1. Argyle 321-321—642; 2. Monahans 342-337—679; 3. Andrews 337-361—697; 4. Midlothian Heritage 355-346—701; 5. Waco Robinson 359-347—706; 6. Snyder 360-364—724; 6. Snyder 360-364—724; 7. La Vernia 392-380—772

Medalist standings — 1. Tommy Parker, Argyle, 77-79—156; T-2. Logan Diomede, Argyle, 83-75b—158; T-2. John Hill, La Vernia, 78-80—158; 4. Alex Isakson, Argyle, 77-83—160; 5. Will Traylor, Heritage, 82-81—163; 6. Joey Kirk, Monahans, 81-83—16; 7. Chase Allison, Robinson, 83-82—165; 8. Luke Griggs, Argyle, 84-84—168; T-9. Landon Mack, Andrews, 84-86—170; T-9. Cameron Eddings, Monahans, 85-85—170

Other Andrews individuals — Jayden Rochel 94-89—183, Ausden Vasquez 85-94—179, Tanner Stokes 79-94—172, Luke Cooley 90-92—182

Girls

Team standings — 1. Andrews 338-336—674; 2. Lampasas 368-369—737; 3. Winterbrg 395-395—790; 4. Midlothian Heritage 401-384—785; 5. Melissa 412-399—811; 6. Monahans 429-420—849

Medalist standings — 1. Shawnee Allen, La Vernia, 80-74—154; 2. Brooke Nolte, Melissa, 78-79—157; 3. Libby Wallinder, Andrews, 85-75—160; 4. Ryan Pate, Greenwood, 80-84—164; 5. Faith Kilgore, Winterbrg, 82-84—166; 6. Rachel Huffman, Andrews, 82-87—169; 7. Sydney Roberts, Brownwood, 90-80—170; 8. Caroline Taylor, Heritage, 85—85—171; 9. Kinzee McAllister, Andrews, 83-89—172; 10. Madee McCallister, Andrews, 88-85—173

Other Andrews individuals — Libby Wallinder 85-75—160, Madee McCallister 88-85—173, Rachel Huffman 82-87—169, Savannah Pinson 105-103—208, Kinzee McCallister 83-89—172

NJCAA POLL

NJCAA Division I Men's Basketball Poll
(first place votes in parentheses)

No.	Team	Record	Pts.	Pvs.
1.	Trinity Valley CC (14)	24-1	349	1
2.	Georgia Highlands	23-1	332	2
3.	North Idaho (2)	26-0	327	3
4.	Indian Hills CC	25-2	306	5
5.	Harcum College	22-2	285	6
6.	Connors State	21-2	272	7
7.	Eastern Florida State	23-3	264	11
8.	Gillette College	25-1	255	4
9.	Mineral Area	24-3	246	9
10.	John A. Logan	21-3	204	12
11.	Hutchinson CC	23-3	193	13
12.	Southwest Tennessee	20-3	192	14
13.	Northwest Florida State	20-4	189	8
14.	McLennan CC	22-4	154	9
15.	Arkansas Baptist	22-3	149	16
16.	Marion Military	19-3	124	21
17.	Wallace State	21-4	97	20
18.	Otero College	21-4	91	15
19.	Ranger College	21-4	67	24
20.	Iowa Western	20-5	64	19
21.	Odessa College	19-6	79	17
22.	South Georgia State	21-3	69	22
23.	Southwestern Illinois	20-4	36	RV
24.	Neosho County	21-4	33	22
25.	Palm Beach State	20-5	25	19

Others receiving votes: **Midland College (19-6), 17 points**

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Agreed to terms with LHPs Ashur Tolliver and Hideki Okajima and 3B Patrick Pedroia on minor league contracts.

CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Agreed to terms with RHP Mat Latos on a one-year contract and 1B Travis Ishikawa on a minor league contract.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Extended their player development contract with Burlington (Appalachian) through the 2020 season.

SEATTLE MARINERS — Agreed to terms with RHP Joel Peralta on a minor league contract.

National League

SAN DIEGO PADRES — Agreed to terms with OF Skip Schumaker on a minor league contract.

American Association

FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS — Signed OF Chad Mozingo.

LINCOLN SALTDOGS — Signed RHP Casey Collins.

WINNIPEG GOLDEYES — Signed INF Wes Darvill.

Can-Am League

ROCKLAND BOULDERS — Signed INF Jared Schlehuber.

Frontier League

EVANSVILLE OTTERS — Signed RHP Ryan Minner.

FLORENCE FREEDOM — Signed RHP Matt Poberezlo.

GATEWAY GRIZZLIES — Signed OF Madison Beaird to a contract extension.

SCHAUMBURG BOOMERS — Signed RHP Tony DiMaio.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA — Suspended L.A. Clippers F Blake Griffin four games for punching a team staff member.

HOUSTON ROCKETS — Recalled G-F K.J. McDaniels and F-C Donatas Motiejunas from Rio Grande Valley (NBADL).

MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES — Recalled F Jarell Martin from Iowa (NBADL).

FOOTBALL

National Football League

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Released QB Ryan Lindley. Named Maurice Drayton assistant special teams coach, Late Hull wide receivers coach and Jemel Singleton running backs coach. Quadrian Banks conditioning-performance analyst and Andrew Hayes-Stoker assistant to the head coach. Promoted Joe Philbin to assistant head coach-offensive line.

NEW YORK JETS — Named John Scott Jr. assistant defensive line coach, David Diaz-Infante assistant offensive line coach and Tim Atkins defensive quality control coach.

OAKLAND RAIDERS — Terminated the contract of S Nate Allen.

TENNESSEE TITANS — Released S Michael Griffin.

Canadian Football League

WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Signed WR Ryan Smith to a two-year contract and PK Justin Medlock, RBs Andrew Harris and Pascal Lochard and DT Keith Shologan.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ARIZONA COYOTES — Recalled F Tyler Gaudet from Springfield (AHL).

OTTAWA SENATORS — Traded D Jared Cowen, Fs Milan Michalek, Colin Greening and Tobias Lindberg and a 2017 second-round draft pick to Toronto for D Dion Phaneuf and Cody Donaghey and Fs Matt Frattin, Casey Bailey and Ryan Rupert.

Canadian Football League

WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Signed OL Jeff Keeping.

ECHL

ECHL — Suspended Norfolk D Samuel Noreau five games.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

D.C. UNITED — Traded F Conor Doyle to Colorado for a 2017 third-round draft pick.

NEW YORK RED BULLS — Completed the transfer of D Gideon Baah from Helsingin Jalkapalloklubi (HJK Helsinki).

PHILADELPHIA UNION — Acquired G Matt Jones on loan from Belenenses (Primeira Liga-Portugal).

National Women's Soccer League

SKY BLUE FC — M Hayley McCall announced her retirement.

COLLEGE

INTERCOLLEGIATE TENNIS ASSOCIATION — Named Wes Beaulieu championships coordinator.

SAN JOSE STATE — Named Arnold Ale, Ron English, Will Harris and Barry Sacks assistant football coaches.

STANFORD — Announced the retirement of defensive line coach Randy Hart.

SKI REPORT

New Mexico

Angel Fire — Tue 5/37 am packed powder machine groomed 30 - 43 base 76 of 78 trails 100% open, 6 of 7 lifts, Mon-Thu: 9a-4p; Fri: 9a-8p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Pajarito — Sun Reopen 02/10 packed powder machine groomed 30 - 49 base 40 of 44 trails, 91% open, 6 of 7 lifts, Wed-Fri: 9a-4p, Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; Open Wed-Sun;

Red River — Tue 7:24 am powder machine groomed 50 - 50 base 56 of 56 trails 100% open, 257 acres, 7 of 7 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Sandia Peak — Fri Reopen 02/12 packed powder machine groomed 20 - 38 base 35 of 39 trails; 90% open, 5 of 5 lifts, Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; Open Fri-Sun;

Sipapu — Tue 5:19 am packed powder machine groomed 43 - 53 base 42 of 42 trails, 100% open; 10 miles, 200 acres, 6 of 6 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Ski Apache — Mon 9:13 pm MG machine groomed 54 - 140 base 54 of 55 trails 98% open, 10 of 10 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Ski Santa Fe — Sun 4:55 pm packed powder machine groomed 103 - 103 base 79 of 79 trails 100% open, 7 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Taos — Tue 5:32 am powder machine groomed 94 - 94 base 110 of 110 trails,100% open; 1294 acres, 12 of 15 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Colorado

Arapahoe Basin — Tue 5:35 am packed powder machine groomed 50 - 52 base 104 of 109 trails; 95% open, 690 acres, 7 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;

Aspen Highlands — Tue 5:49 am packed powder machine groomed 59 - 71 base 122 of 122 trails 100% open, 1040 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-3:30p; Sat/Sun: 9a-3:30p;

Aspen Mountain — Tue 5:48 am packed powder machine groomed 50 - 53 base 76 of 76 trails 100% open, 675 acres, 6 of 6 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-3:30p; Sat/Sun: 9a-3:30p;

Beaver Creek — Tue 5:21 am packed powder machine groomed 46 - 48 base 144 of 150 trails; 96% open, 1850 acres, 24 of 25 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Breckenridge — Tue 5:34 am MG machine groomed 55 - 55 base 180 of 187 trails; 99% open, 2789 acres, 31 of 35 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;

Buttermilk — Tue 5:46 am packed powder machine groomed 44 - 59 base 97 of 44 trails; 94% open, 410 acres, 7 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-3:30p; Sat/Sun: 9a-3:30p;

Cooper — Tue 7:05 am packed powder machine groomed 42 - 46 base 38 of 39 trails, 97% open; 26 miles, 375 acres, 3 of 4 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Copper Mountain — Tue 5:10 am MG machine groomed 51 - 63 base 141 of 143 trails; 99% open, 2437 acres, 25 of 23 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;

Crested Butte — Mon 9:29 pm packed powder machine groomed 58 - 58 base 111 of 121 trails, 92% open, 1051 acres, 15 of 16 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Echo Mountain — Reopen 02/09

Eldora — Tue 6:43 am MG machine groomed 45 - 45 base 54 of 54 trails, 100% open 600 acres; 7 of 11 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Keystone — Tue 5:24 am packed powder machine groomed 46 - 46 base 131 of 131 trails 100% open, 3144 acres, 19 of 20 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4p;

Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;

Loveland — Tue 5:34 am powder machine groomed 54 - 94 base 81 of 81 trails, 97% open, 1850 acres, 10 of 10 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;

Monarch — Tue 6:52 am packed powder machine groomed 70 - 70 base 52 of 52 trails,100% open

600 acres, 5 of 6 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Powderhorn — Tue 5:49 am powder machine groomed 60 - 60 base 42 of 44 trails

95% open, 4 of 5 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Purgatory — Tue 5:14 am packed powder machine groomed 55 - 62 base 91 of 91 trails 100% open, 1380 acres, 8 of 9 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Silverton Mountain — Tue Reopen 02/11 powder 75 - 100 base 89 of 89 trails,100% open, 1819 acres, 1 of 1 lift Thu/Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p; Open Thu-Sun;

Ski Cooper Ranch — Tue 6:41 am packed powder machine groomed 31 - 31 base 39 of 40 trails; 98% open, 400 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat: 9a-4p, 5p-8p; Sun: 9a-4p;

Snowmass — Tue 5:47 am packed powder machine groomed 47 - 62 base 91 of 91 trails, 97% open; 3332 acres, 19 of 20 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;

Steamboat — Tue 4:54 am packed powder machine groomed 55 - 76 base 165 of 165 trails 100% open, 3500 acres, 16 of 18 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4:30p; Mon, Thu/Fri: 8:30p-6:30p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4:30p, 6:30-8:30p;

HIGHSCHOOLSOCCERROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

2016 District 3-6A boys soccer

Team	W	PW	PL	L	Pts.
Abilene High (11-4-0)	1	0	0	0	3
Lee (7-3-0)	1	0	0	0	3
Odessa High (3-8-2)	1	0	0	0	3
Midland High (3-9-0)	0	0	0	1	0
Odessa Permian (7-1-2)	0	0	0	1	0
San Angelo Central (3-4-1)	0	0	0	1	0

Tuesday's Scores

Abilene High 2, Midland High 0; Lee 1, Odessa Permian 0; Odessa High 2, San Angelo Central 1

Saturday's Matches

Midland High at Odessa Permian; Lee at San Angelo Central; Abilene High at Odessa High. All matches start at noon.

2016 District 3-6A girls soccer

Team	W	PW	PL	L	Pts.
San Angelo Central (12-1-2)	1	0	0	0	3
Lee (9-3-1)	1	0	0	0	3
Midland High (9-9-0)	1	0	0	0	3
Odessa High (8-4-1)	0	0	0	1	0
Abilene High (5-6-0)	0	0	0	1	0
Odessa Permian (7-5-2)	0	0	0	1	0

Note: 3 points for a win, 2 points for a penalty kick win, 1 point for a penalty kick lost

Tuesday Scores

Midland High 4, Abilene High 0; Lee 1, Odessa Permian 0; San Angelo Central 1, Odessa High 0

Saturday's Matches

Midland High at Odessa Permian; Lee at San Angelo Central; Abilene High at Odessa High. All matches start at 2 p.m.

Boys

LEE SHUTS OUT PERMIAN

The Lee boys soccer team opened District 3-6A play with a 1-0 victory over Odessa Permian Tuesday at Grand Communications Stadium.

The only goal of this defensive contest came late in the second half when Leo Barba had a free kick that was finished by Nate Ortiz.

The Rebels (7-3-2, 1-0-0-0, 3 points) next host San Angelo Central at noon on Saturday.

Girls

LADY REBELS GET SHUTOUT

The Lee girls soccer team got a 1-0 win over Odessa Permian in the District 3-6A opener at Grande Communications Stadium.

Jessy Luna got the game-winner with an unassisted goal in the 55th minute.

Lee coach Alan Castillejos said the game was a fight until the end but the Lady Rebels (7-2-1, 1-0-0-0, 3 points) worked as a team and said Luna, Cheyenne Pearce and Abi Baeza were key for his team.

Lee next hosts Odessa Permian at 2 p.m Saturday.

MHS ROUTS ABILENE HIGH

ABILENE — The Midland High girls soccer team got a convincing 4-0 road win over Abilene High to begin District 3-6A action.

The Lady Bulldogs (4-8-0, 1-0-0-0, 3 points) got goal by Claudia Fricker (3rd minute), Naysa Quintela (58th minute), Raquel Houston (60th minute) and Adrienne (75th minute).

MHS next goes to Odessa Permian at 2 p.m. Saturday.

San Angelo ISD files realignment appeal to UIL

From staff reports

San Angelo ISD is appealing the University Interscholastic League's realignment of San Angelo Central in basketball, according to the San Angelo Standard-Times.

In the UIL's realignment announcement a week ago, Central was placed in District 2-6A with Midland High, Lee, Odessa High, Odessa Permian, Amarillo Tascosa and Wolfforth Frenship for football but placed in District 8 with the Killeen area schools for basketball for the next two academic seasons.

SAISD superintendent Carl Dethloff was quoted in the Standard-Times saying that it would be in the district's best interest to have its kids travel west instead of traveling east. He added that by traveling out west, the teams would also have better road conditions than the 113 miles of two-lane highways from San Angelo to Killeen.

SAISD will go before the appeals committee next week in Austin.

NBAROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

JAZZ 121 MAVERICKS 119, OT

DALLAS — Gordon Hayward hit a fadeaway jumper at the buzzer in overtime and the Utah Jazz extended their season-best winning streak to seven games with a 121-119 victory over the Dallas Mavericks on Tuesday night.

Rodney Hood had a tying 3-pointer with 1.5 seconds left in regulation as the Jazz ended a 10-game losing streak in Dallas. Their last win on the Mavericks' home court was Jan. 9, 2010.

Hood finished with 29 points, and Hayward had 20, including 13 in the second half and overtime.

Chandler Parsons led Dallas with 24 points but missed an open 3-pointer for the lead with 24 seconds left in the Mavericks' second straight overtime game and NBA-high eighth of the season.

SPURS 119 HEAT 101

MIAMI — Within seven points early in the fourth quarter, the Miami Heat had reason to believe they could knock off the San Antonio Spurs.

Those hopes were dashed in a mere 16 seconds.

LaMarcus Aldridge scored 28 points, Kawhi Leonard added 23 and the Spurs got seven points on one possession to help them beat the Heat 119-101 on Tuesday night — the sixth straight time San Antonio has topped Miami, going back to the 2014 NBA Finals.

Danny Green scored 15 for the Spurs, who have won five straight.

"You saw what we felt," Heat coach Erik Spoelstra said. "The Spurs were terrific in that second half. Right now, that's a different level of basketball from where we are, right now, today. But that doesn't mean it can't change when we get back from the break."

Dwyane Wade scored 20 points on 9 for 12 shooting for Miami, which goes into the All-Star break on a two-game slide. Chris Bosh scored 18 and Hassan Whiteside added 14 points and six rebounds before getting ejected in that pivotal possession in the fourth. Whiteside was assessed a flagrant-2 for elbowing the Spurs' Boban Marjanovic as they tried to get position for a rebound.

WIZARDS 111 KNICKS 108

NEW YORK — John Wall had 28 points and 17 assists, Bradley Beal scored 26, and the Washington Wizards beat New York 111-108 on Tuesday night in the Knicks' first game under Kurt Rambis.

Wall made four free throws in the final 6.6 seconds and the Wizards held on when Langston Galloway's 3-pointer at the buzzer was just short.

Carmelo Anthony had 33 points and 13 rebounds, but the Knicks lost their sixth straight in their first game since firing Derek Fisher on Monday. They have dropped 10 of 11 and started Rambis' era the same way Fisher's ended, by quickly falling in a huge early hole.

Rookie Kristaps Porzingis scored 20 points, but just two after his 1-of-point third quarter.

Beal also took a charge against Arron Afflalo when a video replay overturned what had been ruled a blocking foul on a basket with 44 seconds left, a play that could have cut Washington's lead to two.

BUCKS 112 CELTICS 111

MILWAUKEE — Khris Middleton made one of two free throws with 0.6 seconds left and the Milwaukee Bucks defeated the Boston Celtics 112-111 in improbable fashion on Tuesday night.

Middleton drew a foul on Avery Bradley to get to the line. Boston had tied the game when Kelly Olynyk made two free throws with one second remaining.

Milwaukee appeared to have won the game on Greg Monroe's last-second hook shot, giving the Bucks a 111-109 lead. Olynyk then drew the foul with no time expiring off the clock.

Monroe, who was removed from the starting lineup, had 29 points and 12 rebounds as the Bucks ended a five-game losing streak. Middleton had 20 points and Michael Carter-Williams, who also was benched, added 16.

NBA GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	35	16	.686	—
Boston	31	23	.574	5½
New York	23	32	.418	14
Brooklyn	14	38	.264	22
Philadelphia	8	44	.154	27½

Southeast Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	30	24	.556	—
Miami	29	24	.547	½
Charlotte	26	26	.500	3
Washington	23	27	.460	5
Orlando	23	28	.451	5½

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	37	14	.725	—
Indiana	28	24	.538	8½
Chicago	27	24	.529	10
Detroit	27	26	.509	11
Milwaukee	21	32	.396	17

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	44	9	.846	—
Memphis	30	22	.577	14
Dallas	29	26	.527	16½
Houston	27	26	.509	17½
New Orleans	19	32	.373	24½

Northwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	39	14	.736	—
Utah	26	25	.510	12
Portland	26	27	.491	13
Denver	21	32	.396	18
Minnesota	16	37	.302	23

Pacific Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	46	4	.920	—
L.A. Clippers	35	17	.673	12
Sacramento	21	31	.404	26
Phoenix	14	39	.264	33½
L.A. Lakers	11	43	.204	37

Scores and schedule

Tuesday's Scores

Milwaukee 112, Boston 111

San Antonio 119, Miami 101
Washington 111, New York 108
Utah 121, Dallas 119, OT
Houston at Golden State, late

Today's Games

Charlotte at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Sacramento at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
San Antonio at Orlando, 6 p.m.
Memphis at Brooklyn, 6:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
Denver at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Utah at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Golden State at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Houston at Portland, 9:30 p.m.

NHL GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	54	32	16	6	70	155	123
Tampa Bay	53	29	20	4	62	142	130
Detroit	53	27	18	8	62	134	134
Boston	53	28	19	6	62	157	147
Montreal	55	27	24	4	58	151	146
Ottawa	54	25	23	6	56	157	170
Buffalo	54	21	27	6	48	125	150
Toronto	51	19	23	9	47	122	145

Metropolitan Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Rangers	53	30	18	5	65	153	137
N.Y. Islanders	52	28	18	6	62	149	132
Pittsburgh	52	27	18	7	61	139	135
New Jersey	55	27	21	7	61	124	129
Carolina	54	24	21	9	57	130	144
Philadelphia	52	23	20	9	55	124	142
Columbus	55	21	28	6	48	140	173

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	57	36	17	4	76	159	130
Dallas	54	34	15	5	73	176	147
St. Louis	56	30	17	9	69	136	134
Nashville	54	25	21	8	58	141	146
Colorado	55	27	24	4	58	149	152
Minnesota	53	23	20	10	56	130	132
Winnipeg	53	24	26	3	51	138	153

Pacific Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	52	32	17	3	67	146	121
San Jose	52	28	20	4	60	151	139
Anaheim	52	26	19	7	59	119	124
Arizona	52	24	22	6	54	139	162
Vancouver	52	20	20	12	52	124	145
Calgary	51	23	25	3	49	135	150
Edmonton	55	21	29	5	47	137	167

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

Scores and schedule

Tuesday's Scores

N.Y. Islanders 3, Columbus 2, SO
Winnipeg 2, St. Louis 1, SO
Los Angeles 9, Boston 2
Florida 7, Buffalo 4
Anaheim 4, Philadelphia 1
Montreal 4, Tampa Bay 2
New Jersey 2, Edmonton 1
Washington 5, Nashville 3
Dallas 4, Minnesota 3, OT
San Jose 2, Chicago 0
Vancouver at Colorado, late
Toronto at Calgary, late

Today's Games

Ottawa at Detroit, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Vancouver at Arizona, 8:30 p.m.

STARS

From 1C

Lehtonen started for the first time in the last seven games.

NOTES: Brodin, on injured reserve with a broken foot expected to keep him out until sometime in March, missed his second straight game. Spurgeon sat out with a far-less-serious injury the team called a bone bruise. ... Kuemper started for the first time in five games. ... The Stars won four of five games against the Wild this season, three in overtime.

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HIGHSCHOOLBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Girls

GREENWOOD 61 MONAHANS 25

Greenwood finished District 4-4A play with blowout win over Monahans Tuesday at Greenwood High School.

Greenwood (21-11, 9-1) will share the district championship with Seminole and the two teams will play each other in Andrews on Friday to determine who will be the No. 1 seed going into the playoffs. The time has yet to be determined.

Caity Payne led the Rangerettes with 13 points, while Callie Rose Gilbert and Natalee Karcher each added 10 points in a winning effort.

GREENWOOD 61, MONAHANS 25

Monahans (1-9 in 4-4A) — H. Braden 3, Aragon 5, Holly 8, Carter 2, Porras 1, A. Braden 6

Greenwood (21-11, 9-1) — Caity Payne 13, Madison Ulzak 2, Reagan Shanks 4, Natalee Karcher 10, Bailey Thompson 8, Layne Banks 6, Cylie Mebane 7, Faith Duran 3, Callie Rose Gilbert 10

Monahans	4	9	5	7—25
Greenwood	17	16	17	9—61

Free throws — MHS 11-18, GHS 9-15. 3-point goals — GHS 2 (Payne, Duran). Total fouls — MHS 13, GHS 18. Fouled out — None.

Next: Greenwood vs. Seminole at Andrews, TBA Friday

NO. 12 MCA 61 TRINITY 34

Elleri Haest scored a game-high 20 points to lead No. 12-ranked Midland Classical Academy in a convincing TAPPS 1-3A victory over Trinity at the MCA gym.

Lizabelle Russell added 14 points and Makenna Beattie had 11 for the Lady Knights (16-9, 5-2).

Trinity (7-12, 2-6) was led by Reagan Long with 17 points.

MCA is currently tied for second in the standings. If the Lady Knights win at Lubbock Christian on Friday, it will be the No. 2 seed going into the playoff. A loss would probably mean a tiebreaker game next Tuesday against Amarillo San Jacinto.

NO. 12 MCA 61, TRINITY 34

Trinity (7-12, 2-6) — Julia Sharum 3, Reagan Long 17, Rebecca Young 8, Karoline Watson 3, Isabella Garriga 2

MCA (16-9, 5-2) — Hilary Sunderland 4, Allison Beattie 2, Elleri Haest 20, Morgan Jones 5, Lexi Carter 5, Lizabelle Russell 14, Makenna Beattie 11, Kristen Johnson 2

Trinity	8	10	10	—34
MCA	20	10	6	19—61

Free throws — Trinity 5-7, MCA 10-26. 3-point goals — Trinity 7 (Sharum, Long 4, Young, Watson), MCA 5 (Carter, M. Beattie, Haest). Total fouls — Trinity 18, MCA 11. Fouled out — Trinity: Taylor Wilborite, Watson.

Next: MCA at Lubbock Christian, 6:30 p.m. Friday

ANDREWS 62 FORT STOCKTON 41

ANDREWS — Taylor Bailey scored a game-high 23 points to lead Andrews to a District 4-4A victory over Fort Stockton.

Andrews (12-18, 5-5) is tied with Pecos for the No. 3 seed and will have a coin flip today to determine which teams goes into the playoffs as the higher seed.

Janey Leach added 12 points and Mikyla Alvidrez had 11 for the Lady Mustangs.

ANDREWS 62, FORT STOCKTON 41

Fort Stockton (1-9 District 4-4A) — Christina Villarreal 5, Lizette Hernandez 2, Nini Villarreal 7, Natalee Hodges 2, Elizabeth Mata 6, Alyssa Aaron 3, Madison Taylor 6, Arianna Zapata 10

Andrews (12-18, 5-5) Miyranda Bejarano 1, Taylor Bailey 23, Rae Johnson 7, Rylee Diaz 8, Mikyla Alvidrez 11, Janey Leach 12

Fort Stockton	10	9	9	14—41
Andrews	24	20	7	11—62

Free throws — 14-24, AHS 17-27. 3 Point Field Goals - Fort Stockton 1 (N Villarreal 1), Andrews 3 (Johnson 2, Bailey 1). Total Fouls - Fort Stockton 19, Andrews 19. Fouled Out — Alvidrez.

Next: Andrews, TBA

Boys

ANDREWS 63 FORT STOCKTON 41

ANDREWS — Devon Fitgerald scored a game-high 20 points to lead Andrews to a District 4-4A blowout win over Fort Stockton.

Samuel Robertson added 11 for the Mustangs (4-4 in district), who sit in third place in the standings.

ANDREWS 63, FORT STOCKTON 41

Fort Stockton (2-8) — Shorter 4, Acosta 11, Dogich 6, Hernandez 8, Herrera 4, Whistler 3, Johnson 3, Nolan 2

Andrews (4-4) — Peyton Lopez 3, Joel Flores 7, Linus Gruber 8, Devon Fitzgerald 20, Keegan Thompson 2, Triston Williams 4, Johnny Phillips 4, Samuel Robertson 11, Aaron Doyle 4

Fort Stockton	5	10	18	—41
Andrews	19	17	20	8—63

Free throws — FSHS 9-15, AHS 9-18. 3-point goals — FSHS 3 (Hernandez 2, Whistler), AHS 6 (Lopez, Gruber, Fitzgerald 4). Total fouls — FSHS 19, AHS 16. Fouled out — Hernandez.

Next: Andrews at Pecos, 6:30 p.m. Friday

MONAHANS 50 GREENWOOD 33

MONAHANS — Monahans went on a 34-14 run over the second and third quarter to top visiting Greenwood, 50-33 on Tuesday in District 4-4A play.

Seth Keeton led the Rangers (5-23, 3-5) with 11 points but no other Greenwood player scored more than six in the loss.

Greenwood can clinch a postseason berth with a road win against Fort Stockton at 6:30 p.m. Friday.

MONAHANS 50, GREENWOOD 33

Greenwood (5-23, 3-5) — Moore 8, Magallan 2, Ellison 2, Tino Madrid 1, Fabian Madrid 4, Kelley Cooper 2, Seth Keeton 11, Blake Elliott 5

Monahans (7-1) — Smith 8, Birdwell 12, Montez 8, Williams 3, Jackson 7, Rodriguez 12

Greenwood	7	4	10	12—33
Monahans	5	17	17	11—50

Free throws — Greenwood 4-8, Monahans 6-10. 3-point goals — Greenwood 3 (Moore 2, Keeton), Monahans 6 (Smith 2, Birdwell 3, Rodriguez). Total fouls — Greenwood 15, Monahans 10. Fouled out — none.

Next: Greenwood at Fort Stockton, 6:30 p.m. Friday

NO. 9 MCA 60 TRINITY 44

Fueled by a 26-16 fourth quarter run, the No. 9-ranked MCA boys team pulled away for a 60-44 home win against Trinity on Tuesday in TAPPS 1-3A play.

Heath Gladson led the Knights (22-9, 6-1) with 17 points, while Garrett Sparks and Blake Gladson added 14 and 11 points, respectively, for MCA.

Peter Rodenko led all scorers with 22 points for Trinity (9-10, 2-6).

With win on Friday at Lubbock Christian, MCA will be in a tie for first place with LC. A loss will slot the Knights into the second seed in the district.

NO. 9 MCA 60, TRINITY 44

Trinity — Daniel Webb 5, Peter Rodenko 22, Vincent Baiano 4, Ben Witt 8, Anthony Dragun 2, Jacyree Webbs 3

MCA (22-9, 6-1) — Conrey Echols 3, Garrett Sparks 14, Heath Gladson 17, Blake Gladson 11, Marshall McCray 8, Cole Miller 4, Kevin Giffin 3

Trinity	11	9	8	16—44
MCA	8	19	7	26—60

Free throws — Trinity 12-17, MCA 14-18. 3-point goals — Trinity 4 (Webb, Rodenko 2, Webbs), MCA 4 (Echols, H. Gladson, B. Gladson). Total fouls — Trinity 18, MCA 15. Fouled out — Trinity, Baiano; MCA, Giffin.

Next: MCA at Lubbock Christian, 8 p.m. Friday

STANTON 63 SONORA 43

STANTON — Tristan Graves poured in a game-high 24 points to help Stanton roll past Sonora and secure at least the No. 3 seed out of District 5-3A.

Austin Fryar and Sebastian Escamilla each added 10 for the Buffaloes (12-11, 3-3).

STANTON 63, SONORA 43

Sonora (3-4 in 5-3A) — Cruz 5, Cordell 6, Creek 11, Campos 2, Solis 11, Arredando 8

Stanton (12-11, 3-3) — Tristan Graves 24, Abel Hernandez 2, Colby Gordon 5, Blake Snellgrove 4, Justin Rifle 2, Estevan Chavez 6, Austin Fryar 10, Sebastian Escamilla 10

Sonora	10	8	18	7—43
Stanton	14	21	14	14—63

Free throws — Sonora 3-6, Stanton 7-11. 3-point goals — Sonora 4 (Cruz, Solis, Arredando 2), Stanton 6 (Graves 4, Gordon, Snellgrove). Total fouls — Sonora 15, Stanton 13. Fouled out — Arredando.

Next: Colorado City at Stanton, 7:30 Friday

Boys

From 1C

MHS senior forward Jamel Jones, who co-led the Bulldogs with 14 points in the win, said he expected nothing less from Lee, especially in a rivalry game with win-or-go-home implications.

He added that it was paramount that his team put an ugly 81-46 road loss at San Angelo Central last Friday behind it and focus on handling a Rebel squad desperate for a win.

"In this rivalry game, we just had to forget about what happened Friday," Jones said. "We knew this (Lee) was going to be a tough team. They definitely needed this win and we knew they were going to throw everything they had (at us). We had to come back (from last Friday) and fight."

Outside of the first quarter, Tuesday's game was a much different story than the two teams' first meeting back on Jan. 19.

The Rebels played a sub-par offensive first half and missed a couple of wide open layups that came back to haunt them. Lee turned the ball over 11 times in the first 16 minutes and shot just 33 percent from the floor.

3-6A boys basketball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
x-Abilene High	8	0	29	3
x-San Angelo Central	5	3	20	10
x-Odessa Permian	5	3	12	10
Midland High	4	4	10	14
Odessa High	2	6	15	12
Lee	0	8	3	22

x -denotes clinched playoff spot
y-denotes clinched district title
e -denotes eliminated from playoff consention

Tuesday's Scores
Midland High 54, Lee 49; San Angelo Central 49, Odessa Permian 35; Abilene High 68, Odessa High 52.

Friday's Games
Midland High at Odessa Permian; Odessa High at Lee; San Angelo Central at Abilene High. All games tip off at 6 p.m.

But Lee played with plenty of energy and physicality and hung tough as MHS only managed a 30-23 lead at the break.

All that energy carried over and the Rebels turned the tide of the game in the third quarter. Lee's defense caught fire, forcing 10 Bulldog turnovers in the period that got the Rebels out into transition.

The Lee faithful at Chap Center exploded as junior guard Tra Collins' layup gave the Rebels' a 36-35 lead with 2:08 left to play in the third.

MHS head coach Shan Hooker was disgusted with his team's ball security in the third. The underlying problem for the Bulldogs seemed to be a lack of intensity over a lengthy stretch.

"(I told the MHS players) We've got to take care of the ball," Hooker said. "We had to be stronger with the ball. We were weak with the ball. They (the Lee players) just had a little flick of the hand and they'd knock the ball out of our hands. We went to the basket and we wanted the calls. But if you don't go strong (to the basket), you don't get the call."

To start the fourth, Lee went on a 5-0 run to grab a 43-39 advantage — it's largest lead this season against MHS.

The two teams exchanged baskets for a couple minutes but then a couple of costly calls against Lee — a rare defensive 3 seconds call as well as a technical foul on Packer — made things more difficult on the Rebels in the final few minutes.

The Bulldogs were able to regain control with an 8-0 run of their own to take a 47-43 lead and then they eventually sealed the win at the free throw line.

Hooker gave the Rebels credit for their heart and hustle in the game. He said he knew they wouldn't go down without a fight.

"That's what I cautioned the team about (before the game)," Hooker said. "Just because they (Lee) haven't won a game in district yet, doesn't mean they won't try to come out and cap off their season by beating their cross-town rival."

Tra Collins led the Rebels with 17 points, while Sema'J Davis added 15 for Lee. Davorian Defell pitched in 14 points for the Bulldogs.

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MIDLAND HIGH 54, LEE 49

Lee (3-21, 0-8) — Sema'J Davis 15, Avery Chambers 5, Tra Collins 17, Cory Sutton 3, Eron Pena 7, Patrick Okimi 2

MHS (10-15, 4-4) — Javonian Grimes 2, Shawn Rivers 6, Daveone Bass 7, Jamel Jones 14, Camran Rock 4, Courtney McMaryion 5, Andrew Norwood 2, Davorian Defell 14

Lee	12	11	16	11—49
MHS	16	12	9	15—54

Free throws — Lee 8-13, MHS 12-23. 3-point goals — Lee 5 (Collins 2, Chambers, Sutton, Pena), MHS 4 (Bass, Jones, Rock, Defell). Total fouls — Lee 19, MHS 15. Fouled out — Lee, Pena; MHS, Defell.

Next: Odessa High at Lee, 6 p.m. Friday at Chaparral Center; MHS at Odessa Permian, 6 p.m. Friday

Louisville's Pitino awaits NCAA interview about sex scandal

By Gary B. Graves
Associated Press

Coach Rick Pitino said Tuesday morning that he is still waiting to be interviewed by the NCAA about an escort's book allegations that a former Louisville staffer hired her and other dancers for sex parties at the team's dormitory.

Pitino has said repeatedly that he did not know about the incidents, and Tuesday took that a step further, saying that athletic director Tom Jurich does not believe he was aware of the activities.

The coach said on ESPN's "Mike & Mike" that if Jurich "thought for one second I had 1 percent knowledge of hearsay in this case, I would have been gone a long time ago."

The university has announced a self-imposed one-year postseason ban for the men's basketball team after the school's investigation into allegations revealed violations did occur.

The coach said he has been kept in the dark about the investigation because he has not been interviewed by the NCAA.

Pitino also has stated that he has no plans to step down, and Tuesday he indicated he position has not changed.

"My future is really irrelevant and unimportant, it's the University of Louisville that I care about," Pitino said. "I do the same thing every single year. I go away, I take my time and say, 'Did you have fun? Do you still have great passion?'

"I have more passion today with coaching, I love teaching more than ever."

Girls

From 1C

The Lady Rebels will face District 4-6A No. 4 Arlington Martin in the bi-district round of the playoffs and the Lady Bulldogs will meet No. 3 Arlington Lamar. Both games are expected to be played in Abilene on either Monday or Tuesday.

Prior to Lewis' free-throw attempts, it seemed only a miracle could stop MHS from winning.

The Lady Bulldogs took the lead with about 14 seconds left when Alexis Washington drove into the paint and dished to a wide-open Kaylyn Evans for a go-ahead basket, propelling MHS to a 43-42 advantage.

In the ensuing seconds, Midland High squashed two Lee scoring attempts in half-court, the first one highlighted by a Alexandrea Washington steal of I ewis.

With 0.7 seconds remaining, Midland High's chances of winning were all but guaranteed with an in-bounds pass to Evans.

However, when Evans was fouled by a Lady Rebels player, she taunted the player and was called for a technical foul.

Because Lee was over the limit in fouls, Evans was rewarded two free throws and missed both of them, which kept Lee's hopes alive, trailing 44-43.

That's when Lewis made both of her shooting attempts to vault the Lady Rebels to the district crown.

"I have never been a part of an ending like that," Ramirez said. "You watch enough college basketball, you see enough of them, kind of close like that, which is what we talked about, it's not over until it's over. It just happened to turn out in our favor today. "

It was a wild turn of events for Evans, who carried the Lady Bulldogs on her back with a team-high 19 points.

Evans also scored eight points in the first quarter when MHS burst out of the gates with a 17-8 run.

3-6A girls basketball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
xy-Lee	10	0	24	4
x-Midland High	8	2	20	8
x-San Angelo Central	5	5	14	10
x-Odessa Permian	4	6	16	11
Abilene High	2	8	17	14
Odessa High	1	9	13	19

x-clinched playoff berth
y-clinched share of district title

Tuesday's Scores
Lee 44, Midland High 43; Abilene High 77, Odessa High 27; San Angelo Central 57, Odessa Permian 52.

End of regular season

Lady Bulldogs head coach Wes Torres downplayed the late technical called on Evans.

"That's what we talked about in the locker room, there were a lot of plays that we didn't make that would have avoided that situation in the end and so it shouldn't come down to that," Torres said.

Midland High appeared to be in good shape heading into the fourth quarter when Rylee Rushton hit a 3 while being fouled and hit the free throw to give her team a 37-27 lead right before the buzzer in the third stanza.

Lee responded right away in the fourth as Lewis and Karysa Edwards both made 3s within the first minute to cut MHS' lead to 37-33.

The Lady Rebels trailed nearly the entire game until they took the lead for the first time on Zion Niblett's pull up jumper with one minute remaining.

Lewis led all scorers with 21 points, including two 3s.

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LEE 44, MIDLAND HIGH 43

Lee (24-4, 10-0) — Teritza Rivas 6, Allison Valdez 6, Karysa Edwards 3, Kyra Lewis 21, Zion Niblett 6, Aquincia Robinson 2

Midland High (20-9, 8-2) — Alexis Washington 7, Alexandrea Washington 3, Rylee Rushton 4, Kilee Frazier 2, Claire Lancaster 8, Kaylyn Evans 19

Lee	8	9	10	17—44
MHS	17	4	16	6—43

Free throws — Lee 13-16, MHS 9-14. 3-point goals — Lee 3 (Lewis 2, Edwards), MHS 2 (Alexis Washington, Rushton). Total fouls — Lee 18, MHS 16. Fouled out — Lancaster. Technicals — Evans.

Next: Lee vs. Arlington Martin or Arlington Lamar, bi-district playoff, TBA; MHS vs. Arlington Martin or Arlington Lamar, bi-district, TBA

No. 10 West Virginia falls to No. 6 Kansas

By Amie Just
Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. — West Virginia had an opportunity to make some history at Kansas.

Instead, the Mountaineers met the same fate as teams in the 36 consecutive games before them.

Perry Ellis had 21 points, Landen Lucas pulled down a career-high 16 rebounds and the sixth-ranked Jayhawks beat No. 10 West Virginia 75-65 on Tuesday night to forge a three-way tie atop the Big 12.

In doing so, the Jayhawks avoided the first regular-season sweep by a league opponent since 2000-01, and their first loss to the Mountaineers in four games at Allen Fieldhouse.

"I think we probably helped their cause," West Virginia coach Bob Huggins said. "It wasn't all them. You have to give us credit for screwing the game up too."

Devin Williams had 14 points and nine rebounds, and Jaysean Paige also had 14 points for the Mountaineers — though their leading scorer was just 5 of 16 from the field.

"You can't miss that many shots," Huggins said. "You can't miss that many transition opportunities. We had all kinds of transition opportunities and I don't think we converted one. We missed some tips and rebound baskets. You have to score when you have opportunities. We didn't do that."

Williams in particular had a hard time with Lucas, who had nine points but was ferocious on the defensive end. Along with his rebounding, the Kansas junior forward had a career-high four blocks.

Frank Mason III added 14 points for the Jayhawks (20-4, 8-3), who handled the Mountaineers' pressure well in avenging a loss lost month in Morgantown that had them playing catch-up in the league race.

Now, they are tied with the Mountaineers (19-5, 8-3) and No. 3 Oklahoma (20-3, 8-3) as they pursue their 12th consecutive championship.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL GLANCE

Tuesday's scores

MEN
SOUTHWEST
Cent. Arkansas 88, SE Louisiana 72
SOUTH
Cincinnati 69, UCF 51
Maryland 93, Bowie St. 82
Miami 65, Pittsburgh 63
Tennessee 71, Auburn 45
Virginia 87, Virginia Tech 49
MIDWEST
Akron 83, Bowling Green 68
Creighton 70, Xavier 55
Dayton 78, Duquesne 74
E. Michigan 71, Cent. Michigan 58
Kansas 75, West Virginia 65
Kent St. 75, N. Illinois 74
Miami (Ohio) 65, W. Michigan 44
Ohio 72, Ball St. 69
Ohio St. 71, Northwestern 63
Purdue 80, Michigan St. 81, OT
Villanova 66, DePaul 59
Wichita St. 74, Drake 48
EAST
Monmouth (NJ) 87, Marist 61
North Carolina 88, Boston College 65
Rhode Island 81, Georgia Miami 63
Toledo 71, Buffalo 69

WOMEN
SOUTHWEST
SMU 74, East Carolina 67, OT
Texas-Arlington 80, Texas St. 48
SOUTH
Coastal Carolina 79, High Point 53
Liberty 67, Campbell 65
Presbyterian 82, Charleston Southern 37
Radford 54, Gardner-Webb 51
South Florida 77, Tulane 69
UNC Asheville 61, Longwood 54
MIDWEST
Kansas St. 87, Oklahoma 71
Temple 74, Cincinnati 49
EAST
Rider 68, St. Peter's 67

Today's games

MEN
SOUTHWEST
Memphis at Houston, 6 p.m.
Tulsa at SMU, 8 p.m.
Iowa St. at Texas Tech, 8 p.m.
SOUTH
Tulane at East Carolina, 5:15 p.m.
La Salle at Davidson, 6 p.m.
Wake Forest at Georgia Tech, 6 p.m.
LSU at South Carolina, 6 p.m.
Texas A&M at Alabama, 7 p.m.
Jacksonville St. at Belmont, 7:30 p.m.
Tennessee Tech at Tennessee St., 7:30 p.m.
Missouri at Vanderbilt, 8 p.m.
FAR WEST
Boise St. at Colorado St., 6 p.m.
Washington at Utah, 8 p.m.
Cal St.-Fullerton at CS Northridge, 9 p.m.
Air Force at Nevada, 9 p.m.
San Jose St. at UNLV, 9 p.m.
San Diego St. at Fresno St., 10 p.m.
MIDWEST
S. Illinois at Indiana St., 6 p.m.
Providence at Marquette, 6 p.m.
Nebraska at Wisconsin, 6 p.m.
Loyola of Chicago at Drake, 7 p.m.
Austin Peay at E. Illinois, 7 p.m.
Missouri St. at N. Iowa, 7 p.m.
S. Dakota St. at Nebraska-Omaha, 7 p.m.
Richmond at Saint Louis, 7 p.m.
Baylor at Kansas St., 7:15 p.m.
Michigan at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
EAST
Butler at Seton Hall, 5:30 p.m.
American U. at Boston U., 6 p.m.
Lehigh at Bucknell, 6 p.m.
St. Bonaventure at Fordham, 6 p.m.
Saint Joseph's at George Washington, 6 p.m.
Lafayette at Holy Cross, 6:05 p.m.
Navy at Loyola (Md.), 6:30 p.m.

WOMEN
SOUTHWEST
Sam Houston St. at Abilene Christian, 7 p.m.
Northeastern St. at Cent. Arkansas, 7 p.m.
Lamar at Houston Baptist, 7 p.m.
Oklahoma St. at Texas, 7 p.m.
Baylor at TCU, 7 p.m.
Houston at Tulsa, 7 p.m.
SOUTH
Davidson at Richmond, 11 a.m.
Jacksonville St. at Belmont, 5:30 p.m.
Tennessee Tech at Tennessee St., 5:30 p.m.
Florida Gulf Coast at Jacksonville, 6 p.m.
S.C.-Upstate at Kennesaw St., 6 p.m.
Stetson at North Florida, 6 p.m.
Memphis at UCF, 6 p.m.
SE Missouri at UT Martin, 6 p.m.
FAIR at Lipscomb, 6:30 p.m.
McNeese St. at SE Louisiana, 7 p.m.
FAR WEST
Nevada at Air Force, 5 p.m.
Colorado St. at Boise St., 8 p.m.
W. Illinois at Denver, 8 p.m.
Utah St. at New Mexico, 8 p.m.
Fresno St. at San Diego St., 8:30 p.m.
UNLV at San Jose St., 9 p.m.
Cal Poly at UC Davis, 9 p.m.
MIDWEST
Miami (Ohio) at N. Illinois, 11 a.m.
Austin Peay at E. Illinois, 5:15 p.m.
Cent. Michigan at Ball St., 6 p.m.
W. Michigan at Bowling Green, 6 p.m.
Georgia Southern at Dayton, 6 p.m.
Buffalo at Toledo, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Illinois, 7 p.m.
Murray St. at SIU Edwardsville, 7 p.m.
EAST
Boston U. at American, 6 p.m.
Army at Colgate, 6 p.m.
Rhode Island at Duquesne, 6 p.m.
Umass at La Salle, 6 p.m.
Holy Cross at Lafayette, 6 p.m.
Bucknell at Lehigh, 6 p.m.
Loyola (Md.) at Navy, 6 p.m.
Northwestern at Rutgers, 6 p.m.
Saint Louis at St. Bonaventure, 6 p.m.
Fordham at Saint Joseph's, 6 p.m.
Iona at Siena, 6 p.m.
Iowa St. at West Virginia, 6 p.m.

Top 25 fared

MEN
Tuesday
1. Villanova (21-3) beat DePaul 66-59. Next: vs. St. John's, Saturday.
2. Maryland (22-5) beat Bowie State 93-82. Next: vs. Illinois, Saturday.
3. Oklahoma (20-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 6 Kansas, Saturday.
4. Iowa (19-4) did not play. Next: at Indiana, Thursday.
5. Xavier (21-3) lost to Creighton 70-55. Next: at Butler, Saturday.
6. Kansas (20-4) beat No. 10 West Virginia 75-65. Next: at No. 3 Oklahoma, Saturday.
7. Virginia (20-4) beat Virginia Tech 67-49. Next: at Duke, Saturday.
8. Michigan State (20-5) lost to No. 18 Purdue 80-81, OT. Next: vs. Indiana, Sunday.
9. North Carolina (20-4) beat Boston College 88-65. Next: vs. Pittsburgh, Sunday.
10. West Virginia (19-5) lost to No. 6 Kansas 75-65. Next: vs. TCU, Saturday.
11. Oregon (20-4) did not play. Next: at California, Thursday.
12. Miami (19-4) beat Pittsburgh 65-63. Next: at Florida State, Sunday.
13. Louisville (19-5) did not play. Next: at Notre Dame, Saturday.
14. Iowa State (17-6) did not play. Next: at Texas Tech, Wednesday.
15. Texas A&M (18-5) did not play. Next: at Alabama, Wednesday.
16. SMU (20-2) did not play. Next: vs. Tulsa, Wednesday.
17. Arizona (19-5) did not play. Next: vs. UCLA, Friday.
18. Purdue (20-5) beat No. 9 Michigan State 82-81, OT. Next: at Michigan, Saturday.
19. Dayton (20-3) beat Duquesne 76-74. Next: at Rhode Island, Friday.
20. Providence (18-6) did not play. Next: at Marquette, Wednesday.
21. Baylor (17-6) did not play. Next: at Kansas State, Wednesday.
22. Kentucky (17-6) vs. Georgia. Next: at South Carolina, Saturday.
23. Southern Cal (18-5) did not play. Next: at Arizona State, Friday.
24. Texas (16-8) did not play. Next: at No. 14 Iowa State, Saturday.
25. Wichita State (18-4) beat Drake 74-48. Next: vs. Northern Iowa, Saturday.

WOMEN
Tuesday
1. UConn (23-0) did not play. Next: at Temple, Sunday.
2. South Carolina (22-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 16 Florida, Thursday.
3. Notre Dame (23-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 19 Miami, Sunday.
4. Baylor (23-1) did not play. Next: at TCU, Wednesday.
5. Maryland (21-3) did not play. Next: vs. Purdue, Thursday.
6. Texas (21-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 20 Oklahoma State, Wednesday.
7. Ohio State (19-4) did not play. Next: at Iowa, Thursday.
8. Oregon State (20-3) did not play. Next: vs. Colorado, Friday.
9. Arizona State (20-4) did not play. Next: at California, Friday.
10. Florida State (19-4) did not play. Next: at Duke, Thursday.
11. Mississippi State (21-4) did not play. Next: at No. 15 Texas A&M, Thursday.
12. Louisville (18-6) did not play. Next: at Pittsburgh, Thursday.
13. Stanford (19-5) did not play. Next: vs. Arizona, Friday.
14. UCLA (17-6) did not play. Next: vs. Washington State, Friday.
15. Texas A&M (16-7) did not play. Next: at No. 11 Mississippi State, Thursday.
16. Florida (19-4) did not play. Next: at No. 2 South Carolina, Thursday.
17. Michigan State (18-5) did not play. Next: vs. Penn State, Thursday.
18. Kentucky (16-8) did not play. Next: at Vanderbilt, Sunday.
19. Miami (20-4) did not play. Next: at Georgia Tech, Thursday.
20. Oklahoma State (19-4) did not play. Next: at No. 6 Texas, Wednesday.
21. Oklahoma (18-6) at Kansas State. Next: vs. No. 6 Texas, Sunday.
22. South Florida (17-6) beat Tulane 77-65. Next: at Cincinnati, Friday.
23. DePaul (19-7) did not play. Next: vs. Xavier, Friday.
24. West Virginia (18-6) did not play. Next: vs. Iowa State, Wednesday.
25. Tennessee (14-9) did not play. Next: at Vanderbilt, Thursday.

US women start quest for 4th straight Olympic gold medal

By Anne M. Peterson
Associated Press

The United States starts its pursuit of a fourth straight gold medal in women's Olympic soccer over the next two weeks at the CONCACAF qualifying tournament in Texas.

Coming off their first World Cup title since 1999, the Americans face Costa Rica on Wednesday night in Frisco to open the group stage, then play Mexico and Puerto Rico in Group A.

Group B includes Canada, Guatemala, Trinidad and Tobago and Guyana.

Winners of the semifinal winners on Feb. 19 will represent the North and Central America and Caribbean region at this year's Olympics in Brazil. Additional matches will be played in Houston.

Ranked No. 1 in the world, the U.S. has won three straight gold medals and four of the five women's tournaments, including the inaugural competition at home in 1996. The only other nation to win a gold medal was Norway in 2000.

"I think we've got enough experience here and playing in big events, these players understand on any given day this game can go upside down," U.S. coach Jill Ellis said. "So it really is about our preparation and focus in the match and execution at this point."

Just 13 of the 20 players on the youthful U.S. roster were on last year's World Cup squad.

"We're re-energized. We're ready to go; we're ready to start the tournament," American defender Ali Krieger said.

Last week, the U.S. Soccer Federation sued the U.S. Women's National Soccer Team Players Association, asking a federal court to rule the sides have a collective bargaining agreement in place through this year. The union says that under the memorandum of understanding agreed to in 2013, the deal can be terminated at any time.

"It's easy to put that aside because what's most important right now is qualifying for the Olympics and playing against Costa Rica in that game on Wednesday," Krieger said. "That's kind of our safe haven. You can get out on the field and kind of forget about everything else and take care of business and that's what we're going to do."

Also in qualifying:

OH CANADA!: Ranked No. 11 in the world, Canada was the surprise bronze medalist at the 2012 London Games, defeating France 1-0. Canada also hosted the World Cup last summer and lost to England 2-1 in the quarterfinals.

The qualifying roster includes captain Christine Sinclair, tied with American Mia Hamm for second on the career women's scoring list with 158 goals. Sinclair, who played for the University of Portland and currently is on the roster for the NWSL's Portland Thorns, has 232 international appearances.

LLOYD'S HEALTH: During training for the qualification tournament, Carli Lloyd left practice after trainers checked her pulse. Turns out that Lloyd was just feeling under the weather, and she later posted to Twitter: "Not to worry. I am all good." Lloyd, who scored a hat trick in the World Cup final against Japan, was practicing at 100 percent on Monday, Ellis said.

WHO'S MISSING? Since last summer's World Cup, Abby Wambach, Lauren Holiday, Shannon Boxx and Lori Chalupny have retired. Christie Rampone and Megan Rapinoe are injured, and Amy Rodriguez and Sydney Leroux are pregnant and taking time off.

WHO'S ALREADY HEADING FOR RIO? Colombia, France, Germany, New Zealand, South Africa and Zimbabwe have qualified to join host Brazil in the 12-nation field. The remaining berths will be decided in March at the European and Asian qualifying tournaments.

MEXICO TURBULANCE: Mexico's roster doesn't include Charlyn Corral, a forward who plays professionally in Spain and is considered one of the nation's top female players. Corral, who played the University of Louisville, was critical of longtime Mexico coach Leo Cuellar following the World Cup.

Following the release of the qualifying roster, Corral went to Facebook to announce that she was retiring from the "current" national team.

"Football has given me so much, it has helped me forge values, discipline and a privileged upbringing," she wrote. "Finally, I want to say to all the women footballers of our country that don't stop chasing your dreams and don't let anyone cut them wings. Before footballers we are people, women, and our success depends on our actions, not our limitations."

Newton defends actions at the Super Bowl: 'I will not conform'

By Steve Reed
Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Cam Newton isn't apologizing for acting like a "sore loser" after the Super Bowl.

The league's MVP has been widely criticized for walking out of a three-minute press conference after a 24-10 loss to the Denver Broncos on Sunday in which he answered questions with mostly one- and two-word responses while sulking in his chair wearing a black Carolina Panthers hoodie over his head.

"Show me a good loser and I'll show you a loser," Newton said Tuesday as players cleaned out their lockers at the team's downtown stadium.

Newton said he believes the situation is being overblown by the media, and added he doesn't plan to change how he reacts to losing just to appease his critics.

"If I offended anybody that's cool, but I know who I am and I'm not about to conform nor bend for anybody's expectations because yours or anybody's expectations would never exceed mine," Newton said.

The quarterback went on to say, "Who are you to say that your way is right? I have all of these people who are condemning and saying this, that and the third, but what makes your way right?"

Associated Press

Carolina Panthers' Cam Newton answers questions after Super Bowl 50 against the Denver Broncos on Sunday in Santa Clara, Calif.

At one point during Newton's nearly seven-minute interview, his teammates walked behind the media gathered three-deep around his locker and starting saying, "We love you, Cam," and even sang him a song lightning the mood.

Newton said his emotions were raw after the game and he simply didn't want to talk to the media.

"When you invest so much time and sacrifice so much and things don't go as planned, I think emotions take over," Newton said. "I think that is what happens."

Panthers coach Ron Rivera said while he prefers his fifth-year quarterback would have handled the situation a little better, he understands where he is coming from and what he felt at the time.

"That's who he is. He hates to lose, that's the bottom line," Rivera said. "That is what you love in him. I would much rather have a guy who hates to lose than a guy who accepts it. The guy who accepts it, you might as well just push him out of your locker room because you don't want him around.

"That is a beauty of a guy like that — he wants to win and his teammates know it. That is what it is about. We don't play this game for a participation trophy. We want to win."

Newton takes losing harder than most.

In some past Carolina defeats, he's sat distraught at his locker still in his uniform for more than 30 minutes after the conclusion of the game. There are times it has taken him more than an hour before addressing the media.

Because this was the Super Bowl, Newton was forced into the interview room a little sooner than normal.

At one point, his attention appeared to drift to listening to Broncos players who were celebrating and talking about their win on the other side of the interview room.

Rivera suggested in the future Newton may need more time before addressing the media to get his emotions in check.

"There are a lot of young people out there looking at who we are, and we are role models for them," Rivera said. "I think again we know who he is and he does take it hard. Quite honestly if he is going to take it hard, as a public service, we should avoid having him talk right away. People take losses, not just football losses, but personal losses different ways. Time is probably the best thing."

Broncos revel in parade amid questions about Manning, Miller

By Arnie Stapleton
Associated Press

DENVER — It took John Elway 15 years to experience a parade as a quarterback. As an executive, only five.

The Broncos general manager, however, won't have much time to celebrate. Fresh challenges await the architect of Denver's third NFL championship.

Job No. 1 is keeping this destructive defense together. That starts with re-signing Super Bowl 50 MVP Von Miller, whose monster game helped Peyton Manning become the NFL's first 200-game winner and set the stage for him to walk away a champion as Elway did 17 years ago.

Elway wants to keep Brock Osweiler, who's set to become a free agent.

Manning and Miller were the biggest topics when Elway and coach Gary Kubiak met with the media before the Broncos parade through downtown Tuesday.

They again lauded the wicked defense that snatched both the leather and the silver footballs from Cam Newton's grasp Sunday night in Santa Clara, California.

"I can still remember about a week into training camp I looked at Gary and said, 'I think we are going to be a pretty darn good defense,'" Elway said. "To do what they did against a quarterback who is probably as good as anyone in the league was historic."

While a franchise tag could buy Elway time to work out a deal with Miller that's sure to top the $52.5 million guaranteed in Justin Houston's contract, the Broncos could find themselves in a quarterback quandary if Manning retires and somebody outbids them for Osweiler.

Elway reiterated that he has no timetable for Manning to make up his mind about his future. Manning, whose offense managed a measly 194 yards in Sunday's 24-10 win, turns 40 next month. He's due $19 million next season in the final year of his contract.

"We will give him time," Elway said. "It's up to Peyton, where he is, what he thinks he can do, how he thinks he can play. You get 99 percent there in your mind, and then one percent is just as hard."

Manning's father, Archie, said after the game he felt his son was "done in Denver," if not everywhere else.

The Broncos went 5-2 in Osweiler's starts, although Manning had to rescue them in the season finale, reclaiming the starting position for the playoffs.

Elway praised Kubiak for his handling of the delicate quarterback situation over the last half of the season when Manning was sidelined with an injured left foot before reclaiming his starting job.

"It was touchy. The way he dealt with that is what takes a coach from being good to great," Elway said.

Osweiler is sure to get attention from quarterback-starved teams, but he's more valuable to the Broncos because he knows their system, has been through a Super Bowl run with them and was under Manning's wing for four years. But is Osweiler worth the megabucks and long-term deal he could get from someone else?

There are other difficult choices ahead, including those involving linebacker Danny Trevathan and defensive lineman Malik Jackson, pending free agents without whom the parade of firetrucks might have been winding through the streets of Charlotte, North Carolina, instead.

"They are all priorities," Elway said. "Getting Derek Wolfe (four years, $36.7 million) done was the first step, and we want to get Danny and Malik done. We want to try and keep the group together. But it's a fluid process. We will talk to their representatives and see where we are at and get a feel for it."

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Jordan Spieth: the target inside and outside the ropes

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — Jordan Spieth had to work his way through about 100 people who blocked his path to the first tee at Pebble Beach. They held out tournament tickets, caps, glossy photos and Masters flags for him to sign, and some asked him to stop for pictures.

Unusual about this day is what happened after he finally reached the tee and drilled a 3-iron down the middle.

The crowd followed along for the next four hours.

The golf course that Robert Louis Stevenson described as "the most felicitous meeting of land and sea" is magnificent under warm sunshine and a blue sky, so it was not a waste of anyone's time, even for a practice round. They wanted to see Spieth, the No. 1 player who is still trying to get used to the attention.

A year ago, he was No. 9 in the world and still had only one PGA Tour victory on his ledger.

Now he's the Masters and U.S. Open champion who last year made the most spirited run at the Grand Slam since Jack Nicklaus in 1972. He is the 22-year-old who earned $22 million last year, including his bonus for winning the FedEx Cup. He is the first American since Tiger Woods to reach the top of the world ranking.

And he has his own bobble head, which corporate partner AT&T is giving away to the first 8,000 fans Saturday.

Fans tried to follow him onto the fairways and were waiting for him as he walked off the green. Spieth finally asked if the selfies could wait until after he was done.

"Honestly, it's something I have not gotten used to," Spieth said. "Who knows how long it will take? It makes you appreciate some of these other guys who have gone before you and have been able to do it."

Fame among fans is one thing.

The real challenge for Spieth this year is being a target for the other players, and the scrutiny he now faces from the press and the public.

He already is getting more attention than he wants for his global travels over the last four months — South Korea, Shanghai, Australia, the Bahamas, Hawaii, Abu Dhabi and Singapore. Spieth spoke of being tired in Abu Dhabi, which fueled opinions that he was chasing appearance money instead of preparing to win another green jacket.

Winning five times on the PGA Tour, including two majors, and reaching No. 1 in the world inevitably comes with a bull's-eye on his back. And it probably got even bigger when Spieth started the new year with an eight-shot victory at Kapalua in which he became only the second player in PGA Tour history to reach 30-under par in a 72-hole event.

Spieth, however, saw that as easing the burden.

"It was the first one of the year, all the questions of a new year ... and then actually going out and getting the job done, that was big," he said. "That was the only PGA Tour event I've played, and that's where I'm most comfortable playing, where I play my best golf. So it's still real early."

NASCAR allows franchise system to give the team owners value

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — NASCAR announced a dramatic overhaul of its business model Tuesday, shifting to a franchise-like system that is intended to provide actual value and financial stability to team owners after decades of heavy reliance on sponsors.

The change gets away from the independent contractor model that had been used since NASCAR's 1948 inception. A car owner was responsible for all the financial obligations to race each week, depending on sponsorship to help foot the bills. When a sponsor pulled its funding, a car owner could go broke and be left with nothing but racing equipment.

"This is a very complicated agreement, to sort out, with 60 years of history doing business in a certain way," NASCAR chairman Brian France said.

Michael Waltrip Racing had nothing but old cars, used equipment and a building to sell when it closed its doors in November. Now MWR has two of the 36 coveted "charters" and the ability to sell them to the highest bidder. A charter guarantees revenue and a position in what will now be a 40-car Sprint Cup field, down from 43.

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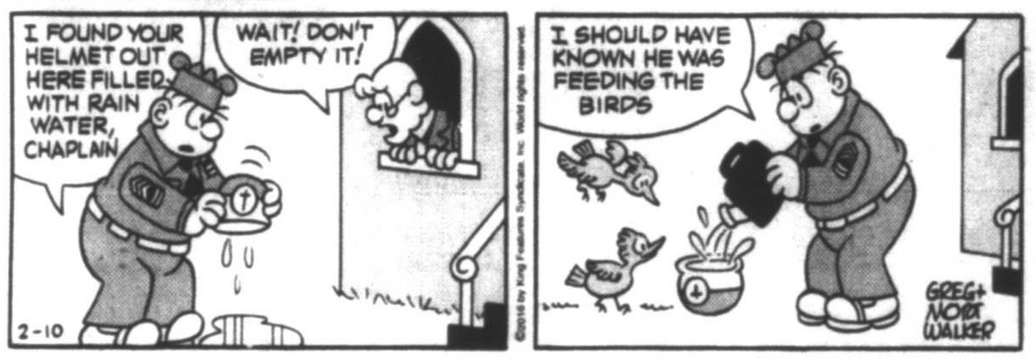

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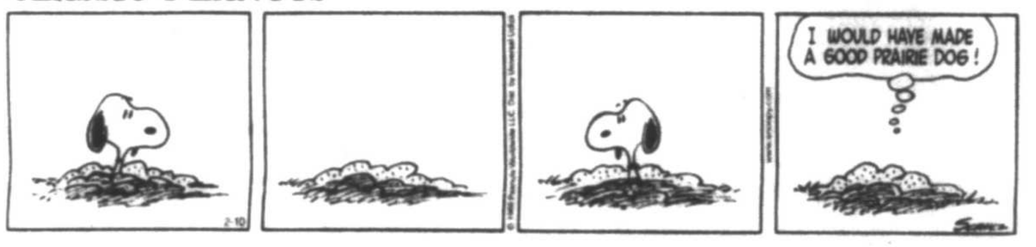

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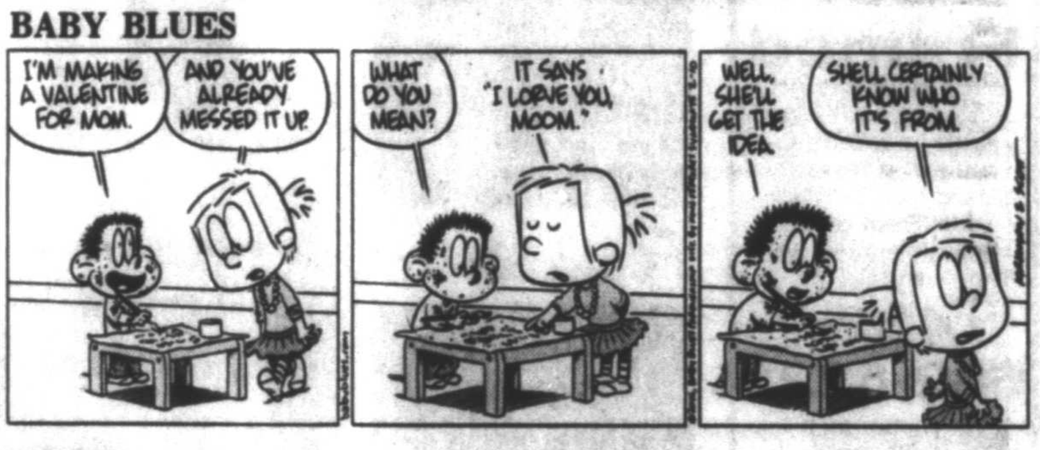

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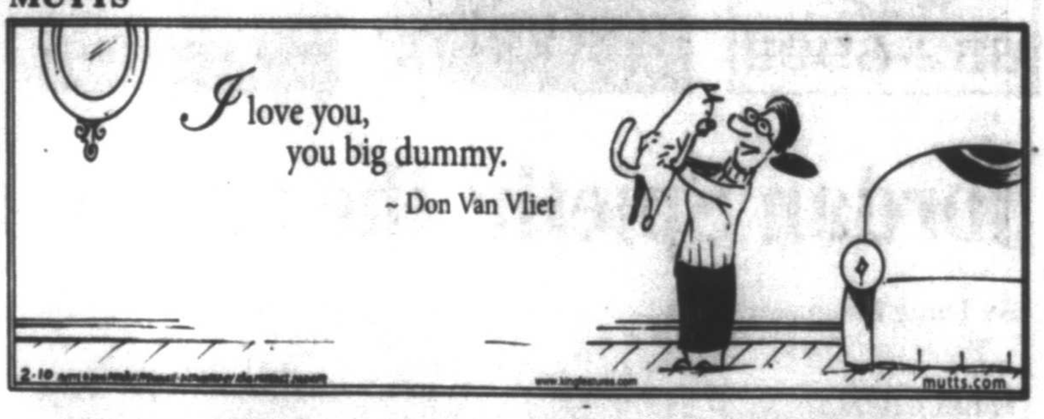


CLOSE TO HOME

"What the?!...dang it all! I thought 'Woodchucks' was just their stupid mascot name!"

DENNIS THE MENACE

"I'D LIKE TO BE A NURSE."

"YOU'D HAVE PLENTY OF WORK...YOU MAKE PEOPLE SICK."

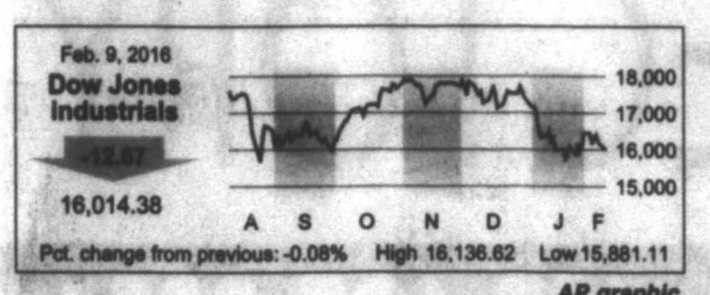
LOCKHORNS

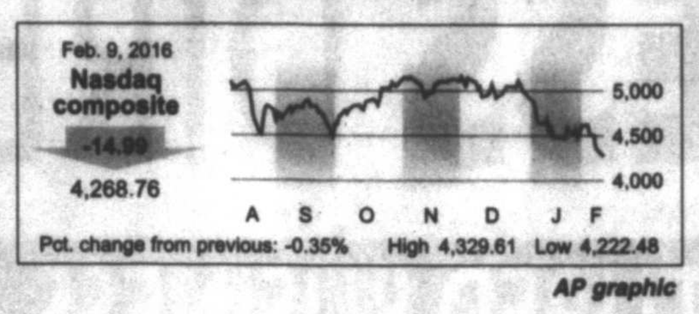
"YOUR BOSS CALLED . . . YOUR SNOW DAY HAS NOT BEEN OFFICIALLY APPROVED."

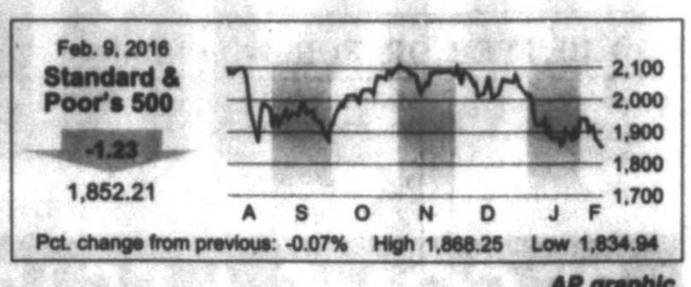
FAMILY CIRCUS

"So, am I fast, slow, or just right?"

A DAY ON WALL STREET







OIL PRICES

FUTURES

Tuesday: $27.94
Previous: $29.69

POSTED

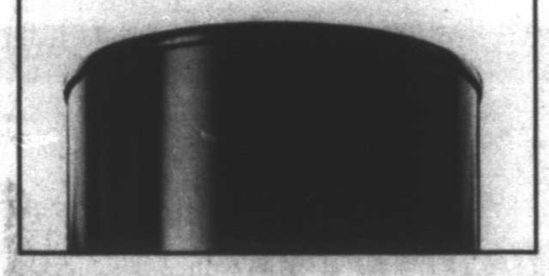
Tuesday: $24.25
Previous: $26.50

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Tuesday: $21.05
Previous: $23.30

NATURAL GAS

Tuesday: $2.098
Previous: $2.140



NYSE

Most Active ($1 or more)	Vol (00)	Last	Chg	Gainers ($2 or more)	Last	Chg	%Chg
CSVLgCrd rs	2669010	1.42	-.28	Belden	45.74	+8.59	+23.1
BkofAm	2356311	12.20	-.07	Glatfelter	17.53	+2.30	+15.1
S&P500ETP	1600524	185.43	+.01	Cambrex	37.55	+4.85	+14.8
SPDR Fnd	1230271	20.39	-.03	SilvrSpNet	11.12	+1.38	+14.2
B iPVlxST	949991	27.88	+.26	Eg/TrEq s	4.57	+.52	+12.8

Losers ($2 or more)	Last	Chg	%Chg
ION Geo rs	3.92	-1.93	-33.0
JP Energy	2.96	-1.01	-25.4
ChesEn pfD	6.03	-1.92	-24.2
Unit	7.47	-2.14	-22.3
BristowGp	14.75	-3.73	-20.2

Diary	
Advanced	955
Declined	2,169
Unchanged	3,185
Total issues	6,309
New Highs	63
New Lows	480
Volume	4,956,035,827

AMEX

Most Active ($1 or more)	Vol (00)	Last	Chg	Gainers ($2 or more)	Last	Chg	%Chg
CheniereEn	72858	24.46	+.81	TransEnix	4.40	+.79	+21.9
TransEnix	66791	4.40	+.79	BP Tin	34.41	+5.52	+19.1
NwGold g	66154	2.67	-.17	SL Ind	33.37	+4.42	+15.3
BarcGSOil	49466	4.51	-.20	DeltaApol	13.67	+1.77	+14.8
Globalstar	38603	1.11	-.03	StrPathCm	24.63	+1.72	+7.5

Losers ($2 or more)	Last	Chg	%Chg
GigOptics	2.42	-.59	-19.6
Amplphl rs	3.15	-.26	-7.8
EvolPetrol	4.46	-.35	-7.3
PacGE pfC	25.04	-1.96	-7.3
Tofutti	2.52	-.20	-7.3

Diary	
Advanced	128
Declined	249
Unchanged	12
Total issues	389
New Highs	9
New Lows	32
Volume	91,591,056

NASDAQ

Most Active ($1 or more)	Vol (00)	Last	Chg	Gainers ($2 or more)	Last	Chg	%Chg
PwShs QQQ	7123219	96.32	-.30	Bellerophn n	2.84	+.86	+43.4
Facebook	617891	99.54	-.21	TrovaGn wt	2.55	+.47	+22.6
Microsoft	452789	49.28	-.13	NeosTher n	9.73	+1.62	+20.0
Apple Inc	430776	94.99	-.02	ArgosTher	4.53	+.71	+18.6
CSVxSh rs	399482	11.18	+.21	AxsomaTr n	6.30	+.93	+17.3

Losers ($2 or more)	Last	Chg	%Chg
RetailMNot	5.81	-2.21	-27.6
ASuE	24.83	-9.33	-27.3
PwrShp 21	2.65	-.90	-25.4
Qualys	17.36	-5.15	-22.9
ViacomB	32.86	-8.99	-21.5

Diary	
Advanced	960
Declined	1,810
Unchanged	162
Total issues	2,932
New Highs	8
New Lows	447
Volume	2,361,265,853

Companies lose billions buying back their stock

Associated Press

NEW YORK — If you think your stocks are doing poorly, check out the performance of some of the most sophisticated investors, the ones with more knowledge about what's going on inside businesses than anyone else: Companies that buy their own shares.

The companies losing money on these bets are down a collective $126 billion over the past three years, a decline of 15 percent.

Many corporations would have been better off investing that cash in an index fund instead of their own stock. The overall market rose 39 percent over the same period. The companies could also have distributed that cash as dividends to shareholders, allowing them to spend what is, in the end, their money.

And it's not just a few big corporate losers accounting for all the pain. The group includes 229 companies in the Standard and Poor's 500 index, nearly half of the companies in the study prepared by FactSet for The Associated Press.

When a company shells out money to buy its own shares, Wall Street usually cheers. The move makes the company's profit per share look better, and many think buybacks have played a key role pushing stocks higher in the seven-year bull market.

But buybacks can also sap companies of cash that they could be using to grow for the future, no matter if the price of those shares rises or falls.

And the recent losses highlight another criticism: Companies may be good at finding oil or selling bathroom trinkets, but they aren't always smart stock investors. Some corporations bought ever more of their own shares even as prices tripled from financial-crisis lows and several measures showed the market was overvalued.

Among the companies with the biggest paper losses are struggling ones that bought after their stock fell, only to watch prices drop even more. Macy's, the beleaguered retailer, is down $1.5 billion on its purchases, a 26 percent loss. American Express has lost $4.1 billion, or 34 percent. As the price of oil plunged, driller Chevron racked up $2.8 billion in paper losses, or 28 percent.

The losses are also piling up in unexpected places, such as at companies that have generated solid earnings through most of the bull market, suggesting that there is danger when stocks of even top performers climb too high. Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide and Ford Motor have each lost hundreds of millions on their buybacks, more than a fifth each of what they spent.

Defenders of buybacks say they are a smart use of cash when there are few other uses for it in a shaky global economy that makes it risky to expand. Unlike dividends, they don't leave shareholders with a tax bill. Critics say they divert funds from research and development, training and hiring, and doing the kinds of things that grow the businesses in the long term.

"The company doing the most buybacks is often not investing enough in its business," says Fortuna Advisor CEO Gregory Milano, a consultant who has written several studies criticizing the purchases. He says most buybacks are "financial engineering" and a waste of money.

The study looked at 476 companies in the S&P 500 index, leaving out the index members that split off parts of their businesses during the period. Among the findings:

$100 million club

Nearly a third of the companies studied, 153 in all, lost $100 million or more on their purchases in three years.

Not just about oil

Four of the top 10 biggest dollar losers are energy companies. But big losses are hitting a variety of companies, including insurers and banks, retailers, technology companies, airlines and entertainment giants.

Biggest winner, biggest loser

MasterCard has the biggest paper gains from buybacks: $7.9 billion. IBM has the biggest paper losses: $9.8 billion. IBM says it isn't neglecting long-term investments and notes that the money it spent on R&D, big projects and acquisitions last year was triple what it spent buying its stock.

Gainers help, sort of

When the companies that have profited from buybacks over the last three years are included with the losers, the paper losses narrow to $11 billion. Total spent on buybacks by all companies: $1.43 trillion, more than the annual economic output of all but 12 of 193 countries in the world, according to the World Bank.

Stocks may bounce back, of course, turning losses into gains. But the history of buybacks isn't encouraging.

Companies often buy at the wrong time, experts say, because it's only after several years into an economic recovery that they have enough cash to feel comfortable spending big on buybacks. That is also when companies have made all the obvious moves to improve their business — slashing costs, using technology to become more efficient, expanding abroad — and are not sure what to do next to keep their stocks rising.

"For the average company, it gets harder to increase earnings per share," says Fortuna's Milano.

Stocks extend losing streak

U.S. stocks extended their three-day losing streak Tuesday, closing slightly lower after spending most of the day wavering between gains and losses.

Energy companies led the decline as the price of U.S. crude oil sank nearly 6 percent. It's now at about $28 a barrel. The market's bumpy ride followed a slide in European stock indexes and steep losses in Japan, reflecting mounting investor anxiety that the global economy is slowing.

"The market continues to price in worst-case scenarios, a recessionary China and an energy sector that's looking basically like it should go bankrupt at this level," said Jeff Carbone, managing director of Cornerstone Financial Partners.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 12.67 points, or 0.1 percent, to 16,014.38. The Standard & Poor's 500 slipped 1.23 points, or 0.1 percent, to 1,852.21. The Nasdaq composite lost 14.99 points, or 0.4 percent, to 4,268.76.

Metals end mixed

Precious metals prices were mixed. Gold rose 70 cents, or 0.1 percent, to $1,198.60 an ounce and silver inched up 2 cents, or 0.1 percent, to $15.44 an ounce. Copper, an industrial metal that will often rise and fall along with investor's optimism about the global economy, fell 5 cents, or 2.4 percent, to $2.04 a pound.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $13.74 Down 3.14

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $85.58 Down 1.57

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $3.00 Down 0.03

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $67.06 Down 2.89

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $0.94 Down 0.11

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $2.19 Down 0.01

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $16.61 Down 1.13

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $19.72 Down 0.57

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $4.84 Down 0.23

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
Closing Price $14.98 Down 0.42

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.92f	16	36.65	-.46	+6.5
Albrgsps	...	5	.88	-.11	-18.8
AdeDvsEq	.92a	...	11.24	-.12	-12.4
Alcoa	.12	13	7.81	-.09	-20.9
AlonUSA	.60	7	10.55	+.01	-28.9
Amgen	4.00f	16	143.16	+.16	-11.8
Anadarko	1.00	...	37.24	-2.81	-23.3
Apache	1.00	...	38.58	-2.00	-26.0
Apple Inc	2.08	10	94.99	-.02	-9.8
ApldMatl	.40	14	16.10	-.09	-13.8
Archrock	.75f	13	4.36	-.45	-42.0
ATMOS	1.68f	23	70.80	+.95	+12.3
AutoData	2.12	29	80.67	-.58	-4.8
BP PLC	2.40a	...	28.85	-.97	-7.4
BabcCClnv	1.20	...	16.48	+.14	-4.5
BakrHu	.68	...	41.75	-1.07	-9.5
BlotAm	.20	9	12.20	-.07	-27.5
B iPVlxST	...	...	27.88	+.26	+38.7
BarrickG	.08	31	11.22	-.89	+52.0
BasicEnSv	...	...	1.70	-.16	-36.6
BerkHa A	...	14192938.03	+1379.97	-2.6	
BltHrtlsCp	1.68f	35	52.09	+.87	+12.1
BostonSci	...	89	16.57	+.80	-8.5
BrillyEq	1.52f	44	61.02	+.39	+11.3
Brookdale	...	...	12.63	-2.51	-31.6
BrownFA	1.36f	33	108.61	+2.18	-4.1
BrownFB	1.36f	29	95.86	+1.84	-3.4
CVS Health	1.70f	20	90.51	+.86	-7.4
Cameron	...	17	62.12	-1.52	-1.7
Caterpillar	3.06	13	63.93	-.65	-5.9
Celestic g	...	11	9.14	+.03	-17.1
Cemex	.40t	...	4.43	-.15	-20.5
CntryLink	2.16	18	24.81	-.82	-1.4
ChesEng	...	...	1.95	-.09	-56.7
Chevron	4.28	34	82.92	-3.07	-7.8
Chicos	.31	44	10.06	+.07	-5.7
Cimarex	.64	...	81.95	-3.46	-8.3
Cisco	.84	12	22.65	-.26	-15.9
Citigroup	.20	9	37.51	-.30	-27.5
ClayEng	...	...	13.74	-3.14	-83.5
CocaCola	1.32	28	43.20	+.85	+.8
ColgPalm	1.52	24	68.88	-.19	-1.1
Comcast	1.10f	18	58.21	-1.19	+3.6
ConAgra	1.00	21	39.70	+.57	-6.8
ConchoRes	...	51	85.58	-1.57	-7.8
ConocoPhil	1.00m	...	33.58	-.85	-28.1
CrackerB	4.40a	19	131.43	+.36	+3.6
CSVLgNG rs	...	...	1.58	-.08	-35.2
CSVLgCrd rs	...	...	...	1.42	-.28
-94.1					
CSVelVST	...	...	17.15	-.15	-33.5
CSVxSh rs	...	...	11.18	+.21	+78.6
CrosTim	1.56a	8	13.24	-.43	+1.8
DCP Mid	3.12	9	16.81	-1.15	-31.9
DTE	2.92f	17	86.85	+.63	+8.3
Dellaram h	...	...	.78	+.01	+18.2
DevonE	.96	...	22.86	+1.02	-29.2
DirDxBr	...	...	7.44	+.73	-55.0
Disney	1.42f	18	92.32	+.20	-12.1
DowChm	1.84f	11	46.80	+.37	-9.5
EOG Resce	.67	...	65.59	-2.84	-7.3
EmpDist	1.04	22	28.20	+.16	+.5
EnCena g	.26	...	3.83	-.38	-24.8
Energen	.06	...	26.77	-2.07	-34.7
Eg/TrEq s	1.14f	5	4.57	+.52	-56.7
EngyTsfr	4.22f	64	20.34	+.53	-39.7
EnPro	.80	...	40.67	-1.28	-7.2
EntProPt	1.56f	16	20.80	-.53	-18.7
Ericsson	.30a	...	8.56	-.05	-10.9
ExxonMbl	2.92	21	80.08	-.35	+2.7
Facebook	...	65	99.54	-.21	-4.9
FordM	.60a	6	11.35	-.24	-19.4
FrptMcM	...	...	5.00	-.27	-26.1
FrontierCm	.42	...	4.32	...	-7.5
GATX	1.60f	8	41.62	-.70	-2.2
GabMultT	.94a	...	8.31	-.14	-15.9
GAInv	1.15a	...	27.30	-.03	-14.5
GenElec	.92	...	28.28	+.11	-9.2
GenMotors	1.52f	8	27.87	-.81	-18.1
Goldcrp g	.24	...	14.16	-.54	+22.5
GtPlainEn	1.00f	22	28.85	+.15	+6.0
HP Inc	.50	...	9.19	-.18	-22.4
HisconRs rs	...	...	.43	-.02	-65.9
Hallibrtn	.72	...	29.89	-1.34	-13.3
ICICI Bk	.16e	...	5.86	-.02	-24.5
iShJapan	.13e	...	10.72	-.21	-11.6
iShChinaLC	.76e	...	28.67	-.27	-18.2
iShEMkts	.84e	...	29.19	-.41	-9.3
iS Eafe	1.70e	...	52.20	-.61	-11.1
iShBxHYB	5.09	...	76.21	-.29	-5.4
iShR2K	1.73e	...	95.78	-.65	-15.0
ITC Holdg	.75	20	38.65	-.73	-1.5
Intel	1.04f	12	28.81	-.01	-16.4
InterDig	.80	16	42.49	-.11	-13.4
JPMorgCh	1.76	10	56.20	-.34	-14.3
JohnJn	3.00	17	101.97	-.09	-.7
KimbClk	3.52	37	130.79	+1.36	+2.7
KindMorg	.50m	22	14.61	-.31	-2.1
Kinross g	...	...	2.43	-.01	+33.5
LegacyRes	.60m	...	.94	-.11	-46.3
Lubys	...	...	4.34	+.03	-2.9
MarathnO	.20m	61	7.29	-.53	-42.1
MktVGold	.12e	...	16.75	-.72	+22.1
McDnlds	3.56f	23	117.01	+.96	-1.0
Merck	1.84f	23	49.16	+.33	-6.9
MerltMed	...	27	16.08	+.16	-13.5
MexcoEn	...	...	2.19	-.01	-32.1
MicronT	...	6	9.98	-.19	-29.5
Microsoft	1.44	32	49.28	-.13	-11.2
MorgStan	.60	8	22.93	+.26	-27.9
Nabors	.24	...	6.10	+.49	-28.3
NatGrid	3.35e	...	69.10	-.41	-.8
NOVarco	1.84	10	27.56	-.84	-17.7
Netflix s	...	...	86.13	+2.81	-24.7
NewmtM	.10	32	24.30	-.89	+35.1
NvMAd	.79a	...	14.26	+.08	+3.0
NvPMI	.78a	...	14.11	...	+3.3
NuvPI	.82a	...	14.44	+.04	+2.4
NSTPI3	.55a	...	14.89	+.01	+2.4
NTXQI	.85	...	14.67	+.02	+1.7
OcciPet	3.00	49	66.22	-.97	-3.5
PerTech	...	...	8.10	+.06	-24.2
ParkDrl	...	...	1.67	-.17	-41.2
PetMTI	.40	...	12.79	-.48	-15.3
PennaRR	.84	...	17.11	-.38	-21.8
Pfizer	1.20f	17	28.10	+.54	-9.9
PioNat	.08	21	111.29	-3.90	-11.2
PlainsAAP	2.80	11	15.88	-1.89	-31.3
PwShs QQQ	1.52e	...	96.32	-.30	-13.9
Prepaid	3.00f	19	103.82	+1.80	+1.4
PrmEgy	...	23	40.59	...	-6.5
PUVixST rs	...	...	50.85	+.79	+79.4
PrUCrude rs	...	...	6.68	-.77	-46.7
ProctGam	2.65	27	82.64	+.02	+4.1
ProUShSP	...	...	23.75	-.01	+19.2
PShQQQ	...	...	27.86	+.28	+49.4
RangeRs	.16	17	28.04	-2.62	+13.9
RegionsFn	.24	11	7.65	+.12	-20.3
Rowan	.40	...	11.93	-.91	-29.6
RoyDShlA	3.76	65	42.64	-1.86	-6.9
SpdrDJIA	3.85e	...	160.24	-.11	-7.9
S&P500ETF	4.13e	...	185.43	+.01	-9.0
SpdrOGEx	.73e	...	24.60	-1.00	-18.6
SabrR	2.81e	9	30.54	-1.16	+16.3
SanderFm	.88a	9	82.88	+1.04	+6.9
Schlmbrg	2.00	20	67.80	-1.98	-2.8
SiriusXM	...	34	3.35	-.01	-17.7
Smucker	2.68	36	127.35	+1.66	+3.3
Sprint	...	...	2.65	+.10	-26.8
SP HlthC	1.01e	...	63.99	+.47	-11.2
SP CnSt	1.28e	...	49.83	+.33	-1.3
SP Engy	2.04e	...	54.31	-1.34	-10.0
SPDR Fncl	.46e	...	20.39	-.03	-14.4
SP Tech	.78e	...	38.75	-.18	-9.5
SP Util	1.55e	...	46.57	+.16	+7.8
SunocoLog	1.92f	...	17.19	-.62	-33.1
TelefEsp	1.03e	...	9.74	-.53	-11.9
Tesoro	2.00	5	73.62	+.57	-30.1
3M Co	4.44f	20	154.74	+.84	+2.7
Torchmark	.54	13	51.11	-.13	-10.4
TriContl	.81e	...	17.86	-.09	-10.8
21stCFoxA	.30	19	24.14	-.46	-11.1
Twitter	...	...	14.40	-.50	-37.8
TylerTech	...	63	131.67	-.81	-24.5
UBSI	1.32f	17	34.32	+.08	-7.2
US OilFd	...	...	8.15	-.46	-25.6
Vale SA	.29e	...	2.47	-.05	-24.9
ValeroE	2.40f	6	54.82	...	-22.5
VangEmg	1.10e	...	29.49	-.38	-9.8
Vapor hrs	...	...	.00	-.00	-99.6
VerizonCm	2.26	11	50.15	-.59	+8.5
VulcanM	.40	52	91.01	+1.79	-4.2
WEC Engy	1.98f	21	57.39	-.07	+11.8
WPX Engy	...	4	4.64	+.12	-19.2
WalgBoots	1.44	22	74.93	+2.02	-12.0
WellsFargo	1.50	11	46.45	-.05	-14.6
WstnRefin	1.52f	5	27.05	-.92	-24.1
WhitingPet	...	...	5.66	-.53	-40.0
WmsCos	2.56	34	11.98	+.82	-53.4
XcelEngy	1.28	20	39.62	+.37	+10.3
Xerox	.31f	18	8.76	-.29	-17.8
Yamana g	.06	...	2.36	-.18	+26.9
Zynga	...	...	2.03	-.06	-24.3

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD %Chg	52-wk %Chg
18,351.36	15,370.33	Dow Jones Industrials	16,014.38	-12.67	-.08	-8.10	-10.38
9,214.77	6,403.31	Dow Jones Transportation	8,986.30	+71.99	+1.04	-6.82	-21.54
629.68	539.96	Dow Jones Utilities	626.77	+3.82	+.61	+8.47	+.99
11,254.87	8,937.99	NYSE Composite	9,167.80	-43.53	-.47	-9.42	-15.83
5,231.94	4,212.81	Nasdaq Composite	4,268.76	-14.99	-.35	-14.75	-10.84
2,134.72	1,812.29	S&P 500	1,852.21	-1.23	-.07	-9.38	-10.46
1,551.28	1,215.14	S&P Midcap	1,252.75	-3.59	-.29	-10.43	-15.39
22,537.15	18,550.46	Wilshire 5000	18,883.75	-39.18	-.20	-10.79	-13.43
1,296.00	955.70	Russell 2000	963.80	-5.44	-.56	-15.14	-18.89

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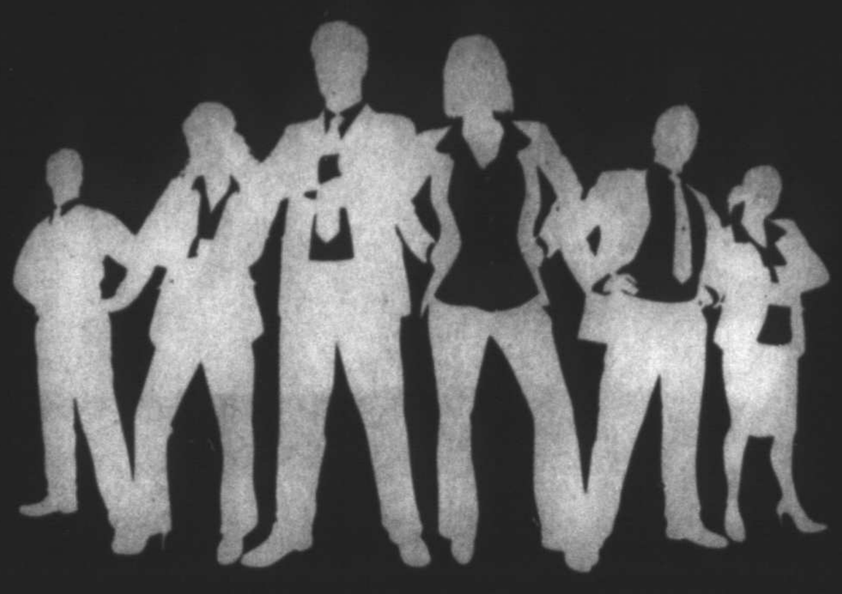

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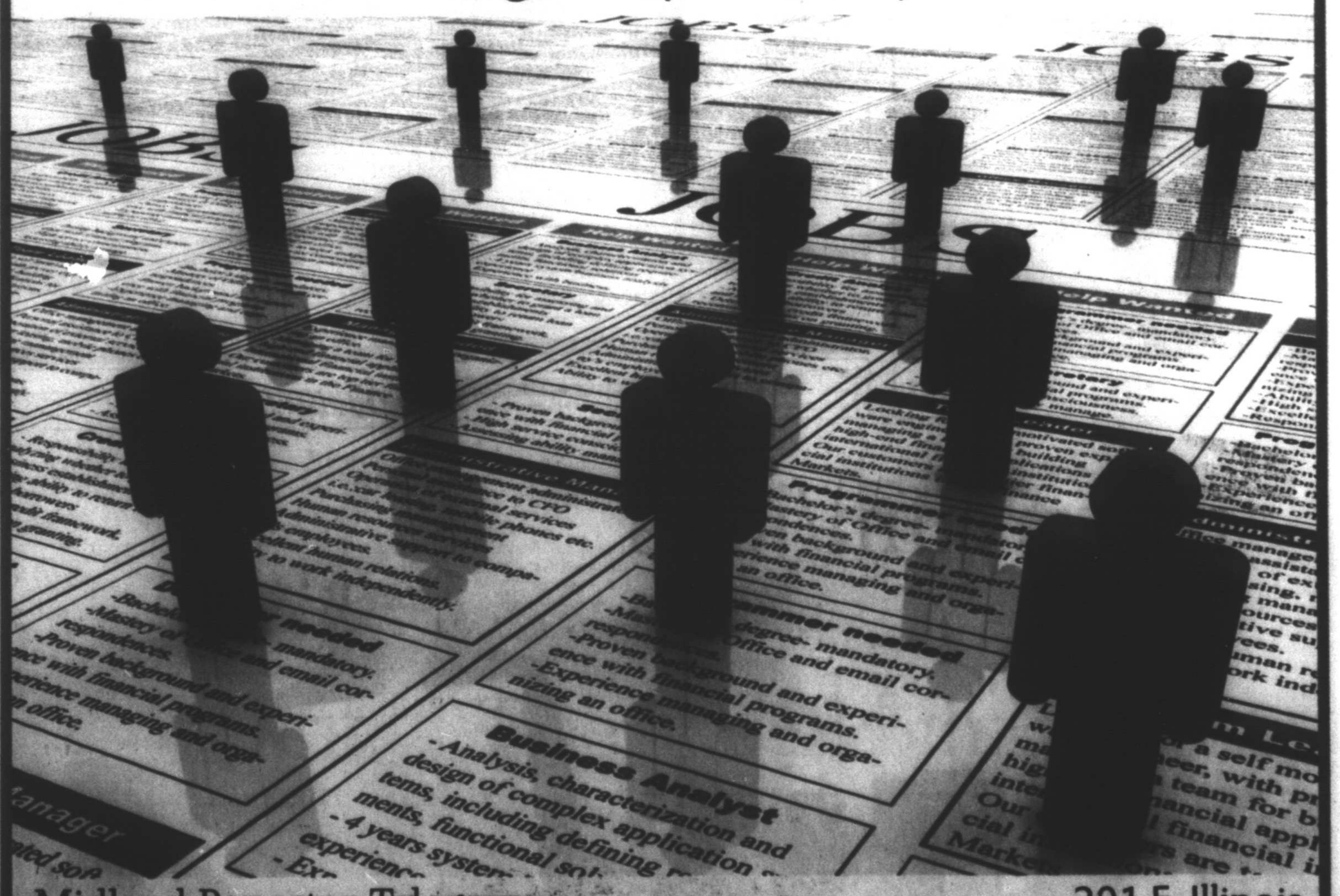

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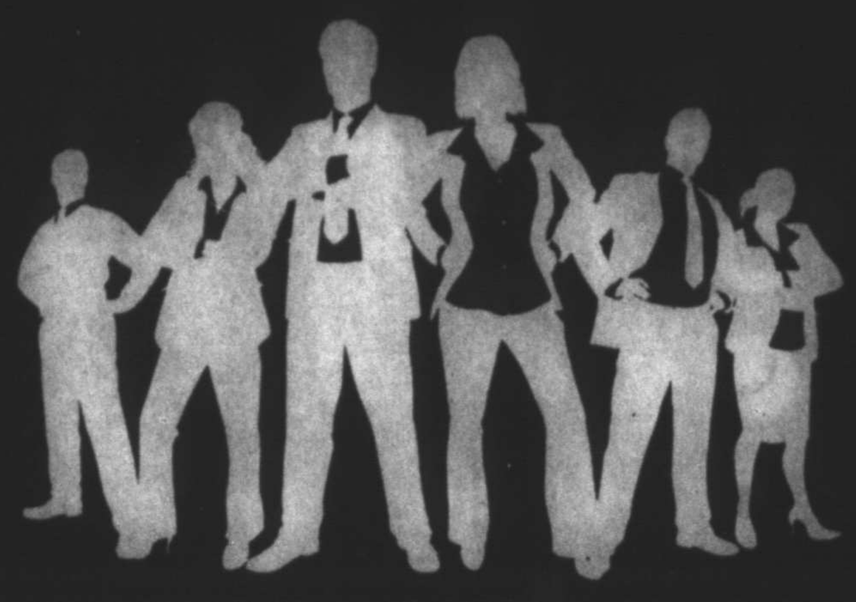

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SKILLED LABOR

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Sealed Proposals will be accepted by the County Purchasing Agent, located in Suite 1101 of the Midland County Courthouse, 500 N. Loraine Street, Midland, Texas 79701 until 2:00 P.M. Local Time, Tuesday March 8, 2016. The proposals will be opened and acknowledged at 2:05 P.M., Local Time, March 8, 2016.

Generally, the Commissioners Court selection will be made within 30 days. Interested parties are invited to attend the proposal acknowledgment and the Commissioners Court meeting.

RFP 16MCO611 - CONCRETE FOR AMPHITHEATER

This is the second phase of the amphitheater construction. The RFP is for concrete walks, retaining walls, and trenches. A walk-through will be held at 2pm on Thursday February 18, 2016 at the Midland County Horseshoe.

Midland County reserves the right to reject any or all of the responses, to waive all formalities, and to withdraw the RFP at any time.

The RFP will be available on Wednesday February 10, 2016. Information may be obtained from the County Purchasing Agent's Office 432-688-4873 or purt103@co.midland.tx.us or on the Midland County Purchasing webpage www.co.midland.tx.us/departments/purchasing

Kristy Engeldahl
Midland County Purchasing Agent

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO SWR 26/27 SURFACE COMMINGLING PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that XTO Energy Inc., Operator 945936, has filed to amend existing P-17 permit #7030 with the Texas Railroad Commission. The following amended P-17 application is for the exception to SWR 26 and/or 27 to surface commingle production from oil and gas leases in (Lease ID18819) LHS Ranch lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (Lease ID 45329) Lillie Midkiff 5 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) . Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3201 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (New Lease ID) Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3211. lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (New Lease ID) Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3202 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (New Lease ID) Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3213 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (New Lease ID) Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3203 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (New Lease ID) Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3204 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (New Lease ID) Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3205 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (New Lease ID) Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3215 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (New Lease ID) Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3206 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (New Lease ID) Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3207 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field;(New Lease ID) Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3217 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (New Lease ID) Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3208 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (New Lease ID) Maralo 41-32 Allocation 3221 lease, Spraberry (Trend Area) field; (New Lease ID) Lillie Midkiff 44-41 Allocation 4101 Spraberry (Trend Area) R40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) Lillie Midkiff 41-44 Allocation 4107 lease Spraberry (Trend Area) R40 EXC field; (New Lease ID) Lillie Midkiff 44-41 Allocation 4111 lease Spraberry (Trend Area) R40 EXC field in Upton/Midland County. This application is for common separation and common storage. Production will be measured by W-10. Any royalty interest owners who have not received written notification please consider this your Notice of Application. If you have objections to the issuance of this permit, you may submit a letter to Ericka Davis, P-17 Department, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711. Unless the Commission receives a protest to this application, the Commission may issue a permit within 21 days after the date the application is filed.

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NOTICE TO SELL VEHICLE SEALED BID

Please submit sealed bids (no minimum) for 2002 Chevy Malibu Car, approximately 117,300 miles showing - Not guaranteed. Gas engine: Bench Seat: A/C: PS,PB: AM/FM Radio: As-Is: Current working condition. This car is used and contains defects that are and are not immediately detectable. Text description given is meant to be used as a guide only. You may view car between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. All information provided is believed to be correct. No warranty as such is either intended or implied. The care is sold AS IS WHERE IS and with faults and defects therein.

Submit sealed bids to Midland Central Appraisal District4631 Andrews Hwy, Midland, TX 79703 by 5 p.m. March 1, 2016.

Payment must be made within 24 hours of notification of being highest bidder.

Notice Of Application For Fluid Injection Well Permit

XTO Energy, Inc., Opr. No. 945936, 500 W. Illinois, Suite 100, Midland, Texas 79701 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres/Glorieta formation in the Adcock Zant #1102. The proposed injection well is located approximately 15 miles northwest from Garden City, TX and will be assigned to the Dewey Lake (Fusselman) Field for identification purposes, in Glasscock County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3713'-5442.'

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Request for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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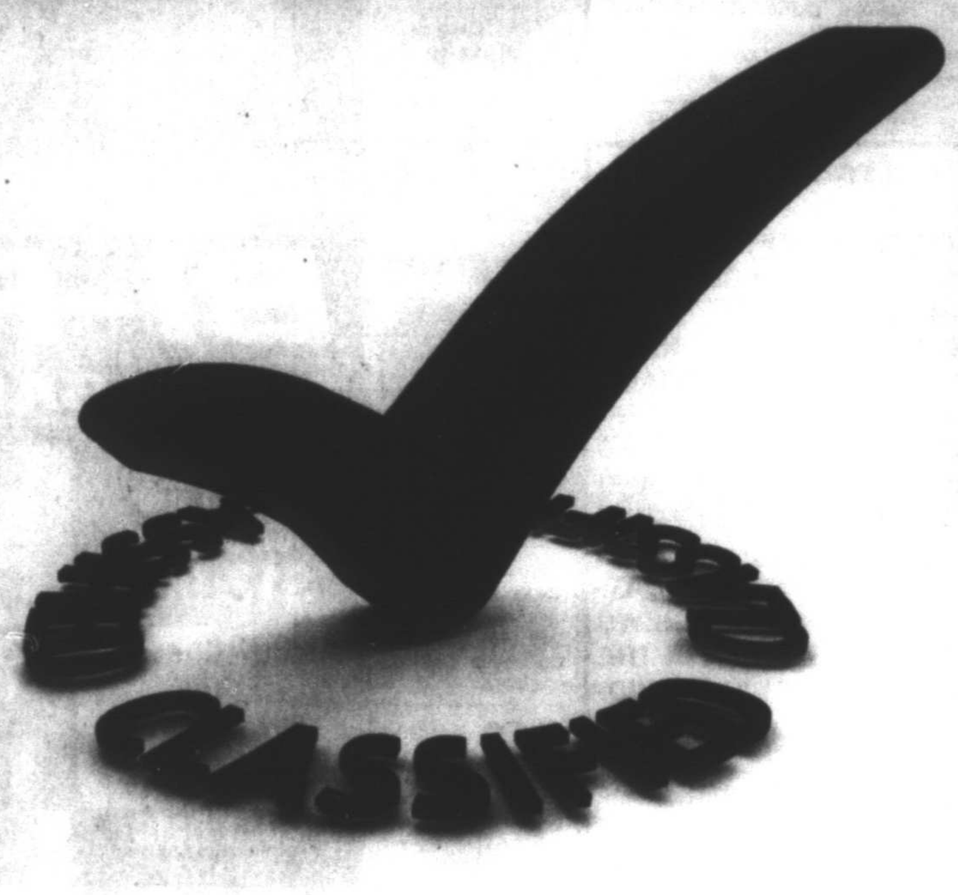

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LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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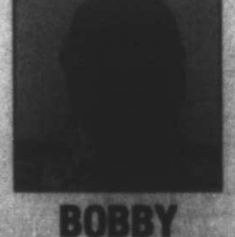
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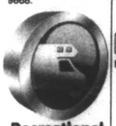

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ESTATE SALE BY JOSEPH & TEAM
3218 DENGAR (MIDLAND)
THURSDAY & FRIDAY 9AM-3PM
SATURDAY 9AM-12PM

This home is full of great items, including...Sixties colored glass, milk glass, crystal, vintage kitchen, enamel cookware, Frankoma, art work, Bombay chest, sofa table, coffee/lamp tables, side chairs, dining table/chairs, buffet, Mid Century Modern dresser with mirror/ night stands/ king bed, vanity stools, dress w mirror/queen bed, TV's, kitchen hutch, yard tools, yard items, and the usual household misc.

For pictures go to...
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Estate Sales

★★ ESTATE SALE ★★
★★ by PATRICIA & TEAM ★★
13409 W. County Road 132, MIDLAND, TEXAS
Thursday & Friday February 11th & 12th , 8:30am-3:00pm
Saturday, February 13th, 8:30am-1:00pm

This sale is a total liquidation sale for Luxury Bath. This sale is a must see for any plumbers or handymen. Included in the sale are 2 walk in tubs, shower enclosures, tone of tub and shower plumbing fixtures including faucets, shower heads, all new. There is also a fork lift (needs work), pallet jack, heavy duty shelving. Master Cool shop air conditioner, kids fire truck tub and Tonka Trucks. There is also a Rockwood Premier travel trailer, sleeps 6. Bathroom electrical fixtures, hand tools, 10x16 foot linoleum. Pro-panel Storage building double doors hard wood 10w X 12l X 8h. (Direction: From Midland, Texas. Go west on Highway 80. Turn left on S. County Rd. 1310. Turn right on W. County Rd. 132. Building will be on the left side. Signs will be out. Go to EstateSales.net to view full details.

Merchandise

Appliances

AAA Appliance 15 minute pickup. 432-556-0104 / 432-528-3046

Free Stuff

FREE WOODEN PALLETS!
Midland Reporter-Telegram (on dock side)

Furniture

MATTRESS LIQUIDATION. No credit check. Twin mattress $88.00, full size mattress $128, queen mattress $175, Memory foam mattress full size 10" $499. Double padded mattress available. Se Habla Espanol. 3504 W. Wall Street, Midland, Texas. 432-699-0604

Miscellaneous for Sale

1956 GIBSON hollow body electric guitar $1,400.00, mini refrigerator, 3.1 cubic inches $100.00, infered gas/propane space heater $125.00. 432-352-8419

19" TV for $20. 20" rims & tires for $500. Chandelier $20. Call 432-813-9211.

Sporting Goods

FOR SALE $399 Nordic T6.1 still under manufacture warranty 100% until October 25, 2017. Includes all the whistles & bells. Purchased early 2015, gently used. If interested and would like to see/ try it then call 432-563-1321.

Animals & Pets

Pets

AKC ENGLISH Bulldogs. Champion bloodline. Taking deposits. Will be ready Feb. 20th. 806-500-8850.

FREE TO good home 6 week old Lab cross puppies. 432-238-2950

LAB PUPPIES AKC & started dogs. Hips/ eyes guaranteed. Training available. Pooles Labs. www.pooleslabs.com. Call (806) 633-4364.

REGISTERED AKC German Shephard puppies. 9 males, 3 females. Will be ready week of March 1st. Now taking no refundable deposits. 432-634-4618.

Pets

REWARD FOR lost blonde Pomeranian named Lucky about 10 lbs that belongs to a disabled person who misses him greatly. Missing since February 1st. Please call Sylvia 432-553-0037

Real Estate Rentals & Sales

Residential Rentals

Apartments for Rent Furnished

2901 W ILLINOIS, 1600sft 2BD/2BA Remodeled Executive Patio apartment with garage. $1,250 month-ly. Call 432-631-8100 or 432-266-1212

4409 CROCKETT 2bed/1bath. $800 mo, $800 dep. 432-978-2074.

Apartments for Rent Unfurnished

2BED/1BATH APT for rent. $850/mo deposit negotiable. Call Vanessa at 432-816-1486 if interested.

MIDLAND EFFICIENCY between hospital and MHS. Quite, safe location. $695, covers rent, electric, gas, water. 432-689-7221

SPECIAL
★ Come to unique, owner in residence, very quite Whispering Oaks. 1 bedroom 1 bath, very nice,cathedral ceilings, covered parking, basic cable & water paid. 2 bedroom 1 bath, fireplace, cathedral ceilings, covered parking, basic cable & water paid. 2 bedroom 2 bath, garage, covered parking, fenced patios. Basic cable & water paid. Call for our special discounted rates, for quality tenant. 432-694-4001 ★

TOWNHOUSE FOR lease. 4409 Fairgate. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1 car garage. $1,300/ month, $1,300 Deposit. Contact LMB Real Estate 432-686-2800.

Townhouse/ Condo for Rent Unfurnished

3 BEDROOM 3 bath, 2 car garage, has washer & dryer, refrigerator. 3200 Elma. Town home in nice neighborhood. $1,900 month, $1,500 deposit. 432-230-0157

Houses for Rent Furnished

NICE NEW totally furnished apartment. washer, dryer, cable, ice, RO water, $1250/mo. $1,000 deposit. 432-631-8100

Houses for Rent Unfurnished

1-BR, 1-Bath, new paint & carpet, concrete parking for 2 cars. Washer & dryer, stove and ref. furnished, water furnished, small fenced yard. $900 mo. 2002 W. Michigan in alley. 432-634-6445

2 BEDROOM 1 bath house for rent in Old Midland. 1 year lease, fridge & stove included. Washer & dryer connections. Must pay all utilities. $1,000/mo. $750 deposit. Call for appointment to see 432-689-4241.

3BD, 2BA house for rent in Old Midland. Quite street large backyard with storage $1,800 month plus deposit.. Call 325-207-0942

3 BED/ 2 BATH with Bonus room remodeled, big rooms and yard. Lease to own options. $1200/mo. 575-937-9377

3 BEDROOM + OFFICE 1.5 bath with big backyard $1800.00 a mo. $1800.00 deposit 432-661-2699

4BD, 2BA, 2 living areas, south side. Close to Wal-Mart. $1,700/mo, $1350/dep 432-413-3489.

Houses for Rent Unfurnished

5107 CONCHO, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living rooms, fireplace, newly remodeled home in the Greathouse school district. $2,000 per month. Call 432-697-6317

FOR LEASE: 2608 Delano Ave. 2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, fenced, refrigerator, stove, no smoking, no pets, background/credit check, verification of employment, $925 security deposit $925/ month. Available now. 432-222-0794, Serious inquiries only.

FOR LEASE - 2800 South County Road 1220, roomy 4 or 5bdrm home, 3 full baths, refrigerator, stove, large backyard with 2-car attached garage. Background / credit check, verification of employment, $1900/month, $1900 security deposit, $500 pet deposit (restrictions apply). Call 432-222-0794, serious inquiries only.

FOR SALE or lease: Very nice 2 & 3 bedrooms. $1,100/month and up. Good credit required. 432-694-9853.

OLD MIDLAND residents on quiet one block street by the duck pond. Nicely updated with stainless appliances, new bathrooms, granite, and lush yard with established trees. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. $2,000 a month, plus deposit. No pets. 432-425-3937.

Residential Sales

Homes for Sale

3527 GULF, 3BD/2BA, Remodeled, fireplace, 2000+ sf. Large backyard. $219,000. Call 432-631-8100 or 432-266-1212

3608 SINCLAIR 2939sf. 4BD/3BA., fireplace. Water well, Remodeled. $249,000 Call 432-631-8100 or 432-266-1212

4500 SQ. ft. spec home on 20 acres off 349 (still under construction). Qualified buyers only by appointment. Call Eric 432-934-6198 for home built your way.

Fax It... 682-6999

Condo/Townhouse for Rent Unfurnished

TOWN HOUSE FOR RENT
Super Clean 1800 sq. ft. Town house 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage. On Golf Course Rd. $1,600 per month, 1 year lease, 1 month deposit. Available February 1st. CALL 432-638-9030 or 432-553-0707

Residential Sales

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Realtors Welcome
5221 CANADIAN. Beautiful 4 bedroom, master bedroom with fireplace, 2 bath, 2 living areas one with a fireplace, large kitchen, computer room & laundry room. $227K. Open house 2-4 every Sunday or call for an appointment. 432-683-2243

Lots & Land

Acreage

MITCHELL COUNTY 160 acres irrigated farm. Valley Center Pivot with 600 gallon per minute water well. 325-242-0771

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Modular & Mobile Homes

Mobile Homes for Rent

2 BEDROOM 1 1/2 bath mobile home near south side Walmart. All bills paid. 1-432-271-5260

2 BEDROOM, 2 Bath mobile home for rent. $900/ month, $900 deposit. For more information call 432-570-8555.

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH double wide mobile home for rent. $1,000 security deposit, $1,200 a month. Please call or text 432-889-3907 for more information.

MOBILE HOME FOR Rent. 3BD/2BA. $1000/mo plus $1000 deposit. If you rent in the month of January it will only be a $500 deposit! Call 432-210-4955, 432-634-4762 until 5pm, after 5pm text message only for more details.

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Commercial

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Commercial

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•11,159 ac. ft. of Snyder, 4 houses, pens/roping arena, 800 ft. mile., creek, lakes, whitetail deer, mule deer and quail $795/ac
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