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Up? Down? Find this week's averages in Today in Midland.

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LOSSES MOUNT

Five months after a Boeing 777 disappears, Malaysia Airlines loses another jetliner. This time, however, the plane isn't missing — it was shot down over Ukraine.

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Final ClearWater budget set at $30 million

Project is less expensive and on schedule for December completion

By Joseph Basco
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The Midland County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1 on Wednesday finalized its ClearWater Ranch water project at $30 million, which makes the project less expensive than the $200 million T-Bar Ranch water pipeline project.

The project connects water from the ClearWater Ranch in Winkler County to the T-Bar Ranch 15 miles northwest by using an 18-inch pipeline. Water from both ranches are then blended and sent 67 miles east to the city of Midland's water system.

Jay Edwards, general manager of the freshwater district, told board members on Wednesday that all of the ClearWater Ranch pipeline is in place and all 31 water wells have been completed and tested.

"The great news about that is each well exceeded our minimal expectations volume-wise, so we have plenty of capacity," Edwards said.

The ClearWater Ranch is capable of delivering up to 4 million gallons of water per day, complementing the T-Bar Ranch's supply. The completed T-Bar pipeline is currently delivering 7 million gallons a day to the city but is capable of delivering up to 20 million gallons daily.

The ClearWater Ranch pipeline has been in the works for the water district since the completion of the T-Bar project.

The city of Midland purchased the ClearWater Ranch, then known as Smith Field, in June 2013. The following month, the water district and the city entered into an

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1 injured in wreck

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

A two vehicle accident on State Highway 158 near County Road 130 sent one person to the hospital Thursday afternoon. The truck with trailer was pulled over on the side of the road fixing a flat on the trailer when the second pickup slammed into and through the trailer.

Pickup hits parked vehicle on Highway 158

By Cale Ottens
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A man was transported to Midland Memorial Hospital on Thursday afternoon after he crashed into a pickup that was parked on the side of Highway 158 while the occupants changed a flat tire.

The man was driving west in a pickup when he slammed into the other pickup, which was pulling a trailer. The wreck occurred around 1:20 p.m. near the State Highway 158 and County Road 1135 intersection in Midland County.

The Department of Public Safety is still investigating the crash. The driver was the only person injured. Two men were in the pickup pulling a trailer but had gotten out to change the tire. They

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City urges clean, safe Southside community

By Rachael Gleason
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Midland police and city officials encouraged Southside residents to keep their vehicles locked and properties clean during a community meeting Thursday.

Most crime in the city is on a downward five-year trend, according to MPD crime analysis supervisor Clif Sikes. But some offenses can be prevented by staying vigilant.

Crime Prevention Unit officer Larry Woodruff said suspicious individuals often "case" neighborhoods and look over their shoulders to make sure nobody is watching.

"Look at their body language," he said, reminding residents about this year's National Night Out event Aug. 5. "Are they actually going somewhere or up to no good?"

Most auto thefts, which are also on a downward trend, can be prevented by locking doors and taking keys, said MPD Chief Price Robinson.

A trio of vehicle burglars recently caught by police rarely broke windows, said Robinson, as a crime dashboard behind him displayed dozens of dots representing auto burglaries over the past six months.

"Half of these were unlocked," Robinson told the dozen residents who attended

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Prospects fade for border crisis resolution

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Prospects for action on the nation's border crisis faded Thursday as lawmakers traded accusations rather than solutions, raising chances that Congress will head out for its summer recess without doing anything about the tens of thousands of migrant children streaming into South Texas.

Republican Sen. Ted Cruz of Texas announced plans to try to cancel out President Barack Obama's two-year-old policy that granted work permits to hundreds of thousands of immigrants brought illegally to the country as youths, saying it was causing the crisis — something the administration disputed. "The problem will not be solved until we make clear that those coming here illegally will not be granted amnesty," Cruz declared.

That drew a rebuke from Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, who complained on the Senate floor: "Instead of considering a thoughtful, compassionate solution to a real-life crisis, radical Republicans would rather hold these kids ransom."

Meanwhile Democratic Sen. Robert Menendez of New Jersey, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, declared himself dead-set opposed to legal changes to speed return of the migrants to Central America more quickly — changes Republicans have demanded as the price for approving any part of Obama's $3.7 billion emergency spending request for the border. "I understand the desire

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Weather
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WTI Futures	$103.19 ▲	$1.99
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Natural Gas	$3.954 ▼	$0.165
Gasoline	$3.491 ▼	$0.006

The big number
Authorities arrested more than **100 workers** using fake IDs in Florida. Read about the bust on Page 4A.

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A mission group goes to the Philippines. Page 1B

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WATER HAZARD

Rain puddles on the putting green at Green Tree Country Club on Thursday morning. Passing thunderstorms with lightening delayed the Women's City Golf tournament, and scattered showers dampened the course and players. Read more about the tournament in Sports on Page 1C.

Rain by the numbers

Thursday's showers

Through 5 p.m.

Rainfall total	0.28 of an inch
Average for July 17	0.06 of an inch
Record for July 17	1.85 inches in 2009

Rainfall by the hour

8:53 a.m.	0.01 of an inch
9:53 a.m.	0.24 of an inch
11:53 a.m.	0.01 of an inch
12:53 p.m.	0.02 of an inch

Rainfall elsewhere:

Abilene	1.82 inches
Midland Airpark	0.61 of an inch
San Angelo	0.59 of an inch
Fort Stockton	0.22 of an inch

Midland's top rainfalls in July

1. July 21, 1986	4.10 inches
2. July 8, 1997	3.59 inches
3. July 26, 1938	2.88 inches
4. July 6, 1941	2.54 inches
5. July 11, 1966	2.25 inches

It was that cool ...

High temperature Thursday: 82 degrees
Average high for July 17: 95 degrees
Lowest high temperature for July 17: 76 degrees in 2001

Will it rain again?

Yes. The National Weather Service is calling for a chance of isolated showers on Wednesday.

Source: National Weather Service

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Ramiro A. Aceves, 25, of Midland was charged Wednesday with possession of a controlled substance.

Francisco Carranza-Villarreal, 23, of Midland was charged Wednesday with tampering with government record with intent to defraud or harm.

Brandy D. Davis, 34, of Carlsbad, New Mexico, was charged Wednesday with criminal nonsupport.

Willie E. Dewitt, 52, of Midland was charged Wednesday with fraudulent use or possession of identification information.

Juan J. Losoya, 18, of Midland was charged Wednesday with evading arrest.

Kayle R. Mesa, 25, of Midland was charged Wednesday with failure to appear at a bail jumping hearing.

Edward V. Rodriguez, 32, of Midland was charged Wednesday with theft by fraud valued between $1,500 and $20,000 and violation of parole.

Joe B. Storey, Jr., 37, of Midland was charged Wednesday with unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.

Bernard A. Worsham, 30, of Midland was charged Wednesday with failure to appear at a bail jumping hearing.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

STATE BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

AUSTIN

Woman promoted to lieutenant in Texas Rangers

A woman has been promoted to lieutenant in the Texas Rangers in a move making her the highest-ranking female in its storied history.

The Texas Department of Public Safety on Thursday announced Ranger Wende Wakeman's promotion takes effect Aug. 1.

Director Steven McCraw says Wakeman's promotion is the result of her "exemplary service and unwavering commitment" to protecting Texans and upholding DPS values.

AUSTIN

Texas measles alert issued after Kansas tournament

Texas health officials say more than 30 people who traveled to a softball tournament in Kansas over the Fourth of July weekend may have been exposed to the measles virus.

The Texas Department of State Health Services said in a statement Thursday it wants to alert Texans who traveled to Wichita for the tournament.

Kansas health officials said eight softball teams from Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri and Texas participated in the tournament.

Officials say at least three recreational softball teams from Texas played in Wichita. No measles cases had been confirmed by Thursday.

LUBBOCK

Drought map shows improvement as rain hits Texas

Recent rainfall in the Texas Panhandle took more of the region out of the worst drought stage and heavy storms the past couple of days will further improve conditions.

The U.S. Drought Monitor map released Thursday shows about 3.8 percent of the state in exceptional drought, down from 4.51 percent. The map reflects precipitation as of Tuesday and the Panhandle and other parts of Texas have since received heavy downfalls. For instance, the town of Valley View, about 50 miles northwest of Dallas, has received almost 11 inches of rain.

Wichita Falls, with lakes at record lows and which recently began using a wastewater reuse project, got 2.3 inches from the same system that hit the Panhandle.

Despite the rainfall, 63 percent of the state remains in some drought category.

CRIME BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MCSO: Undocumented immigrant used fake documents to apply for job

Carranza-Villarreal

An undocumented immigrant from Mexico is suspected of using a fake Texas identification card and social security card to apply for a job with a local oilfield construction services company.

Francisco Carranza-Villarreal, 24, provided Big D Cos. with a state ID that identified him as a 30-year-old Texan with a different name while applying for a job at 4501 E. Highway 80 in Midland, according to an arrest affidavit.

A security and safety coordinator for the company notified the Midland County Sheriff's Office after he noticed the documents Carranza-Villarreal gave him were likely fraudulent, the report said.

Carranza-Villarreal later told an MCSO deputy his real name and that his proper identification was in a pickup in front of the business. The ID was from Mexico. The deputy ran his information and found there was no information under his name and date of birth in state's system, the affidavit said.

Border Patrol also confirmed the man was an undocumented immigrant and had a previous deportation. MCSO charged Carranza-Villarreal with tampering with government records with intent to defraud, which is a state felony.

Bond had not been set as of Thursday evening, but the man was still being held on behalf of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency.

If convicted, Carranza-Villarreal could face up to two years in prison.

MPD: Woman allows boy to cross busy street alone

Acosta

A Midland woman was arrested Wednesday night on suspicion of endangering a 2-year-old boy by allowing him to walk across Wadley Avenue by himself.

Lila Acosta, 31, was arrested after someone found the toddler in the 5300 block of Wadley Avenue, a block south from where Acosta lives, and called the Midland Police Department, according to an arrest affidavit.

The boy had been gone for about 40 minutes before police found Acosta searching for him inside her apartment complex in the 5200 block of Tremont Avenue, the report said.

MPD records showed police had also responded to at least three other complaints of children leaving Acosta's home unsupervised while she was supposed to be watching them. There was one call in early April and two others in May, according to the affidavit.

Because this was not the first time Acosta had allowed young children to leave her home unsupervised, MPD charged her with abandoning or endangering a child via criminal neglect, a state felony.

As of Thursday evening, Acosta was still in jail and her bond had not been set.

If convicted, she could face up to two years in prison.

Storms blamed for rain, travel delays

Associated Press

DALLAS — Storms dumped nearly a foot of rain in parts of North Texas and delayed air and highway travel Thursday.

The National Weather Service issued a flash flood watch through Friday afternoon for the Dallas-Fort Worth area and points north, including Denton, Gainesville, Sherman and Denison.

"We've got high rain chances really all over North and Central Texas," weather service forecaster Jason Dunn in Fort Worth said.

The town of Valley View, about 50 miles northwest of Dallas, received almost 11 inches of rain during a 24-hour period ending Thursday morning, Dunn said, while Denton had about 3.3 inches of rain since midnight Wednesday.

He warned drivers to avoid high water over roadways.

"We always seem to have those things happen and it never works out for the good," Dunn said.

The Cooke County Sheriff's Office had no immediate reports of injuries or damage from the storm that had swamped some roads. Parts of Interstate 35 in Denton and Cooke counties were closed for several hours during heavy rain but had reopened by 8 a.m. Thursday, said Michelle Releford, a spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Transportation in Mesquite.

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STATE BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MCALLEN

Ex-sheriff in Texas sentenced to 5 years in prison

A former South Texas sheriff who had pleaded guilty to money laundering was sentenced to five years in prison Thursday in what the judge called a sad day for the county.

U.S. District Judge Micaela Alvarez departed from sentencing guidelines that topped out at less than four years to impose a stiffer penalty on former Hidalgo County Sheriff Lupe Trevino.

Alvarez said many questions remained about how much money Trevino really took from a known drug trafficker. She said Trevino admitted to accepting $20,000 to $25,000 — double the amounts in question that were recorded in his re-election campaign account.

"You knew that this person was a drug trafficker," Alvarez said. "You are contributing to the problem that we have in this county." She said cases like Trevino's diminish the public's trust.

HOUSTON

4 plead guilty in Texas sex-trafficking ring

Four people pleaded guilty Thursday for participating in a sex-trafficking operation in Houston that investigators said made at least $12.6 million by forcing woman and underage girls living in the U.S. illegally into prostitution.

The three men and one woman were among 13 people arrested in October after a three-year investigation into the ring, which prosecutors said operated for more than a decade and involved girls as young as 14.

Odelia Hernandez and Abel Medeles, who are U.S. citizens, along with Eduardo Guzman Gonzales and Alberto Mendez Flores, both from Mexico, each pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to harbor illegal aliens. The charge carries a sentence of up to 10 years in prison. They are scheduled to be sentenced in October.

FORT WORTH

No trauma on 8 decaying bodies at Texas mortuary

No signs of trauma or foul play were found on eight decaying bodies discovered at an abandoned funeral home in Fort Worth, Texas, officials said.

Seven of the eight bodies found Tuesday at the Johnson Family Mortuary were in advanced stages of decomposition, the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office said Wednesday.

Authorities have said the business, owned by twin brothers Dondre and Derrick Johnson, was already under state investigation and its license was due to expire in two weeks.

Officials know the identities of five of the bodies, but one woman and two stillborn babies have not been identified, according to the coroner's office.

Fort Worth police are investigating the case on abuse-of-corpse charges.

Associated Press

Texas A&M researchers pass above a fore foot piece of the keel of the 300-year old ship La Belle on Thursday in Bryan. The Roman numeral IIII beside the letter "A" told the builders in 1864 where this piece of the ship's frame belonged. The remains are being transferred from a gigantic preservation-aiding freeze-dryer at Texas A&M University to the state museum in Austin for reassembly. Looking for the Mississipi river in 1685 French explorer La Salle and his ship ended up in the Gulf of Mexico where La Belle sank in a storm off the coast of Texas. She was found in 1995 under 12 feet of water.

17th century shipwreck on the move in Texas

Associated Press

BRYAN — The recovered remains of a ship belonging to the famed French explorer Rene-Robert Cavelier Sieur de la Salle, which sank off the Texas coast more than three centuries ago, were launched on their final journey Thursday.

The keel and other large structural pieces of La Belle, which have been preserved in a gigantic freeze-dryer at Texas A&M since 2012, were gingerly loaded onto a flatbed truck for the 85-mile trip to the Bullock Texas State History Museum in Austin, the last stop in a voyage that began in 1685 with La Salle's ill-fated expedition to find the mouth of the Mississippi River.

"It's part of Texas and Texas history," said Peter Fix, assistant director of the university's Center for Maritime Archaeology and Conservation. "This is how we learn who we are and where we came from."

The 54-1/2-foot-long supply ship was built in 1684 and sank two years later during a storm in the Gulf of Mexico's Matagorda Bay, the first in a series of events that dashed France's hopes of colonizing a piece of the New World now known as Texas.

Texas Historical Commission archaeologists found the shipwreck in 1995 in 12 feet of murky water, built a dam around the site and pumped it dry. Researchers dug through up to 6 feet of mud to retrieve the nearly intact hull and some 700,000 items, including three cases of rifles, plus other guns, swords, a cannon and ammunition, and beads and mirrors intended for trade and tool chests containing hammers and saws.

"There are pretty cool things that came out of this wreck," Fix said. "But the key issue is we get to learn and hopefully inspire more discovery."

Archaeologists also found a skeleton, believed to be the remains of a crew member or settler among the 40 or so people aboard.

The mud that covered the hull prevented its destruction by salt water and wood-eating mollusks, worms or bacteria, said Donny Hamilton, director of the Conservation Research Laboratory.

"Wood will outlast iron, as long as it's covered," Hamilton said. "If it didn't get left in the mud, you'd have nothing left."

In the summer of 2012, the ship pieces were taken to the Texas A&M lab where the water-logged European oak wood was stored at 60 degrees below zero in the world's largest archaeological freeze dryer to safely remove more than 300 years of moisture and keep the wood solid.

It's among nearly 400 pieces of wood marked at the wreck site. Breakage during recovery pushed that total to more than 600.

"We have to piece them back together," Fix said. "It's a three-dimensional jigsaw puzzle of what was 23,000 pounds of water-logged wood in the remaining shape of a ship."

The challenge Thursday was to brace the delicate pieces with wood frames and foam, rest them on an aluminum platform and limit any abrasion and flexing during the two-hour-long ride to Austin at speeds up to 60 mph.

The actual reconstruction is to begin this fall and will be completed next May. The entire project, including identification and restoration of artifacts found on the ship, has cost "close to $5 million," Hamilton said.

La Salle was the first European to travel the Mississippi River south to the Gulf, claiming all the land along the Mississippi and its tributaries for France in 1682. In 1685, he sailed from France with more than 300 colonists aboard four ships. La Belle among them, to establish a settlement at the mouth of the Mississippi.

Maps from that time show he believed the river was closer to Mexico, and his expedition missed the Mississippi by hundreds of miles. His team established a colony near Matagorda Bay, but it was ravaged by disease, rattlesnakes and Indians. Three years later, La Salle led a handful of survivors inland in search of the Mississippi. He wound up being killed by his own men before they left Texas.

The ship legally remains French property. Under a treaty between the U.S. and France, French authorities have veto authority over conservation steps, Hamilton said.

"I can't think of any time they said no to anything," Hamilton said.

PROJECT

From 1A

agreement to develop the ClearWater pipeline.

The district is pursuing the project to obtain the higher-quality water from ClearWater Ranch and to blend it with T-Bar's lower-quality water, extending the life of the T-Bar Ranch.

ClearWater is the city's most recent long-term water solution — the ranch is estimated to yield up to 30 extra years of water for Midland residents in addition to the 40 years of water that the T-Bar Ranch provides.

The water district, having the experience of the T-Bar project and benefiting from the smaller scale of the ClearWater project, estimated an on-time completion date in December.

INJURY

From 1A

saw the pickup coming toward them and got out of the way, according to a DPS trooper at the scene.

The extent of the driver's injuries are not known at this time. The trooper said the man was awake but "out of it" immediately following the wreck.

The speed limit at the spot of the crash is 75 mph and the trooper said he believes it played a factor in the man's injuries. DPS has not determined whether the driver was impaired or if he was looking at a cell phone at the time of the wreck. Neither has been ruled out, he said.

DPS has not issued any citations, and no additional details are available at this time.

MEETING

From 1A

Thursday night at the Southeast Senior Center. "Why break a window when you can just open a door? If people would have locked their doors and rolled their windows up ... they would have kept on walking."

Although the crime dashboard is only available to police, Sikes said a version is available for the public at crimemapping.com. The website is updated daily with crimes, dates, locations and case numbers.

Most incidents in the Southside are related to drug or alcohol violations, Robinson said. Police made 28 narcotics arrests near the intersection of Lamesa Road and Industrial over the past six months, according to crime data released Thursday.

"Midland is changing," he said. "There are a lot of new faces — unfortunately some of those people are up to no good."

Midland code compliance and solid waste officials also discussed issues with trash during the meeting. Residents can legally dispose of large items at the Midland Citizens Collection Station, 4100 Smith Road, or call the Midland Code Compliance Office for questions about violations.

"When you have a trash area, crime goes up," said Midland Solid Waste Director Morris Williams.

National Night Out

When: Aug. 5

Registation deadline: July 28

To register, fill out a form offered online at www.midland-texas.gov/318/National-Night-Out and return to the Midland Police Department Community Relations, 601 N. Loraine. Call 685-7582 for more information.

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■ Family Friday: Color Me Creative — Travel Edition, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org.

■ "Quebe Sisters Band," 8 p.m., Noel Plaza in Odessa. mainstreetodessa.com/hotsummer.

■ Peter Noone of Herman's Hermits, 8 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

■ West Texas Salseros' West Texas Salsa Festival, 8 p.m., DoubleTree Ballroom. facebook.com/westtexassalseros.wts.

■ Pickwick Players present "42nd Street" at Midland Community Theatre. mctmidland.org.

■ "The Tempest" at The Globe Theatre in Odessa. globesw.org.

Summer Mummer's "Desert of the Dead" at Yucca Theatre. summermummers.com.

■ Movie in the Park "Lego Movie," 9 p.m., Hill Park. midlandtexas.gov.

Meeting today

Midland Development Corp. 8:30 a.m., City Hall basement, 300 N. Loraine St.

New movies in Midland

■ At Tall City 14: "Planes: Fire and Rescue," "The Purge: Anarchy," "Sex Tape."

■ At Cinergy Cinemas: "Planes: Fire and Rescue," "The Purge: Anarchy," "Sex Tape."

■ At Big Sky Drive-in: "Planes: Fire and Rescue," "The Purge: Anarchy."

City pool hours today

Doug Russell Pool, 900 N. Midland Drive, noon-7 p.m.

Washington Pool, 1601 E. Indiana, noon-7 p.m.

Entry fee is $2; kids under 2 are free. For more information, call 685-7356.

Water usage in Midland

(Includes deliveries from the Colorado River Municipal Water District, T-Bar Ranch and Paul Davis well fields)

July 8	22,862,000 gallons
July 9	28,651,000 gallons
July 10	26,754,000 gallons
July 11	23,126,000 gallons
July 12	25,907,000 gallons
July 13	27,390,000 gallons
Monday	19,369,000 gallons
Tuesday	20,780,000 gallons

The average delivery from the CRMWD to Midland in June was 13,019,833 gallons. The current average in July is 13,506,889.

Lake Levels (by percentage full)

	July 2012	July 2013	July 2014
Ivie	14.56	17.21	18.48
Thomas	0.67	2.02	1.56
Spence	0.31	5.78	2.01

Source: CRMWD

Watering schedule

The current outdoor watering schedule allows residents and businesses in the city of Midland to water twice per week.

Even-numbered addresses may water outdoors on Saturdays and Wednesdays from 6 p.m. until midnight.

Odd-numbered addresses may water outdoors on Fridays and Tuesdays from 6 p.m. until midnight.

Any violation may result in a fine up to $500.

The washing outdoor surfaces ban is still in effect.

Use of water to fill, refill or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools or Jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours of 6 p.m. and midnight beginning on their designated watering days.

Club meetings today

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

Gas prices in Midland

Cheapest gas: $3.39 (Sam's Club, Trandwinds/State Highway 191; Flying J, I-20/SCR 1250)

Most expensive gas: $3.55 (Texaco, Loop 250/Midkiff; Alon, Loop 250/Midkiff; Alon, Garfield/Whitmire; Texaco, Front Street/Fairgrounds).

Most common price: $3.49.

Cheapest prices in West Texas cities: Lubbock $3.18, Midland $3.39, San Angelo $3.40, Odessa $3.41, Abilene $3.44.

	Mid-Od	Texas
Thursday	$3.494	$3.499
Last week	$3.533	$3.467
Last month	$3.504	$3.455
Last year	$3.564	$3.523

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 6-8-0
Pick 3 day: 8-6-9
Pick 3 evening: 6-4-3
Pick 3 night: 5-7-6
Daily 4 morning: 9-4-3-6
Daily 4 day: 2-1-4-3
Daily 4 evening: 2-0-7-9
Daily 4 night: 5-5-7-5
Cash Five: 8-23-27-28-36
Lotto Texas: 6-25-29-32-34-43
Texas Two Step: 6-8-11-29 BB: 9
Powerball: 5-15-18-26-32 PB: 35
Power Play: 3
Mega Millions: 2-4-17-36-40 MB: 5
Megaplier: 2
All or Nothing morning: 5-6-7-8-9-12-13-14-16-18-20-22
All or Nothing day: 1-4-5-7-11-12-13-14-19-20-23-24
All or Nothing evening: 1-2-5-6-7-8-13-14-16-19-22-24
All or Nothing night: 2-3-6-7-8-12-13-15-16-18-19-21

CRISIS

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to accelerate the process, but accelerating without due process is not acceptable," Menendez said.

Taken together, the developments suggested lawmakers were hardening their positions, leading House Speaker John Boehner — who regularly declares himself a glass-half-full optimist — to downgrade hopes for a solution.

"I don't have as much optimism as I'd like to have," said Boehner, R-Ohio. With just weeks until Congress' August recess, a working group the speaker convened to develop solutions to the problem failed once again to release its report Thursday, after initially promising to do so as early as Tuesday.

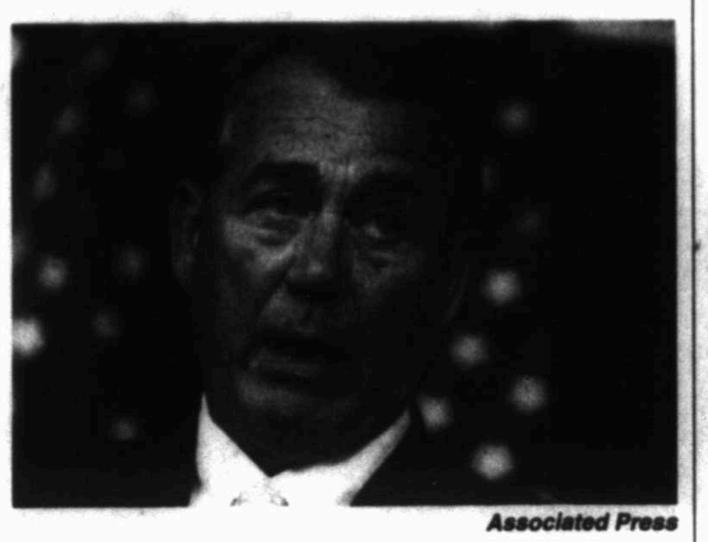
Even so, lawmakers in both parties expressed a desire to act amid signs that the public is demanding a resolution. One in six people now call immigration the most pressing problem facing the U.S., according to a new Gallup Poll — up dramatically just since last month, when only 5 percent said immigration topped their list of concerns.

"It's a terrible situation. You talk about small kids, nobody there to help them, but they've got to go back," said Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., a supporter of stalled congressional efforts to overhaul the nation's immigration system. "I am out there on immigration reform, but there is no market for this in America. ... America is not going to tolerate this."

More than 57,000 children have arrived since fall, mostly from El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras.

The reasons for the unexpected surge have become as disputed on Capitol Hill as what the solution should be.

Obama administration officials point to brutal gang violence in some areas of Central America, as well as efforts by the children to reunite with family members. They also say smugglers are exploiting U.S. policies that, in practice, allow Central American kids to stay for years or indefinitely once they arrive.



Associated Press

Speaker of the House John Boehner of Ohio speaks during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington on Thursday. Boehner said he can't envision a U.S. response to the border crisis that doesn't involving speeding up the process of returning unaccompanied Central American children home.

At Menendez's hearing Thursday, Thomas A. Shannon Jr., a counselor at the State Department, pointed to a 2008 trafficking victims law signed by George W. Bush that guarantees hearings to young people arriving here from Central America. It can allow them to stay here for years as their cases progress slowly through the overburdened immigration court system.

Republicans want to change that law so Central American kids are treated the same as Mexicans, who can be turned around at the border quickly unless they can convince Border Patrol agents they merit further screening. Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson told senators at a private briefing this week that he supports such a change, but Democratic congressional opposition has hardened amid fierce lobbying by immigration advocates who contend it would amount to violating the children's due process and sending them home to be abused or killed.

Meanwhile Republicans have increasingly focused on a different issue: Obama's 2012 directive removing the threat of deportation for certain immigrants who were brought to the U.S. illegally as youths.

At Thursday's hearing, Sen. James Risch, R-Idaho, tried to get Obama administration witnesses to acknowledge the crisis was caused in part by Obama's policy, holding up a chart showing migration spiking in 2012.

"Are you telling me that his executive order that we're not going to send any children back didn't cause an explosion?" Risch asked.

"I think very little of it has to do with the immigration debate here," said Shannon, but he failed to convince Risch or other Republicans.

"In 2012, this thing just skyrockets," said Risch.

Cruz introduced a bill Thursday that would prevent the Obama policy, called Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, from being extended to any additional youths. His effort, which he called a precondition for action on Obama's spending request, drew support from a number of fellow Republicans, even as some expressed concern that it would only cause prospects for any broader solution to grow still more remote.

"We can't get gridlocked on this," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

Number of migrant kids sent to Nogales dwindles

Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. — Immigrant children caught crossing the Mexican border into Texas illegally and alone are no longer being sent to a massive Nogales facility.

The steep fall in the number of child border crossers means the U.S. Border Patrol in Texas no longer needs to send the minors to Arizona. More than 57,000 children have been arrested since October.

Nogales, a small city that borders with Mexico, at one point last month had over 1,000 children who had been flown and bused in from south Texas after border agents there became overwhelmed with the surge in crossings. There are now only about 200 children being detained in the 120,000-square-foot warehouse.

It is unlikely, with the opening of a new processing facility in McAllen, Texas, that children will be sent to Nogales at all anymore. A high-ranking Border Patrol official says the location is being phased out as the agency gets a better handle on the problem.

"They're starting to ramp that down. ... As I understand it Nogales is probably going to wind down here within the next day to a week," Rio Grande Valley sector Chief Kevin Oaks told The Associated Press.

The McAllen facility is scheduled to open Friday and will temporarily house as many as 1,000 children until they are turned over to the federal Health and Human Services Department, which finds shelters for them before they are reunited with relatives and their immigration proceedings begin.

The federal government came under fire last month when it began sending the children to a state with its own long-standing illegal immigration battles.

Gov. Jan Brewer, a Republican, demanded the policy be halted. Others threatened legal action.

Syracuse mayor: Let us shelter immigrant children

Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — The mayor of Syracuse asked President Barack Obama on Thursday to speed along the approval process to provide a local shelter for young Central American migrants surging across the border.

Mayor Stephanie Miner wrote a letter to the president saying the city and its leaders welcome the chance to provide shelter to the children. She requested a partnership between the federal government and Syracuse to expedite the administration's review of a potential shelter at a former convent that could house between 100 and 200 children.

She noted that the central New York city of 144,000 has a rich immigrant tradition and has welcomed people from various places.

"It's something that we have done in the past and we're very proud of and we want to continue to do," Miner told The Associated Press. "But also, these are children, and it's hard to watch this and think that saying anything other than, 'Let's give them shelter in this humanitarian storm,' it seems to us to be the appropriate way to respond to it."

Miner said she has had positive conversations with community leaders, including the local bishop, the Syracuse University chancellor and the president of Le Moyne College.

More than 100 SW Fla warehouse workers detained

Associated Press

MIAMI — Florida authorities have arrested more than 100 workers at a Naples vegetable packing plant for allegedly using fake identities to get their jobs.

The state's Division of Insurance Fraud led Wednesday's raid, in which at least 105 people were taken to the Collier County jail. A labor attorney said all or nearly all of the workers are immigrants. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials say they are providing support to state investigators in the case.

The owner of the company, Alfie Oakes, told local media he had no idea the fraud was occurring. Oakes said in an email to The Associated Press that his company followed all legal guidelines when hiring employees.

Florida Chief Financial Officer Jeff Atwater, who oversees insurance fraud cases, said the investigation began when a former employee sought medical attention for a job-related injury and admitted using a fake identity to get hired. Using a fake ID to gain employment or to submit a benefit claim is a third-degree felony, under Florida law.

"Any time a person commits insurance fraud it drives up the cost of insurance for everyone," Atwater said.

Atwater said the investigation remains open, but there was no evidence the employers were aware of the alleged crimes. State investigators said of the more than 100 detained, at least 27 stole identities of victims in 25 other states.

Labor attorney Andrea Ortega, who volunteers with the Florida Immigrant Coalition, said she arrived at the warehouse Wednesday evening to find dozens of families waiting nearby for word of their loved ones. She said all or nearly all of those arrested were immigrants.

"One man in the parking lot said his wife had been arrested. He told me he was too scared to go talk to officers (because of his own immigration status) and was waiting in the parking lot hoping someone would do him the favor of asking what had happened," she said.

Collier County Sheriff's deputies took the workers to the local jail on charges of workers' compensation fraud. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials can request that local authorities hold for more than 48 hours individuals accused of crimes who may be eligible for deportation.

ICE Spokeswoman Tammy Spicer said her agency is providing support to state investigators. She said any resulting immigration enforcement actions would be handled on a case by case basis.

Pastor Jesus Ortega of the Assemblies of God Ministry of Belem said he was helping the families of five detained parishioners gather the money for the $10,000 bond. He said all five had been in the country roughly a decade. Ortega said one 30-year-old woman was five months pregnant.

"They are all very upset. They are people who came to work and to help their families get ahead. It's very hard for them," he said.

Oakes said in the email that his company replaced the detained workers quickly and only lost about a half day of production.

"We will try to discourage this from happening in the future, however we run the risk of discrimination if we challenge workers that show a valid ID and Social Security (number)" he said.

IMMIGRATION BRIEFS

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WASHINGTON

Boehner: Return Central American kids faster

House Speaker John Boehner said Thursday he can't envision a U.S. response to the border crisis that doesn't involving speeding up the process of returning unaccompanied Central American children home.

The comment by Boehner, R-Ohio, seemed to indicate that an acceleration of the pace in which the children are returned could be the price for GOP support of President Barack Obama's request for a $3.7 billion emergency package.

"I don't know how you can address the problem down there without looking" at changing a 2008 law which currently requires a lengthy hearing process before Central American children can be returned home, Boehner said.

"I don't know how Congress can send more money to the border to begin to mitigate the problem if you don't do something about the '08 law that's being abused, and it is being abused," he said.

Some top congressional Democrats including House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., and immigration rights groups, have expressed opposition to speeding up the return of such children, a process that can take months and even years.

Boehner also expressed some doubt about how Congress could quickly craft a package that responds to the problem. He said the problem needs to be addressed, but said Republicans have yet to decide what they'll do.

Asked whether legislation could be put together before lawmakers begin their August recess, Boehner said, "I would certainly hope so, but I don't have as much optimism as I'd like to have."

MCALLEN

Official: Fewer kids detained recently at border

U.S. Border Patrol officials say a region in South Texas overwhelmed by immigrant children illegally crossing into the U.S. has detained fewer minors in the last 10 days.

Rio Grande Valley Sector Chief Kevin Oaks said Thursday that his facilities had been holding as many as 1,200 unaccompanied children, but they now have less than 200. The facilities usually hold minors for up to 72 hours.

Oaks says about 80 unaccompanied minors were detained Wednesday. That compares to as many as 200 to 300 arrests daily at the height of the surge, according to Border Patrol agent Roel Rodriguez, who will be running a new processing center opening Friday in McAllen.

More than 57,000 unaccompanied child immigrants have been arrested since October, more than double compared to the previous year.

DETROIT

Biden: US needs a 'rational' immigration policy

Vice President Joe Biden told protesters Thursday he shared their concern about the deportations of immigrants who have entered the U.S. illegally.

Biden was interrupted by protesters shouting, "Stop deporting our families," during a speech at Netroots Nation, an annual meeting of liberal activists. The vice president said, "I respect your view and I share your view."

"We should clap for those young people," Biden said. "Can you imagine? Can you imagine the pain, the anxiety of coming home every day wondering whether or not your mother or father will still be there?"

The Obama administration has been seeking $3.7 billion in emergency border spending to deal with a surge of young Central American migrants at the South Texas border. The White House has sought comprehensive immigration reform and faced criticism from immigration groups over a large number of deportations in recent years.

It was unclear if the protesters were raising concerns over deportations of the recent influx of the young Central American immigrants or the broader number of deportations during Obama's presidency. Biden's office said the vice president was sympathizing with people who are concerned about the separation of families.

Biden credited the role of immigration in the nation, telling the audience that the newcomers "fuel America's dynamism" and the nation needs a "rational policy."

Biden, a potential 2016 Democratic presidential candidate, spoke at length of his support for gay marriage, efforts to address income inequality and the administration's work to end wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The vice president promoted his record as a model for liberal Democrats who have sometimes expressed unhappiness with the pace of change during Obama's tenure.

"I don't take a back seat to anyone when it comes to fighting some of the toughest progressive battles the country has seen," Biden said.

Former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton remains the dominant force in early presidential polling but has not yet decided whether she will seek the White House again. Biden has said there is no reason for him not to run for president but polls show he would face an uphill battle in a potential primary campaign against the former first lady.

For Malaysia Airlines, disaster strikes twice

Associated Press

HANOI, Vietnam — Two Boeing 777s. Two incredibly rare aviation disasters. And one airline.

In what appears to be a mind-boggling coincidence, Malaysia is reeling from the second tragedy to hit its national airline in less than five months.

On March 8, a Malaysia Airlines jetliner vanished about an hour after taking off from Kuala Lumpur, spawning an international mystery that remains unsolved. On Thursday, the airline — and the nation — were pitched into another crisis after the same type of aircraft was reported shot down over Ukraine.

Ukraine said the plane was brought down by a missile over the violence-wracked eastern part of the country. Other details were only just beginning to emerge.

But what's certain is that the struggling airline and the nation must now prepare for another agonizing encounter with grief, recriminations, international scrutiny and intense legal and diplomatic implications.

Amid it all, a question: Just how could disaster strike the airline twice in such a short space of time?

"Either one of these events has an unbelievably low probability," said John Cox, president and CEO of Safety Operating Systems and a former airline pilot and accident investigator. "To have two in a just a few months of each other is certainly unprecedented."

Associated Press

A woman reacts to news regarding a Malaysia Airlines plane that crashed in eastern Ukraine at Kuala Lumpur International Airport in Sepang, Malaysia. Ukrainian officials said a passenger plane carrying 295 people was shot down Thursday as it flew over the country, and both the government and the pro-Russia separatists fighting in the region denied any responsibility for downing the plane.

The first disaster deeply scarred Malaysia and left the world dumbstruck. How could a Boeing 777-200ER, a modern jumbo jet, simply disappear? Flight 370 had veered off course during a flight to Beijing and is believed to have crashed in the Indian Ocean far off the western Australian coast.

The search area has changed several times, but no sign of the aircraft, or the 239 people aboard, has been found. Until then, how the plane got there is likely to remain a mystery.

On Thursday, there was no mystery over the whereabouts of the Boeing 777-200ER, which went down while on a flight from Amsterdam to Kuala Lumpur with 280 passengers and 15 crew members. Its wreckage was found in Ukraine, and there were no survivors.

Officials said the plane was shot down at an altitude of 10,000 meters (33,000 feet.) The region has seen severe fighting between Ukrainian forces and pro-Russia separatists in recent days.

Malaysia Airlines was widely criticized for the way it handled the Flight 370 hunt and investigation. Some relatives of those on board accused the airline of engaging in a cover-up, and there have been persistent conspiracy theories over the fate of the plane, including that it might have been shot down.

There was no immediate reason to think the two disasters to befall the airline were in any way linked.

Cox said that to his knowledge, there was no prohibition against flying over eastern Ukraine despite the fighting on the ground. He said that if the plane was shot down by a missile, the pilot probably did not even know it.

"A missile like this typically closes in from behind, there is no reason for him to have seen it," he said.

Charles Oman, a lecturer at the department of aeronautics and astronautics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, said it was too early to draw conclusions. He said terrorism was one possible consideration but noted that the security out of Amsterdam was competent.

"Given the military conflict in the region, one has to be concerned that identities could have been mistaken," he said in an email.

Malaysia Airlines was especially criticized for the way it handled the communications around the missing jetliner, which presented unique challenges because of the uncertainty facing the relatives of those on board. With the plane crashing Thursday over land and its wreckage already located, there will be no such uncertainty.

But the investigation will be just as sensitive. There will be legal and diplomatic implications depending on who was responsible.

"The airline and the Malaysian transport ministry took a lot of hits for the way they handled MH370, due to their inexperience," Oman said. "Hopefully they will do better this time."

The accident will surely inflict more financial damage on Malaysia Airlines. Even before the March disaster, it reported losses because of stiff competition from budget airlines. Afterward, passengers canceled flights, and even though the airline is insured, it faces uncertainty over payouts to the victims' families.

Typhoon kills 38 in Philippines

Associated Press

MANILA, Philippines — A typhoon that barreled through the northern Philippines left at least 38 people dead and knocked out power in entire provinces and forced more than half a million people to flee its lethal wind and rains, officials said Thursday.

Most businesses, malls and banks in the Philippine capital reopened a day after Typhoon Rammasun left the country, but schools remained closed Thursday as workers cleaned up storm debris, which littered roads around Manila, slowing traffic.

The eye of the typhoon made a late shift away from Manila on Wednesday, but its peak winds of 150 kilometers (93 miles) per hour and gusts up to 185 kph (115 mph) toppled trees and electric posts and ripped off roofs across the capital.

Although Rammasun packed far less power than Typhoon Haiyan, haunting memories of last year's horrific storm devastation prompted many villagers to rapidly move.

More than 500,000 of over 1 million people affected by the typhoon fled to emergency shelters in about a dozen provinces and the Philippine capital, said Alexander Pama, executive director of the National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council.

Pama said at least 38 people died in the wake of the typhoon and 10 were reported missing.

Authorities said most of casualties were hit by falling trees or concrete walls or by flying debris. One volunteer firefighter who was hauling down a Philippine flag in suburban Pasig city was killed by a concrete block, said Francis Tolentino, chairman of the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority.

Electricity has been restored to most of the capital's 12 million people, but large swaths of provinces southeast of Manila which bore the brunt of the typhoon still had no power, Pama said.

Environmentalists denounce repeal of Australia's carbon tax

New York Times News Service

SYDNEY, Australia — Opposition politicians and environmentalists in Australia reacted with dismay Thursday to the country's repeal of laws requiring large companies to pay for carbon emissions, saying that it made Australia the first country to reverse progress on fighting climate change.

The Senate voted 39-32 on Thursday to repeal the so-called carbon tax after Prime Minister Tony Abbott's conservative government secured the support of a number of independent senators. The House of Representatives had voted earlier in the week to repeal the measure, which has been a highly contentious issue in Australian politics for seven years.

The tax was devised to penalize hundreds of Australia's biggest producers of carbon emissions, setting a price of 23 Australian dollars, or $21.58, per metric ton of carbon dioxide when it was put into effect in 2012 under then-Prime Minister Julia Gillard of the Labor Party, which is now in the opposition. The price rose to 25 Australian dollars ($23.45) this month.

Abbott, of the conservative Liberal Party, who took office in September, made repealing the tax a central pledge of his election campaign, arguing that ending it would reduce electricity prices and enhance economic growth. But he struggled twice to get the measure through the Senate before the vote Thursday. The government now plans to introduce a range of measures that it says will encourage business to reduce pollution, rather than penalizing polluters.

After the vote Thursday, Abbott characterized the tax as a "useless, destructive tax, which damaged jobs, which hurt families' cost of living and which didn't actually help the environment." He called it a "9 percent impost on power prices, a $9 billion handbrake on our economy," and said the repeal would save the average household 550 dollars (about $516) a year.

Australia is among the world's biggest producers of carbon emissions on a per capita basis. The government is committed to reducing emissions to 5 percent below levels recorded in 2000 by 2020.

Politicians from Labor and the smaller Greens party said the repeal would undermine Australia's efforts to address climate change. The Labor leader, Bill Shorten, described Abbott as an "environmental vandal."

"Today, Tony Abbott has made Australia the first country in the world to reverse action on climate change," Shorten said.

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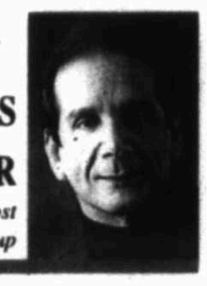
OPINION

Israelis have to explain moral mission in Gaza

■ Hamas wants sympathy, which is the rationale for putting its citizens in harm's way



CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER
Washington Post Writers Group

Israel accepts an Egyptian-proposed Gaza cease-fire; Hamas keeps firing. Hamas deliberately aims rockets at civilians; Israel painstakingly tries to avoid them, actually telephoning civilians in the area and dropping warning charges, so-called roof knocking.

"Here's the difference between us," explains the Israeli prime minister. "We're using missile defense to protect our civilians and they're using their civilians to protect their missiles."

Rarely does international politics present a moment of such moral clarity. Yet we routinely hear this Israel-Gaza fighting described as a morally equivalent "cycle of violence." This is absurd. What possible interest can Israel have in cross-border fighting? Everyone knows Hamas set off this mini-war. And everyone knows Hamas' proudly self-declared raison d'etre: the eradication of Israel and its Jews.

Apologists for Hamas attribute the bloodlust to the Israeli occupation and blockade. Occupation? Does no one remember anything? It was less than 10 years ago that worldwide television showed the Israeli army pulling diehard settlers off synagogue roofs in Gaza as Israel uprooted its settlements, expelled its citizens, withdrew its military and turned every inch of Gaza over to the Palestinians. There was not a soldier, not a settler, not a single Israeli left in Gaza.

And there was no blockade. On the contrary. Israel wanted this new Palestinian state to succeed. To help the Gaza economy, Israel gave the Palestinians its 3,000 greenhouses that had produced fruit and flowers for export. It opened border crossings and encouraged commerce.

The whole idea was to establish the model for two states living peacefully and productively side by side. No one seems to remember that simultaneous with the Gaza withdrawal, Israel dismantled four smaller settlements in the northern West Bank as a clear signal of Israel's desire to leave the West Bank, too, and thus achieve an amicable two-state solution.

And how did the Gaza Palestinians react to being granted by the Israelis what no previous ruler, neither Egyptian, nor British, nor Turkish, had ever given them — an independent territory? First, they demolished the greenhouses. Then they elected Hamas. Then, instead of building a state with its attendant political and economic institutions, they spent the better part of a decade turning Gaza into a massive military base, brimming with terror weapons, to make ceaseless war on Israel.

Where are the roads and rail, the industry and infrastructure of the new Palestinian state? Nowhere. Instead, they built mile upon mile of underground tunnels to hide their weapons and. They spent millions importing and producing rockets, launchers, mortars, small arms, even drones. They deliberately placed them in schools, hospitals, mosques and private homes to better expose their own civilians. And from which they fire rockets at Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.

Why? The rockets can't even inflict serious damage, being almost uniformly intercepted by Israel's Iron Dome antimissile system. Even West Bank leader Mahmoud Abbas has asked: "What are you trying to achieve by sending rockets?"

It makes no sense. Unless you understand, as a Washington Post editorial explained, that the whole point is to draw Israeli counterfire.

This produces dead Palestinians for international television. Which is why Hamas perversely urges its own people not to seek safety when Israel drops leaflets warning of an imminent attack.

To deliberately wage war so that your own people can be telegenically killed is indeed moral and tactical insanity. But it rests on a very rational premise: Given the Orwellian state of the world's treatment of Israel (see: the U.N.'s grotesque Human Rights Council), fueled by a mix of classic anti-Semitism, near-total historical ignorance and reflexive sympathy for the ostensible Third World underdog, these eruptions featuring Palestinian casualties ultimately undermine support for Israel's legitimacy and right to self-defense.

In a world of such Kafkaesque ethical inversions, Hamas' depravity begins to make sense. This is a world in which the Munich massacre is a movie and the murder of Klinghoffer is an opera — both deeply sympathetic to the killers. This is a world in which the U.N. ignores humanity's worst war criminals while incessantly condemning Israel, a state warred upon for 66 years that nonetheless goes to extraordinary lengths to avoid harming the very innocents its enemies use as shields.

It's to the Israelis' credit that amid all this madness they haven't lost their moral scruples. Or their nerve. Those outside the region have the minimum obligation, therefore, to expose the madness and speak the truth. Rarely has it been so blindingly clear.

OUR VIEW

Busy-ness isn't reason to forget one's priorities

The summer, for many, is a time of rest — from school, work and the fast-paced life that is the school year in Midland. Summer also should be a time for evaluation. Because during the break-neck pace set when children are in school and this community becomes busy 24/7, it is easy to lose focus on family, on religion and the other extracurriculars in one's life. This isn't an indictment on anyone, just a reminder for all.

In our view, there aren't perfect people, but there are role models. We had one at the Reporter-Telegram. Recently, long-time page designer Missy Hallmark left the newspaper after 22 years. Hallmark was a standout employee, whose work, especially later in her career, showed off the great journalism taking place in our Arts, Business, Faith, Living and Oil sections. Basically, if there was a feature section, Missy likely had some involvement in the layout of the stories and photographs.

However, Hallmark was one who never got caught up in the busy-ness of Midland to lose sight of the extracurriculars. She put family first, arranging her schedule and putting thousands of miles on her vehicle to watch her sons' baseball games. And when recently faced with either working more nights or spending more time with her family, she choose the latter. That is the type of person she is. All the Hallmark men are better for it.

Many of those who look at our newspaper or online product every day will never know the hours and sacrifices put in to bring our community the best information. There are many more ready to serve you, but today we say thank you to Missy Hallmark. She was a great friend, and we offer her as an example of that person who is handling Midland's hustle and bustle with her priorities right where they need to be and always have been.

GUEST VIEW

Odessa reporter hopes for relief, better quality of life

A remarkable young man is on a journey to a better life and is getting some help along the way. Jon Vanderlaan, a reporter for the Odessa American, is in St. Louis for a surgery that he and doctors hope will improve his quality of life and mobility while also lessening pain he suffers.

Jon has cerebral palsy, specifically spastic diplegia, and was born with the disease. The last few years have meant complications from tightening of the muscles in his legs.

Jon and his wife, Lauren, researched procedures to alleviate his pain and improve his condition (he uses a wheelchair). They found a St. Louis surgeon willing to perform select dorsal rhizotomy, which has been performed on more than 2,000 patients and requires costly physical therapy following it.

Jon's insurance will pay for a good portion of both the surgery and the physical therapy, but not all of it. A fundraiser was held for him and a website, www.youcaring.com/standwithvanderlaan, is set up to take donations.

Jon is blogging about his journey at standwithvanderlaan.wordpress.com and reports that the view from St. Louis is amazing and that he looks forward to his surgery. His blog posts offer insight into his struggles and his hopes for a bright future.

Both Jon and Lauren see this as a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to improve both his quality of life and lessen his pain. The couple married just this year and donations mean so much to them. Many of us know the joys and struggles of starting out as a young couple — even without the expense of a costly surgery and physical therapy.

It's heartwarming to see the generosity that has been shown. Both are dedicated and hard workers. Jon says he is looking forward to many activities once the surgery and physical therapy are completed, including walking, running and geo-caching, but most of all, he is excited about the pain he has experienced being an afterthought.

Thanks to the Odessa American for providing this information. Do donate via a secure site: www.youcaring.com/standwithvanderlaan

Union drama puts opera at risk

■ The Metropolitan Opera is clashing with the American Guild of Musical Arts. Is the fat lady ready to sing?

RICH LOWRY
King Features Syndicate

The fat lady will sing — but only in strict keeping with the work rules set out by the American Guild of Musical Artists.

The Metropolitan Opera has a labor problem. Personnel expenses account for $200 million of the financially struggling Met's $327 million budget.

In the interest of survival in an era more attuned to "Keeping Up With the Kardashians" than "Le Nozze di Figaro," the Met wants to reduce its labor costs by 16 percent by getting the unions to accept common-sensical work rules and less generous pension and health benefits. The unions say no and accuse the Met of waging war on their families.

The storied but precarious institution could see its next season disrupted in the labor discord. The Met's general manager, Peter Gelb, warns that without union flexibility, the very existence of the world-famous, 130-year-old opera is at risk.

Well, if worst came to worst, at least the Met's singers and musicians could make a go of it at the New York City Opera. No, wait, it shut its doors for the last time last year.

It doesn't take an opera aficionado to realize that the 21st century isn't the 19th, and opera is an embattled art form. Unfortunately, the Met is locking horns with a force, the unions, that has proven adept at helping to drive struggling industries into the ground.

A New York Times editorial recently noted that orchestra members, who on average make $200,000 a year, get 16 weeks off with pay. The American Federation of Musicians Local 802 shot back that it is really only 10 weeks of guaranteed time off with pay. Touche.

Under the current rules, the base pay for chorus members, who also make on average $200,000 a year, covers four performances a week. The members get paid extra for rehearsals — even if they haven't sung in four performances that week.

They also earn overtime for singing in any opera over four hours, which makes Richard Wagner the best thing that ever happened to a Met singer's paycheck. His "Parsifal" clocks in at five hours, and wasn't performed last season, in part because of the extra labor costs.

Who knew that the Met is not so much an opera house as the artistic equivalent of the fiscally unsustainable, union-dominated state of Illinois? The Met doesn't need Peter Gelb; it needs Chris Christie.

The union case against its nemesis Gelb is that he's a spendthrift, and there's something to it. He spent $169,000 this season on a poppy-field set for Alexander Borodin's "Prince Igor." Let's concede that half-naked people moving dreamily through a fake poppy field is not everyone's cup of tea. Let's further concede that spending $169,000 on poppies is extravagant. But the Met's aggrieved musicians might not have noticed: Opera is an extravagant art form. If they wanted stripped-down and no-nonsense, they could have gone into folk music.

Gelb dropped almost $20 million a few years ago on a production of Wagner's "Ring" cycle so ambitious that more than $1 million had to be spent on reinforcing the stage to support the 45-ton set. If the production underperformed at the box office, it was on a scale worthy of the Met and was funded by a gift. Only unions would complain that an opera manager is spending too much on opera and not enough on overtime pay and pension benefits.

Given the head winds in the culture, what the Met accomplishes is extraordinary — more than 200 performances a season, in front of 800,000 people in the house and another couple of million in broadcasts in movie theaters. It is working to preserve a demanding art form that represents one of the high points of Western civilization. It would be a shame for the ages if it were brought low, not just by indifference without, but by shortsighted union grubbiness within.

From the Left | Doonesbury

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NATION BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

WASHINGTON

US unemployment aid applications drop to 302,000

The number of people seeking U.S. unemployment benefits fell last week, a steady decline that suggests a strengthening job market.

Weekly applications for unemployment aid dipped 3,000 to a seasonally adjusted 302,000, the Labor Department said Thursday.

The four-week average, a less volatile measure, dropped 3,000 to 309,000, the level since June 2007, about five months before the start of the Great Recession.

Applications are a proxy for layoffs, a sign that they expect economic growth to continue. When businesses are confident enough to keep staff, they are also likely to hire more people.

Hiring is at its healthiest clip since the late 1990s and the 6.1 percent unemployment rate is at a 5 1/2-year low. Employers added 288,000 jobs in June, the fifth straight month of job gains above 200,000.

The latest report on unemployment benefits "suggests another solid payroll report" with job additions in July, said Jennifer Lee, a senior economist at BMO Capital Markets.

Still, the steady hiring gains have yet to boost wages significantly. Wage growth has barely matched inflation since the recession ended five years ago.

But more people with jobs increases the total number of paychecks, which could boost consumer spending and growth. After a sharp contraction in the economy in the first three months of the year, most economists expect growth to return in the April-June quarter and exceed 3 percent at an annual pace in the second half of 2014.

WASHINGTON

US defends counterterrorism dialogue with China

The United States is defending holding a counterterrorism dialogue with China this week.

Human Rights Watch criticized the discussions, saying it could be viewed by Beijing as acceptance of its repressive treatment of minority Uighur Muslims.

A State Department statement said senior U.S. and Chinese officials met in Washington on Tuesday and committed to "address the shared threat that terrorism poses to both countries and the international community."

Spokeswoman Jen Psaki told reporters Thursday the U.S. raised with China the need to protect human rights, and concerns over treatment of Uighurs, who claim discrimination by Chinese authorities.

China blames a spate of knife and bomb attacks in its Far West on Uighur separatists with ties to Islamic terror groups abroad, but foreign experts said they see no evidence.

House passes tax breaks to boost charitable giving

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The House passed a package of tax breaks Thursday designed to boost charitable donations by seniors, private foundations and procrastinators.

One provision provides tax breaks to people over 70 who make donations from their individual retirement accounts. Another reduces excise taxes on private charitable foundations.

Procrastinators would be able to claim tax deductions for donations made after the end of the year, as long as they were made by April 15. Other provisions provide tax breaks for landowners who donate land for conservation purposes, and businesses that donate food to food banks.

The White House threatened to veto the bill because it would add $16 billion to the budget deficit over the next decade. In a statement, the White House criticized House Republicans for supporting tax breaks that mainly benefit wealthier Americans while refusing to help low-income families by extending unemployment benefits for the long-term unemployed.

The vote was 277-130 to pass the bill. Fifty-six Democrats joined 221 Republicans to vote in favor of the bill.

"The good will of the American people is unmatched, and we should do everything we can to encourage Americans to give more, enabling charities, nonprofits, foundations and schools across the country to expand their reach and serve those most in need," said Rep. Dave Camp, R-Mich., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee.

Sue Santa of the Council on Foundations said the bill "could strengthen charitable giving and give certainty to both donors and to the foundations."

The bill now goes to the Senate, where it is likely to get caught up in a debate over how to deal with a package of temporary tax breaks that expired at the beginning of the year. More than 50 temporary tax breaks expired in January, including several provisions in the bill passed Thursday.

The Republican-led House has voted to make a handful of them permanent, leaving the fate of others uncertain.

The Democratic-controlled Senate is taking a different approach. Instead of making them permanent, senators have been working on a package that would extend nearly all the temporary tax breaks through 2015.

The impasse is likely to last until after congressional elections in November.

The provision to benefit late donors has been popular as a way to boost donations for natural disasters that happen around the beginning of the year. In 2010, Congress extended the deadline to donate to relief efforts for earthquakes in both Haiti and Chile.

Under current law, donations must be made by Dec. 31 for taxpayers to claim the deduction on that year's tax return. Santa said extending the deadline to donate until April 15 would provide a natural time for donors to give — when they are filling out their tax forms.

The provision would save taxpayers $2.8 billion over the next decade, according to the Joint Committee on Taxation, the official tax scorekeeper for Congress.

The biggest tax break in Thursday's bill affects donations from individual retirement accounts. If you have an IRA, you must start taking minimum distributions six months after you turn 70. The amount depends on your age and the amount of money in your IRA.

For traditional IRAs, those distributions are taxable.

A temporary tax break that expired in January allowed seniors to avoid paying taxes on those distributions by donating them to charity. The bill passed Thursday would renew the tax beak and make it permanent.

The exemption is capped at $100,000 a year.

The tax break is popular among seniors with the means to make donations, Santa said. It would save them $8.4 billion over the next decade, according to the Joint Committee on Taxation.

Republicans criticize handling of IRS inquiry

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Republicans chastised the Justice Department on Thursday for failing to share information with Congress about its investigation into the targeting of conservative groups by the Internal Revenue Service. Lawmakers called anew for a special prosecutor to look into the matter.

The criticism during a House subcommittee meeting came as Deputy Attorney General James Cole, the Justice Department's No. 2 official, said the investigation has been broadened to include the disappearance of emails from the computer of Lois Lerner, who formerly headed the IRS division that deals with tax-exempt organizations.

Rep. Jim Jordan, R-Ohio, chairman of the subcommittee on Economic Growth, Job Creation and Regulatory Affairs, told Cole that he had "serious concerns" about the investigation and asked what it would take for an independent prosecutor to be appointed. He also demanded that prosecutors investigate why it took the IRS two months to publicly report the missing emails.

Jordan asked, "Are you going to look at the fact that the head of the agency that targeted conservative groups knew in April and didn't tell us" until June?

Cole, who said the Justice Department didn't learn about the email loss until after it was reported in the news media, said he did not know the reason for the two-month lag but that he expected it to be looked into as part of the broader investigation.

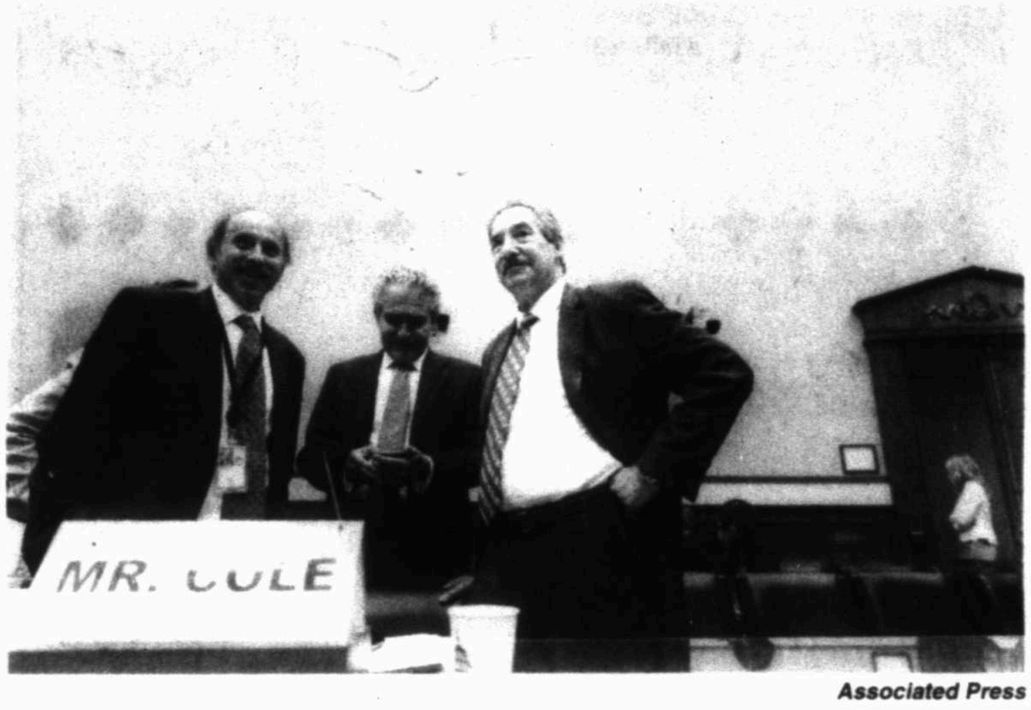
Lerner, who refused to answer questions at two House committee hearings, has become a central figure in several congressional investigations into the handling of applications for tax-exempt status by tea party groups. At both hearings, Lerner cited her Fifth Amendment right not to incriminate herself. In May, the Republican-led House voted to hold Lerner in contempt of Congress for refusing to testify.

The IRS revealed last month that it lost the emails in 2011 when Lerner's computer crashed. IRS Commissioner John Koskinen has said he's seen no evidence that anyone committed a crime in connection with the lost emails. There is no evidence that Lerner intentionally destroyed them, he said, adding that IRS has gone to great lengths trying to retrieve lost documents on her computer.

Lerner's attorney, William Taylor III, declined to comment.

The disclosure by Lerner in May 2013 that the IRS had engaged in "inappropriate" targeting of conservatives set off a political firestorm that continues to flare in this election year. Word that investigators are broadening their inquiry to include the missing emails comes as Republican lawmakers accuse the Obama administration of not cooperating with their investigation and failing to take the matter seriously enough. Attorney General Eric Holder has resisted their calls to appoint a special prosecutor.

"Crimes were committed. Regulations were violated. Rules were broken. And Americans' constitutional rights were violated by Lois Lerner and perhaps others around her," Rep. Darrell Issa, R-Calif., a leading Justice Department critic told Cole.



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Deputy Attorney General James Cole, right, arrives on Capitol Hill in Washington on Thursday to testify before the House Economic Growth, Job Creation, and Regulatory Affairs subcommittee hearing on how the Justice Department is investigating allegations that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) targeted conservative political groups for extra scrutiny.

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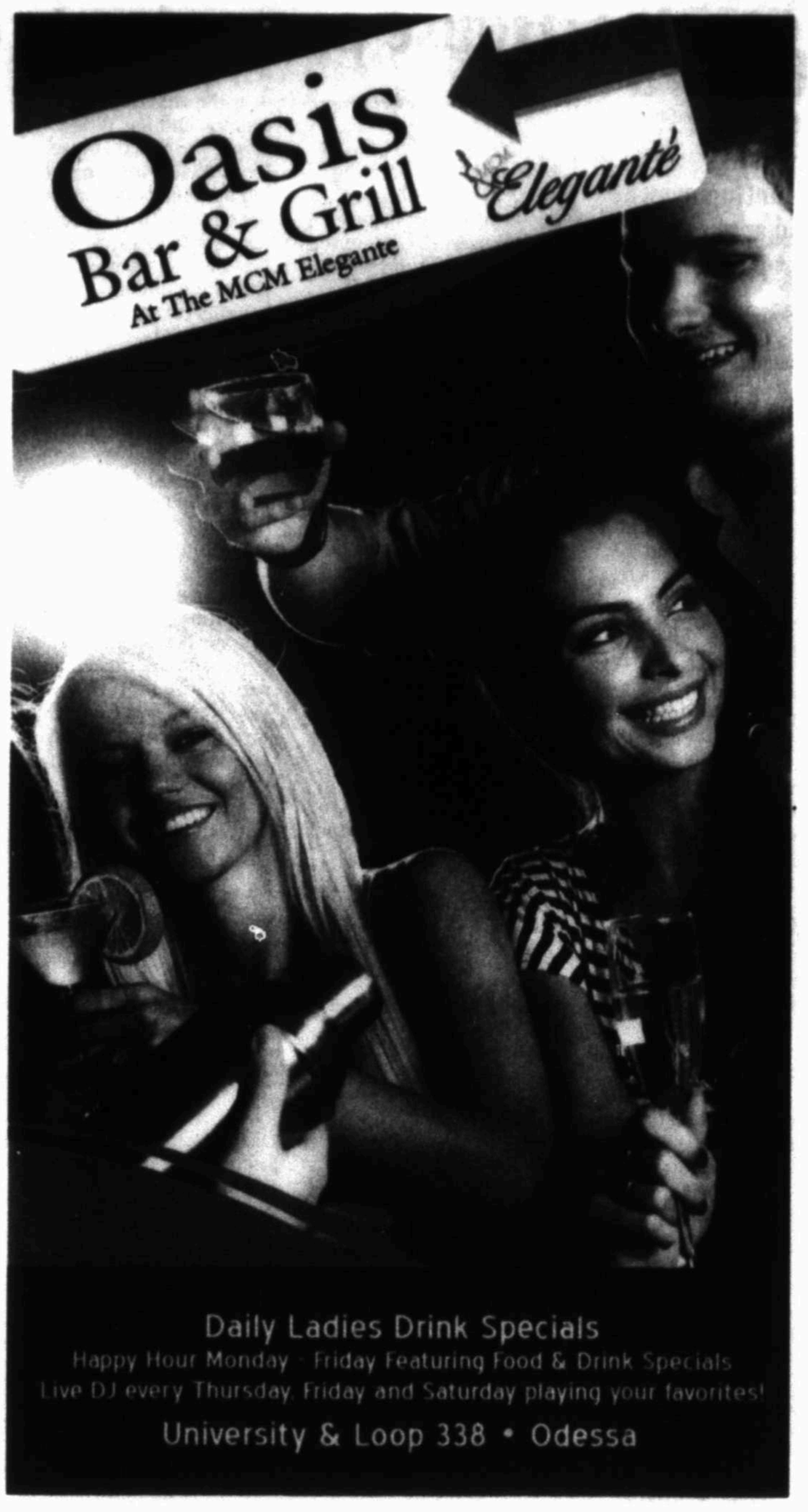

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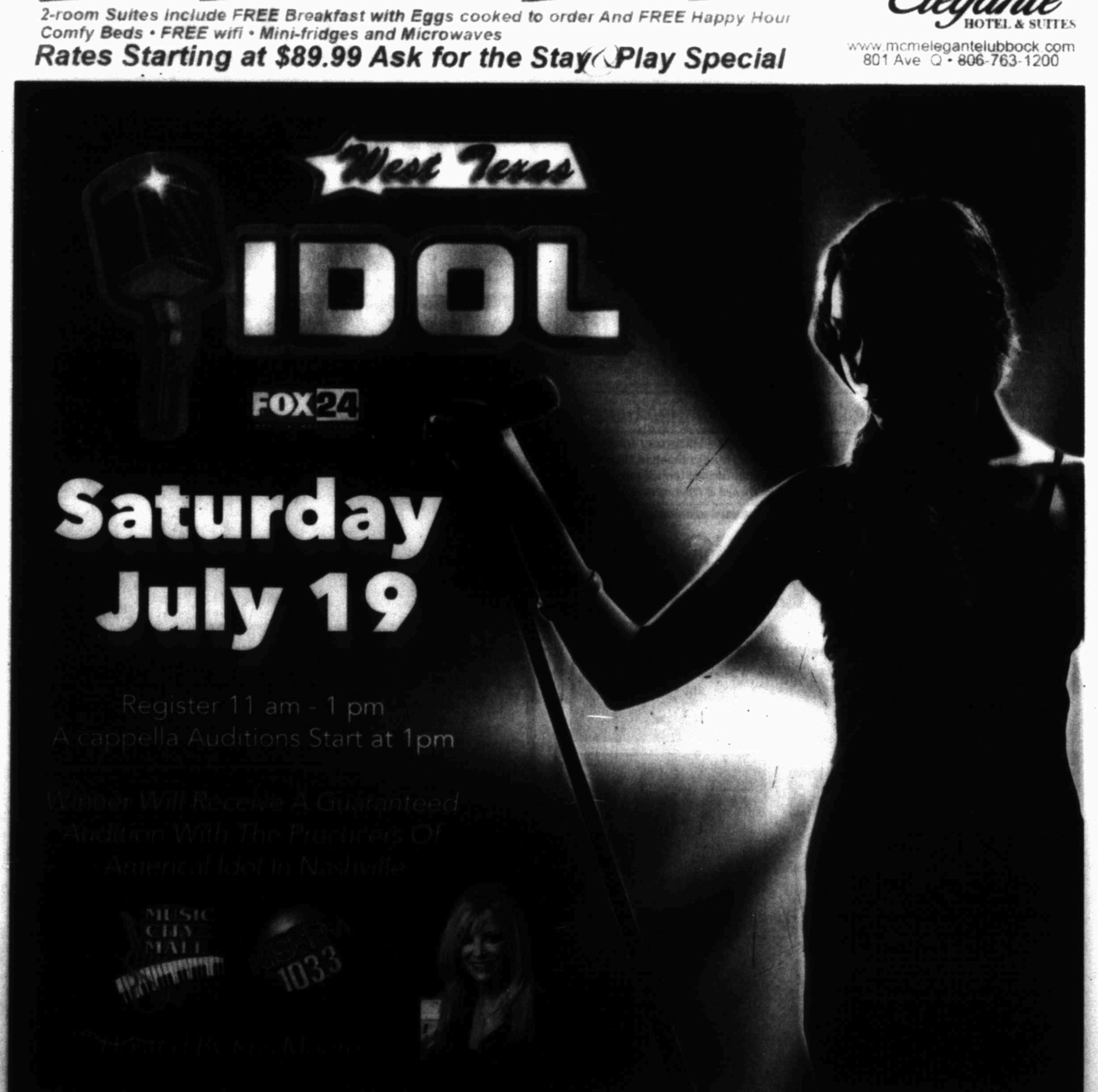

FAITH & PHILANTHROPY

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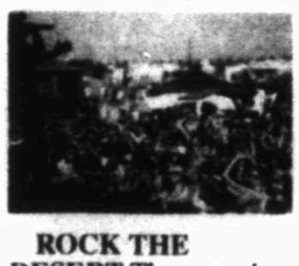
THIS WEEK

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL See our calendar for this week's VBS listings. To have your church included, email information to mbuck@mrt.com.

FAMILY FRIENDLY San Miguel Arcangel Catholic Church is hosting a family fair this weekend.

COMING SOON



ROCK THE DESERT The annual Christian music festival is set for next month. Check out the lineup at rockthedesert.com.

See more calendar items inside

GOOD NEIGHBORS

GIVEAWAY The ABLE Center for Independent Living is giving away a 1989 wheelchair accessible van to someone in the Permian Basin. Today is the deadline to apply. Applications may be emailed to venessia@ablecenterpb.org or mailed to ABLE Center for Independent Living, 1931 E. 37th St. Suite 1, Odessa, TX 79762. The winner will be announced Aug. 2.

IN NEED

FOOD BANK CONTEST Alon Brands is donating a total of $100,000 to 10 regional organizations this summer. To help the West Texas Food Bank win up to $30,000 downlaod the new ALON Load-the-Code app and vote daily through Sept. 30.

SUMMER VOLUNTEERS With summer here, students needing service hours can earn them Monday through Friday helping package and/or deliver Meals On Wheels. Contact Alan Barkley, volunteer coordinator, at 689-6693 or email mowvol@cssmidland.org to learn more.

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

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A group from Midland's San Miguel Archangel Catholic Church visits with children during a May mission trip to help those in the Philippines impacted by the October 2013 earthquake on the island providence Bohol.

MISSION TRIP

Midland church group helps islanders rebuild after last year's devastating earthquake

By Steve Kuhlmann
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In response to the devastating earthquake that struck the Philippines last October, the Midland-based San Miguel Archangel Catholic Church dispatched a small mission group to assist the victims in trying to rebuild their lives.

The Rev. Bernardito Getigan, a native of the Philippines, and with youth minister Roselva Ruiz led four young adults — between the ages of 19 to 21 — from the church on the mission trip in May.

"Because of the typhoon, when it hit the media, they felt like they were forgotten," Getigan said of the earthquake victims. "They felt like they were forgotten victims because all of the aid from all over the world went to the typhoon. Now, with the missionaries coming there and identifying them as Americans, I could also see that deep in their heart, they are thinking that, 'Oh my God, Americans are not forgetting us, they are here helping us.'"

The two-week trip to the island of Bohol began with a visit with the local bishop, followed by the pastor of the local parish. It was after that when the missionaries made their way into the community to visit the poorest families who had been affected the most by the disaster.

"We just immersed ourselves into (their) lives," said Getigan.

The group spent the majority of its time in a small town near the city of Antequera, where they visited four of the barrios that had been affected. While Catholic Relief Services had donated building materials for rebuilding the victims' homes, when the missionaries arrived, the materials were all just lying unused.

"They didn't have money to pay for labor," said Getigan. "We came to the conclusion of what's the point of giving them more materials. We decided to (get) our hands dirty, so we told that first family that we were going to help fix their house."

In total, with their help and donations to pay for labor, the missionaries were able to help six families rebuild or repair their homes.

"We hired enough contractors to be out there, and ended up getting the house done the best

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Review: Amy Grant drops the beats with remix album

By Rich Lopez
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Amy Grant as Donna Summer? This isn't so unlikely with her new "In Motion: The Remixes." Eleven familiar Grant tracks are pumped up with massive beats anointing her as the unexpected queen of Christian disco — if that's a thing.

Combining both her pop and contemporary Christian hits, notable DJs and producers on the collection include Chris Cox, Tony Moran, Dave Aude — all who have major influential presence in circuit party scenes and pop music. Cox has worked with Britney Spears, Moran with Rihanna and Aude with Lady Gaga.

So why Amy Grant?

The real question is why not? In some ways, this is a reinvention for Grant to reach out to different audiences. While none of her mixes overdo it enough to more alienating EDM tastes, each remix keeps the integrity of the original buoyed by fat beats.

"I never could have anticipated that these songs from an earlier chapter in my life could be filled with such renewed energy and fresh production," Grant said in a press release. "I am humbled and honored that these amazingly talented producers have leant their gifts to my songs. They have given me reason to want to get

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Church Under the Bridge meets Saturday mornings at the corner of Baird Street and Washington Avenue

Courtesy photo

Church Under the Bridge seeks permanent home

By Steve Kuhlmann
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As the young ministry of Church Under The Bridge continues to grow, founder and board president Evan Rogers hopes the church can soon expand its presence in Midland to better serve the needs of the homeless community.

"My biggest desire is just to do whatever I possibly can to show them that Jesus loves them more than anything in this world, and just because they're poor or they're homeless, I don't want them to think that he doesn't love them and their prayers just as much as he loves me," said Rogers. "There's no better way to do that than to build relationships with them, and (become a) community and have those Bible studies and the small groups on campus and the baptisms and the things that a church body needs."

Rogers explained that over the past six months Church Under The Bridge has been in the market for land south of downtown that would serve as a permanent location for its congregation. The church would feature an open-air structure that would "ideally" look like a bridge.

"We would love to (be) in that area, because that's where all of their

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When life throws you a major curveball, like the loss of a job, home or relationship, it can be hard to recover. You may not feel like you can go on, but fortunately, God is there. When all appears to be lost, you can count on God to comfort you and give you the strength to carry on.

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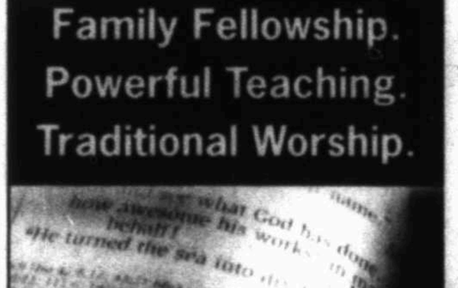

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401 S. Main
432-686-0427

Christian Church of Midland
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Christian Science Church
1001 W. Tennessee
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Living Hope Church
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4401 Cardinal Lane
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432-385-1212

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Muslim Association of West
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432-689-7284

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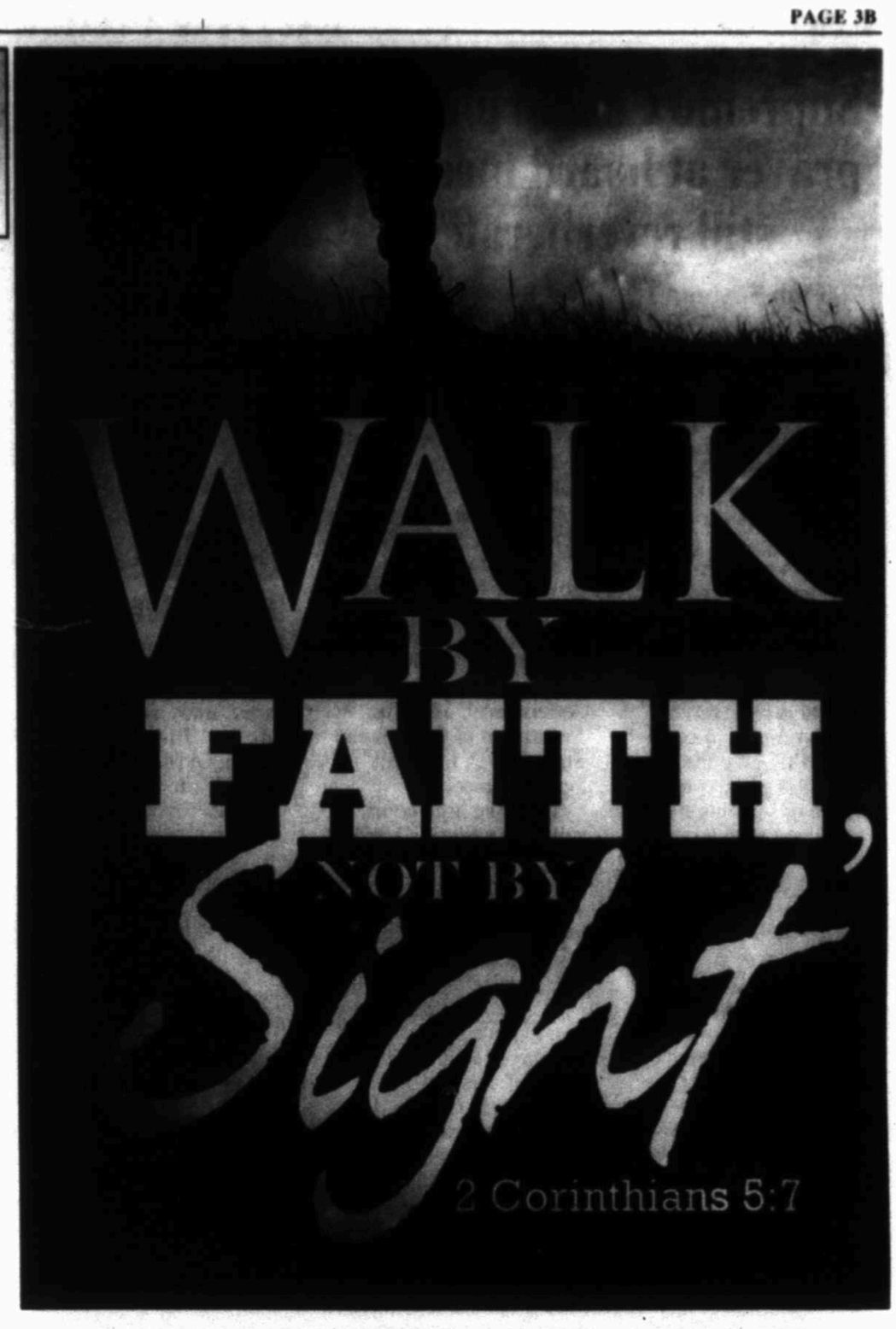

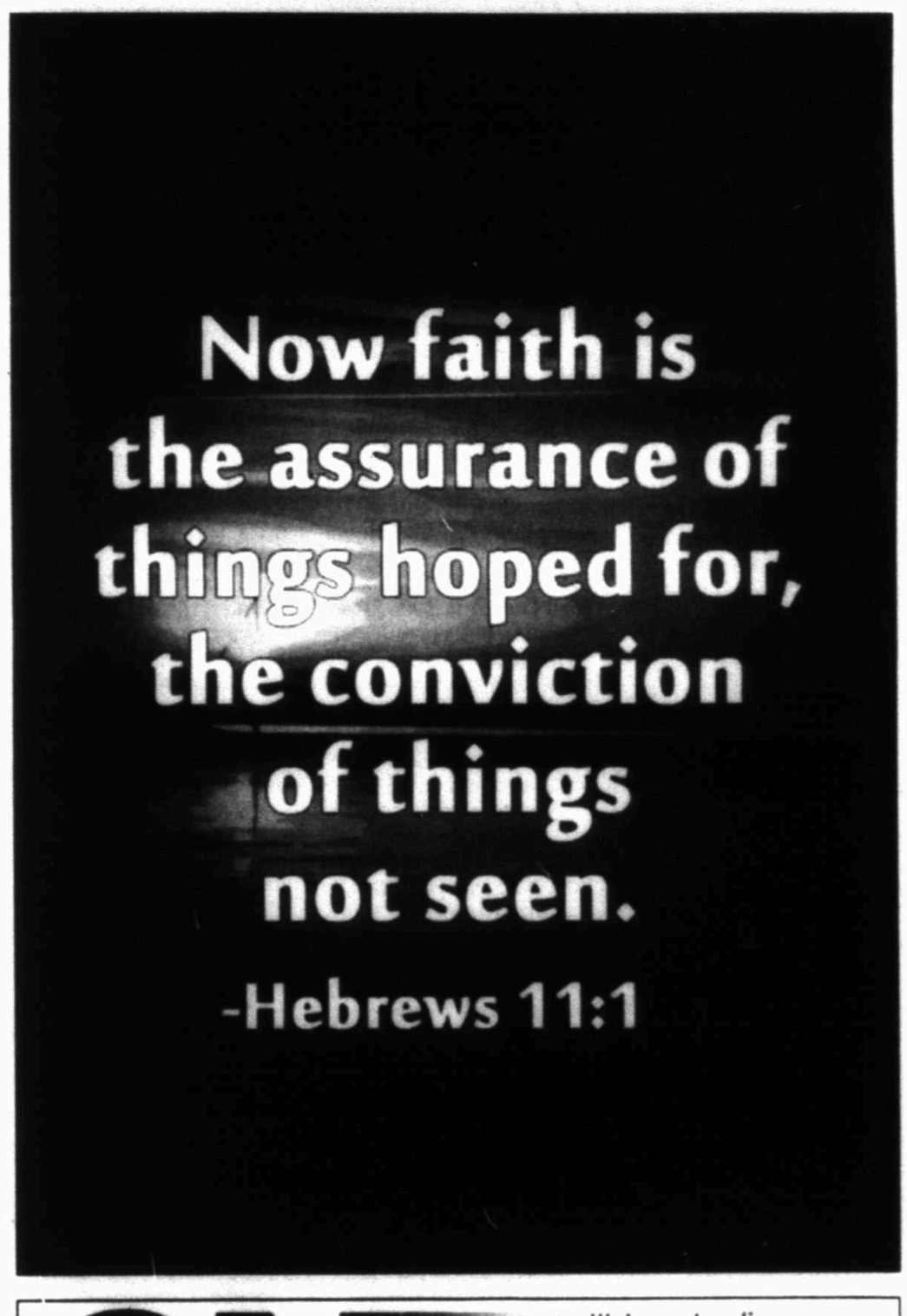

Supreme Court ruling on prayer at board meetings still reverberates

Tina Susman
Los Angeles Times

GREECE, N.Y. — The letter arrived in Sue Galloway's mailbox with no return address and a brief message warning Galloway, who is Jewish, to "be careful." It was signed "666."

Across town, Linda Stephens, an atheist, received a similarly worded letter, along with a verbal suggestion from a neighbor that she leave town, because "nobody here likes you."

The women's perceived sin? Challenging the Town Board's long-standing practice of opening monthly meetings with a prayer, a policy the Supreme Court upheld in May in a 5-4 ruling that has done little to calm the debate over what place prayer should have in local politics.

Political leaders in Greece, a quiet, middle-class suburb of Rochester, say the ruling affirmed that there is nothing wrong with what they have been doing since 1999, and with what goes on in scores of state legislatures, Congress and the Supreme Court itself. "It's like you do the Pledge of Allegiance, and you do a prayer," said William Reilich, the town supervisor, a position that serves as head of the board. "This is supposed to be a very light greeting. It's not a service."

Reilich rejected Stephens and Galloway's argument that the town alienated non-Christians by having most prayers delivered by Christian clergy. Everyone is welcome to speak, he said, and to prove the point, Greece opened Tuesday's monthly board meeting with a message from an atheist, Dan Courtney.

Courtney's roughly two-minute invocation quoted from the Declaration of Independence but warned that "this foundation necessary for a free and flourishing society is today, more than ever, under assault."

There was no mention of God or Jesus, and the word "holy" was not uttered. One man stood silently in back holding a sign reading "Jesus Saves, Ye Must Be Born Again," but he remained silent as Courtney spoke before an attentive crowd inside the red-brick Town Hall. There were no walkouts or rolling of eyes, and when Courtney had finished, the board moved onto local business.

Supporters of Galloway and Stephens, though, say that the moment was historic and that even though the nation's highest court ruled against them, it sent a message that lawmakers cannot trumpet Christianity at the expense of other beliefs.

"The silver lining here is that the Supreme Court made clear if local governments are going to start their meetings with prayers, they must be inclusive," said Gregory Lipper, an attorney for Americans United for Separation of Church and State, which filed suit against Greece.

Since the high court's ruling, Americans United says it has called out several U.S. locales, alleging discrimination against minority faiths. They include Huntsville, Ala., whose city council in June rescinded an invitation to have a Wiccan-led opening prayer and the board of supervisors in Chesterfield County, Va., which critics say has tried to limit prayers at meetings to those delivered by "ordained religious leaders of monotheistic religions."

Nationwide, local governments for years have grappled with how, or whether, to offer prayers as increasingly diverse populations bring increasingly diverse beliefs. The American Religious Identification Survey estimated the percentage of Americans identifying themselves as Christians fell from 86 percent in 1990 to 76 percent in 2008, and those who stated no religious preference or were atheist or agnostic were about 15 percent of the population in 2008, up from 8.2 percent in 1990.

"It's catching," Stephens said of public opposition to Christian-led prayers in government settings. "I don't think this lawsuit was the end of it, by far."

Stephens and Galloway sued Greece in 2008 after objecting to its practice of opening each meeting with a prayer. The women say they resorted to legal action after attempts to work out the issue in direct talks with the board failed.

"We were told, 'You can leave or don't listen,' " said Galloway. "That to me said they don't care about us."

Added Stephens, "Very few people go to these meetings, so you sort of stick out" if you leave the room or don't join the prayer.

Obituaries

Doctor Jerry Lee Cochran

Doctor Jerry Lee Cochran passed away at his home on July 10, 2014. He was born in Ada, Oklahoma on August 31, 1947 to JB and Pauline Cochran. He graduated from Ada High School then went on to attend East Central University in Oklahoma. It was there, in his freshman year, that he met and fell in love with his "angel on earth" Mary Jane White.

Four years after meeting, Jerry and Mary married on February 2, 1968. In that same year, Jerry went on to attend The University of Oklahoma Medical School and later, completed his orthopedic surgery residency at The University of Kansas, in Wichita.

Jerry and Mary were blessed with two children, Erin Leigh and Ryan Hart. He moved his young family to Altus, Oklahoma in 1976 to begin practicing his specialty of Arthroscopic Reconstruction of the knee. In 1981, the Cochran family arrived in Midland, Texas where 'Doc' has practiced medicine and touched lives every day for the last 33 years.

Jerry was a deeply devoted family man, blessed to have spent most of his life with his great love, Mary. Jerry and Mary built an extraordinary life together; traveling, establishing a career, and raising a family. He was extremely proud of his children and their many accomplishments. Later, his four grandchildren made him laugh on a daily basis and no one was more loved than 'Big Dog' or 'Papa.'

Medicine was his passion. A skilled surgeon and a kind soul, he spent his entire career providing the most excellent care and concern to each and every one of his patients. Always quick to offer a hug or a word of encouragement, he brought joy and comfort to his patients as well as to his staff. Jerry was a one of a kind doctor and the medical profession was lucky to call him one of their own.

A wood-worker, an avid reader, and a lover of fast cars, he was a unique and talented man. The world will deeply miss the bright, shining light that was Doc Cochran. To have been in his glow and to have felt his love, is an honor so many have been blessed to receive.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his brother, Glen Cochran, Sr., and his daughter, Erin Cochran.

He will be cherished and immensely missed by his surviving family; his loving wife of 46 years, Mary Cochran; his son Ryan and daughter in law, Marcie Cochran of Austin, Texas; his sisters, Cynthia Bryant and her family of Hurst, Texas and wonderful twin, Judy Ruhland and her family of Hurst, Texas; his nephew 'brother' Glen Cochran Jr. and his family of Dallas, Texas; and his four beautiful grandchildren, Presley, Miller, and Juniper Cochran of Austin, Texas, and Olive Conrad of Oklahoma City.

Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 19, 2014 at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W Texas Ave, Midland, Texas 79701.

The family suggests donations be made in Doctor Cochran's memory to the Shriner's Hospital for Children online at *www.shriners hospitalsforchildren.org/donate*.

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

Donald (Don) Dean Matson, Sr.

Donald (Don) Dean Matson, Sr. 85 of Midland passed away Tuesday, July 15,2014 at Morning Glory Adult Care Home.

Don was born in Sioux City, Iowa, June 29, 1929 to Charles and Ellen Matson. His family lived in Sioux City during his early childhood, then they moved to St Louis, Missouri.

Don graduated from Southwest High School of St Louis in 1947. He attended college at the Missouri School of Mines (now the Missouri University of Science and Technology) in Rolla, Missouri where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Petroleum Engineering in 1951.

After graduation Don went to work for Magnolia Petroleum Company in Pecos, Texas, Artesia, New Mexico, then to Kermit, Texas.

While in Kermit, he met Lou Ellen Reneau. They were married on June 13, 1953. They just celebrated 61 years of marriage.

Over the next few years Don's work took them to Odessa and Seminole, Texas, Mattoon, Illinois, Winchester, Tennessee, Clinton, Oklahoma, and back to Seminole and Breckenridge, Texas, Denver, Colorado, then finally to Midland, Texas where they made their home and raised their children.

Don and Lou had a son, Dean who was born August 30, 1956 and a daughter Ellen who was born June 4, 1965.

Don was a member of the American Association of Petroleum Geologist; West Texas Geological Society; Permian Basin Geophysical Society; Society of Exploration Geophysicists. Other affiliations that he was a member of were the Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists and the Exchange Club.

He was a volunteer with the Friends of the Library Book Store and a long time member of the First United Methodist Church of Midland.

His hobbies were gardening, reading, golf, tennis, fishing, and traveling. Don was very witty and known by family and friends for his one liners.

He is survived by his wife, Lou of Midland; and their daughter, Ellen of Austin; two sisters, Lucy Campbell of Eagle River, Wisconsin and Vivian Rodenhizer of Chicago, Illinois; many nieces, nephews, and dear friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents Charles and Ellen Matson, and by his son Dean Matson.

The Family is very grateful for the loving care he received from Bobby and Jennifer Burleson and their awesome staff at Morning Glory Adult Care Home the last few years of his life.

A special thank you to Dr. Gregory Barther and the Hospice staff for making Don's last years comfortable.

Memorial services for Don will be at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, July 19, 2014, in the First United Methodist Chapel located at 300 N Main St with Dr. Tim Walker officiating.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Hospice of Midland, 911 W Texas Ave, Midland, Texas 79701; First United Methodist Church, 300 N Main St, Midland, Texas 79701 or a charity of your choice.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Midland. Family graveside services will be held at a later date.

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801 Andrews Hwy.
(432) 683-3333

Janet K. Johnson

Janet K. Johnson passed away at San Angelo Community Hospital on July 11, 2014 from complications of diabetes.

Janet was born on April 20, 1942 in San Angelo. Her parents were Don and Peggy Johnson. Don was a roofing contractor and Peggy was a long time employee of Hemphill-Wells Department Store.

She is survived by her brother, Jim D. Johnson and his wife Gerry of Rio Vista, California; and by two nieces, Teni Mintra of Johnson City, Tennessee and Cindy Naras of Millbrae, California.

Janet graduated from San Angelo Central High in 1960. She went to nursing school in San Angelo and was an LVN. She worked at Shannon Hospital for many years and was always an advocate for her patients. She moved to Midland and worked there for a number of years.

Janet retired and returned to San Angelo in 2005. As her health declined, she was given help and support from her cousins Darlene Farmer and her husband, Harold, Dorothy Johnson and her husband, David, and many friends she had made over the years.

Adams-Starks handled the arrangements for Janet and burial will be private. A memorial service will be held at Calvary Baptist Church at 2321 Armstrong Street, on Sunday July 20, 2014 at 4:00 p.m., with her pastor, Reverend Bob Roger, officiating.

Death Notices

Kenneth (Ken) Ray Large

Kenneth (Ken) Ray Large passed away Wednesday, July 16, 2014.

He is survived by his four sons, Kyle Large, Kevin Large, Cody Large, and Drew Large; and step-son and step-daughter, Doug and Develan Doss.

Memorial service will be held at Ellis Funeral Home in Midland, Texas, on Monday, July 21, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.

LC Hall

LC Hall, 60, of Midland, passed away Tuesday, July 15, 2014, at a local hospital.

He is survived by friends and staff at Terrace West Nursing Home.

A memorial service will be held with his friends at Terrace West Nursing Home.

Teens recall surviving plunge over dam

Associated Press

POWELL, Wyo. — Four girls who went over Mormon Dam while tubing on the Shoshone River recently are beat up and still experiencing pain from their injuries.

But it's the emotional ones that have kept them awake at night and struggling during the day.

"I can't stop replaying it," Joey Haire, 14, wrote on her Facebook page.

"We are all still in shock and pain," wrote her sister, Jaclyn Haire, 13. "We try to sleep, but when we (do), we all have flashbacks to the accident. So none of us will be sleeping soon."

"The girls keep talking about it, and every time they talk about it, they cry and say, 'We thought we were dying,'" said their mother, Cherie Haire.

The Haire girls, both of Powell, and two other teens, Kylie Olinger, 15, and Melani Madden, 13, both of California, were enjoying a peaceful float down the Shoshone River on tubes July 9 when they realized they hadn't seen the little waterfall that normally alerts them that the Mormon Dam is coming up. At that point, they planned to pull out of the water.

But the water is so high this year that they didn't see the little waterfall.

"We thought it was the waterfall until we got to it," Jaclyn said during a telephone interview with the Tribune.

"When we turned the corner, we heard something and thought it was the waterfall," Joey said. "We saw a cement kind of thingy, and I told the girls it was the dam."

The Mormon Dam is in a remote location on the lower Willwood south of Lane 11, between Roads 6 and 7 about 5 miles from Powell.

"We thought it was this little mini waterfall, a baby dip in the river, then we realized we couldn't see the other side of the water (past the dam)," said Kylie, the Haire girls' cousin. "It was going straight down. Me and Joey looked at each other and started screaming."

"I remember screaming for help," said Melani, who, though not related, is considered a cousin of the Haires. "I didn't think we were going to survive that."

Joey said, "They (the other girls) were trying to swim against the current. I told them, 'That's not going to help; the current's going to win.' I tried to jump off (the tube), to see if I could touch the ground, but I couldn't. Then I tried to jump on the tube and got flung off" and went over the dam.

Questions about Mormon Dam were referred to Fred Hopkin, who farms southeast of Powell.

In an email, Hopkin described the dam:

"It is the diversion point for the Elk-Lovell Canal," he said. "It is located in Park County at about Road 6. I would estimate that it is at least 12 feet in height, and at this time of year it may be running about 4,000 cfs (cubic feet per second) of water. That is a lot of water."

Hopkin said the Mormon Dam is about 100 feet longer and 3 feet higher than the Penrose Dam, but less visible than the Penrose Dam because it isn't close to a road.

Hopkin said Mormon Dam is unusual because it has concrete pillars on the apron.

"The water goes over the dam and lands on a concrete platform below called an 'apron.' The apron is probably 15 to 20 feet in length," he said.

"This is so the water coming off the dam doesn't swirl and erode the area underneath the dam, where it is moving with a lot of force. On the apron, every few feet, there are concrete pillars, about 2 feet in height, and perhaps a foot in width," Hopkin said. "These are designed to slow the momentum of the water as it rushes off the dam and onto the apron, so that it loses some of its force as it comes off the apron.

"Coming over the 12-foot dam would be extremely treacherous, but going across the pillars on the aprons would be another very serious hazard," Hopkin said.

All four girls were wearing life jackets that pulled them back to the surface after they went over the dam.

Joey said she doesn't remember being under water.

"I remember seeing a bright light, then coming out of the water. I looked to see if we had everyone. I saw Jaclyn and Melani, but I couldn't see Kylie. We were just screaming for her."

"Me, Joey and Melanie got up and noticed that Kylie wasn't anywhere that we could see," said Jaclyn. "Then we saw Kylie floating and told her to go to shore."

Kylie was most seriously injured.

"When I went down, my leg got caught in rocks. The only way to get it out was rip my flesh off. I didn't know I had done it until later.

"I yelled, 'Help, help!' then I looked down at my leg and started screaming; my flesh was all over."

Kylie's calf had nearly been severed from her leg. Cherie Haire said Kylie was fortunate that the water was cold enough that it slowed Kylie's blood loss and minimized her pain at the time.

All four girls used their upper body strength to pull themselves up onto the bank, which is very steep there.

Meanwhile, Melani's dad, Dan Madden, and her younger brother, Travis, and three other family members were floating some distance behind the girls. The float trip was the last activity during a family reunion; Melani and her family and Kylie were planning to travel home the next day.

Dan said he and Travis were the closest to the girls and saw them go over the dam. They pulled out of the water immediately, and Travis "was trucking right through that brush. He passed me up to get to his sister."

Travis went to the nearest house to get help, Dan said.

Cherie said Melani has the most cuts and scrapes, and her injuries are more visible than the other girls', though they're less severe.

"She felt herself scraping across it," Cherie said. "She has a really big (scrape) across her back. She's very sore."

The other girls' injuries, though less obvious, are more serious, she said. Remarkably, though, none broke any bones, she said.

"Joey busted up her knee really good, really deep ... a zigzag split," Cherie said. "It was thick and it was open."

Despite that, Joey's knee joint was intact, with no injuries to the bones or tendons.

"He said it looked really good," Cherie said. "The doctor was amazed."

At the scene, emergency medical technicians initially thought Jaclyn's femur, the bone in her thigh, could have been broken. A CT scan showed the bone was intact; however, she has a large bruise on her thigh and a large hematoma (a large collection of blood) between her muscle and her skin.

Cherie said Jaclyn's oxygen was low, so she had to stay in the hospital until it went up.

Joey, Jaclyn and Melanie were released from Powell Hospital that evening.

Kylie was flown to a hospital in Billings, where she underwent surgery to reattach the calf, which had nearly been severed from her leg. She received a skin graf. Kylie's mother traveled from Redding, California, to be with her daughter.

"If I wouldn't have had my life jacket on, I would not have been able to get out of that waterfall. As soon as my leg was free, I floated to the surface. I don't think I could have done it without a life jacket," Kylie said.

Their memories and emotional trauma may take more time to heal than their physical injuries.

"Every once in a while, we'll all turn emotional, and we'll all start crying," Jaclyn said. "Last night, none of us got much sleep because we all had nightmares and flashbacks about it."

"Whenever I look at the picture of the dam, I get upset," Melani said. "It's hard to believe we all fell off of that. Like my cousin Chelsie said, God was watching over us. He knew it wasn't our time to go."

HABITATFORHUMANITY

Habitat for Humanity of Midland recently broke ground on its new housing development near Cloverdale Road and dedicated its 123rd home in Midland.

LEFT: Tamela Tryon and her family accept a Habitat home July 10 during a ceremony.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

ABOVE: A crowd gathers during the ground breaking ceremony for Habitat's Cloverdale Road development.

Courtesy photo

BRIDGE

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resources are," said Rogers. "If we're too far removed from the area, it would be out of the way and we couldn't) reach the people we need to reach."

With a permanent address, the church would more effectively be able to reach those in the homeless community it previously hasn't been able to connect with.

"Right now, they'll show up looking for Church Under The Bridge, but if it's not Saturday between the hours of 8:45 a.m. and 12 p.m., no one is going to be there," said Rogers. "I'm on the streets full time now, so I'm out looking for them — and some of them are looking for us — but we miss each other a lot of the time. To have a physical place would mean a lot."

The structure would provide the homeless with a roof to protect them from the elements, access to resources and a place in which they can personally invest.

"If we were to have our own place, it would mean so much to them," said Rogers. "They are looking for something to take ownership in, and this being their home church, they'll take ownership in it."

Rogers also shared that he had been assured by the city that if the homeless were to show up to sleep on the lot — and didn't "cause any problems" — they would be allowed to stay.

"I think the city will almost kind of appreciate it because it will bring them to one central location as opposed to being spread out and looking for a place to go," he said.

If the church is able to find a home, Rogers is also hopeful it will allow the ministry to grow and provide more of the spiritual services that other churches are able to provide to their congregations.

"Every church understands that just because we're a homeless church doesn't mean that we don't need those same things that people long for at Stonegate or First Baptist," said Rogers. "That's my biggest prayer is that someone who has land or knows someone who has land would take that into consideration."

Next to the open-air structure, the church also hopes to construct a warehouse where donations of food and clothing can be stored and distributed. The warehouse would also serve as a market, from which the homeless could have the opportunity to choose what they would like rather than having the donations simply handed out to them.

"It will be a market because they'll actually do the shopping themselves," said Rogers. "It'll give them the sense of 'hey, I'm doing this.' It gives them dignity that they don't get anywhere else, everything else is just handed to them, and a lot of them don't want handouts. That's what we want to prevent is that same culture that we've always given them, that's important."

While the supplies would be free of charge, the church plans to issue patrons a photo ID card that will entitle them to one free pair of clothes per month.

"It's for a good cause, and we're not asking for anybody to give (land) away, but there is a need that needs to be met," said Rogers.

In addition to the church's mission to find a permanent home, it has recently implemented several new initiatives aimed building more personal relationships with members of the homeless community and providing opportunities for some of them to work.

One of the new iniatives includes a Wednesday lunch with Rogers at the Ground Floor coffee shop, where he discusses "anything and everything" with those who show up.

"Every Wednesday at 11:30 a.m., I tell as many of the homeless as I can — which so far has been a very small portion of them, it's been about 8 to 10 of them that show up — and I just tell them to go to the Ground Floor and that I'll buy them lunch," said Rogers. "The reason why I do that is that we need to build the trust, the relationships (with) us to earn their trust and for them to believe what we have to tell them."

The church also purchased a mower, a blower and a weed-eater to provide a few of the homeless an opportunity to get out, work and earn some income.

"I worked with them for a couple of days and they run circles around me," said Rogers. "They do a heck of a job."

Rogers said that, despite popular belief, the homeless "want to work."

"It gives them confidence that they didn't have before and someone who believes in them, it means a lot to them," he said. "That boosts moral because we're giving them an opportunity that no one else will give them."

Looking ahead to the future, Rogers hopes to eventually establish a tent city, much like the one located in Lubbock, to help get the homeless off the streets.

However, Rogers stressed that to the church and those involved with it, "land to us right now is just the most important thing."

Church Under The Bridge currently meets on Saturday mornings at the corner of Baird Street and Washington Avenue.

For more information, visit www.churchunderthebridgemidland.org.

REMIX

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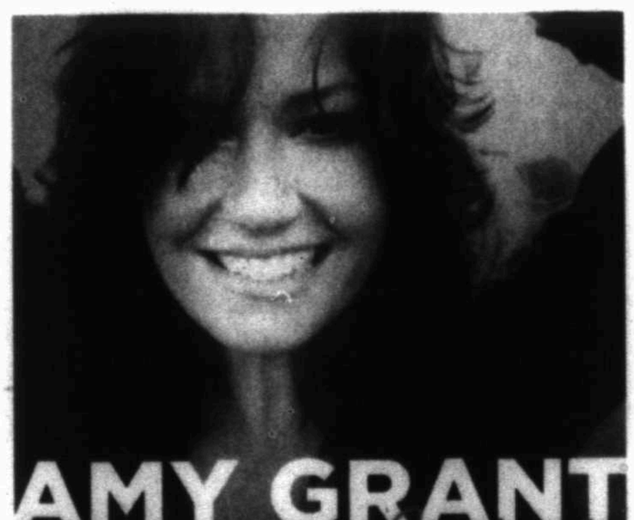
up and dance again!"

The European DJ duo Moto Blanco maintain the upbeat feel in "Every Heartbeat" by replacing the original instrumentation with modern rhythms that don't overpower Grant's voice or the song's intention, making for a clean and spare mix.

In Audé's "Baby Baby," he goes far more club-driven with layers of keyboard punches and pounding beats. The song does lose some of its original affectionate disposition, but never comes off as offensive. Released in June, the single made the No. 1 spot on Billboard's Hot Dance Club Play chart.

"Remixing 'Baby, Baby' has definitely been one of the highlights of my career," Audé said. "I loved this song when it was released in 1991, and I still love hearing it today; you can't say that about many records 23 years later. 'Baby, Baby' has crossed genres, and I'm hoping my remix will add yet another genre to this timeless classic."

The best translation of her mainstream hits is Cox's "That's What Love is For." With clever club DJ maneuvering, he punches up the song superbly keeping the



emotional qualities but building on climactic movements. The track opens the album but also gives it the perfect note to start on.

"You're Not Alone" is given the dance treatment by Guy Scheiman with heavyweight sounds. He emphasizes the song's built-in drama by building electronic themes into a crescendo. This works better than Ralphi Rosario's misstep.

Digging way back to 1985, Rosario attempts to bring "Find A Way" to today and hits and misses at the same time. Rosario keeps and builds on the anthemic quality by ripping sounds to shreds and then putting them back together with fury, but the sound quality in Grant's voice is poor. The result is an empty and hollow sound that comes off overly contrived.

The album closes with a megamix by DJ Andy 7th Heaven that pulls all the tracks into one 8-minute dance party. As a whole, "In Motion" works fine. This crop of DJs took care not to alienate die-hard Grantsters while also bridging her with fans from demographics outside the usual.

"In Motion: The Remixes" is available for pre-order July 22 and drops Aug. 19.

3 stars out of five.

CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

TODAY

CAMP REGISTRATION Summer Art & Music Camps, Fine Arts School, register now for Aug. 11-14 at First Presbyterian Church. 684-7821.

SUNDAY

FAMILY FAIR noon-midnight July 19 and noon-10 p.m. at San Miguel Arcangel. sanmiguelchurch.com.

BASEBALL RockHounds vs San Antonio and Faith and Family Night, 6 p.m. at Security Bank Ballpark. milb.com.

ANNIVERSARY 41st church anniversary celebration, 11 a.m. at Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church. 682-4931.

MEETING Cowboy Camp Meeting, through July 25 at Paisano Baptist Encampment. The Rev. Randel Everett of First Baptist Church in Midland is one of four featured speakers. paisanoencampment.org.

MONDAY

SPEAKER Author and Biblical prophecy speaker Avi Lipkin, 6:30 p.m. at Beit HaDerekh. 264-8976.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "Agency D3: Discover, Decide, Defend," 6-8:30 p.m. through 25 at Macedonia Baptist Church. 682-7120.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Second Baptist Church and The North Church VBS, 6:30-8:30 p.m. through Thursday at Second Baptist Church Activities Building. mychurchmidland.com.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "Gangway to Galilee," through July 25 at Grace Lutheran Church. gracelutheranmidland.org.

TUESDAY

CAMP Fellowship Christian Church Soccer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon through July 26 at Butler Sports Complex. midlandfellowshipchurch.org.

CLASSES Women's Bible Study "Malachi" by Lisa Harper, 6 p.m. Tuesdays through Aug. 12 or 9:30 a.m. Thursdays through Aug. 14 at Northwestern Baptist Church. admin@nwbcmidland.org.

COMING SOON

JULY

THEATER "Into the Woods" produced by MRRRP Productions, July 25-Aug. 2 at Genesis Center of the Permian Basin. mrrrpproductions@gmail.com.

MUSIC Singer/songwriter Ted Pearce, 7 p.m. July 30 at Beit HaDerekh. 264-8976.

AUGUST

CLASS Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University nine-week course, 10:30 a.m. Aug. 9 at Fellowship Community Church. 699-6068.

MUSIC Festival Rock the Desert, Aug. 7-9 at Rock the Desert grounds. rockthedesert.com.

BASEBALL RockHounds vs Springfield and Faith and Family Day, 2 p.m. Aug. 10 at Security Bank Ballpark. milb.com.

BASEBALL RockHounds vs Springfield and Faith and Family Day, 2 p.m. Aug. 10 at Security Bank Ballpark. milb.com.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "Shine," 9 a.m.-noon Aug. 11-15 at Midland Bible Church. midlandbible.org.

CONCERT RED/Demon Hunter, Aug. 13 at Ace Arena in Andrews. whatyeshuacando.com.

CONFERENCE Spiritual Explosion, Aug. 13-16 at Midland Center. themidlandcenter.com.

FUNDRAISER An Evening with Legendary Football Hero Archie Manning, Aug. 14 at the Horseshoe. Benefits Centers for Children and Families. centerstx.org.

CONCERT Christian Music Festival, Aug. 15-16 at Security Bank Ballpark. milb.com.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "Workshop of Wonders: Imagine and Build with God," 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Aug. 16 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church. stmumc.com.

GOLF TOURNAMENT Golf to Honor tournament benefiting Patrick Wayland Memorial Scholarship Fund, Aug. 23 at Hogan Park Golf Course. pbaf.com.

BARBECUE Church Under the Bridge's Quarterly BBQ Cookout, 6-10 p.m. Aug. 23 at Baird Street and Washington Avenue. cutbmidland.org.

BASEBALL RockHounds vs Frisco and Faith and Family Day, 2 p.m. Aug. 24 at Security Bank Ballpark. milb.com.

FUNDRAISER Ponderosa with Panache, 6 p.m. Aug. 26 at Odessa Country Club. Benefits Safe Place of the Permian Basin. safeplacenow.com.

MEETING Community Church Meeting with evangelist Daniel Mooney, 7 p.m. Aug. 27-30 at Christian Tabernacle Church. 262-5072.

SEPTEMBER

BENEFIT Dance for Africa, 7-11 p.m. Sept. 13 at St. Stephen's Catholic Church Gloria Denman Ballroom. africanbridgesofhope.org.

RACE Runnin' Fur Rescues Fun Run/Walk 5K, 9 a.m. Sept. 27 at Midland College. Benefits Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals. lonestarsanctuary.org.

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

Nonprofit loses grant over gay marriage stance

Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — A Catholic organization has decided to cut off funding to a Portland immigrant rights group that works with day laborers over its affiliation with an organization that supports same-sex marriage.

Voz Workers' Rights Education lost a $75,000 grant in June from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, which is the national anti-poverty, social justice program of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Catholic Campaign director Ralph McCloud said the group asked Voz to cut ties with the National Council of La Raza, a large Latino civil rights organization that endorses marriage equality, to be considered for the grant. Voz has been an affiliate of NCLR since 2009, primarily as a grantee.

After Voz refused to cut its ties, the organization "self-disqualified" itself from the funding process, McCloud said.

In June, the bishops approved more than $14 million in grants to 205 organizations. The bishops had supported Voz since 1994, via 10 grants, McCloud said.

"It's certainly difficult and painful because Voz has done some tremendous work," McCloud said. "But it became obvious that they were assisting in something that was contrary to the teachings of our traditions. And we have to honor our donors' intent that this money be spent on issues that are not contrary to the teachings of the Catholic Church."

Voz is not the first nonprofit to lose church funding because of ties to organizations that endorse same-sex marriage.

A coalition of conservative Catholic groups led by the American Life League has criticized what it sees as lax administration by the Catholic Campaign and has been working since 2009 to call attention to CCHD grantees with activities, positions or affiliations with other nonprofits that contradict Church teachings.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops conducted a review of the grant program and adopted several changes in 2010 that were designed to clarify the eligibility rules and strengthen the application review process.

POWERFUL PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

You who resolve all problems who lights all roads so that I can obtain my goals. You who gives me the Divine gift to forgive and to forget all evil against me and that in all instances of my life, You are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank You for all things and to confirm that I never want to be separated from You, even and in spite of all material illusion. I wish to be with You in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine.

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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Shark Tank		What Would You Do?		20/20		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live	Zach Braff	(:35) News Nightline
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	CSI: Crime Scene "Last Supper"		Hawaii Five-0 "Ua Nalohia"		Blue Bloods "The Bogeyman"		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman		(:35) Craig Ferguson
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Gilligan's Island	Happy Days	Hogan's Heroes	Welcome Kotter	The Odd Couple	The Odd Couple	Twilight Zone	Perry Mason		Dragnet
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Masterchef "Top 14 Compete"		24 "9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m."		Modern Family	Modern Family	The Arsenio Hall Show		Mother "Cupcake"	Met Your Mother
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Biblical Israel	Update News	Shepherd's Heart		Light of the Southwest		Best of Week		Update News	BAS Presents	Walking	Y. Salamanca
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News9West at 6 p.m.		Dateline NBC		Dateline NBC		Crossbones "A Hole in the Head" (N)		News-West 9	(:35) Jimmy Fallon		(:35) Seth Meyers
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Wash. Week (N)	Just Seen It	Mark Twain Prize The work of Ellen DeGeneres is celebrated.		PBS Previews		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
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FLIX	340	65		165		(5:30) Scenes Fro...		★★★ Beaches ('88, Dra) Bette Midler.				(:05) ★★★ Big Business			(:45) ★★★ Ruthless People		
HBO	300	68	14	14		(5:45) Leftovers "Pilot"		The Leftovers		The Leftovers		Bill Maher (N)		Bill Maher		True Blood	
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(5:30) ★★★ Lethal Weapon 3		LastWeek		★★ The Conjuring Patrick Wilson.				Beyonce /(:05) ★ Enough Said		(:50) John L.	
HBOS	304	70	16	102		(5:00) ★ The Debt		Big Love		★ The Best Man Holiday Monica Calhoun.				(:15) ★★ Now You See Me			
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	Movie	(:45) ★★ Ted ('12, Com) Mark Wahlberg.			(:40) ★★★ The Rock ('96, Act) Sean Connery.						Topless	Movie
MAX2	382	72	18	122		★★★ Pitch Perfect Anna Kendrick.				★★ The Hangover Part III		Femme	Femme	(:45) ★ A Good Day to Die Hard			
PLEX			96			(5:20) ★ A Million L...		★★ Crazy/Beautiful			(:45) ★★ Untamed Heart Christian Slater.			★★ Disappearances			
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(5:15) ★ Man on a L...		Masters "Parallax"		★★★ The Butler Forest Whitaker.				(:15) Masters of Sex	(:15) Ray Donovan		
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:05) ★ A Low Do...		★ Scary MoVie Ashley Tisdale.			(:45) ★★ Barbershop 2: Back in Business			AVN Awards Show			
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Criminal Minds "A Thin Line"		Criminal Minds "The Thirteenth Step"		Criminal Minds "Sense Memory"		Criminal Minds "Today I Do"		Criminal Minds "Coda"		Criminal Minds "The Thirteenth Step"	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(5:00) ★★ Hitman		★★★ The Day After Tomorrow Dennis Quaid.					★★★ The Day After Tomorrow Dennis Quaid.				
BET	58	26		40		Game	★★ Fat Albert ('04, Com) Kyla Pratt, Kenan Thompson.					Apollo Live		Apollo Live		Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	63		41		(5:30) ★★ The School of Rock Jack Black.				★★ How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days					★★ The Family Man		
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Failure to Recall		Ultimate Factories		Ultimate Factories		Factories "Frito Lay"		Factories "Bacardi"		Factories "Heineken"	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		The Sixties		Spotlight	Unguard	A. Bourdain "Tokyo"		Anthony "Thailand"	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch: On Deck "Shut-Out"					
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	GoodLuck Jessie		Dog Blog	Girl (N)	Ferb (N)	Wander	I Didn't	Liv/Mad	Austin	A.N.T.	Dog Blog	Austin
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	Best of The Open Championship (N)								SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	SportsCenter		Boxing Friday Night Fights (L)				CFL Football Hamilton Tiger-Cats at Calgary Stampeders (L)					
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(5:00) ★★★★ P.S. I Love You		★★ Sleepless in Seattle ('93, Rom) Tom Hanks.				The 700 Club		Fresh P.	Fresh P.		
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Diners...	Diners, Dr.	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Insider (N)	Icons of Coaching	NCAA Big 12 Ok St./Tex.Tech		NCAA Big 12 No-Huddle Ok. St./Tex		NCAA Big 12 No-Huddle Tex.Tech/Tex		NCAA Big 12 No-Huddle Baylor vs. TCU		Bull Riding Championship	
FX	31	31	59	64	69	(5:00) ★ Horrible Bo...		★★★ Mr. and Mrs. Smith ('05, Act) Angelina Jolie, Brad Pitt.						The Strain "Night Zero"		Tyrant	
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	The Waltons		Waltons "The Car"		Cedar Cove "Pilot"				G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
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LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	(5:00) ★ The Rebound Catherine Zeta-Jones.		★★★ Killers (2010, Action) Katherine Heigl, Tom Selleck, Ashton Kutcher.				★ To Be Announced				★★★ Killers ('10, Act) Ashton Kutcher.	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		MSNBCDocumentary		MSNBCDocumentary		MSNBCDocumentary	
NBCSN	38	39			34	Racing Spartan Race		Cycling Tour de France Stage 13 Saint-Etienne- Chamrousse						MLS Soccer Colorado vs Portland (L)			
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Sam, Cat	WitchWay	Korra (N)	Korra (N)	Kids' Choice Sports 2014			F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Bellator MMA Fighters battle for $100,000 and a shot at the title						Jail	Jail
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(5:00) ★ The Uninvited		WWE Smackdown! (N)				Almighty (N)		Dominion		Almighty Johnsons	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Sein. "The Cartoon"	Seinf. "The Strong Box"	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Funniest Wins "Roasted" (N)		Funniest Wins "Roasted"		★★★ Tower Heist Eddie Murphy.	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:00) ★ Rendezvous		★★★★ Lawrence of Arabia ('62, War) Alec Guinness, Anthony Quinn, Peter O'Toole.								★★★ Gallipoli	
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TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Say Yes to the Dress: The Big Day "Sheena"		Yes to the Dress	Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to (N)	Say Yes to (N)	Say Yes to the Dress "Kristi" (N)		Yes to the Dress	Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to the Dress "Kristi"	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Castle "The Blue Butterfly"		Castle		Cold Justice "Justice Served" (N)		★★★ Law Abiding Citizen (2009, Crime Story) Gerard Butler, Colm Meaney, Jamie Foxx.				Cold Justice "Justice Served"	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Griffith	A. Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Loves Ray	(:35) Ray	(:10) Ray	(:50) Ray
USA	26	30	42	27	49	NCIS: Los Angeles "Purity"		Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Covert Affairs "Silence Kit"		Royal P "Everybody Loves Ray, Man"	
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that we could," said Ruiz. "Four walls, very simple, but still it would take them away from living on the side of the road and off the tents and it would definitely move them into a safer place."

Getigan and Ruiz said for just $700 in labor, they were able to pay for the projects. This is because the dollar is worth 43 Philippine pesos. To put this into perspective, according to the Philippine Statistics Authority, the average Filipino family had an average income of 235,000 pesos in 2012 — roughly equivalent to $5,500. However, among the poorest families, the average annual income was reported as 69,000 pesos — or a meager $1,600.

In addition to their work rebuilding homes, the missionaries also made educational donations they hope will help to lift some of the poorer families out of poverty.

"The people over there, particularly in that area, it is only through education that they can get out of that poverty," said Getigan. "So, in a family, parents make it a point that they can send their eldest of the children to college so that one day when that child is finished, they will be the one to help their younger siblings to be able to go to school. That's really the pattern of education."

One family that lost four family members when their home sunk into the ground received two scholarships for a brother and sister.

The brother, after making a promise to God that he would join the seminary if he survived being trapped in the earth after the earthquake, was given a scholarship to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary College in Quezon City, Manila, Philippines.

The younger sister, who said she had made a promise to her parents that she would attend college before they died, was given a scholarship to the University of Bohol.

The missionaries also visited an orphanage that houses 22 boys and girls between the ages of 4 to 16. After speaking with the executive director, they decided to provide nearly $1,000 in scholarships to provide school uniforms and supplies, shoes, umbrellas, towels and other necessities.

"We want to continue that relationship with them, and continue to provide financial support to the orphanage, so we hope that the young adult ministry at San Miguel ... will be able to have a fundraiser once a year to try to support them financially and give them our love," said Ruiz. "It cost about $50 (per semester) for you to send a student to school for secondary school, and for as little as $500 in tuition fees to the University of Bohol. Those are amazing numbers. It's amazing that if we were all to rally together, there could be so much help given to those people that are in really desperate need."

Getigan and Ruiz said the trip was deeply impactful to them as they saw the stark contrast between life in America and in the Philippines.

For Ruiz, it was the strength of faith the citizens of the predominately catholic nation showed that really brought her own life into perspective.

"To see their faith, that in the midst of tragedy there is still joy and hope, and to see their strong belief that God is there and will be there and that he will provide, it really brought about an appreciation for me to recognize that we have so much here, we are so blessed with so much," said Ruiz. "Their faith is amazing. It is such a beautiful strength to see them bond together, take care of each other."

Despite having lived there for a significant portion of his life, Getigan too was deeply impacted by what he saw.

"For me, it made me grounded as a priest," he said. "Life here (in America) is beautiful. My life here is so convenient, so comfortable. I have the tendency to forget the other side."

A group from Midland's San Miguel Archangel Catholic Church rebuilds and repairs houses during a May mission trip to help those in the Philippines impacted by the October 2013 earthquake on the island providence Bohol.

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RockHounds score two in 9th to rally past Missions

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Crumbliss

Marte

It wasn't a home run or a clean base hit, but Jefry Marte once again found a way to get the job done for the Midland RockHounds in the bottom of the ninth inning Thursday.

Down 5-4 with two outs and two runners on, Marte smacked a pitch by San Antonio reliever Frank Garces to left field. It looked like left fielder Hunter Renfroe was in position to make the catch for the out near the warning track, but the ball glanced off his glove, ruled an error, allowing both runs to score and give the RockHounds a thrilling 6-5 victory in front of 4,225 fans at Security Bank Ballpark.

"The wind was playing in and I hit the ball good. I thought it had a chance," said Marte, who might have hit a home run on a less windy evening. "I was just looking for a pitch that I could drive. I was looking to do something good with the pitch, and it was a good pitch (a changeup) to hit."

Marte has been a thorn in the side of the Missions, who lost two games in the RockHounds' last at-bat last week thanks to a game-winning home run and single by the Midland third baseman.

"When that moment comes, you have to keep pushing and find a way. It doesn't matter how," said Marte, the reigning Texas League Player of the Week.

The comeback wouldn't have been possible without the RockHounds' approach and execution at the plate in the bottom of the ninth against the left-hander Garces (2-4), considered one of the best relievers in the Texas League.

Conner Crumbliss, who was

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Reed comes out on top

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Rebecca Reed watches her putt Thursday at Green Tree Country Club in the finals of the Women' City Golf Tournament.

13-year-old holds off Curnutte to win City title

By Chris Hummer
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In front of a quickly expanding crowd of 30 or 40 spectators, Rebecca Reed calmly deposited her short par putt on No. 16 of Green Tree Country Club.

It looked like any other par putt, but moments after it dropped a steady round of applause echoed from around the green. Reed hugged her opponent, Christian Curnutte, and walked back to her cart the winner of the Midland Women's City Championship.

Reed strolled like she's had moments like these many times before, which is all the more notable considering she's only 13 and the second-youngest champion in the tournament's 51-year history.

"To know that I actually won something like this means a lot to me," Reed said. "All of these ladies are fantastic golfers, and to know I was able, after three days, to come out on top makes me feel fantastic about my game."

The player she knocked off, Curnutte, is actually the youngest champion of the Midland Women's City Championship — she won at age 12 in 2010. It was young knocked off by even younger Thursday morning, but the games displayed by each player did not reveal their age.

Neither Reed nor Curnutte played their best in the final round of the match play tournament, but they each responded to a challenging environment. Fifteen minutes before their tee time, a storm rolled into Midland, causing a two-hour delay, which is a difficult situation after both players had finished their warm-ups.

"I couldn't sit still," Reed said. "I was just itching to get out there and play."

Once she did, Reed rolled.

She won the first hole with a par, and split the next with Curnutte. After that, Reed held steady as Curnutte wilted slightly over the next four holes.

A driver pull-hooked left into the water caused Curnutte to drop the third hole. She battled back to tie on No. 4, but then lost No. 5 and 6 in quick succession after putts wouldn't drop. This gave Reed a lead that provided significant early comfort.

"Once I got up, then went two, three and four up, it really made a difference," Reed said.

Curnutte started to play better once she reached the back nine. Her drives began to find the fairway, and a win on No. 11 seemed to spark her confidence. But riding to the tee box of No. 12 is when Reed gave herself a mental challenge.

"I was telling myself, 'Let's see how you respond to a little bit of pressure. Let's see if you can push her a little bit,'" she said.

Her 6-hybrid from 147 yards out landed to within 10 feet of the pin, inside of Curnutte's stellar effort from moments earlier.

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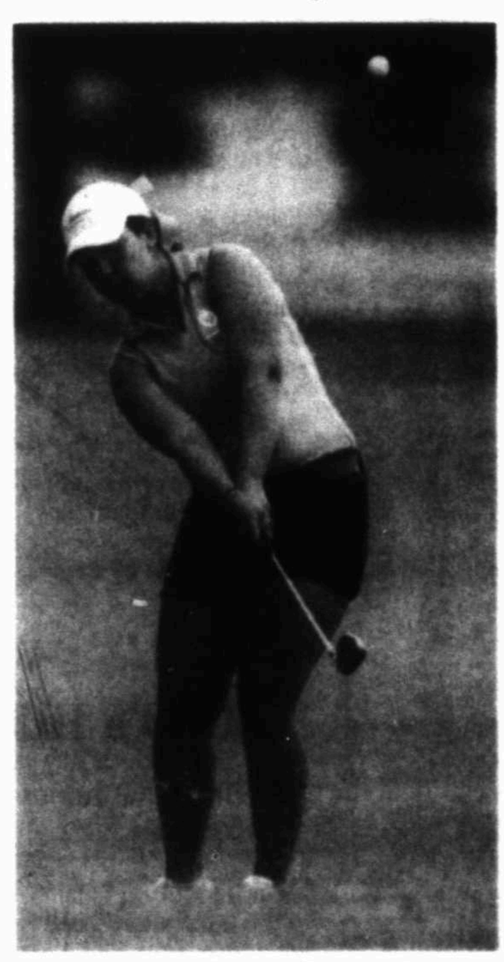

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Christian Curnutte chips onto the green Thursday at Green Tree Country Club in the finals of the Women' City Golf Tournament.

Texas tumbles into 2nd half of season

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — The Texas Rangers had become accustomed to coming out of the All-Star break looking for moves to bolster a playoff chase.

There are much different expectations and plans this season with an injury-plagued roster and the worst record in the majors.

"We are just looking to see better baseball, see guys grow," general manager Jon Daniels said when asked what he wants to see now.

After winning at least 90 games each of the past four seasons — a stretch when they went to the World Series twice, made the playoffs a third time and lost a one-game wildcard tiebreaker last year — the Rangers are now on pace for 90 losses or more. If they go 34-33 the rest of the way, they will finish with 90 losses.

The Rangers (38-57) carry an eight-game losing streak into tonight's game at Toronto. They have lost 22 of their last 25 since being 35-35 in mid-June, falling 21 games behind AL West-leading Oakland.

"It's been tough," said Ron Washington, the Rangers' winningest manager in his eighth season. "There's times out there we just weren't good enough. There's times out there we did it to ourselves. ... I'm certainly not through, and I don't think they're through."

Texas still has a majors-high 15 players on the disabled list and has made 21 DL moves this season for a total of 1,119 games missed by those players. The Rangers have used 50 players, the most ever in the majors before the All-Star break, a number that includes 29 pitchers and 15 rookies.

Daniels made a move Wednesday, trading veteran reliever Jason Frasor to Kansas City for Triple-A All-Star pitcher Spencer Patton. That is a clear sign that the Rangers are looking to the future and getting back into a contending role in 2015.

There are still several other veteran players who could be targeted by contending teams — outfielder Alex Rios, closer Joakim Soria and reliever Neal Cotts among them. While Daniels is open to making "good baseball trades," he intends to keep together the team's core, including AL batting leader Adrian Beltre (.337), shortstop Elvis Andrus and All-Star pitcher Yu Darvish. Injured slugger Prince Fielder (neck surgery) and left fielder Shin-Soo Choo (sprained left ankle) are both under contract through 2020.

"Basically the same thing we've said, we should be better next year with guys coming back from injury. That being said, as we've seen this year, there are just no guarantees," Daniels said. "We're not looking to tear the team down by any stretch. We look forward to building these guys up."

With the offseason additions of Fielder and Choo and their expected starting rotation, the Rangers rightfully had expectations to be a playoff contender again. But the injuries

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McIlroy and Woods deliver at British Open

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

HOYLAKE, England — Rory McIlroy had everything go his way Thursday in the British Open.

A lovely summer day in England with abundant sunshine and minimal wind allowed him to attack Royal Liverpool. He made half his six birdies on the par 5s and kept bogeys off his card. And on the day Tiger Woods made a promising return, McIlroy took the lead with a 6-under 66, his best score in nearly two years at a major.

Now if he can only find a way to get to the weekend.

McIlroy either set himself up for a good run at the claret jug or another dose of Friday failures. In what already has been an unusual year for golf, no trend is more mysterious than Boy Wonder going from awesome to awful overnight.

Six times in his last eight tournaments, he has had a nine-hole score of 40 or higher on Friday that has taken him out of the mix.

"It's not like I've shot good scores in first rounds and haven't backed them up before," McIlroy said. "I'm used to doing that. I just haven't done it recently. We'll see what tomorrow brings and what weather it is and try and handle it as best I can.

"Hopefully," he said, "it's just one of those things and I'm able to turn it around tomorrow."

Woods also would like to keep moving in the right direction. He got off to a troubling start with two quick bogeys, nearly made another one on the fourth hole, and then looked like a 14-time major champion when he ran off five birdies in six holes toward the end of his round for a 69.

Not bad for guy who had back surgery March 31, who started taking full swings only a month ago and who had not played in a major in 11 months.

"It felt good to be back out there competing again," Woods said.

Such pristine weather — how long it lasts is the big unknown —

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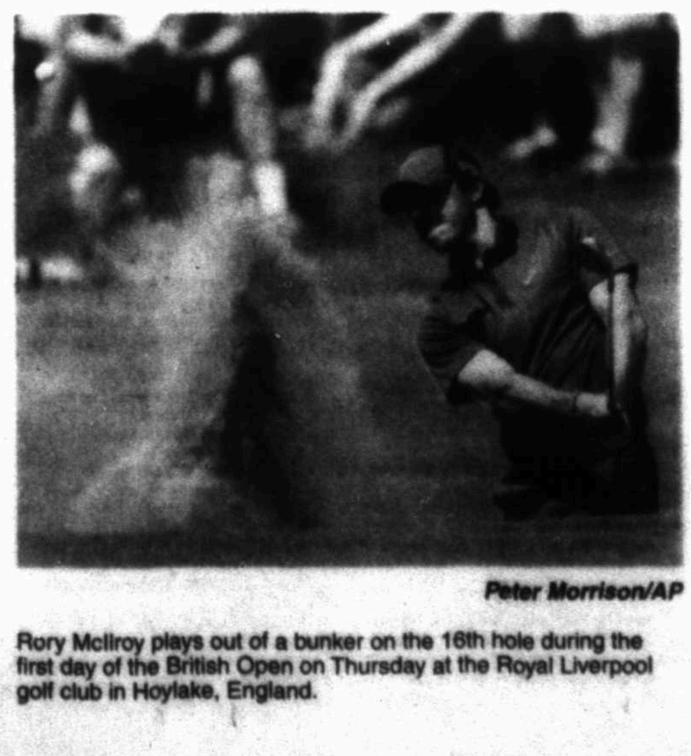

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Rory McIlroy plays out of a bunker on the 16th hole during the first day of the British Open on Thursday at the Royal Liverpool golf club in Hoylake, England.

HOUNDSWATCH

THURSDAY'S SCORE
Midland 6, San Antonio 5

TODAY'S GAME
San Antonio at Midland, 7 p.m., Security Bank Ballpark

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RECORDS
Midland 17-9, San Antonio 13-14

Wednesday	Thursday	Today	Saturday	Sunday
Corpus Christi 5, Midland 2	Midland 6, San Antonio 5	San Antonio at Midland	San Antonio at Midland	San Antonio at Midland

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FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

TODAY
WHAT'S ON TV
AUTO RACING
Formula One, practice for Grand Prix of Germany (same-day tape), 1:30 p.m., NBC Sports Network
NASCAR, Nationwide Series, practice for Enjoyillinois.com 300, 2:30 p.m., Fox Sports 1
BOXING
Junior welterweights, Karim Mayfield vs. Emmanuel Taylor, 7 p.m., ESPN2
Heavyweights, Taishan vs. Alex Rozman; welterweights, Jonathan Chicas vs. Emanuel Robles; welterweights, Mercito Gesta vs. Luis Arceo, 9 p.m., Fox Sports 1

CFL
Hamilton at Calgary, 9 p.m., ESPN2
CYCLING
Tour de France, Stage 13, Saint-Etienne to Chamrousse, France, 7 a.m., NBC Sports Network
GOLF
LPGA, Marathon Classic, second round, 2 p.m., TGC
Web.com Tour, Boise Open, second round, 4 p.m., TGC
MLB
Regional coverage, L.A. Dodgers at St. Louis or Tampa Bay at Minnesota, 7 p.m., MLB Network
SOCCER
MLS, Colorado at Portland, 10 p.m., NBC Sports Network

WHAT'S ON DECK

TODAY
LITTLE LEAGUE
Majors, Northern at Texas West State Tournament, San Antonio
Intermediate, Midland All-Stars at Southwest Regional Tournament, Grand Junction, Colorado

LOCAL SPORTS

SCHNEIDER ACES TWICE WITHIN TWO WEEKS

Jackie Schneider had about as good of a two weeks on the golf course as you can have in the beginning of July.

On July 2, Schneider hit his first ever hole-in-one at Rachland Hills on No. 3 from 165 yards out. He hit a 3-hybrid for the shot and it was witnessed by Bill Averett, Jerry Reese, Robert McCullogh and Bog Childress.

Ten days later on July 12, lightning struck twice and Boot Ranch in Fredericksburg as a part of the Texas Golf Association Father Son Championship. His hole-in-one came on No. 7 from 159 yards out with the same 3-hybrid. The shot was witnessed by his son Jeff, and Mark and Dennis Miller. Two days earlier in a practice round, Schneider also made an eagle on No. 4 with the same 3-hybrid.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
Major League Baseball
MLB — Suspended free agent minor league 2B Ryan Adams 100 games after testing positive for an amphetamine in violation of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program
American League
TEXAS RANGERS — Activated C Geovany Soto from the 60-day DL. Purchased the contract of C-1B J.P. Arencibia from Round Rock (PCL). Designated 1B Carlos Pena for assignment. Sent OF-1B Jim Adduci on rehab assignment to Round Rock. Signed LHP Chad James to minor league contract.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Claimed LHP Brad Mills off waivers from Oakland. Designated RHP Deck McGuire for assignment.
National League
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Placed INF Jeff Bianchi on the 15-day DL.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Reinstated OF Starling Marte from the bereavement list. Optioned OF Jeff Decker to Indianapolis (IL).
American Association
LAREDO LEMURS — Released INF Ryan Flynn.
Can-Am League
ROCKLAND BOULDERS — Released RHP Taylor Mangum and RHP Rocco Cundari.
Frontier League
GATEWAY GRIZZLIES — Signed RHP Tyler Buckley. Released RHP Zach Arneson.
RIVER CITY RASCALS — Sold the contract of 3B Taylor Ard to Arizona (NL).
WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS — Released C Doug Joyce and OF Ty Stetson.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
WASHINGTON WIZARDS — Signed G-F Paul Pierce.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Released WR Jeremy Johnson and WR Reese Wiggins.
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — Signed OT Joe Staley to a two-year contract extension through the 2019 season. Placed WR Bruce Ellington, RB Marcus Lattimore, C Marcus Martin, FB Trey Millard, CB Keith Reaser and G Brandon Thomas on the Active/Non-Football Injury List. Placed LB Aaron Lynch and DT Kaleb Ramsey have been placed on the Active/Physically Unable to Perform List.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
DETROIT RED WINGS — Re-signed Fs Mitch Callahan and Andrej Nestrasil to one-year contracts.
MINNESOTA WILD — Agreed to terms with G John Curry on a one-year contract.
American Hockey League
WORCESTER SHARKS — Named Emily Quinn marketing and operations coordinator and Carly Grimbuck account executive. Promoted Kristyn Galante to ticket sales manager.
ECHL
BAKERSFIELD CONDORS — Agreed to terms with LW Chase Schaber and D Nick Pageau on one-year contracts.
FLORIDA EVERBLADES — Agreed to terms with F Chris Kushneriuk on a one-year contract.
Southern Professional Hockey League
PEORIA RIVERMEN — Re-signed F-D Nick Wheeler and D Charlie Curtin. Signed C Mitchell Deruelle to a tryout form.
COLLEGE
NCAA — Announced the retirement of coordinator of men's basketball officials John Adams, effective April 2015.
BIG EAST CONFERENCE — Named Briana Weiss director of conference operations.
CALDWELL — Named David Erdos women's tennis coach.
CASTLETON — Announced the resignation of women's hockey coach Bill Bowes to take an assistant coaching position with New Hampshire.
CONNECTICUT COLLEGE — Named Matt Anderson men's and women's water polo coach.
DELAWARE — Named Byron Collins associate head coach and offensive coordinator for men's lacrosse.
GEORGIA SOUTHERN — Named Kelly Carter cross country and track and field coach.
ILLINOIS-CHICAGO — Announced fifth-year senior men's basketball G Jay Harris has transferred from Wagner.
MACALESTER — Announced the resignation of women's lacrosse coach Ellen Thompson.
SPRING HILL — Named Justin Goonan men's and women's club rugby coach.
TRIEU — Named Killian Riley men's soccer coach.

MLS STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Sporting Kansas City	9	5	5	32	27	17
D.C.	9	5	4	31	26	19
Toronto FC	7	5	4	25	24	21
New England	7	9	2	23	24	29
New York	5	6	8	23	31	30
Philadelphia	5	8	7	22	32	34
Columbus	4	7	8	20	21	25
Chicago	3	4	10	19	25	27
Houston	5	11	3	18	20	38
Montreal	3	9	5	14	17	29

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Seattle	12	4	2	38	35	24
Real Salt Lake	7	4	7	28	27	24
Los Angeles	7	3	6	27	25	14
Colorado	7	5	6	27	27	22
FC Dallas	7	7	5	26	30	29
Vancouver	6	6	6	24	28	26
Chivas USA	6	7	5	23	20	27
Portland	4	6	9	21	30	32
San Jose	4	8	4	16	16	18

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie

Today's Game
Colorado at Portland, 10 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Los Angeles at Sporting Kansas City, 5 p.m.
San Jose at New York, 6 p.m.
Montreal at Columbus, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
New England at FC Dallas, 8 p.m.
Toronto FC at Houston, 8 p.m.
Vancouver at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Chivas USA at D.C. United, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, July 23
Chicago at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.
Thursday, July 24
Montreal at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.
Saturday, July 26
Sporting Kansas City at Toronto FC, 6 p.m.
Columbus at New England, 6:30 p.m.
Chivas USA at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Sunday, July 27
FC Dallas at Vancouver, 4 p.m.
Portland at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Monday, July 28
Los Angeles at Seattle FC, 9 p.m.

WNBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	15	6	.714	—
Indiana	11	12	.478	5
Connecticut	10	13	.435	6
Washington	9	13	.409	6 1/2
New York	8	13	.381	7
Chicago	8	14	.364	7 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	17	3	.850	—
Minnesota	17	6	.739	1 1/2
San Antonio	11	12	.478	7 1/2
Los Angeles	10	11	.476	7 1/2
Seattle	9	15	.375	10
Tulsa	9	15	.348	10 1/2

Wednesday's Scores
New York 77, Atlanta 75
Minnesota 93, Tulsa 82
Thursday's Scores
Tulsa 95, San Antonio 90
Indiana 82, Chicago 64
Connecticut at Phoenix, late
Washington at Los Angeles, late
Today's Games
No games scheduled
Saturday's Games
East vs. West at Phoenix, 2:30 p.m.

TENNIS

ATP World Tour Claro Open Results
Thursday
At Centro de Alto Rendimiento
Bogota, Colombia
Purse: $727,000 (WT250)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
Second Round
Jimmy Wang, Taiwan, def. James Ward, Britain, 6-3, 6-1.
Ivo Karlovic (2), Croatia, def. Dudi Sela, Israel, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (3).
Victor Estrella Burgos (8), Dominican Republic, def. Peter Polansky, Canada, 6-4, 6-1.
Richard Gasquet (1), France, def. Samuel Groth, Australia, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (5).
Doubles
First Round
Vasek Pospisil, Canada, and Radek Stepanek (1), Czech Republic, def. Johnathan Erlich, Israel, and Rajeev Ram, United States, 3-6, 6-3, 10-6.
Carlos Salamanca and Eduardo Struvay, Colombia, def. Nicholas Monroe, United States and Michael Venus, Australia, 7-6 (5), 6-3.
Marcelo Demoliner, Brazil, and Purav Raja, India, def. Alejandro Gonzalez and Juan-Carlos Spir, Colombia, 7-5, 6-4.

WTA TES BNP Paribas Istanbul Cup Results
Thursday
At Koza World of Sports
Istanbul
Purse: $250,000 (Intl.)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
Second Round
Kurumi Nara (8), Japan, def. Katerina Siniakova, Czech Republic, 7-6 (5), 6-7 (3), 6-2.
Ana Konjuh, Croatia, def. Misaki Doi, Japan, 6-4, 6-7 (5), 6-4.
Karolina Pliskova (8), Czech Republic, def. Shahar Peer, Israel, 6-2, 7-5.
Roberta Vinci (2), Italy, def. Alexandra Dulgheru, Romania, 6-3, 6-1 retired.

Midland Women's City Championship

Thursday's Results
Green Tree Country Club
Championship Flight
Finals
No. 3 Rebecca Reed def. No. 1 Christian Curnutte, 3 and 2
Consolation Finals
No. 5 Paula Bettis def. No. 7 Alexis Adkisson, 5 and 3

First Flight
Finals
No. 5 Debbie Wiggins def. No. 6 Donna Winborn, 3 and 2
Consolation Finals
No. 3 Judy Hilliard def. No. 4 Sarah Lands, 6 and 4

Second Flight
Finals
No. 1 Paula Bayley def. No. 2 Bobbie Bowling, 3 and 2
Consolation Finals
No. 6 Andrea Moren def. No. 8 Janet Burnett, 1-up
Third Flight

Finals
No. 2 Mary Jane Button def. Lydia Thomson, 5 and 4
Consolation Finals
No. 3 Terry Mannay vs. No. 5 Emily Goodfellow, 2 and 1

CITY

From 1C

Both Reed and Curnutte missed their birdie opportunities, but Reed said that shot made a big difference in the match. Curnutte continued a charge on the back nine, but she couldn't get any of her birdie opportunities to fall.

Reed didn't play her best, but she said she'll take a lot away from pushing through and still finding success without premium results.

"I didn't hit as many good shots as I wanted to," Reed said. I wasn't making many putts, and lipped out a lot of putts. But golf is a game of mistakes, and whoever wins makes the least mistakes."

For now, Reed is just attempting to process that she is the best women's golfer in Midland this year.

While she didn't know what to say about that portion of her victory, she's happy to have won. The confidence gained is something she'll take forward with her as she moves into higher level junior events.

Not that she needs too much confidence. After all, she's a 13-year-old with a maturity level going on 30.

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ROCKHOUNDS

From 1C

3-for-3 at the plate with a home run, led off the inning with a single to left field. Billy Burns then moved Crumbliss over to second with a sacrifice bunt. Then after a flyout by D'Arby Myers, Max Muncy (2-for-3) drew a two-out walk to bring Marte to the plate.

Midland manager Aaron Nieckula said the at-bats for Crumbliss and Muncy were huge considering they haven't fared all that well against left-handed pitching this season.

"The lefties did a great job against their pitcher, and Marte put the ball in play pretty hard too,"

Neickula said. "It wasn't just a routine fly ball. That ball was hit was pretty good. If the wind was not blowing in, that ball is a home run. It was a matter of putting together good (at-bats) and making things happen."

At one point the RockHounds trailed 5-1when the Missions scored three (two earned) in the fourth and two more in the fifth against starter Drew Granier, who lasted just 4.1 innings.

"He didn't throw the ball particularly poorly, but he didn't throw it particularly well either. It was just a mediocre game," said Nieckula about Granier's outing. "He was working on his changeup. I don't know how many changeups he threw but it was mandated he throw a certain number of changeups. Today's game was more about development than winning for him. He did a good job of throwing changeups at particular times, so he needs to take some positives away from this."

Just like they have for a big part of a recent stretch that has seen them win 12 out of their last 14 games, the RockHounds found a way to battle back.

The RockHounds got back in the game in the fifth when they scored three runs against Missions' starter Justin Hancock to cut it 5-4 as Muncy had a two-run single and Jeremy Barfield added an **RBI single.**

"If you want to win, you have to play good ball but you also have 27 outs first," Marte said. "We're always pushing, pushing, pushing, at the end you see the results. And that's the result. That's why this game is 27 outs."

'HOUND BITES: The RockHounds improved to 17-9 in the Texas League's second half and remain three games ahead of Frisco in the South Division standings. ... The win on Thursday was only the RockHounds' third win when trailing after eight innings. Midland is now 3-34 in those games. ...Midland also improved to 17-8 against the Missions this season.

TODAY'S PROBABLES: The RockHounds host San Antonio in the second game of a four-game series at 7 p.m. Midland is expected to start RHP Shawn Haviland (5-6, 3.82 ERA) on the mound, while the Missions will start RHP Josh Geer (5-8, 4.02).

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Texas League

Second Half
North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arkansas	14	12	.538	—
x-Tulsa	12	14	.462	2
NW Arkansas	12	15	.444	2 1/2
Springfield	10	17	.370	4 1/2

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Midland	17	9	.654	—
Corpus Christi	15	12	.556	2 1/2
x-Frisco	13	13	.500	4
San Antonio	13	14	.481	4 1/2

x-clinched first half

Thursday's Scores
Midland 6, San Antonio 5
Corpus Christi 3, Frisco 2
Arkansas at Tulsa, ppd., rain
Springfield 6, Northwest Arkansas 4
Today's Games
Arkansas at Tulsa, 4:05 p.m., 1st game
Arkansas at Tulsa, 6:35 p.m., 2nd game
San Antonio at Midland, 7 p.m.
Corpus Christi at Frisco, 7:05 p.m.
NW Arkansas at Springfield, 7:10 p.m.

ROCKHOUNDS 6, MISSIONS 5

S. Antonio	ab	r	h	bi
Spangnbrg 2b	5	1	2	0
McElroy 3b	2	2	0	0
Hagerty dh	2	1	1	1
Liriano cf	4	1	2	2
Renfroe lf	3	0	1	2
Hedges c	4	0	1	0
Asencio rf	4	0	1	0
Buschini 1b	4	0	0	0
Butler ss	4	0	0	0

Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Burns cf	3	1	0	0
Myers lf	5	1	2	0
Muncy 1b	3	1	2	2
Marte 3b	5	0	1	0
Barfield rf	4	0	1	1
Taylor c	3	0	0	0
Forsythe ph-c	1	0	0	0
Coleman ss	4	0	0	0
Mathes dh	4	0	1	0
Crumbliss 2b	3	3	3	1

Totals	32	5	8	5	Totals	35	6 10 4

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E — Renfroe (3). DP — Midland 2. LOB — San Antonio 5, Midland 8. 2B — Asencio (17), Hagerty (17), Liriano (19), Spangenberg (7), Myers (5). HR — Crumbliss (6). SB — Liriano (16), Spangenberg (7). CS — McElroy (3), Burns (5). SH — Burns.

San Antonio	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Hancock	4.1	7	4	4	1	6
Branham	1.2	2	0	0	1	1
Dimock	1.0	0	0	0	1	1
Garces L, 2-4	1.2	1	2	0	1	
Midland						
Granier	4.1	5	5	4	3	3
Smith	2.2	2	0	0	1	3
Walden W, 1-1	2.0	1	0	0	0	0

HBP — by Granier (McElroy)
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U.S. slips in FIFA rankings despite World Cup effort

By Jack Bell
NYT News Service

The exciting performance of the U.S. national men's soccer team at the 2014 World Cup in Brazil failed to translate into gains in the latest world rankings released by FIFA on Thursday.

The United States, which advanced from a difficult first-round group before losing to Belgium in the Round of 16, dropped two places to No. 15. Although the U.S. team opened with a thrilling 2-1 win against Ghana on a late goal by John Brooks, it then tied Portugal, lost to Germany in the final game of the group stage and succumbed to Belgium, 2-1, in extra time.

The often-criticized rankings are based on a points system that takes into account results over a four-year span by averaging the points a team gains from victories over 12 months and the average of results of matches older than one year (with their value declining over time).

Teams accrue points based on whether matches were won or drawn, the importance of each match (full international, friendly or World Cup game) and the strength of the opposing team.

Recently FIFA has used its rankings, which are sponsored by Coca-Cola, to determine how the 32 teams in a World Cup are seeded at the draw. Inconsistent results against often-mediocre regional competitors cost the United States a potential seeding in Brazil, which meant being placed in a more challenging group.

The next draw will be held in December 2017 before the 2018 World Cup in Russia.

Germany, which defeated Argentina, 1-0, in extra time, in the final in Rio de Janeiro on Sunday, took over the No. 1 spot for the first time in nearly 20 years. Argentina was up three places to No. 2. The Netherlands, which finished third after beating host Brazil in the third-place match, jumped 12 places to No. 3.

Among World Cup participants, the biggest loser was England, which plummeted 10 spots to No. 20, its worst showing in the rankings since May 1996.

The other most precipitous declines were by Spain, the former No. 1 and the 2010 World Cup champion, which failed to advance past the first round in Brazil and is now No. 8, and Portugal, which also dropped seven places, to No. 11.

Brazil fell four spots to No. 7, and Italy dropped five to No. 14. Italy, like England, Portugal and Spain, was eliminated in the group stage.

Belgium and France each gained ground after advancing to the quarterfinals, with Belgium climbing to No. 5 from No. 11 and France moving up seven places to No. 10. Colombia, which lost to Brazil in the quarterfinals, rode the goal-scoring prowess of James Rodrmguez to No. 4, up four places.

And Costa Rica, the lone team from the CONCACAF region to advance past the Round of 16, matched the Netherlands by climbing 12 places to No. 16. Mexico, which again failed to advance past the second round, benefited from a 0-0 tie against Brazil and two victories in the first round to gain two places to No. 18.

FIFA said it took into account results from 111 international matches: 64 World Cup games, 46 friendlies and a regional qualifier.

Lakers make winning bid for amnestied Boozer

By Brian Mahoney
Associated Press

Carlos Boozer is headed to the Lakers' crowded frontcourt after Los Angeles made the winning bid for the veteran forward waived by the Chicago Bulls via the amnesty clause.

The Lakers made the highest bid under the NBA's modified waiver process for players who were amnestied, the team announced Thursday.

"Carlos is an established veteran and a proven All-Star, who will be a welcome addition to our team," Lakers general manager Mitch Kupchak said in a statement. "We're very pleased to have won the bidding process and to have gained his rights, and look forward to his contributions next season."

According to NBA rules, teams with room under the salary cap had to bid at least $1.4 million, the amount of the minimum salary for veterans next season. Details of the winning bid were not provided, though ESPN.com reported that it was $3.25 million.

The amnesty clause allows teams to waive one player in the first five years of the current collective bargaining agreement without his salary counting for cap and tax purposes. Boozer will still be paid the $16.8 million he is due next season in the final season of a contract he signed in 2010.

He will join a Lakers team that has already agreed to deals with fellow power forwards Jordan Hill and Ed Davis during free agency, and drafted Kentucky's Julius Randle with the No. 7 pick.

Boozer, a two-time All-Star, averaged 15.5 points and nine rebounds in 280 games with the Bulls. His playing time diminished in recent seasons with the emergence of Taj Gibson, and the Bulls needed to clear his salary to sign Pau Gasol and European star Nikola Mirotic.

Beer to be sold at North Texas football games

Associated Press

DENTON— North Texas will begin selling beer on the public concourse level at football games this fall.

UNT officials announced Thursday that beer will be sold in controlled areas of Apogee Stadium, away from a family fun area under the north end zone stands.

The beer sales will be managed by the same catering group that already handles alcohol sales in the stadium's private club and suite levels. The university has had a license to sell alcoholic beverages in all areas of the stadium since it opened for the 2011 season.

Athletic director Rick Villarreal expects public beer sales to be a revenue generator, including additional ticket sales and an increase in food and merchandise sales.

SMU, in nearby Dallas, will also begin selling beer at home football games this season.

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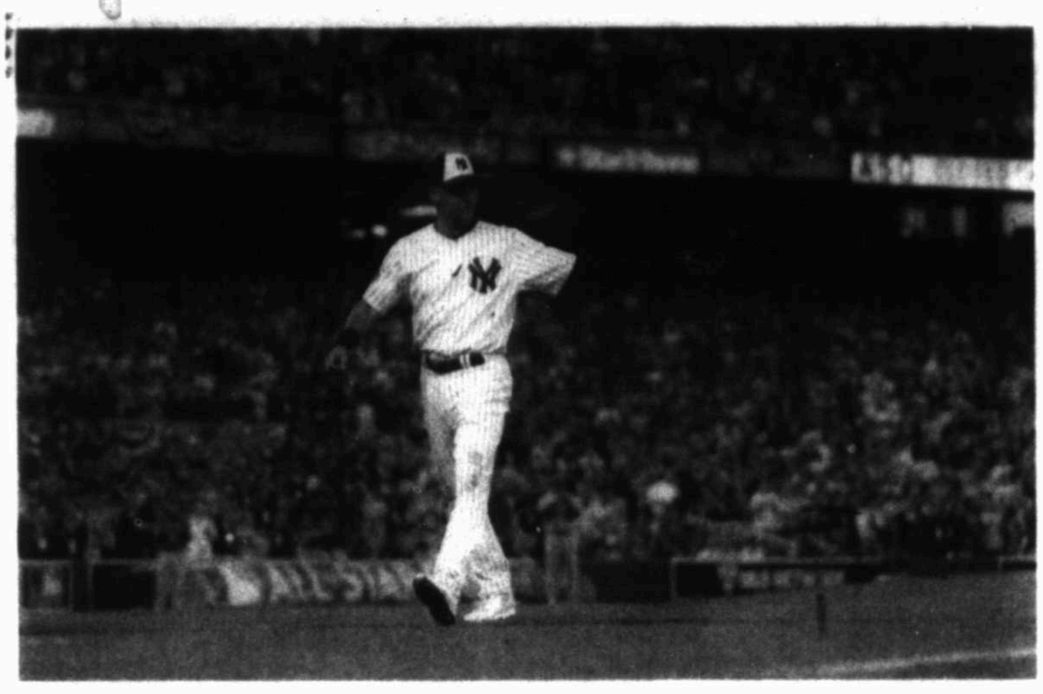


Jim Mone/AP

Derek Jeter waves as he is taken out of the game in the top of the fourth inning of the MLB All-Star game Tuesday in Minneapolis.

After All-Star party, baseball gets back to work

By Jay Cohen
Associated Press

Jeff Roberson/AP

Mike Trout holds the MVP trophy after the in the MLB All-Star game Tuesday in Minneapolis.

Sure, it was great for a couple days. The cheers for Derek Jeter. The power of Giancarlo Stanton. The excellence of Mike Trout in the American League's 5-3 victory.

Baseball's All-Star party in the Twin Cities was a long series of smiles for players and fans. But the break is over now, and the real fun begins tonight.

Heading into the second half of the season, there are all sorts of compelling stories from coast to coast. It could be one fun summer in California, where Oakland begins the weekend with the best record in the majors, and the Giants, Angels and Dodgers are in prime playoff position. The trade deadline is in two weeks, and the recovery of several key injured players could dramatically affect a couple of divisions.

The A's bearded collection of shaggy mistits and stars is looking for the franchise's first World Series title in 25 years. Sensing an opportunity, general manager Billy Beane got an early jump on the deadline when he acquired pitchers Jeff Samardzija and Jason Hammel in a deal with the Chicago Cubs on July 4.

The blockbuster trade created an awkward scene at the All-Star game, where Samardzija was introduced with the NL reserves and then joined his new teammates in the AL dugout.

"I'm really excited to just put all this to rest now and the sideshow that's happened right in the middle of all this," Samardzija said. "It was a great opportunity to get to know these guys more. I flew out here with them. I'm excited."

There will be no such problem for any other players on the move this month.

Boston pitcher Jake Peavy, Philadelphia second baseman Chase Utley, San Diego closer Huston Street and New York Mets right-hander Bartolo Colon are thought to be on the market as contenders shop for that missing piece that could pay off into October.

"I guess there's a possibility for anything, but at this point I love playing in Philadelphia," said Utley, who could veto any deal.

Jeter was warmly greeted everywhere he went this week, and the Yankee captain contributed two hits to the AL All-Star win. Any chance of his final season ending in the playoffs likely depends on the return of rookie ace Masahiro Tanaka, who is out with a partially torn ligament in his right elbow. He is going through a six-week rehab program but season-ending surgery is an option. Michael Pineda also could return from a back injury to New York's battered rotation.

The Bronx is one of many spots where health is an issue for the stretch run.

The recovery of Reds sluggers Joey Votto (strained muscle above left knee) and Brandon Phillips (left thumb) and indispensable Cardinals catcher Yadier Molina (right thumb) could affect the bunched NL Central. The Pirates could get starting pitcher Gerrit Cole (tight lat muscle) in the first few weeks after the break.

"We know what we're capable of doing, and we're going to play like we've been there before, like we've done it before," said slugger Andrew McCutchen, hoping to lead Pittsburgh back to the playoffs for the second straight year. "That's what we've got to look forward to."

The strained right quadriceps of Toronto's Edwin Encarnacion and ailing back of Detroit's Victor Martinez also bears watching.

Atlanta, which is battling Washington for the top spot in the NL East, could get a lift from the return of Evan Gattis after the catcher was sidelined by a bulging disk in his back.

Beyond the standings, the races for the individual honors will come into focus.

Trout could add the AL MVP award to his one from the All-Star game, especially if the Angels can run down the A's in the competitive AL West. Shortstop Troy Tulowitzki is among the favorites for the NL award, but he could be hurt by the Rockies' poor play.

The NL Cy Young Award features an interesting duel between Clayton Kershaw of the Dodgers and Adam Wainwright of the Cardinals.

Trying for a repeat, Kershaw had a 41-inning scoreless streak that ended last week and carried a 1.78 ERA into the break. But Wainwright is 12-4 with a 1.83 ERA in 138 innings, compared to 96 1/3 for Kershaw, who missed all of April with a back problem.

White Sox first baseman Jose Abreu, the overwhelming favorite for AL Rookie of the Year with Tanaka on the shelf, could become baseball's first rookie home run king since Mark McGwire with the Athletics in 1987.

"He's continuing to make adjustments with what other teams are trying to do to him," White Sox manager Robin Ventura said last month, "and when he hits it on the barrel it goes a long way."

RANGERS

From 1C

started hitting long before the first pitch of the regular season.

Darvish was scratched from the opening day start because of neck stiffness. Left-hander Derek Holland needed left knee surgery after being tripped by his dog on stairs in his home in January. Lefty Matt Harrison had a setback from back issues that sidelined him most of last year, started the season on the DL and returned to make four starts before needing potentially career-threatening spinal fusion surgery.

Two expected everyday starters — second baseman Jurickson Profar and catcher Geovany Soto — suffered injuries late in spring training.

Soto is expected to make his season debut Friday night when he will be activated from the disabled list after knee surgery. Holland is expected to make his first rehab start next week for Triple-A Round Rock and could finally return to the Rangers rotation in a few weeks.

"We know we can play a lot better baseball. It's all on us," Andrus said. "We're the ones that have to go out and change the way we're playing right now."

MLB STANDINGS

STANDINGS
AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	52	42	.553	—
Toronto	49	47	.510	4
New York	47	47	.500	5
Tampa Bay	44	53	.454	9 1/2
Boston	43	52	.453	9 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	53	38	.582	—
Kansas City	48	46	.511	6 1/2
Cleveland	47	47	.500	7 1/2
Chicago	45	51	.469	10 1/2
Minnesota	44	50	.468	10 1/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	59	36	.621	—
Los Angeles	57	37	.606	1 1/2
Seattle	51	44	.537	8
Houston	40	56	.417	19 1/2
Texas	38	57	.400	21

Thursday's Scores
No games scheduled
Today's Games
Cincinnati (Leake 6-6) at N.Y. Yankees (Phelps 3-4), 6:05 p.m.
Texas (Darvish 8-5) at Toronto (Dickey 7-9), 6:07 p.m.
Cleveland (Bauer 3-4) at Detroit (A.Sanchez 6-3), 6:08 p.m.
Kansas City (Shields 9-5) at Boston (Buchholz 4-6), 6:10 p.m.
Houston (Feldman 4-6) at Chicago White Sox (Quintana 5-7), 7:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Cobb 4-6) at Minnesota (Gibson 8-7), 7:10 p.m.
Baltimore (Tillman 7-5) at Oakland (Samardzija 1-1), 9:05 p.m.
Seattle (Iwakuma 8-4) at L.A. Angels (Weaver 10-6), 9:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	51	42	.548	—
Atlanta	52	43	.547	—
New York	45	50	.474	7
Miami	44	50	.468	7 1/2
Philadelphia	42	53	.442	10

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	53	43	.552	—
St. Louis	52	44	.542	1
Cincinnati	51	44	.537	1 1/2
Pittsburgh	49	46	.516	3 1/2
Chicago	40	54	.426	12

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	54	43	.557	—
San Francisco	52	43	.547	1
San Diego	41	54	.432	12
Colorado	40	55	.421	13
Arizona	40	56	.417	13 1/2

Thursday's Scores
No games scheduled
Today's Games
Cincinnati (Undecided) at N.Y. Yankees (Phelps 3-4), 6:05 p.m.
Colorado (Undecided) at Pittsburgh (Liriano 1-7), 6:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Lohse 9-4) at Washington (Strasburg 7-6), 6:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 10-7) at Miami (Eovaldi 5-4), 6:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (A.Burnett 6-8) at Atlanta (E.Santana 7-6), 6:35 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Haren 8-6) at St. Louis (Lynn 10-6), 7:15 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (E.Jackson 5-10) at Arizona (Cahill 1-6), 8:40 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (B.Colon 8-8) at San Diego (Kennedy 7-9), 8:10 p.m.

Kristoff wins 12th Tour stage but Nibali keeps lead

By Jamey Keaten
Associated Press

SAINT-ETIENNE, France — Alexandec Kristoff of Norway, in a solo show of opportunistic racing, won the 12th stage of the Tour de France in a sprint as Vincenzo Nibali kept the yellow jersey for a 10th day on Thursday.

After hitching a ride behind the back wheel of Italian sprinter Matteo Trentin, Kristoff powered out of the barreling pack and beat Peter Sagan of Slovakia, who was second, by nearly a bike length, while Arnaud Demare of France was third. The pack overtook a pair of breakaway riders with less than seven kilometers to go.

Kristoff, who won the Milan-San Remo race this year, pointed his fingers skyward and shouted as he crossed the line — pretty much without any of his Katusha teammates: Sagan's Cannondale team and Giant-Shimano took turns leading the pack at the end. But Kristoff timed his burst perfectly.

"I won, finally, and I am really happy," Kristoff said of his first Tour stage win, adding he had been second in two previous sprints. "It was time to win.

"In Norway, there was a lot of pressure on me: I am the only Norwegian this year!"

Kristoff paced himself without two big rivals: Giant-Shimano rider Marcel Kittel, who has won three stages, was dropped earlier in the ride along four small- and medium-sized climbs, while German countryman Andre Greipel, who won Stage 6, crashed within the last few kilometers.

"I went at just the right time," said Kristoff, adding he had no idea the two Germans were out of contention for the stage win. "I was just thinking about myself."

The mostly flat 115.5-mile course from Bourg-en-Bresse to Saint-Etienne in southeastern France was well suited for a possible sprint finish.

The top standings didn't change. Nibali leads Richie Porte of Australia by 2 minutes, 23 seconds, and Alejandro Valverde of Spain was third, 2:47 back. Nibali is looking to become the first Italian to win the Tour since the late Marco Pantani in 1998.

American rider Andrew Talansky pulled out before the stage due to severe back pain from previous crashes. The Garmin-Sharp leader who won the Criterium du Dauphine last month rode for several hours with excruciating back pain on Wednesday, when he finished last on the 11th stage.

The pack now faces two days in the Alps — which are getting relatively short shrift this year — even if both stages feature uphill finishes that are likely to shake up the top standings.

Today's relatively long Stage 13 will also put riders' legs under the most strain so far. 123-mile trek begins in Saint-Etienne and will crescendo: It first covers a mid-sized climb, then the Category 1 Palaquit pass, and finally 12-mile ascent to the Alpine village of Chamrousse — one of cycling's hardest climbs.

Nibali, however, said his Astana team will try to manage the race today, before what he sees as a greater challenge a day later.

Results

Thursday
At Saint-Etienne, France
129th Stage

A 115.2-mile undulating ride from Bourg-en-Bresse to Saint-Etienne, with two Category 3 and two Category 4 climbs

1. Alexander Kristoff, Norway, Katusha, 4 hours, 32 minutes, 11 seconds.
2. Peter Sagan, Slovakia, Cannondale, same time.
3. Arnaud Demare, France, FDJ.fr, same time.
4. Michael Albasini, Switzerland, Orica GreenEdge, same time.
5. Ramunas Navardauskas, Lithuania, Garmin-Sharp, same time.
6. Daniele Bennati, Italy, Tinkoff-Saxo, same time.
7. Bryan Coquard, France, Europcar, same time.
8. Daniel Oss, Italy, BMC Racing, same time.
9. Samuel Dumoulin, France, AG2R La Mondiale, same time.
10. Jose Joaquin Rojas, Spain, Movistar, same time.
11. Romain Feillu, France, Bretagne-Seche Environnement, same time.
12. Arnfindo Fonseca, France, Bretagne-Seche Environnement, same time.
13. John Degenkolb, Germany, Giant-Shimano, same time.
14. Jurgen Roelandts, Belgium, Lotto Belisol, same time.
15. Bauke Mollema, Netherlands, Belkin Pro Cycling, same time.
16. Michal Kwiatkowski, Poland, Omega Pharma-Quick-Step, same time.
17. Heinrich Haussler, Australia, IAM Cycling, same time.
18. Cyril Lemoine, France, Collidis, same time.
19. Anthony Delaplace, France, Bretagne-Seche Environnement, same time.
20. Richie Porte, Australia, Sky, same time.

Also

21. Christopher Horner, United States, Lampre-Merida, same time.
24. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Astana, same time.
29. Jurgen Van den Broeck, Belgium, Lotto Belisol, same time.
30. Jakob Fuglsang, Denmark, Astana, same time.
33. Alejandro Valverde, Spain, Movistar, same time.
35. Jean-Christophe Peraud, France, AG2R La Mondiale, same time.
36. Thibaut Pinot, France, FDJ.fr, same time.
38. Tejay van Garderen, United States, BMC Racing, same time.
39. Romain Bardet, France, AG2R La Mondiale, same time.
47. Rui Costa, Portugal, Lampre-Merida, same time.
52. Peter Stetina, United States, BMC Racing, same time.
83. Benjamin King, United States, Garmin-Sharp, 1:24.
139. Tony Gallopin, France, Lotto Belisol, 5:45.
154. Alex Howes, United States, Garmin-Sharp, 10:12.
161. Matthew Busche, United States, Trek Factory Racing, same time.
162. Danny Pate, United States, Sky, same time.
Yondrew Talansky, United States, Garmin-Sharp, withdrew.

Overall Standings
(After 12 stages)

1. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Astana, 51 hours, 31 minutes, 34 seconds.
2. Richie Porte, Australia, Sky, 2:23.
3. Alejandro Valverde, Spain, Movistar, 2:47.
4. Romain Bardet, France, AG2R La Mondiale, 3:01.
5. Thibaut Pinot, France, FDJ.fr, 3:47.
6. Tejay van Garderen, United States, BMC Racing, 3:56.
7. Jean-Christophe Peraud, France, AG2R La Mondiale, 3:57.
8. Bauke Mollema, Netherlands, Belkin Pro Cycling, 4:08.
9. Jurgen Van den Broeck, Belgium, Lotto Belisol, 4:18.
10. Jakob Fuglsang, Denmark, Astana, 4:31.
11. Michal Kwiatkowski, Poland, Omega Pharma-Quick-Step, 4:39.
12. Geraint Thomas, Britain, Sky, 5:17.
13. Rui Costa, Portugal, Lampre-Merida, 5:34.
14. Mikel Nieve, Spain, Sky, 6:03.
15. Pierre Rolland, France, Europcar, 6:47.
16. Christopher Horner, United States, Lampre-Merida, 7:33.
17. Laurens ten Dam, Netherlands, Belkin Pro Cycling, 7:42.
18. Haimar Zubeldia, Spain, Trek Factory Racing, 8:01.
19. Leopold Konig, Czech Republic, NetApp-Endura, 8:25.
20. Tony Gallopin, France, Lotto Belisol, 8:57.

Also

55. Peter Stetina, United States, BMC Racing, 59:58.
89. Benjamin King, United States, Garmin-Sharp, 1:26:08.
139. Alex Howes, United States, Garmin Sharp, 1:57:01.
150. Matthew Busche, United States, Trek Factory Racing, 2:05:32.
169. Danny Pate, United States, Sky, 2:19:38.

Armstrong met cycling doping panel

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Lance Armstrong talked for several hours with cycling investigators about doping in the sport's past, said an attorney for the champion who was stripped of his seven Tour de France titles over his use of performance-enhancing drugs.

Armstrong attorney Elliot Peters told The Associated Press that Armstrong set up the meeting and sat for questions for seven hours on May 22, and described the session as a hotel outside Dulles Airport in Washington, D.C., as a "very good meeting."

"They asked him about everything ... If you made a list of all the questions people would want to ask about Lance and his activities in cycling and everything else, those were the questions that were asked and answered," Peters said.

The probe has been expected to center on the International Cycling Union's handling of doping in the late 1990s and early 2000s, especially its links with Armstrong. Armstrong's willingness to meet with investigators has been seen as crucial to their efforts to determine whether former officials with the sport's governing body aided his doping as the Texan became cycling's biggest star.

Armstrong won the Tour de France every year from 1999-2005. Those titles were stripped after a massive report by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency detailed doping by Armstrong and his U.S. Postal Service teammates.

Peters declined to detail exactly who was in the room or what Armstrong told them, but said Armstrong met with three people "running" the Cycling Independent Reform Commission and their attorney. A spokesman for the group did not immediately return a call or text message seeking comment Thursday night.

The commission is chaired by Dick Marty, a Swiss politician and former Swiss state prosecutor. The other members are German anti-doping expert Ulrich Haas and Peter Nicholson, a former Australian military officer and war crimes investigator.

Armstrong had previously said he'd be willing to talk to the panel and Peters said Armstrong had him contact the commission to set up the meeting.

Jerry Sandusky son alleges even worse abuse

By Mark Scoloforo
Associated Press

HARRISBURG, Pa. — Jerry Sandusky's adopted son Matthew said in a television interview Thursday that his sexual abuse at the former Penn State coach's hands consisted of oral sex, a more serious allegation than he made to detectives two years ago.

Matthew Sandusky spoke on "Oprah Prime" about abuse he said occurred when Jerry Sandusky would tuck him in during overnight stays at the Sandusky home in central Pennsylvania, after being instructed to wear only underwear or blue mesh shorts.

Jerry Sandusky would tickle, blow on his belly and wrestle on the floor, he said, and the encounters would gradually become more sexual.

"Then it's, then as I now know, it's oral sex," he told Oprah Winfrey. "He's doing that to you and it's very confusing, it's very confusing for you because you have a reaction, you know. It's something that you at that time you definitely don't know what's happening."

The claim of oral sex was specifically denied in an audiotape of his 29-minute interview with police detectives that NBC obtained at the time of Jerry Sandusky's 2012 trial.

Matt Sandusky told investigators two years ago that Jerry Sandusky had rubbed along or against his genitals but that he did not recall any penetration or oral sex. He said then that he was getting therapy and memories were coming back to him.

He told police he came forward to correct the record from his own grand jury testimony.

"So that they can really have closure and see what the truth actually is. And just to right the wrong, honestly, of going to the grand jury and lying," Matt Sandusky said two years ago. He was not called to testify, and Jerry Sandusky has not been charged with any crime in relation to his adopted son.

At bedtime in the Sandusky's home in State College, he told Winfrey, Jerry Sandusky's "ritual began."

"The overnight visits were — they were good. I mean, except for that one part, bedtime. Bedtime was the bad part. But any other time that we were in the home, that we were doing anything in the home with the family, it was fine," he said, but at bedtime, the older man's "ritual" began.

Vasha Hunt/AL.com

Alabama coach Nick Saban signs autographs for fans at the Southeastern Conference media days Thursday in Hoover, Alabama.

Alabama aiming to catch back on in rugged SEC

By Brent Zwerneman
Houston Chronicle

HOOVER, Ala. — Alabama junior receiver Amari Cooper was only a couple of years out of diapers when fellow South Floridian Michael Irvin retired from the Dallas Cowboys in 1999, so forgive Cooper if he's better versed on the playmakers of this century.

"I don't know that guys my age or younger know much about him," Cooper admitted on Thursday, the final of four SEC media days, when asked his thoughts on the one-time greatness of Irvin.

Ask Cooper, who hails from Miami, about another University of Miami star, however, and his eyes widen in delight.

"Andre Johnson, now that was a guy I watched when I was smaller, when he played for Miami," Cooper said of the Texans standout. "He was great, and I definitely looked up to him."

Meanwhile Cooper, one of two receivers named to the SEC preseason media first team on Thursday, continues making his name as one of the nation's best, at a university better known for its fierce defenders than fleet receivers.

"I'm working on my speed, my quickness and my route running," said Cooper, an object of double teams last year as Alabama's top receiver.

He's also working on his leadership, as the boss of a unit that's expected to help carry an offense breaking in a new quarterback, likely Florida State transfer Jacob Coker (although Alabama coach Nick Saban reiterated Thursday that senior Blake Sims is still in the running).

"Our group still has a lot to learn, but we've also been together a long time," senior receiver Christion Jones said. "We could be one of the top receiving corps in the league."

A year ago, Alabama finished in the middle of the SEC pack in passing offense behind quarterback AJ McCarron, a fifth-round selection of the Cincinnati Bengals. Cooper said Coker, who's eligible to play immediately after already earning a degree from FSU as Heisman Trophy winner Jameis Winston's backup, has impressed in seven-on-seven drills.

"He's got a strong arm, and he takes command in the huddle," Cooper said. "You can tell he's experienced, and I'm ready to see how he progresses when fall camp comes."

Alabama's new offensive coordinator is a name familiar to SEC and Pac-12 fans, and really football fans across the land: Former Tennessee and Southern California head coach Lane Kiffin.

"Coach Kiffin wants to get the ball in playmakers' hands, and it's exciting for me to look at what he did at USC with their receivers, and know he could possibly do the same things here," Cooper said.

SEC players mostly leave lobbying to others

By David Brandt and John Zenor
Associated Press

HOOVER, Ala. — Southeastern Conference players have mostly been content to let league administrators and coaches take up the drumbeat for NCAA reform — not that they're complaining.

SEC commissioner Mike Slive has even said the Big Five conferences could break away from the NCAA if players aren't compensated more properly.

South Carolina coach Steve Spurrier has advocated that players should be getting a bigger piece of college athletics' substantial monetary pie for years.

Maybe the most ambivalent group in the whole process? The players.

"We're not starving," Florida quarterback Jeff Driskel said. "But at the end of the day it would be nice to receive a little more compensation."

The life of major college football players and coaches could change drastically in upcoming years once the NCAA and Big Five conferences are done revamping the current system.

Players at SEC Media Days were mostly pleased about the trend toward a few more perks — including scholarships that would offer full cost of attendance — but also admit they've already got it pretty good. The fact that most of those upperclassmen might not be around to benefit might make it easier to downplay.

"I think that shouldn't be a deterrent, the fact that it might not change while you're here," said Georgia receiver Chris Conley, a member of the NCAA's Student-Athlete Advisory Council.

"You've got to think about others. When you don't think selfishly, you realize that the people behind you are going to have the same problems that you did, so you need to change those things.

"As long as the NCAA keeps evolving and growing, it can't become stagnant because the country is evolving and growing. As long as it keeps moving forward, that's all we can ask."

The NCAA's board of directors will vote on the Big Five's push for more autonomy in August and if it's approved a cascade of changes could come quickly.

Slive said the first item on the agenda would be scholarships that included full cost of attendance, which would allow players a little more financial flexibility.

"There is some angst on the part of many, but I think many realize we're moving into the 21st century, things are different and expectations of student-athletes are different," Slive said.

Some players say they're paying attention to the proposed changes. Others say they're too busy concentrating on football.

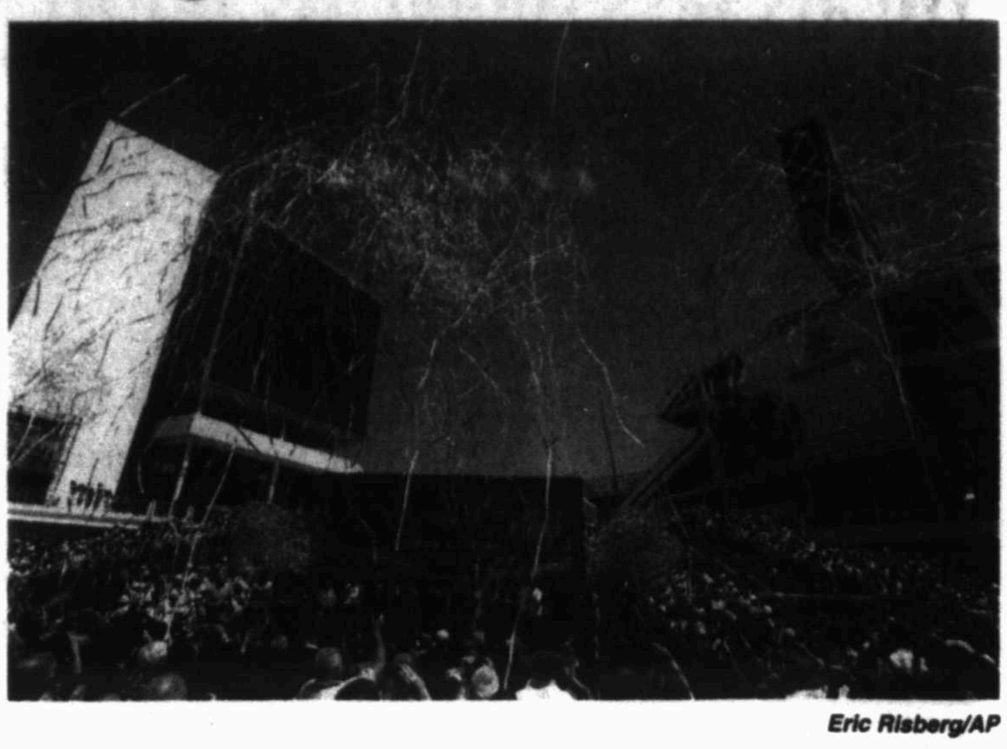
"If it happens, it's going to be great for the players. I know that," Tennessee senior linebacker A.J. Johnson said. "But I won't be here for that. The main thing for me is I will be here for this season."

Arkansas offensive lineman Brey Cook lives with his family in Fayetteville, so he can get home-cooked meals, free laundry and other comforts of home.

"But that's not the case for most of the guys," Cook said. "A lot of guys are from all over the country. Some have children they have to take care of, and sometimes (the current situation) doesn't cut it."

49ers open posh, high-tech stadium in Santa Clara

By Antonio Gonzalez
Associated Press



Eric Risberg/AP

Confetti rains down during the ribbon-cutting and opening of Levi's Stadium on Thursday in Santa Clara, California. The $1.2 billion Stadium, which took only about 27 months to build, also will host the Super Bowl in 2016.

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — San Francisco 49ers CEO Jed York got a little teary on his drive to Levi's Stadium on Thursday. His voice cracked while talking about taking his young son to games at the stadium for years to come.

Others had a different reaction upon walking into the building: Wow!

With confetti streaming down under a blue sky, the 49ers officially opened the $1.2 billion stadium in Santa Clara with a ribbon-cutting ceremony complete with all the opulence of their new home.

NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell, 49ers coach Jim Harbaugh, linebacker Patrick Willis and left tackle Joe Staley joined York and others on stage to cut the ribbons.

They used oversized red scissors with gold-colored blades in keeping with team colors. Hard-hat wearing construction workers lined the steps in fluorescent yellow jackets as team employees cheered and a fog horn blared.

"This is a long time in the making," York said.

The stadium's opening put one of the NFL's flagship franchises on firm footing and planted the country's most popular sports league in technology-rich Silicon Valley for the first time.

Goodell called it a milestone for the league. He also added a twist to the ceremony by addressing the looming stadium issue just up the road in Oakland, where the Raiders have long been searching for a replacement to the outdated Coliseum.

Goodell said it's up to the Raiders to decide whether they want to try to build a stadium in Oakland or share the facility at Levi's Stadium with the 49ers — an idea York has never dismissed.

Raiders owner Mark Davis has said he doesn't want to be a renter in the 49ers' facility, which is now fitted with red seats and posters of past and present San Francisco greats.

The 49ers' new home, which is the first LEED Gold Certified stadium in the NFL for its environmentally friendly design, will hold about 68,500 fans and has the ability to expand to 75,000 for Super Bowl 50 in February 2016. The facility features 165 luxury suites, 9,000 club seats and even a green roof-top deck that includes solar panels and harvested herbs for on-site food preparation.

Free Wi-Fi will be available at the stadium, and a smartphone application will allow fans to have food delivered to any seat and check waiting lines at concession stands and bathrooms.

"The stadium reflects the greatness of the region, the technology and the innovation," Goodell said.

The seats in the lower bowl will hold some 45,000, or two-thirds of stadium capacity, and will be the largest first level in the NFL. All club levels look out to the field in one direction and the surrounding valley and mountains in another. It's 35 rows up to the first club seating area, while Row 1 of the stadium is about 10 feet off the field.

The only lingering stadium concerns from most 49ers fans involve the traffic in an already congested area and rising ticket prices.

And, of course, some are still bitter about the team leaving San Francisco, where the team tried and failed for decades to get a new stadium.

Levi's Stadium, steps away from the 49ers' practice facility, is about 45 miles south of downtown San Francisco — the longest distance any team in the league has to the city that bears its name. The 49ers had played in San Francisco since their establishment in 1946, including the past 43 years at Candlestick Park, as the team won all five of its Super Bowl titles.

Van Gaal needs time to impose philosophy at United

By Rob Harris
Associated Press

While avoiding starting his Manchester United reign with any bold predictions or statements of intent, Louis van Gaal still projected an aura of authority and conviction in his ability to take on one of the biggest jobs in football.

There was none of the uneasiness at Thursday's official presentation that was evident last July when the ill-fated David Moyes appeared overwhelmed at the task of succeeding Alex Ferguson after 26 years.

It's little wonder. Moyes arrived at Old Trafford from Everton without a major trophy to his name. Van Gaal is a proven winner as a manager, collecting titles at Ajax, Barcelona and Bayern Munich before leading the Netherlands to an unexpected third-place finish at the World Cup on Saturday.

The 62-year-old Van Gaal is so self-assured that he felt confident enough — on just his second official day in the United job — to question the main training pitch and flag up the club's focus on money-making.

"It's the biggest club of the world," Van Gaal said at Old Trafford. "Within two days I know already how important Manchester United is but also how important the sponsors are."

Just this week, United signed a 10-year kit deal with Adidas that will be worth at least $1.3 billion, and then added Japanese noodle maker Nissin to its ever-expanding collection of global sponsors.

"This club is ... guided in a commercial way and we have to fulfill that," Van Gaal said. "It's not always possible to fulfill the commercial expectations (and) the football expectations. That is my big challenge after two days."

What Van Gaal will be judged on is returning United to the Champions League. Under Moyes, United went from winning a 20th English title in Ferguson's final act as manager to seventh-place finishers, even missing out on Europa League qualification.

"I cannot give predictions because you never know," he said. "There's a lot of expectation but it's also a great challenge because of that."

A challenge that requires time to overhaul a team that went into an alarming slump under Moyes.

"I have to see how the players perform my philosophy and how quick they can pick up this philosophy," Van Gaal said. "For me the challenge is always first — not fourth — but ... it's dependable on the lock between the players and the coach."

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Woods says round disrupted by cameras

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

HOYLAKE, England — Tiger Woods was playing his second shot into the par-5 18th when he made a sudden stop in the middle of his swing Thursday at the British Open.

If nothing else, his back must really be better.

What made him stop — and then back off on the next shot — were clicks from cameras. The culprits appeared to be a few journalists using cellphones, and the second time Woods indicated toward the balcony of a corporate tent where two dozen people had phones out.

"There was a lot of cameras out there," Woods said. "We were backing off a lot of shots, and a lot of people moving around. It was tough."

The Royal and Ancient later put out a statement urging spectators to keep their phones on silent and reminded them that photos are not allowed during the tournament.

The number of cellphones wasn't extraordinary. It certainly wasn't as bad as the 2011 PGA Championship at Atlanta Athletic Club, or at the Memorial Tour a few years ago when Phil Mickelson sent a text to PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem that phones were out of hand. Mickelson withdrew.

Perhaps the worst abuse of cellphone pictures was at Royal Liverpool in 2006. It was so bad that the R&A banned mobile devices from The Open for the next five years. They were allowed again two years ago. For this British Open, the R&A has encouraged fans to bring mobile devices to take advantage of its app and Wi-Fi on the course.

Woods was asked about the R&A urging fans to bring phones and tablets.

"Just put it on silent," he said.

MICKELSON'S START: Phil Mickelson has been saying it for months: His score isn't reflective of how close he feels he is to playing well.

He shot 74 on Thursday, eight shots away from the lead. Even so, Mickelson said he had better control of the ball that he's had in a long time. He played in the tougher afternoon conditions. And he's not about to write off his chances of defending this British Open title.

"I remember back in '04 at Troon I shot 74 the first day in pretty benign conditions came out the next day and shot 66 and got right back in it," Mickelson said. "And I feel like I'm more on that side of the equation than having another round over par because I just think the way I'm starting to hit it and the way I feel with the putter is just totally different."

Mickelson actually opened with a 73 at Royal Troon and finished one shot out of a playoff.

He gave away two shots on the final hole Thursday by hitting his second shot on the par 5 out-of-bounds. Mickelson didn't even realize the shot landed out-of-bounds.

Royal Liverpool has out-of-bounds inside the course, and Mickelson and many others don't like it. On most courses, out-of-bounds markers are boundaries of the course.

WATSON'S EYE: Five-time Open champion Tom Watson opened with a 73 and was headed to the practice range to iron out some problems.

Then, the 64-year-old put on his Ryder Cup captain's hat as he contemplated the 69 shot by Tiger Woods.

Woods is a long shot to make the team on points having missed three months with a back injury. Watson wants him on the team, though he has said he needs to see some level of performance from the 14-time major champion.

"I would like to see Tiger do well for selfish reasons to see him get on the team," Watson said. "And 3 under right now is a good start."

Woods has played in every Ryder Cup since 1997 except for 2008, when he was recovering from knee surgery. He was a captain's pick in 2010 at Wales.

SWEDISH TEMPER: Henrik Stenson is known to lose his temper on occasion. A week after winning the Deutsche Bank Championship last year, he smashed in his locker at Conway Farms out of fatigue and frustration.

He had a mini-meltdown again on Thursday.

After hitting his tee shot into deep rough left of the 17th fairways, and taking two hacks at it without much progress, the Swede was walking along when he slammed his wedge over his knee and snapped it in two. Bo Jackson would have been proud.

"I didn't see anything. Did you?" Stenson said with a smile when asked which club was broken. "My gap wedge is going to need a little love after lunch."

Stenson has a backup wedge for Friday.

GOOD START: Two-time heart transplant recipient Erik Compton shot a 1-under 71 Thursday in the opening round of the British Open, his first major since he tied for the runner-up spot behind runaway winner Martin Kaymer at last month's U.S. Open.

Compton said he was made to feel right at home in his first British Open.

"It's been pretty calm ... I see smiles and people saying 'good luck'," he said. "But I don't think people really know of me yet."

Compton underwent his first transplant at age 12 due to an inflamed heart muscle and another 16 years later after driving himself to the hospital while having a near-fatal heart attack.

"I'm just a regular guy that has been through some serious stuff and earned a spot to play this year in this tournament," Compton said. "I'm trying to make as much noise as I can. My game, hopefully, will slowly improve during the week."

DIVOTS: An Englishman has not won The Open in England since Tony Jacklin in 1969. The low Englishman after the first round was Ashley Chesters, the European Amateur champion. ... Jim Furyk is playing his first tournament since the U.S. Open. He shot a 68, ending a streak of 15 rounds without breaking par at the British Open. ... Bryden Macpherson of Australia made par on his last four holes for a 49 on the back nine. He shot 90. ... K.J. Choi shot an even-par 72, but there was nothing even about his back nine. He failed to make a single par — four birdies and five bogeys. "Birdie, bogey, birdie, bogey ... I've never had that on my back nine before," Choi said.

■ British Open Notebook

Els shot hits spectator, cards 79 at British Open

By Dennis Passa
Associated Press

HOYLAKE, England — Ernie Els hit a spectator in the face with his opening tee shot at the British Open on Thursday, shaking up the two-time champion for the rest of his first round at Royal Liverpool.

The man's injury and Els' subsequent triple-bogey 7 on the first hole were just the start of his problems. The Big Easy will have a big task trying to make the cut after carding a 7-over 79, including 42 on the front nine.

Els said he was "quite rattled" after he realized the man, who he estimated was in his 60s, was bleeding profusely from a shot that Els said hit the spectator directly in the face.

"There was blood everywhere," Els said. "It was like a bullet coming at him. I obviously felt pretty bad about it. It wasn't nice. I was trying to hit it left, and should have told the starters to move the people back on the left side, but I didn't do that."

Tournament officials said the spectator was not seriously injured.

Els later tweeted: "Really tough day today. Just spoke to the gentleman I hit on the 1st and happily he's fine. Got him some tickets ... this weekend."

That's good news for the fan, but Els might not be playing.

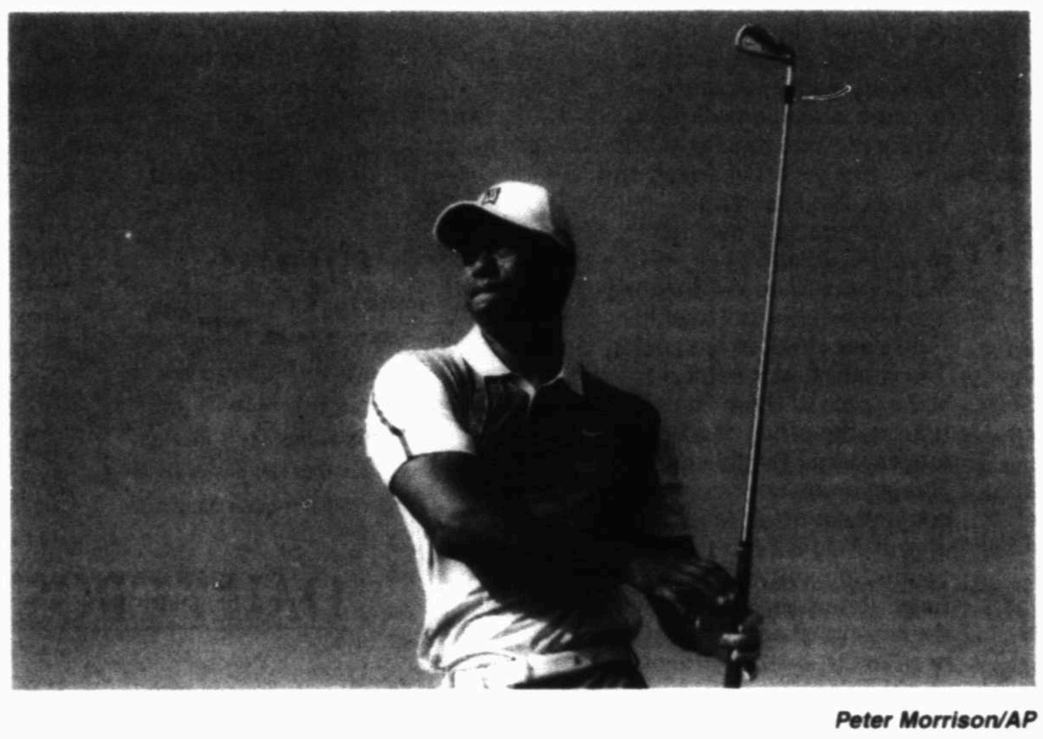
On the first green, he missed a bogey putt from about eight inches, bizarrely backhanded the subsequent foot-long putt just past the hole and tapped in for his triple bogey.

"Yeah, I was kind of finished. I started to miss short putts, it was just a nightmare," he said.

Els said he may have "put the jinx" on his playing partners — defending champion Phil Mickelson shot 74, and Masters winner Bubba Watson had a 76.

Watson said he felt Els was affected by the man's injury.

"When we got to the green Ernie said he hit somebody right in the jaw and he said it wasn't good," Watson said. "And you could tell Ernie was shaken up by it. You're not trying to hit a bad shot in, but when you hit somebody like that it's not a good scene, and it's very heart-breaking. I'm not saying that's why he struggled on that hole, but I'm pretty sure that's what it was."



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Tiger Woods watches his shot off the 2nd tee during the first day of the British Open on Thursday at the Royal Liverpool golf club in Hoylake, England.

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gave just about everyone a chance to score. Matteo Manassero broke par in The Open for the first time since he was a 16-year-old amateur. He began his round by hitting into a pot bunker, blasting out to the fairway and holing out from 160 yards for birdie. He made five birdies on the back nine, three on the par 5s.

That made him low Italian — barely.

Francesco Molinari and Edoardo Molinari have games that are nothing alike, though they shot the same score. They were in a large group at 68 along with Jim Furyk, Sergio Garcia, Brooks Koepka, Shane Lowry and Adam Scott.

Scott stands out as the No. 1 player in the world, and because he was the only player in the top 10 who played in the afternoon when the wind made Hoylake tougher. Scott went out in 31 and was slowed only by two bogeys on the back nine.

Even in tame conditions, the British Open can mete out punishment — to players, to spectators and even a golf club.

Phil Mickelson was trying to get back to even par when he hooked his approach to the 18th beyond the out-of-bounds stakes down the right side of the hole and had to scramble for a bogey and a 74. He hasn't broken par at a major since winning at Muirfield last summer.

That still doesn't top the bad day of Ernie Els. His opening tee shot hit a spectator in the face, and the sight of so much blood shook the Big Easy. When he got to the green, he missed a 1-foot putt, and then carelessly tried to back-hand the next one into the hole and missed that one. The triple bogey sent him to a 79.

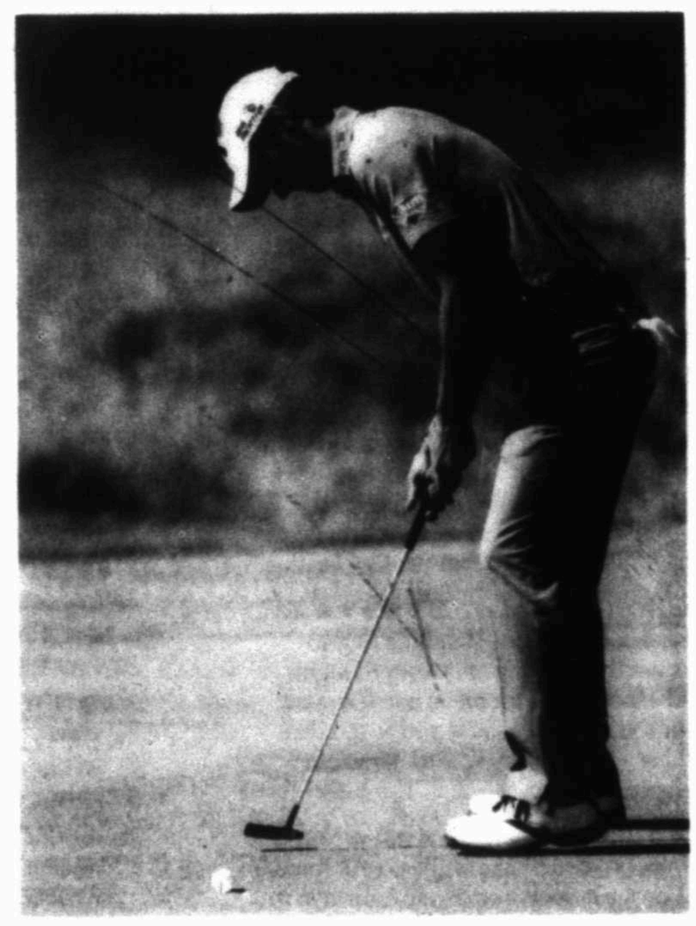
Henrik Stenson knocked a 30-foot birdie putt off the 12th green and made double bogey, and then took two hacks out of the shin-high grass left of the 17th fairway. Walking to his next shot, he snapped his gap wedge over his thigh like a baseball player — Bo Jackson comes to mind — who had just struck out with the bases loaded.

Through all this activity, two names came to the forefront — McIlroy and Woods, both trying to restore their games from different circumstances.

McIlroy's only victory this year was at the BMW PGA Championship, where he started his week by breaking off his engagement with Caroline Wozniacki. He could have had more chances to win except for that 40 on the front nine at Quail Hollow, the 42 on the front nine at The Players Championship and the 43 on the back nine at the Memorial.

He met with Jack Nicklaus, and the topic of his freaky Fridays came up.

"I didn't mention it to him," McIlroy said. "He mentioned it to me — 'How the hell can you shoot 63 and then 78?' No, I think what we talked about was just holding a round together. And he was never afraid to make a change in the middle of the round ... to get it back on track."



Scott Heppell/AP

Matteo Manassero putts on the 13th green during the first day of the British Open on Thursday at the Royal Liverpool golf club in Hoylake, England.

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GLANCE

HOYLAKE, England — The first round of the British Open at 7,312-yard, par-72 Royal Liverpool at a glance:

LEADING: Rory McIlroy shot a bogey-free 66 for a one-stroke lead and his best score in a major since winning the 2012 PGA Championship.

PURSUING: Twenty-one-year-old Matteo Manassero holed out a birdie from 160 yards at the first hole and finished with a 67. The world's top-ranked player, Adam Scott, was another shot back at 68 in a group that included Sergio Garcia, Jim Furyk, Shane Lowry, Brooks Koepka and Italian brothers Edoardo and Francesco Molinari.

TIGER'S BACK: Playing his first major of the year, Tiger Woods bogeyed the first two holes but bounced back to shoot 69. The 14-time major champion missed the Masters and the U.S. Open after back surgery March 31.

WHERE'S LEFTY? Defending champion Phil Mickelson struggled to a 74 and showed no signs of duplicating his 2013 triumph at Muirfield.

BLUE-COLLAR PLAYER: Cheered on by the home crowd, local factory worker John Singleton got off to a solid start, playing the first 11 holes at even par. Alas, he couldn't keep it going, struggling down the stretch for a 78 that may have ended his hopes of making the cut.

KEY STAT: Only three of the top 18 players had afternoon tee times — Scott, Lowry and Boo Weekley (69).

NOTEWORTHY: McIlroy improved his first-round scoring to 55-under-par in tournaments around the world this year. Now, can he keep it going? For some reason, McIlroy has struggled mightily in the second round, with a cumulative score of 15 over.

QUOTEWORTHY: "It's not like I've shot good scores in first rounds and haven't backed them up before. I'm used to doing that. I just haven't done it recently. We'll see what tomorrow brings and what weather it is and try and handle it as best I can." — McIlroy.

KEY PAIRINGS: Adam Scott, Justin Rose and Jason Dufner (4:26 a.m.); Tiger Woods, Henrik Stenson and Angel Cabrera (9:05 a.m.); Rory McIlroy, Hideki Matsuyama and Jordan Spieth (9:27 a.m.).

TELEVISION: ESPN, 3 a.m.-2 p.m.

SCORES & TEE TIMES

Scores
Thursday
At Royal Liverpool Golf Club
Hoylake, England
Purse: $9.24 million
Yardage: 7,312; Par: 72 (35-37)
First Round
(a-amateur)

Rory McIlroy	32-34—66
Matteo Manassero	34-33—67
Brooks Koepka	33-35—68
Edoardo Molinari	33-35—68
Francesco Molinari	34-34—68
Jim Furyk	33-35—68
Sergio Garcia	32-36—68
Adam Scott	31-37—68
Shane Lowry	36-32—68
Robert Karlsson	36-33—69
Marc Leishman	33-36—69
Koumei Oda	36-33—69
Rickie Fowler	32-37—69
Tiger Woods	36-33—69
Hideki Matsuyama	32-37—69
Jimmy Walker	34-35—69
Yoshinobu Tsukada	34-35—69
Boo Weekley	32-37—69
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John Singleton	36-42—78
Jang Dong-kyu	35-43—78
Brendon De Jonge	38-40—78
Paul Lawrie	38-41—79
a-Bradley Neil	41-38—79
Jamie Donaldson	39-40—79
Ernie Els	42-37—79
Mark Wiebe	37-42—79
Chesson Hadley	39-40—79
Chris Stroud	38-41—79
Matthew Southgate	36-44—80
Christopher Hanson	40-41—81
Joost Luiten	41-40—81
Sandy Lyle	38-44—82
Bryden Macpherson	41-49—90

Tee Times
At Royal Liverpool Golf Club
Hoylake, England
Purse: $9.24 million
Yardage: 7,312 yards Par: 72
(a-amateur)
Today

12:25 a.m. — James McLeary, Scotland; Matthew Southgate, England; Hiroshi Iwata, Japan.
12:36 a.m. — Roberto Castro, United States; Victor Riu, France; Tyrrell Hatton, England.
12:47 a.m. — Jang Dong-kyu, South Korea; Nick Watney, United States; Shawn Stefani, United States.
12:58 a.m. — D.A. Points, United States; Y.E. Yang, South Korea; Brendan Steele, United States.
1:09 a.m. — Scott Stallings, United States; Pablo Larrazabal, Spain; Bryden Macpherson, Australia.
1:20 a.m. — George Coetzee, South Africa; Charles Hoffman, United States; Michael Hoey, Northern Ireland.
1:31 a.m. — Kevin Streelman, United States; Brendon de Jonge, Zimbabwe; Brendon Todd, United States.
1:42 a.m. — Gary Woodland, United States; Sandy Lyle, Scotland; Kevin Stadler, United States.
1:53 a.m. — Brandt Snedeker, United States; Graham DeLaet, Canada; a-Pan Cheng-Tsung, Taiwan.
2:04 a.m. — Boo Weekley, United States; Danny Willett, England; Ashun Wu, China.
2:15 a.m. — J.B. Holmes, United States; Jonas Blixt, Sweden; Chris Kirk, United States.
2:26 a.m. — Miguel Angel Jimenez, Spain; Bill Haas, United States; Thongchai Jaidee, Thailand.
2:37 a.m. — Martin Kaymer, Germany; Jason Day, Australia; Zach Johnson, United States.
2:53 a.m. — Webb Simpson, United States; Jamie Donaldson, Wales; Yusaku Miyazato, Japan.
3:04 a.m. — Phil Mickelson, United States; Ernie Els, South Africa; Bubba Watson, United States.
3:15 a.m. — Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano, Spain; Russell Henley, United States; Billy Horschel, United States.
3:26 a.m. — Adam Scott, Australia; Justin Rose, England; Jason Dufner, United States.
3:37 a.m. — Ryo Ishikawa, Japan; Lee Westwood, England; Keegan Bradley, United States.
3:48 a.m. — Kevin Na, United States; Joost Luiten, Netherlands; John Senden, Australia.
4:59 a.m. — John Daly, United States; Tommy Fleetwood, England; Ross Fisher, England.
4:10 a.m. — Mark Wiebe, United States; Rafa Cabrera-Bello, Spain; a-Paul Dunne, Ireland.
4:21 a.m. — Oliver Fisher, England; Chesson Hadley, United States; Shane Lowry, Ireland.
4:32 a.m. — George McNeill, United States; Richard Sterne, South Africa; Chris Stroud, United States.
4:43 a.m. — Gregory Bourdy, France; Jin Jeong, South Korea; Matthew Baldwin, England.
4:54 a.m. — Justin Walters, South Africa; Rhys Enoch, Wales; Billy Hurley III, United States.
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6:10 a.m. — Koumei Oda, Japan; Ben Martin, United States; Anirban Lahiri, India.
6:21 a.m. — Kiradech Aphibarnrat, Thailand; Brooks Koepka, United States; Edoardo Molinari, Italy.
6:32 a.m. — Branden Grace, South Africa; Freddie Jacobson, Sweden; a-Ashley Chesters, England.
6:43 a.m. — Justin Leonard, United States; Ben Curtis, United States; Paul Lawrie, Scotland.
6:54 a.m. — Francesco Molinari, Italy; Ryan Moore, United States; Thorbjorn Olesen, Denmark.
7:05 a.m. — Matteo Manassero, Italy; a-Bradley Neil, Scotland; Mikko Ilonen, Finland.
7:16 a.m. — Thomas Bjorn, Denmark; Patrick Reed, United States; Stewart Cink, United States.
7:27 a.m. — Tom Watson, United States; Jim Furyk, United States; Darren Clarke, Northern Ireland.
7:38 a.m. — Luke Donald, England; Rickie Fowler, United States; Sergio Garcia, Spain.
7:54 a.m. — Harris English, United States; Paul Casey, England; Matt Every, United States.
8:05 a.m. — Tiger Woods, United States; Angel Cabrera, Argentina; Henrik Stenson, Sweden.
8:16 a.m. — Charl Schwartzel, South Africa; Padraig Harrington, Ireland; K.J. Choi, South Korea.
8:27 a.m. — Rory McIlroy, Northern Ireland; Hideki Matsuyama, Japan; Jordan Spieth, United States.
8:38 a.m. — Ian Poulter, England; Dustin Johnson, United States; Jimmy Walker, United States.
8:49 a.m. — Graeme McDowell, Northern Ireland; Matt Kuchar, United States; Louis Oosthuizen, South Africa.
9 a.m. — Stephen Gallacher, Scotland; Hunter Mahan, United States; Victor Dubuisson, France.
9:11 a.m. — Nick Faldo, England; Todd Hamilton, United States; David Hearn, United States.
9:22 a.m. — Ryan Palmer, United States; Brett Rumford, Australia; Tomohiro Kondo, Japan.
9:33 a.m. — John Singleton, England; Peter Uihlein, United States; Marc Warren, Scotland.
9:44 a.m. — Paul McKechnie, Scotland; Kristoffer Broberg, Sweden; Juvic Pagunsan, Philippines.
9:55 a.m. — Rhein Gibson, Australia; Brian Harman, United States; Kim Hyung-Tae, South Korea.
10:06 a.m. — Christopher Hanson, England; Oscar Floren, Sweden; Yoshinobu Tsukada, Japan.

TODAY: Partly sunny High: 90 Low: 72

SATURDAY: Mostly sunny High: 95 Low: 75

SUNDAY: Mostly sunny High: 98 Low: 78

MONDAY: Mostly sunny High: 98 Low: 75

TUESDAY: Mostly sunny High: 94 Low: 73

WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny High: 94 Low: 71

Local forecast

Expect partly sunny skies today with a high around 90 and northeast winds between 5 and 10 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 72 and southeast winds around 10 mph.

Saturday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 95 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, a low around 75 and south winds around 15 mph.

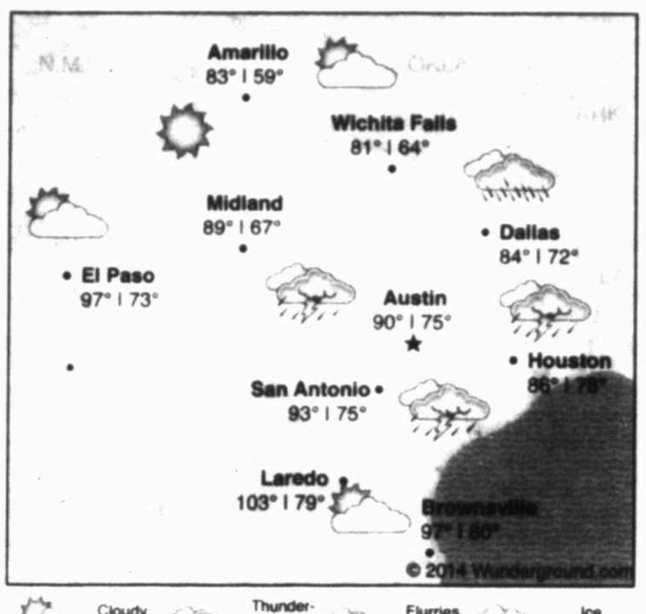
Sunday, the forecast calls for mostly sunny skies during the day, mostly clear skies at night, a high around 98 and a low around 78.

The high on Thursday reached 82, while the low dropped to 71. The record high for July 17 is 108 set in 1989. The record low is 60 set in 1936.

National forecast

Low humidity and below-average temperatures will extend from the Midwest to the Northeast and parts of the southern Atlantic seaboard today. An area of high pressure over Pennsylvania is responsible for the vast zone of dry air and sun.

Farther south, showers and thunderstorms will occur across the Florida Peninsula.



Precipitation

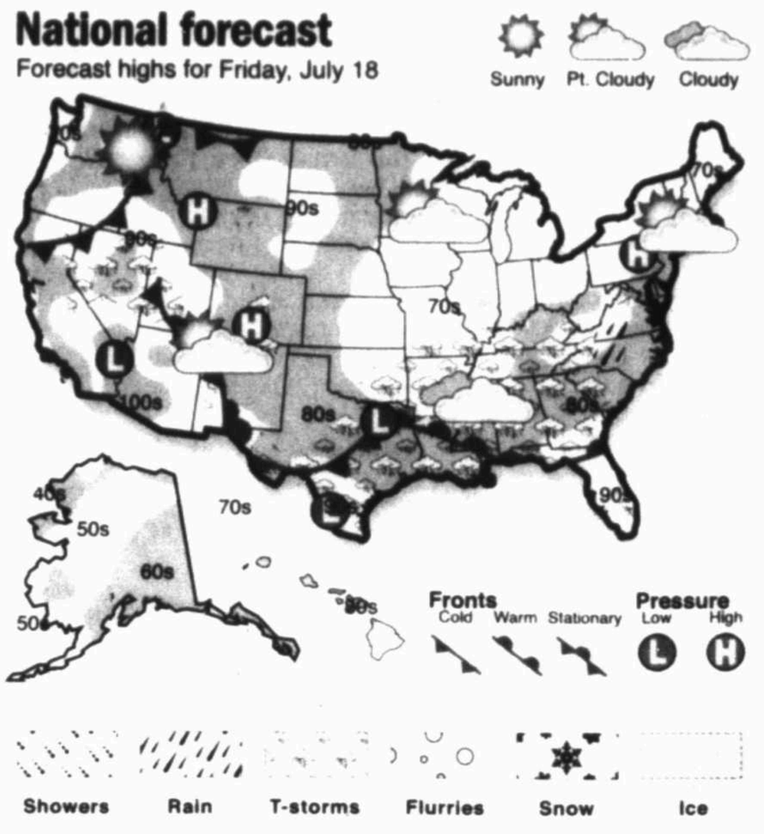
Wednesday	0.00 in.
Thursday	0.28 in.
Month total	0.28 in.
Year total	3.92 in.
Normal total (year to date)	7.06 in.

Thursday's temperatures

High	82
Low	71
Normal high	95
Normal low	70
Sunrise	6:55 a.m.
Sunset	8:54 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, July 18



Son decides life on the open road isn't for him after all

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: For years, my wife and I were RV enthusiasts. We have a son who was envious about our lifestyle and expressed a desire to own an RV and travel the highways. When we decided to give up the practice, we gave our travel trailer to him as a gift.

The trailer has been sitting on his property for more than a year now and has never been moved. He has kept the license and insurance fees current. He recently told us he has changed his mind and is no longer interested in traveling with it. He has offered it back to us.

We have decided to sell it and wonder what, if any, moral obligation we have to share the proceeds of the sale with our son. Your thoughts? — HOMEBOUND OUT WEST

DEAR HOMEBOUND: You gave your son the RV as a gift; he is returning it to you instead of selling it himself. While I think it would be generous of you to split the proceeds with your son, I don't think there is any moral imperative that you must.

DEAR ABBY: My wife of 17 years just told me out of the blue that she doesn't love me anymore and hasn't for some time. To say that this came as a shock is an understatement. We've had our disagreements, but we always worked through them, or so I thought.

Because she has felt this way for some time now, she has hardly shed a tear. For me, my heart is broken. I feel lost, confused, angry, depressed and I can't stop crying.

I wish I could die, but we have children and I know I can't leave them. We made a pact years ago that if we ever fell out of love we'd stay together for the kids until they were grown. Now I don't know if it was a lie or if she'll keep her promise.

I'm writing this at midnight, crying in the dark and alone. I still love her, and my heart breaks every time I think about it. Please tell me what to do. — DEVASTATED IN TEMPE, ARIZONA

DEAR DEVASTATED: I am sorry for the pain you are feeling. What you must do now is pull yourself together and find out from your wife when it was that the two of you stopped communicating honestly with each other — because it seems your paths diverged some time ago. She owes you honest answers, and you need to hear them.

After that, you may have to decide whether you still WANT her to honor that long-ago promise to stay together until your children are adults. You might find it helpful to stage some of these conversations in the office of a licensed marriage and family counselor. Having a mediator present could make it easier for both of you. While I can't promise counseling will save your marriage, it may provide you with the emotional support you will need in the weeks and months ahead.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Too cautious

East-West vulnerable. East deals.

NORTH
♠ A 10 5 3
♡ J 5
♢ A 9 8 7 3
♣ 9 3

WEST
♠ 7
♡ A K 9 2
♢ 10 5 4 2
♣ A J 6 4

EAST
♠ Void
♡ 10 8 7 6 4 3
♢ K J
♣ Q 10 8 7 5

SOUTH
♠ K Q J 9 8 6 4 2
♡ Q
♢ Q 6
♣ K 2

The bidding:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
Pass	4♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening lead: Ace of ♢

East-West missed the boat in the auction — they can take 12 tricks in either hearts or clubs. At this vulnerability, however, it is hard to fault either player for not bidding. Their inaction was conservative, but not cowardly — it would have been quite dangerous to bid.

West shifted to a low diamond at trick two and South was at the crossroads. It was tempting to duck the diamond in dummy, succeeding whenever West started with the king of diamonds or East started with the ace of clubs, but he spotted a better plan.

Declarer rose with dummy's ace of diamonds and led the jack of hearts, discarding his remaining diamond. West won his king, but he could not get to partner's hand for a club play. He shifted to the seven of trumps, won in dummy with the ace as South followed with the six.

Next came a diamond, ruffed with the trump king, followed by the two of spades to the board's three. Another diamond was ruffed high and the four of spades was led to the board's five. One more diamond ruff established the long diamond in dummy and the 10 of spades remained as an entry for a club discard. Beautifully timed. Four spades bid and made while the opponents are cold for a slam!

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, July 18, 2014:

This year you become more challenging in whatever you are involved with, within your community or at work. You are likely to build a reputation of playing the role of devil's advocate. If you are single, you could meet someone at a public event. Be smart, and keep business and pleasure separate. If you are attached, the two of you become far more prominent as a couple. You both might commit to a certain cause or interest. Others enjoy seeing you out and about together. ARIES knows how to light a fire under you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You'll enjoy a certain level of excitement. You generally can be found stirring the pot in some way or another. Buy a token gift for a loved one or family member; give some thought to this item, as it will help keep the peace in the long run. Tonight: Get into weekend mode.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You might sense that you would be better off playing it low-key than being out there strutting your stuff. You also will have many responsibilities to handle. You might need to communicate your goals more clearly to a loved one. Tonight: Don't overexert yourself!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Use your energy well, and make the extra effort that will make a difference to those around you. Focus on a get-together or a meeting involving you and others. Be careful when dealing with a new friend who could be inordinately touchy. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Pressure builds to a new level. A loved one might be unusually stern and need some time off. Your creativity will emerge when you detach and take an overall look at what needs to happen. Loosen up and relax, no matter where you are. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Keep reaching out to an expert or someone in the know. Work with unexpected news. A domestic matter could be getting the best of you. You might choose to keep your feelings locked up, but don't be surprised if you suddenly lose your temper. Tonight: Take off, if you can.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ One-on-one relating might be harder than you had anticipated. Either the words are not coming out right or the other party is in denial. Know when to pull back. You will need to find a way to jumpstart a talk now or in the near future. Tonight: Visit and chat over munchies.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ When you least expect it, a situation could blow up in your face. A loved one or an associate might let you know that he or she has had enough. Stop and think carefully before responding. Snide remarks will not work. Tonight: The only answer is "yes."

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ You might be wound rather tight right now. You tend to withdraw when you're like this. Try diving into work as a distraction. Make a point of getting some exercise to help ease the stress. A walk around the block is better than nothing. Tonight: Go dancing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You seem to have a lot going on. Handling day-to-day matters hardly has a place in your thoughts. Nurture and encourage a friend as much as you can, as he or she might feel as if you're too distracted and busy. Tonight: Add extra punch to whatever is going on.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You could be overwhelmed by the endless calls, emails and knocks on your door. You usually are able to screen what comes toward you, but you might not be in the mood to do so right now. Consider the many options on your plate. Tonight: Say "yes" to an invitation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Return calls and clear your desk. You can't avoid a phone call from a key person any longer. This person will make sure that is impossible. What might start as a tiff or a hostile conversation could resolve itself. Tonight: Hook up with a pal. Celebrate!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Keep reaching for more information. You have a lot of assets and talents that you could use. A partner or loved one who is usually helpful might not have any suggestions for you now. This person will let you know clearly where he or she disagrees. Tonight: Treat a loved one to dinner.

BORN TODAY

South African political leader Nelson Mandela (1918), astronaut John Glenn (1921), actress Kristen Bell (1980)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 1980s Vicki Lawrence TV role
5 Baylor University site
9 Cui- __
14 Org. created in Baghdad in 1960
15 Emperor after Galba
16 Taken
17 Imp who annoys the webmaster?
19 Person of influence
20 Steel plow pioneer
21 Amy Adams' "Man of Steel" role
23 "Baudolino" author
24 Security group at a protest?
27 Mondale's running mate
29 Cheesecake ingredient?
30 Fondle
31 Tasteless
33 "Where __ you?"
34 Quote from "Guerrilla Warfare"?
38 Cheers
40 "On the Record" host Van Susteren
41 Mozart's "L'__ del Cairo"
42 Humanities degs.
45 Oliver Twist, e.g.
49 Improved Gemini missile?
52 __ mission
53 Ancient Po Valley dweller
54 Classics, e.g.
56 Underground network
57 Swing both ways, and a literal hint to how four puzzle answers were created
60 CD alternative
61 Fleming and McKellen
62 Hawk's foe
63 Certain car carriers
64 Span. miss
65 Hip follower?

DOWN

1 Rapper Yasiin Bey, formerly
2 Pricing word
3 Astronomer's sighting
4 Aspire maker
5 Distress
6 Beach transp
7 It may be seen on a dog
8 Chinese tea
9 Chinese dish served on small plates
10 __ Gay
11 Edible pod
12 In bits and pieces
13 Pizza-For-One maker
18 Make potable, as seawater
22 Supermarket letters
25 Requiem Mass hymn word
26 Half a patio pair
28 MLB stats
32 Grooved on
33 Trendy sandwich
34 Place to practice netiquette
35 Latin 101 word
36 Sacred Hindu text
37 Not accented, as syllables
38 1955 Fonda role
39 Polish remover ingredient
42 Diddles (around)
43 Hyperbola part
44 Equilibrium
46 One of Goldilocks' complaints
47 Vitamin K source
48 __ egg
50 __-frutti
51 "__, truth is the first casualty": Aeschylus
55 Third degrees?
58 Bank acct. entry
59 PC-checking org., at times

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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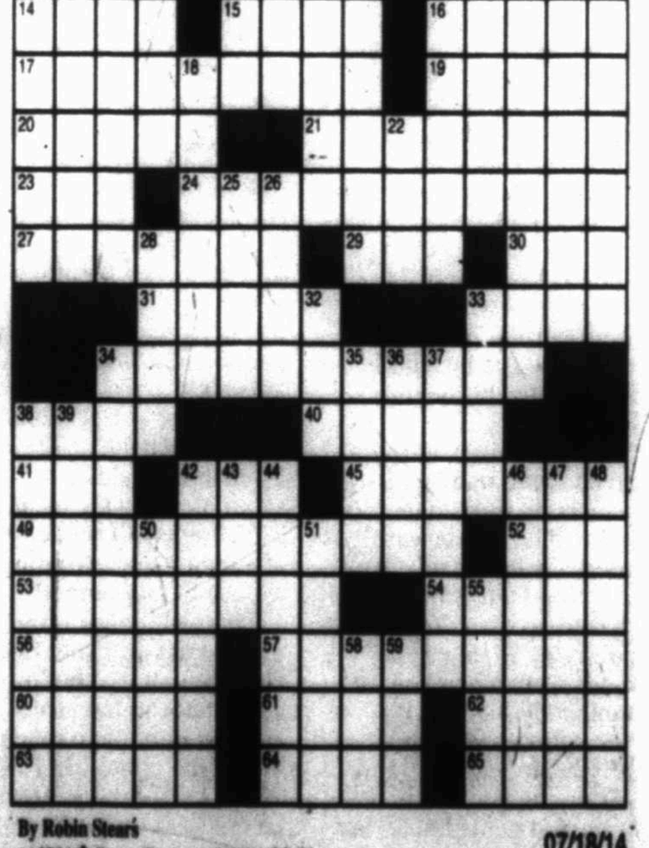

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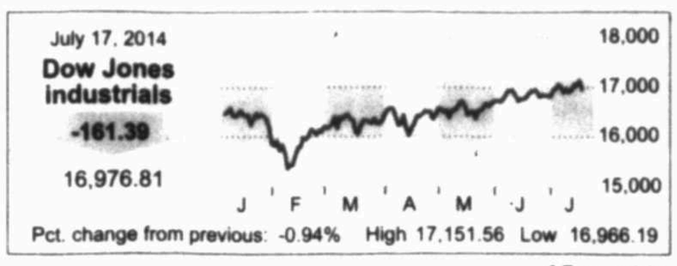

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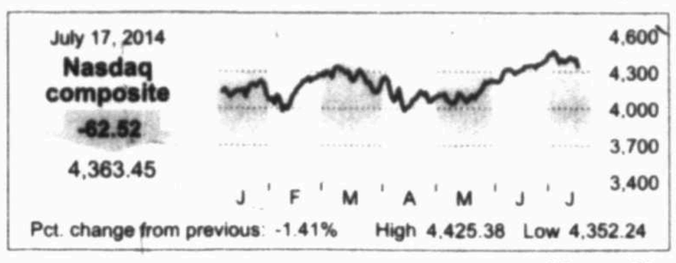

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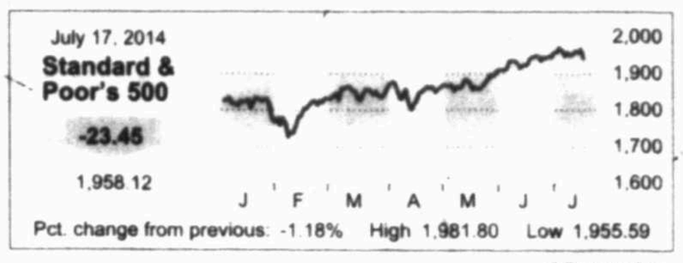

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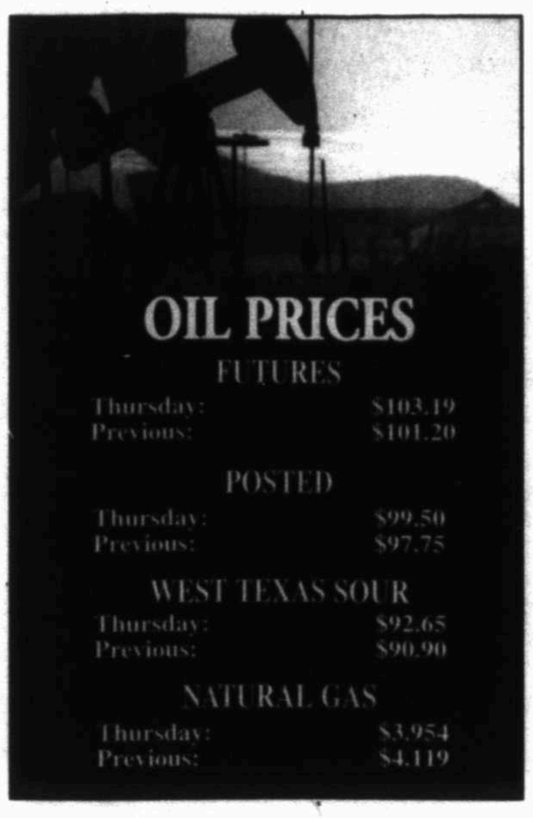

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
S&P500ETF	1085432	195.71	-2.25
BkofAm	907979	15.20	-.31
B iPVix rs	684801	29.93	+2.66
iShEMkts	590799	43.48	-.83
iShR2K	525404	112.48	-1.76

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DirGMnBull	30.77	+5.60	+22.2
USEC Inc	6.03	+1.09	+22.1
DrxRssaBear	12.45	+2.22	+21.7
PUVixST rs	28.79	+4.64	+19.2
DresserR	68.00	+7.58	+12.5

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DirGMBear	9.32	-2.49	-21.1
DrxRssaBull	16.60	-4.20	-20.2
SunTr wtB	4.92	-.63	-11.4
CSVLgNGs	16.18	-1.81	-10.1
PrShtVix s	83.10	-8.67	-9.4

DIARY

Advanced	586
Declined	2,533
Unchanged	95
Total issues	3,214
New Highs	94
New Lows	34
Volume	3,161,048,471

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
AmApparel	34089	1.09	-.06
AltDNevG	31835	3.59	+.06
Globalstar	31241	3.94	-.12
NwGold g	26505	6.37	+.18
ChenwreEn	26279	70.35	-.25

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SilvrCrst g	2.17	+.22	+11.3
TrioTch	3.52	+.31	+9.7
AvinoSG g	2.25	+.17	+8.2
AskanoG g	2.61	+.19	+7.9
TanzRy g	2.34	+.16	+7.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
BioTime	2.35	-.34	-12.6
MexcoEn	6.93	-.70	-9.2
WirelessT	2.55	-.24	-8.6
ActinumP	6.52	-.61	-8.6
LGL Grp	4.72	-.42	-8.2

DIARY

Advanced	147
Declined	252
Unchanged	20
Total issues	419
New Highs	5
New Lows	5
Volume	92,085,734

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Apple Inc s	561652	93.09	-1.69
Intel	476851	33.70	-.95
Microsoft	465489	44.53	+.45
SiriusXM	395979	3.46	+.04
Facebook	371090	66.41	-1.25

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NeoGenom	5.26	+.88	+20.1
UBIC	24.00	+3.80	+18.8
CSVxSht rs	3.16	+.46	+17.0
SuprtH pfA	7.50	+1.00	+15.4
GeoMet pf	3.00	+.37	+14.1

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
EpinusB rs	9.66	-1.82	-15.9
SanDisk	93.21	-14.62	-13.6
OINH plc	39.01	-5.48	-12.3
BindTher n	9.30	-1.26	-11.9
ElevenBi n	11.41	-1.53	-11.8

DIARY

Advanced	512
Declined	2,166
Unchanged	125
Total issues	2,803
New Highs	32
New Lows	76
Volume	1,836,150,520

Microsoft to cut 18,000 jobs, about 12,500 from Nokia unit

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Microsoft announced the biggest layoffs in its 39-year history Thursday, outlining plans to cut 18,000 jobs in a move that marked the CEO's sharpest pivot yet away from his predecessor's drive for the company to make its own devices.

Although some cuts had been expected ever since Microsoft acquired Nokia's mobile-device unit, the number amounted to 14 percent of the Microsoft workforce — about twice what analysts had estimated.

The cuts will include about 12,500 jobs associated with the Nokia unit — nearly half of the 28,000 employees Microsoft brought on board in April through the acquisition.

When the cuts are complete, the company will still have about 10,000 more employees than before the Nokia acquisition, with an overall headcount of 109,000.

In a public email to employees, CEO Satya Nadella said the changes were needed for the company to "become more agile and move faster." The move also pushes Nokia to focus solely on the Windows Phone operating system.

Nadella is clearly backing away from former CEO Steve Ballmer's strategy of getting Microsoft to make its own smartphones and tablets.

"He's making a pretty serious game-changing strategy move away from hardware," said Michael Turits, managing director of equity research for financial services company Raymond James & Associates.

Nadella indicated that Microsoft will largely abandon low-price Nokia Asha phones — which work on their own non-Windows operating system — and reverse a strategically questionable move by Nokia in February to launch a line of phones called "X" that supported rival Google Inc.'s Android platform.

"To win in the higher price tiers, we will focus on breakthrough innovation that expresses and enlivens Microsoft's digital work and digital life experiences," Nadella said in the memo.

About 1,350 Seattle-area workers around Microsoft's Redmond, Washington, headquarters were laid off Thursday, as were 1,800 workers in Hungary and nearly 370 in San Diego. The Nokia cuts include 1,100 jobs in Finland.

In addition, the company is closing its Xbox Entertainment Studios, a 2-year-old venture based in Santa Monica, California, that produced original video content but was seen as separate from Microsoft's core business.

Microsoft Corp. expects charges of $1.1 billion to $1.6 billion over the next four quarters, largely for severance payments. The move puts the company on track to meet the target it set in September, when it announced the Nokia purchase, of saving $600 million in annual costs within 18 months after the deal closed. Ballmer announced the Nokia deal a month after he said he was resigning.

FBR Capital Markets analyst Daniel Ives said the cuts were about double what Wall Street was expecting.

"Microsoft needs to be a leaner and meaner technology giant over the coming years in order to strike the right balance of growth and profitability around its cloud and mobile endeavors," he said.

The move dwarfs Microsoft's previous biggest job cut, when it eliminated about 5,800 jobs in 2009. That was the company's first widespread layoff.

Microsoft has been shifting its focus from traditional PC software to cloud computing and cloud-based products like its Office 365 productivity software that can operate on mobile devices.

With its $7.3 billion acquisition of Nokia's cellphone business, Microsoft had sought to meld its software and hardware business into a cohesive package, similar to rival Apple.

But investors had lingering doubts about the strategy, especially because the two brands' market share in smartphones and tablets was so far behind Apple and Samsung. According to the latest financials, the Surface and Nokia device units are both losing money.

Nokia phones ran a wide array of operating systems that were not helpful to Microsoft's Windows brand. The Asha operating system, for instance, lacked features like the ability to use mobile versions of Office software or even GPS mapping.

Soon after the deal was announced, Nokia's overall handset sales plunged 29 percent in the final quarter of last year, even as its high-end Lumia devices grew quickly.

The Nokia purchase "is not a deal that (Nadella) agreed upon or negotiated or perhaps really wanted," said Scott Kessler, senior equity analyst at S&P Capital IQ. "Secondly, it seems that the market has changed pretty significantly over the last year ... pretty traumatic cuts seem probably somewhat appropriate at this point."

In a letter to employees, Executive Vice President Stephen Elop said the company will drive sales of its Windows Phone by targeting the lower-price smartphone market with its Lumia devices.

A separate memo by a Microsoft executive in India posted by the BGR website said the company will stop engaging with developers on new apps for Nokia X, Asha and Series 40 phones, but maintain support for customers who own the phones.

In a blog post a week ago, Nadella hinted at the move, saying Microsoft had to "change and evolve" its culture for the "mobile-first and cloud-first world."

Nadella planned to provide more details when Microsoft reports fiscal 2014 results on Tuesday. He will also address staff today at a monthly question-and-answer session.

Oil up above $103

The price of oil rose 2 percent Thursday on lower U.S. inventories and concerns that geopolitical tensions could disrupt global supplies.

Benchmark U.S. crude for August delivery rose $1.99 to close at $103.19 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. On Wednesday, the Nymex contract added $1.24 to close at $101.20.

Brent crude for September delivery rose 72 cents to close at $107.89 on the ICE Futures exchange in London.

A series of geopolitical events pushed prices higher by raising concern that oil supplies could be disrupted, even though no disruptions were imminent. The Obama Administration announced new sanctions against Russian energy firms after the market closed on Wednesday, including against Rosneft, Russia's biggest oil producer. While analysts say it is unlikely to cause any dip in production or exports in the short term, it could prevent or delay future exploration and production.

Gold, silver rise

Gold and silver prices rose Thursday following news that a passenger plane crashed in eastern Ukraine.

Gold for August delivery rose $17.10, or 1.3 percent, to $1,316.90 an ounce. Silver for September delivery rose 36 cents, or 1.7 percent, to $21.34 an ounce.

It was the biggest one-day gain for gold since June 19, after the Federal Reserve said it would keep interest rates low. Gold rose 3.3 percent that day.

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Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $130.12 Down 3.60

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $142.78 Down 2.75

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $26.72 Down 0.90

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $84.71 Down 0.78

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $30.78 Down 0.44

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $6.93 Down 0.70

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $30.93 Down 0.39

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $29.85 Up 1.16

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $18.17 Down 0.70

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.84	11	36.03	-.42	+2.5
AbbVie	1.68	21	53.52	-.13	+1.3
Abraxas	...	**43**	**5.84**	**-.10**	**+73.0**
AdamsEx	**.84e**	**...**	**13.78**	**-.15**	**+5.4**
AMD	...	91	4.57	-.09	+18.1
Alcoa	.12	39	16.33	-.27	+53.6
AlonUSA	.24	...	12.47	-.30	-24.6
AmAirl n	...	...	41.70	-1.78	+65.1
Amgen.	**2.44**	**19**	**115.39**	**-2.32**	**+1.1**
Anadarko	**1.08f**	**...**	**108.11**	**-4.42**	**+36.3**
Apache	**1.00**	**23**	**98.91**	**-.96**	**+15.1**
Apple Inc s	1.88f	16	93.09	-1.69	+16.2
ApldMatl	**.40**	**32**	**22.77**	**-.09**	**+28.8**
ATMOS	**1.48**	**18**	**50.55**	**-.46**	**+11.3**
AutoData	1.92	27	79.96	-.54	-1.0
BP PLC	**2.28**	**8**	**50.87**	**-1.41**	**+4.8**
BabsCCInv	1.20	...	15.26	+.02	+2.2
BakrHu	.68f	27	72.54	-1.85	+31.3
BkofAm	.04	18	15.20	-.31	-2.4
B iPVix rs	...	...	29.93	+2.66	-29.7
BasicEnSv	...	...	28.24	-.50	+79.0
BerkHa A	**...**	**16**	**189811.00**	**-2261.00**	**+6.7**
BlkHillsCp	**1.56**	**24**	**56.20**	**-.96**	**+7.0**
BlackBerry	...	...	9.71	-.26	+30.5
BriMySq	**1.44**	**28**	**48.42**	**-.38**	**-0.9**
BrownPA	**1.16**	**30**	**98.17**	**-.93**	**+22.2**
BrownFB	**1.16**	**30**	**91.64**	**-1.16**	**+21.3**
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CBS Outd n	1.48	...	35.05	+.38	+12.0
CVS Care	1.10	19	78.11	-.84	+6.3
Cameron	...	24	69.09	-.51	+16.1
Caterpillar	2.80f	19	109.07	-1.63	+20.1
Celestic g	...	17	11.97	-.09	+15.1
Cemex	.52t	...	12.89	-.36	+13.3
CntryLink	2.16	...	36.72	-.40	+15.3
ChesEng	.35	22	26.82	-1.02	+4.5
Chevron	**4.28f**	**13**	**130.06**	**-.81**	**+4.1**
Chicos	.30	22	16.27	...	-13.6
Cimarex	.64	26	139.50	-3.52	+33.0
Cisco	.76	17	25.63	-.35	+15.1
Citigroup	.04	11	49.18	+.84	-5.6
CleryEng	**...**	**57**	**130.12**	**-3.60**	**+88.5**
CocaCola	**1.22**	**23**	**42.02**	**-.10**	**+1.7**
ColgPalm	**1.44**	**30**	**68.60**	**-.85**	**+5.2**
ConAgra	**1.00**	**42**	**30.51**	**-.37**	**-0.5**
ConchoRes	**...**	**48**	**142.78**	**-2.75**	**+32.2**
ConocoPhil	**2.92f**	**14**	**84.68**	**-1.28**	**+19.9**
CrackerB	4.00f	18	97.45	-1.14	-11.5
CSVInvNG	...	...	4.22	+.39	-52.3
CSVelIVST	...	...	42.29	-4.50	+23.0
CSVxSht rs	...	...	3.16	+.46	-57.9
CrosTim	**2.71e**	**13**	**32.34**	**-.11**	**+10.0**
DCP Mid	2.98f	42	57.25	+.48	+13.7
DTE	2.76f	18	75.84	-.35	+14.2
Dataram h	...	...	2.86	-.04	+9.8
Dawson	**.32**	**39**	**26.72**	**-.90**	**-21.0**
DeltaAir	.36f	3	36.57	-1.30	+33.1
DevonE	**.96**	**19**	**75.74**	**-2.15**	**+22.4**
DrxSCBear	...	...	16.12	+.71	-5.0
Disney	**.86f**	**22**	**85.03**	**-.32**	**+11.3**
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EOG Res s	**.50**	**27**	**115.55**	**-1.55**	**+37.7**
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FordM	.50	11	17.74	-.06	+15.0
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MktVPlus	.74e	...	24.70	-1.92	-14.4
Mattel	1.52	15	36.46	-2.57	-23.4
McDnlds	3.24	18	98.37	-.90	+1.4
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21stCFoxB	.25	20	32.46	.11	-6.2
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ValeroE	1.00	9	48.84	-1.22	-3.1
VulcanM	**.24f**	**61**	**62.99**	**-1.42**	**+6.0**
Walgrn	**1.26**	**24**	**70.18**	**-1.24**	**+22.2**
WellsFargo	1.40f	13	50.68	-.49	+11.6
WstnRefin	1.04	17	39.88	-.86	-6.0
WhitingPet	...	18	85.28	-2.68	+37.8
WmsCos	1.70f	69	57.60	-.79	+49.3
XcelEngy	**1.20**	**16**	**31.51**	**-.20**	**+12.8**
Xerox	**.25**	**14**	**12.81**	**-.04**	**+5.3**
Yahoo	...	29	33.21	-.58	-17.9
Zynga	...	...	3.08	+.06	-18.9

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17,139.35	14,719.43	Dow Jones Industrials	16,976.81	-161.39	-.94	+2.41	+9.19
8,403.57	6,237.14	Dow Jones Transportation	8,279.14	-118.07	-1.41	+11.87	+25.84
576.98	467.93	Dow Jones Utilities	553.08	-5.64	-1.01	+12.74	+9.11
11,334.65	9,246.89	NYSE Composite	10,890.43	-127.45	-1.16	+4.71	+13.59
4,485.93	3,573.53	Nasdaq Composite	4,363.45	-62.52	-1.41	+4.47	+20.83
1,985.59	1,627.47	S&P 500	1,958.12	-23.45	-1.18	+5.94	+15.91
1,452.01	1,170.62	S&P Midcap	1,395.35	-15.34	-1.09	+3.93	+13.20
21,108.12	17,305.21	Wilshire 5000	20,687.69	-246.51	-1.18	+4.98	+15.52
1,213.55	1,009.00	Russell 2000	1,133.60	-17.95	-1.56	-2.58	+7.93

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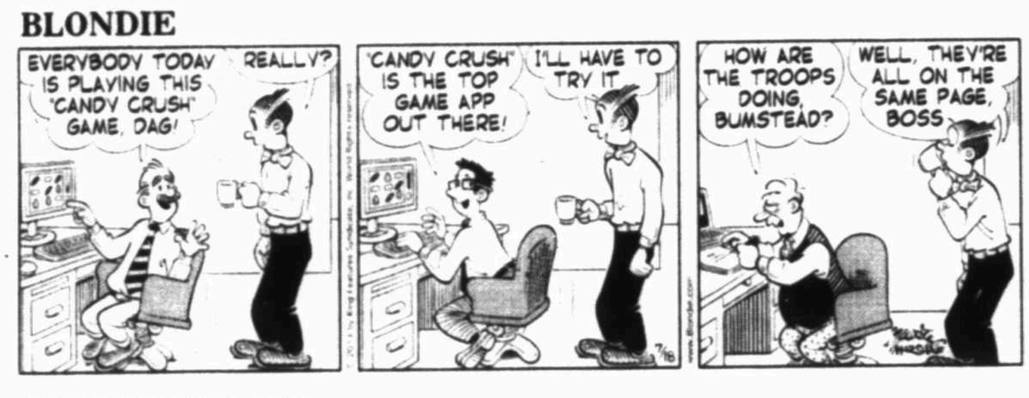

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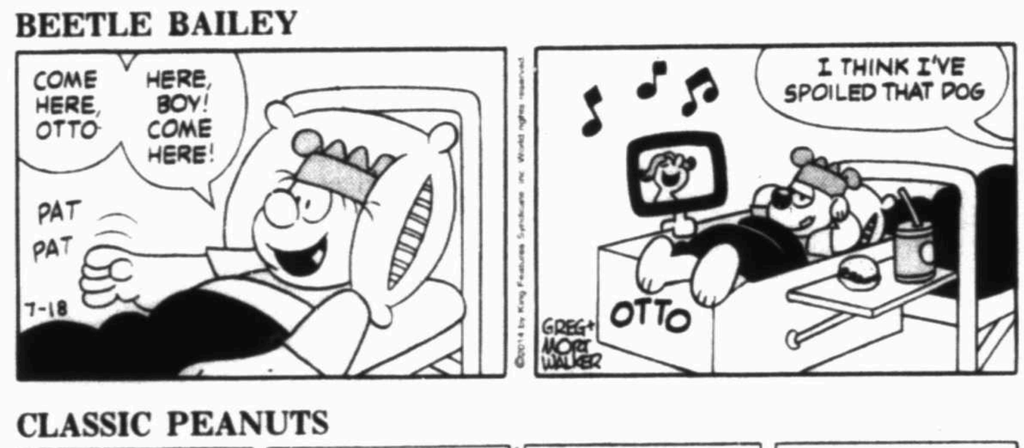

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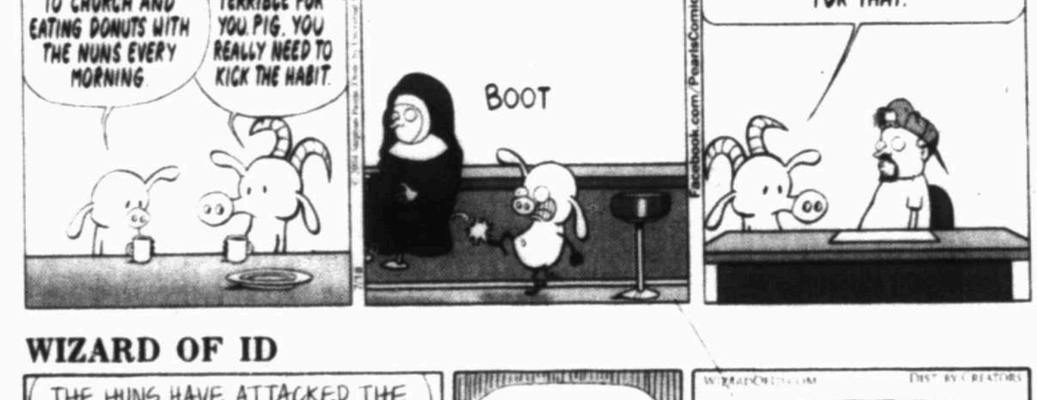

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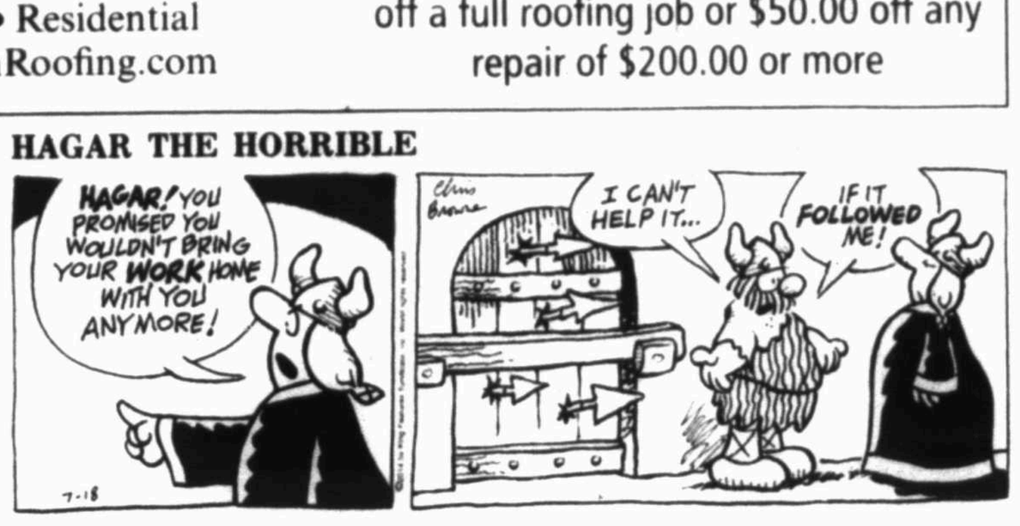

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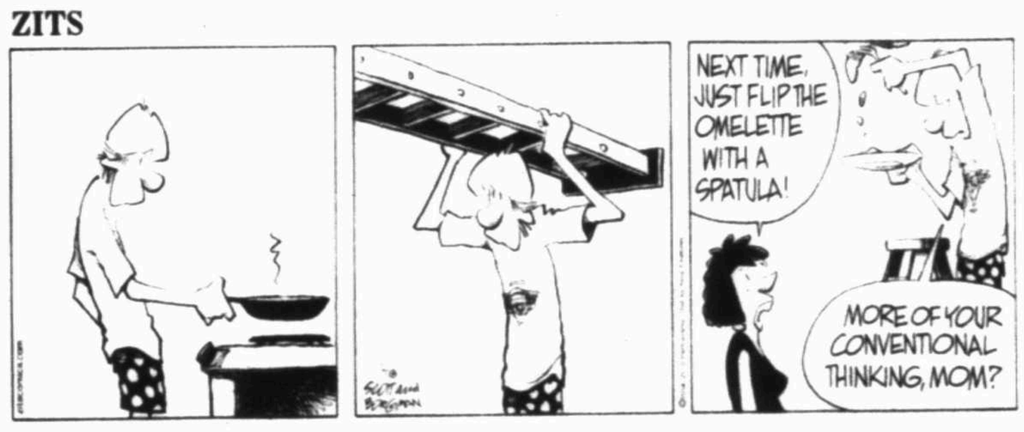

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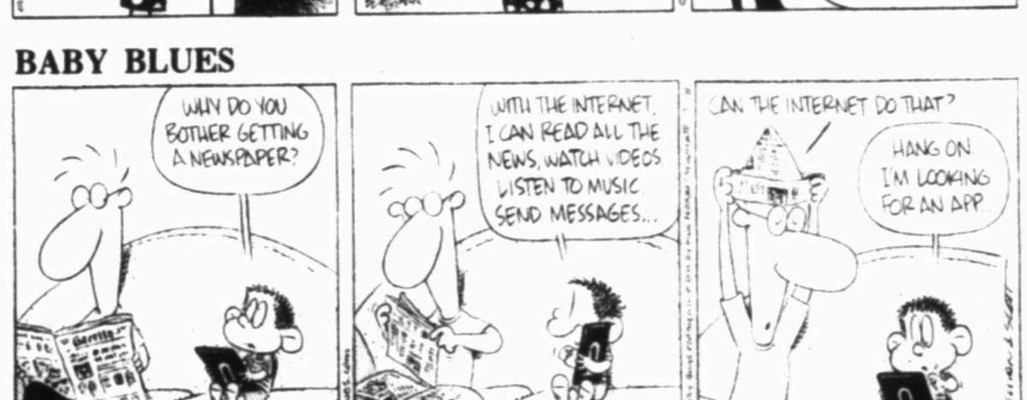

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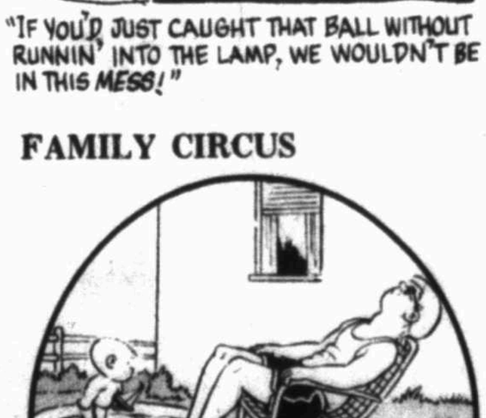

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APPLICATION HAS been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Beer & Wine Off Premise Permit by Penta Operating, LLC for Jack's #6 located at 3300 N. Big Spring St. Midland, TX 79701. Officers of said corporation are Tyler Wolfe, Member; Robert Eggleston, Member; Devin Bates, Member; Randy Brooks, Member; and Alvin New, Member.

THE PLANNING and Zoning Commission of the City of Midland, Texas will hold a public hearing at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, July 21, 2014 in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, will be meeting to discuss with Freeze and Nichols, Inc. the proposed revisions to the Midland Zoning Ordinance.

The meeting facility is accessible to disabled persons. A wheelchair entry ramp is located at the southeast entrance to City Hall. A parking space designated for use by disabled persons is available near the southeast entrance doors. Any disabled person needing special accommodations or hearing impaired persons wishing to have an interpreter should request services through the Administrative Services Department at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting by contacting Compliance Coordinator for the City of Midland, at (432) 685-7251. If communication via TDD is required, please call 1-800-735-2989.

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Notice Of Application For Fluid Injection Well Permit

XTO Energy, Inc., Opr. No. 945936, 200 N. Loraine Street, Suite 800, Midland, Texas 79701 applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas to convert an existing producing well to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of these fluids into the Clear Fork Formation in the Goldsmith C. A., Et al Lease, well number: 465R. The proposed injection well is located 4 miles south from the city of Goldsmith in the Goldsmith Field, in Ector County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4969' - 7867' feet.

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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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT IN A NON PRODUCTIVE FORMATION

Cato Operating, Inc., P.O. Box 397, Coahoma, Texas 79511 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the San Andres Formation, Wallace SWD Lease, Well No. 1. The proposed injection well is located 8.75 miles in a Northeast direction from Big Spring, Texas in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, in Howard County, Texas. Fluid waste will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3,200 to 3,900 feet.

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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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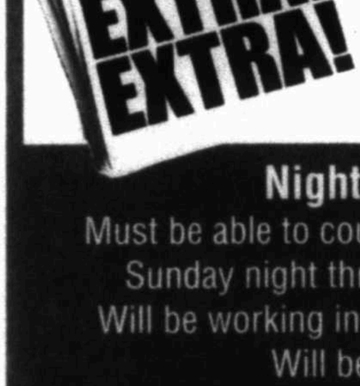

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Crossfire, LLC is currently recruiting for a safety trainer. For more information regarding this position, visit our website at crossfire-llc.com. Crossfire, LLC offers a competitive salary, medical benefits and 401(k) plan. Please send resume to recruiting@crossfire-llc.com.

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Shop Technician and Body Technician
SS Customs now hiring **SHOP TECHNICIAN** and **BODY TECHNICIAN**. Must have valid Texas driver's license. To apply, come by **3201 W. Front Midland, TX 79701** ask for Craig or Russ. No phone calls please. Pay DOE.

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Griffin Oil Company, 3910 S. FM 1788, Midland, TX 79706. Duties include pulling orders, stocking and taking inventory, and local deliveries. Must have forklift experience and good driving record. Excellent pay & full benefits package. Applications can be completed on site. For additional information, call 432-563-9991 or 866-350-4897

Warehouse Worker & Grinder
Warehouse Worker and Grinder needed. Please apply at: 11524 County Rd 128 West, Midland, TX 79711.

Woolley Tool Inc.
Woolley Tool Inc. serving the Oil & Gas industry since 1933. Now excepting resumes to fill these positions: **Fishing Tool Supervisor, Dispatchers, and Outside Sales**. Experience is required. Benefits package includes vacation, health insurance, and retirement match savings. Salary depends on experience. Please submit resume by fax to 903-984-3556 or email to accounts@wftool.net (also cc:tevans@wftool.net).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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Henry Resources, a Midland-based independent oil company, is now interviewing for an Engineering Technician to support the reservoir group in the Midland office. College graduates in business, finance, accounting, and information technology are preferred; however, other degree programs or relevant experience will also be considered. Five or more years of relevant experience is desired. Proficiency with ARIES, OFM, Petra and public data source websites preferred, as well as the ability to learn other technical software programs. The candidate should be a strong team player with a solid understanding of the oil and gas business and the associated financial concepts.

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Smoker's Outlet is looking for **Store Managers** and **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid weekly. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply.

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HVAC Duct Installers

TMI Mechanical FT

HVAC Duct Installers and Experienced Helpers needed for work on local job. Top pay depending on experience. 100% employer paid medical, paid vacations and holidays. **Call 432-686-0002** for interview

I & E TECH

Immediately needed: I & E TECH for natural gas processing plant and gathering system near Rankin, Texas. Must have experience with electronic and pneumatic instrumentation and be able to troubleshoot 480V 3 phase electrical service. Experience with generators and plant automation a plus. Must be willing to take night and weekend call outs. Fax resumes to 432-693-2132 or mail to Benedum Gas Plant, HC 34, Box 63, Midkiff, Texas. 79755

Licensed Commercial Plumber & Exp. Helpers

TMI Mechanical currently hiring **Licensed Commercial Plumbers** and **experienced Helpers** for local jobsites. We offer top pay **(up to $30/hr DOE.** 100% employer paid medical, paid vacations and holidays. Must have good driving record. **Please call 432-686-0002** for interview.

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Operation of manual or CNC lathe. Good work ethics and flexibility to work 12 hour days and call in on weekends if needed. Required to read and understand drawings as the measurement tools to produce quality machined parts. Must have at least 3 years' experience machining connections. Pay based on knowledge and skill. Please contact Jimmy Turner at 936-230-7186 or jimmy.turner@conroemachine.com

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Plains Pipeline - Basin System has an immediate opening for a Pipeline Mechanic. Must have at least 2 years pipeline experience. Please send resumes to pgsevart@paalp.com. No phone calls please.

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This 5-6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires: night shift/weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.

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Our company is growing and we are in need of a reliable **CDL Driver**. M-F, 8a-5p. Please apply in person at **Slover Roofing Supply, 3010 West Front, Midland, Tx 79701** or call **432-689-2005.**

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Needing Class A CDL driver for Local Trucking Company. Tanker endorsement required. We do have Medical and quick advancement. Call Chris #432-238-3336

Class A CDL Truck Drivers

Prefer drivers with Pneumatic Tanker experience. Benefits include: medical, life and dental insurance, and paid vacation. Applicants having experience hauling sand and/or dry cement helpful. Good driving record, DOT, drug & alcohol testing required. Apply in person, call 432-563-1894 for interview or online @ www.rockwaterenergy.com

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Supplement your income by delivering newspapers for a few hours in the early mornings between 12:00am - 6:00am. The Midland Reporter-Telegram is currently seeking individuals who are interested in delivering newspapers in the residential areas in and around the City of Midland. If interested, MUST have a reliable vehicle, proof of automobile insurance in your name, a valid driver's license, must understand that this is a 7 day a week delivery commitment as an Independent Contractor.

THE PROFIT FOR THESE ROUTES IS ABOUT $650-$1,000 a month, depending on the size of the route. *This is a perfect way to generate the extra money you need.*

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Experienced Driver

G & K Trucking, Inc. FT

Local trucking company seeks an experienced **Class A CDL HOTSHOT driver** in the Midland area for local, regional and out of state deliveries. Benefits include bonuses, scheduled days off, medical insurance and paid vacation. Hazmat preferred. Please call **432-413-2472** Mon-Fri.

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Ricky Shuler Trucking is looking for Drivers who are wanting to become Owner/ Operators. Equipment: single cab tractor leased to own purchase, trailer furnished but will remain property of Ricky Shuler Trucking. Must have CDL- A with Tanker/ HazMat endorsements, strong work history, crude oil hauling experience & must pass DOT, drug/ alcohol requirements. Owner/ Operators willing to relocate or currently residing in the following areas, Odessa, TX., Midland, TX., Big Spring, TX., Andrews, TX., Pecos, TX. & Carlsbad, N.M. Contact Phyllis @ 432-923-1064 between 9am & 4pm for additional information & application.

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Cars: 2007 Mercedes C230, 47K miles, burgundy, 4-door with sun roof. Mercedes convertible kit car with Ford motor.

Furniture: Exceptional antique pieces including buffets, sideboards, sofas and chairs, small tables, dining table and chairs, drop leaf tables, settees, roll top desk, mirrored wardrobes, art deco cabinet, art nouveau bench, unusual dressing table with tri-mirror, telephone table, carved bedroom suite, contemporary leather furniture, recliners, 2 cedar chests, patio furniture.

Special: Gorgeous crystal chandelier, antique National cash register, leaded stained glass Tiffany style lamps, 2 Victrolas, stained glass touchiere lamps, beer steins, ruby cut to clear crystal, Aunt Jemima collection, art nouveau table top mirror, antique telephones, steamer trunk, doll house and furniture, sterling silver pieces, vintage stove, soda fountain, enamel top table, Steiff lion, 80" flat screen television.

Miscellaneous: Household items, clothing, linens, kitchen, antique radios, antique clocks, vintage pottery, mirrors, porch swings, wagon, sinks, and so much more.

Pictures tell part of the story, but you really have to see it to believe it. More pictures on www.estatesales.net

By: Linda L. Biden

ESTATE SALE by Joseph and Team
1804 Sparks (Midland)
Thursday & Friday 9am - 3pm, Saturday 9am - 12pm

Great home full of art and geology and history, including 1960's collectable American Indian pottery and rugs, Alvarez guitar, Kachina doll, artwork (original and signed prints) including Frank McCarthy/Tom Lovell/Ray Swanson/Joe Grandee/Secundino Sandoval/Dave Hoey/James Bama/Robert Summer/and others, area rugs, recliners, photography / developing equipment & books, A&M yearbooks, civil war/geology/antique books, geological maps, vintage rockers, full bed/dresser, stereo equipment, wood sofa, vintage oak office desk/chair, washer/dryer/fridge, library table, lamps/lamp tables, antique microscope, geodes/core samples/mineral specimens, flora scope, antique radios, file cabinets, sewing machine, drafting table, pressed oak table/chairs telephone bench, tools, and the usual household misc.

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Big Spring Street north to Bayberry Parkway -- north of Loop 250 - Follow my signs!

FURNITURE: sofas, love seats, leather recliner with ottoman, fireplace bench, chaise lounge, wonderful small chests that can be used as end tables or night stands, coffee tables, large chair with ottoman, 8 ft. rectangular dining table, 8 dining chairs by Hickory Chair Co., 8 dining chairs by Drexel, two king size beds, twin beds, dresser with mirror, club chair, full bed with padded headboard, 5 ft. round glass top table, patio furniture, armoire, game table & chairs sideboard & more.

DECORATIVE ITEMS: large green plants, framed prints, lamps, rugs, silver plated serving pieces, Waterford crystal, pottery pieces, mirrors, frames-small, medium, large and very large & more.

MISCELLANEOUS:16 HP John Deere riding mower with cart and small plow, (runs great), lots of hand tools, office supplies, desk, filing cabinets, two freezers, refrigerator, washer & dryer, cookbooks, books, M.L. Leddy boots - for men & women, some clothing, luggage, china, glassware, office credenzas, children's books and lots of games, cookware, Hartman trunk, ladders, linens, copier & more!

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Yard & Garage Sales

79701

811 W Golf Course Road. Friday & Saturday, 9am-Noon. Multi family. Coke items, credenzas, strollers, wooden doors, framed art, yard tools, miscellaneous household items, refrigerator, wicker chest, footstool, cabinet.

79703

202 ACKLEN Dr. Friday & Saturday 8am-5pm MULTI-FAMILY garage sale. queen size mattresses, king size BR suite, tv stands, dryer, stove, freezer, Honda 1500 motorcycle seat & parts, womens clothes, little girl clothes and lots of other assorted items

304 S Glenwood. Saturday Only, 7am-? Tents, sleeping bags, grinder, toddler toys, recliner, dishes, pictures, tons of mens & womens clothing and shoes in good condition, car rims and tires. Lots of Misc. Burritos Too!

Yard & Garage Sales

79703

4006 ANETTA Dr. Friday only 8am-3pm. Refrigerator, electric stove, washer, lawnmower, furniture, tools, extended ladder & lots more

4303 PARKDALE Saturday & Sunday 8am-? King size Sleight bed, plus size clothes mens & womens new, chainsaw, weedeater, lots of kitchen items, boat, & much more.

4407 WHILSHIRE Friday and Saturday 7:30am-4pm. 2 small 19" flat screen TVs, 3 water coolers, patio set, large dresser, clothes & lots of misc.

4705 BEDFORD Ave Fri. 11am-? and Sat. 7am-? Furniture, tools, trailer, plumbing supplies, women/men's clothing, camping/kitchen items & more! No early birds please.

Yard & Garage Sales

79701

209 E. Pennsylvania Friday and Saturday from 8am-12pm. Sofa, recliner, twin beds, clothing & misc.

2400 LOCKHEED. Friday, Saturday and Sunday 9am-4pm. Huge Sale! Furniture, kitchen items, clothing, tools & lots of misc.

3703 STANOLIND, Saturday only 7am - ? 3-Family Garage Sale. Dressers, Indian ceramic dolls, yard equipment, lamp stands, waterbed frame, etc.

402 N Dallas Saturday 6:30am - 2pm. We're looking to get rid of clothes- misses 12-16, plus 2x-4x, childrens clothing (most unworn), women's shoes (8-8.5), and various other items. Great Prices!

Yard & Garage Sales

79705

1202 STANOLIND Ave. Friday & Saturday 10am-3pm. Moving Sale. Everything must go!

1907 HUGHES. Saturday Only. 9am-2pm. No Early Birds! M/W clothing, dog buggie, new heavy duty wheelchair access ramp, sewing/quilting supplies. Lots of misc.

201 BAYBERRY Parkway. Friday & Saturday 8am-4pm. Moving Sale. Curio cabinets, barstools, leather chair, brass bed, table & chairs, computer desk, pictures, knick knacks, outside lawn tools, water fountain, fire pit, desk, chairs, car ramps, holiday decorations. All must go!

2409 SINCLAIRE. Friday 9am-1pm & Saturday 8am-1pm. Huge Garage sale on the corner of Lanham & Sinclaire. Antique tables, baby beds, portable spa, vacuums, Christmas decor. Downsizing of a business - TONS of brand new merchandise

2507 AUBURN Place Saturday Only. 7am-? Alley entrance, no early-birds please!! Women's clothes, toddler misc., bikes, furniture, household items, small amt. of horse tack, and lots more

2608 CULVER Dr. Thursday, Friday & Saturday 8 to 1 Multi-family Furniture, clothing for men, women, teens, & children, shoes, purses, costume jewelry, linens, kitchen items, serving pieces, microwave, electronics, luggage, books, movies, puzzles, toys, games, and much more!!!

2904 N. Co. Rd. 1140 Friday and Saturday 8am-? Large mens clothes, maternity clothes, baby and boy clothes, toys, kitchen items, medical supplies, odds and ends. Very organized!

2915 SAVOY. Saturday, 8am-2:00pm. Baby items, home items, and decor and much more!!

3217 W. Shandon Saturday 7am-5pm Moving sale.

Yard & Garage Sales

79705

3203 NORTH 1 Street Friday & Saturday 8am-1pm. 4-Family Garage Sale. Graco stroller, baby swings & carseat, comforters, double stroller, Medela breast pump, Jeep stroller, vintage child's desk, glassware, wine bottles, footboard, craft supplies, children's toys, women's clothing size S-L, Men's clothes M-XL, area rug, floor mats, toddler girl clothes, baby boy clothes, tons of baby items, 2013 Ford F150, 1998 Chevy work van, ceiling fans, pack & play, and much more!

3208 CAMARIE Sturday 8am-? Neighborhood Garage Sale. Kitchen yard, golf tools, furniture, clothes, appliances, lots of new or nearly new items, other misc.

GARAGE SALE benefiting Midland Children's Rehab Center Saturday July 19th @ 7:30am 802 Ventura Ave. Off A St. Donated items welcome

79706

1002 E Co. Rd 128 Saturday 8am - 3pm Moving Sale. Lots of treasures!

10807 ECR 104 B.E. HIND GREENWOOD High School SATURDAY 8AM-3PM Multi-family Furniture, crafts, clothes, child saddle $200, dishes, sofa bed $100, much more. No early sales, debit cards accepted!

418 MILE high lane (in legends park). Saturday, 8am-12pm Kid toys, boys clothes 3t-size 6, kitchen items, and much more

813 NOLAN Ryan Drive Multi-fam garage sale Sat Only 9am-1pm. Baby clothes, home decor, garage items, small furniture, men & women clothes and much more

ESTATE SALE 3202 Camarie. Entire house full! Saturday 8am-til? Furniture, appliances, toys, housewares, tools, Sporting goods & medical supplies. Collectables books, comics, records, WW II era items and much more!

Yard & Garage Sales

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4404 WESTMINSTER Dr. Friday 10am-1pm and Saturday 9am-12noon COME CHECK out our Block Party Garage Sale. We will have multiple homes participating in our alley way. We will have furniture, electronics, work out gear, men and women's clothing, LOTS of baby girl clothes ranging from N-3t and so much more! When you come we ask that you park on the street and walk around to the alley since there is very little room and we don't want to block traffic. Sale will be marked by balloons.

Yard & Garage Sales

79706

HUGE 3 Family garage sale!!!
2109 SCR 1120 in Greenwood. Fri 8-6 & Sat 8-? 8am or shine! Couches, dishes! Tons of ladies shoes, clothes, brand names, purses, Boys clothes 12 mo-4T. Mens shirts, Lacoste, A&F, Baby girl nb-3mo

79707

2001 FRINGEWOOD Dr (Grasslands West) Saturday 7am-? TONS of girls clothes, shoes, toys, furniture, housewares, grill, and more. All in great condition. Don't miss it!!

2103 WYDEWOOD Dr Friday and Saturday 8a-12p Treadmill, piano, table, household appliances & more!

2203 MARCIE LANE Saturday 8am-1pm Adult & childrens clothes, bicycles, tricycles, teacher supplies, books & videos, lawnmower, TV

3605 COQUINA Ln Friday & Saturday, 9am-5pm. Garage Sale. New washer & dryer, men & women's clothing, kitchen items, office supplies, and much more!

3609 CALDERA BLVD -Waterford at Northpark Apts off Loop 250- Saturday, 19th 8am-12noon 10+ Families selling items such as furniture, clothing, home décor, housewares and so much more!

3801 SUNCREST Ave Friday 8am-1pm & Saturday 8am-12pm. Lot of new to next to new clothing. Lots of home furnishing & decor, Kodiak scanner, wireless printer w/ink, Faux wood blinds, books, crosses, Rooster decor, new Casio cash register, arts & crafts supplies, lots of miscellaneous.

3803 CRESTLINE Alley. Fri & Sat 8am-1pm. China cabinet, baby girl swing, ceiling fans, infant clothes, girl & boys' womens clothes & shoes, baby girl shoes

3811 TUMBLEWEED Trail west of CR 60 Briarwood. Saturday only 8am. DON'T MISS THIS ONE! Air hockey table, Merlin 540 short block club car, Kawasaki mule, sofa, end tables, complete queen bedroom suite, store display case, a lot of decor, clothes all sizes, file cabinets, desk with hutch, and chair, queen bed w box spring, book case, roll top desk TV and much, much more!! *NO EARLY SALES!!*

3903 CRESTLINE Saturday 8am-? Oak entertainment center, Oak desk, kitchen table with 6 chairs & lots of miscellaneous

4103 CRESTWOOD Ave (alley behind Chelsea Rae) Saturday 8am to noon. Baby toys & clothes, kitchen items, household items & lots of miscellaneous

4747 BOULDER Drive Saturday 8:30am-1pm. Kitchen items, dishwasher, cooking dishes, etc. Guibransen piano, pool table, carpet steam cleaner, vacuum, furniture, TV's, golf clubs, computer monitors & equipment, crib, other household items, 1986 Camero (ROC Z

4913 WOODHOLLOW Dr. Saturday July 19th @ 8:30 to 1:00 Wooden Bunk beds, TV, printer, scanner, clothes, house items, and more

4948 Rustic Trail Midland. Fri. and Sat. 8 to 12. TWO FAMILY Garage Sale. Clothes, toys and various household items.

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4962 RUSTIC Trail Green Tree North GARAGE SALE 8AM-12NOON. Dyson vacuum, womens junior clothes, lots of housewares and decorative items, curtains, shoes, jewelry, lots of stuff!! No Early Birds please!

5008 KING Richards Row (in alley) Saturday 8am-noon. 2 family sale. Golf items, household decor, bathroom decor, toys, kids 2 children adults clothes, shoes, seasonal items, jewelry, desk, plastic shoe boxes, comforter sets, stuffed animals & much more

5103 CONCHO Drive Friday & Saturday 8am-? 3 family garage sale. Furniture, clothes, toys & lots of miscellaneous

5325 BRAZOS Ave Saturday 9am-3pm. No early sales! Girls clothes size newborn to 10 years, adult clothes, shoes, toys, baby items, swing, jumper, car seat, stroller, books, games, printer & more

5514 CYPRESS COURT (Greentree south). Huge moving sale Friday & Saturday 8am-2pm. Cash only. Home decor, 32" flat screen TV, furniture, holiday decor, clothes, & collectibles

5813 SABINE Dr (in alley) Saturday July 19th 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. MultiFamily Furniture (office desk, book shelf, tables), electronics, (computer with monitor, Wii, iPhones), lots of home decor, dishwasher, women's designer clothes, designer purses, tons of miscellaneous! Items are in excellent condition!

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2 PLOTS - Resthaven Memorial Park in the Masonic Garden Lot 167, spaces 1 & 2. $2000 each. Call 512-712-5055

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ULTRA SPORT 2001 motor home 30' long sleeps 8. 24k miles. $18,000 OBO. 432-559-3598

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Miscellaneous for Sale

NEW TODAY!

2 -TICKETS to Tim McGraw Friday, August 8th at the Gexa Energy Pavilion in Dallas, TX. Great seats. $225 for both. Call 432-687-1375, leave message

4 TON central air & heating system gas stove, 2 bathtubs, 2 toilets, 2 bathroom sinks & cabinets, 8 door & frame & trim. R panel storm door & more. 432-528-1609 Midland.

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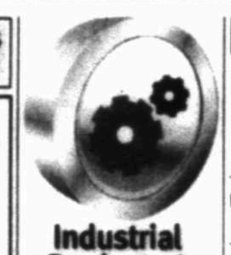

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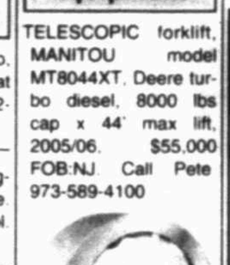

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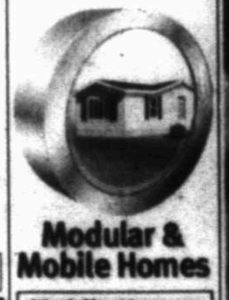

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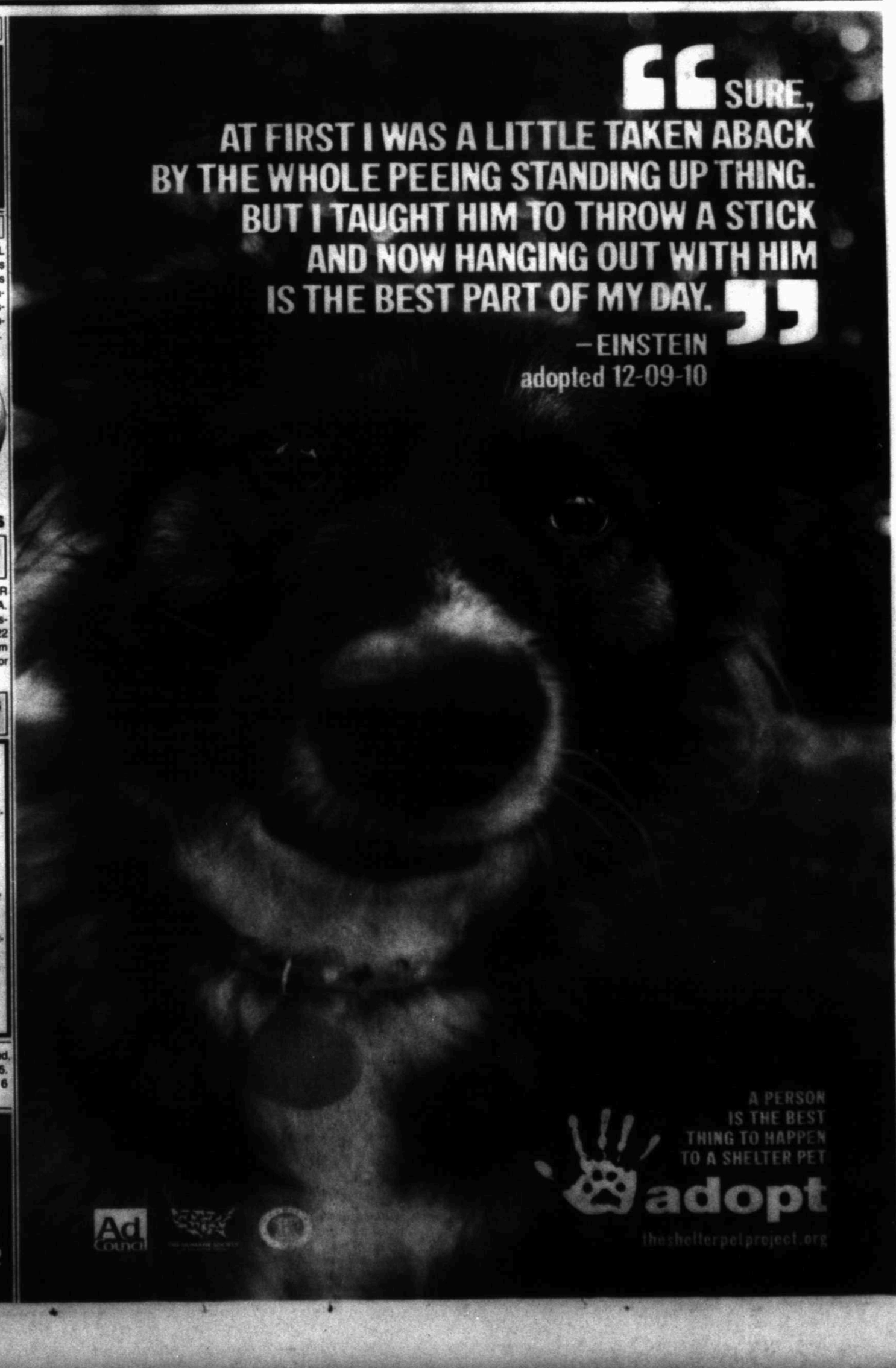

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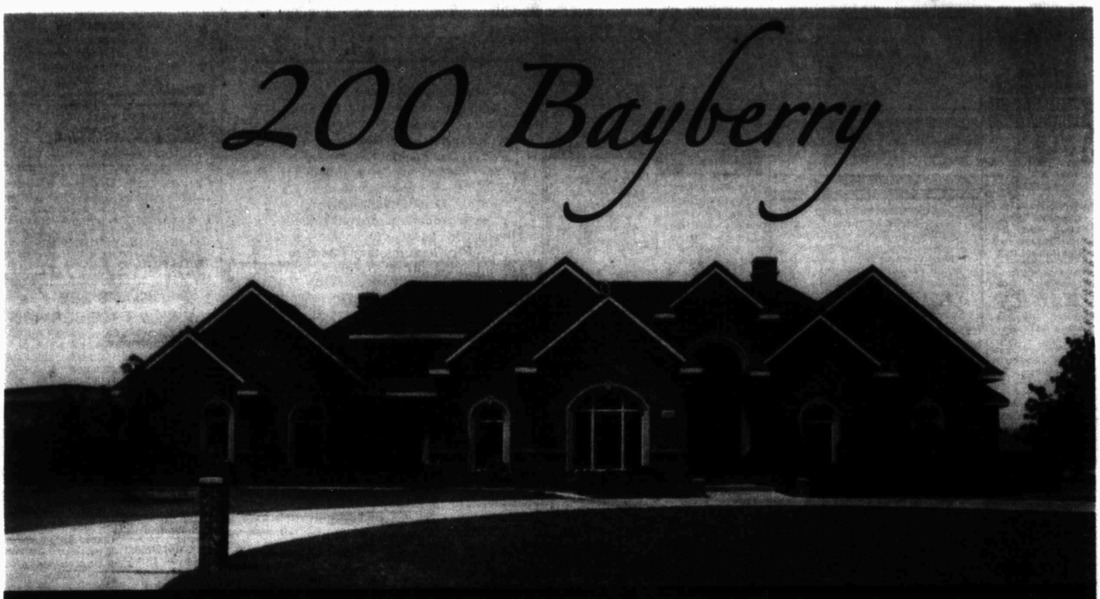

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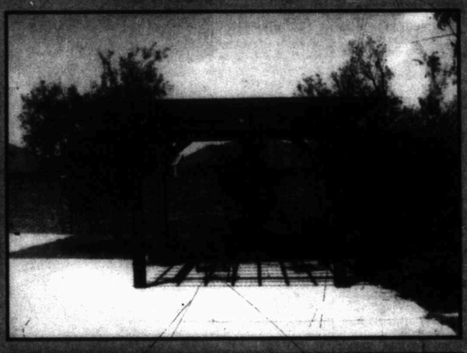

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