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PICKUPS COLLIDE ON 1788; 3 DIE

Mark Sterkel/Odessa American

Texas Department of Public Safety troopers investigate the scene of a two-pickup crash that killed three people Tuesday morning on Farm-to-Market Road 1788.

DPS: 3 oilfield workers die in collision; 1 remains in critical condition

By Tyler White
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Three oilfield workers died and another was in critical condition at Midland Memorial Hospital late Tuesday evening after a two-pickup crash on Farm-to-Market Road 1788, about 6 miles south of Interstate 20, according to Department of Public Safety troopers.

Francisco Alberto Ortega, 26, and Manuel Jesus Loera, 47, both of Odessa, and Joshua Edward Stearns, 27, of New Caney, were pronounced dead at the scene at 7:13 a.m. by Midland County Justice of the Peace David Cobos, according to a press release from Sean Baxter, DPS spokesman.

The fourth worker, Jesus Carballo, 27, of Ehrenberg, Ariz., was transported to

Please see COLLISION/4A

Fatalities on Farm-to-Market Road 1788

Following are other fatal accidents on FM 1788 north and south of Midland International Airport.

■ During the evening hours of Nov. 9, 2011, two people died, including 38-year-old Chris Anthony Bentley, of Midland, when a tractor-trailer T-boned a pickup at the intersection of 1788 and FM 1787.

Department of Public Safety troopers said they thought the tractor-trailer ran the stop sign, causing the collision in the southwest portion of Midland County near the border with Ector County.

■ An 88-year-old man was killed about 7:30 a.m. April 18, 2011, in a two-vehicle crash at the intersection of FM 1788 and Highway 349.

DPS troopers said the man was traveling north on FM 1788 in a pickup and disregarded the stop sign. He was struck by a tractor-trailer flatbed traveling east on Highway 349, authorities said.

DPS did not release the victim's name to the Reporter-Telegram at the time of the accident.

■ A head-on collision left five people dead, including three young children, after the vehicles ignited about 1:30 p.m. Feb. 5, 2011, on FM 1788, about five miles north of Midland in Andrews County.

A car driven by Deborah Beck, of Andrews, was traveling southbound, when it collided with a dump truck. The truck, driven by Edwin Timmer, was heading northbound while towing a trailer containing construction equipment, according to DPS.

Beck was driving with her three grandchildren — 8-year-old Tiffany Klein, 3-year-old Jeremyah Rodriguez and 2-year-old Sebastian Savage — who were all pronounced dead on arrival.

■ Floyd Duncan, 59, was killed on April 21, 2010, when his pickup slammed into a concrete pillar under the overpass of FM 1788 on the Business 20 service road.

LONG LIVE THE KING

BB King and his band perform Tuesday evening at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. The show was sold out.

Photo by Tim Fischer
Reporter-Telegram

MC hires construction manager for dining hall renovation

By Meredith Moriak
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A renovation and expansion of Midland College's Jack E. Brown Dining Hall is set to begin this spring after trustees hired Cooper Construction Co. to serve as the project's construction-manager-at-risk during its meeting Tuesday.

With the addition of Early College High School students to the MC campus, MC President Steve Thomas said more students are eating on campus and additional space is needed. Not only are more tables and chairs included in the renovation plan, but so are expansions to the kitchen and serving areas, adding in space for storage, which Thomas said is paramount.

Cooper Construction was one of eight companies that submitted qualifications to be considered as the project's CMAR and was ranked highest by a panel, said Rick Bender, MC's vice president of Administrative Services.

Cooper Construction will be paid

Please see MC/4A

Hospital: cases of flu-like illness 'above normal'

By Joseph Basco
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Midland Memorial Hospital, much like the rest of the country, recorded elevated flu activity within the past four weeks.

An average of 221.5 people a week visited the hospital's emergency room for influenza-like illnesses (ILI) between Dec. 15 and Friday, and an average of 14 people with the actual flu visited the hospital during this period, according to the data collected by the hospital.

These numbers do not include physicians' offices or walk-in clinics.

Val Sparks, infection preventionist for MMH, said the ILI numbers are above normal.

"(Patients) exhibit coughs, body aches, headaches and such, but they did not test positive for influenza A or B," Sparks said.

The Texas Department of State Health Services, which receives data from MMH and other health agencies across the state, released a report that stated the level of ILI was "high" for the first week of January. There were 2,342 patient visits for ILI.

The report also listed the flu activity level as "widespread," which means more than 50 percent of the state, by geographical area, reported more flu activity than the previous week, according to Chris Van Deusen, spokesperson for DSHS.

Both the flu activity level and the ILI level were at their highest categories, Van Deusen said.

During the first week of January, 24 states reported high ILI activity and 47 states reported widespread geographical influenza activity, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

In Midland, some people with flu-like symptoms have been calling Emergency

Please see FLU/4A

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Gasoline	$3.170 ▲	$0.008

Water usage
On Monday, Midland used
12.5 million gallons
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House plan to defund STAAR might break federal rules

Associated Press

AUSTIN — A Texas House draft budget that would pull funding from statewide standardized tests likely won't be approved, but it's the first time in recent memory lawmakers have tried such a move — and it may even violate federal rules if it ever were to become law.

The proposal also foretells a larger legislative debate brewing on the overall importance of testing in Texas schools.

"I think legislators and the public want to have a broad discussion about testing and this one way to force it," Debbie Ratcliffe, a spokeswoman for the Texas Education Agency, said Tuesday.

The proposed 2014-15 House budget contains nothing but zeros for the standardized test known as the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness, or STAAR. It is designed to be more difficult than previous tests, which has caused uproar in some educational circles since students began taking it last school year.

A preliminary Senate budget, however, lists about $94 million annually for testing.

The two proposals will be merged in coming months, and what the Legislature actually passes will look very different from what has been proposed. Still, Ratcliffe said Texas has been giving standardized tests since 1980, and she couldn't recall a time either chamber had made such a move, even symbolically.

Education Commissioner Michael Williams, the state's top public education official, was briefed on the budget proposals Tuesday but offered no immediate comment. Ratcliffe said, however, that halting exams could have implications for the federal school rating system since No Child Left Behind laws mandate testing in elementary, middle and high school.

The defunding proposal likely is the opening salvo for an issue that may dominate the legislative session. Addressing the House on the opening day of session last week, Speaker Joe Straus said, "to parents and educators concerned about excessive testing — the Texas House has heard you."

"We will continue to hold our schools accountable," Straus said. "But we will also make our accountability and testing system more appropriate, more flexible and more reasonable."

School finance trial shifts focus to efficiency

AUSTIN — The sweeping case challenging how Texas public schools are funded entered a new phase Tuesday, now focusing on efficiency with testimony from a suburban Fort Worth mother who home-schooled her fifth-grader for a year because there was no space at a local charter school.

The case before state District Judge John Dietz focuses on $5.4 billion lawmakers voted to cut from public schools and educational grant programs in 2011.

In the final weeks of the case brought by more than 600 school districts against the state, attorneys are trying to define what qualifies as the most efficient way for Texas to spend money on public schools. They'd like to see more charter schools and reforms that would allow for more competition to prevent public schools from holding what they call a monopoly.

Their opening witness Tuesday was 11-year-old Bo Smedshammer, a sixth-grader at Classics Academy in Arlington, a charter school. Last year, he was homeschooled by his mother, Andrea, while two of his siblings attended the Classics Academy. Smedshammer said he wanted to go to the Classics Academy "because of all the fun things that my brother and sister got to do."

The trial began in October and, until now, most of it has been districts trying to show that lawmakers were not giving them enough money from a broken tax system. However, a group of conservative activists argue that Texas should be getting more bang out of the bucks it is pouring into schools.

One aspect they want to change is removing a current statewide cap that limits the number of charter school licenses issued across Texas at 215 — though operators can run multiple campuses using a single charter license.

Later Tuesday, Paul Hill, founder and now senior staff member at the Center on Re-Inventing Public Education at the University of Washington, said state class-size limits, requirements for teacher certification and salary schedules are not necessarily problematic on their own but combine to restrict public schools' abilities to make the changes that are necessary to improve.

Associated Press

REGIONBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW MEXICO

Governor seeks to end immigrant driver's licenses

SANTA FE — Republican lawmakers gave Gov. Susana Martinez a standing ovation as she renewed her push to stop New Mexico from issuing driver's licenses to illegal immigrants.

Martinez used her state of the state address on Tuesday to ask lawmakers to repeal a 2003 law allowing driver's licenses for illegal immigrants and others without a Social Security number. GOP lawmakers cheered when the governor outlined the proposal.

Democrats have blocked the measure during the past two years. The GOP governor contends it's a public safety risk to issue licenses to illegal immigrants.

Supporters of the licensing law say it deals with the reality that some people working and raising families in New Mexico are illegally in the country, and need to drive to their jobs, as well as take children to school.

NEW MEXICO

Man pleads not guilty in boy's death

LAS CRUCES — A 27-year-old Las Cruces man accused in the 2012 death of a 21-month-old boy has pleaded not guilty to a charge of intentional child abuse resulting in death.

The Las Cruces Sun-News reported that Dustin M. Castillo spoke little during a court proceeding Monday in state District Court.

Castillo told police that Mariano Hernandez's choked on candy as they rode in a car, but physicians concluded that the boy had brain trauma, a skull fracture, a torn lip and numerous bruises.

A subsequent autopsy report by the New Mexico Office of the Medical Investigator determined that the death was homicide.

Castillo was caring for the toddler and the toddler's sibling at the behest of their grandmother. Court documents indicate that the whereabouts of the children's biological parents is unknown.

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Archives moved into new Bush library

Associated Press

DALLAS — The moving-in process is under way at the George W. Bush Library and Museum, where about 43,000 artifacts from the former president's eight years in the White House will be kept and displayed.

The roughly 227,000-square-foot George W. Bush Presidential Center on the campus of Southern Methodist University in Dallas houses the library, museum and Bush's policy institute.

The library, which includes his archives, will hold artifacts including the bullhorn Bush used when he visited ground zero after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and the pistol taken from Saddam Hussein when he was captured.

Bush and his wife, Laura, who earned her bachelor's degree from SMU, live in Dallas. The dedication ceremony for the center will be held April 25, and it will open to the public May 1.

Alan Lowe, director of the library and museum, said that as of Tuesday, the 70 million nonclassified paper records that include memos, letters and reports from Bush's time in office will have been moved from a warehouse in suburban Dallas to the new center.

By the end of next month, all of the artifacts will have been moved to the center. The archives also include gifts sent from the public to the first family, including quilts sent after Sept. 11.

"You can almost read the history of the time by seeing what was important enough for people to send into the president," Lowe said.

Associated Press

Archives Specialist Jodie Steck shows one of about 10,000 large photos that decorated the White House with current events during the George W. Bush administration Monday at the George W. Bush Presidential Library on the Southern Methodist University campus in Dallas.

In addition to the museum's permanent exhibit, temporary exhibits will begin in 2014 to allow the public see more of the vast archives, Lowe said.

After Bush left office in January 2009, he and his wife moved to Dallas. They broke ground on the George W. Bush Presidential Center in November 2010. Last fall, the landscaping was completed on the center's 15-acre park, which will recreate a Texas prairie. The move-in process began in November.

The archives also include more than 200 million emails and more than 4 million photographs There are also about 10,000 large photos that decorated the White House with current events.

STATEBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MCALLEN

3 held for allegedly harboring immigrants

Three men from El Salvador have been charged with harboring illegal immigrants after federal agents found them guarding 50 people in a South Texas mobile home.

A detention hearing is scheduled Thursday in McAllen for Oscar Rosales-Torres, Jose Ferrufino-Cortez and Gustavo de Jesus Vasquez-Nerio. The three defendants, who deny the allegations, made their initial court appearances Monday.

Court documents indicate the trio used a pistol, a machete and a wooden paddle to threaten and intimidate the immigrants from Mexico, Guatemala and El Salvador. Border Patrol agents were led to the McAllen home last Friday by an immigrant who escaped.

AUSTIN

Legislature honors late Sen. Gallegos

Lawmakers are honoring the late state Sen. Mario Gallegos as the Texas Legislature begins business without the Houston Democrat for the first time since 1991.

Family members on Tuesday sat at Gallegos' desk on the Senate floor while colleagues took turns recalling his work as an advocate for education and civil rights. Gallegos died in October from complications related to liver disease.

Democratic Sen. Leticia Van de Putte said Gallegos never cared about "ruffling feathers" to do what's right.

Gallegos ran for re-election last year, and his death came too late to replace him on the ballot. A Jan. 26 special election in Senate District 6 will decide who fills his seat.

AUSTIN

Perry raises $3.5M in late '12; has $6M on-hand

Texas Gov. Rick Perry raised a bit more than $3.5 million between July and December, pushing his campaign cash-on-hand to more than $6 million.

The Republican took office in December 2000 and is the longest serving governor in state history.

But Perry says he won't announce until this summer whether he will seek a fourth full term.

In the meantime, he has remained a prodigious fundraiser, taking in $3,554,046 from June 30 through December 8, 2012. Perry's campaign said Tuesday it now has $6,028,635 in cash on-hand.

Attorney General Greg Abbott, also a Republican, is widely rumored to be mulling a run for governor. His campaign reported raising more than $4.1 million between July 1 and Dec. 31. Abbott now has over an impressive $18 million in cash on-hand.

HOUSTON

Police make arrest in deadly shooting

Houston police have arrested a suspect in a fatal shooting outside a club on New Year's Day.

Police on Tuesday announced 33-year-old Rodrick Odell Williams has been charged with murder. Online jail records did not list an attorney for Williams, who was being held without bond following his Jan. 10 arrest.

He's charged with killing 35-year-old Damon Romel Williams, of Stafford. Police say the two men are not related.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Nathan M. Ballard II, 25, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of failure to register or comply as a sex offender.

Glyndora M. Dupree, 56, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

Rene S. Gonzales, 40, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of delivering or offering a dangerous drug.

Reyne J. James, 29, of Midland, was arrested Monday on charges of burglary of a habitation and tampering or fabricating physical evidence.

Victor Nava Jr., 28, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.

James C. Pendley III, 27, of Stanton, was arrested Monday on two charges of manufacturing or delivering a controlled substance greater than four grams but less than 200 grams.

Brock D. Pittman, 27, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

Fabian Sanchez, 29, of Odessa, was arrested Monday on a third or charge of driving while intoxicated.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Dewhurst downplays budget freeze

Associated Press

Gov. Rick Perry likes bragging that Texas is open for business, but the state budget on the table suggests the trough of taxpayer dollars for private companies may be drying up.

Budget proposals lawmakers laid out this week include no new money for Perry's signature business incentive programs, the Emerging Technology Fund and the Texas Enterprise Fund.

Nor is there money earmarked for the beleaguered Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, which has given about $96 million since 2010 to private startups, in addition to hundreds of millions more for research.

Lawmakers also froze out the tech and enterprise funds in the 2011 session, but did let the programs carry over unused money.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst on Tuesday downplayed the significance of both the House and Senate beginning budget talks this time with no new dollars in the pipeline again.

"I think there's an appetite among our Texas lawmakers to continue to provide the adequate business incentives so that companies continue to locate here and that new technology is delivered," Dewhurst said. "I understand there has been criticism of different programs — some of which I think is unwarranted, and some of which I think could use some more transparency."

CPRIT is taking the brunt of that criticism. The state's once-celebrated $3 billion cancer-fighting agency is at a standstill while prosecutors continue a criminal investigation stemming from an $11 million grant to a biotech startup in 2010.

An internal audit last year revealed the award to Dallas-based Peloton Therapeutics was approved in spite of the company's application bypassing an independent review.

Democratic state Rep. Garnet Coleman, who plans to introduce a bill making changes to CPRIT, said the state has not been getting the bang for its buck when it comes to taxpayer funds given to private companies. The state typically takes an equity position in exchange for its investment.

"If the state is going to act as a venture capitalist, then the people of the state of Texas should get as much back as appropriate," Coleman said.

Perry's tech fund also has come under new scrutiny. It has given more than $194 million since 2005 to private startups with the promise of creating jobs and bringing groundbreaking technologies to the market, but bankruptcies in the fund's portfolio last year raised questions about whether the state was getting a return on its investments.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Community calendar

■ The Midland County Republican Women luncheon will be at 11:30 a.m. today at the Petroleum Club. Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott will be the guest speaker. Go to the Midland County Republican Women's website — www.mcrw.us — for more information.

■ A job fair for people 55 and older is planned for 10 a.m.-3 p.m. today at Workforce Solutions of the Permian Basin, 3510 N. "A" St.

Those attending should inquire about the Experience Works Program. For more information contact Liz Cox at 325-641-1319 or liz_cox@experienceworks.org.

Meetings schedule

Midland County commissioners
4 p.m. Thursday
Midland County Courthouse Auxiliary Courtroom
500 N. Loraine St.
Note: Special meeting announced Tuesday to receive a Criminal Justice Advisory Committee presentation from Carl R. Griffith & Associates, Inc. (For educational purposes only. No voting.)

Lake levels report

Representing totals from mid January 2011-13

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Delivery
(in gallons)
Midland: daily average this week 8.953 million
Midland: daily average last week 8.906 million
Midland: daily average last year 12.464 million
Odessa: daily average this week 12.362 million

Source: Colorado River Municipal Water District

Water tracker

The following is the amount of water delivered to the city of Midland from the Colorado River Municipal Water District and the Paul Davis water fields.
Monday's total: 12,510,000 (all from the CRMWD)
Jan. 7 total: 12,207,000 gallons

Support groups, club meetings today

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

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

Airport boardings decrease

The city of Midland reports a 1.4 percent decrease in airport boardings in December.

The nearly 41,000 boardings was down more than 500 compared to December 2011. During the fiscal year, there is still a 2 percent increase in boardings.

See Sunday's Your City page for the December progress report from Midland International Airport.

Clarifications and corrections

■ The fences planned for a proposed mobile home park are "wrought iron" fences. The website of Freedom Influence, the company applying for the park, incorrectly labeled the fence. Thus, it was misnamed in a Planning and Zoning Commission story in Tuesday's edition.

Also, the commission meetings generally begin at 3:30 p.m and continue until all items have been considered.

■ Tickets for Midland ISD's production of "Annie" are $10 for adults and $5 for students. They will be sold at the door preceeding the performances at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday at Midland High School, 906 W. Illinois Ave. Admission is free for MISD employees with an ID.

■ A story in Tuesday's Education section — "Founder of international nonprofit focused on literacy to speak in Midland" — incorrectly stated the cost to build a Room to Read school in Sri Lanka. The cost to build a school is $35,000.

Happy birthday to you

Ruben Clemence, of Midland, turns 41 today.

Put your birthday/anniversary in the newspaper

If you would like to submit a birthday or anniversary for publication, please the following information to news@mrt.com.

Lottery

Pick 3 day: 2-3-7
Pick 3 night: 9-4-9
Daily 4 day: 2-3-0-5
Daily 4 night: 2-2-5-2
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Mega Millions: 1-6-12-19-41 MB: 14 Megaplier: 4
All or Nothing (morning): 2-6-8-9-10-11-16-17-19-21-22-23
All or Nothing (day): 4-6-8-9-13-14-16-17-19-20-22-23
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Today in history

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 16, the 16th day of 2013. There are 349 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1920, Prohibition began in the United States as the 18th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution took effect, one year to the day after its ratification. (It was later repealed by the 21st Amendment.)

Study finds increase in water used for hydraulic fracturing

By Kate Galbraith
Texas Tribune

A new University of Texas at Austin study has found that the amount of water used in the drilling practice known as hydraulic fracturing has risen sharply in recent years as oil and natural gas production has surged.

But the 97-page study, funded by the Texas Oil and Gas Association, also found that the amount of water used in hydraulic fracturing would level off sometime in the decade starting in 2020, as water recycling technologies matured and the industry's rapid growth rate cooled.

Hydraulic fracturing is a water-intensive practice in which liquids are pumped underground at high pressure to retrieve oil or gas trapped in rocks, like shale.

The Texas Water Development Board circulated the study last week to regional water planning groups around the state. Those groups are preparing the state's next water plan, due in 2017.

The study is an update to a 2011 study that was prepared by UT-Austin's Bureau of Economic Geology using funding from the Water Development Board. This study was also prepared by UT-Austin's Bureau of Economic Geology, but it was funded by the oil and gas association. It is considerably shorter than the earlier study (97 pages vs. 357 pages), but it is more narrowly focused on oil and gas. (The earlier report did further analysis of other water-intensive activities in the mining sector, such as coal mining.)

Dan Hardin, the Water Development Board official who circulated the study to regional water-planning groups, said the board had not funded the updated study because of financial constraints. "Because of our budgetary situation, we did not have the funds available to commit to it at the time," he said. However, the board agreed with the methodology of the study, he said.

Jean-Philippe Nicot, a research scientist with the Bureau of Economic Geology who served as the lead author of the study, said oil and gas association funding had not constrained his work. In fact, he said it had resulted in better industry cooperation than the 2011 study, which he had also worked on.

"I must say, they let me do my work, no problem," he said.

The new study, which cost $95,000, according to the oil and gas association, "doesn't change the high-level picture" of the use of water for hydraulic fracturing, according to Nicot. It found that total water use for hydraulic fracturing in Texas rose by about 125 percent, from 36,000 acre-feet in 2008 to about 81,500 acre-feet in 2011. (For comparison, the city of Austin used about 107,000 acre-feet of water in 2011.). About one-fifth of the current total comes from recycled or brackish water, a category that has been growing.

"We are using more and more brackish water, and reuse or recycled water, and we think that is all positive," said CJ Tredway, a consultant with the oil and gas association on water issues.

Nicot said that using brackish or recycled water was more expensive for the industry, but in some dry areas drillers had no choice.

In the Permian Basin, for example, "there is not much fresh water," he said. "There is a lot of brackish water." The study found that about one-third of the water used in hydraulic fracturing in the Midland area was brackish.

The total amount of water used in hydraulic fracturing in Texas is expected to level off in the 2020 decade at about 125,000 acre-feet, per year, the report states. Nicot predicted that water-recycling technologies pioneered in the Pennsylvania drilling area known as the Marcellus Shale would become more cost-effective and make their way to Texas.

Oil and gas account for less than 1 percent of the state's total water use, according to the report. Hardin of the Water Development Board agreed with that figure, though usage for the mining sector as a whole [which includes coal and other types of mining] is 1 percent to 2 percent, he said.

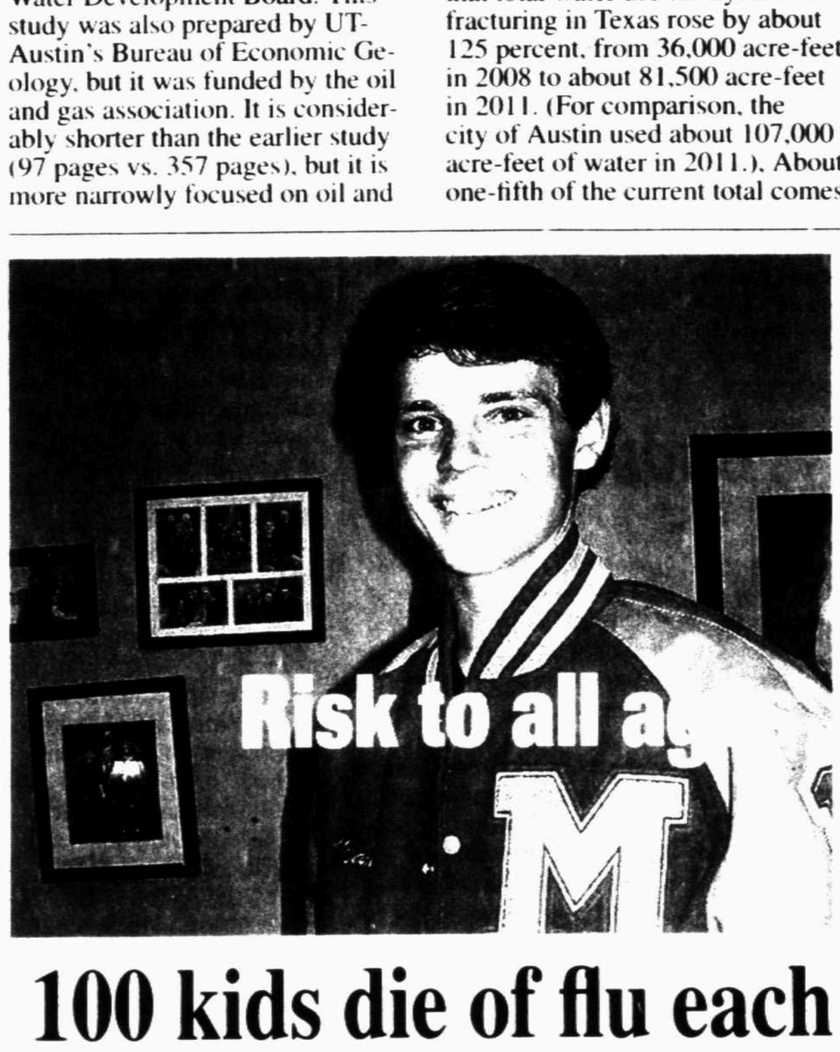
However, water use for hydraulic fracturing in drilling-intensive rural counties can be high. The 2011 study mentioned that in Dimmit, Webb and LaSalle counties — all in the Eagle Ford Shale — more than 50 percent of total water use comes from the broad category of mining. (Mining would mostly consist of hydraulic fracturing, in this instance.) The current study did not contain such estimates, though clearly water usage in heavily drilled counties remains significant.

Cyrus Reed, acting director of the Lone Star Chapter of the Sierra Club, said that high water use by the oil and gas industry in West and South Texas remained a concern. He said he viewed the report as a useful planning document, but more study needed to be done.

"While Sierra Club believes this more accurate look at oil and gas water use, based in large part on actual water use from an industry database and interviews with individual companies, is a great first step, we continue to support a more robust requirement that the Railroad Commission, which regulates oil and gas in Texas, both collect and aggregate water use data for the regional water planning process," he said in an email.

Nicot said that given the fast-changing nature of technology and the resurgence of drilling, he hoped to continue doing updated studies.

"I think we need to do an update fairly frequently, at least every other year, because the industry is evolving very fast," he said.



This undated photo provided by the family shows Max Schwolert. The 6-foot-4, 17-year-old Texas high school senior grew sick in Wisconsin while visiting his grandparents for the holidays. Max felt fluish on Christmas Eve, seemed better the next morning but grew worse that night. The family decided to postpone the drive home and took him to a local hospital. He was transferred to a medical center in St. Paul, Minn., where he died on Dec. 29.

100 kids die of flu each year

By Mike Stobbe
Associated Press

NEW YORK — How bad is this flu season, exactly? Look to the children.

Twenty flu-related deaths have been reported in kids so far this winter, one of the worst tolls this early in the year since the government started keeping track in 2004.

But while such a tally is tragic, that does not mean this year will turn out to be unusually bad. Roughly 100 children die in an average flu season, and it's not yet clear the nation will reach that total.

The deaths this year have included a 6-year-old girl in Maine, a 15-year Michigan student who loved robotics, and 6-foot-4 Texas high school senior Max Schwolert, who grew sick in Wisconsin while visiting his grandparents for the holidays.

"He was kind of a gentle giant" whose death has had a huge impact on his hometown of Flower Mound, said Phil Schwolert, the Texas boy's uncle.

Health officials only started tracking pediatric flu deaths nine years ago, after media reports called attention to children's deaths. That was in 2003-04 when the primary flu germ was the same dangerous flu bug as the one dominating this year. It also was an earlier than normal flu season.

The government ultimately received reports of 153 flu-related deaths in children, from 40 states, and most of them had occurred by the beginning of January. But the reporting was scattershot. So in October 2004, the government started requiring all states to report flu-related deaths in kids.

Other things changed, most notably a broad expansion of who should get flu shots. During the terrible 2003-04 season, flu shots were only advised for children ages 6 months to 2 years.

That didn't help 4-year-old Amanda Kanowitz, who one day in late February 2004 came home from preschool with a cough and died less than three days later. Amanda was found dead in her bed that terrible Monday morning, by her mother.

"The worst day of our lives," said her father, Richard Kanowitz, a Manhattan attorney who went on to found a vaccine-promoting group called Families Fighting Flu.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention gradually expanded its flu shot guidance, and by 2008 all kids 6 months and older were urged to get the vaccine. As a result, the vaccination rate for kids grew from under 10 percent back then to around 40 percent today.

Flu vaccine is also much more plentiful. Roughly 130 million doses have been distributed this season, compared to 83 million back then. Public education seems to be better, too, Kanowitz observed.

The last unusually bad flu season for children, was 2009-10 — the year of the new swine flu, which hit young people especially hard. As of early January 2010, 236 flu-related deaths of kids had been reported since the previous August.

It's been difficult to compare the current flu season to those of other winters because this one started about a month earlier than usual.

Look at it this way: The nation is currently about five weeks into flu season, as measured by the first time flu case reports cross above a certain threshold. Two years ago, the nation wasn't five weeks into its flu season until early February, and at that point there were 30 pediatric flu deaths — or 10 more than have been reported at about the same point this year. That suggests that when the dust settles, this season may not be as bad as the one only two years ago.

But for some families, it will be remembered as the worst ever.

In Maine, 6-year-old Avery Lane — a first-grader in Benton who had recently received student-of-the-week honors — died in December following a case of the flu, according to press reports. She was Maine's first pediatric flu death in about two years, a Maine health official said.

And in Texas, the town of Flower Mound mourned Schwolert, a healthy, lanky 17-year-old who loved to golf and taught Sunday school at the church where his father was a youth pastor.

Late last month, he and his family drove 16 hours to spend the holidays with his grandparents in Amery, Wis., a small town near the Minnesota state line. Max felt fluish on Christmas Eve, seemed better the next morning but grew worse that night. The family decided to postpone the drive home and took him to a local hospital. He was transferred to a medical center in St. Paul, Minn., where he died on Dec. 29.

He'd been accepted to Oklahoma State University before the Christmas trip. And an acceptance letter from the University of Minnesota arrived in Texas while Max was sick in Minnesota, his uncle said.

Nearly 1,400 people attended a memorial service for Max two weeks ago in Texas.

"He exuded care and love for other people," Phil Schwolert said.

"The bottom line is take care of your kids, be close to your kids," he said.

On average, an estimated 24,000 Americans die each flu season, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

MPD seeks missing man with Alzheimer's

From staff reports

Midland police are looking for a Midland man with Alzheimer's disease who does not speak English.

Jose Borunda, 80, was last seen Tuesday at about 8 p.m. wearing a white cowboy hat, blue jeans and jacket, and brown shoes. He was walking west on Neely Avenue from the Ashton Way Apartments. He is a 5-foot-9 Hispanic male weighing between 160 and 170 pounds, according to a press release by the city's public information officer.

If located, please contact the Midland Police Department at 685-7111.

COLLISION

From 1A

MMH with serious internal injuries and is in critical condition, according to hosptial officials.

Ortega was driving a tan pickup — in which Stearns and Carballo were passengers — south on 1788 when he tried to pass a vehicle in front of him, Baxter said. He crossed into the northbound lane and collided, almost head-on, with an oil company welding truck driven by Loera, Baxter said.

Both vehicles came to rest in the east ditch of 1788.

DPS Cpl. Chad Matlock, investigating officer, said he determined through witness testimony that Ortega attempted to pass an oncoming vehicle on 1788.

Ortega, Loera and Carballo were wearing seat belts but Stearns was not, Baxter said.

This crash brings to five the number of traffic fatalities on area roads so far this year.

Motorcyclist Jesse Kinsey, 23, of Midland, was traveling southbound on Midland Drive on Friday evening when he hit a northbound pickup. He died at the scene, according to Sara Higgins, city public information officer.

A San Antonio man, Lance Howard Schneider, 50, died Jan. 8 when the pickup he was driving side-swiped a semi-tractor trailer on Tom and Nadine Craddick Highway, 0.6 miles west of State Highway 349.

Pickup passenger Dannie Schlag, 22, of Atascoa, was transported to MMH, according to a DPS trooper. He was treated and released.

FLU

From 1A

Management Services (EMS) for assistance.

John Hamilton, quality assurance coordinator for the Midland Fire Department, said between five to 10 calls are received daily from people reportedly having flu-like symptoms. He said that not every flu case needs a 911 call.

"A lot depends on the patients if they go to the emergency room," Hamilton said. "We look at their overall health. By and large, the flu is dangerous to children and the elderly."

Sparks said the hospital's ER has been busy because of flu activity.

"Do not go to the ER," she said.

Instead, people with flu-like symptoms should go to a primary care physician or stay home until the fever is gone for at least 48 hours, Sparks said.

She said the hospital does not provide flu vaccines to the public.

MC

From 1A

a preconstruction phase services fee of $15,000 and a construction phase services fee of 3 percent of the total project. Based on current estimates projected by Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, the architectural firm hired to work on the project, trustees expect to pay Cooper Construction roughly $191,410.

In addition to hiring Cooper, trustees heard from PSC Principal Dan Hart regarding the architectural designs for the building's renovations and additions.

The base project cost is estimated at $1.88 million and would pay for kitchen and serving area renovations and expansions that ultimately would provide more storage space. When complete, the serving area would include a hot food bar, salad bar, dessert bar, breakfast bar, sub sandwich station, a pizzaria and grill, Hart said.

Additionally, to prevent a traffic jam in the serving area, the beverage area will be moved out of the serving area to the north where doors are currently located, Hart said.

"We are attempting to re-utilize as much equipment as possible to be good stewards of the funding," Hart said.

Adding 90 seats, which would expand the dining hall's capacity from 240 to 330, would cost an additional $761,371, Hart said. These seats would be on the south side of the cafeteria, and a new entryway would be constructed.

In addition to expanding the seating in the dining hall, the Foundation Room, typically used for meetings and other community events, will be expanded by 50 percent, Hart said.

Items considered additions to the base dining hall package include a $92,335 outdoor seating area under a shaded trellis and $88,500 for a fence and landscaping around the outdoor area, Hart said.

"Adding outdoor seating is one way to increase capacity for the dining hall without having to build a whole building," Hart said.

The proposal includes $121,481 for tiling the entire facility with Fritz tile, Hart said.

PSC estimates the project could cost $2.94 million, which Bender and Thomas said is possible given the college's current budget.

Prices presented to the board Tuesday are PSC's estimates and not true project costs. Cooper Construction will bid the projects and present them to the board for approval at the Feb. 12 meeting.

GUN CONTROL

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW YORK

State passes 1st gun law since massacre

ALBANY — Jumping out ahead of Washington, New York state enacted the nation's toughest gun restrictions Tuesday and the first since the Connecticut school massacre, including an expanded assault-weapon ban and background checks for buying ammunition.

Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed the measure into law less than an hour after it won final passage in the Legislature, with supporters hailing it as a model for the nation and gun-rights activists condemning it as a knee-jerk piece of legislation that won't make anyone safer and is too extreme to win support in the rest of the country.

Owners of an estimated 1 million previously legal semiautomatic rifles, such as the Bushmaster model used to kill 20 children and six adults in Newtown, Conn., a month ago, will be allowed to keep their weapons but will have a year to register them with police. The sale of any more such weapons is prohibited.

In a statement, the National Rifle Association said: "These gun control schemes have failed in the past and will have no impact on public safety and crime."

"While lawmakers could have taken a step toward strengthening mental health reporting and focusing on criminals, they opted for trampling the rights of law-abiding gun owners in New York, and they did it under a veil of secrecy in the dark of night," the NRA said.

WASHINGTON

Obama weighs executive action on guns

Facing powerful opposition to sweeping gun regulations, President Barack Obama is weighing 19 steps he could take through executive action alone, congressional officials said. But the scope of such measures is limited.

The steps could include ordering stricter action against people who lie on gun sale background checks, seeking to ensure more complete records in the federal background check database, striking limits on federal research into gun use, ordering tougher penalties against gun trafficking, and giving schools flexibility to use grant money to improve safety.

Obama will unveil his proposals today, barely over a month since the massacre of 20 children and six adults at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn., thrust the gun issue into the national spotlight after years of inaction by Obama and lawmakers.

The White House said Obama and Vice President Joe Biden will be joined at Wednesday's announcement by children who wrote the president letters after the Newtown shooting. Supportive lawmakers and advocacy groups are also expected to attend.

Obama is vowing not to back off his support for sweeping gun legislation that would require congressional backing — including banning assault weapons, limiting the capacity of ammunition magazines and instituting universal background checks — despite opposition from the influential gun lobby.

"Will all of them get through this Congress? I don't know," Obama said at a news conference Monday.

Restricted guns legally sold in Texas

By Dane Schiller
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — In a heavily guarded store just southwest of Houston, twin .50-caliber "Ma Deuce" machine guns rise up side by side from a mount that could be bolted to the deck of a warship or truck bed. The guns can fire about 1,200 rounds a minute and take down a plane.

The price tag reads $75,000.

They are among an arsenal of "restricted" or Class 3 weapons, all legal and for sale at Houston Armory, a company that caters to the elite of the gun world and specializes in machine guns, silencers and other weapons required to be registered with the U.S. government.

A few feet away is a fully operational M-60 machine gun, similar to the one carried by "Rambo" through the jungle. There also is a pristine-condition Tommy gun modeled like those used in the Al Capone days.

About 28,690 machine guns are legally owned and registered in Texas, according to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. That includes thousands of such guns believed to be in Harris County and the surrounding area and owned by private citizens, as well as corporations and police departments.

The weapons are cherished by enthusiasts, collectors and investors who can own them and use them if they are willing to wait and pay. A fully automatic 12-gauge shotgun goes for $150,000 — the price of a house or high-end sports car.

What would a wealthy, law-abiding person do with a pair of machine guns worthy of a frigate?

"It is a trophy, a piece of artwork. Why do you want a Mona Lisa?" said Cris Parsons, general manager of Houston Armory. "People get off on having things others don't have.

"Odds are that the CEO of a major corporation will buy this," said Parsons, who has fired the guns and can imagine them perched as a centerpiece at a hunting lodge.

Despite the discomfort some might have over private citizens owning guns that were made for soldiers, law enforcement authorities say they can't point to a specific instance in which a legally registered machine gun was used by a private citizen to commit a violent crime.

The weapons used in Connecticut, at Sandy Hook Elementary School, and in Colorado, at an Aurora movie theater, for example, were lesser weapons, semi-automatics that are quickly and more easily purchased at sporting-goods stores, whereas obtaining a license for a machine gun takes six months.

Larry Karson, an assistant professor of criminal justice at the University of Houston-Downtown and a retired federal agent, said regulations and culture surrounding fully automatic weapons are an example of successful gun control, with respect to safety.

"You haven't had any violations of consequence to make it a front-page story to change the law," he said, adding that the government can confirm the whereabouts and ownership of machine guns through a home visit, if needed.

"A gun dealer who handles these types of weapons is as concerned about the safety of a community as any law-enforcement officer," he said.

The number of such guns was limited after President Ronald Reagan signed a law stipulating no more new machine guns, starting in 1986, could be produced for civilian ownership. The move was born from a 1934 law that first required machine guns be registered with the government and established a $200 tax. The restriction was meant to rein in Tommy guns from the gangster days.

The tax was a purposely stifling amount back in the day but remains the same even now, although if it were adjusted for inflation, it would equate to $3,436, today, according to the Department of Labor.

Every year, there are slightly fewer guns circulating, so their price climbs and with time, more collectors seek them. The price of an M-16 before 1986 cost about $800, and now goes for about $20,000.

ATF spokeswoman Ginger Colbrun said the agency keeps track of machine-gun owners, but the exact number of civilians in the Houston region who own them was not readily available.

Requirements are about the same as buying a regular gun. Owners generally cannot be felons, must be a U.S. citizen or legally residing in the United States and must promise to keep the gun properly secured.

They also have to provide to authorities the exact address of the guns' owner and be amenable to in-person visits by inspectors. The six-month waiting period is also seen as a possible deterrent to criminals.

A Department of Justice-issued application states that the "chief law-enforcement officer" in the community where an individual gun owner lives must sign a form to confirm he or she has been advised the gun will be in their area and that they have no objection.

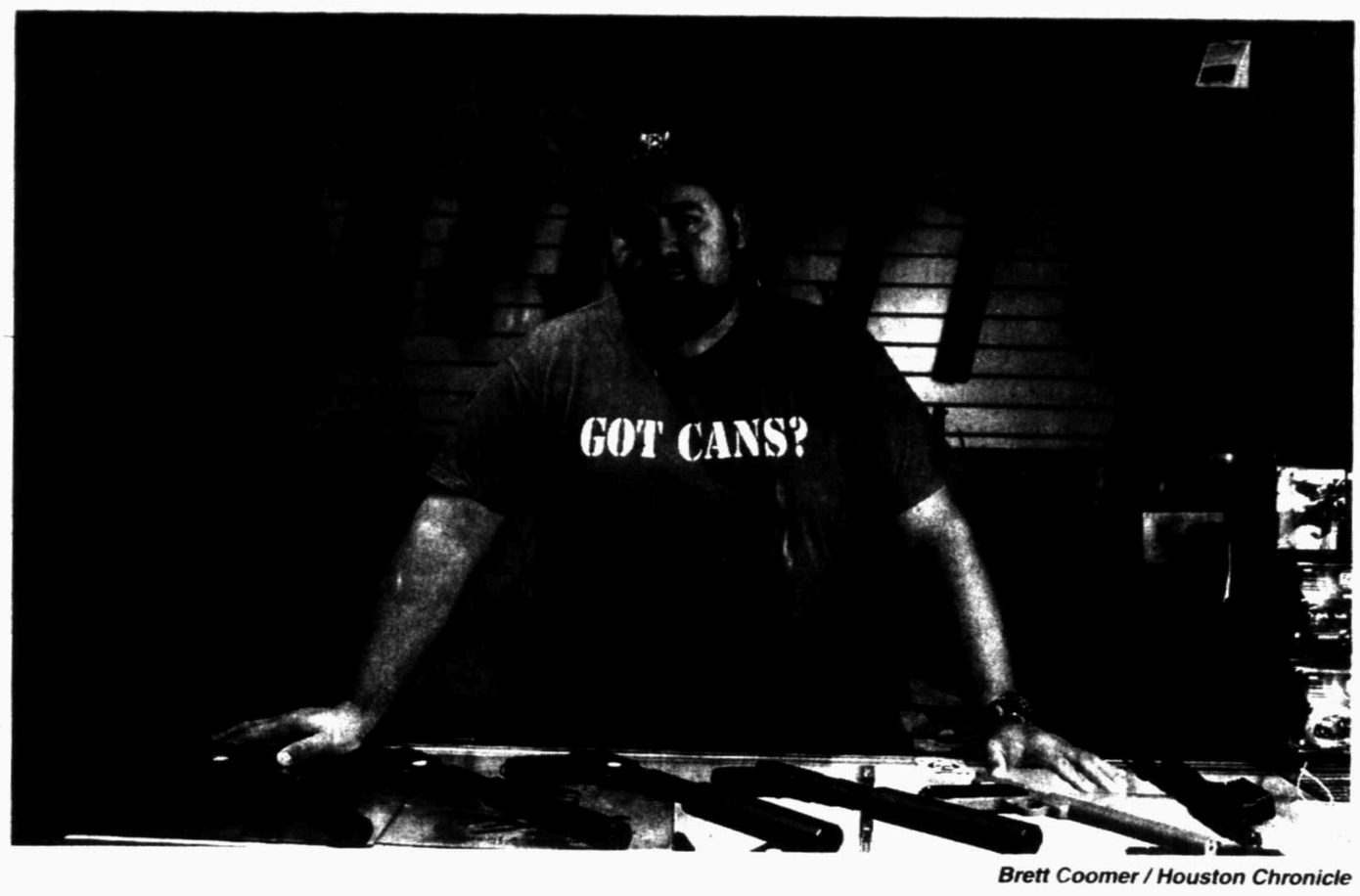
Authorities have witnessed the wrath of machine guns in the wrong hands. In an especially infamous 1997 attempt to rob a bank in North Hollywood, Calif., two men in full body armor sprayed bullets at police while using illegal machine guns.

In 2005, five machine guns were stolen from an unlocked vehicle belonging to a gun dealer in The Woodlands who had been at the shooting range and left them when he parked in front of his home. They were later found.

Houston Armory founder Bill Pace said he and other dealers were outraged by the carelessness.

"Any sane person would not try it," he said of potential attackers.

He added, "We observe everyone, and if we don't feel comfortable with the transaction, we won't do business with them."

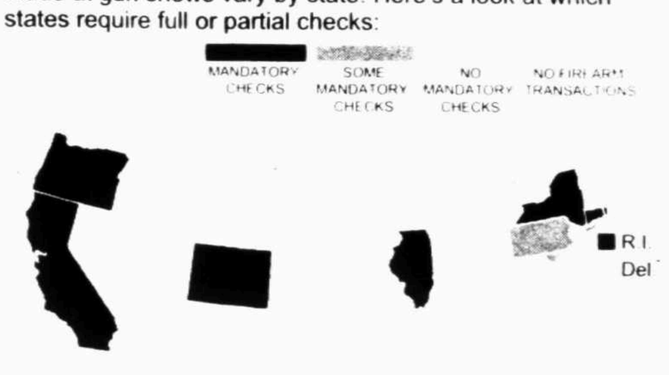


Brett Coomer / Houston Chronicle

Cris Parsons poses with various weapons for sale at Houston Armory on Tuesday in Stafford. Houston Armory buys, sells and manufactures weapons permitted and strictly controlled by the U.S. government.

Gun show laws

Laws requiring background checks for firearm purchases made at gun shows vary by state. Here's a look at which states require full or partial checks:



Travis County commissioners vote down ban of gun shows

AUSTIN — County commissioners have voted down a proposed ban on gun shows at facilities in the county where the Texas capital is situated.

Travis County commissioners voted unanimously Tuesday to honor uphold an existing contract with Saxet Gun Shows. Saxet plans nine gun shows over the next 13 months at the county exposition center in northeastern Austin.

The vote came after an hourlong closed-door discussion by the commissioners a week after County Judge Sam Biscoe proposed the ban. Biscoe is Travis County's top executive.

The proposal had drawn a threat from Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott of "a double-barreled lawsuit" against the county and the city of Austin if they imposed such bans.

Recent news reports suggest Abbott, a Republican, may be a candidate for governor next year.

Associated Press

Your view

Facebook.com/TheReporterTelegram

Do you think these types of guns should be sold to private citizens in Texas?

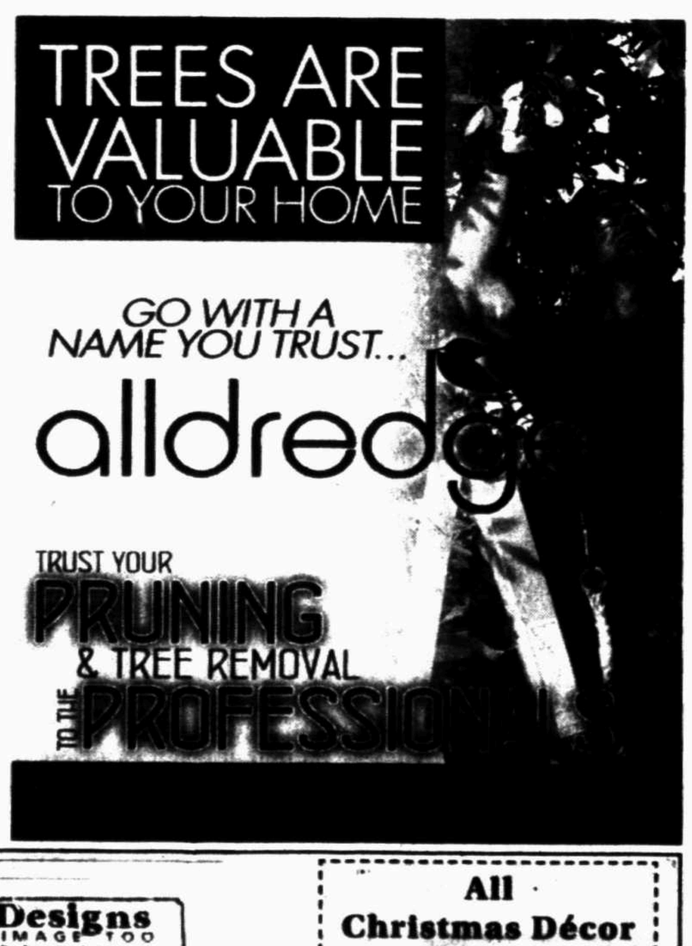
Yes. Last time a MA Duce was used in a crime...ummmm... never.
Spencer Bennett

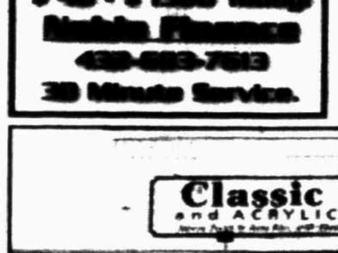
WHY? mabe a collector, or a museum. This is not a hunting rifle, you would have no meat left.
John Miller

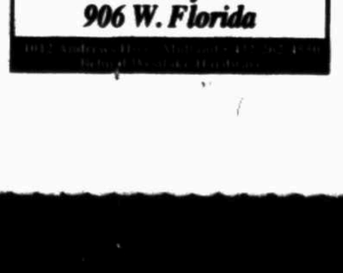
no. no need for an individual to have one of these. they serve no practical or legal purpose.
Jeremy Lukas

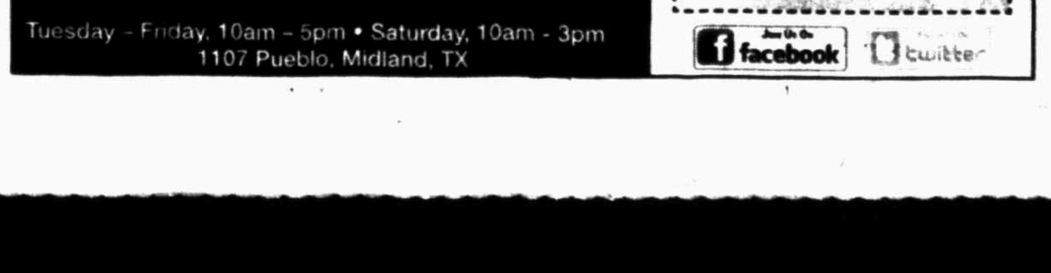
It's a Title III shop. The NFA has been in place since before the second world war and the registration of automatic weapons is doing fine. Ever seen any crimes perpetrated with legally-acquired assault weapons? Of course not. This is not an issue, or shouldn't be. I'd like to see gun people talking shop about guns again instead of everybody running around freaking out and making hardline opinions out of things they've learned from movies and video games.
Matt Roach

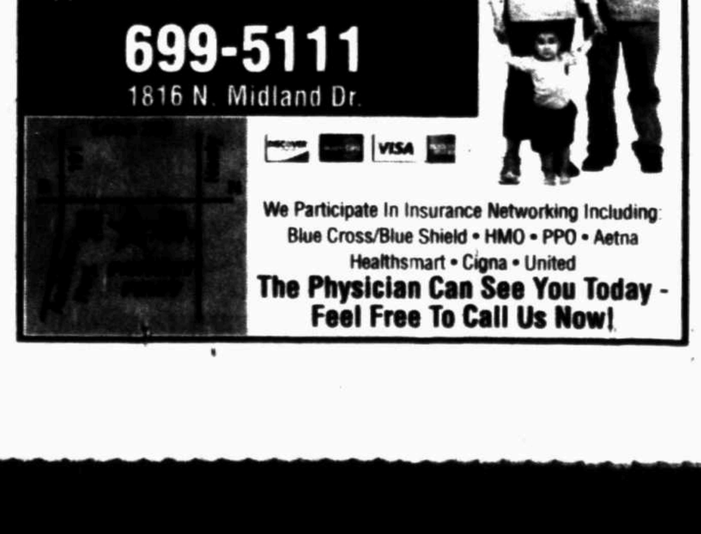
For those of you who said NO. You are ignorant of what the purpose of the 2nd Amendment is for. It is the Citizenry's last recourse to deal with a tyrannical government. We (law-abiding) Americans should be able to purchase ANY firearm we want and we deem necessary to ensure our freedom up to and including EVERY firearm that equips those in government...if taken to it's logical conclusion. Your fear is irrational.
Spencer Bennett











OPINION

Today's gun debate demands look at history

■ Big part of the argument depends on who is holding the gun.

KATHLEEN PARKER
Washington Post Writers Group

Unlike many who recently have joined the debate about gun rights, I have a long history with guns, which I proffer only in the interest of pre-empting the "elitist, liberal, swine, prostitute, blahblahblah" charge.

I grew up in a home with guns, lots of them, and was taught early how to shoot, care for firearms and treat them respectfully. My father's rules were simple: Never point a gun at someone unless you intend to shoot them; if you intend to shoot, aim to kill.

Dear ol' dad was a law-and-order guy — a lawyer, judge and World War II veteran who did everything by the book -- except when it came to guns. Most memorable among his many lectures was a confidence: "There is only one law in the land that I would break," he told me. "I will never register my guns."

I suppose if he hadn't also opposed bumper stickers, he might have attached the one about "cold dead fingers" to his fender. He also might have liked a slogan I read recently: "With guns, we are citizens; without them, we are subjects."

By today's standards my father would be considered a gun nut, but his sentiments were understandable in the context of his time. Like others of his generation, he had witnessed Germany's disarming of its citizenry and the consequences thereafter. Thus, the slippery slope of which gun rights advocates speak is not without precedent or reason.

But the history of gun control laws is not without contradictions and ironies that belie the current insistence that guns-without-controls is the *ipso facto* of originalist America. In fact, the federal government of our Founders made gun ownership mandatory for white males, while denying others — slaves and later freedmen — the privilege.

Today, the most vociferous defenders of gun rights tend to be white, rural males who oppose any regulation. But theirs was once the ardently held position of radical African-Americans. Notably, in the 1960s, Black Panthers Bobby Seale and Huey Newton toted guns wherever they went to make a point: Blacks needed guns to protect themselves in a country that wasn't quite ready to enforce civil rights.

In one remarkable incident in May 1967, as recounted in The Atlantic by UCLA law professor Adam Winkler, 24 men and six women, all armed, ascended the California capitol steps, read a proclamation about gun rights and proceeded inside — *with* their guns, which was legal at the time.

Needless to say, conservatives, including then-Gov. Ronald Reagan, were suddenly very, very interested in gun control. That afternoon, Reagan told reporters there was "no reason why on the street today a citizen should be carrying loaded weapons."

The degree of one's allegiance to principle apparently depends mainly on who is holding the gun.

While black activists were adamant about their right to protect themselves, the National Rifle Association wasn't much interested in the constitutional question until the mid-'70s when an organizational split produced a new leader, Harlon Carter, who was dedicated to advocacy and determined to dig a deep line in the Beltway sand.

The Second Amendment debate about what the Founders intended was clarified in 2008 when the U.S. Supreme Court in District of Columbia v. Heller determined that the right of the people to keep and bear arms included individuals, not just a "well-regulated militia." However, as Winkler pointed out, Justice Antonin Scalia's opinion left wiggle room for exceptions, including prohibitions related to felons and the mentally ill. Scalia was not casting doubt, the justice wrote, on "laws imposing conditions and qualifications on the commercial sale of arms."

This still leaves open the loophole of private sales that do not require background checks, which President Barack Obama wants to close. We will hear more about this in coming weeks, but the call meanwhile to ban assault weapons or limit magazines in the wake of the horrific mass murder of children and others at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Connecticut is hardly draconian. It won't solve the problem of mentally disturbed people exacting weird justice from innocents, but it might limit the toll. Having to stop one's rampage to reload rather breaks the spell, or so one would imagine.

One also imagines that the old Reagan would say there's no reason a citizen needs an assault weapon or a magazine that can destroy dozens of people in minutes. He would certainly be correct and, in a sane world, possibly even electable.

OUR VIEW

Funding for water problems is just getting started

One of the real lessons of politics the average citizen quickly learns is that nothing much gets done until push comes to shove.

We may be experiencing that here in Texas where the state's leaders are getting serious about funding the State Water Plan. Gov. Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and House Speaker Joe Straus have proclaimed their support for a new $2 billion fund to finance water projects.

This is certainly top-heavy support coming out of Austin, but it comes only after the state experienced its hottest year on record and the worst one-year drought in the state's history. It's our guess that the pushing is over as we begin the shoving phase on Texas' water supply.

We've been talking for years about how water was going to be a vital issue if Texas continues to expand and grow. What most people don't realize is the ultimate price tag Texans will bear if we meet our water needs. It's a staggering sum to consider when placed beside all the other budget needs of the state.

The $2 billion being talked about is just a "drop in the bucket," according to the Associated Press, which reports the state as a whole — including local governments — needs to spend $263 billion on water projects through 2060.

The Texas Water Development Board drafts the State Water Plan every five years, and as early as 1990 warned that the state must make significant new investments in water capture, treatment and conservation to meet the needs of a rapidly growing population.

It's safe to say that Texas has avoided the water issue about as long as it can. We've also felt the impact of this problem in the Permian Basin, forcing our local governments to pour millions of dollars into water projects while securing available water resources.

The proposed $2 billion investment from the state will come from its rainy day fund, which now has about $11 billion in it. The fund is now being eyed by a lot of the state's lawmakers as a source of revenue for pet projects.

However, if we used the entire state surplus for water projects through 2060, we still won't have enough money to properly fund the full implementation of the State Water Plan. The state will have to find further funding, meaning there will be a lot more pushing and shoving going on before these water problems are behind us.

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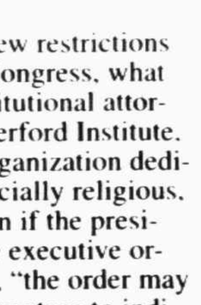

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If laws were enough to deter criminal behavior prisons would be empty. The latest effort to "control" guns in America is as likely to deter someone intent on breaking the law as outlawing lust would affect one's libido. What's in a heart can't be controlled by restricting what's in a hand.

Following the Newtown tragedy, President Barack Obama vowed to seek the passage of an assault weapons ban and hastily assembled an administration-wide gun control task force, an effort that amounts to little more than a political act designed to impress what Rush Limbaugh calls "low-information voters." Government must be seen doing something to keep mad men from shooting children and moviegoers, even if that something will likely prove ineffective.

"Where there's a will, there's a way," the proverb goes, and someone who has the will to kill with a gun is going to find a way (and a gun) no matter how many laws are passed. Consider Chicago where numerous anti-gun laws appear to have done little to stop gun deaths.

Obama put Vice President Joe Biden in charge of the task force. Biden calls his gun control effort a "moral issue." Does Biden suffer from selective morality? For him, same-sex marriage and abortion don't appear to be moral issue$, as they are for his Catholic church, but gun control is.

The loss of liberty always begins at the extremes, but it won't stop there. Radicals won't be satisfied with outlawing one type of gun. In 1995, Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) told "60 Minutes," "If I could have gotten 51 votes in the Senate of the United States, for an outright ban, picking up (every gun) ... Mr. and Mrs. America, turn 'em all in. I would have done it..." In 2004, when he was an Illinois state senator, Obama voted against a bill that affirms the right of citizens to defend themselves against home invasions. The bill ultimately passed.

The Sandy Hook shooter reportedly stopped killing children and killed himself when law enforcement officers arrived on the scene. This contains no lesson for the gun control crowd, which mostly opposes armed guards in schools. Neither does it matter to them that recently a Georgia woman, Melinda Herman, shot an intruder when police couldn't get to her home quickly enough, thus defending her life and the lives of her two children. To gun control advocates, guns decide whether they are used for good or evil, not the people who fire them.

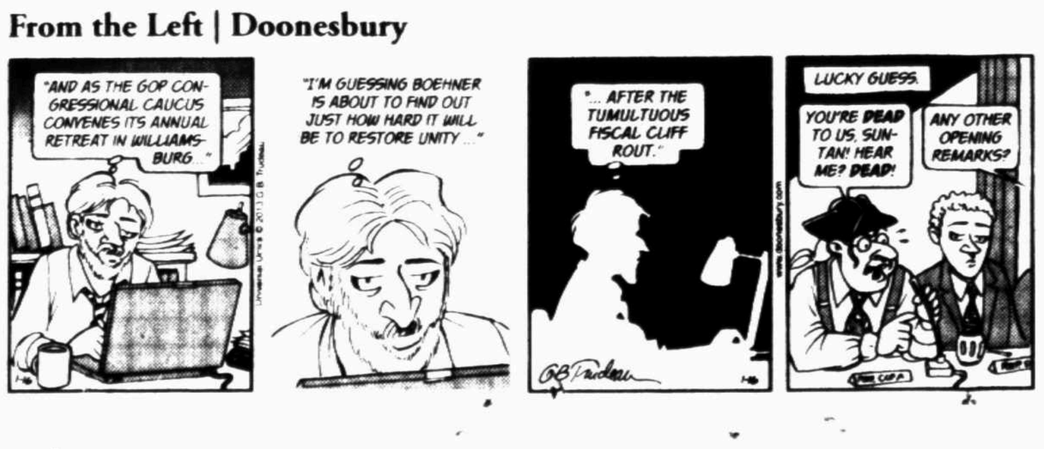
If Obama attempts to impose new restrictions on guns by executive order, not Congress, what can individuals do? I asked constitutional attorney John Whitehead of The Rutherford Institute, "a nonprofit conservative legal organization dedicated to the defense of civil, especially religious, liberties and human rights." "Even if the president has the authority to issue the executive order," Whitehead replied by email, "the order may not violate the Constitution's guarantees to individual liberty. If the order resulted in restrictions on gun ownership or possession that go beyond what is allowed under the Second Amendment, individuals who are harmed by the order could sue to have the order declared unconstitutional."

We need to hear more stories of how law-abiding gun owners have managed to thwart criminals. As the predictable assault of anti-gun TV ads begins, the National Rifle Association should create its own ads with gun owners telling their stories of self-defense and crime prevention.

You know rational thinking is lacking when Pravda, Russia's communist political newspaper, makes sense. In a recent article, Stanislav Mishin writes that after the Bolsheviks seized Moscow in 1917, they promised to leave alone the well-armed citizens if they did not interfere. "They did not and for that were asked afterwards, to come register themselves and their weapons, whereupon they were promptly shot," writes Mishin,.

The Second Amendment was written to protect citizens from tyrannical government and to preserve our liberties. It's not primarily for the protection of hunters and target shooters, though they are included. Those politicians who wish to ignore the Constitution are the ones who need to be controlled, not law-abiding gun owners.

From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore

House approves $50.7 billion in Sandy aid

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — More than 10 weeks after Superstorm Sandy brutalized parts of the heavily populated Northeast, the House approved $50.7 billion in emergency relief for the victims Tuesday night as Republican leaders struggled to close out an episode that exposed painful party divisions inside Congress and out.

The vote was 241-180, and officials said the Senate was likely to accept the measure early next week and send it to President Barack Obama for his signature. Democrats supported the aid in large numbers, while majority Republicans opposed it by a lopsided margin.

Democrats were more politically pointed as they brushed back Southern conservatives who sought either to reduce the measure or offset part of its cost through spending cuts elsewhere in the budget.

"I just plead with my colleagues not to have a double standard," said Rep. Carolyn Maloney of New York. "Not to vote tornado relief to Alabama, to Louisiana, to Mississippi, Missouri, to — with Ike, Gustav, Katrina, Rita — but when it comes to the Northeast, with the second worst storm in the history of our country, to delay, delay, delay."

One key vote came on an attempt by Rep. Rodney Freylinghuysen to add $33.7 billion to an original allotment of $17 billion in aid. That roll call was 228-192 and Democrats broke 190-2 in favor, while Republicans opposed it overwhelmingly, 190-38.

Similarly, on final passage, 192 Democrats joined 49 Republicans in support. Opposed were 179 Republicans and one Democrat. Earlier, conservatives failed in an attempt to offset a part of the bill's cost with across-the-board federal budget cuts. The vote was 258-162.

Critics said the proposed cuts would crimp Pentagon spending as well as domestic accounts and said the aid should be approved without reductions elsewhere. "There are times when a disaster simply goes beyond our ability to budget. Hurricane Sandy is one of those times," said Rep. Hal Rogers, of Kentucky, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee.

Sandy roared through several states in late October and has been blamed for 140 deaths and billions of dollars in residential and business property damage, much of it in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. It led to power outages and interruptions to public transportation that made life miserable for millions, and the clamor for federal relief began almost immediately.

The emerging House measure includes about $16 billion to repair transit systems in New York and New Jersey and a similar amount for housing and other needs in the affected area.

An additional $5.4 billion would go to the Federal Emergency and Management Agency for disaster relief, and $2 billion is ticketed for restoration of highways damaged or destroyed in the storm.

Official: Rare-earth elements found in Jamaica's red mud

Associated Press

KINGSTON, Jamaica — Jamaica may be able to benefit from newly found deposits of rare-earth elements that are key ingredients for smartphones, computers and numerous other high-tech goods, the Caribbean island's top mining official said Tuesday.

Science, Technology, Energy & Mining Minister Philip Paulwell said Japanese researchers believe they have found "high concentrations of rare-earth elements" in the country's red mud, or bauxite residue.

China is now the world's main supplier of rare-earth elements, which are minerals that play a critical role in making products from basic communication devices to high-tech military weaponry. Worried by that dominance, manufacturers around the globe have been spurring searches for other sources that could be profitably mined.

In a statement to Jamaica's Parliament, Paulwell said researchers from Japan's Nippon Light Metal Co. Ltd. believe rare-earth elements can be efficiently extracted in Jamaica, where a once-flourishing bauxite industry has fallen on hard times.

Paulwell touted the discovery as a potentially significant boon for the Caribbean island's chronically sputtering economy.

"We are at the starting line of an opportunity that has the potential to redefine Jamaica's economic prospects in a positive way," he told lawmakers. "... The government of Jamaica perceives the extraction of the rare-earth elements that are present in Jamaica to be an exciting new opportunity to earn much needed foreign exchange and create jobs."

A pilot program will establish the scope of any potential commercial project on Jamaica, which is about the size of the U.S. state of Connecticut. The environmental and planning agency has already authorized the pilot program but other government agencies still need to examine it.

Nippon Light Metal has agreed to invest $3 million in buildings and equipment for the pilot project while also being responsible for operating costs. Any rare-earth elements produced during this phase will be jointly owned by Jamaica and the Japanese company. Negotiations for commercialization are expected to occur at a later date.

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Race is on for EU's $1.3B science projects

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The contest began with 26 proposals that were whittled down to six last year. Just four have made it to the final round.

They include a plan to develop digital guardian angels that would keep people safe from harm; a massive data-crunching machine to simulate social, economic and technological change on our planet; an effort to craft the most accurate computer model of the human brain to date; and a team working to find better ways to produce and employ graphene — an ultra-thin material that could revolutionize manufacturing of everything from airplanes to computer chips.

The two winners will be announced by the European Union's executive branch in Brussels on Jan. 28.

Initially, each project will receive €54 million from the European Union's research budget, an amount that will be matched by national governments and other sources.

Further funding will depend on whether they reach certain milestones within the first 30 months, but over a decade it could total €1 billion each.

Securing such vast sums will be made harder by the austerity measures imposed by many financially drained European governments.

Still, the senior EU official overseeing the so-called Future and Emerging Technologies Flagships program is confident the money will be made available and insists the investment is necessary if Europe wants to match the success the CERN labs on the Swiss-French border that have become the world's premier center for particle research thanks to their $10 billion atom smasher.

NASA's Curiosity rover gets ready to drill

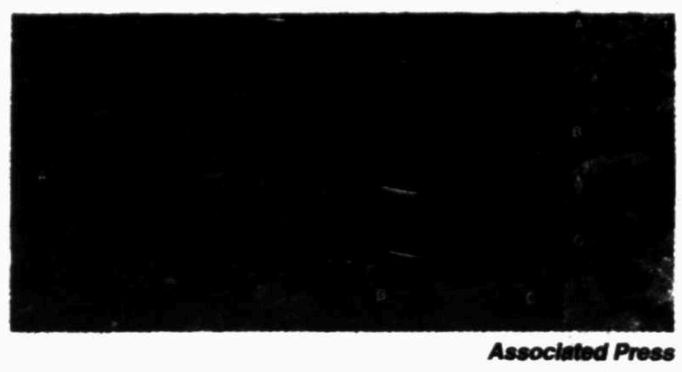
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Scientists have zeroed in on a Martian target for the Curiosity rover to drill into: A rock outcrop as flat as a pool table that's expected to yield fresh insight into the red planet's history.

Running a tad behind schedule, Curiosity was due to arrive at the site in the next several days. After an inspection of the surroundings, the car-size rover will test its drill for the first time "probably in the next two weeks," project manager Richard Cook of the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory said Tuesday.

The highly anticipated drilling has been billed as the most complex engineering task since the acrobatic landing inside a Martian crater last summer. Curiosity is on a quest to determine whether environmental conditions could have been favorable for microbes.

By boring into a rock and transferring the powder to the rover's onboard chemistry lab and other instruments, scientists should get a better handle on the region's mineral and chemical makeup.



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Engineers are preparing Curiosity to drill into its first Martian rock, pictured above.

"We're thrilled, and we can't wait to get drilling," said project scientist John Grotzinger of the California Institute of Technology.

Previous rovers Opportunity and Spirit carried a grinding tool that peeled away rock layers. Curiosity is capable of drilling down several inches to collect a sample from the interior — a first on Mars.

Opportunity is still operating on the surface of Mars, but Spirit lost contact with Earth in 2010.

Since the $2.5 billion Curiosity mission launched in 2011, engineers have been troubleshooting an issue with the rover's drill in which flakes of Teflon can break off and get mixed with the rock samples. Cook said the contamination should not affect the mission.

"We are reasonably confident that it's something that we'll be able to work our way around," he said.

As the most high-tech interplanetary rover, Curiosity has been on a slow streak since its action-packed arrival. Grotzinger said the pace of the mission was "100 percent discovery-driven" and can't be rushed.

Already, Curiosity has lingered longer than expected at its current location because scientists have been captivated by the sedimentary rocks that differ from the pebbles found at the landing site.

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Willow business owners, Paula Cannon, Debbie Burke and Diana Barker.

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Midlanders open boutique, benefit India girls' ministry

■ Three friends say starting retail business has been an adventure.

By Audrie Palmer
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It's like walking into your best friend's home and trying on clothes from her closet.

That's how some customers describe the laid-back atmosphere at the Willow boutique in Midland.

For three friends, starting the business was an adventure they don't regret.

"Midland is growing. We felt there was just a need for more boutiques for women," Paula Cannon said.

Cannon is a co-owner of the store along with Debbie Burke and Diana Barker. Her daughter is married to Barker's son and Burke and Cannon have been friends since 1997 when they both worked for the Midland Independent School District.

The store carries everything from gift items to jewelry, clothing, accessories and even some shoes.

None of the women have ever owned their own business and they've never before worked in retail. But the timing just felt right, they said.

Last May, they headed out to markets in Dallas and Las Vegas to start shopping and stocking

Please see **STORE**/4B

Local groups plan activities for MLK Day

■ MLK Community Center to have lunch, movie, games.

By Audrie Palmer
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As a way of honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Midland groups will have all-day events and activities happening Monday.

The Negro Business and Professional Women's Club of Midland have planned a storytelling event with games, a free lunch and a movie honoring King.

With Monday being a school holiday, club member Sue Roseberry said they hope local children will take part in the activities and learn more about King's legacy.

"What we hope to do is perpetuate everything that's good for the community in something that will be a legacy. We're not just remembering Dr. King but also those individuals that keep the dream and inspiration going," she said.

This year's theme will be centered around the phrase "A Strong Past - A Decisive Present - A Bright Future."

Midland deputy city manager Tommy T. Hudson will be the guest speaker and the program will include appearances by local artists such as the UTPB Step Team, the West Texas Chapter Choir and the MLK Community Youth Choir.

This is the first time organizations have planned for all-day events and Roseberry said

Please see **KING**/6B

Houston author kicks off book tour in Midland

■ Pamela Fagan Hutchins to sign copies of debut novel at Hastings this weekend.

By Megan Lea Buck
Features Editor

Pamela Fagan Hutchins started writing her first novel five years ago. The book turned into a series of three novels, the first of which was published in September.

"It's a women's fiction mystery where the protagonist — who is a little bit of a train wreck — is experiencing a bit of a growth journey but having a lot of fun along the way," said Hutchins, a Houston lawyer-turned-writer.

The book was Houston Writers Guild's top ghost story in 2012 and won the romance category in the 2010 Writers' League of Texas Manuscript Competition.

Hutchins will be in Midland to sign copies of her debut novel, "Saving Grace," 2-4 p.m. Saturday at Hastings. The Amarillo native is launching a three-week Texas tour to promote the book. She plans to kick off the tour in Midland, the hometown of the book's cover illustrator, Heidi Dorey, who will join her at the signing.

Hutchins has published five other books, but "Saving Grace" is her first fiction title.

"The novels were so much more fun, but they were so much harder because you have to make it plausible to take people into your make-believe world and make them want to stay there," she said.

The make-believe world Hutchins creates in "Saving Grace" brings a Texas attorney to a tropical island where she investigates the

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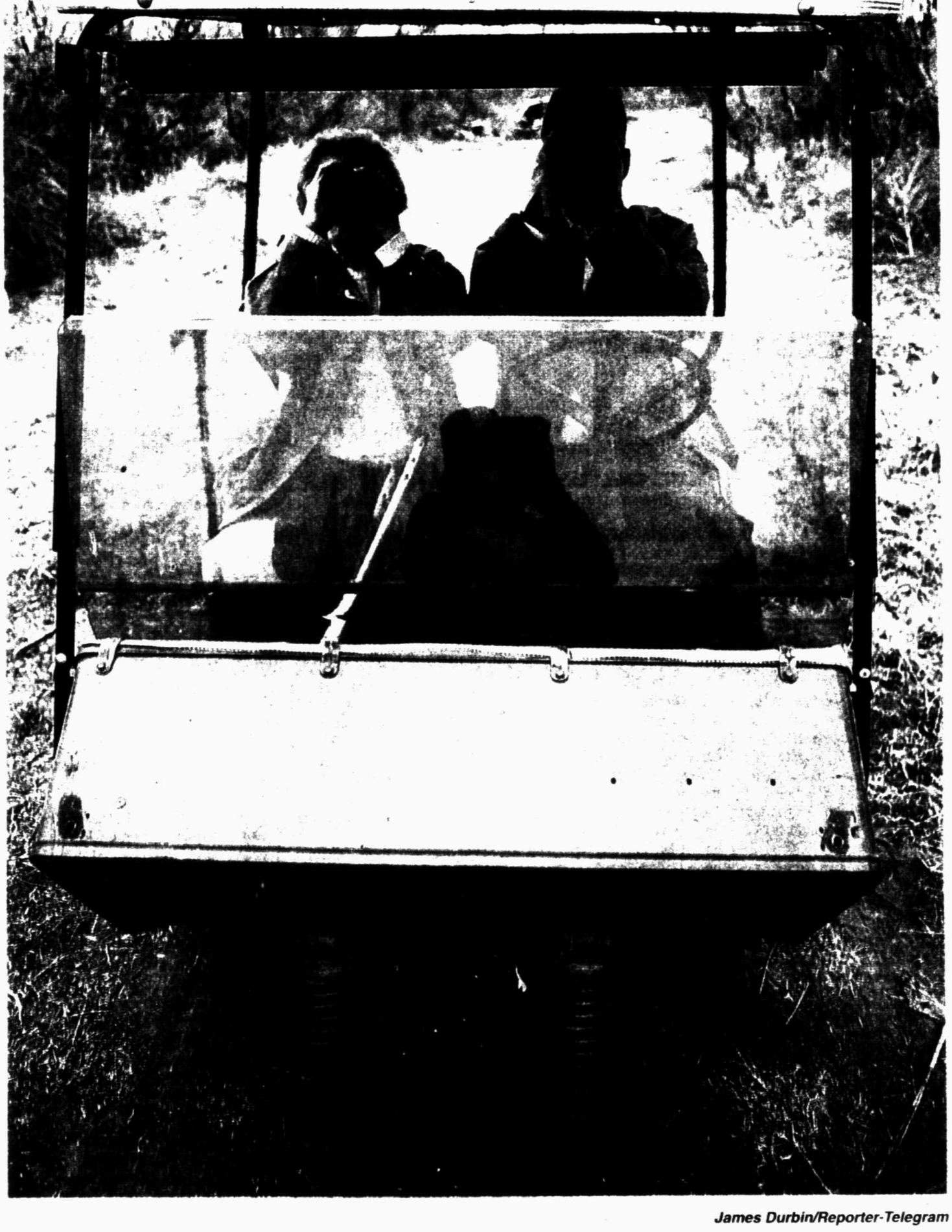
Midland's butterfly WHISPERER



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Don and Joann Merritt, avid butterfly and bird watchers, frequently look for interesting species on their property south of Midland. The couple is preparing to celebrate their 66th wedding anniversary.

Midland couple shares love of birds, butterflies

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Thriving just southwest of town is the idyllic wonder of two enchanted acres of settled wilderness and a couple of serenely impassioned bird-fanciers.

The home-place is delightfully alluring to visiting and nesting birds, flittering butterflies, bejeweled dragonflies, curiously ancient Texas horned lizards and spritely squirrels. Reveling there in nature are the most happy couple, Don and Joann Merritt.

And therein reigns the charming "butterfly whisperer" and her adoring fellow who, just after they settled there in 1959, planted a pecan tree, which over 50 years took on an 84-inch girth and canopy sprawling enough to fill the sky. It is the regal flagship of their trees ranging from mesquite and Western soapberry to chinaberry, sumac and pine.

"She loved birds and taught me to," Don Merritt, 86, said of his bride of almost 66 years, the once-upon-a-time Joann Williams, who was playing volleyball and making straight As at Midland High School while he was at war.

"She's a wonderful gal," he said.

A lover of birds, dragonflies and butterflies, hence her "butterfly whisperer" moniker, Joann Merritt does have her favorites, as her husband fairly explained: "The one in front of her binoculars at the time."

"Birds are so pretty and graceful.

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Obituaries

Gerry Waddell

Oct. 10, 1932 - Dec. 27, 2012

Gerry Louann Stephen Waddell, 80, passed away on Thursday, Dec. 27, 2012. A memorial service will be at 3:00pm on Saturday, Jan. 19, 2013 at Stonegate Fellowship Church, 6000 West Wadley Avenue Building F, Midland, TX 79707. Jay Mayo, associate pastor and Jim Stephen, Gerry's brother and a retired Baptist minister, will officiate. Interment will take place at Fort Davis Cemetery, Fort Davis, Texas.

Gerry was born in Gorman to Gerald B. and Mary Stephen of Dublin. Her early years were spent in Olney, Dublin and Kermit. After graduating from Kermit High School in 1950, Gerry was married in Kermit on December 15, 1950 to Thomas C. Waddell, the son of a ranching family who settled in Winkler County in 1906. They moved to McCamey, where Tommy had a farm and where they raised a son, James Stephen, born 1952, and a daughter, Mary Leanne, born 1956. Gerry worked for the McCamey school system and then as secretary-manager for the McCamey Chamber of Commerce, serving on various boards. She was very involved in the U.S. Hwy 67 Association, serving as secretary, vice president, and president. During her tenure, the association helped get a road built from Ojinaga, Mexico to Chihuahua City, Mexico, and a new international bridge at Presidio.

Gerry and Tommy moved to Balmorhea in 1975, where he worked for King Ranch. Upon Tommy's death in December, Gerry moved to Alpine in 1976 where she worked for Casner Motor Co. and was a member of International Good Neighbor Council. In 1980 she returned to McCamey and worked as Senior Citizen Director, Dispatcher for the Upton County Sheriff's Dept., Office Manager for Pip Petroleum, and later Grady's Western Supply and 4 G Oil Company. In Gerry's spare time, she served on the Chamber of Commerce Board, McCamey Hospital Board and for a short time, City Council. In September 2000, Gerry moved to College Station to live with her daughter, Leanne and her son-in-law, Dave. She was a member of Rock Prairie Baptist Church then Central Baptist Church, and served as a board member with Senior Circle.

Gerry was a talented seamstress and loved to knit, crochet, cook, read, work puzzles to stay sharp and complete arts and crafts projects. She cherished her years in McCamey; eating out with friends, singing alto in the First Baptist Church's Quartet, and playing Chickenfoot! She loved to travel and relished the trips she took with friends over the years. Gerry also enjoyed her high school reunions and her West Texas family gatherings, from her great grandson's birthdays to Waddell family events held in the Longhouse at the Waddell Heritage Ranch. But most of all, Gerry loved to help people, which she did by loving her family and friends, through service on boards, making gifts to organizations helping the less fortunate and crocheting afghans as gifts.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Thomas C. Waddell; parents, Gerald and Mary Patrick Stephen; father-in-law, J. M. Waddell and mother-in-law, Ann Waddell Countryman. Gerry leaves behind her son, Jim Waddell and wife, Amy of Midland; daughter, Leanne Waddell South and husband, Dave of College Station; grandchildren, Melissa Waddell Burrow and husband, Mark of Hallsville, Shari Waddell of Denton, Thomas Waddell of Midland, Jake Durham of Midland, Randy South and wife, Lori of Bryan, Michael South of Lafayette, LA and three great-grandchildren, Gianna Marie South, Thomas Christopher Waddell, and Kinsler Irwin Burrow. She is also survived by her brother, Jim Stephen and wife, Betty of Sonora; brothers-in-law, R.C Waddell and wife, Nell of Odessa; James Waddell of Ruidoso, NM; Bill Waddell and wife, Barbara of Notrees; sister-in-law, Lolisa Laenger of Murphy and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to Still Creek Ranch, 6055 Hearne Road, Bryan, Texas 77808.

Share memories and tributes to Gerry at www.hillierfuneralhome.com.

Mary S. Collerd

85, of Odessa, passed away Monday, January 14, 2013 in Odessa, Texas.

Mary was born August 8, 1927 in Newburyport, Massachusetts to Joseph and Anastasia Kulik. She attended Newburyport High School.

Following high school, Mary worked in an electric fuse factory until 1949, at which time she enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served until 1952. There she met the love of her life, Herb Collerd, and they married in Jacksonville, Florida on May 8, 1950, and together they raised five children.

Mary enjoyed reading, traveling - she lived in numerous military base cities throughout the U.S. and Italy-, camping, and raising her family. She was a member of Medical Center Hospital Auxiliary, charter member of the Lutheran Church of the Risen Lord, and volunteered for Meals on Wheels.

Mary is survived by her husband of 63 years, Herbert J. Collerd; son, James H. Collerd and his wife Jan of Midland; daughters, Joannie and her husband Tim Morby of Houston; Judy and her husband Gerald Ervin; Janie and her husband Blaine Corbin; and June Collerd, all of Odessa; grandchildren, Jennifer Snow, Jill Shedd, Tyler Collerd, Hilary Cook, Kelsi Gray, Grant Morby, Cody Corbin, Kaleb Saldana and Aviyah Saldana; great grandchildren, Hannah Shedd, Gracie Snow, Corbin Gray and Jayci Gray.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at Sunset Funeral Home from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Funeral service will be held Thursday, January 17, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. at Lutheran Church of the Risen Lord with Jimmy Braswell officiating. Interment will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers will be Tyler Collerd, Gerald Ervin, Blaine Corbin, Tim Morby, Grant Morby and Tom Polston. Honorary pallbears will be Cody Corbin, Kaleb Saldana, Greg Snow, Jade Gray and Jeffery Cook.

Our sincere thanks to Dr. J.B. Naidu, and many thanks to Irene Tinney, NP, Candy Foster, Christina Dorsett, and Dr. Robert Meeks, DDS, and special thanks to Hospice House.

Memorials can be made to the Odessa Humane Society, Hospice House, and Lutheran Church of the Risen Lord.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Sunset Funeral Home. To sign the guest book, go to our website at www.sunsetodessa.com

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Rosalia Leon

Rosalia Leon, 87, went home to be with Our Heavenly Father on Monday, January 14, 2013. Rosalia was born on September 4, 1925 in Midland, Texas to Rafael and Dolores Heredia. She was a very loving wife, mother, sister, grandmother and aunt. She was a very hard working woman during the early years of her life and after wards spent her later years as a homemaker.

Preceding her in death were her parents, three brothers: Rafael Heredia Jr., Juan Heredia and Lorenzo Heredia, three sisters: Juanita Heredia, Maria Heredia and Dorotea Torres all of Midland, Texas.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory her husband, Natividad R. Leon, two sons, Raul (Rudy) Perez and Abelino (Alicia) Leon of Midland, four daughters: Marie (Arthur) Rivera of Colorado City, Texas, Terri (Ted) Way of Muscatine, Iowa, Elfida Perez (Joe Rodriguez) of Midland and Belia (Adam) Romero of Snyder, Texas; two brothers, Luis Heredia of Fresno, California and Liberato Heredia of Midland, Texas; two sisters, Virginia DeAnda and Guillerminia (Chica) Tinoco of Midland, Texas. She also leaves behind 11 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren.

A rosary will be held Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel at 7:00pm. A funeral mass will be held Thursday, January 17, 2013 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church at 10:00am. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Online condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com.

Pallbearers will be Artie Rivera, Alan Rivera, Daniel L. Martinez, Roman Romero, Johnny Marmolejo and Manuel Marmolejo. Honorary Pallbearers will be Rafael Barnhill, Miguel Barnhill, Anthony Barber and Matthew Martinez.

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Samuel Leighton Van Landingham

Samuel Leighton Van Landingham, 77, passed away on January 06, 2013 in his Midland, Texas home. He was born on August 25, 1935 to Grady & Winnie (Fry) Van Landingham in Iraan, Texas. Sam had been a resident of Midland for many years where he had worked as a consultant as a geologist and biologist and was a member of the Unitarian Universalist Church. He received his Bachelor's Degree from Texas Tech, Master's Degree from the University of Kansas and held two PHD's from the University of Louisville. Sam was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his brother, Bill Van Landingham and wife, Judy of Irving, Texas; two nieces, Jennifer Downey and husband, Ray and Sally McClure and husband, John of Mansfield, Texas; nephew, Rick Van Landingham of Denton, Texas; and six great nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at Restland Coppell Chapel and Saturday, January 19, 2013 at 11:00AM at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Midland. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park at 1:00PM in Midland, Texas.

Teresa V. Flores

Teresa V. Flores, age 91, went to be with Her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ and her beloved husband, Miguel Flores, on January 14, 2013. Teresa was born on December 17, 1921 in Buena Vista, Ojinaga, Chih., Mexico. She moved to Midland, Texas in 1968 where she had since resided and proudly became a U.S. Citizen in 1999. Teresa was a loving homemaker and an amazing seamstress. She enjoyed gardening, playing bingo and spending time with family, friends and her many grandchildren. She was a devoted catholic with a beautiful faith in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. She attended Our Lady of Guadalupe Church being a member of the Guadalupanas, Crusillistas and Alter Society groups. Teresa was preceded in death by her husband, Miguel Flores; 2 brothers and 6 sisters. Teresa is survived by her children: Reynaldo Flores, Jose Manuel Flores, Raul Flores, Rodolfo Flores, Roberto Flores, Manuel Flores, Rita Madrid, Celia Hernandez, and Ramona Flores all of Midland; 22 grandchildren, 54 great-grandchildren, and 5 great, great-grandchildren. Mama Teresa - you will be greatly missed. We love you!

A rosary service will be tonight at 7 pm at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Chapel. Funeral mass is set for 2:00 p.m. Thursday, January 17, 2013 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, Interment to follow at Fairview Cemetery.

Funeral service is under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to: pipkin@ntsonline.com or you can visit our website at www.lewallengarciapipkinfh.com

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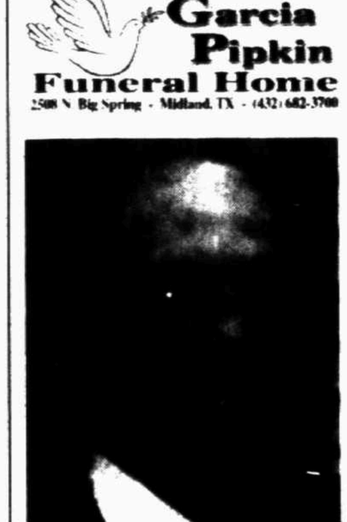

Richard Hembree Sr.

Richard D. Hembree Sr, 86 of San Angelo went to be with his Lord on Thursday January 10, 2013 at House of Hope Hospice surrounded by his loving family.

Family visitation will be 6:00 to 8:00 pm Friday January 18, 2013 at the Robert Massie Funeral Home.

Memorial service will 10:00am Saturday January 19, 2013 at the First Baptist Church Chapel with Rev. Charles Woodward, officiating. Arrangements are with Robert Massie Funeral home.

Richard graduated from Ballinger High and from Texas A & M in the class of 1947. He served in the U.S. Army in the Philippine Islands in WWII. Immediately after the war, he went to work for Humble Oil and Refining Company in Houston, Texas. He worked for Humble, and later- named Exxon, for 36 years in Odessa, Andrews, Snyder, and Midland. From Midland, he was sent to Anchorage, Alaska, on loan to Alyeska Pipeline Service Company for the building of the Alaskan Pipeline. Upon completion of the pipeline, he stayed in Alaska for two more years with Exxon working on the North Slope. He was then transferred back to Houston where he retired in 1984.

After retirement with Exxon he did petroleum consulting in Midland before moving to Bronte. Richard's passion was always golf, so in Bronte he had a golf shop for a short time. He also worked (mostly volunteer) at the Singing Winds Golf Course much of the time while there.

He was active in Bronte community activities, serving on the school board, Chamber of Commerce, and was a member of the Bronte volunteer fire department for 22 years. Richard and Peggy were honored as Citizens of the Year in Bronte in 2008 for their years of volunteer community service.

He has lived in San Angelo four years and was a member of the Texas A & M Former Students Association, Singing Winds Golf Course, and volunteered at Shannon Medical Center gift shop in the Women and Children's Building and was a member of the Baptist Retirement Community Auxiliary. He was a member of First Baptist Church where he was a deacon. Richard was also a Paul Harris Fellow for Rotary International.

Richard married Peggy McShan at First Baptist Church in Ballinger June 25, 1950. They have three children, Michelle Hembree Cobb and her husband, Andy, of Midland, TX, Dr. R. Dale Hembree, Jr. and his wife, Kaye of Abilene, TX., and Robert C. Hembree, of Syracuse, NY; three grandchildren, Courtnee Hembree of Midland, TX, Danielle Wilcox of Midland, TX and Michael Wilcox of Midland, TX and two great-grandchildren Payton and Sawyer Wilcox of Midland, TX. and a sister, Sue Hembree Davenport and husband, Curtis of Brownwood, TX.

Memorial in Richard's memory may be San Angelo A&M Club, Post Office Box 1122, San Angelo, TX 76902 or First Baptist Church Missions 37 E. Harris Avenue San Angelo, TX 76903

Richard's obituary and memorial guestbook may be viewed online at www.robertmassie.com

Death Notices

Drexell Nix

Drexell McCoy Nix, 74, of Florence, South Carolina, (formerly of Andrews) passed away Sunday January 13, 2013.

Funeral services will be 2:00 P.M. Saturday, January 19, 2013 at McNett Funeral Home. Burial will be in Andrews Old Cemetery under the direction of McNett Funeral Home.

He is survived by two sons, Coy Nix of Conroe, Texas; Doug Nix of Florence, South Carolina; daughter, Terresa J. Richard of Lumberton, TX; two sisters, Millie Ree McDonald of Wimberley, TX; Coza Ree Bostick of Lehigh Acres, Florida, eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Jesse Kinsey

Jesse "Cody" Kinsey passed away January 11, 2013 in Midland.

Funeral services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Friday, January 18, 2013 at Golf Course Church of Christ. Interment immediately following at Fairview Cemetery. Arrangements are entrusted to American Heritage Cemetery and Funeral Home at West Texas Memorial Park.

He is survived by mother, Lenore Kay Day of San Antonio, TX; sister, Lauren Kinsey-Moreland Odessa, TX; brother Zack Kinsey of Odessa, TX; grandfather, Bob Boren of Houston, TX; grandmother, Dolly Day of Midland, TX.

Juanita Ward

Juanita Irene Ward 63, of Lubbock TX, passed away on Friday, January 11th, 2013.

Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, January 18th at the Denver City First United Methodist Church located at 210 W. 4th Street, Denver City, TX.

She is survived by her four sons, two step-daughters, three sisters, eleven grandchildren, two great grandchildren, and one brother. She is also survived by five nieces, six nephews, many cousins, extended family, great friends, and coworkers.

Kathryn Manville

Kathryn Faye Manville, 81, of Midland passed away on Tuesday, January 15, 2013.

Graveside services will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 17, 2013 at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

She is survived by an uncle Arlie Bryant and wife Mary Evelyn of Greenwood and numerous cousins.

Lanell Morris

Lanell Morris, 77, of Big Spring, passed away on Saturday, January 12, 2013.

The family will receive friends from 5:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2:00 P.M. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

She is survived by one daughter: Kim Hargrove and her husband Sackie of Big Spring.

Lynett Sousa

Lynett Orpha Sousa, 64, of Odessa, passed away Sunday, January 13, 2013 in Odessa, Texas.

Services are pending with Sunset Memorial Funeral Home.

Margarita Aguilar

Margarita Valles Aguilar, 78, of Midland, Texas passed away on Sunday, January 13, 2013.

A rosary will be held in Midland on Tuesday, January 15, 2013 at 7 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral. Funeral Services will be held on Wednesday, January 16, at 1:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, 1401 Garden Lane, Midland, Texas. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Margarita leaves to celebrate a victorious life in Christ: 1 son; 3 daughters; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren, two brothers; and one sister.

Michelle Wolff

Michelle Anne Wolff, 60, of Midland, passed away Monday, January 14, 2013.

No services are scheduled at this time. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Survivors include son, Jeremy Richard; mother, Anne Richard; brothers, Michael Richard and Ted Richard, Jr.; father, Ted Richard, Sr.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Sandi Allen

Sandi Jean Allen, 49, of Glasscock County passed away on Monday, January 14, 2013.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 2:00 P.M. Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

She is survived by her husband Rex Allen; five children; three grandchildren; mother Dorothy Creswell; mother-in-law Betty Jo Carey; three brothers; and one sister.

Rail museum moving from Dallas to suburbs

By Valerie Wigglesworth
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — The Museum of the American Railroad's move from Fair Park to Frisco has been a lesson in patience these past 14 months. Logistics and paperwork played havoc with hopes of opening at its new home in 2012.

But that's OK, say organizers, who point to the successful move so far of about half of the museum's collection of historic and one-of-a-kind rail cars. The rest will move in the coming months.

And it's thanks in large part to the many volunteers who put in countless hours not only to help with the move but also to continue some of its educational programs despite the museum's being closed since November 2011.

"We could not have done it without their help," said Bob LaPrelle, executive director of the nonprofit museum.

The railroad museum maintains a large exhibit at the Frisco Heritage Museum and sends volunteers into Dallas-area classrooms to teach about the math, science and technology involved in railroading.

There's also plenty of work to do on the collection. While the country's railroading history is romantic and glamorous, a lot of mechanical work on the trains is hot, dirty and exhausting, LaPrelle said.

A recent workday attracted a handful of men to help grease wheel bearings and axles on some of the remaining rail cars at Fair Park.

"I love the physical work," said Dick Thompson, 67, who leads the Steam Team of volunteers prepping cars for the move. "I really like the fact that someday my grandkids will say, 'Hey, my granddad worked on those things to help move them over here.' That's pretty cool."

While most of the museum's volunteers are retirees like Thompson, some younger train enthusiasts have also stepped up to help.

Seventeen-year-old Timothy McMillon has been volunteering with the museum for about three years. His duties have ranged from leading tours in Fair Park to running the gift shop.

"The staff are really good people," said McMillon, adding that they helped steer him to study engineering in college once he finishes high school. "They treat each other like family."

And while the museum isn't officially open in Frisco yet, volunteers offered the first tours there during December's Polar Express Pajama Party hosted by the Frisco Discovery Center, located next to the railroad museum's new home.

Clint Tennill Jr., a trustee on the museum's board, also volunteers as a conductor. Dressed in an authentic uniform, Tennill helps set the scene for rail travel decades ago.

"These used to be the most elite way to travel," he said of the rail cars. "It's living history."

And it's a history that Mike "Mad Dog" Dodson is learning more about. Dodson is a brakeman and qualified conductor for the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Co. He got his nickname in the 1970s, when he started building track for the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway, nicknamed the Frisco.

"It's pretty neat to be on the train pulling them and driving them up to Frisco and seeing the crowd there waiting on you when you shove them on the tracks," he said.

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BROADCAST	KMID	ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Middle (N)	Neighbors (N)	Modern Family (N)	Suburgatory (N)	Nashville "I'm Sorry for You, My Friend" (N)		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live Amy Brenneman	(:35) News Nightline
	KOSA	CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Recovery"		Criminal Minds "Zugzwang" (N)		CSI: Crime Scene "Dead Air" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman	(:35) Late Late (N)
	KWWT	CW	5	14		5	14	Rules "Fun Run"	Rules "3rd Wheel"	Arrow "Burned" (N)		Supernatural "Tom and Frayed" (N)		Seinfeld	Seinfeld "The Bris"	'Til Death	'Til Death	That '70s Show	'70s "Kiss of Death"
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	KPBT	PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Nature "Cracking the Koala Code"		Nova "Ice Age Death Trap"		Life on Fire "The Surprise Salmon" (N)		Charlie Rose		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
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	ESPN2		34	28	49	32	31	NCAA Basketball N.C. State vs. Maryland (L)				NCAA Basketball West Virginia vs. Iowa St. (L)				ITF Tennis Australian Open Second Round (L)			
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Substitute healthy ingredients to lighten up favorite recipes

Typically, diets abound at this time of year and many people try to make a fresh start by eating healthier foods. Using substitutions for high calorie or fatty foods is a perfect place to start when trying to lose weight or make healthier food choices.

Try some healthy alternatives to common ingredients. Use almond butter or natural peanut butter instead of peanut butter; applesauce instead of butter, shortening or oil; freshly prepared meals instead of processed foods to reduce sodium intake; lemon, lime juice, vinegars, low sodium broths instead of oil-based salad dressings or marinades; Canadian or turkey bacon instead of regular bacon; and cooking spray or olive oil instead of butter or margarine for toast or sautéing foods and topping baked potatoes.

Below are several recipes made with lighter ingredients to make them a healthier version of the original. It would be interesting to let your family try them and see if they really notice a difference. Let me know if you do. Who knew you could eat pizza, "fried" chicken, cookies and pies and not feel too guilty about it?

FOOD ETC.

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Bobby's Southwestern Style Pizza

From Bobby Deen

Cooking spray for greasing pan
Cornmeal, for sprinkling
2 teaspoons olive oil
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 onion, thinly sliced
1 green bell pepper, cut into thin strips
8 ounces lean ground beef
1 Tablespoon chili powder
1 teaspoon ground cumin
1/2 teaspoon salt
One (14.5-ounce) can fire-roasted tomatoes
Flour, for dusting
1 pound refrigerated or thawed frozen whole wheat pizza dough
1 cup shredded reduced fat 4-cheese Mexican blend
1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro

Position a rack in the lower third of the oven and preheat to 450. Spray a 12-inch round nonstick pizza pan or large baking sheet with cooking spray. Sprinkle the pan with cornmeal to coat evenly.

Heat the oil in large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add the garlic, onions and bell pepper and cook, stirring occasionally, until tender, about 8 minutes. Add the ground beef, chili powder, cumin and salt and cook, breaking up the beef with a wooden spoon, until the beef begins to brown, about 8 minutes. Add the tomatoes and bring to a boil. Reduce the heat and simmer, stirring occasionally, until the sauce begins to thicken and the flavors are blended, about 10 minutes. Remove from heat and cool slightly.

Sprinkle a work surface lightly with flour. Turn the dough onto the surface. Knead lightly, and then with a lightly floured rolling pin, roll the dough into a 12-inch round. Transfer the dough round to the prepared pan. Spoon the beef mixture onto the dough, then top with the cheese. Bake until the filling is hot and crust is crisp, 12-15 minutes. Sprinkle with the cilantro and cut into 6 slices.

Per serving: 336 Cal; 24 g Protein; 8 g Tot Fat; 3 g Sat Fat; 3 g Mono Fat; 43 g Carb; 1 g Fiber; 4 g Sugar; 129 mg Calcium; 4 mg iron; 919 mg Sodium; 33 mg Cholesterol.

Crispy Baked "Fried" Chicken

From Cat Cora for Food Network Magazine

8 chicken pieces
1/2 cup all purpose flour
Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper
4 cups cornflakes
2/3 cup buttermilk
2 Tablespoons Dijon mustard
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1 1/2 teaspoons paprika
3/4 teaspoon ground sage

Preheat oven to 425. Place a rack in a roasting pan or on a baking sheet. Rinse the chicken in cold water; pat dry. In a wide bowl or on a plate, season the flour with the salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Dredge each chicken piece through the flour so it's fully coated, tap against the bowl to shake off excess flour and set aside. Discard the flour. Crush cornflakes in a resealable plastic bag, pressing out the bag to push out the air. Open bag and pour the crushed cornflakes into a wide bowl or onto a plate.

In a large bowl, mix the buttermilk, mustard, cayenne pepper, paprika and sage. Give each floured chicken piece a dip in the buttermilk and then roll in the cornflake crumbs. Arrange chicken pieces on the rack and place in oven. Cook for 15 to 20 minutes, lower the heat to 375 and cook for another 25 to 30 minutes, until cooked through and crispy. The juices should run clear when the meat is pierced with a knife.

Per serving: Calories 520; Fat 22 g (Sat 6 g, Mono 9 g, Poly 5 g; Chol 136 mg, Sodium 1,040 mg; Carb 41 g; Fiber 1.5 g; Protein 40 g

Shrimp Fried Rice

From Cooking Light, May 2012

1 cup broccoli florets
7 teaspoons canola oil, divided
1 medium red bell pepper, cut into thin strips
1 medium yellow bell pepper, cut into thin strips
1 cup sugar snap peas, trimmed and halved crosswise
1 Tablespoon grated peeled fresh ginger
1 cup cooked long-grain white rice, chilled
1 Tablespoon dark sesame oil
12 ounces peeled and deveined medium shrimp
1 1/2 cups frozen edamame, thawed
1/4 cup lower sodium soy sauce
1 1/2 Tablespoons rice vinegar
1 teaspoon hot chile sauce
1/4 cup thinly diagonally sliced green onions

Steam broccoli 4 minutes or until crisp-tender; set aside. Heat a large skillet or wok over medium-high heat. Add 1 teaspoon canola oil to pan. Add bell peppers and sugar snap peas to pan, and stir fry for 2 minutes. Place vegetable mixture in a large bowl. Add remaining 2 tablespoons canola oil to pan; swirl to coat. Add ginger, and stir fry for 10 seconds. Add rice, and stir fry for 5 minutes or until rice is lightly browned. Remove rice mixture from pan, and add rice to bowl with the vegetable mixture.

Wipe the pan with paper towels. Return pan to medium-high heat. Add sesame oil to pan, swirl to coat. Add shrimp; stir-fry 1 minute. Add edamame; stir fry 1 minute. Stir in soy sauce, vinegar, and hot sauce; bring to a boil. Cook for 3 minutes or until liquid thickens slightly. Add vegetable mixture and green onions; stir to combine. Cook for 1 minute or until thoroughly heated, stirring frequently. Serve immediately.

Per serving: Calories 368; Fat 15.7 g; Sat Fat 1.5 g; Mono Fat 6.9 g; Polyunsat Fat 4.5 g; Protein 26.6 g, Carb 27.1 g; Fiber 5.8 g; Chol 129 mg; Iron 4.7 mg Sodium 560 mg; Calcium 122 mg

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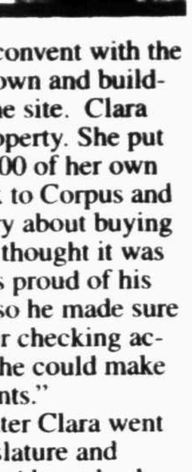
Author tells story of woman who saved Alamo



TUMBLEWEED SMITH
Big Spring storyteller

Debra Winegarten of Austin has written a book about Clara Driscoll, known as the savior of the Alamo.

"She was an amazing woman," said Winegarten. "I like to say she was born having won the lottery. Her father, Robert Driscoll, was one of the early ranchers and bankers near Corpus Christi. We're talking about the mid 1800s. When farmers and ranchers came to his bank, he would lend them money. When it came time for them to pay him back, he told them they could either pay him in money or land. He preferred land. So he got a lot of it and wouldn't you know it, oil was discovered on some of his land and overnight the guy was a zillionaire."

His daughter Clara was born in 1883 and raised on a ranch called La Gloria near Corpus. He sent her to New York and Europe for an education. It was during the Spanish-American war and most of the Americans fled back to the U.S., but Clara changed her name and passed herself off as a Spaniard. She had an exciting life, but what she is best known for is saving the Alamo.

"In the early 1900s a liquor company bought the Alamo convent with the thought of tearing it down and building a liquor store on the site. Clara ends up buying the property. She put down a check for $5,000 of her own money, then goes back to Corpus and tells her father the story about buying the Alamo. Her father thought it was a stupid move, but was proud of his daughter for doing it, so he made sure there was money in her checking account each month so she could make the installment payments."

A couple of years later Clara went before the Texas Legislature and petitioned it to buy the Alamo back from her so she could donate it to the state. In 1905 the state reimbursed Driscoll. Until then, the only Alamo property owned by the state was the mission church. That same year, the entire Alamo property was handed over to the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, which controlled it until last year when the Texas General Land Office took over the facility.

The congressman who agreed to present her case before the Legislature was Henry Sevier. He and his client fell in love, got married, honeymooned in Europe for three months and took up residence in Austin.

They divorced in the late 1930s.

She was active in politics and women's groups. She was a Democratic Committee woman from Texas for 16 years and was the honorary life president of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas. In 1943 she deeded her Austin residence, Laguna Gloria, to the Texas Fine Arts Association.

Today it houses an art school and museum. She set up the Driscoll Foundation to provide a hospital and free clinic for sick and crippled children. The Driscoll Children's Hospital still operates in Corpus Christi.

Clara wrote two books and a comedic opera that had a short run on Broadway. She died in 1945. Her body lay in state at the Alamo and Texas flags were at half-staff.

NOVEL

From 1B

death of her parents and becomes involved in another murder case involving a friend.

The legal thriller also delves into island culture when the protagonist decides to purchase and renovate an old house in the rainforest.

"What makes this book to me fun, and that has really caught readers, is it really touches on the island voodoo vibe," Hutchins said, noting the main character is "a girl who grew up in Texas thinking that all that stuff was just a bunch of hooey."

Having lived in the Virgin Islands for 10 years — and met her husband there — Hutchins felt compelled to create authentic characters, believable dialogue and accurate portrayals of island culture.

"I wanted to make sure that what I captured about the islands was authentic, not patronizing," she said.

Hutchins relied on her memories, photos and the opinions of her island-native husband.

"He kept me honest with those things," she said, noting the difficulty in "trying to capture a culture that's not your own."

"One of my characters in the book is a West Texas girl," she said. "That one was easier for me. Her hair was a little big. She had an accent and sounded like everybody I grew up with."

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"Saving Grace" By Pamela Fagan Hutchins
Skipjack Publishing, September 2012

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STORE

From 1B

their shelves.

While the store carries items they all like, they try to envision their friends wearing an outfit or scarf before purchasing it.

The first time they were at the market, it was simply overwhelming, Cannon said. The three met a representative who gave them a piece of advice they now try to follow: "If you only buy what you like, you'll have a store full of stuff you can't sell."

"It made a lot of sense to us," Burke said.

The women shop for cute and trendy clothes for women of all ages and sizes and try to price them in a range that allows anyone to find something at the store.

The next step was to begin construction and renovations on their shop.

Housed in what used to be a travel agency, Cannon said she had heard the space was available and drove to it to check it out. When she pulled into the parking lot, she said she knew it was just what they were looking for. But it seemed to be too perfect and she was sure the rent would be too high or it might already be unavailable.

"I thought that it was too perfect and there was no way it could happen. But it was just meant to be," she said.

As they started a remodel on the interior of the space, Cannon and Burke would wait for their clothing shipments to arrive and dream about the building becoming a store.

Everything in the boutique means something, Cannon said.

An uncle built the racks on which the clothes hang; the brass doorknobs are from Cannon's parents' farmhouse; a wooded wall contains slats from an old picnic table once belonging to Burke's family; light fixtures were found on a trip when Burke went to see her son graduate from law school.

"It's very much from our hearts," Burke said.

The name of the store, Willow, just came to Cannon one night, she said. A copy of a Bible verse from the book of Isaiah is painted on the back wall and includes the phrase "bless them like a willow tree." The store's slogan, "have faith, give hope, show love," was thought of by Burke one morning when she was out walking.

Each of the women realize they have their own gifts that they bring to the table to help with the business.

And as their business grows, they also decided they wanted to donate a portion of the proceeds to foreign and local nonprofit organizations.

"We were all kind of wanting to do something. We felt if we did this, we needed to give back," Cannon said.

Locally, the women made a clothing donation to help with the Hunt for Heroes banquet. Barker's son was in the military and the organization is something the three hold dear to their hearts.

For the foreign nonprofit, the store donates a portion of its proceeds to an organization in India.

It was an accident that the women found the Daughters of Ashraya ministry. Both Cannon and Burke said they thought they were attending a meeting to learn about acquiring recycled paper sacks made in India that they could use for their customers' purchases.

Instead, the couple they were meeting thought they were there to hear about the ministry. As they sat and listened, the women said the ministry touched all of their hearts and they knew they wanted to help in some way.

"It's a total God thing that he worked out all the details to put us in that place," Burke said.

According to the Daughters of Ashraya organization, having a daughter in India is a burden for some families because of the dowry they will have to pay when she is married. Because of this, some midwives are instructed to kill female babies they deliver. The Daughters of Ashraya pay the midwives $25 for a baby girl who they would otherwise kill.

The organization has rescued 19 girls who they provide for and send to an English-speaking school. It costs $665 per year per girl to cover uniforms, supplies, transportation and tuition. The ministry is also looking for funds to expand the home and take in more girls.

"With us being a women's clothing store, it just seemed like the right ministry for us to support and for these little girls," Cannon said.

While they say they're at a point in their lives when they want to have less stress and more fun, the women said they've been able to go on this adventure together. And along the way, it's been fun to make new friends in the customers who come through their doors.

"We just wanted to have a place that was comfortable and laid back," Burke said.

Willow is located at 2200 W. Wadley Ave. Suite 16 and is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, call 685-7077. For more information about Daughters of Ashraya, visit ashrayadaughters.org.

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Don and Joann Merritt, avid butterfly and bird watchers, look for interesting species on their property south of Midland.

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TODD

From 1B

and butterflies, too," Joann Merritt said. "They are just so dainty," flutterers and flappers in flight, varicolored gossamer on wings. "They are fascinating," she said, observing their metamorphosis, from egg to "this ugly worm-looking thing (voracious caterpillar)" to pupa "into this beautiful butterfly," such as variegated fritillary, swallowtail, monarch or queen. "It is amazing."

Their binoculars and sighting telescope and illustrated books on birds, butterflies and the pond-skimming dragonflies are "at the ready" at home, in the pickup and golf cart.

When Joann Merritt was a child, long before she met Don Merritt when she was 13 and he was 15 in 1941, she would notice birds at a pond near a willow tree where she was swinging.

"I wanted to know the names of the birds that I would see at home," she said. "I wasn't interested in anything else."

"She was born interested in birds," Don Merritt said. "He wasn't," said Joann Merritt.

Years later, after her family had moved to a farm off of Midland's Cotton Flat Road about a quarter of a mile from the O'Neal dairy, the 13-year-old Joann Merritt and other sister happened to be visiting Slim O'Neal's wife at the dairy.

"Girls," Mrs. O'Neal said, "Come in here and look out my kitchen window. We've got a new boy working for us."

She took a liking to Don Merritt immediately. She was smitten, although she said they were "just friends." He hardly took notice of her, or so he said.

The teenager was living at the dairy, making $12 a week, including room and board, milking 20 cows in winter, 35 in summer, mostly Jerseys, no pure stock, all good milkers, twice daily, morning and evening.

"That was good pay," he said.

Each morning, he hauled five-gallon cans of milk to the Banner Creamery and carried Joann Merritt and her brother and sister, Ray and Vera, to school.

In 1944 at age 18, Don Merritt joined the Navy.

Late in World War II, he was an antiaircraft gunner aboard the celebrated USS Texas battleship, the last of the formidable dreadnoughts to emerge from the 1914-1918 Great War. The "Mighty T" provided Allied gunfire support in the 1945 battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

"We wore out those guns," he said.

Back home in 1946, the Don-Joann friendship turned romantic.

Then age 20, Don Merritt had to get his father's legal permission before he, not quite 21, could marry Joann.

"My son can go off to war and fight, but he can't get married unless I sign for him," his father, Jack Merritt, had said. "That's ridiculous."

They married in February 1947. "I needed a rudder," Don Merritt said. "She was it."

And then came along their foursome: Wayne, the "determined" one in 1948; John, the outdoorsman; Virginia, the quiet and gentle soul; Gary, the "fun-loving guy."

For 37 years, until he retired in 1986, Don Merritt worked for Phillips Petroleum beginning in 1949 at $1 per hour as an office clerk and then, wanting field work, got a dime raise first as a roustabout.

By chance in October 1976, Don Merritt observed bird-watchers near their home "looking over the fence with a telescope" in sighting a white pelican at what his now the I-20 Wildlife Preserve and Jenna Welch Nature Study Center.

"I knew she liked birds," he said. The bird-watchers were members of the Midland Naturalists or Midnats.

That sighting awakened Joann Merritt's passion for bird-watching. Don followed suit.

"We never slowed down," Don Merritt said, as they got steeped in birds, butterflies and dragonflies. They learned to identify birds by their calls and songs by listening to National Geographic records and tapes, joining the Midnats, which included consummate birdwatchers, such as Frances Williams and Gene Grimes, and getting in involved with Sibley Nature Center and Native Plant Society and writing for Midnats' "The Phalarope Newsletter."

"Birding led to the study and enjoyment of butterflies, wildflowers and native plants," Joann Merritt said after the Merritt couple received the Keep Midland Beautiful Volunteer Achievement Award in 2008. Their interest extended to lizards, especially the Texas horned lizard, and dragonflies. So far, she has sighted and logged 391 species of birds, mostly in Midland County, from eagles, hawks and falcons to migratory birds, cranes and hummingbirds and songbirds.

The Merritt couple's joyful focus remains on birds, butterflies, dragonflies and lizards especially in a wholesome environment.

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FUNDRAISING

Wyatt Ahlstrand of Scout Pack 641, above, throws a pie at Cubmaster Megan Davis on Jan. 9, at Scharbauer Elementary School. The scouts were given gift cards, toys and the opportunity to throw pies at their cubmaster as a reward for raising more than $22,000 during their annual popcorn fundraiser sale. TOP LEFT: Ahlstrand takes a turn shaving the head of Blake Baylor at Scharbauer Elementary School. Baylor allowed the two scouts who sold the most popcorn to shave his head. LEFT: Members of Scout Pack 641 shave Baylor's head.

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KING

From 1B

"He (King) was so prolific expressing himself and was gifted. The ideals we had in our hearts were true then and they're true now. We want to keep the memory and legacy going."

Sue Roseberry, Negro Business and Professional Women's Club of Midland

they wanted to have them at the MLK Community Center because it is the only thing in Midland that is named after him.

The events will start with a community service project at MLK Park at 9 a.m. Volunteers and the city of Midland will team up with Keep Midland Beautiful to clean the park and surroundings. A free throw and three-point shoot out will start at 10:30 a.m. at the MLK Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane.

Storytelling will take place at the community center at 11 a.m. followed by a free lunch at noon sponsored by the city, Roseberry said.

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., visitors will have the chance to look at various exhibits that will be on display. The movie, "Our Friend Martin," will be shown at 2 p.m.

This is the first time the women's club has hosted events spanning the day. Roseberry said the women are looking forward to it and hope it's something they can continue.

"We just want the community to come out. It's a non-school day for our students. We want the children who live in the area to spend the day enjoying and learning a little bit more about Dr. King. By us giving back to the community, that's what his dream was all about," she said.

The annual MLK March will start at 6:15 p.m. at Mount Carmel Baptist Church and procede to the community center.

The annual evening birthday commemorative program for King will begin at 7 p.m. at Lee Freshman High School's auditorium.

Because of the response from last year's program, Roseberry said the group has moved the location to Lee Freshman to provide more room for participants.

By bringing the community together, Roseberry said they hope it connects with King's vision as well as his legacy and will engage the youth in town.

"We want our kids to continue to think about and be agent for change," she said.

"He (King) was so prolific expressing himself and was gifted. The ideals we had in our hearts were true then and they're true now. We want to keep the memory and legacy going."

Those interested in joining the community choir can attend a rehearsal on Saturday at noon at Mount Rose Full Gospel Baptist Church, 211 N. Tyler St.

NEIL SPERRY

Neil Sperry writes about Texas gardening. Email him at mailbag@sperrygardens.com.

Plant known as 'desert rose' needs tropical conditions

Dear Neil: Is desert rose an outdoor or indoor plant in Texas?

Answer: You're probably talking about the succulent plant adenium obesum. It has the colorful oleander-like flowers. It definitely is tropical and cannot handle freezing temperatures. It requires extremely porous potting soil that will allow water to drain through quickly. So, rather than just not giving it much water, you can water more often, knowing the potting soil won't retain great amounts for long periods of time. Expanded shale is good for that task. I start with a mix that is very lightweight and highly organic then I incorporate 25 or 30 percent expanded shale. It needs very bright light in winter while it's indoors. I give them early morning sun, but moderate shade the balance of the day during the summer. It's a lovely plant. Be patient.

Dear Neil: What are the secrets to growing plums and blackberries in Texas?

Answer: If you choose the right varieties, those are two of our most reliable fruit-bearing crops. The best plum varieties include Bruce, Methley, Ozark Premier and Morris, while the best blackberries for Texas include Brazos, Womack, Rosborough, Brison and newer varieties such as Arapaho and Kiowa. Plums need full sunlight and 20 feet of space in all directions. Start with a vigorous tree in the 3- to 5-foot range. If it is sold bare-rooted in the winter, or if you buy it from a container, cut it back to 22 to 24 inches from the ground. Encourage three or four scaffold branches to spread horizontally. Prune to remove strongly vertical shoots each winter. Note that plums require cross-pollination. The variety Methley is both self-fruitful and a good pollinator. Blackberries should be planted into well-prepared garden soil, with the plants three feet apart in the rows, six or eight feet between rows. You will have your first crop the second year. Prune canes that have borne fruit completely to the ground as soon as all the fruit is harvested. They will never bear again.

Dear Neil: I enjoy your columns, but I am concerned that you continue to write about St. Augustine. In these times of drought, shouldn't we be turning to xeriscaping?

Answer: I have no problem at all with xeriscaping. However, many people want to have some amount of turfgrass, and if they have shade, St. Augustine is their best hope. Bermuda and zoysia are not as tolerant of shade. Rather than saying we should practice only one type of landscaping and none of the other, it's always been my opinion that a common-sense and responsible, middle-of-the-road approach to horticulture is the best one. For what it's worth, most people I observe tending St. Augustine lawns actually apply too much water and fertilizer to them. We could make great inroads in water conservation if we were simply more prudent in our management.

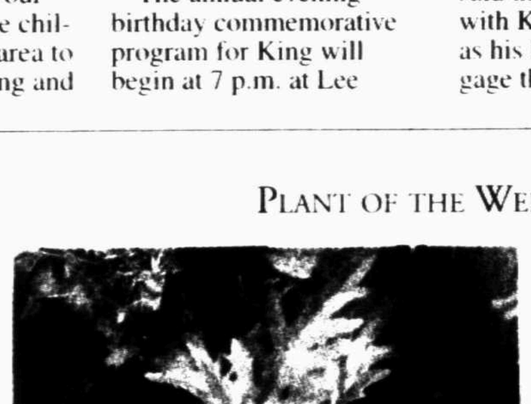
Dear Neil: Over the past six or seven years, two medium-sized pecan trees have lost limbs. I've seen ants that seem to be causing the limbs to decay. Is there a spray I can use to kill the ants that is also safe on pecan-bearing trees?

Answer: Ants normally don't do that type of damage. They're usually secondary invaders, coming in after something else has damaged a tree. Our landscape is shrouded with native pecans, and my experience over the past 36 years has been that they are always dropping twigs, branches and even occasionally a limb. A pecan specialist once told me, "If two pecan branches touch, one will die." I've watched that happen with my own trees. It's very likely that you're seeing natural self-pruning. If any of the 1-inch and smaller branches look like they're been scored with a knife before they have fallen, that would be damage of twig girdlers. The adult female lays eggs on the small branch, then scores around and around the branch with her mouthparts. They dry, die and fall. The larvae develop in the fallen branches, so our main goal is to pick up and destroy the branches. Honestly, I don't see any call to spray anything from your description. Keep the trees watered and fertilized well, and yields should improve.

Dear Neil: What would cause the lower leaves of a young ash tree to develop brown and black spots, then fall? Fungicides and insecticides didn't seem to help.

Answer: Ash trees are known to have many pest issues. This one could have been anthracnose, but the Plant Disease Diagnostic Laboratory at Texas A&M could give a much more precise answer and then suggest the best remedies. For the unrequested opinion: if I had an ash tree that was about to require a diagnosis and remedy, both of which were going to cost me money, I would spend those same dollars toward its replacement. Sorry to be so harsh, but I've just been burned too many times by ash problems.

PLANT OF THE WEEK BY BURR WILLIAMS

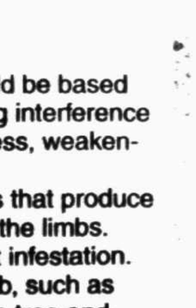


Blue mist eupatorium

Blue mist eupatorium brings huge queen butterflies from July to frost. It begins to grow again in the early spring, especially in flower beds mulched with leaves. Leaves should never be bagged and hauled to the dump — use them for mulch instead!

Start family gardening project with tomato transplants

JEFF FLOYD



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Starting tomato transplants indoors is a fun and easy way to engage your children in a lifelong gardening hobby. While a variety of methods can be used to get tomato seeds started, some basics need to be considered.

Start with fresh seed. As seeds age they are exposed to elements that may cause them to attempt to come out of dormancy. Thus, without all of the necessary factors for germination, development will stall and the seed will lose viability. For example, seeds that are exposed to moisture and heat over time while in storage will activate enzymes that start the germination process. If these seeds are not planted in an appropriate growing medium with a steady supply of moisture, the process will be halted and the seeds will lose viability.

Plant seeds in sterile containers filled with growing medium specifically formulated for starting seeds. Small containers are the easiest to transport from one location to another and this will become important after the seedlings emerge (germinate) from the medium. Unused styrofoam cups (in which you poke a small drainage hole) are a popular choice. Other small containers are equally effective such as 4-inch pots that have been sanitized with a 10 percent bleach solution. Tomato transplants will need about 4 inches of depth to establish a good root system before transplanting outdoors. You also will want to keep the seeds moist and warm until they emerge. Temperatures of about 80 degrees are optimal. Master Gardeners have reported success by placing their containers on top of water heaters. Light isn't important until after the seedlings have emerged.

Once the seedlings are clearing the soil, they'll need light in order to photosynthesize their own food. Assuming you don't have a greenhouse, a south facing window that isn't exposed to a cold draft may work. Another option might include a fluorescent grow lamp. These can usually be found at home improvement or pet stores. Place the lamp about 18 inches above the seedlings and allow them to remain on for at least 16 hours daily. You'll need to continue to keep the seedlings warm. At this point, 65 degrees is perfect. If a window is your light source, you will need to rotate your plants daily.

Tomatoes require about eight weeks to achieve a transplantable size. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration data for the Permian Basin indicates our average last freeze is March 29. You will not want to start your seeds too early. Optimum long-term growing conditions are found outside in the garden and the transplants will become weak and leggy the longer they remain indoors.

To learn more about vegetable gardening, register for the upcoming vegetable seminar scheduled for 6:30-8:30 p.m. Feb. 7 at the Commemorative Air Force Museum classroom. To register, call the Midland County Texas A&M Agrilife Extension office at 686-4700.

RE-LEAF BY DEBBIE FROST

Don't feel pressured to prune your valuable shade trees. Pruning decisions should be based on the needs of the tree, including limbs that are dead, damaged, crowded, causing interference or otherwise weak. Removing limbs or topping limbs indiscriminately will cause stress, weakening, disfiguring and other problems.

Excessive pruning weakens otherwise healthy trees by removing potential leaves that produce food for the tree. It also removes stored food, because carbohydrates are stored in the limbs. Unnecessary or poorly made cuts can be an invitation to decay, disease and insect infestation. Excessive pruning in which all the small lateral limbs are removed from a major limb, such as with "lion's tailing," should be avoided. This type of pruning reduces the health of the tree and places too much weight and stress on the end of the limb. This limb becomes more vulnerable to breakage in wind, storms or from other stress.

Trees that are stressed because of drought, pests, herbicide damage or construction should be not be pruned other than to remove dead, diseased or disfigured wood. Many of our shade trees fall into this category of stress because of the drought and water restrictions.

Give stressed trees an opportunity to recover before much pruning takes place. Once they have recovered and regained their usual vigor, pruning still should be based on good decisions.

Find re-leaf for your trees by using sound decision making when it comes to pruning your trees. Prune only what's needed. Focus on dead, diseased, decayed, weak, crowded and interfering limbs.

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Armstrong admits doping in Oprah interview

Associated Press

AUSTIN — "Emotional" doesn't come close to describing Lance Armstrong's conversation with Oprah Winfrey — an interview that included his confession about using performance-enhancing drugs to win seven Tour de France titles, Winfrey said Tuesday.

She recounted her session with Armstrong on "CBS This Morning" and promoted what has become a two-part special on her OWN network, even while international doping officials said it wouldn't be enough to save the disgraced cyclist's career.

"I don't think 'emotional' begins to describe the intensity or the difficulty he experienced in talking about some of these things," Winfrey said.

Armstrong admitted during the interview at an Austin hotel that he used drugs to help him win the titles.

"It was surprising to me," she said. "I would say that for myself, my team, all of us in the room, we were mesmerized and riveted by some of his answers."

Winfrey said she went right at Armstrong with tough questions and, during a break, he asked if they would lighten up at some point. Still, Winfrey said she did not have to dig and that he was "pretty forthcoming."

"I felt that he was thoughtful. I thought that he was serious," she said. "I thought that he certainly had prepared for this moment. I would say that he met the moment."

The session was supposed to be broadcast in a single special Thursday, but Winfrey said it will now run in two parts on consecutive nights — Thursday and Friday — because there is so much material. Winfrey would not characterize whether Armstrong seemed contrite, saying she'll leave that to viewers.

As stunning as Armstrong's confession was for someone who relentlessly denied using PEDs, the World Anti-Doping Agency said he must confess under oath if he wants to reduce his lifetime ban from sports.

The cyclist was stripped of his Tour titles, lost most of his endorsements and was forced to leave his cancer charity, Livestrong, last year after the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency issued a 1,000-page report that accused him of masterminding a long-running doping scheme.

WADA's statement said: "Only when Mr. Armstrong makes a full confession under oath — and tells

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Associated Press

Talk-show host Oprah Winfrey interviews cyclist Lance Armstrong during taping for the show "Oprah and Lance Armstrong: The Worldwide Exclusive" in Austin on Monday in this photo provided by Harpo Studios Inc. The two-part episode will air nationally Thursday and Friday. Armstrong admitted to using performance enhancing drugs during the interview, a claim that he had long denied.

Rangers can't pull down win

Greenwood loses to Wylie in tight fight

Bulldogs **60**
Rangers 57

By Jordan Mason
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On Tuesday, against the No. 5 team in the state, Greenwood didn't look like a team that had lost four straight before starting district play this past Friday — the Rangers looked like a team ready to compete for a district title.

Yet against Abilene Wylie, Greenwood's furious bid to knock off one of the top teams in 4-3A literally ran out of time as junior guard Grant Franklin knocked down a 3-pointer with one second to play, with time expiring on the ensuing inbounds to preserve a 60-57 Bulldog victory.

"Our kids, one thing they showed is they rose to the challenge and didn't back down, even when we got down by almost 10 points," Greenwood coach Zach Boxell said. "They kept fighting and gave us a chance at the very end to even have a chance to do something."

Despite falling to 1-1 in league play with the loss, Boxell was happy to see an inspired effort from his

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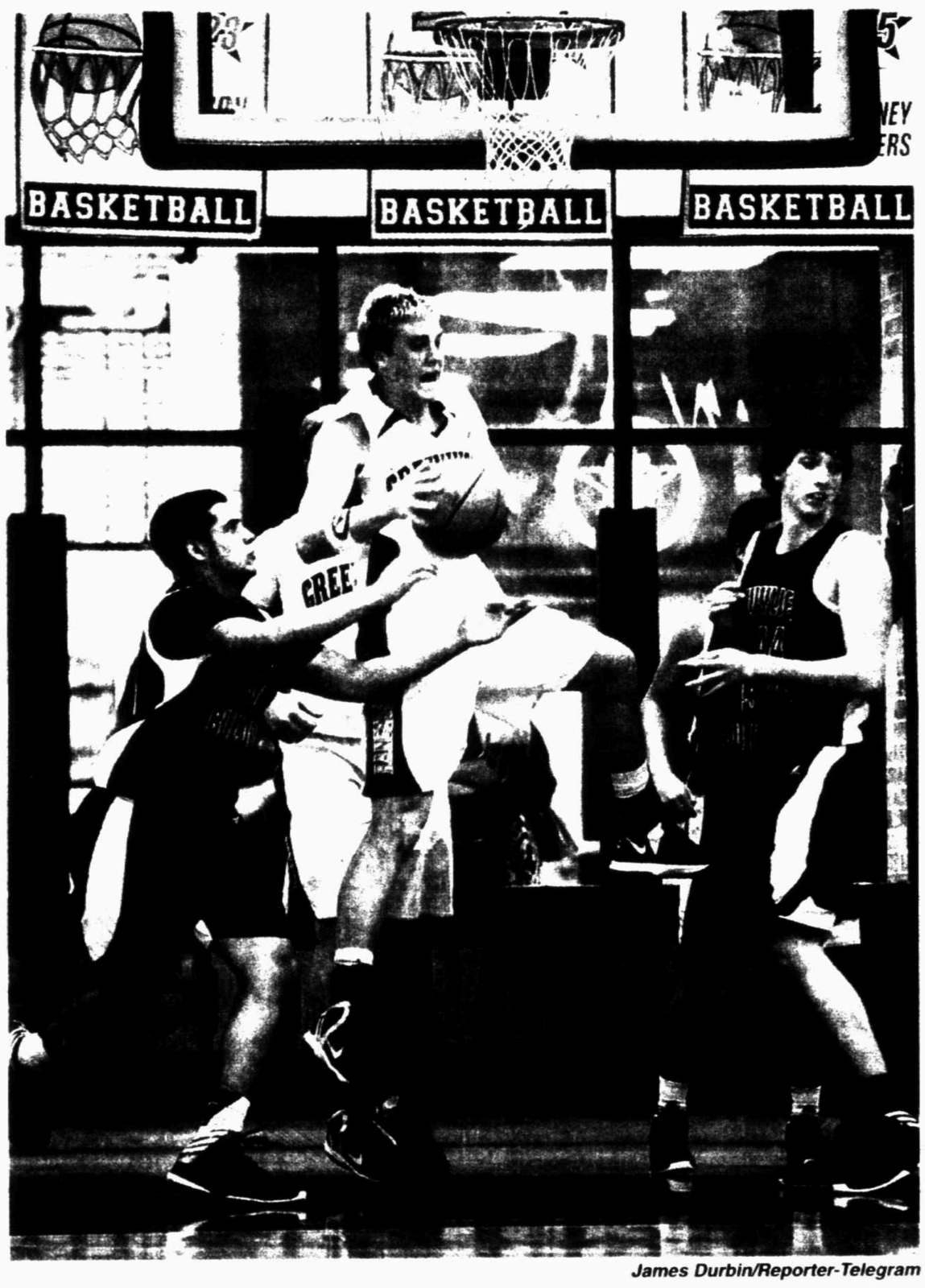

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Greenwood's Kam Williams comes down with a rebound after a missed shot by the Abilene Wylie offense Tuesday at Greenwooo High School.

Rangerettes can't hold on for home win

Lady Bulldogs **69**
Rangerettes 43

By Jonathan Hull
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For 2 1/2 periods, the Greenwood girls basketball team looked every bit as strong as two-time defending Class 3A state champion Abilene Wylie. Then the Lady Bulldogs showed why they're a threat to push for a third straight state title.

Wylie outscored Greenwood 32-10 in the game's final 12 minutes, pulling away for a 69-43 victory in a District 4-3A game at Greenwood High School gymnasium Tuesday.

Throughout the night, the No. 18 Lady Bulldogs showed the ability to stretch the Greenwood defense with their 3-point shooting, hitting eight shots from behind the arch.

"We talked about it, and one of our game plans was to try to keep them out of a rhythm shooting from three," Greenwood coach Quint Anthony said. "When you're facing several girls who can hit threes, it's hard to get to all of them all the time."

Senior guard Taylor Rickman led the sharp-shooting charge for the Lady Bulldogs, hitting four 3-pointers off the bench to go with her game-high 19 points. All four of Rickman's 3-pointers came from well beyond the arch, making it tougher for the Rangerettes to close out on her when she made an attempt.

"I wouldn't say we really have our girls practice shooting from NBA range," said Wylie coach Kurt Richardson, "but we do have some girls capable of hitting shots from out there. Taylor is one of those girls."

Rickman had two 3-pointers in the

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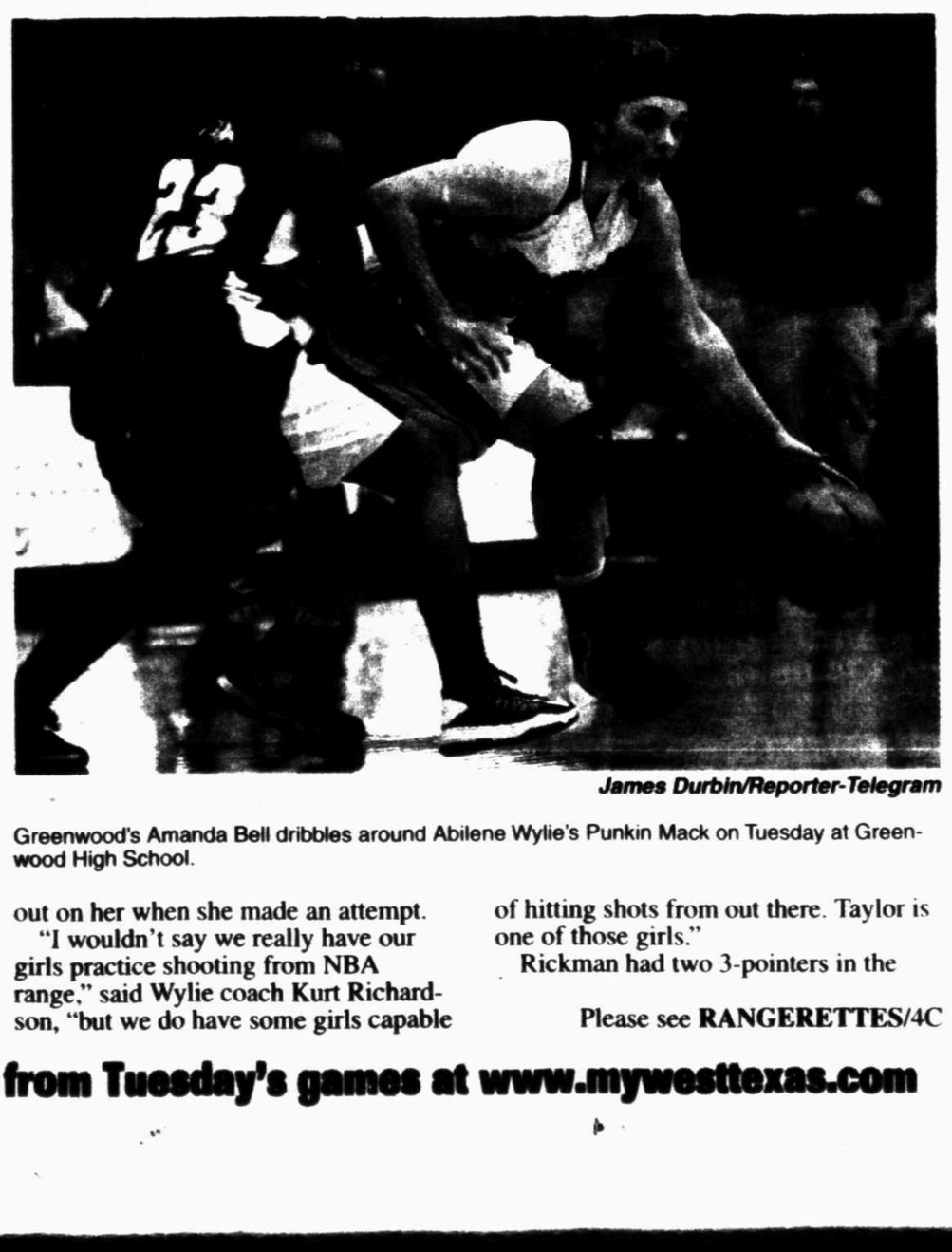

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Greenwood's Amanda Bell dribbles around Abilene Wylie's Punkin Mack on Tuesday at Greenwood High School.

Check out more photos from Tuesday's games at www.mywesttexas.com

Increase in court cases could impact NCAA image

■ High-profile scandals will be hot topic on agenda at organization's annual convention.

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The NCAA will open its annual convention this week with a host of reform measures on the agenda, part of President Mark Emmert's push to address several years of high-profile scandals.

It may turn out that attorneys will have a lot of say in what the NCAA does in coming years — perhaps as much as any athletic director or school president. The NCAA faces more than a half-dozen lawsuits in what could signal a new era of legal complications for the largest governing body in collegiate sports.

"It's a much more litigious period than we've seen in the past, and sports in general have become more litigious. Athletes are more willing to do it now, and that's something we haven't seen in the past," said Michael McCann, director of the Sports Law Institute and a professor at Vermont Law School. "I think the NCAA will be dealing with litigation for years to come."

Mark Emmert: NCAA president says culture of litigation is prevalent and won't diminish anytime soon.

The list runs from the mundane — a wrongful termination suit stemming from an investigation into Arizona State's baseball program — to the recent headline-grabbing lawsuit from the Pennsylvania governor over the $60 million in sanctions against Penn State for the Jerry Sandusky scandal. But there are also intriguing cases involving brain injuries, scholarship limits and a case in which Ed O'Bannon and other former players accuse the NCAA of operating a monopoly because they are required to sign away their commercial rights to play collegiate sports.

Going to court is nothing new for the NCAA.

There have been huge wins, such as the Supreme Court ruling that reinforced the NCAA's right to discipline its member schools, throwing out a decade-old injunction allowing ex-UNLV coach Jerry Tarkanian to continue coaching, and a federal appeals court win when an SMU alum alleged the NCAA violated antitrust laws by imposing the "death penalty" on the Mustangs' football program.

There have also been costly losses. The NCAA agreed to pay $54.5 million to settle a case challenging the "restricted earnings" rule for non-football coaches and in 1984, the Supreme Court ruled that the NCAA was improperly restricting the ability of its member schools to negotiate television rights.

The impact of the latest round of litigation remains to be seen.

Two weeks ago, Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Corbett filed suit and said the NCAA overstepped its authority when Emmert punished Penn State for Sandusky's child sex-assault crimes by imposing a four-year postseason ban on the football team and the unprecedented $60 million fine on the school.

There are questions about whether a governor has the statutory authority to file the lawsuit, but some familiar with the NCAA workings believe the governing body could be at risk because Penn State did not go through the normal disciplinary procedures, including a hearing in front of the committee on infractions.

"The problem I had with it is there is a procedure set up within the NCAA

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HIGHSCHOOLBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Girls

LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN 45 NO. 18 MIDLAND CLASSICAL 42

LUBBOCK — Lubbock Christian's Ashley Delacruz scored a game-high 23 points and knocked down four 3-pointers to lead the Eagles to a TAPPS 1-3A district-opening victory against Midland Classical on Tuesday.

Lubbock Christian opened up a 27-18 lead in the first half, and the Lady Knights (17-3, 0-1) couldn't recover. With the Lady Knights down 43-42, Kayla Beattie had a 3-pointer rim out with five seconds left in the game. They never got another shot.*

Beattie led Midland Classical with nine points, and Amy Hinton and Karis Johnson each added eight points in the loss.

MCA will take on crosstown rival Trinity at 6:30 p.m. Friday.

LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN 45, MIDLAND CLASSICAL 42

Midland Classical (17-3) (0-1 TAPPS 1-3A) — Aissa Beattie 7, Karis Johnson 8, Sumner Sparks 2, Kayla Beattie 9, Rachel Long 4, Abbie Rael 4, Amy Hinton 8.

Lubbock Christian (1-0 in TAPPS 1-3A) — Lauren Hoffman 2, Brooke Robertson 4, Cassidy Cunningham 6, Kaitlyn Stephenson 2, Kirsten Farr 8, Ashley Delacruz 23.

MCA	8	10	9	**15—42**
LCHS	14	13	9	**9—45**

Free throws — MCA 2-6 (CHS 11-12 3-point goals — MCA 1 (K Beattie); CHS 6 (Delacruz 4, Farr 2). Total fouls — MCA 12, LCHS 13. Fouled out — none.

Next: Trinity at Midland Classical 6:30 p.m. Friday.

TRINITY 42 RANKIN 31

Mykelti Balf scored 18 points and her sister, Mylyra, added 13 as the Lady Chargers took a non-district victory against Rankin on Tuesday night at Beal Gymnasium.

Trinity (10-8) will open TAPPS 1-3A play at 6:30 p.m. Friday against crosstown rival Midland Classical.

TRINITY 42, RANKIN 31

Rankin — Hernandez 2, A Templeton 8, Davis 2, Zapata 11, Templeton 8.

Trinity (10-8) — Macy Essman 4, Mylyra Balf 13, Mykelti Balf 18, Emma Gotcher 5, Sarah Heck 2.

Rankin	4	12	8	**—31**
Trinity	10	6	15	**11—42**

Free throws — Trinity 10-15, Rankin 7-11. 3-point goals — Rankin 2, Templeton 2; Trinity 0. Total fouls — Rankin 16, Trinity 15. Fouled out — Rankin Templeton.

Next: Trinity at Midland Classical 6:30 p.m. Friday.

NO. 3 LUBBOCK TRINITY 48 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 33

LUBBOCK — Morgan Ashton scored 16 points, and Tori Watson added 10, but it wasn't enough as the Lady Mustangs fell to No. 3-ranked Lubbock Trinity in a TAPPS 1-3A game on Saturday on the road.

Lubbock Trinity was up 13-12 after the first quarter but then outscored the Lady Mustangs 11-2 in the second quarter to open up a lead they never gave up.

Midland Christian will take on Grapevine Faith at 6 p.m. Friday in a TAPPS 1-4A game at the McGraw Special Events Center.

LUBBOCK TRINITY 48, MIDLAND CHRITIAN 33

Midland Christian (14-10, 2-1 in TAPPS 1-4A) — Morgan Ashton 16, Bethany Roach 5, Tori Watson 10, Bailey Wright 2.

Lubbock Trinity — Thorne 11, Shadden 2, Simmons 11, Hagood 3, Harder 11, Wentz 8, Turner 2.

MCS	12	2	14	**5—33**
LT	13	11	12	**12—48**

Free throws — MCS 1-5, LT 8-10. 3-point goals — MCS 2, LT 6 (Thorne 2, Simmons, Harder 3). Total fouls — MCS 13, LT 9. Fouled out — MCS Roach.

Next: Grapevine Faith at Midland Christian 6 p.m. Friday.

BIG SPRING 48 MONAHANS 31

BIG SPRING — Logan Yarber scored 23 points, including four 3-pointers to lead the Lady Steers to a come-from-behind victory against the Lady Loboes on Tuesday.

Big Spring (14-12, 2-2 in District 4-3A) was down 5-1 after the first period but outscored Monahans 47-26 over the next three periods to clinch the victory.

Yarbar was the only player in double figures for the Lady Steers.

Big Spring will take on Greenwood at 6:15 p.m. Friday at home.

BIG SPRING 48, MONAHANS 31

Monahans (6-17, 0-4 in District 4-3A) — Azuaje 6, Pittman 3, Sanchez 11, Slade 5, Itons 4, Breeding 2.

Big Spring (14-12, 2-2) — Autumn Minter 2, Shawntee Lacy 2, Logan Yarbar 23, Alexis Cansino 6, Julianna Pettingaue 6, Dyrshae Vanderbalt 2, Diamonique Mayes 7.

Monahans	5	7	14	**5—31**
Big Spring	1	21	9	**17—48**

Free throws — Monahans 15-25, Big Spring 6-10. 3-point goals — Monahans 2 (Pittman, Slade); Big Spring 4 (Yarbar 4). Total fouls — Monahans 13, Big Spring 19. Fouled out — Big Spring, Cansino.

Next: Greenwood at Big Spring, 6:15 p.m. Friday.

NO. 10 GRADY 86 SANDS 26

LENORAH — Ellyn Avery scored 32 points and was one of four Lady Wildcats to finish in double figures in a District 6-A Division II blowout victory against Sands on Tuesday.

The Lady Wildcats (19-4, 8-0) jumped out to a 46-12 lead at halftime and rolled from there. Faith Hunt added 12 points for Grady as Charmynee Arnold scored 11 and Sarah Clay put up 10.

Grady will take on Borden County on Friday.

GRADY 86, SANDS 26

Sands (9-16, 0-8 in 6-A Div II) — McMorris 4, Diaz 6, Franco 2, Staggs 18.

Grady (19-4, 8-0) — Savannah Sawyer 4, Aneri Arnold 4, Charmynee Arnold 11, Cayley Oppegard 7, Sarah Clay 10, Lupita Jimenez 4, Sarah Matthews 3, Ellyn Avery 32, Faith Hunt 12.

Sands	7	5	6	**8—26**
Grady	24	22	24	**16—86**

Free throws — Sands 11-17, Grady 9-13. 3-point goals — Sands 1 (Diaz), Grady 5 (Oppegard, Clay, Matthews, Avery 2). Total fouls — Sands 9, Grady 17. Fouled out — none.

Next: Grady at Borden County, 6:30 p.m. Friday.

STANTON 48 BROWNFIELD 44

BROWNFIELD — Kendra Graham scored 16 points and Jennifer Henley added 15 as the Lady Buffaloes took a close District 4-2A victory on Tuesday night on the road.

Stanton (7-19, 2-2 in 4-2A) rebounded from being down by three points in the first quarter to outscore the Lady Cubs 17-6 in the second quarter and then hold off a second half rally by Brownfield to win the game.

Stanton will take on Lamesa at 6:30 p.m. Friday at home.

STANTON 48, BROWNFIELD 44

Stanton (7-19, 2-2 in District 4-2A) — Kendra Graham 16, Jennifer Henley 15, McKenzie Allred 8, Bayli Barnhill 6, Shelby Gordon 3.

Brownfield (13-8, 4-2A) — Tessa Hope 13, Madison Ellis 8, Lexi Cruz 8, Sloan Hott 6, Tabby Castanedo 6, Ashlee Zambrano 3.

Stanton	7	17	12	**13—48**
Brownfield	9	6	12	**17—44**

Free throws — Stanton 14-23, Brownfield 9-13. 3-point goals — Stanton 2 (Graham, Barnhill 1, Ellis 2, Cruz 2, Hope, Zambrano, Castanedo). Total fouls — Stanton 15, Brownfield 16. Fouled out — Brownfield, Hope.

Next: Lamesa at Stanton, 6:30 p.m. Friday.

COAHOMA 57 COLORADO CITY 50

COAHOMA — It took overtime, but Coahoma finally put away District 4-2A rival Colorado City for the Bulldogettes' first district win of the season.

The Bulldogettes outscored the Lady Wolves 12-5 in the overtime period to earn the victory. Savannah Neff led Coahoma with 17 points, while Kyla Clanton added 15.

The Bulldogettes play at Denver City at 6:30 p.m. Friday, continuing district play.

COAHOMA 57, COLORADO CITY 50

Colorado City (1-3 in 4-2A) — Mirket 8, Sutton 2, Spencer 3, Davila 7, Kimball 17, Leverton 7.

Coahoma (7-18, 1-3) — Kaeli Yaeger 6, Rylie Jacobs 2, Tobi Robinson 2, Devine Martin 3, Savannah Neff 17, Kyla Clanton 15, Alexis Jackson 3, Julia Castilew 9.

Colorado City	9	11	12	**13 5—50**
Coahoma	17	8	13	**9 12—57**

Free throws — CC 13-24, CHS 8-13. 3-point goals — CC 3 (Leverton, Davila, Spencer), CHS 5 (Neff 4, Martin). Total fouls — CC 15, CHS 16. Fouled out — CHS, Castilew.

Next: Coahoma at Denver City, 6:30 p.m. Friday.

NO. 15 GARDEN CITY 36 STERLING CITY 31

GARDEN CITY — The Lady Bearkats won a low-scoring District 14-A, Division II affair against Sterling City on Friday.

The Lady Kats led 23-16 at halftime and held on to that slim lead throughout the second half. Kamie Halfmann led Garden City with 11 points.

The Lady Kats play at Blackwell at 6:30 p.m. Friday.

NO. 15 GARDEN CITY 36, STERLING CITY 31

Sterling City (4-4 in District 14-A, Division II) — Rauch 2, Jones 15, Horwood 6, Long 4, Navarro 4.

Garden City (18-5, 7-1) — Maggie Huerta 5, Kamie Halfmann 11, Bryley Schaefer 6, Hannah Halfmann 8, Carlie Hollingsworth 4, Lexie Schaefer 1, Holly Halfmann 3.

Sterling City	8	8	13	**2—31**
Garden City	10	13	9	**4—36**

Free throws — SC 5-9, GC 4-10. 3-point goals — SC 2 (Jones 2). GC 6 (Huerta, K. Halfmann, B. Schaefer 2, Han. Halfmann 2). Total fouls — SC 14, GC 8. Fouled out — SC, Horwood.

Next: Garden City at Blackwell, 6:30 p.m. Friday.

Boys

NO. 19 LUBB. TRINITY 80 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 55

LUBBOCK — Lubbock Trinity opened a 23-13 lead in the first period and never looked back in a TAPPS 1-4A victory against Midland Christian on Tuesday. It's the first loss in district play for the Mustangs.

Midland Christian was led by Grant Little's game-high 22 points, while Zach Gilbert and Mason McClendon each scored 12.

The Mustangs continue TAPPS 1-4A play at 7:30 p.m. Friday, playing host to Grapevine Faith.

NO. 19 LUBBOCK TRINITY 80, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 55

MCS (10-11, 2-1 in TAPPS 1-4A) — Zach Gilbert 12, Grant Little 22, Mason McClendon 12, Jared Koym 3, Will Watson 2, Nathan Rogers 4.

Trinity (3-0 in district) — Womack 7, Parrott 8, Stephenson 21, Polvado 4, Ewald 5, Harrison 5, Wyatt 10, Wheeler 19, O Hare 2.

MCS	13	10	9	**23—55**
Trinity	23	16	16	**25—80**

Free throws — MCS 11-14, LT 3-4. 3-point goals — MCS 4 (Little 2, McClendon 2), LT 3 (Stephenson, Ewald, Harrison). Total fouls — MCS 9, LT 17. Fouled out — None.

Next: Grapevine Faith at Midland Christian 7:30 p.m. Friday.

NO. 17 GRADY 64 NO. 2 SANDS 62

LENORAH — Taylor Paulson's put-back bank shot at the buzzer in overtime gave Grady a victory against rival Sands in a District 6-A Division II game at Grady.

Paulson's shot ended a back-and-forth contest between the two small-school powers as the Mustangs outscored Grady 14-9 in the fourth quarter to force overtime.

Brandon Lucas scored 26 points, including three 3-pointers, and Michael Jimenez added 13 points. Jared Staggs led Sands with 20 points and Caleb Thomason added 19 in the loss.

Grady will take on Borden County at 8 p.m. Friday.

GRADY 64, SANDS 62, OT

Sands (18-3, 5-1 in 6-A Division II) — Caleb Thomason 19, Preson Zant 12, Barry Norris 1, Monte Timmins 1, Dylan Tindol 7, Devin Spivey 3, Jared Staggs 20.

Grady (15-4, 6-0 in 6-A Division II) — Brett Glaze 9, Joseph Briseno 6, Michael Jimenez 13, Taylor Paulson 6, E.J. Rodriguez 2, Ivan San Juan 2, Brandon Lucas 26.

Sands	13	12	14	14	**9—62**
Grady	12	17	15	9	**11—64**

Free throws — Sands 17-31, Grady 8-15. 3-point goals — Sands 0, Grady 6 (Glaze 2, Jimenez 1, Lucas 3). Total fouls — Sands 13, Grady 22. Fouled out — Sands, Thomason, Staggs.

Next: Grady at Borden County, 8 p.m. Friday.

NO. 15 GARDEN CITY 70 STERLING CITY 23

GARDEN CITY — Sterling City remained winless on the season with a decisive loss to the Bearkats in District 14-A, Division II play Tuesday.

Garden City quickly jumped out to a 17-0 lead less than three minutes into the game and never looked back. The Bearkats didn't attempt a single free throw in the game.

Corbin Davis led the Bearkats with 17 points, while Sam Miller added 14 and Juan Bustos scored 10.

Garden City goes on the road to play Blackwell at 8 p.m. Friday.

NO. 15 GARDEN CITY 70, STERLING CITY 23

Sterling City (0-19, 0-6 in District 14-A Division II) — Wilborn 8, Melendez 5, Davis 4, Bankston 4, Mcguire 2.

Garden City (14-6, 5-1) — Corbin Davis 17, Sam Miller 14, Juan Bustos 10, Dillon Koenning 9, Braden Jones 7, Chapman Royall 6, Austin Odom 5, Casey Hanz 2.

Sterling City	4	4	9	**6—23**
Garden City	25	10	17	**18—70**

Free throws — SC 4-9, GC 0-0. 3-point goals — SC 1 (Wilborn), GC 4 (Jones, Koenning, Davis, Odom). Total fouls — SC 4, GC 7. Fouled out — None.

Next: Garden City at Blackwell, 8 p.m. Friday.

COLORADO CITY 43 COAHOMA 41

COAHOMA — Coahoma had its chances, but came up just short in a loss to District 4-2A rival Colorado City on Tuesday.

The Bulldogs had the final possession of the game with 14 seconds remaining but didn't manage to get a shot off in an attempt to tie the game.

Coahoma was led by Tanner Ruiz's 19 points before he fouled out of the game.

Coahoma plays at 8 p.m. Friday against Denver City.

COLORADO CITY 43, COAHOMA 41

Colorado City (1-1 in 4-2A) — Lewis 2, Munoz 3, Castillo 9, Jackson 4, Sutton 6, Gariney 3, Duncan 3, Johnston 5, Rivera 8.

Coahoma (10-11, 0-2) — TJ. White 1, Tanner Ruiz 19, Braxton Iden 2, Armani Guillama 2, Nathan McGullough 6, Alex Hill 9, Morgan Luce 2.

Colorado City	4	16	16	**7—43**
Coahoma	12	12	6	**11—41**

Free throws — CC 10-17, CHS 11-20. 3-point goals — CC 3 (Munoz, Gariney, Duncan), CHS 2 (McCullough, Hill). Total fouls — CC 22, CHS 22. Fouled out — CHS, Ruiz. Technical foul — CHS, Ruiz.

Next: Coahoma at Denver City, 8 p.m. Friday.

LUBBOCK ESTACADO 77 ANDREWS 35

ANDREWS — Lubbock Estacado jumped out to a big lead and never trailed in a District 2-3A victory against Andrews on Tuesday.

The Mustangs were down 19-6 by the end of the first period and 40-16 at halftime. It didn't get any better in the second half for Andrews.

The Mustangs had no players score in double figures with Michael Underwood and Corey Duran each putting in eight points.

LUBBOCK ESTACADO 77, ANDREWS 35

Estacado — Johns 18, Courtney 14, Glossaw 12, Reed 9, Mckinney 7, Hastings 7, Bascus 2, McQueen 1.

Andrews — Michael Underwood 8, Corey Duran 8, Devon Fitzgerald 5, Anthony Maholly 5, Caleb O'Connor 5, Kyle Buck 2, Bryce Pace 2.

Estacado	19	21	17	**20—77**
Andrews	6	10	5	**14—35**

Free throws — AHS 7-14, LE 12-15. 3-point goals — AHS 2 (Duran 2), LE 7 (Glosssaw 3, Johns 2, McKinney, Courtney). Total fouls — AHS 15, LE 15. Fouled out — None.

LAMESA 68 DENVER CITY 56

Denver City (18-2, 1-1 in 4-2A) — B. Golden 4, Guttierez 2, Hawkins 19, Delarosa 11, Garcia 6, Aguirre 4, Hemelein 5, Mills 5.

Lamesa (13-9, 1-1) — Adnan Contreras 4, Kendrick Hunter 4, Brody Alexander 16, Holt Moreland 18, Ryan Garza 16, Roman Rendon 4, Darius Jackson 2, Derek Hereford 4.

Denver City	12	15	16	**13—56**
Lamesa	12	22	12	**22—68**

Free throws — DC 21-37, LHS 10-24. 3-point goals — DC 3 (Hemelein, Garcia, Delarosa). LHS 2 (Moreland, Garza). Total fouls — DC 24, LHS 26. Fouled out — DC, Hemelein, Guitterez, LHS, Rendon.

Next: Lamesa at Stanton, 8 p.m. Friday.

Lady Dawgs notch road win at Central

From staff reports

SAN ANGELO — Midland High never trailed, but never held a comfortable lead in a 46-38 victory against San Angelo Central in a District 4-3A girls basketball game Tuesday.

The Lady Dawgs (19-8, 8-2 in 2-5A) had just a 20-19 advantage at halftime, and never pulled away by more than eight points in the second half with Central (8-15, 5-6) playing with a purpose.

"You could tell they had their backs to the wall," MHS coach Ron Berry said about Central. "You could tell they were focused. To get back into the playoff hunt, they needed to win that game, and they played like it."

Central's Emily Hurst scored 17 points to lead all scorers, but no other Lady Bobcat hit double figures.

Freshman guard Alexandrea Washington scored 12 to lead the Lady Dawgs with Catarina Rendon adding 11 points. Berry said Rendon also rebounded well in the fourth period, helping the Lady Dawgs secure the victory.

District 2-5A girls basketball standings

	District		Overall	
Team	**W**	**L**	**W**	**L**
Lubbock Coronado	11	0	27	1
Midland High	9	2	19	9
Lee	8	3	12	10
Abilene High	6	3	16	8
San Angelo Central	5	6	8	15
Odessa Permian	4	7	13	13
Amarillo Tascosa	3	8	7	19
Abilene Cooper	1	9	3	23
Odessa High	0	11	5	24

Tuesday's Scores

Abilene High 50, Abilene Cooper 22; Midland High 45, San Angelo Central 38; Odessa Permian 33, Odessa High 30; Lubbock Coronado 56, Amarillo Tascosa 23. Lee was idle.

Friday's Games

Lee vs. Midland High; Chaparral Center; Odessa Permian at Abilene Cooper; Lubbock Coronado at Odessa High; San Angelo Central at Amarillo Tascosa. All games at 6 p.m.

Midland High takes on crosstown rival Lee at 6 p.m. Friday. The Lady Dawgs have beaten the Lady Rebels in their last 14 meetings, including three times this season.

MIDLAND HIGH 46, SAN ANGELO CENTRAL 38

Midland High (19-8, 8-2 in 2-5A) — Alexandrea Washington 12, Miranda Mast 3, Rebecca Gallegos 3, Aubrie Elliott 9, London Edwards 2, Desare Allen 2, Claire Lancaster 4, Catarina Rendon 11.

Central (8-15, 5-6) — Bree Torres 5, Emily Hurst 17, Amber Dubois 9, Hannah Benes 2, Bri Contreras 3, Kanti Sanders 2.

Midland High	12	8	10	**16—46**
Central	8	11	6	**13—38**

Free throws — MHS 14-19, SAC 8-10. 3-point goals — MHS: 0. SAC 4 (Torres 1, Hurst 1, Dubois 1, Contreras 1). Total fouls — MHS 11, SAC 18. Fouled out — None.

Next: Midland High vs. Lee, 6 p.m. Friday, Chaparral Center. San Angelo Central at Amarillo Tascosa, 6 p.m. Friday.

MHS falls to Central

From staff reports

SAN ANGELO — San Angelo Central broke open a tight game in the second and third quarters as the Bobcats took a 66-53 victory against Midland High during a District 2-5A game Tuesday.

Midland High (6-20, 1-7 in District 2-5A) was down 18-17 after the first quarter, but the Bobcats outscored the Bulldogs 38-22 in the second and third periods combined, breaking open the game and improving its district record to 7-2.

Midland High has now lost seven straight district games since beating Lee in overtime on Dec. 4. Central remained in the hunt for its second straight district title.

Jacob Makowsky led the Bulldogs with 14 points, and Mazelle Justice added 12 and Blake Canis 10.

Midland High will face rival Lee at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Chaparral Center.

District 2-5A boys basketball standings

	District		Overall	
Team	**W**	**L**	**W**	**L**
Lubbock Coronado	8	1	20	5
Odessa Permian	8	1	17	6
San Angelo Central	7	2	16	7
Amarillo Tascosa	4	5	12	11
Abilene High	5	4	15	7
Abilene Cooper	4	5	10	14
Odessa High	2	7	10	14
Midland High	1	7	6	20
Lee	1	8	10	15

Tuesday's Scores

San Angelo Central 66, Midland High 53
Lubbock Coronado 63, Amarillo Tascosa 59
Abilene High 65, Abilene Cooper 52
Odessa Permian 70, Odessa High 45

Friday's Games

Midland High vs. Lee; San Angelo Central at Amarillo Tascosa; Odessa Permian at Abilene Cooper; Lubbock Coronado at Odessa High. All games at 7:30 p.m.

SAN ANGELO CENTRAL 66, MIDLAND HIGH 53

Midland High (6-20, 1-7 in District 2-5A) — Sean Pena 6, Austin Watson 6, Blake Canis 10, Gary Ringo 7, Mazelle Justice 12, Jacob Makowsky 14, Trevor Abney 2.

San Angelo Central (16-7, 7-2) — Lura 3, Nevra 3, Smith 4, Whitlock 18, Ringer 3, Pederson 20, Barger 15.

MHS	17	11	11	**14—53**
SA Central	18	18	20	**10—66**

Free throws — MHS 5-14, Central 4-6. 3-point goals — MHS 5 (Watson 2, Ringo, Makowsky 2). Central 6 (Lura, Whitlock, Pederson 4). Total fouls — MHS 17, Central 19. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — MHS, R.J. Poncho, Central, Whitlock.

Next: Midland High vs. Lee, 7:30 p.m. Friday. San Angelo Central at Amarillo Tascosa, 7:30 p.m. Friday.

LOCALSPORTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

COM AQUATICS HIRES NEW SWIM COACH

The City of Midland Aquatics team announced on Tuesday that it has hired Bob Kizer as the club's next head swim coach.

Kizer replaces Andy Korda, who returned to Houston a few weeks ago. Kizer worked at the New Trier Swim Club in suburban Chicago, and was chosen from more than 50 candidates that applied for the job.

Kizer has worked with a number of USA Swimming teams and camps, and also had six Olympic Trials qualifiers the past year. He will start his job officially on March 30.

COM Aquatics Director Brad Swendig said age group coach Jenna Purkey is the team's interim head swim coach.

DRILLERS TO PLAY AT COWBOYS STADIUM

The West Texas Drillers will begin their first season in the Professional American Football League with a game at Cowboys Stadium in Arlington on Jan. 25.

The game is part of a 12-game schedule for the Drillers during the 2013 season as they will play six games at Grande Communications Stadium this year. The Drillers will take on the Wichita Falls Nighthawks at 8:30 p.m. Jan. 25 at Cowboys Stadium.

The team also announced on Tuesday that it had signed quarterback Chris Ware for this season. Ware was a four-year starter at Eastern Oregon University, and also played professionally in Sweden.

2013 West Texas Drillers Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Jan. 25	Wichita Falls&	8:30 p.m.
Feb. 16	San Angelo	7:1 p.m.
Feb. 23	at West Texas Sky Force	TBA
March 2	Austin	7:11 p.m.
March 9	at Curry County	TBA
March 16	at Temple	TBA
March 23	Lubbock	7:11 p.m.
April 6	West Texas Sky Force	7:11 p.m.
April 13	at Texas	TBA
April 20	Curry County	7:11 p.m.
April 27	at Lubbock	TBA
May 4	North Texas	7:11 p.m.

All home games at Grande Communications Stadium
& at Cowboys Stadium, Arlington

AUSTRALIANOPENRESULTS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Tuesday
At Melbourne Park
Melbourne, Australia
Singles
Men
First Round

Andy Murray (3), Britain, def. Robin Haase, Netherlands, 6-3, 6-1, 6-3.

Blaz Kavcic, Slovenia, def. Thomaz Bellucci, 29, Brazil, 6-3, 6-1, 6-3.

Joao Sousa, Portugal, def. John-Patrick Smith, Australia, 6-4, 6-1, 6-4.

Ricardas Berankis, Lithuania, def. Sergiy Stakhovsky, Ukraine, 6-2, 7-6, 4-1, 7-5.

Andreas Seppi, (27), Italy, def. Horacio Zeballos, Argentina, 6-2, 6-4, 6-2.

Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan, def. Igor Sijsling, Netherlands, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

Florian Mayer, (25), Germany, def. Rhyne Williams, United States, 2-6, 3-6, 6-2, 7-6 (12), 6-1.

Milos Raonic, (13), Canada, def. Jan Hajek, Czech Republic, 3-6, 6-1, 6-2, 7-6 (0).

Go Soeda, Japan, def. Luke Saville, Australia, 6-7, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3.

Alejandro Falla, Colombia, def. Josselin Ouanna, France, 6-4, 7-5, 6-4.

Amir Weintraub, Israel, def. Guido Pella, Argentina, 7-6 (2), 7-5, 6-2.

Roger Federer, (2), Switzerland, def. Benoit Paire, France, 6-2, 6-4, 6-1.

Philipp Kohlschreiber, (17), Germany, def. Steve Darcis, Belgium, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4.

James Duckworth, Australia, def. Benjamin Mitchell, Australia, 6-4, 7-6 (8), 4-6, 6-7, 8-6.

Jeremy Chardy, France, def. Adrian Menendez-Maceiras, Spain, 7-6 (5), 6-7 (3), 6-2, 6-1.

Jo-Wilfried Tsonga, (7), France, def. Michael Llodra, France, 6-4, 7-6 (5), 6-2.

Juan Martin del Potro, (6), Argentina, def. Adrian Mannarino, France, 6-1, 6-2, 6-2.

Richard Gasquet, (9), France, def. Albert Montanes, Spain, 7-5, 6-2, 6-1.

Marcel Granollers, (30), Spain, def. Grega Zemlja, Slovenia, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (4), 6-4.

Jesse Levine, Canada, def. Tommy Robredo, Spain, 7-6 (5), 6-7 (2), 6-4, 6-4.

Lukas Rosol, Czech Republic, def. Jamie Baker, Britain, 7-6 (5), 7-5, 6-2.

Marin Cilic, (12), Croatia, def. Marinko Matosevic, Australia, 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.

Gilles Simon, (14), France, def. Filippo Volandri, Italy, 2-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-2.

Ivan Dodig, Croatia, def. Wu Di, China, 7-5, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

Benjamin Becker, Germany, def. Aljaz Bedene, Slovenia, 4-6, 6-3, 7-5, 7-6 (1).

Jarkko Nieminen, Finland, def. Tommy Haas, (19), Germany, 7-6 (3), 4-6, 6-3, 4-6, 8-6.

Daniel Brands, Germany, def. Martin Klizan, (27), Slovakia, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Nikolay Davydenko, Russia, def. Dudi Sela, Israel, 3-6, 6-1, 7-5, 6-3.

Yen-Hsun Lu, Taiwan, def. Ruben Ramirez Hidalgo, Spain, 6-2, 6-7, 4-6, 6-3.

Rajeev Ram, United States, def. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, Spain, 6-4, 6-4, 3-6, 6-2.

Bernard Tomic, Australia, def. Leonardo Mayer, Argentina, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3.

Gael Monfils, France, def. Alexandr Dolgopolov, (16), Ukraine, 6-7 (2), 7-6 (4), 6-3, 6-3.

Women
First Round

Caroline Wozniacki, (10), Denmark, def. Sabine Lisicki, Germany, 2-6, 6-3, 6-3.

Carla Suarez Navarro, Spain, def. Sara Errani, (7), Italy, 6-4, 6-4.

Maria Kirilenko, (14), Russia, def. Vania King, United States, 6-4, 6-2.

Svetlana Kuznetsova, Russia, def. Lourdes Dominguez Lino, Spain, 6-2, 6-1.

Kimiko Date-Krumm, Japan, def. Nadia Petrova, (12), Russia, 6-2, 6-0.

Peng Shuai, China, def. Rebecca Marino, Canada, 6-3, 6-0.

Elena Vesnina, Russia, def. Caroline Garcia, France, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Shahar Peer, Israel, def. Alexandra Panova, Russia, 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.

Hsieh Su-wei, (26), Taiwan, def. Lara Arruabarrena Vecino, Spain, 7-6 (5), 6-2.

Varvara Lepchenko, (21), United States, def. Polona Hercog, Slovenia, 6-4, 6-1.

Sesil Karatantcheva, (3), United States, def. Edina Gallovits-Hall, Romania, 6-0, 6-0.

Victoria Azarenka, (1), Belarus, def. Monica Niculescu, Romania, 6-1, 6-4.

Roberta Vinci, (16), Italy, def. Silvia Soler-Espinosa, Spain, 6-3, 7-5.

Petra Kvitova, (8), Czech Republic, def. Francesca Schiavone, Italy, 6-4, 2-6, 6-2.

Yuka Putintseva, Kazakhstan, def. Christina McHale, United States, 6-1, 6-7 (0), 6-2.

Bojana Jovanovski, Serbia, def. Maria Teresa Torro-Flor, Spain, 2-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Annika Beck, Germany, def. Yaroslava Shvedova, (28), Kazakhstan, 6-2, 6-7, 7-5, 6-3.

Donna Vekic, Croatia, def. Andrea Hlavackova, Czech Republic, 6-1, 6-2.

Lucie Safarova, (17), Czech Republic, def. Mirjana Lucic-Baroni, Croatia, 7-6 (4), 6-4.

Sloane Stephens, (29), United States, def. Simona Halep, Romania, 6-1, 6-1.

Laura Robson, Britain, def. Melanie Oudin, United States, 6-2, 6-3.

Ayumi Morita, Japan, def. Anna Tatishvili, Georgia, 6-3, 6-3.

Garbine Muguruza, Spain, def. Magdalena Rybarikova, Slovakia, 4-6, 6-1, 14-12.

Akgul Amanmuradova, Uzbekistan, def. Mathilde Johansson, France, 6-4, 6-2.

Dana Gavrilova, Russia, def. Lauren Davis, United States, 6-3, 6-7 (2), 6-4.

Elen Danieldou, Greece, def. Karolina Pliskova, Czech Republic, 7-5, 5-7, 6-4.

Kristina Mladenovic, France, def. Timea Babos, Hungary, 6-4, 4-6, 11-9.

Jamie Hampton, United States, def. Urszula Radwanska, (31), Poland, 6-2, 6-4.

Jana Cepelova, Slovakia, def. Greta Arn, Hungary, 6-2, 6-2.

Lesia Tsurenko, Ukraine, def. Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, (24), Russia, 7-5, 3-6, 7-5.

Luksika Kumkhum, Thailand, def. Sofia Arvidsson, Sweden, 7-6 (5), 6-4.

Yanina Wickmayer, (20), Belgium, def. Jarmila Gajdosova, Australia, 6-1, 7-5.

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NJCAA Division I Men's Basketball Poll
(First place votes in parenthesis)

Rank	College	Record	Pts	Prv.
1	Hutchinson CC (13)	17-0	394	2
2	Palm Beach St. (1)	20-0	381	3
3	Iowa Western CC (1)	19-0	358	5
4	Vincennes University	16-0	358	4
5	Spartanburg Meth	16-0	330	6
6	Northwest Florida St	17-1	311	7
7	Chipola College	18-1	304	1
8	Howard College	16-2	273	8
9	Colleyville CC	17-1	268	10
10	Indian Hills CC	17-2	245	13
11	Chttthoochee Tech	17-1	210	17
12	New Mexico JC	16-2	209	15
13	Barton CC	16-2	195	9
14	North Idaho College	17-3	145	18
15	Salt Lake CC	17-2	139	21
16	Hagerstown CC	16-2	134	21
17	Kilgore College	15-2	114	23
18	Connors St College	13-3	100	12
19	South Plains College	13-4	86	11
20	Middle Ga. College	11-3	78	14
21	College of Cent Fla	18-2	73	RV
22	San Jacinto Coll	12-3	72	16
23	East Ga St College	15-1	70	RV
24	Central Aniz Coll	15-3	61	RV
25	Mineral Area Coll	17-3	44	RV

Others receiving votes: Motlow State CC (11-2) 33; Mississippi Gulf Coast CC (11-3) 28; Marshalltown CC (14-3) 21; **Odessa College (14-3) 18;** Gulf Coast State College (17-3) 17; Cochise College (15-3) 16; **Midland College (10-4) 16;** Pearl River CC (11-1) 16; Jones County JC (10-2) 15; Snow College (15-4) 12

NFL Playoffs

Conference Championships
Sunday
San Francisco at Atlanta, 2 p.m. (FOX)
Baltimore at New England, 5:30 p.m. (CBS)
Pro Bowl
Sunday, Jan. 27
At Honolulu
AFC vs. NFC, 8 p.m. (NBC)
Super Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 3
At New Orleans
AFC champion vs. NFC champion, 5 p.m. (CBS)

NBA DL

	W	L	Pct	GB
Central Division				
Texas	11	8	.579	—
Rio Grande Valley	10	8	.556	1/2
Austin	11	9	.550	1/2
Sioux Falls	11	10	.524	1
Tulsa	9	9	.500	1
Iowa	6	12	.333	4 1/2
West Division				
Bakersfield	13	7	.650	—
Santa Cruz	11	7	.611	1
Reno	8	9	.471	3 1/2
Los Angeles	6	10	.375	5
Idaho	5	15	.250	8
East Division				
Maine	13	8	.619	—
Canton	13	9	.591	1/2
Erie	10	7	.588	1
Fort Wayne	10	10	.500	2 1/2
Springfield	5	13	.278	6 1/2

Tuesday's Scores
Sioux Falls 99, Santa Cruz 83
Wednesday's Games
Santa Cruz at Iowa, 7 p.m.
Erie at Idaho, 8 p.m.
Fort Wayne at Los Angeles, 9 p.m.

NHL

2013 Dallas Stars Schedule
Saturday Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Sunday at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Jan. 22 at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 24 Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 26 St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Jan. 28 at Columbus, 6 p.m.
Jan. 29 at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Feb. 1 Phoenix, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 2 at Phoenix, 7 p.m.
Feb. 4 at Colorado, 8 p.m.
Feb. 6 at Edmonton, 8:30 p.m.
Feb. 8 Anaheim, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 12 at Edmonton, 8:30 p.m.
Feb. 13 at Calgary, 8:30 p.m.
Feb. 15 at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Feb. 17 Calgary, 2 p.m.
Feb. 21 Vancouver, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 23 San Jose, 7 p.m.
Feb. 25 at Nashville, 7 p.m.
Feb. 26 at Columbus, 6 p.m.
Feb. 28 Edmonton, 7:30 p.m.
March 3 St. Louis, 2 p.m.
March 7 at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.
March 9 at Phoenix, 7 p.m.
March 12 Nashville, 7:30 p.m.
March 14 Anaheim, 7:30 p.m.
March 16 Chicago, 7 p.m.
March 18 Calgary, 7:30 p.m.
March 20 at Colorado, 8:30 p.m.
March 21 at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.
March 23 Colorado, 7 p.m.
March 25 Minnesota, 7:30 p.m.
March 29 Minnesota, 7:30 p.m.
March 31 Los Angeles, 5 p.m.
April 1 Anaheim, 7:30 p.m.
April 3 at Anaheim, 9 p.m.
April 5 at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
April 7 at San Jose, 3 p.m.
April 9 Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.
April 12 at Nashville, 7 p.m.
April 13 San Jose, 7 p.m.
April 15 at Chicago, 7 p.m.
April 18 Vancouver, 7:30 p.m.
April 19 at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
April 21 at Los Angeles, 8 p.m.
April 23 at San Jose, 9 p.m.
April 25 Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
April 27 Detroit, 7 p.m.

Skiing

Women's World Cup Slalom Results
Tuesday
At Flachau, Austria
1 Mikaela Shiffrin, United States, 1 minute, 51.45 seconds (55-26-56) 19
2 Frida Hansdotter, Sweden, 1:52.30 (55-79-56) 51
3 Tanja Poutiainen, Finland, 1:52.55 (55-88-56) 67
4 Anna Swenn-Larsson, Sweden, 1:52.57 (56-02-56) 75
5 Tina Maze, Slovenia, 1:52.71 (56-08-56) 83
6 Bernadette Schild, Austria, 1:52.85 (56-05-56-80)
7 Maria Pietilae-Holmner, Sweden, 1:53.33 (56-50-56) 73
8 Sarka Strachova, Czech Republic, 1:53.38 (56-79-56) 59
9 Michelle Gisin, Switzerland, 1:53.44 (58-03-55) 41
10 Erin Mielzynski, Canada, 1:53.59 (56-71-56) 88
World Cup Slalom Standings
(After 7 races)
1 Mikaela Shiffrin, United States, 436
2 Tina Maze, Slovenia, 355
3 Veronika Velez Zuzulova, Slovakia, 305
4 Tanja Poutiainen, Finland, 290
5 Maria Hoefl-Riesch, Germany, 275

This Week

PGA TOUR
HUMANA CHALLENGE
Site: La Quinta, Calif.
Schedule: Thursday-Sunday
Courses: PGA West, Arnold Palmer Private Course (6,950 yards, par 72); PGA West, Jack Nicklaus Private Course (6,951 yards, par 72); La Quinta Country Club (7,060 yards, par 72)
Purse: $5.6 million. Winner's share $1,008,000
Television: Golf Channel (Thursday, 2-6 p.m. & 9:30-10:30 p.m. Friday, 2-6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Midnight-3 a.m., 2-6 p.m. Monday, Midnight-3 a.m.)
Last year: Mark Wilson won his fifth tour title, beating Robert Garrigus. John Mallinger and Johnson Wagner by two strokes.
Last week: Russell Henley won the Sony Open in Hawaii to become the first player in 10 years to win in his debut as a PGA Tour rookie. He broke the tournament record with a 24-under 256 total. The second-best score for a 72-hole tournament in PGA Tour history.
Notes: Phil Mickelson is making his first start of the year. Henley also is in the field along with FedEx Cup champion Brandt Snedeker. U.S. Open winner Webb Simpson and Japanese star Ryo Ishikawa. ... The tournament, long known as the Bob Hope Classic, was shortened from 90 to 72 holes last year. ... David Duval shot a 59 on the Palmer Course in the final round of his 1999 victory. ... Arnold Palmer won the inaugural event in 1960 and added victories in 1962, '68, '71 and '73. ... Mike Weir has missed 16 consecutive cuts. ... The Farmers Insurance Open is next week in San Diego, followed by the Phoenix Open.

EUROPEAN TOUR
ABU DHABI HSBC
GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP
Site: Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
Schedule: Thursday-Sunday
Course: Abu Dhabi Golf Club (7,605 yards, par 72)
Purse: $2.7 million. Winner's share $450,000
Television: Golf Channel (Wednesday, 9:30 p.m.-7 a.m. Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 10 p.m.-7 a.m. Friday, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 9 p.m.-11:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, 3-7 a.m., 9:30-1:30 p.m., 9-11:30 p.m.)
Last year: England's Robert Rock held off Rory McIlroy by a stroke. Tiger Woods tied for third, two strokes back, in his season debut.
Last week: Louis Oosthuizen won the Volvo Champions in his native South Africa, rallying to beat Scotland's Scott Jamieson by a stroke.
Notes: Woods and McIlroy are making their first starts of the year. The top-ranked McIlroy officially signed with Nike on Monday. Martin Kaymer, the tournament winner in 2008, 2010 and 2011, also is in the field along with British Open champion Ernie Els. Justin Rose and American Jason Dufner. ... The Qatar Masters is next week, followed by the Dubai Desert Classic.

CHAMPIONS TOUR
MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC CHAMPIONSHIP
Site: Kaupulehu-Kona, Hawaii
Schedule: Friday-Sunday
Course: Hualalai Golf Course (7,107 yards, par 72)
Purse: $1.8 million. Winner's share $307,000
Television: Golf Channel (Friday, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, 3:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m., Monday, 3-5 a.m.)
Last year: Dan Forsman won the season-opening tournament for his third Champions Tour title. Jay Don Blake was second, two strokes back.
Notes: The 40-player field features major champions from the last five years, other tournament winners in the last two seasons and sponsor invites. ... Fred Couples is opening his fourth season on the 50-and-over tour. ... Steve Elkington is making his first start on the 50-and-over tour. ... Russ Cochran tied for 41st last week in the PGA Tour's Sony Open. ... The tour is off the next two weeks. Play will resume Feb. 8-10 with the Allianz Championship in Boca Raton, Fla.

OTHER TOURNAMENT
PGA TOUR OF AUSTRALASIA: Victorian PGA Championship, Thursday-Sunday, Forest Creek, Creswick, Australia.

Schedules

PGA Tour
Jan. 4-7 — Hyundai Tournament of Champions (Dustin Johnson)
Jan. 10-13 — Sony Open (Russell Henley)
Jan. 17-20 — Humana Challenge, PGA West (Palmer Private, Nicklaus Private), La Quinta CC, La Quinta, Calif.
Jan. 24-27 — Farmers Insurance Open, Torrey Pines GC (North and South), San Diego.
Jan. 31-Feb. 3 — Waste Management Phoenix Open, TPC Scottsdale, Scottsdale, Ariz.
Feb. 7-10 — AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, Pebble Beach, Spyglass Hill, Monterey Peninsula (Shore Course), Pebble Beach, Calif.
Feb. 14-17 — Northern Trust Open, Riviera CC, Los Angeles
Feb. 20-24 — WGC-Accenture Match Play Championship, Ritz-Carlton GC at Dove Mountain, Marana, Ariz.
Feb. 28-March 3 — Honda Classic, PGA National GC, PGA Beach Gardens, Fla.
March 7-10 — WGC-Cadillac Championship, TPC Blue Monster at Doral, Doral, Fla.
March 7-10 — Puerto Rico Open, Trump International GC, Rio Grande, Puerto Rico
March 14-17 — Tampa Bay Championship, Innisbrook Resort (Copperhead Course), Palm Harbor, Fla.
March 21-24 — Arnold Palmer Invitational, Bay Hill Club & Lodge, Orlando, Fla.
March 28-31 — Shell Houston Open, Redstone GC (Tournament Course), Houston.
April 4-7 — Valero Texas Open, TPC San Antonio (AT&T Oaks Course), San Antonio
April 11-14 — Masters Tournament, Augusta National GC, Augusta, Ga.
April 18-21 — RBC Heritage, Harbour-town GL, Hilton Head Island, S.C.
April 25-28 — Zurich Classic, TPC Louisiana, New Orleans
May 2-5 — Wells Fargo Championship, Quail Hollow Club, Charlotte, N.C.
May 9-12 — The Players Championship, TPC Sawgrass (Players Stadium Course), Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.
May 16-19 — HP Byron Nelson Championship, TPC Four Seasons Resort, Las Colinas, Irving
May 23-26 — Crowne Plaza Invitational at Colonial, Colonial CC, Fort Worth
May 30-June 2 — Memorial Tournament, Muirfield Village GC, Dublin, Ohio
June 6-9 — FedEx St. Jude Classic, TPC Southwind, Memphis, Tenn.
June 13-16 — U.S. Open, Merion GC, Ardmore, Pa.
June 20-23 — Travelers Championship, TPC River Highlands, Hartford, Conn.
June 27-30 — AT&T National, Congressional CC (Blue Course), Bethesda, Md.
July 4-7 — The Greenbrier Classic, The Greenbrier (The Old White TPC), White Sulphur Springs, W.Va.
July 11-14 — John Deere Classic, TPC Deere Run, Silvis, Ill.
July 18-21 — The Open Championship, Muirfield, Gullane, Scotland
July 18-21 — True South Classic, Annandale GC, Madison, Miss.
July 25-28 — RBC Canadian Open, Glen Abbey GC, Oakville, Ontario
Aug. 1-4 — WGC-Bridgestone Invitational, Firestone CC (South Course), Akron, Ohio
Aug. 1-4 — Reno-Tahoe Open, Montreaux Golf & CC, Reno, Nev.
Aug. 8-11 — PGA Championship, Oak Hill CC, Rochester, N.Y.
Aug. 15-18 — Wyndham Championship, Sedgefield CC, Greensboro, N.C.
Aug. 22-25 — The Barclays, Liberty National, Jersey City, N.J.
Aug. 30-Sept. 2 — Deutsche Bank Championship, TPC Boston, Norton, Mass.
Sept. 12-15 — BMW Championship, Conway Farms GC, Lake Forest, Ill.
Sept. 19-22 — Tour Championship, East Lake GC, Atlanta

NBA

	W	L	Pct	GB
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
New York	24	13	.649	—
Brooklyn	23	15	.605	1 1/2
Boston	20	17	.541	4
Philadelphia	16	23	.410	9
Toronto	15	24	.385	10 1/2
Southeast Division				
Miami	24	12	.667	—
Atlanta	21	16	.568	3 1/2
Orlando	13	24	.351	11 1/2
Charlotte	9	29	.237	16
Washington	7	28	.200	16 1/2
Central Division				
Indiana	24	15	.615	—
Chicago	19	15	.583	1 1/2
Milwaukee	19	17	.528	3 1/2
Detroit	14	24	.368	9 1/2
Cleveland	9	31	.225	15 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Southwest Division				
San Antonio	29	11	.725	—
Memphis	24	12	.667	3
Houston	21	18	.538	7 1/2
Dallas	16	23	.410	12 1/2
New Orleans	14	26	.350	16
Northwest Division				
Oklahoma City	30	8	.789	—
Denver	24	16	.600	7
Portland	20	18	.526	10
Utah	19	19	.525	10
Minnesota	16	19	.457	12 1/2
Pacific Division				
L.A. Clippers	30	9	.769	—
Golden State	23	13	.639	5 1/2
L.A. Lakers	16	21	.432	13
Sacramento	14	24	.368	15 1/2
Phoenix	13	27	.325	17 1/2

Tuesday's Scores
Indiana 103, Charlotte 76
New Orleans 111, Philadelphia 99
Brooklyn 113, Toronto 106
L.A. Clippers 117, Houston 109
Denver 115, Portland 111, OT
Milwaukee at L.A. Lakers, late
Today's Games
Chicago at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Orlando, 6 p.m.
Brooklyn at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Houston at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Denver at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.
New Orleans at Boston, 7 p.m.
Memphis at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Portland, 8 p.m.
Washington at Sacramento, 9 p.m.
Miami at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

TUESDAY'S BOXES
CLIPPERS 117, ROCKETS 109
L.A. CLIPPERS (117) Jordan 6-11 1-1 1-1, Griffin 7-13 5-5 19, Jordan 4-6 1-2 9, Bledsoe 7-12 4-4 19, Green 5-8 3-3 15, Barnes 6-14 3-4 18, Odom 1-4 0-0 2, Crawford 11-20 3-3 30, Hill 1-2 2-4 4, Turiaf 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-78 22-26 117
HOUSTON (109) Parsons 7-10 1-2 17, Patterson 2-5 0-0 5, Asik 3-6 1-3 7, Lin 5-11 1-2 12, Harden 8-20 5-6 23, Morris 4-9 1-4 12, Smith 3-3 0-0 6, Douglas 3-6 0-2 7, Delfino 5-10 4-4 16, Motiejunas 0-1 1-2 1, Anderson 0-0 0-0 0, Beverley 1-1 0-0 3, Aldrich 0-0 0-0 0, Mckeysie 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 41-82 14-25 109
L.A. Clippers 28 30 32 27 — 117
Houston 29 30 18 32 — 109
3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 11-19 (Crawford 5-7, Barnes 3-6, Green 2-3, Bledsoe 1-1, Butler 0-1, Odom 0-1), Houston 13-37 (Morris 3-6, Parsons 2-4, Delfino 2-7, Harden 2-9, Beverley 1-1, Douglas 1-2, Patterson 1-3, Lin 1-4, Mckeysie 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 44 (Odom 11), Houston 48 (Asik 9). Assists—L.A. Clippers 21 (Griffin 6), Houston 25 (Lin 7). Total Fouls—L.A. Clippers 21, Houston 23. Technicals—L.A. Clippers Coach Del Negro, Griffin, Odom. A—Clippers defensive three second. Houston defensive three second. A—16,823 (18,023)

NETS 113, RAPTORS 106
TORONTO (106): Fields 4-6 0-0 8, Davis 6-10 0-0 12, Gray 2-5 2-2 6, Calderon 6-11 0-0 15, DeRozan 5-15 2-2 12, A.Johnson 6-7 3-6 15, Anderson 0-4 2-3 2, Lowry 5-7 7-7 21

Ross 2-9 0-0 4, Acy 2-2 2-2 6, Lucas 2-6 1-1 5. Totals 40-82 19-23 106
BROOKLYN (113): Bogans 3-5 0-0 7, Evans 1-3 0-0 2, Lopez 5-12 10-10 22, Williams 6-13 8-8 21, J.Johnson 9-18 1-1 21, Blatche 7-10 0-0 14, Stackhouse 0-1 0-0 0, Humphries 0-1 0-0 0, Shorts 3-5 1-3 7, Watson 2-5 4-4 9, Teletovic 3-8 1-2 10, James 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-81 25-28 113
Toronto 27 27 29 23 — 106
Brooklyn 27 27 29 30 — 113
3-Point Goals—Toronto 7-13 (Lowry 4-5, Calderon 3-4, Anderson 0-1, Ross 0-3), Brooklyn 8-21 (Teletovic 3-6, J.Johnson 2-5, Watson 1-1, Bogans 1-3, Williams 1-5, Stackhouse 0-1, Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Toronto 50 (Fields 11), Brooklyn 47 (Lopez 9). Assists—Toronto 21 (Calderon, Fields 5), Brooklyn 22 (Williams 7). Total Fouls—Toronto, 21, Brooklyn 21. A—16,236 (17,732)

PACERS 103, BOBCATS 76
INDIANA (103): George 7-16 0-2 16, West 6-13 3-4 15, Hibbert 5-11 6-8 18, Hill 6-11 2-2 16, Stephenson 3-6 0-1 7, T.Hansbrough 2-5 5-5 9, Green 1-7 1-2 3, Mahinmi 0-2 4-4 4, Augustin 2-4 0-0 5, Price 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 36-87 23-28 103
CHARLOTTE (76): Kidd-Gilchrist 1-5 2-3 4, Warrick 2-4 0-0 4, Byumbo 2-6 1-2 5, Walker 6-13 3-4 15, Hibbert 5-11 6-8 18, Hill 6-11 2-2 16, Stephenson 3-6 0-1 7, T.Hansbrough 2-5 5-5 9, Green 1-7 1-2 3, Mahinmi 0-2 4-4 4, Augustin 2-4 0-0 5, Price 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 36-87 23-28 103
Indiana 27 23 33 20 — 103
Charlotte 20 16 17 23 — 76
3-Point Goals—Indiana 8-22 (Augustin 2-3, Hill 2-4, George 2-7, B.Hansbrough 1-1, Stephenson 1-3, Green 0-4), Charlotte 3-9 (Henderson 1-1, Walker 1-1, Taylor 1-4, Sessions 0-1, Williams 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Indiana 69 (George 10), Charlotte 41 (Byumbo, Adrien 6). Assists—Indiana 25 (Stephenson 6), Charlotte 13 (Henderson 3). Total Fouls—Indiana 24, Charlotte 23. Technicals—Indiana defensive three second, Charlotte defensive three second. A—11,996 (19,077).

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men

TUESDAY'S SCORES
EAST
St. John's 67, Notre Dame 63
Stony Brook 75, Boston U. 65
SOUTH
Clemson 60, Wake Forest 44
George Mason 68, James Madison 57
Kentucky 75, Tennessee 65
Mississippi 89, Vanderbilt 79, OT
MIDWEST
Bradley 69, S. Illinois 66
Cincinnati 75, DePaul 70
Creighton 79, N. Iowa 68
E. Michigan 58, Cent. Michigan 52
Wisconsin 64, Indiana 59

TOP 25 FARED
Tuesday
Louisville (16-1) did not play. Next vs No. 6 Syracuse: Saturday
2. Indiana (15-2) lost to Wisconsin 64-59. Next at Northwestern: Sunday
3. Duke (15-1) did not play. Next vs. Georgia Tech: Thursday
4. Kansas (15-1) did not play. Next at Texas: Saturday
5. Michigan (16-1) did not play. Next at No 9 Minnesota: Thursday
6. Syracuse (16-1) did not play. Next at No 1 Louisville: Saturday
7. Arizona (15-1) did not play. Next at Arizona State: Saturday
8. Gonzaga (16-1) did not play. Next at Portland: Thursday
9. Minnesota (15-2) did not play. Next vs No 5 Michigan: Thursday
10. Florida (12-2) did not play. Next at Texas A&M: Thursday
11. Ohio State (13-3) did not play. Next at No. 18 Michigan State: Saturday
12. Creighton (17-1) beat Northern Iowa 79-68. Next at Wichita State: Saturday
13. Butler (14-2) did not play. Next at Richmond: Wednesday
14. N.C. State (14-2) did not play. Next at Maryland: Wednesday
15. San Diego State (14-2) did not play. Next vs. UNLV: Wednesday
16. Kansas State (13-2) did not play. Next at TCU: Wednesday
17. Missouri (13-2) did not play. Next vs Georgia: Wednesday
18. Michigan State (14-3) did not play. Next at Penn State: Wednesday
19. New Mexico (15-2) did not play. Next at Boise State: Wednesday
20. Notre Dame (14-3) lost to St. John's 67-63. Next vs. Rutgers: Saturday
21. Oregon (14-2) did not play. Next at Southern Cal: Thursday
22. VCU (14-3) did not play. Next vs Saint Joseph's: Thursday
23. Illinois (14-4) did not play. Next vs Northwestern: Thursday
24. UCLA (14-3) did not play. Next vs Oregon State: Thursday
25. Marquette (12-3) did not play. Next vs Seton Hall: Wednesday

TODAY'S SCHEDULE
SOUTHWEST

Team	Record	Pts	Prv
1 Baylor (25)	14-1	767	1
2 UConn (3)	14-1	731	2
3 Notre Dame (1)	14-1	722	3
4 Duke (2)	15-0	686	4
5 Kentucky	16-1	631	6
6 Stanford	14-2	628	4
7 California	13-2	582	7
8 Penn State	13-2	546	8
9 Tennessee	13-3	526	9
10 Maryland	13-3	485	10
11 Purdue	13-2	449	11
12 Georgia	15-2	431	12
13 Louisville	14-3	366	13
14 Oklahoma	14-2	355	14
15 UCLA	13-2	328	15
16 Oklahoma State	13-2	278	16
17 Dayton	13-1	265	17
18 South Carolina	14-3	262	16
19 North Carolina	13-3	233	20
20 Texas A&M	**13-5**	**182**	**21**
21 Kansas	14-4	154	18
22 Iowa State	12-5	99	23
23 Syracuse	13-4	93	19
24 Florida State	13-4	74	22
25 Colorado	13-5	67	

Others receiving votes: Nebraska 62, Michigan 27, VCU 24, Southern Methodist 23, Wichita St. 17, Liberty at High Point 6 pm, Wofford at UNC Greensboro 6 pm, Old Dominion at UNC Wilmington 6 pm, Campbell at VMI 6 pm, Presbyterian at Winthrop 6 pm, UNC Asheville at Charleston Southern 6:30 pm, Fordham at Charlotte 6:30 pm, South Carolina at LSU 7 pm, Alabama at Mississippi St. 8 pm

MIDWEST
Ball St. at Akron, 6 p.m.
Richmond at Butler, 6 p.m.
Bowling Green at Miami (Ohio), 6 p.m.
N. Illinois at Ohio, 6 p.m.
Toledo at W. Michigan, 6 p.m.
Illinois St. at Wichita St., 7 p.m.
Loyola (Chicago) at Evansville, 7:05 p.m.
Georgia at Missouri, 7 p.m.
Illinois St. at Wichita St., 7 p.m.
Evansville at Drake, 7:05 p.m.
West Virginia at Iowa St., 8 p.m.
Seton Hall at Marquette, 8 p.m.
Purdue at Nebraska, 8 p.m.

FAR WEST
New Mexico at Boise St., 8 p.m.
Air Force at Colorado St., 8 p.m.
Utah at Washington St., 8:30 p.m.
Wyoming at Nevada, 9 p.m.
Loyola Marymount at San Diego, 9 p.m.
UNLV at San Diego St., 9 p.m.
Saint Mary's (Cal.) at BYU, 10 p.m.
Calor. st at Washington, 10:30 p.m.

Women

USA Today/ESPN Women's Top 25 Poll
The top 25 teams in the USA Today-ESPN Women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Jan. 14, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking.

	Record	Pts	Prv
TUESDAY'S SCORES			
SOUTHWEST			
CS Bakersfield 74, Northern Baptist 70			
EAST			
Brown 85, Navy 74			
Delaware St. 74, Hampton 67			
Marquette St. Peter Hall 52			
SOUTH			
Davidson 87, Furman 56			
South Florida 77, Georgetown 44			
MIDWEST			
Iowa St 82, Oklahoma 67			
Notre Dame 79, Georgetown 44			
TOP 25 FARED			
Tuesday			
1 Baylor (14-1) did not play. Next at Kansas State: Wednesday			
2 Notre Dame (15-1) beat Georgetown 79-44. Next at Syracuse: Saturday			
3 UConn (16-1) beat S. Florida 77-45. Next vs. Syracuse: Saturday			
4 Duke (15-1) did not play. Next vs. Maryland: Thursday			
5 Kentucky (16-1) did not play. Next vs. Georgia: Thursday			
6 Stanford (14-2) did not play. Next vs. Washington: Thursday			
7 California (13-2) did not play. Next vs. Washington St.: Thursday			
8 Penn State (13-2) did not play. Next at Michigan: Thursday			
9 Tennessee (13-3) did not play. Next vs. Auburn: Thursday			
10 Maryland (13-3) did not play. Next at No. 4 Duke: Thursday			
11 Purdue (13-2) did not play. Next at Illinois: Thursday			
12 Georgia (15-2) did not play. Next at Kentucky: Thursday			
13 Louisville (14-3) did not play. Next at Cincinnati: Thursday			
14 Oklahoma (14-2) did not play. Next at Texas: Thursday			
15 UCLA (13-2) did not play. Next at No 24 Oregon State: Friday			
16 Oklahoma State (13-2) did not play. Next at Texas Tech: Saturday			
17 Dayton (13-1) did not play. Next at Saint Louis: Wednesday			
18 South Carolina (14-3) did not play. Next at No. 12 Georgia: Sunday			
19 North Carolina (13-3) did not play. Next at Virginia Tech: Thursday			
20 Texas A&M (13-5) did not play. Next at No. 13 Georgia: Sunday			
21 Kansas (14-4) beat Colorado 73-62. Next at Iowa State: Friday			
22 Iowa State (12-5) did not play. Next vs Arizona State: Friday			
23 Syracuse (13-4) did not play. Next at No 2 Notre Dame: Thursday			
24 Florida State (13-3) did not play. Next at Boston College: Thursday			
25 Colorado (13-5) lost to Kansas 73-62. Next vs. Texas Tech: Saturday			

Others receiving votes: Nebraska 62, Michigan 27, VCU 24, Southern Methodist 23, Wichita St. 17, Liberty at High Point 6 pm, Wofford at UNC Greensboro 6 pm, Old Dominion at UNC Wilmington 6 pm, Campbell at VMI 6 pm, Presbyterian at Winthrop 6 pm, UNC Asheville at Charleston Southern 6:30 pm, Fordham at Charlotte 6:30 pm, South Carolina at LSU 7 pm, Alabama at Mississippi St. 8 pm

TODAY'S SCHEDULE
SOUTHWEST
Houston Christian at Northwestern State, 6 p.m.
Texas Tech at Texas, 6 p.m.
EAST
New Hampshire at Albany, N.Y., 11 a.m.
UMBC at Hartford, 11 a.m.
Vermont at Binghamton, N.Y., 11 a.m.
Maine at Bryant, 6 p.m.
Colgate at Bucknell, 6 p.m.
Siena at Duquesne, 6 p.m.
Massachusetts at La Salle, 6 p.m.
Navy at Lehigh, 6 p.m.
Towson at Loyola (Md.), 6 p.m.
Army at Lafayette, 6 p.m.
Fairfield at Manhattan, 6 p.m.
Quinnipiac at Marist, 6 p.m.
Fairfield at Penn, 6 p.m.
Princeton at Rhode Island, 6 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Rutgers, 6 p.m.
Wagner at St. John's, 6 p.m.
Boston U. at Stony Brook, 6 p.m.
Virginia Tech at Syracuse, 6 p.m.
Robert Morris at Wagner, 6 p.m.
Penn St. at Michigan, 6 p.m.
Ball St. at Akron, 6 p.m.
Richmond at Butler, 6 p.m.
Bowling Green at Miami (Ohio), 6 p.m.
N. Illinois at Ohio, 6 p.m.
Toledo at W. Michigan, 6 p.m.
Illinois St. at Wichita St., 7 p.m.
Loyola (Chicago) at Evansville, 7:05 p.m.
Georgia at Missouri, 7 p.m.
Illinois St. at Wichita St., 7 p.m.
Evansville at Drake, 7:05 p.m.
West Virginia at Iowa St., 8 p.m.
Seton Hall at Marquette, 8 p.m.
Purdue at Nebraska, 8 p.m.
SOUTH
Houston at East Carolina, 6 p.m.
Coastal Carolina at Gardner-Webb, 6 p.m.
William & Mary at Georgia St., 6 p.m.
Liberty at High Point, 6 p.m.
NC State at Maryland, 6 p.m.
Longwood at Radford, 6 p.m.
Wofford at UNC Greensboro, 6 p.m.
Old Dominion at UNC Wilmington, 6 p.m.
Campbell at VMI, 6 p.m.
Presbyterian at Winthrop, 6 p.m.
UNC Asheville at Charleston Southern, 6:30 p.m.
Fordham at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.
South Carolina at LSU, 7 p.m.
Alabama at Mississippi St., 8 p.m.
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Evansville at Drake, 7:05 p.m.
West Virginia at Iowa St., 8 p.m.
Seton Hall at Marquette, 8 p.m.
Purdue at Nebraska, 8 p.m.
FAR WEST
New Mexico at Boise St., 8 p.m.
Air Force at Colorado St., 8 p.m.
Utah at Washington St., 8:30 p.m.
Wyoming at Nevada, 9 p.m.
Loyola Marymount at San Diego, 9 p.m.
UNLV at San Diego St., 9 p.m.
Saint Mary's (Cal.) at BYU, 10 p.m.
Calor. st at Washington, 10:30 p.m.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

All-Star Games

Saturday
RAYCOM College Football All-Star Classic
At Montgomery, Ala.
Stars vs. Stripes, 2 p.m. (CBSSN)
East-West Shrine Classic
At St. Petersburg, Fla.
East vs. West, 3 p.m. (NFLN)

Saturday, Jan. 26
Senior Bowl
At Mobile, Ala.
North vs. South, 3 p.m. (NFLN)

East-West Shrine Classic Rosters
At St. Petersburg, Fla.
Saturday, Jan. 19
EAST
1 Cooper Taylor S, Richmond
2 Zac Stacy, RB, Vanderbilt
3 Sio Moore, LB, Connecticut
4 Robert McCabe, LB, Georgetown
6 Kayvon Webster, CB, South Florida
7 Brandon Smith, CB, Georgia
7 Collin Klein, QB, Kansas St
8 Trent Steelman, WR, Army
9 Trey Wilson, CB, Vanderbilt
10 D.C. Jefferson, TE, Rutgers

Associated Press

Los Angeles Clippers' Blake Griffin (32) is fouled by Houston Rockets' Omer Asik (3) during the first half Tuesday in Houston.

Rockets can't hold off hot Clippers

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

Clippers	117
Rockets	109

HOUSTON — Jamal Crawford scored a season-high 30 points, including 12 straight to start the fourth quarter, and the Los Angeles Clippers looked just fine without Chris Paul in a 117-109 win over the struggling Houston Rockets on Tuesday night.

The Clippers won their second game in a row despite missing their star point guard, who is day to day with a bruised right kneecap.

Los Angeles used a big third quarter to take the lead, and Crawford extended the advantage to 20 by outscoring Houston 12-7 in the opening minutes of the fourth quarter.

James Harden had 23 points for the Rockets, whose four-game losing streak is a season worst.

The Clippers improved to 11-1 this season when the 12-year veteran Crawford leads the team in scoring.

Los Angeles opened the second half with a 10-0 run to take a 68-59 lead with about nine minutes left in the third quarter. Eric Bledsoe, starting in place of Paul, scored the last five points in that span, ending it with a 3-pointer. Houston missed four shots and had a turnover as the Clippers built their lead.

The Rockets finally found some offense when Chandler Parsons scored their first points of the second half on a layup with 8½ minutes left in the third quarter. But the Clippers didn't let up, and Green soon got hot. He scored eight points in less than a minute thanks in part to two turnovers by Omer Asik, extending the lead to 81-65.

His last three points in that span came when he was fouled on a two-handed dunk, bringing the entire Los Angeles bench to its feet, and then made the free throw.

Grant Hill was called for a foul on Toney Douglas late in the third quarter and Blake Griffin received a technical after jawing with officials following the call. Griffin was immediately pulled from the game and received an earful from coach Vinny Del Negro when he got to the bench.

Los Angeles entered the fourth quarter leading 90-77 after shooting 60 percent to just 38.9 percent by the Rockets in the third.

Rangers

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team, carrying over momentum from a 26-point fourth quarter in a 69-66 loss to Lamesa followed by a 36-point win against Snyder.

"We had a real good fourth quarter (against Lamesa) where they started getting after it," Boxell said. "I told them right before district, that's how we have to play, like we did that fourth quarter, because we cut an 18-point lead and almost came back and won."

Playing in a hostile environment, Wylie (21-4, 2-0 in District 4-3A) went up almost immediately thanks to a white-hot start by junior point guard Mike Lopez.

Lopez scored nine of the Bulldogs' first 12 points to stake them to an early lead, going on to score 17 of his game-high 25 in the first half.

"My teammates, they got me the ball, and I just hit my open looks," Lopez said. "Once they started coming on me, I just could dish it off to my teammates."

Wylie shot 58 percent from the field in the first half to take a 35-26 lead, its largest of the game, into the half.

But even as Wylie continued to shoot the lights out — the Bulldogs hit 7 of 10 shots from beyond the arc in the game — Greenwood (11-12, 1-1) never went away, pulling within one possession on a Kam Williams layup as he was fouled with 1:12 remaining in the third.

Williams missed the free throw, making it 43-40, before Wylie pushed its lead back to seven with four straight points, before ending the third up 47-42.

But Greenwood wasn't fazed.

"I look at the scoreboard, but I don't even do the math in my head to see how many points (the deficit) is," said Williams, who led Greenwood with 17 points and nine rebounds. "I think all the guys on the team, we have it in our heads that we're going to give it all we've got no matter what the score is, no matter what's going on."

Greenwood spent the entire fourth trying to cut into the Wylie advantage, mostly to no avail.

The Rangers came close when Williams drained one of his three 3-pointers to make it 54-50 with 3:40 to play.

Then, with 1:57 to play, Wylie senior Duane Hopper went up high to swat a Taylor Hollingsworth layup that was controversially ruled a block.

As the crowd erupted after the call, Hopper raced back down to the offensive end where Lopez fed him for a layup as Williams fouled him for a 57-50 lead.

Wylie coach Russell Perkins admitted the non-call on the block was "questionable" but added it was a hustle play by Hopper.

"He could've just watched it to see if he missed it, but he was hustling back and gets the block," Perkins said.

Wylie held that seven-point lead into the final minute before the Rangers' furious rally ended with Franklin's 3-pointer as time seemed to expire, only for the officials to grant Boxell a timeout and put a second back on the clock.

Kyle Hansard tipped the ensuing inbounds pass out of bounds, but time expired thereafter.

And while the final score wasn't what Greenwood had hoped for, Boxell said he was pleased with the Rangers' effort.

"We know that we're playing our best basketball right now," Williams said. "After that Lamesa game, we knew that we were kind of getting on a roll and starting to get things going really as a team.

"So, knowing that they were coming into our house and everything, we just looked at it as an opportunity to show everyone out there that we can play good basketball, and that we're not a bad team."

The Rangers did that Tuesday.

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NO. 5 ABILENE WYLIE 60, GREENWOOD 57

Wylie (21-4, 2-0 in Dist. 4-3A) — Mike Lopez 25; Duane Hopper 13; Deandre Key 10; Patrick Walker 6; Tyler Hicks 3; Christian Nichols 2; Josh Davila 1.

Greenwood (11-12, 1-1) — Kam Williams 17; Jody Lively 12; Grant Franklin 10; Taylor Hollingsworth 6; Kyle Hansard 4; Cade Jones 4; Josh Tualla 3; Timmy Murphey 1.

Wylie	20	15	12	13	—60
Greenwood	17	9	16	15	—57

Free throws — Wylie 6-11; Greenwood 3-7

3-point goals — Wylie 7 (Lopez 4, Hopper 2, Key); Greenwood 8 (Williams 3, Franklin 2, Hollingsworth 2, Tualla). Total fouls — Wylie 9; Greenwood 14. Fouled out — Williams. Rebounds — Wylie 17 (Nichols 4, Key 4); Greenwood 24 (Williams 9). Assists — Wylie 8 (Lopez 4); Greenwood 9 (Williams 3). Turnovers — Wylie 12; Greenwood 17.

Next: Sweetwater at Wylie, 7:30 p.m. Friday. Greenwood at Big Spring, 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Rangerettes

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third period that sparked the Lady Bulldogs as they pulled away from Greenwood. After a pull-up jumper by Greenwood senior Courtney Waters pulled the Rangerettes within 37-33 with 4:47 left in the third period, Wylie's 6-foot, 3-inch freshman post Brittany Brewer answered with a shot from the block.

Rickman followed with a deep 3-pointer for a 42-33 lead with 3:46 left in the third. After a 12-foot jumper by Greenwood's Grace Sunderland, Rickman drove to the basket for a layup.

Ashton Hannsz pulled Greenwood back within 44-38 with a 3-pointer from the left corner, but Wylie answered with a quick 7-0 run, that included Rickman's fourth 3-pointer of the game.

The Rangerettes trailed 51-40 at the end of the third period but managed very little offense in the final stanza as Wylie held them to a mere three points and held at last a 14-point lead throughout the fourth.

"(Greenwood) is tough, and I told our girls they were going to play us tough," Richardson said. "We gave up 29 points in the first half. There are games we have played where we've given up fewer points. I told the girls at halftime we had to pick up our defense and they responded."

Wylie got 10 points from guards Brittany McPherson and Punkin Mack to complement Rickman's big shooting night. Waters led Greenwood with 12 points, while Amanda Bell added 11 with a team-high six rebounds.

And while Anthony was disappointed in the result, he was encouraged by seeing the Rangerettes hang with Wylie as long as they did.

"I'm tickled with the way we're playing," Anthony said. "We have a lot of different kids doing a lot of good things. We had a little letdown there in the third quarter, but we know we can play with (Wylie). We're going to get after them when we go to Abilene."

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NO. 18 ABILENE WYLIE 69, GREENWOOD 43

Wylie (18-7, 4-0 in 4-3A) — Taylor Rickman 19; Brittany McPherson 10; Punkin Mack 10; Brittany Brewer 9; Makenzy Lumsford 6; Kinsley Christian 5; Peyton Sanders 3; Hayley Brown 3; Taylor Bernal 2; London Weilert 2.

Greenwood (11-14, 3-1) — Courtney Waters 12; Amanda Bell 11; Morgan McKee 9; Grace Sunderland 6; Ashton Hannsz 3; Bailey Ray 2.

Wylie	23	10	18	18	—69
Greenwood	13	16	11	3	—43

Free throws — AW 5-8; GW 10-13. 3-point goals — AW 8 (Rickman 4, McPherson 2, Brown, Sanders); GW 1 (Hannsz). Total fouls — AW 13; GW 10. Fouled out — None. Rebounds — AW 20 (Mack 5); GW 26 (Bell 6). Assists — AW 10 (Mack 3); GW 3 (Ray 2). Turnovers — AW 18; GW 25.

Next: Sweetwater at Abilene Wylie, 6:15 p.m. Friday. Greenwood at Big Spring, 6:15 p.m. Friday.

NCAA

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structure to handle violations of NCAA rules. There was nothing set up for the president to decide this on his own," said University of Oklahoma law professor David Swank, a former infractions committee chairman. "There was some authority to impose monetary penalties, but generally it was related to money from TV or bowl games. I'm unaware of any time the committee on infractions imposed monetary penalties like they did in the Penn State case."

Still, the Pennsylvania case may not prove the most costly to the NCAA.

There is at least one case from former college athletes holding the NCAA accountable for alleged brain injuries suffered during play. And there is the O'Bannon case, which alleges antitrust violations against the NCAA for licensing their images to third parties, including video game manufacturers.

"It could be disastrous for the NCAA," McCann said. "I don't think this is going to happen but in theory it could be billions of dollars."

Emmert and the NCAA are not backing down.

"It goes without saying that we are a very litigious society and people turn to the court system to address the grievances they do have. We do that all the time, and I don't expect that to diminish any going forward," Emmert said. "I don't put any particular meaning on the level of suits we have right now. We feel the actions are defensible and will continue to fight them."

That won't stop Emmert from pushing new reforms.

Since the summer of 2011, the NCAA board of directors has approved tougher academic standards for eligibility, given conferences the choice of allowing student-athletes to collect up to $2,000 from the school toward the full cost of enrollment and four-year scholarships instead of one-year scholarships, as well as a new penalty structure. The stipend has since been after a sufficient number of schools signed on to an override measure, though Emmert has repeatedly supported bringing it back.

Recent cases filed vs. NCAA

The NCAA has won and lost its share of lawsuits over the years. In 1984, the Supreme Court ruled against the NCAA's exclusive control over televised college football games and four years later let stand a ruling that said the NCAA's salary cap for some assistant coaches was unlawful price-fixing.

There are a number of well-known cases still pending, including:

■ A class-action federal lawsuit by former UCLA basketball player Ed O'Bannon and other players who say the NCAA and its marketing company run an illegal monopoly by licensing their images to third parties, including video game manufacturers.

■ A California case filed by former Southern Cal assistant football coach Todd McNair, who said the NCAA was "malicious" in its investigation into his role in the benefits scandal surrounding Heisman Trophy winner Reggie Bush. Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Frederick Shaller said he was convinced the actions of NCAA investigators were "over the top."

■ Former Buffalo coach Tim Cohane filed suit more than a decade ago, saying the NCAA and the school colluded to use a recruitment scandal to defame him and destroy his ability to coach basketball. He was forced to resign in 1999 and is awaiting trial.

Some of the other pending cases filed against the NCAA since September 2011:

Concussions

Date Filed: Sept. 12, 2011
Description: Former college football players Derek Owens, Adrian Arrington and Mark Turner and former college soccer player Angela Palacios filed suit in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois regarding concussions and brain injuries in college sports. The suit comes in the wake of dozens of NFL players filing similar suits against the league.

Defense and damages

Date Filed: June 8, 2012
Description: TIG Insurance Co. and other insurers want to a federal judge in Kansas to declare they do not have to defend the NCAA or pay any damages in the Arrington case. The case was filed in the U.S. District Court District of Kansas.

Wrongful termination

Date Filed: Dec. 7, 2011
Description: Michael Rooney, Arizona State's former director of baseball operations, filed a wrongful termination suit, claiming he was pushed out of his job in 2009 in an effort to mask the athletic department's lack of control during an NCAA investigation. He says he was ask to help turn up impermissible calls, then wrongly blamed for ethical violations by the NCAA.

Fraud

Date Filed: June 8, 2012
Description: Bleid Sports LLC filed suit in the U.S. District Court Eastern District of Kentucky, contending the NCAA is committing fraud and antitrust violations by adopting a rule that prevents universities from hosting practices or tournaments in which prospective recruits compete. Bleid Sports is an organizer for national high school basketball tournaments.

Lost scholarships

Date Filed: July 25, 2012
Description: Former college quarterback John Rock is challenging the NCAA's scholarship restrictions after his scholarship was not renewed by Gardner-Webb following the 2010-11 year. The suit, filed in the U.S. Southern District of Indiana, is seeking unspecified damages for athletes who lost scholarships before the NCAA lifted its prohibition on multiyear scholarships in October 2011. Former Kean University basketball player Tim Steward and former University of New England hockey player Kody Collins have joined the suit, contending NCAA caps on scholarships in all three divisions constitute an "unlawful conspiracy."

Overstepping authority

Date Filed: Jan. 2, 2013
Description: The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, represented by Gov. Thomas W. Corbett, claims the NCAA overstepped its authority and "piled on" when it penalized Penn State for the Jerry Sandusky scandal last summer. The governor asked a federal judge to throw out the sanctions, arguing that the measures have harmed students, business owners and others who had nothing to do with Sandusky's crimes.

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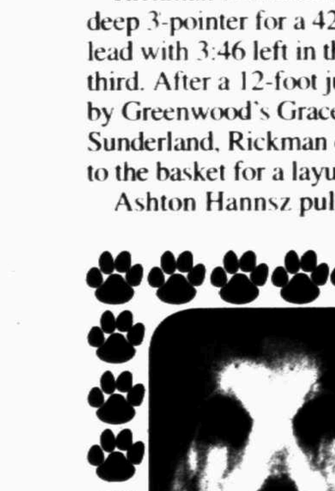
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Lance Armstrong, exceptional? Phooey!

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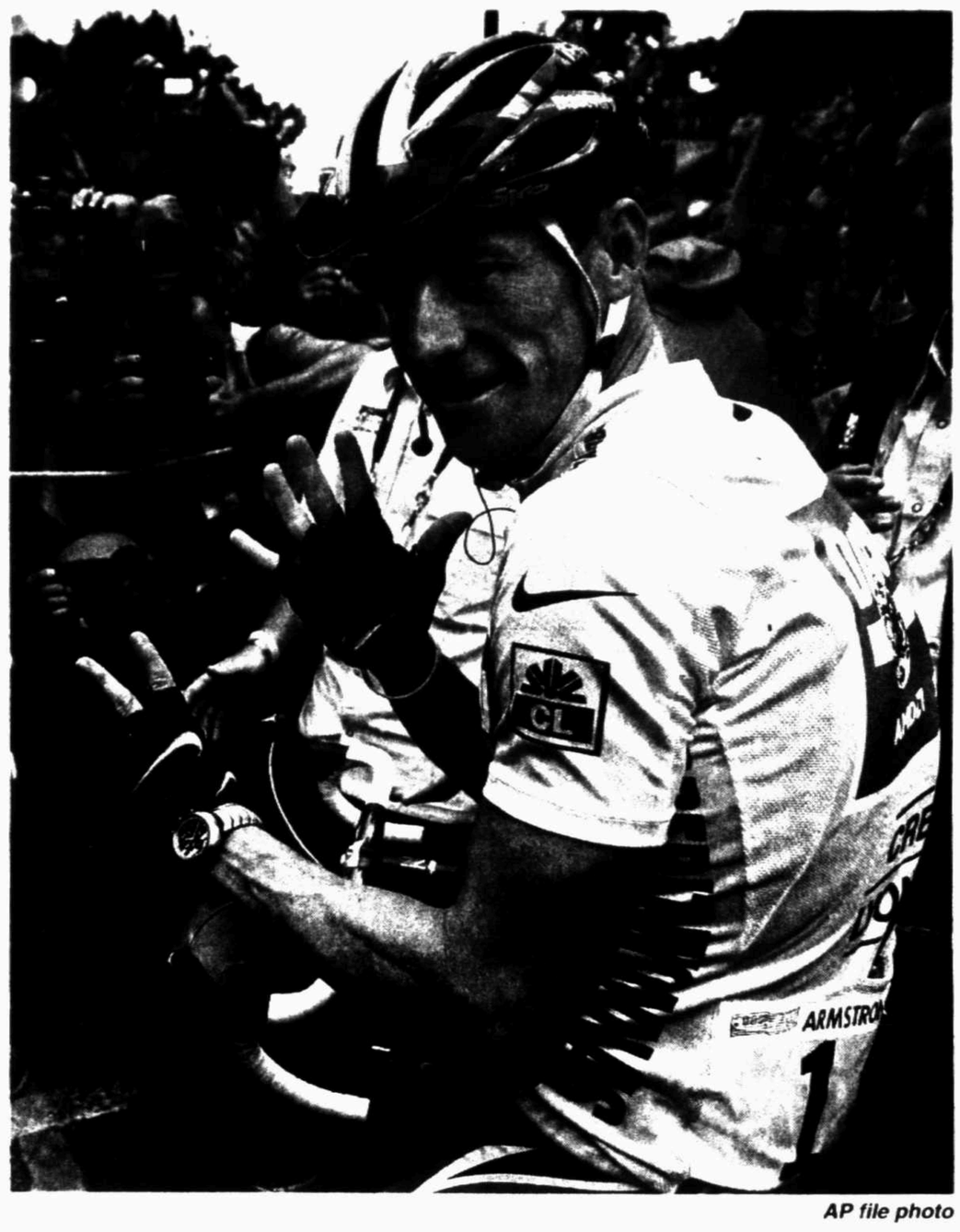

AP file photo

Lance Armstrong gestures for his seventh straight win in the Tour de France cycling race before the final stage July 24, 2005.

PARIS —

Two enduring myths about Lance Armstrong should be laid to rest after his confession to Oprah Winfrey.

One is that even if he doped, Armstrong was still a truly exceptional athlete, so naturally gifted and determined that he could have won the Tour de France without drugs.

The other is that Armstrong must have been the best rider in a bad bunch because so many of his Tour rivals were also doping and yet he always came out on top.

Phooey.

Perhaps the promise and natural physical ability Armstrong demonstrated as a teenage triathlete, when one assumes and hopes he was clean, were always going to shine through and lead to some degree of success in professional sports, although surely not to the record seven Tour titles that have since been stripped from him.

Or perhaps it was only drugs and blood transfusions that made a serial winner of Armstrong. Perhaps he would have been far less stellar without them, not quite a donkey but not a world-beater, either.

The sad truth, one of many with Armstrong, is we will never know either way.

After years of insisting that he competed clean, Armstrong stunningly reversed course in his interview this week with Winfrey. It will air in two parts on Thursday and Friday.

More forgiving souls will continue to argue that because so many riders were cheating, the playing field in Armstrong's era was more or less level and perversely fair.

Phooey to that, too.

Some riders refused to join the chemical warfare that cycling became. People like Christophe Bassons, a French cyclist shunned and told to pipe down by his peers after he punctured the silence about doping and spoke out at the 1999 Tour, the first Armstrong won.

To now still cling to the idea that Armstrong was always going to beat riders like Bassons is grossly unfair, because it cannot be proven.

"Christophe Bassons was a talented rider, for sure," Jonathan Vaughters, one of Armstrong's U.S. Postal Service teammates on the 1999 Tour, said in a phone interview this week. "How would he have done in the Tour de France had it been an equal playing field? We'll never know."

Bassons himself said: "In the top 30 or 40, you had a bunch of riders who could have been on the podium or challenged those at the top" if doping hadn't skewed the competition.

Just as some people get drunker than others after a bottle of wine, dopers don't all get the same performance benefits from drugs they take. Some could afford more or better doping than others — or more devious doctors and more reliable suppliers. Some are willing to take bigger risks, larger or more frequent doses and try products or methods that others wouldn't.

Christian Vande Velde, a teammate of Armstrong's on the 1999 and 2001 Tours, testified to the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency that he disliked needles and injecting himself and fretted about getting caught and the health risks of doping. So he didn't adhere religiously to the doping program drawn up by the team medic; "I was not a model patient," Vande Velde testified.

And Armstrong? Did he win because he was simply a more accomplished and organized doper? Winning the Tour isn't purely an individual achievement but also a team one. The systematic doping program his U.S. Postal teammates detailed to USADA gave them and their leader, Armstrong, a performance advantage over rivals who weren't so organized and dishonest.

"It's got to be man versus man not man plus drugs versus man plus drugs," said Vaughters, who runs the Garmin-Sharp cycling team and is one of the sport's most vocal advocates for clean racing. He testified to USADA about his own and Armstrong's doping when they rode together at Postal.

"Different bodies adapt differently to drugs," Vaughters said. "I can't say one way or the other whether Lance benefited more or less than his competitors. But what I do know is that there's absolutely no way you can just say, 'Well, it was fair.' Because you can't actually dig in and determine that."

USADA annulled all of Armstrong's competition results from Aug. 1, 1998. Very few people, perhaps only Armstrong, can know whether any of those results were achieved clean. Even if he said some of them were, would you believe him?

And what about before that date? Was Armstrong clean when he won the world championship in 1993, aged just 21? And how about when he rode in but failed to finish the Tours of 1993, 1994 and 1996, and placed 36th in 1995?

In 2006, in retirement from cycling having won his seventh Tour, Armstrong ran the New York City Marathon. He called it "without a doubt the hardest physical thing I have ever done." He had sore shins and said he didn't train enough. He barely broke his goal of three hours, with 800-plus runners finishing ahead of him. It was pretty impressive for a marathon debut but hardly world class. If Armstrong did that run for fun drug-free, is that a good gauge of his natural athletic abilities?

"I think his New York marathon results are the closest we can get to understand how he'd perform alongside other non-doped athletes when he races without a needle. Good result, but definitely not someone you'd regard as the world's greatest endurance athlete," Australian anti-doping scientist Michael Ashenden said by email, responding to questions.

"Sport has thousands of athletes who succeed at under age or national level but who fail to emulate that success on the international stage. Everyone also realizes that winning a one-day world championship is not the same as winning a three-week major Tour. We have some insight into Armstrong's physiological limits from published results and those indicate he is a good athlete, capable of making a living as a pro. But his lab results definitely don't suggest he was great."

The waters have become so muddied by Armstrong's cheating that it is no longer possible to say with certainty what he would have made of himself without it. Maybe he did have the physical attributes to be a Tour champion. Maybe not. That's now nothing more than speculation. What a waste.

ARMSTRONG

From 1C

the anti-doping authorities all he knows about doping activities — can any legal and proper process for him to seek any reopening or reconsideration of his lifetime ban commence."

The International Cycling Union, or UCI, also issued a statement, urging Armstrong to tell his story to an independent commission it has set up to examine claims that cycling's governing body hid suspicious samples from the cyclist, accepted financial donations from him and helped him avoid detection in doping tests.

Before the Winfrey interview, Armstrong visited the headquarters of Livestrong, the charity he founded in 1997 and turned into a global force on the strength of his athletic dominance and personal story of surviving testicular cancer that had spread to his lungs and brain.

"I'm sorry," Armstrong told about 100 staff members gathered in a conference. He choked up during the 20-minute talk, expressed regret for the long-running controversy tied to performance-enhancers, but stopped short of admitting he used them.

"Heartfelt and sincere," is how Livestrong spokeswoman Katherine McLane described his speech.

Winfrey has promoted her interview, one of the biggest for OWN since she launched the network in 2011, as a "no-holds barred" session and said she was ready to go with 112 questions. Not all of them were asked, she said, but many were.

USADA chief executive Travis Tygart, a longtime critic of Armstrong's, called the drug regimen practiced while Armstrong led the U.S. Postal Service team "the most sophisticated, professionalized and successful doping program that sport has ever seen." USADA did not respond to requests for comment about Armstrong's confession.

Armstrong often went after his critics during his long reign as cycling champion. He scolded some in public and didn't hesitate to punish outspoken riders during the race itself. He waged legal battles against others in court.

At least one of his opponents, the London-based Sunday Times, has already filed a lawsuit to recover about $500,000 it paid him to settle a libel case, and Dallas-based SCA Promotions, which tried to deny Armstrong a promised bonus for a Tour de France win, has threatened to bring another lawsuit seeking to recover more than $7.5 million awarded by an arbitration panel.

In Australia, the government of South Australia state said it will seek the repayment of several million dollars in appearance fees paid to Armstrong for competing in the Tour Down Under in 2009, 2010 and 2011.

"We'd be more than happy for Mr. Armstrong to make any repayment of monies to us," South Australia Premier Jay Weatherill said.

Betsy Andreu, the wife of former Armstrong teammate Frankie Andreu, was one of the first to publicly accuse Armstrong of using performance-enhancing drugs. She called news of Armstrong's confession "very emotional and very sad" and choked up when asked to comment.

"He used to be one of my husband's best friends, and because he wouldn't go along with the doping, he got kicked to the side," she said. "Lance could have a positive impact if he tells the truth on everything. He's got to be completely honest."

Betsy Andreu testified in SCA's arbitration case challenging the bonus in 2005, saying Armstrong admitted in an Indiana hospital room in 1996 that he had taken many performance-enhancing drugs, a claim Armstrong vehemently denied.

"It would be nice if he would come out and say the hospital room happened," Andreu said. "That's where it all started."

Former teammate Floyd Landis, who was stripped of the 2006 Tour de France title for doping, has filed a federal whistle-blower lawsuit that accused Armstrong of defrauding the U.S. Postal Service. An attorney familiar with Armstrong's legal problems told the AP that the Justice Department is highly likely to join the lawsuit. The False Claims Act lawsuit could result in Armstrong paying a substantial amount of money to the U.S. government. The deadline for the department to join the case is Thursday, though the department could seek an extension if necessary.

According to the attorney, who works outside the government, the lawsuit alleges that Armstrong defrauded the U.S. government based on his years of denying use of performance-enhancing drugs. The attorney spoke on condition of anonymity because the source was not authorized to speak on the record about the matter.

The lawsuit most likely to be influenced by a confession might be the Sunday Times case. Potential perjury charges stemming from Armstrong's sworn testimony in the 2005 arbitration fight would not apply because of the statute of limitations. Armstrong was not deposed during the federal investigation that was closed last year.

Armstrong is said to be worth about $100 million. But most sponsors dropped him after USADA's scathing report — at the cost of tens of millions of dollars — and soon after, he left the board of Livestrong.

After the USADA findings, he was also barred from competing in the elite triathlon or running events he participated in after his cycling career. WADA Code rules state his lifetime ban cannot be reduced to less than eight years. WADA and U.S. Anti-Doping officials could agree to reduce the ban further depending on what information Armstrong provides and his level of cooperation.

WADA won't participate in UCI's probe

MONTREAL — The World Anti-Doping Agency says it will not participate in the inquiry investigating alleged links between cycling's governing body and Lance Armstrong.

In a statement, WADA says it has "serious concerns" about the terms of reference given to an external commission appointed by the International Cycling Union — and its "ability to carry out its role without undue influence."

WADA also believes the panel should look beyond Armstrong's doping case at what it calls "a widespread and ingrained problem."

WADA also questioned the independence of the panel, which features British judge Philip Otton, Paralympic great Tanni-Grey Thompson and Australian lawyer Malcolm Holmes.

The doping agency is also unhappy that the commission is not offering immunity for witnesses to come forward with information.

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GOLF

LPGA adds 3 more events to growing schedule

One month before its season begins, the LPGA Tour announced a 28-tournament schedule Tuesday that includes five majors, three additional tournaments and prize money closing in on $50 million.

LPGA Tour Commissioner Mike Whan delivered a balanced schedule that circles the globe. It starts next month in Australia. More than half the tournaments are in North America. The Asian swing late in the year includes a new tournament in China. And the season ends in November with the LPGA Titleholders and $700,000 to the winner, the biggest payoff in women's golf.

Whan also announced that CME, the title sponsor of the season-ending Titleholders, has extended its deal through 2016.

"Our tournaments are about customers a lot more than they are about the players and television," Whan said. "If you do the right thing with the customer, you'll end up being with the customer a long time."

Along with a full schedule, the LPGA Tour will get 300 hours of television coverage, the most in its history.

RYDER CUP

Paul McGinley is Europe's 2014 Ryder Cup captain

ABU DHABI — Paul McGinley was chosen as Europe's Ryder Cup captain for 2014, ending a chaotic campaign marked by a late challenge from former captain Colin Montgomerie.

McGinley, a 46-year-old Irishman, replaces Jose Maria Olazabal, whose team rallied to victory over the United States in October at Medinah, outside Chicago. Europe will defend the trophy at Gleneagles, Scotland.

"To lead the cream of the crop in the Ryder Cup is going to be a huge honor," McGinley said at a news conference Tuesday. "To be quite honest, it is a very humbling experience to be sitting in this seat. It is a week I'm looking forward to. It's a whole new experience for me, the chanced to be a captain."

Top-ranked Rory McIlroy spoke forcefully Monday and Tuesday in favor of the new captain. He said Montgomerie would be less motivated because he captained the winning 2010 Ryder Cup team.

NFL

Chiefs' Reid adds Toub to coaching staff

KANSAS CITY — New Chiefs coach Andy Reid hired former Bears assistant Dave Toub to direct special teams on Tuesday, and announced that he's retaining linebackers coach Gary Gibbs and defensive backs coach Emmitt Thomas from the previous staff.

Reid announced the majority of his coaching staff last week, including Doug Pederson as offensive coordinator and Bob Sutton as the defensive coordinator.

Toub has spent the past nine seasons with the Bears. Prior to that, he worked with special teams and the defensive line for Reid in Philadelphia.

Reid still has not announced an offensive line coach, though former Dolphins coach Tony Sparano has interviewed for the job. Reid also confirmed Tuesday that he had hired Eugene Chung to be the assistant offensive line coach.

Chung also worked with Reid in Philadelphia.

NFL

Broncos coordinator McCoy agrees to become Chargers coach

SAN DIEGO — Mike McCoy is the new head coach of the San Diego Chargers.

The team made the announcement at a news conference Tuesday to introduce McCoy, who had been the offensive coordinator for the Denver Broncos.

The 40-year-old McCoy replaces Norv Turner, who was fired along with general manager A.J. Smith after the Chargers finished 7-9 and missed the playoffs for the third straight season.

McCoy's hiring comes three days after the top-seeded Broncos were eliminated from the playoffs in a home loss to the Baltimore Ravens.

The coaching search was led by Tom Telesco, who was hired as Chargers GM last week. Telesco also is 40.

The Broncos have won consecutive AFC West titles. McCoy tutored quarterbacks Kyle Orton and Tim Tebow in 2011, and Peyton Manning in 2012.

NFL

Bengals LT Whitworth added to Pro Bowl

CINCINNATI — Bengals left tackle Andrew Whitworth has been added to the Pro Bowl squad, replacing Denver's injured Ryan Clady.

Whitworth was a first alternate for the Jan. 27 game in Honolulu. It'll be Whitworth's first trip to the Pro Bowl.

The seventh-year lineman has started every game for the Bengals since 2009. His streak of 67 straight starts is the longest on the team.

The addition of Whitworth gives the Bengals four players on the AFC's roster. Defensive tackle Geno Atkins was voted a starter for the first time, while receiver A.J. Green made it for the second straight season. Tight end Jermaine Gresham was a first alternate and also made the roster because of injury.

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Local forecast

Expect mostly sunny skies today with a high around 49 and northwest winds between 5 and 10 mph increasing to between 15 and 20 mph in the afternoon. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly clear conditions with a low around 30 and northwest winds between 5 and 10 mph.

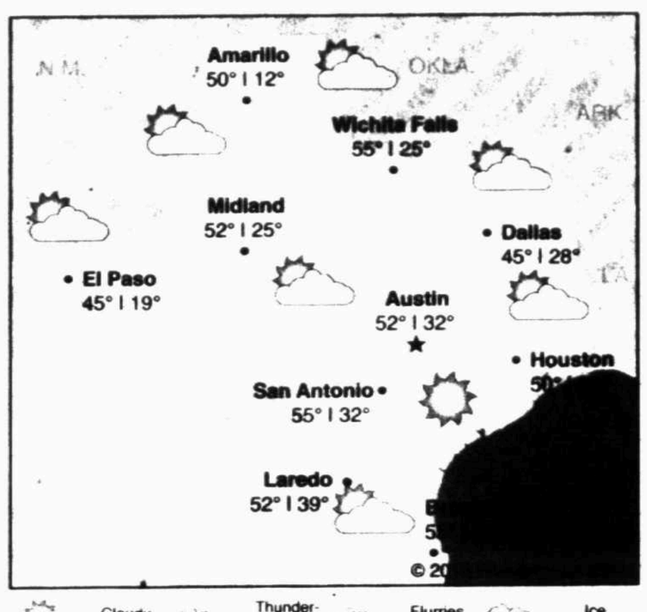
Thursday, look for sunny skies with a high around 52 and northwest winds between 5 and 10 mph becoming northeast in the morning. Expect partly cloudy skies at night, with a low around 29 and northeast winds around 5 mph becoming calm in the evening.

Friday, the forecast calls for sunny skies during the day, mostly clear skies at night, with a high around 55 and a low around 34.

The high on Tuesday reached 39, while the low dropped to 21. The record high for Jan. 15 is 79 set in 1935. The record low is 6 set in 1972.

National forecast

Stormy and wintry weather will stretch from the central Gulf Coast to the Northeast today. The latest in a series of storms moving along a stationary front will spread rain from southeastern Louisiana to the Florida Panhandle to southern New Jersey.



Precipitation

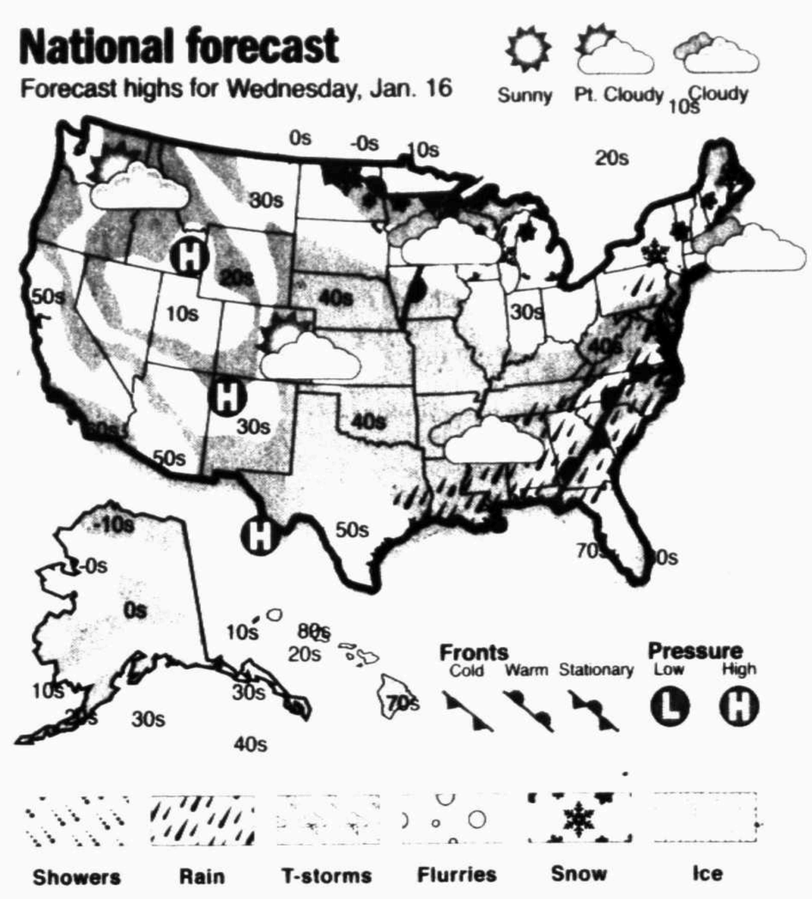
Monday	0.00 in.
Tuesday	0.00 in.
Month total	1.45 in.
Year total	1.45 in.
Normal total (year to date)	0.22 in.

Tuesday's temperatures

High	39
Low	21
Normal high	57
Normal low	30
Sunrise	7:49 a.m.
Sunset	6:08 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, Jan. 16



Woman in love with gay man must begin to look elsewhere

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: "Myles" and I have known each other for five years, but have grown really close over the past three. We tell each other everything, and I have fallen in love with him.

A few months ago, Myles sent me a text saying he needed to tell me a "secret." He went on to say the guy he had told me was his brother, "Jeff," is really his lover. Needless to say, that bombshell floored me.

We have discussed it in person, and I have never told him how I feel. I visit them a couple of times a month and always go home feeling hurt. I want Myles for myself, even though I know I can't have him. I don't want to lose him as my friend, but it hurts seeing him and Jeff together. How do I resolve this? — GIRL LEFT BEHIND IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR LEFT BEHIND: Start by being as honest with Myles as he was with you. Tell him that over the course of your friendship you fell in love with him — and that you wish you had known he was gay before you became so emotionally involved.

If you want romance, you will have to look for it elsewhere. In order for you to find it, I cannot stress strongly enough that you will need to feel good about yourself. Stop torturing yourself by visiting the two lovebirds and take a break for a while. A LONG while.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 36-year-old woman who has never been married or had children. For the past two years I've been seeing a man I'll call Frank. I love him deeply, and I believe he feels the same about me.

Frank is still married but legally separated from his wife. They have one child who lives with his mom. Frank lives with me, and Frank's wife lives with another man and has a second child by yet another guy.

My problem is, Frank's wife calls ME whenever she has a fight with her boyfriend. She confides in me like I'm her best friend. I have never talked to Frank about divorcing her, but I'm at my wit's end over this whole circle. Sometimes I feel like I'm wasting my time with him, Abby. I'm a longtime reader who needs to find a solution to this soap opera. Please help me — GETTING DIZZY IN EAST BOSTON

DEAR GETTING DIZZY: You need to talk to Frank about his degree of commitment to you. Two years is a long time to live with someone who's married to someone else — let alone be trying to solve his wife's love problems. Perhaps it's time to distance yourself from both of them and figure out what you want to do for YOU.

DEAR ABBY: My friend "Maggie" is getting a divorce. She has been living with my husband and me for four months. She pays one-third of our utility bill but pays no rent.

My husband feels that because Maggie is living with us, she should pay something — even if it's only $100 a month. She's a lifelong friend, and I don't know what to do. Maggie is very upset over her messy divorce. Should I ask her for rent money? (I don't want to fight over this with my husband.) — ONLY FRIEND IN KENTUCKY

DEAR ONLY FRIEND: It depends on Maggie's financial circumstances. If she has the money, it's certainly OK to ask. If she doesn't have the resources — or a job — she should consider finding one so she's not completely financially dependent on others.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2013:

This year you become more forthright and direct, especially where your domestic life is involved. To some people, your energy is inconsistent and changes with the snap of a finger. You could be doing more questioning and thinking. A family member also could be unusually mercurial. If you are single, you are most likely to meet someone of importance come summertime. If you are attached, your significant other becomes even more dynamic. There is no lack of excitement in your household! ARIES is used to commanding and being in control. Try to avoid a collision.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Methods of communication and tentative plans could be revised, and you'll have to adjust accordingly. A boss might be changing his or her style. Refuse to make a judgment just yet. You could be somewhat unpredictable at this point, even to yourself. Tonight: All smiles.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You might be stressed out by what is going on around you. As you observe more, you'll come to a most unexpected realization. Process what you see, and be willing to let go and head in a different direction. Stay centered. Tonight: Take some much-needed private time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Focus on what you want, and do not settle. Relate to others on a one-on-one level. A change within a personal or professional tie could change a situation. Be more upbeat. Understand what is going on with a somewhat unpredictable friend. Tonight: Find your friends.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ If you can change direction, do so. You might want to approach a key associate or a close family member in a different way. Take a hard look at this person. He or she has been changing right in front of your eyes. Tonight: Tonight: A must appearance.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Keep reaching out to someone at a distance. You could be jolted by forthcoming information. Don't react; instead, process what you are hearing. You'll come up with a strong and amiable solution that feels comfortable for everyone involved. Tonight: Take in new vistas.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Relate to a specific person directly who is very important to you. Your interest in a creative matter peaks. Take in a new perspective and accept a different idea. Brainstorm with others, and help them see your vision. Tonight: Only with someone you really care about.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Others feel as if they need certain information. Lighten up about the possibilities for why they want this information. Let go of tension, and your attitude will change. Others also will respond differently. Count on the unexpected. Tonight: Let the fun begin.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Listen to news, and work on responding appropriately. Your knee-jerk response could be nothing less than problematic. You might opt to use more self-discipline than you have in the past. Consider what is going on with you. Tonight: Errands, gym and then home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ Someone close to you could be encouraging you to take a risk. This person actually might be trying to lure you into a trap. Your instincts say "no," and therefore, you might want to cut the bait. Listen to your sixth sense. Tonight: Lighten up the moment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ You could feel hassled and challenged on some level. You know when enough is enough, but you might have some difficulty establishing clear boundaries. A matter involving property or a family member seems to be running right over you. Tonight: It's OK to say "no."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Listen to a suggestion. Someone comes forward and surprises you with some unexpected news. Know that you are constantly changing. What has worked in the past might not work any longer. Honor who you are — not what you once did. Tonight: At a favorite haunt.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Be careful as to how you present a money matter in a meeting or with a friend. You are changing your perspective, and this person is, too. You are more intuitive than you realize. Follow your sixth sense. Extremes dominate a situation. Tonight: All smiles.

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BORN TODAY

Model Kate Moss (1974), singer Aaliyah (1979), author Dr. Laura Schlessinger (1947)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

A touch of care

Neither vulnerable. West deals.

NORTH
♠ K 8 7 5
♡ Q 7 4
♢ A K 7 2
♣ A 7

WEST
♠ Q 10 9 2
♡ A
♢ Q 10 5
♣ K 9 8 6 2

EAST
♠ A J
♡ 8 5
♢ J 6 4 3
♣ Q 10 5 4 3

SOUTH
♠ 6 4 3
♡ K J 10 9 6 3 2
♢ 9 8
♣ J

The bidding:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1♣	Dbl	1♠	4
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: Six of ♣

Receiving a favorable opening lead is something to be thankful for. But the cash is not in the bank until you land your contract!

East's jump to three clubs over the takeout double is pre-emptive. With a seven-card suit, South's jump to four hearts was eminently reasonable.

Had West led a spade, the hand would have been over in quick time. After winning the jack of spades and cashing the ace, East could simply sit back and wait for a spade ruff. Given a club lead, declarer played the hand carefully to land the game by catering to the possibility that the ace of spades was not with the opening bidder!

The opening lead was won in dummy and a heart to the knave lost to the ace. Declarer ruffed the club return in hand, after which he cashed the ace and king of diamonds and ruffed a diamond. A trump to the queen provided the entry to ruff the table's remaining diamond. With both the closed hand and dummy stripped down to nothing but major-suit cards, declarer led a spade from hand and, when West produced the nine, declarer ducked on the table! In with the jack of spades, East was helpless. No matter what the defender did, the defense could score only one more spade trick.

What if the nine of spades had held the trick? Declarer would rise with the king on the forced spade return.

That secured the contract whenever West held the ace of spades or when East held a doubleton ace, since he would then be endplayed into yielding a sluff-ruff after winning with the ace.

Today's Crossword Puzzle brought to you by Quiroz Custom Home Builders
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DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 "Now I understand"
6 Congressional proceedings airer
11 Much-studied flavor enhancer
14 Wilt
15 Foodie's words for subtle flavoring
16 Pint filler
17 Deal with as a stack of dull paperwork
19 Rocky prominence
20 One may be rolled up
21 Galsworthy's "The Forsyte ___"
22 One of a chair pair
24 Investor's initial support
28 Very disagreeable
30 Singer Björk's birthplace
31 Cosby's "I Spy" co-star
32 Tour de France stage
33 Create an incriminating trail
39 Bring up
40 Simple beds
42 Montana neighbor
45 Defining quality
48 How long to shop, on a spree?
50 AM frequency meas.
51 Bidding site
52 Screwball behavior
54 Kitty's love in "Exodus"
55 Autumn lunar phenomenon
60 Checker on a board, say
61 French dances
62 Duck
63 Tallahassee-to-Tampa dir.
64 Bank job
65 Flighty

DOWN

1 National econ. yardstick
2 Fla. NBA team
3 Like overly tight clothing
4 Cry of pain
5 H.S. exam for college credit
6 "Wayne's World" co-star
7 Did a smith's work
8 More, musically
9 Filmmaker Lee
10 Math degree
11 "Hakuna ___ The Lion King" song
12 Maxwell House's "Good to the last drop," e.g.
13 Spiro's successor
18 Obedience school command
21 "Shh!"
22 Preschool song opener
23 Enlist again
25 Bank lead-in
26 Military sch.
27 Animated Lo Pew
29 In an economical manner
32 Celebration before the celebration?
34 Not (a one)
35 Jackson 5 brother
36 Rebekah's eldest
37 Goes kaput
38 Make an engraving
41 "___ who?"
42 First-stringers
43 Some October babies
44 He replaced Ken as Barbie's beau from 2004 to 2006
45 Actor Borgnine
46 They're often stewed
47 Was nasty to
49 Barry and Brubeck
53 Mid 10th-century year
55 "A likely story!"
56 16th prez
57 Slugger's stat
58 Gorges oneself (on)
59 Napoleonic marshal

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

R	A	M	R	O	D	S		S	O	B		O	R	B
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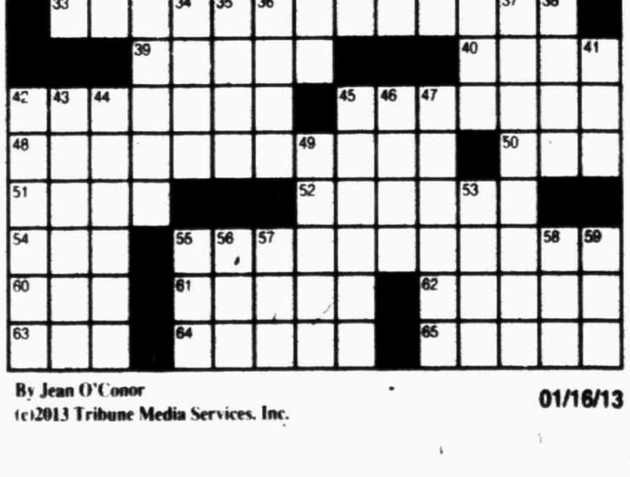

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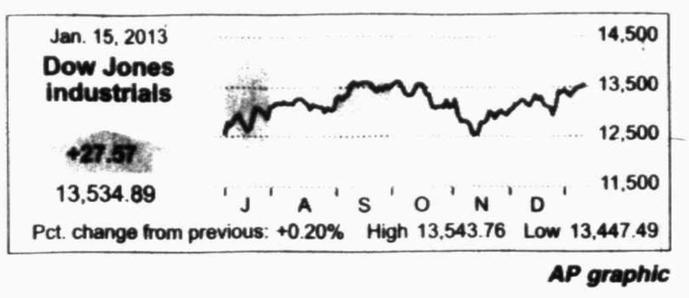
BUSINESS & OIL

A DAY ON WALL STREET



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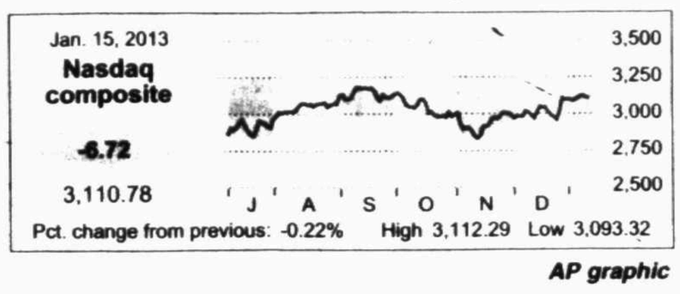

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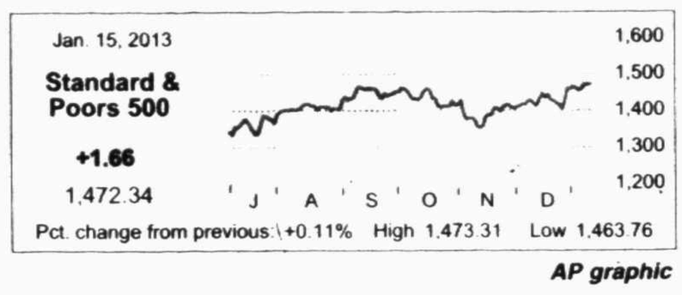

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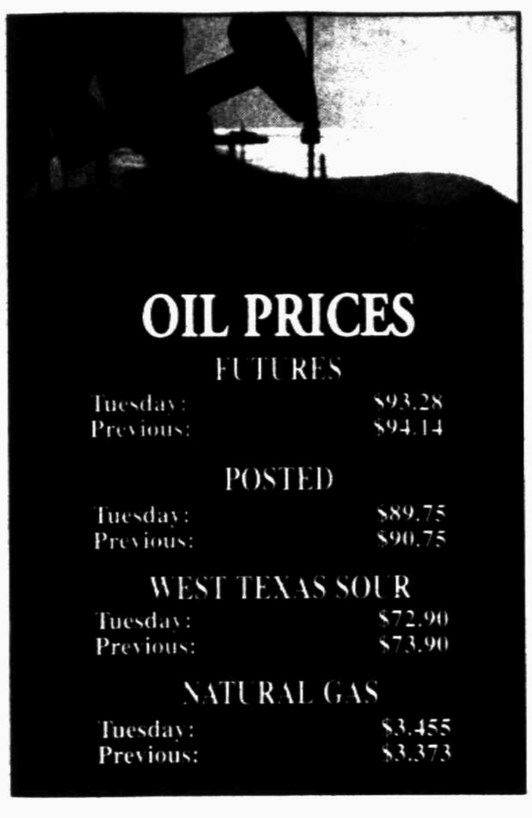

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Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg answers questions after speaking at Facebook headquarters in Menlo Park, Calif., on Tuesday. Zuckerberg introduced "graph search" Tuesday, a new service that lets users search their social connections for information about their friends' interests, and for photos and places.

Facebook unveils social search feature

Associated Press

MENLO PARK, Calif. — Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg unveiled a new search feature that's designed to entice people to spend more time on its website and will put the social networking company more squarely in competition with Google and other rivals such as Yelp and LinkedIn.

Called "graph search," the new service unveiled Tuesday lets users quickly sift through their social connections for information about people, interests, photos and places. It'll help users who, for instance, want to scroll through all the photos their friends have taken in Paris or search for the favorite TV shows of all their friends who happen to be doctors.

Although Zuckerberg stressed that "graph search" is different from an all-purpose search engine, the expanded feature escalates an already fierce duel between Google Inc. and Facebook Inc. as they grapple for the attention of Web surfers and revenue from online advertisers.

"This could be another reason not to use Google and another reason to stay on Facebook for longer periods," said Gartner analyst Brian Blau. "I don't think Google is going to lose its search business, but it could have an impact on Google by changing the nature of search in the future."

Facebook's foray into search marks one of its boldest steps since its initial public offering of stock flopped eight months ago amid concerns about the company's ability to produce the same kind of robust earnings growth that Google delivered after it went public in 2004.

Although Facebook's stock has rallied in recent weeks, the shares remain below their IPO price of $38. Investors seemed let down by Tuesday's news, causing Facebook's stock to slip 85 cents, or 2.7 percent, to close at $30.10.

If the new search tool works the way Facebook envisions, users should be able to find information they want to see on their own instead of relying on the social network's formulas to pick which posts and pictures to display in their fees, analysts said.

Until now, Facebook users were unable to search for friends who live in a certain town or like a particular movie. With the new feature, people can search for friends who, say, live in Boston who also like "Zero Dark Thirty." And Facebook's users will be able to enter search terms the same way that they talk, relying on natural language instead of a few stilted keywords to telegraph their meaning.

Only a fraction of Facebook's more than 1 billion users will have access to the new search tool beginning Tuesday because the company plans to gradually roll it out during the next year to allow time for more fine tuning.

Not all the interests that people share on Facebook will be immediately indexed in the search engine either, although the plan is to eventually unlock all the information in the network while honoring each user's privacy settings.

That means users can only search for content that have been granted permission to see by their online connections, Zuckerberg pledged.

"Every piece of content has its own audience," Zuckerberg said.

Though the company has focused on refining its mobile product for much of last year, the search feature will only be available on Facebook's website for now, and only in English.

Oil slides

Oil fell the most in three weeks as traders worried about another heated fiscal debate in Washington and slowing demand for gasoline.

Benchmark crude dropped 86 cents to finish at $93.28 a barrel in New York. That's the largest decline since Dec. 21.

President Barack Obama and congressional Republicans are headed for another showdown over the debt ceiling. Oil investors fear a reprise of the standoff in the summer of 2011. Standard & Poor's cut the U.S. credit rating that August and oil dropped about 7 percent for the month.

Obama warned of dire consequences if Congress fails to increase the government's borrowing authority. "Investors around the world will ask if the United States of America is in fact a safe bet. Markets could go haywire," the president said.

Brent crude, used to price international varieties of oil, dropped $1.58 to end at $110.30 per barrel on the ICE Futures exchange in London.

Dollar rises

An increase in retail sales last month pushed the dollar higher against most major currencies Tuesday.

The euro fell to $1.3299 in late trading Tuesday from $1.3378 late Monday.

The British pound fell to $1.6061 from $1.6082.

The dollar rose to 0.9321 Swiss franc from 0.9217 Swiss franc and to 98.43 Canadian cents from 98.38 Canadian cents.

Gold for February delivery rose $14.50 to $1,683.90 an ounce.

NYSE

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	1217508	11.55	+.08
S&P500ETF	788890	147.07	+.10
FordM	548749	14.30	+.31
SprintNex	533451	5.62	-.07
NokiaCp	508190	4.64	+.02

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Express	17.40	+3.34	+23.8
IFM Inv rs	3.72	+.41	+12.4
RuckusW n	24.21	+2.50	+11.5
DmRsBW	4.29	+.39	+10.0
Gensco	61.61	+4.84	+8.5

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ETNxGInet	13.00	-1.69	-11.5
BP GCrb	6.29	-.69	-9.9
Yelp n	20.61	-1.36	-6.2
ParagSh rs	3.63	-.23	-6.0
CSVInvNG	18.75	-1.13	-5.7

Diary

Advanced	1,738
Declined	1,288
Unchanged	121
Total issues	3,147
New Highs	188
New Lows	5
Volume	3,081,016,307

Amex

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
NA Pall g	40728	1.73	+.10
Aunzon g	21496	4.69	+.11
NwGold g	20353	10.95	+.21
ChenereEn	20119	20.26	+.08
UraniumEn	16059	2.55	+.14

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Servotr	8.60	+.61	+7.6
ASpecRlty	2.99	+.18	+6.3
UraniumEn	2.55	+.14	+5.8
MastchH s	6.40	+.35	+5.8
TravelCtrs	5.91	+.32	+5.7

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
MexcoEn	5.51	-.49	-8.2
FAB Univ	3.61	-.27	-7.0
Reeds	5.69	-.40	-6.6
PowrREIT	10.21	-.59	-5.5
RevettMin	2.52	-.14	-5.3

Diary

Advanced	208
Declined	217
Unchanged	40
Total issues	465
New Highs	3
New Lows	3
Volume	69,521,054

Nasdaq

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Facebook n	1684110	30.10	-.85
Dell Inc	1431310	13.17	+.88
RschMotn	578751	14.48	-.47
Microsoft	469974	27.21	+.32
SiriusXM	390009	3.14	-.01

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
FtSecG rsh	2.33	+.68	+41.2
EnerNOC	15.76	+3.20	+25.5
eGainCom	5.83	+1.15	+24.6
Radcom	3.00	+.40	+15.4
BioLineRx	3.35	+.43	+14.7

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
MultiFnEc	16.42	-4.87	-22.9
ColdwCr rs	3.87	-1.13	-22.6
TTM Tch	7.42	-1.73	-18.9
FstFnB wt	4.50	-1.00	-18.2
Gordmans	11.66	-2.32	-16.6

Diary

Advanced	1,306
Declined	1,134
Unchanged	136
Total issues	2,576
New Highs	118
New Lows	14
Volume	1,811,723,148

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $41.74 Down 0.25

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $87.46 Up 1.05

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $24.10 Down 0.69

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $21.72 Down 0.08

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $25.49 Up 0.03

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $5.51 Down 0.49

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $17.48 Up 0.39

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.80f	44	33.76	-.26	+.1
AbtLab s	.56	...	33.02	-.34	+5.4
AbbVie n	1.60	...	34.60	+.51	+1.3
Abraxas	...	...	**2.24**	**+.03**	**+2.3**
AdamsEx	**.67e**	...	**11.07**	**+.01**	**+4.5**
AMD			2.68	+.04	+11.7
Alcoa	.12	36	8.92	...	+2.8
AlonUSA	.16	31	18.14	+.16	+.3
AlphaNRs	...	...	9.29	+.11	-4.6
AmIntlGrp	...	2	34.84	-.21	-1.3
Amgen	**1.88f**	**15**	**85.08**	**-1.84**	**-1.3**
Anadarko	**.36**	...	**78.10**	**+.23**	**+5.1**
Annaly	2.05e	10	14.67	-.03	+4.5
Apache	**.68**	**13**	**80.40**	**+.07**	**+2.4**
Apple Inc	10.60	11	485.92	-15.83	-8.7
ApldMatl	**.36**	**91**	**11.77**	**+.02**	**+2.9**
ArenaPhm	...	...	10.81	+.61	+19.8
ATMOS	**1.40f**	**15**	**36.07**	**+.32**	**+2.7**
AutoData	1.74f	21	59.14	-.27	+3.9
BP PLC	**1.92a**	**6**	**44.44**	**+.10**	**+6.7**
BabsCCInv	1.20a	...	16.37	-.26	+7.1
BakrHu	.60	13	42.19	+.18	+3.3
BkofAm	.04	30	11.55	+.08	-.5
BariPVix rs	...	...	26.04	+.01	-18.1
BasicEnSv	...	7	11.75	+.06	+3.0
BerkHa A	**...**	**1814320**	**5.00**	**+205.00**	**+6.8**
BerryPet	**.32**	...	**34.71**	**+.08**	**+3.5**
BlkHillsCp	**1.48**	**17**	**38.73**	**+.22**	**+6.6**
BostonSci	...	...	6.51	+.19	+13.6
BrilliSq	**1.40f**	**31**	**34.30**	**+.08**	**+8.4**
BrownFA s	**1.02a**	**25**	**64.21**	**+.32**	**+4.4**
BrownFB s	**1.02a**	**25**	**63.79**	**+.18**	**+.9**
CVS Care	.90f	18	51.79	-.10	+7.1
Cameron	...	23	59.10	+1.66	+4.7
Caterpillar	2.08	10	95.67	+1.04	+6.8
Celestic g	...	8	8.31	-.12	+2.0
CntryLink	2.90	36	39.79	-.28	+1.7
ChesEng	.35	...	17.37	+.43	+4.5
Chevron	**3.60**	**9**	**113.44**	**+.59**	**+4.9**
Chicos	.21	17	18.07	+.60	-2.1
Chimera	.38e	...	2.81	+.08	+7.7
Cimarex	.48	15	62.85	+.60	+8.9
Cisco	.56	14	20.96	+.01	+6.8
Citigroup	.04	13	42.57	+.35	+7.6
ClayEng	...	**28**	**41.74**	**-.25**	**+4.3**
CocaCola s	**1.02**	**20**	**37.32**	**+.33**	**+3.0**
ColgPal	**2.48**	**21**	**107.74**	**-.19**	**+3.1**
Comcast	.65	21	39.20	+.28	+4.9
ConAgra	**1.00**	**20**	**31.07**	**+.04**	**+5.3**
ConchoRes	...	**19**	**87.46**	**+1.05**	**+8.6**
ConocPhil	**e2.64**	**8**	**59.03**	**+.56**	**+1.8**
CrackerB	2.00	15	65.13	+.09	+1.4
CrosTim	**2.39e**	**12**	**29.70**	**+.87**	**+10.3**
DCP Mid	2.72f	...	41.11	-.18	-1.5
DTE	2.48	15	61.33	+.02	+2.1
Dataram h	...	...	39	...	+18.2
Dawson	...	**17**	**24.10**	**-.69**	**-8.6**
Dell Inc	.32	9	13.17	+.88	+29.9
DeltaAir	...	6	13.63	+.19	+14.8
DenburyR	...	11	17.76	+.88	+9.6
DevonE	**.80**	**34**	**53.67**	**-.15**	**+3.1**
DirSCBear	...	...	11.87	-.18	-12.1
Disney	**.75f**	**16**	**51.09**	**+.50**	**+2.6**
DowChm	**1.28**	**26**	**34.09**	**-.19**	**+5.4**
EMC Cp	...	20	24.32	+.11	-3.9
EOG Res	**.68**	**28**	**125.10**	**+.61**	**+3.6**
EmpDist	**1.00**	**16**	**20.90**	**+.01**	**+2.6**
Energen	.56	14	49.03	+.22	+8.7
EngyTsfr	3.58	9	46.88	+.52	+9.2
EnPro	...	**21**	**42.38**	**+.09**	**+3.6**
EntPrPt	2.64f	20	54.35	-.07	+8.5
Ericsson	.35e	...	10.16	-.20	+.6
Express	...	11	17.40	+3.34	+15.3
ExterranH	...	...	**23.02**	**+.40**	**+5.0**
ExxonMbl	**2.28**	**11**	**89.53**	**-.06**	**+3.4**
Facebook n	...	...	30.10	-.85	+13.1
FordM	**.40f**	**12**	**14.30**	**+.31**	**+10.4**
ForestOil	...	10	6.90	+.06	+3.1
FrozenFd h	...	...	**.85**	**+.01**	**-4.5**
GATX	**1.20**	**18**	**46.45**	**+.53**	**+7.3**
GabMultiT	**.80**	...	**8.37**	**-.01**	**+6.6**
GAInv	**2.00e**	...	**28.91**	**-.10**	**+3.9**
GenElec	**.76f**	**16**	**21.20**	**+.08**	**+1.0**
GtPlainEn	**.67f**	**16**	**20.86**	**+.07**	**+2.7**
HalconR rs	...	...	8.23	+.24	+18.9
Halliburtn	**.36**	**11**	**36.18**	**+.27**	**+4.3**
Heinz	**2.06**	**19**	**59.21**	**+.31**	**+2.7**
Herbalife	**1.20**	**12**	**46.19**	**+2.11**	**+40.2**
HewlettP	.53	...	16.53	-.42	+16.0
iShJapn	.19e	...	9.91	-.03	+1.6
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iS Eafe	1.76e	...	58.02	-.09	+2.0
iShR2K	1.69e	...	87.77	+.38	+4.1
IntegrysE	2.72	17	53.87	+.05	+3.2
Intel	**.90**	**10**	**21.88**	**-.12**	**+6.1**
InterDig	.40a	7	44.56	+.06	+8.4
JPMorgCh	1.20	10	46.35	+.47	+6.1
JohnJn	**2.44**	**24**	**72.37**	**-.19**	**+3.2**
Keycorp	.20	10	8.97	+.10	+6.5
KimbClk	**2.96**	**18**	**85.70**	**+.05**	**+1.5**
KindME	5.04f	...	87.69	+.08	+9.9
KindMM	5.04f	...	80.72	+.34	+7.0
Kinross g	.16	...	9.69	+.25	-.3
LegacyRes	2.26f	...	25.49	+.03	+7.1
LennarA	.16	13	40.68	-.34	+5.2
Lubys	...	**28**	**7.15**	**-.01**	**+6.9**
lululemn gs	...	43	69.47	-2.83	-8.9
MGM Rsts	...	...	13.15	+.40	+13.0
McDnlds	3.08f	17	91.51	-.02	+3.7
Merck	1.72f	20	42.87	-.47	+4.7
MeritMed	...	**25**	**14.00**	**-.01**	**+.7**
MexcoEn	...	...	5.51	-.49	-14.4
MicronT	...	...	7.60	...	+19.9
Microsoft	.92	15	27.21	+.32	+1.9
MorgStan	.20	...	20.43	+.36	+6.9
Nabors	...	...	14.80	+.30	+2.4
NatGrid	**3.17e**	...	**55.93**	**+.48**	**-2.6**
NOilVarco	.52f	12	70.24	-.10	+2.8
NewsCpA	.17	25	27.04	+.24	+6.0
NokiaCp	.26e	...	4.64	+.02	+17.5
NvMAd	**.85e**	...	**15.51**	**-.12**	**+2.0**
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Prmian	1.16e	10	13.29	+.09	+8.4
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Pfizer	**.96f**	**16**	**26.52**	**-.12**	**+6.1**
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Praxair	**2.20**	**20**	**113.81**	**-.29**	**+4.0**
PrmEgy	...	**8**	**25.72**	...	**+11.8**
ProctGam	**2.25**	**18**	**69.88**	**+.25**	**+2.9**
RangeRs	.16	...	65.93	+1.17	+4.9
RegionsFn	.04	...	7.29	+.10	+2.2
RschMotn	...	28	14.48	-.47	+22.0
RiteAid	...	...	1.51	+.06	+11.0
Rowan	...	25	33.77	+.08	+8.0
RoyDShltA	3.44	9	69.70	+.04	+1.1
SpdrDJIA	3.36e	...	135.08	+.19	+3.4
S&P500ETF	3.10e	...	147.07	+.10	+3.3
SpdrRetl	1.03e	...	64.54	+1.32	+3.5
SabnR	3.59e	12	44.62	+.33	+12.1
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Sapient	...	**23**	**11.83**	**+.02**	**+12.0**
Schlmbrg	1.10	18	72.59	-.18	+4.7
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SunocoLog	2.07f	14	55.81	+.64	+12.2
Symantec	...	13	20.85	+.94	+10.8
TelefEsp	...	...	**14.60**	**-.09**	**+8.2**
Tesoro	.60f	10	43.40	+.78	-1.5
3M Co	2.36	15	97.29	+.21	+4.8
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TylerTech	...	**52**	**51.82**	**-.17**	**+7.0**
UBWV	**1.24**	**17**	**25.61**	**+.15**	**+5.2**
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VangEmg	.99e	...	44.85	-.17	+.7
VerizonCm	2.06	39	41.97	-.62	-3.0
VulcanM	**.04**	...	**54.37**	**+.50**	**+4.5**
Walgrn	**1.10**	**18**	**39.30**	**+.26**	**+6.2**
WellsFargo	.88	10	35.11	+.34	+2.7
WstnRefin	.32a	20	30.27	+.77	+7.4
WstnUnion	.50f	7	13.69	-.11	+.6
WhitingPet	...	12	47.23	+.04	+8.9
WmsCos	1.30f	22	33.30	-.17	+1.7
XcelEngy	**1.08**	**15**	**27.05**	**-.03**	**+1.3**
Xerox	**.17**	**8**	**7.42**	**+.02**	**+8.8**
Yahoo	...	6	19.52	+.09	-1.9
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5,602.34	4,795.26	Dow Jones Transportation	5,639.64	+39.15	+.70	+6.27	+9.11
499.82	435.57	Dow Jones Utilities	459.37	+1.18	+.26	+1.39	+1.70
8,721.89	7,222.88	NYSE Composite	8,733.10	+15.65	+.18	+3.43	+13.85
2,509.57	2,164.87	Amex Index	2,402.92	+4.53	+.19	+2.01	+5.64
3,196.93	2,721.03	Nasdaq Composite	3,110.78	-6.72	-.22	+3.02	+14.03
1,474.51	1,266.74	S&P 500	1,472.34	+1.66	+.11	+3.24	+13.81
15,528.42	13,248.92	Wilshire 5000	15,543.80	+30.43	+.20	+3.66	+14.35
883.19	729.75	Russell 2000	884.60	+4.50	+.51	+4.15	+15.55

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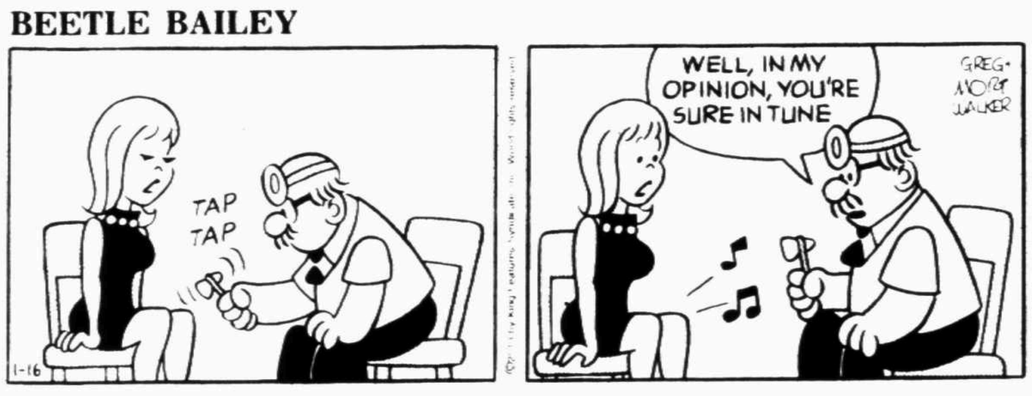

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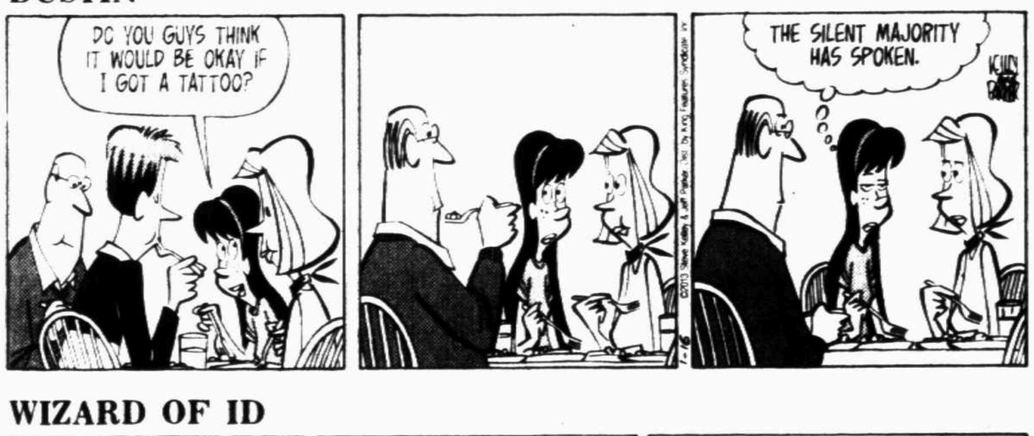

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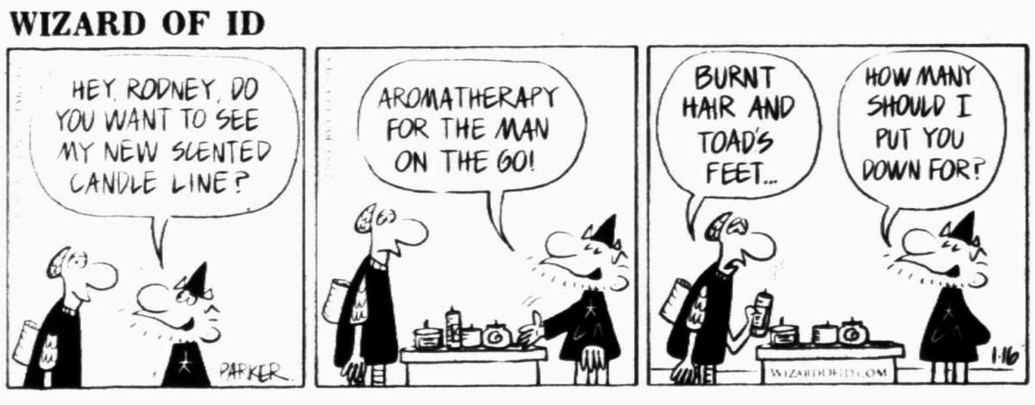

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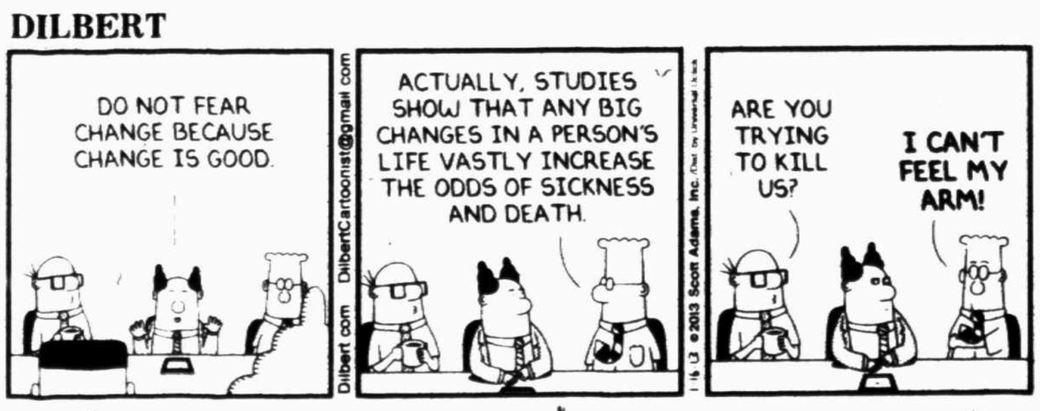

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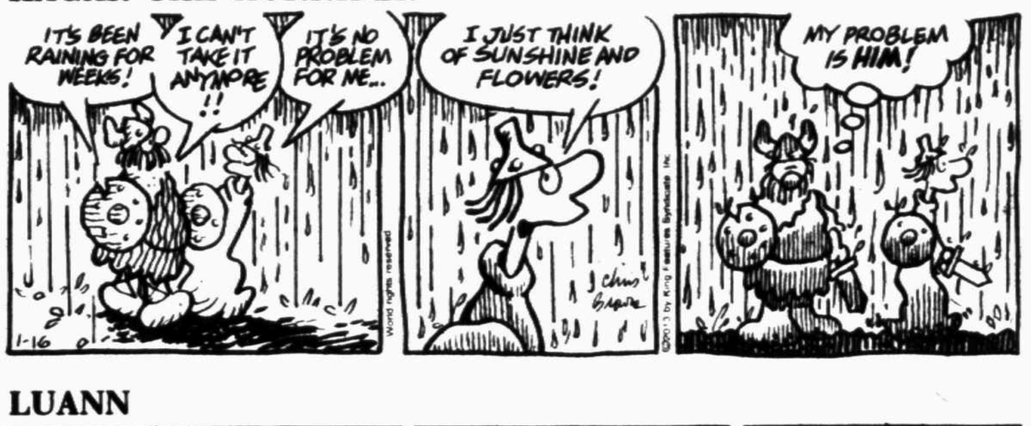

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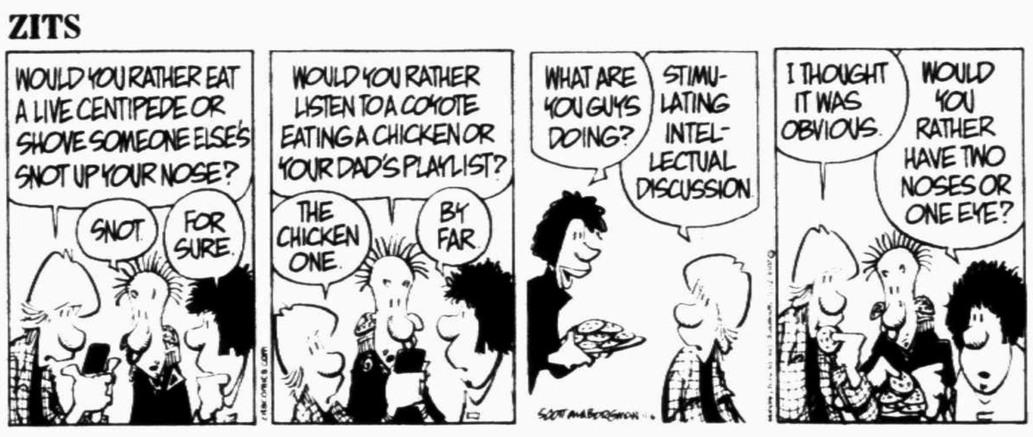

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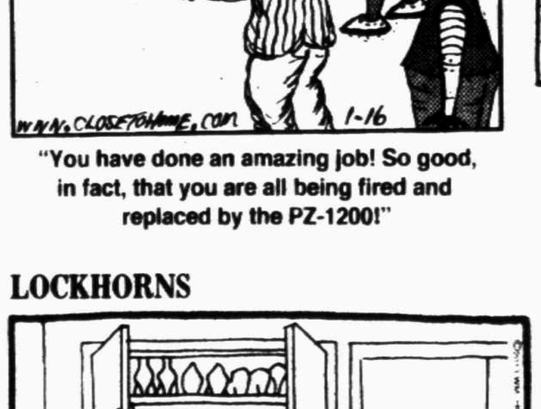

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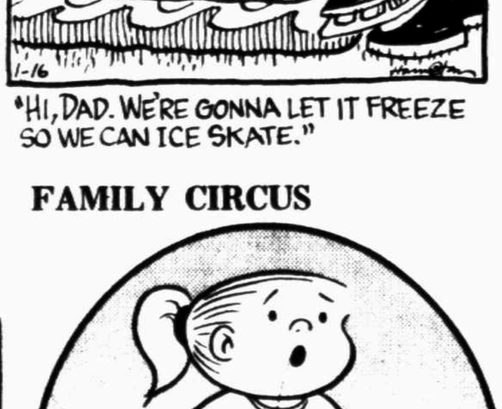

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Notice to Physicians and Providers

UnitedHealthcare of Texas, Inc. and UnitedHealthcare Benefits of Texas, Inc. both located at 5800 Granite Parkway, Ste. 900, Plano, Texas 75024 and offer basic health care service Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) plans and United HealthCare Insurance Company and PacifiCare Life and Health Insurance Company which offer Preferred Provider Options (PPOs) will accept applications for physicians and providers who wish to become contracted physicians and providers during the period of **February 1, 2013 through February 20, 2013.** Applicants must meet practice standards, qualifications and other participatory criteria established by the HMO and/or PPO. To initiate the application process please call 1-877-842-3210.

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of James Charles Tenison III, Deceased, were issued to John D. Swallow and Julia Swallow on January 10, 2013 in Cause No. P17266, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

John D. Swallow and Julia Swallow
c/o Brandon W. Pinson
P. O. Box 8530
Midland, Texas 79708

DATED the 15th day of January, 2013.

PINSON LAW FIRM
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DATED the 15th day of January, 2013.
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3YR OLD pug male. Found intersection of Front & Carver. Call to identify 432-528-1905.

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Experience - Use of computer software such as Microsoft Office Suite (Outlook, Word, Excel, and PowerPoint). Prefer one to three years of experience working for specialized engineering or oil & gas firms, but not required. Petra and PHDWin software user experience is highly favorable.

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Opening Date: 01/15/2013 , Closing Date: 01/30/2013. Performs entry-level environmental investigative work for the Midland Regional Office of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). For a description of the job duties and minimum qualifications, visit the TCEQ web site listed below. All applications must be submitted to and **received in Human Resources Division of TCEQ; resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a completed application.** The employment history of the application must be completed. Mailed applications must be sent to Human Resources Division, MC116, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512)239-0102, Fax (512)239-0111. State of Texas application forms and additional information are available at the TCEQ Region 7 – Midland Regional Office located at 9900 W. IH-20, Ste. 100, Midland, Texas 76906, (432)570-1359 or at the TCEQ Web site at www.tceq.texas.gov/admin/employ/jobs.html

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY Administrative Assistant II

Posting #13101, Administrative Assistant II.
Monthly salary is $2,094.33.
Opening Date: 01/15/2013. Closing Date: 01/30/2013.
Performs entry-level Administrative Assistant work for the Midland Regional Office of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). For a description of the job duties and minimum qualifications, visit the TCEQ web site listed below. All applications must be submitted to and **received in Human Resources Division of TCEQ; resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a completed application**. The employment history of the application must be completed. Mailed applications must be sent to Human Resources Division, MC116, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, (512)239-0102, Fax (512)239-0111. State of Texas application forms and additional information are available at the TCEQ Region 7 – Midland Regional Office located at 9900 West Interstate 20, Ste. 100, Midland, Texas 76906, (432) 570-1359 or at the TCEQ Web site at
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RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

Day Cook/Grill Cook/Snackbar
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Midland, TX — **To fill out application.**
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Dining Room Service Staff
Midland's Premier County Club — **FT/PT**
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is looking for outside golf course member service staff. We hire attitude and personality over experience. All positions available Full or Part time. In addition to competitive wages we offer paid medical and 401K. Please apply in person at Midland Country Club 6101 N Hwy 349, Midland, TX 79705.

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Midland, TX 79701
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SKILLED LABOR

EXPERIENCED TONG MECHANIC
Christian company looking for experienced tong mechanic. Apply in person at 3820 Kermit Hwy, Odessa.

Field Technician/Electrician
Compensation: Competitive/DOE. **Education:** High School Diploma. **Experience:** Minimum of 3 years experience working in electrical field. Journeyman's license is a plus. Please send resume to: **jobs@tanklogix.com**

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Qualified candidates will have intermediate level knowledge of building products, local building codes, and the building supply industry. Candidates with experience selling to professional builders and contractors are preferred.

Candidates must meet and adhere to Company driving and licensing requirements for equipment and vehicles, as well as be able to use personal vehicle to visit customers, job sites, and purchasing offices of prospective and assigned accounts.

McCoy's Building Supply is a successful family owned lumber and building supply retail chain with 83 retail stores located throughout Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Mississippi, and Arkansas. If you are interested in pursuing an opportunity in this fast-paced, hard-working, retail building supply environment, **apply online** to Job Posting #12-1092 at:

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SKILLED LABOR

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(Loop 250 east of Midland, Go south on Co Rd 1150 1/2 mile yard is on east side of road)
Fax Resume to 432-686-9922

BASIC ENERGY SERVICES

Basic Energy Services Midland Pumping services is now interviewing and hiring for the below positions for their Midland, TX service point:

Experienced Frac Pump Operators/Treaters: Must have Class A CDL. Hazmat endorsement a plus. Minimum 2 years experience as Treater.
Experienced Hydration Operators: Must have Class A CDL. Hazmat endorsement required.
Experienced Blender Operators: Must have Class A CDL. Hazmat endorsement required.
Experienced Personnel for All Frac Positions: Must have Class A CDL. Hazmat endorsement a plus.
Experienced Field Mechanic: Must provided own tools. Class B CDL preferred.
Sand Haulers: Must have Class A CDL.

Benefits include: 401K Employer Match, Medical / Dental Insurance, Uniforms, Paid time off based on length of employment, job bonus, and competitive salary based on experience.

Basic Energy Services is a drug free work environment; all applicants must posses the ability to pass Background / Drug Screen.

All interested applicants may submit resumes to audrey.nunez@basicenergyservices.com or pickup applications at 1110 West County Road 114, Midland, TX.
432.687.1994
EOE

Licensed Journeymen & Licensed Apprentice Electricians
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BASIN Electric Co.

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SKILLED LABOR

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Shop Mechanics — **Field Mechanics**
Parts Persons

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All positions require at least a high school diploma or equivalent.

Shop Mechanics and Field Mechanics must:

- Possess a valid driver's license with a Class A or B CDL being a plus.
- Have at least one year of work experience as a certified mechanic.
- Certification from trade or technical school highly preferred.
- Must have skills in rebuilding, inspecting and repairing equipment including hydraulic, electrical, and overhauling engines and transmissions.
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Parts persons should:

- Have good communication skills, both verbal and written.
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For questions, please contact us at
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or
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Midland, TX 79702

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Wireline Engineers and Operators
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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

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Sure Shot Hot Shot — **FT**
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Class A CDL Truck Drivers
Prefer drivers with Pneumatic Tanker experience. Benefits include: driver $2,000 sign-on bonus, medical, life & dental insurance, paid vacation, & 401k. Applicants having experience hauling sand and/or dry cement helpful. Good driving record, DOT, drug & alcohol testing required. Apply in person, call **432-563-1894** for interview or online @ **www.silverlinetx.com**

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The ideal candidate will have 1-3 years experience in a similar role, a high school diploma (or equivalent), and a current Class A CDL with Tanker and Hazmat endorsements.

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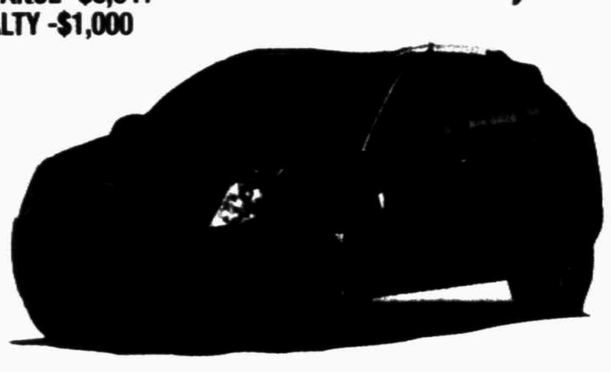

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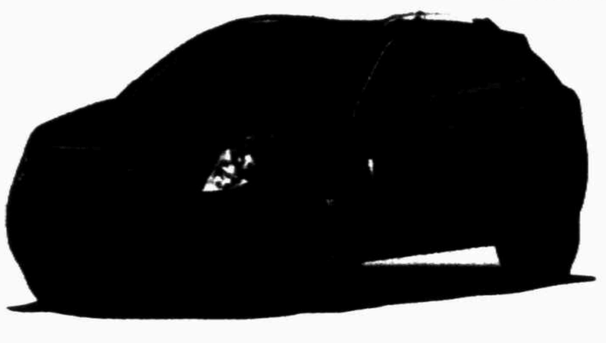

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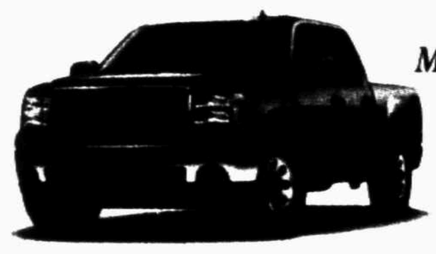

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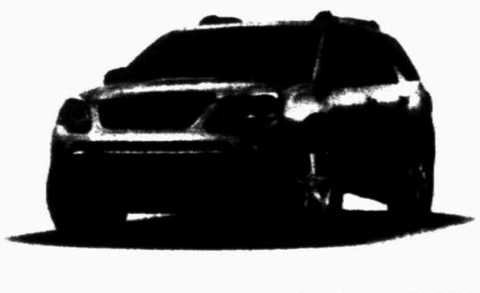

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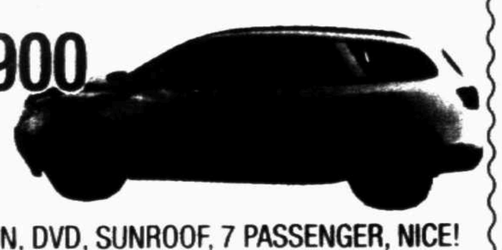

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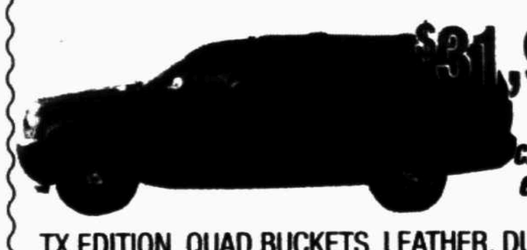

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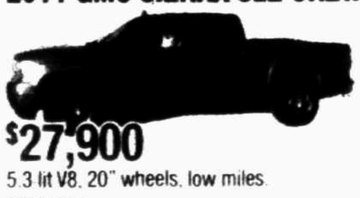

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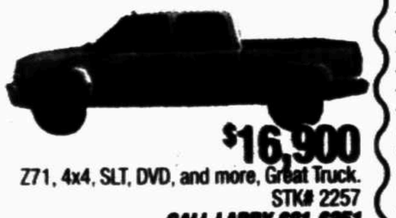

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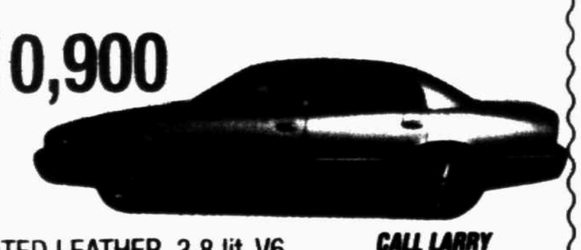

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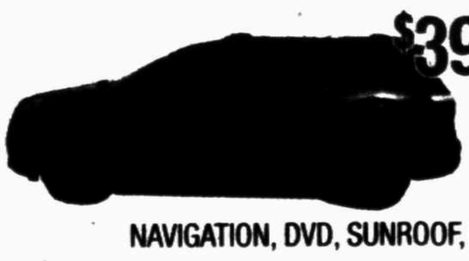

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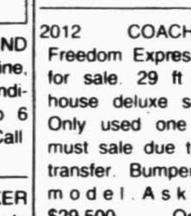

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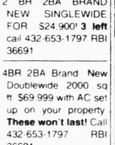

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