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MDC works deal with Weir Oil and Gas

■ Engineering and oilfield services company has plans to build 92,000-square-foot customer support center with an estimated cost of $30 million

Key facts of the deal

■ Weir will purchase 20 acres of the David Mims Business Park along Interstate 20.
■ Weir must invest a minimum of $39.65 million by Dec. 31, 2018.
■ Weir's starting payroll must be at least $870,000.
■ The MDC will reimburse Weir not more than $1,305,250 for the development of infrastructure.
■ The MDC will provide Weir an interest-free forgivable loan of $1.8 million.
■ The deal is expected to be voted upon by the MDC board at their meeting Monday.

By Trevor Hawes
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Odessa's loss looks to be Midland's gain as engineering and oilfield services giant Weir Oil and Gas is expected to ink a deal today to build a facility in the city.

The Midland Development Corp. has worked with Weir to consolidate its Midland and Odessa operations into a new 92,000-square-foot customer support center slated to cost nearly $30 million on a portion of the MDC's to-be-developed David Mims Business Park, according to documents received by the Reporter-Telegram.

Weir had worked with the Odessa Development Corp. and the city of Odessa this year on a new customer support facility, but Odessa City Council at its May 9 meeting ended pursuit of any incentive deal, according to an Odessa American report.

Weir sought a five-year tax abatement that would decrease over time and a $1.4 million incentive grant to build a $25 million customer support center, the report said. Eighty-four jobs would have been created, as well.

Council members who opposed the deal voiced concerns that incentivizing Weir but not other similar companies would be unfair, the report said. The company said it would consider building its facility in Oklahoma if a deal wasn't struck, taking 40 local jobs with it, according to the report.

Council terminated ODC President Jimmy Breaux at the same meeting without explanation after a closed meeting, the report said.

A separate report in June indicated the Odessa American is suing City Council on grounds that the council violated Texas Open Meetings Act at its May 9 meeting after "failing to give proper notice of Odessa City Council closed sessions, holding closed sessions without announcing an applicable exemption, failing to release public information detailing the substance of improperly held closed sessions, and through other improper conduct."

MDC officials told the Reporter-Telegram it has worked with Weir since its Odessa deal fell apart.

The 73.26-acre David Mims Business Park is located along Interstate 20 west of the western terminus of Loop 250, near Schlumberger's Midland headquarters. Weir will purchase part of the property through its subsidiary SPM Flow Control, and the entire deal includes Weir subsidiary Seaboard International.

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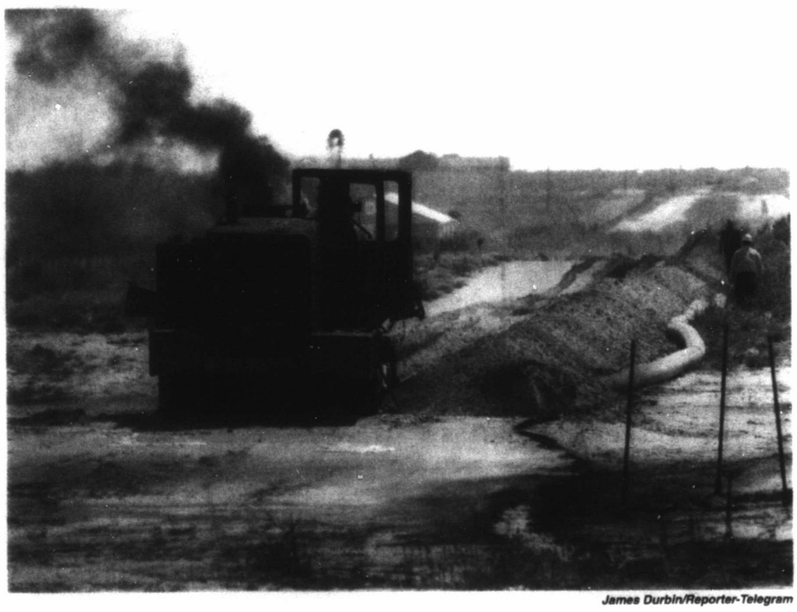
EQUIPMENT EXPLOSION



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A piece of equipment exploded on an oil and gas location Thursday in Midland County.

USGS: Earthquakes pepper Pecos, Snyder areas

From staff reports

There have been a total of six earthquakes in the last 10 days near Snyder and Pecos, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

The USGS reports a pair of earthquakes on Tuesday and Wednesday near Snyder. A 2.5 magnitude earthquake took place 6.2 miles north of Snyder around 4:37 p.m. Tuesday.

A 2.7 magnitude earthquake took place less than 12 hours later — around 3:02 a.m. Wednesday 10.6 miles north of Snyder.

There have been three earthquakes in the last 30 days and six in the last 365 days, according to the website earthquaketrack.com.

From Aug. 30 through Sunday morning, four earthquakes were reported near Pecos, according to the USGS. It started with a 2.2 magnitude earthquake about 2.5 miles south-southeast of Pecos around 3:16 p.m. Aug. 30.

The website reports a 2.8 magnitude earthquake took place 24.2 miles southwest of Pecos around 11:44 a.m. on Sept. 1.

On Sunday morning, the USGS recorded two quakes. The first was a 3.1 magnitude quake that took place 18.6 miles south-southeast at 1:24 a.m. Sunday. The second was a 3.4 magnitude quake that took place 23 miles southeast at 1:27 a.m. Sunday.

There have been 10 earthquakes in the last 30 days and 22 in the last 365 days, according to earthquaketrack.com.

According to Upseis, an educational site for seismologists, a quake with a magnitude of 2.5 to 5.4 is "often felt, but only causes minor damage." There are about 30,000 each year, according to the site.

Harvey's floodwaters give way to steaming piles of garbage

By Brian Melley and Paul J. Weber
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Roiling waters in the streets have given way to steaming piles of garbage on the curbs.

Harvey's record-setting rains created heaps of ruined possessions that now line entire neighborhoods, nearly up to the rooftops of the homes that were swamped. All that sodden drywall, flooring, furniture, clothing and toys adds up to an estimated 8 million cubic yards in Houston alone, enough to fill the Texans stadium two times over.

Texas and city officials have pledged to make a priority of the monumental task of cleaning it up, though they stopped short of giving specific timelines, mindful that such cleanups have dragged on longer than anticipated after other major storms.

"We want to get it removed as quickly as possible," Texas Gov. Greg Abbott told reporters Thursday.

For now, the piles big and small have become evidence, of sorts, of the losses from more than 200,000 damaged homes up and down the Texas coast.

Not only are the heaps eyesores, but they are starting to give off a musty funk. And the longer they sit, officials warn, they could become havens for mold, not to mention snakes, rats, skunks and other critters. The junk could also turn into projectiles if, heaven forbid, another hurricane strikes.

"I just can't stand it anymore," said Peggy Lanigan, who took a break from clearing out her Houston home that flooded for the first time in 22 years.

The city is pushing to complete a "first pass" of debris removal within 30 days, said Derek Mebane, deputy assistant director of Houston's solid waste department. He said collecting subsequent piles could take months and warned that if Hurricane Irma causes extensive damage in Florida, the cleanup in Houston could be slowed if resources are diverted. While local crews do the pickups, FEMA covers 90 percent of the costs.

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WORD OF THE DAY
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Holistic
[hoh-lis-tik]
adjective
1. incorporating the concept of holism, or the idea that the whole is more than merely the sum of its parts, in theory or practice.

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Things to do

■ Dirty Glass, 5 p.m., The Bar, 606 W. Missouri Ave.
■ SeptemberFest 2017: Sunsets and Skylines VIP Preview Party, 7 p.m., Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Guests will get an early preview of the art that will be on sale during the festival. Items will also be up for auction. $100 open seating, $200 guaranteed seating. museumsw.org.
■ Bingo Nights, 7 p.m., American Legion, 501 Veterans Airpark Lane. 682-5511.
■ Hold 'em poker tournaments, 7 p.m., The Detour.
■ The Ragtown Chiefs, 7 p.m., Mac's BBQ and Catering, 2400 Indiana Ave.
■ Marfa Lake Social Club, 7 p.m., Rue 432, 106 S. "A" St.
■ "First Date," 7:30 p.m., Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. $28. mctmidland.org.
■ Aaron Einhouse, 9 p.m., The Lone Star Bar, 621 W. Wall St.
■ DJ Wildman, 9 p.m., The Lift on 7th, 1401 E. Seventh St. Odessa.

Football in Midland

■ Abilene High at Lee, 7:30 p.m., Grande Communications Stadium
■ Brownfield at Greenwood, 7:30 p.m.
■ Midland Christian and Trinity are on the road. Midland High played Thursday night.

Playoff baseball

Texas League Division Series, San Antonio vs. Midland, 7 p.m., Security Bank Ballpark

Friday lectures

Midland College will kick off its monthly Friday noon lecture series with two opportunities for students and the community. The free lectures are noon-1 p.m. today.

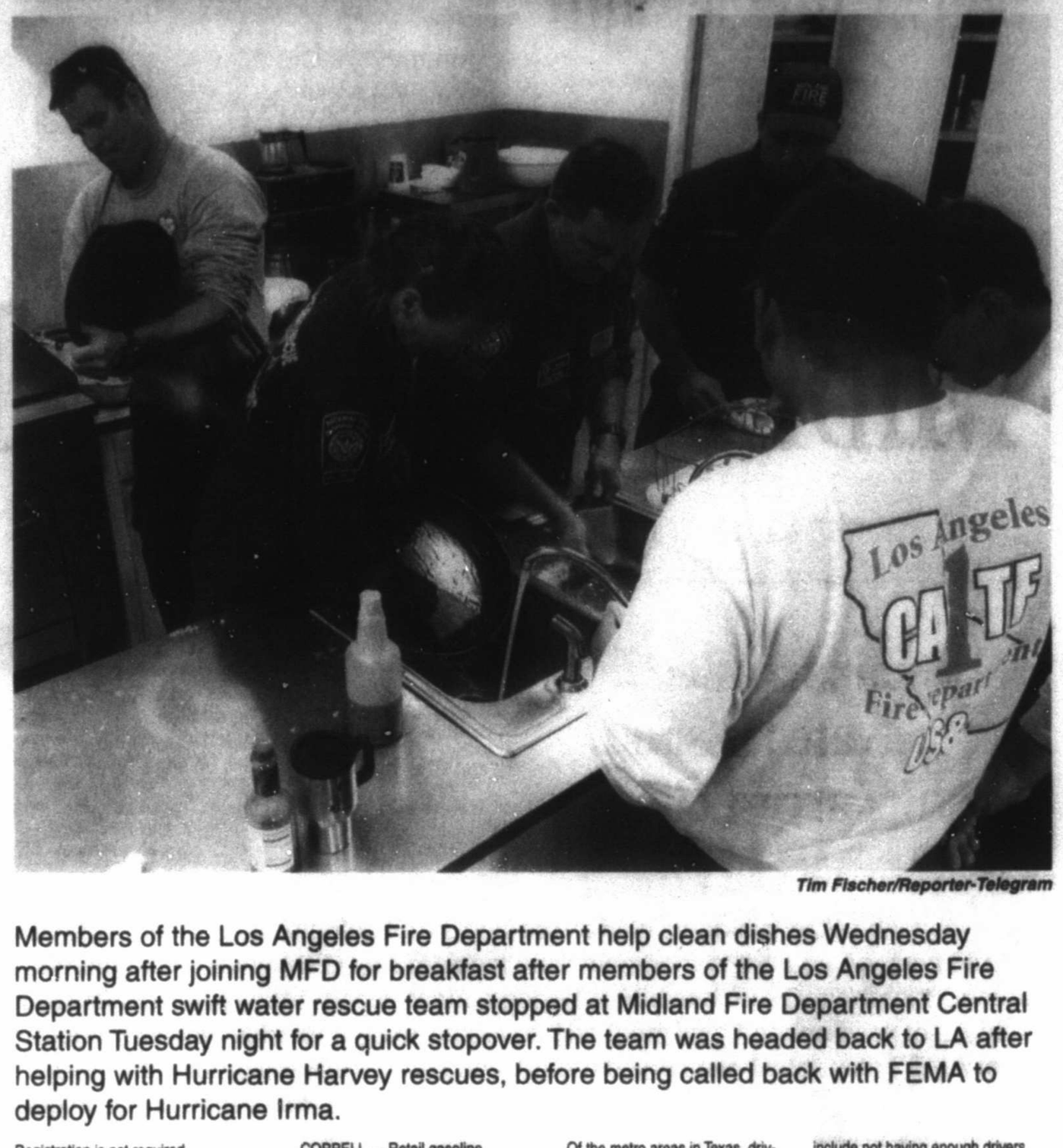
The MC Business & Economic Development Center will present a new "Lunch & Learn" series in the Jack E. Brown Dining Hall. The topic is "Credit & Auto Lending" presented by Chris Robin of Chris Robin Auto Group. Participants may bring their own lunch or eat at the dining hall buffet, which is $5.75, plus tax. Space is limited, and participants are encouraged to register via www.midland.edu/bedc.

The college's Math, Science & Kinesiology Division will resume First Friday Science Lectures at Scharbauer Student Center Carrasco Room. KOSA weather scientist Greg Morgan will present "West Texas/New Mexico Weather." Participants may bring their own lunch or purchase lunch at the Scharbauer Student Center grill.

Registration is not required.

For more information, contact Rebecca Bell at 685-4556, rbell@midland.edu.

Breakfast break for LAFD



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Members of the Los Angeles Fire Department help clean dishes Wednesday morning after joining MFD for breakfast after members of the Los Angeles Fire Department swift water rescue team stopped at Midland Fire Department Central Station Tuesday night for a quick stopover. The team was headed back to LA after helping with Hurricane Harvey rescues, before being called back with FEMA to deploy for Hurricane Irma.

Gas prices surge in Harvey's aftermath

COPPELL — Retail gasoline prices in Texas and across the country continue to surge in the aftermath of catastrophic flooding brought by Harvey.

AAA Texas on Thursday reported the average price at the pump statewide this week was $2.54, up from $2.26 last week.

Of the metro areas in Texas, drivers in Dallas are paying the most on average at $2.67 while motorists in Amarillo are paying the least at $2.37.

AAA says the national average for regular unleaded is $2.67.

The association says that while there's no fuel shortage, Harvey has created distribution problems that include not having enough drivers and equipment to transport fuel to market.

Gas prices could still rise by a dime and even beyond that as Hurricane Irma is forecast to make landfall in Florida this weekend.

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 9-5-4
Pick 3 day: 8-7-1
Pick 3 evening: 1-3-8
Pick 3 night: 3-9-5
Daily 4 morning: 0-3-4-6
Daily 4 day: 4-0-0-0
Daily 4 evening: 6-7-6-4
Daily 4 night: 6-7-6-1
Cash Five: 14-29-32-33-37
Triple Chance: 7-18-20-26-27 31-36-44-45-53

Texas Two Step: 1-16-32-33 BB: 4
All or Nothing morning: 6-7-8-11-13-14-16-17-20-21-23-24
All or Nothing day: 1-2-5-6-9-12-13-16-17-21-22-24
All or Nothing evening: 1-2-5-6-9-10-11-12-13-18-21-24
All or Nothing night: 4-6-10-11-12-13-14-16-18-19-21-22

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Weather

Thursday's temperatures

High	88
Low	61
Normal high	89
Normal low	65

Sept. 7's records
Record high: 102 set in 2012
Record low: 51 set in 2011

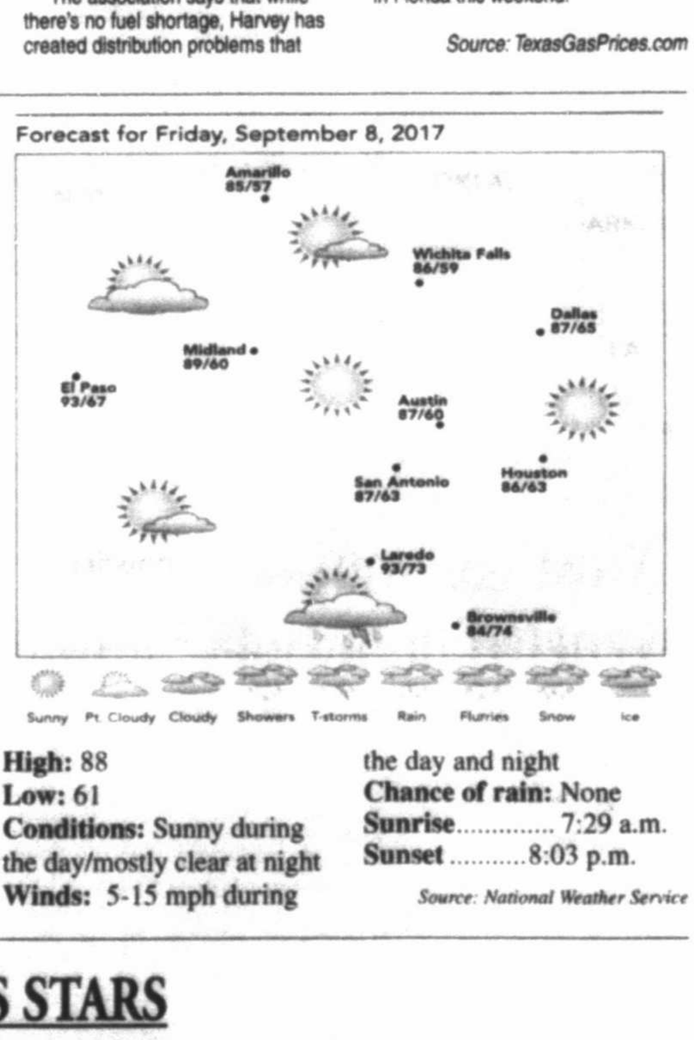
Precipitation

Wednesday	0.00 in.
Thursday	0.00 in.
Month total	Trace
Year total	12.74 in.
Normal total (year to date)	10.18 in.

Winds
Average: 11.6
Highest sustained: 18
Highest gust: 27

Today's forecast

Forecast for Friday, September 8, 2017



High: 88
Low: 61
Conditions: Sunny during the day/mostly clear at night
Winds: 5-15 mph during the day and night
Chance of rain: None
Sunrise ..... 7:29 a.m.
Sunset ..... 8:03 p.m.

Source: National Weather Service

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

Note: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Virgo and a Moon in Aries.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for **Friday, Sept. 8, 2017:**

Relationships in general become more important than in the recent past. Whether interacting with a boss or a partner, you'll discover how good you feel with a strong interpersonal foundation. If you are single, you break precedent and become less fussy and critical, which allows several interesting potential suitors to come toward you. You could form a key bond this year. If you are attached, the two of you learn to flow together and to accept your differences as something positive. You experience increased respect and kindness between the two of you, though you are the leader in these changes. ARIES often challenges your logic. Don't take it personally.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Put your best foot forward. Understand what separates you from an authority figure. You simply might be less conservative and more active than this person. You have a well-defined procedure when approaching a difficult or unknown situation. Know that you can blaze your own path! **Tonight:** Christen the weekend with friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★ Know when to back down and become less assertive. You are often stubborn and hold your ground despite opposition. This attitude could be the source of a problem right now. Defer and be willing to let others assume a stronger role. **Tonight:** Do for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Gemini can be quite the socialite. You could find that you might be unusually busy having a conversation about an important topic. Squeezing in other social activities could be hard. Tonight: Decide to lighten up the moment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Take charge and deal with a problem that keeps rearing its ugly head. You have what it takes to smooth out a rough spot. Be aware of what a parent, older relative or loved one wants. Maintain a sense of humor, as you might hear commentary you would like to erase from your mind. **Tonight:** Being noticed wherever you are.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Keep reaching out for more information and opinions. The bigger the selection, the better your responses can be. You see more options than most people. You are also willing to take a course or two if the experience will open you up to new thinking. **Tonight:** Start planning a trip or weekend away in the near future.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ One-on-one relating takes you down a new path if you are open to a new type of adventure. How you see a new possibility could radically change given time and space. The introduction to this experience is likely to come through a loved one or close friend. **Tonight:** Make it your pleasure to be with a favorite friend!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Continue deferring to others. The time to reclaim the pulpit and let others know about your ideas isn't quite yet. You could learn a lot about others instead. You will know when to move on a certain issue as a result. **Tonight:** Hit several different TGIFs. The mix and differences might be intriguing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Pace yourself and get as much done as possible. You could be tired with the same old places, people and spots. In true Scorpion form, blaze a trail in a new direction. Changing the setting and the people could revive you in many different ways. **Tonight:** Let the fun begin.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You might want to check in with friends to see what is going on. Your sense of humor comes out when dealing with an associate, co-worker or acquaintance. Stop to have a conversation with this person more often. Tonight: Think weekend. Who would you most like to be with?

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You have the ability to read between the lines and notice what was not shared. You also might want to ask a question to confirm a hunch. This activity could involve family, your home life and what you most want from a relationship. **Tonight:** Invite a friend or two over.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ You might want to reach out to someone you haven't seen in a while. This person is part of your life, and you often act like siblings when you are together. Don't take any statements about someone else as fact. There could be some gossip mixed in. **Tonight:** Catch up on news with friends.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ You could go haywire with your spending and not even be aware of the damages you are creating. Use good sense, even when treating someone to lunch. Choose a moderately priced restaurant. The company is what counts. **Tonight:** Play away stress.

BORN TODAY

Singer Pink (1978), comedian, actor Peter Sellers (1925), Sen. Bernie Sanders (1941)

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Man charged with aggravated assault

From staff reports

Herrera

A Midland man was arrested Monday after he allegedly pointed a handgun at a business, according to court documents.

Albert James Herrera, 18, was being held Thursday on a $35,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Midland police were dispatched to Whataburger on North Midkiff Road at about 11:15 p.m. Monday in reference to a disturbance.

Two men were dining when they looked out the window and saw a man — later identified as Herrera — bent down in front of the restaurant, according to his arrest affidavit. Herrera stood up, drew a handgun from his waistband and pointed it at them, according to the affidavit.

Dispatch had advised two men pointed handguns at the business, but the other man wasn't named in the arrest affidavit.

If convicted of the second-degree felony charge, Herrera could face up to 20 years imprisonment.

Woman arrested on aggravated assault, resisting arrest charges

From staff reports

Parker

A woman was arrested Tuesday after she allegedly drove a vehicle that struck a police detective, according to court documents.

Kezia Diane Parker, 36, was being held Thursday on a $75,000 bond for a first-degree felony charge of aggravated assault against a public servant and $25,000 in bonds for third-degree felony charges of evading arrest or detention with a vehicle, resisting arrest and possession of a controlled substance.

A Midland police detective was patrolling an area at about 9:20 a.m. Tuesday when he saw a driver leave at a fast pace and fail to signal 100 feet before a turn.

The detective conducted a traffic stop before the driver — later identified as Parker — accelerated, striking the detective with the driver's side door and frame, according to her arrest affidavit. The detective experienced pain in his arm, hip and leg as a result of the strike, according to the affidavit.

The detective held onto Parker's arm and dragged her out of the vehicle, according to the affidavit. Parker didn't comply with commands and began pulling her arms away from the detective, according to the affidavit.

The detective later found methamphetamine inside the vehicle, according to the affidavit. A passenger was also charged with possession of a controlled substance, according to the affidavit.

If convicted, Parker could face up to life imprisonment for the first-degree felony charge and up to 10 years imprisonment for a third-degree felony charge.

Most gas stations will be refueled in next 48 hours, state official says

By Rye Druzin
San Antonio Express-News

Most gas stations in Texas will have fuel within the next 48 hours, Texas Railroad Commissioner Ryan Sitton said Wednesday, trying to ease public worry about a gas shortage even as about half of San Antonio's stations were reportedly running on empty.

"This is not an instantaneous process," Sitton said of efforts to resupply shortages in Texas from neighboring states and restarted refineries. "It takes time but they are making great progress at refueling stations across the state."

The temporary disruption in supply will be "resolved this week if people purchase gas in a thoughtful and responsible manner," he said in a statement. Most areas will see gas stations refueled within 48 hours with the exception of a few spots in the state that may take longer to resupply, he said.

Sitton reiterated that while the U.S. has 230 million barrels of refined products in storage "hoarding and panic buying have placed unnecessary strains on gasoline supplies at pumps in certain pockets of Texas."

Severe shortages began August 31 in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, which knocked more than 20 percent of U.S. refining capacity offline. On Tuesday AAA reported a sharp weekly increase in U.S. gas prices of 27 cents respectively. AAA said the national average price of $2.65 a gallon was just 2 cents shy of a two-year peak that was hit in August 2015.

As of 5 p.m. Wednesday only 309 or 49 percent of the roughly 630 gas stations in San Antonio were reportedly without fuel, according to gas price tracker GasBuddy's availability tracker, which is based on data supplied by drivers and isn't verified by GasBuddy.

The situation has improved since hitting a peak of 575 stations, or more than 90 percent, without fuel on Saturday.

Sitton also warned against people who may try to sell gasoline without a license.

"To those buying large volumes of gasoline to turn around and sell at a premium, that is 'black market' gasoline sales, and it is a violation of the law," Sitton said. "It contributes to the gasoline panic, and I expect it will be fully prosecuted by authorities."

Approximately 19 percent of U.S. refining capacity remained offline as of Tuesday, industry research firm IHS Markit said in a Wednesday report. But with multiple refineries in the process of coming back online, it expects that number to fall to below 10 percent by the weekend.

"The recent positive developments have tempered fears of a broader U.S. gasoline crunch," IHS said.

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FROM WIRE REPORTS

AUSTIN

University of Texas regent gives $25M to social work school

A University of Texas System regent has donated $25 million to the Austin campus' social work program.

The Austin-American Statesman reports that university officials announced Steve Hicks' donation Wednesday.

Hicks says he donated to the social work school because social workers have helped him overcome alcoholism. He says he has been sober for 13 years.

Under the plan, $10 million will be used to create a permanent endowment for student scholarships, and $5 million will be used as matching funds to attract additional donations. The remaining $10 million will be used to further research and teaching on addictions as well as to teach fundraising and philanthropy skills.

The university has renamed the social work school after Hicks.

Hicks graduated from the university with a degree in government in 1972.

AUSTIN

Attorney general's office No. 2 picked for judgeship

President Donald Trump has tapped a top official at Texas' attorney general's office for a federal judgeship.

First Assistant Attorney General Jeff Mateer was nominated Thursday in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas. The appointment requires U.S. Senate confirmation.

In a statement, Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton said, "Judges who rule by the Constitution and the law are desperately needed today, and I am confident a Judge Mateer will faithfully fulfill this duty."

Mateer became Paxton's second-in-command last year. Before that, he helped litigate "religious freedom" cases for the conservative First Liberty Institute. Paxton has been indicted on securities fraud charges and is awaiting trial. He's pleaded not guilty.

Paxton's wife, Angela, plans to run for an open Texas Senate seat her husband once occupied.

LUFKIN

Woman jailed after slipping cuffs, stealing police SUV

A Texas woman is being held on several charges after she slipped her handcuffs, stole a police SUV and then led officers on a pursuit that reached speeds of nearly 100 mph. Thirty-three-year-old Toscha Sponsler was being held Thursday in the Angelina County jail on charges that include evading arrest.

Authorities say Sponsler had been detained Saturday on suspicion of shoplifting and was in the back of the SUV when she managed to slip her hand through one of the cuffs.

Video released Tuesday by Lufkin police show her then squeezing through a partition to reach the front seat. A chase went on for about 20 miles before a state trooper managed to spin her out.

Online jail records don't indicate whether she has an attorney.

NEW MEXICO

Carlsbad Caverns elevator service to be suspended for work

CARLSBAD — Carlsbad Caverns National Park officials say elevators to take visitors into the park's underground cavern will be unavailable for use from Monday through Sept. 29 while structural work is being done.

Visitors may still access the cavern by hiking in and out while elevator service is temporarily suspended, but the hiking route is steep so wheelchairs and walkers can't be used.

Officials say consulting engineers determined that structural steel beams need to be reinforced and anchoring clips replaced in the secondary elevators. Other work will include realignment of steel guide rails and replacement of one elevator's large control cable that travels up and down with the elevator.

One elevator's cable was replaced in August

WEIR

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Here are the details of the deal per the economic development agreement:

■ Weir will buy 20 acres on the western portion of the property at a cost of $20,000 per acre. The property will be on the tax rolls at a valuation of $65,000 per acre.

■ Weir must invest a minimum of $20 million in capital improvements and $9.65 million in personal property (building, fixtures and furnishings) investments by Dec. 31, 2018. These valuations must be confirmed by the Midland Central Appraisal District.

■ Weir must have a starting payroll of at least $870,000 and maintain a payroll not less than $6 million for a period of five years through 2022.

■ Weir must close its three current facilities: 2424 E. Interstate 20 and 11520 W. Highway 80 E. in Odessa, and 8714 W. County Road 127 in Midland County. The company cannot build another facility within a 60-mile radius of its new facility for five years.

■ The MDC will reimburse Weir not more than $1,305,250 for the development of infrastructure such as water and sewer lines on the entire 70-acre business park site. It was explained to the Reporter-Telegram that the MDC was obligated to pay for the installation of this infrastructure but that it was more advantageous to have the company do it instead.

■ The MDC will provide Weir an interest-free forgivable loan of $1.8 million to be paid in equal installments of $360,000 each year upon Weir meeting and maintaining its capital improvements and personal property obligations.

The deal is not done, however. Weir is expected to finalize its commitment today, and the MDC board will vote on the deal at its meeting Monday. If Weir does not complete its paperwork today, the item will not be on the MDC's Monday agenda; however, MDC officials said this is highly unlikely.

Midland City Council ultimately must approve the deal.

The MDC is funded by the Type A quarter-cent sales tax and was created in January 2002 upon voter approval. Its mission is to diversify Midland's economy and encourage the expansion of existing businesses.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Brief Explanatory Statements of Proposed Constitutional Amendments
Special Election, November 7, 2017

Proposition Number 1
(HJR 21)

HJR 21 proposes a constitutional amendment that would permit the Texas legislature to expand the circumstances under which a partially disabled veteran or their spouse may qualify for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the veteran's residence homestead. Currently, the Texas legislature may provide that a partially disabled veteran or their spouse is entitled to an exemption from ad valorem taxation of a percentage of the market value of the disabled veteran's residence homestead only if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization at no cost to the veteran. The amendment would allow the Texas legislature to provide that the exemption also may be taken when the residence homestead was donated, sold, or transferred to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization for less than the market value of the residence homestead. The amendment also harmonizes certain related provisions of the Texas Constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: **"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization for less than the market value of the residence homestead and harmonizing certain related provisions of the Texas Constitution."**

Proposition Number 2
(SJR 60)

SJR 60 proposes a constitutional amendment to require that certain conditions be met for the refinancing of a home equity loan to be secured by a voluntary lien on a homestead. The amendment also would: redefine what is excluded in the calculation of the cap on fees associated with a home equity loan; lower the cap from 3% to 2% of the original principal amount of the extension of credit; and specify that such fees are in addition to any bona fide discount points used to buy down the interest rate. The amendment would further specify the list of authorized lenders to make home equity loans; change the threshold for an advance of a home equity line of credit; allow agricultural property owners to acquire home equity loans; and update technical terminology in the Texas Constitution. The amendment would be effective on January 1, 2018, and applicable only to a home equity loan made or refinanced on or after that date.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: **"The constitutional amendment to establish a lower amount for expenses that can be charged to a borrower and removing certain financing expense limitations for a home equity loan, establishing certain authorized lenders to make a home equity loan, changing certain options for the refinancing of home equity loans, changing the threshold for an advance of a home equity line of credit, and allowing home equity loans on agricultural homesteads."**

Proposition Number 3
(SJR 34)

SJR 34 proposes a constitutional amendment that would prevent certain office holders from serving indefinitely beyond the expiration of their term. Office holders who are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate and receive no salary would only be able to serve until the last day of the first regular session of the Texas legislature that begins after their term expires.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: **"The constitutional amendment limiting the service of certain officeholders appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate after the expiration of the person's term of office."**

Proposition Number 4
(SJR 6)

SJR 6 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the Texas legislature to require any court that is hearing a challenge to the constitutionality of a state statute to notify the attorney general of that challenge, if the party raising the challenge notifies the court that the party is challenging the constitutionality of such statute. Additionally, the amendment would allow the Texas legislature to set a period of not more than 45 days following the notification to the attorney general that the court must wait before rendering a judgment that a state statute is unconstitutional.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: **"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to require a court to provide notice to the attorney general of a challenge to the constitutionality of a state statute and authorizing the legislature to prescribe a waiting period before the court may enter a judgment holding the statute unconstitutional."**

Proposition Number 5
(HJR 100)

HJR 100 proposes a constitutional amendment to provide a more detailed definition of "professional sports team" for purposes of their charitable foundations which the Texas legislature may permit to hold charitable raffles. The amendment also deletes a requirement that an eligible professional sports team charitable foundation permitted by the Texas legislature to hold charitable raffles had to be in existence on January 1, 2016.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: **"The constitutional amendment on professional sports team charitable foundations conducting charitable raffles."**

Proposition Number 6
(SJR 1)

SJR 1 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the Texas legislature by general law to provide that a surviving spouse of a first responder who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty is entitled to receive an exemption from ad valorem taxation from all or part of the market value on the surviving spouse's residence homestead, as long as the surviving spouse has not remarried since the death of the first responder. It would also allow the Texas legislature to provide that the surviving spouse, who qualifies and receives the exemption and then qualifies a different property as the surviving spouse's residence homestead, receive an exemption from ad valorem taxation of the different homestead in an amount equal to the dollar amount of the exemption of the first homestead for which the exemption was received in the last year in which the surviving spouse received the exemption for that first homestead. Like the initial exemption, this benefit will only remain available if the surviving spouse has not remarried since the death of the first responder. The proposed amendment would apply only to ad valorem taxes imposed for a tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2018.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: **"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a first responder who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty."**

Proposition Number 7
(HJR 37)

HJR 37 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the Texas legislature to make an exception to the law regarding the award of certain prizes. Currently, the Texas Constitution requires the Texas legislature to pass laws prohibiting lotteries, raffles, and other programs where the award of gifts is based on luck or chance. The proposed amendment would make an exception to this general rule to allow the Texas legislature to authorize credit unions and other financial institutions to constitute programs which, in order to encourage savings, would award prizes based on luck or chance to the credit union's or financial institution's customers.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: **"The constitutional amendment relating to legislative authority to permit credit unions and other financial institutions to award prizes by lot to promote savings."**

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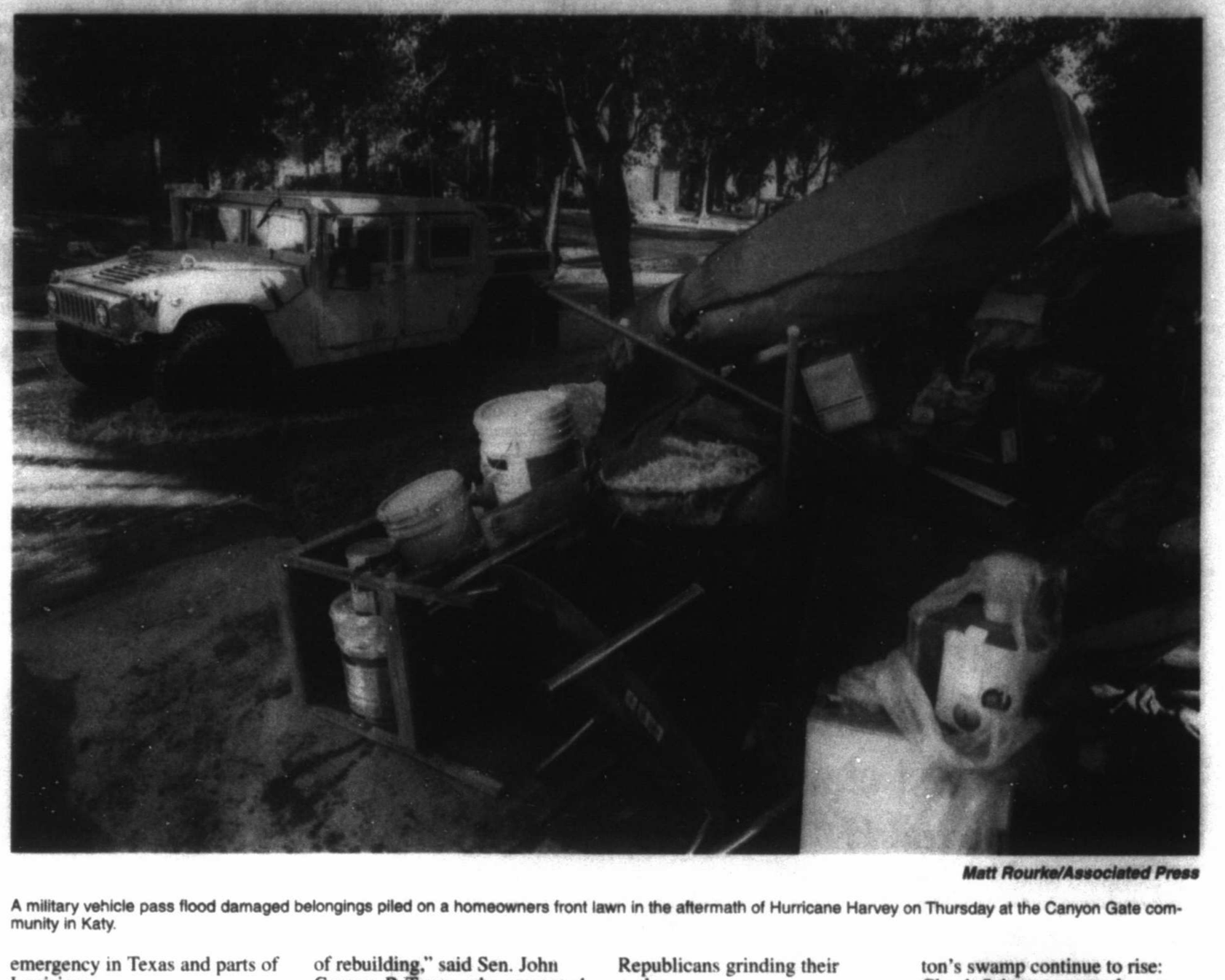
Senate passes $15B disaster aid measure, debt limit increase

By Andrew Taylor
Associated Press



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A military vehicle pass flood damaged belongings piled on a homeowners front lawn in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey on Thursday at the Canyon Gate community in Katy.

WASHINGTON — The Senate on Thursday overwhelmingly backed a $15.3 billion aid package for victims of Harvey, nearly doubling President Donald Trump's emergency request, and adding a deal between Trump and Democrats to increase America's borrowing authority and fund the government into December.

The 80-17 vote sends the package to the House for a vote on Friday, though GOP conservatives are chafing at the inside-Washington maneuvering and painful debt limit vote.

But with emergency accounts running out of money and Hurricane Irma barreling toward the East Coast, the measure appears set to easily pass. Trump will sign it.

The must-do legislation would also provide money to government agencies through Dec. 8, eliminating the threat of a government shutdown when the new fiscal year starts next month.

Thursday's vote came a day after Trump stunned GOP leaders by siding with House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., and Senate Democratic Leader Chuck Schumer of New York, by backing a short-term extension to the debt limit increase and the spending bill.

The need to raise the debt limit to ease a looming cash crunch that is worsening because of unanticipated Harvey spending was a major headache for GOP leaders like House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., who had urged a longer extension to spare Republicans multiple votes ahead of next year's midterm elections.

GOP leaders are fuming, but Ryan backed the idea on Thursday, telling reporters that the president didn't want to have "some partisan fight in the middle of the response."

The aid money comes as Harvey recovery efforts are draining federal disaster aid coffers and Irma is taking aim at Florida. It's just the first installment on a recovery and rebuilding package for the twin hurricanes that could eclipse the more than $110 billion cost to taxpayers of Hurricane Katrina.

In a surprise move late Wednesday, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell added $7.4 billion in rebuilding funding to Trump's $7.9 billion request to deal with the immediate emergency in Texas and parts of Louisiana.

"It will provide certainty and stability for first responders, state officials, and the many others involved in preparing for and recovering from these storms, with critically needed emergency resources that will not be interrupted by the prospect of a shutdown or default," McConnell said Thursday.

"The recovery effort for a record-setting storm like Harvey has strained resources to the limit already."

McConnell also added a temporary extension of the federal flood insurance program.

The additional community block grant money is to jumpstart rebuilding efforts. The money can cover costs the Federal Emergency Management Agency can't.

"This funding will serve as an initial first step toward helping Texans begin the process of rebuilding," said Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, who requested the additional funding be adding to the measure.

The $15 billion-plus aid package is also crafted in such a way to free up another $7 billion in Federal Emergency Management Agency disaster relief funds.

Adding the debt ceiling increase to the measure is upsetting many GOP conservatives, who want to accompany that politically toxic measure with cuts to spending.

"Not that the relief package is bad but the debt ceiling vote, attached to the relief package, is Washington like most people wish it wasn't," said Rep. Joe Barton, R-Texas. "It's like the Washington that Trump campaigned against. So, as much as I want to help Texas, I can't vote for something that just is a blank check on the debt."

And the perception that Pelosi came away with a victory has Republicans grinding their molars.

Pelosi used a Thursday news conference to take a victory lap, telling reporters that her deal with Trump ensured that Democrats would have leverage during upcoming Washington debates this fall on health care, government spending, and immigration.

Just before the final vote, the Senate easily voted 87-10 to kill a move by Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky., to pay for the aid package by cutting foreign aid accounts.

"Why don't we pay for this? Why don't we simply take some money that we were going to spend somewhere else for something not as valuable in another country, and why don't we spend it here?" Paul said.

Sen. Ben Sasse, R-Neb., fared only slightly better in losing a 72-25 vote to kill a bid to remove the debt limit language and all spending above Trump's request.

"Yesterday we saw Washington's swamp continue to rise: Chuck Schumer wrote the art of the steal by taking hurricane relief hostage to guarantee a December showdown that favors Democratic spending priorities," Sasse said.

Other GOP lawmakers, however, acknowledged that Republicans were more upset with the narrative that Schumer and Pelosi had won a victory than they were about any loss of leverage in battles later this fall.

In the meeting with Republican and Democratic leaders on Wednesday, Trump also suggested doing away with the debt ceiling entirely.

"It complicates things. It's really not necessary because you're talking about budget, so it's really not necessary," Trump said Thursday.

Pelosi and Schumer indicated that it was an issue they would discuss with their respective rank and file.

Qatar giving $30 million to help Harvey victims

By Josh Lederman
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Qatar is donating $30 million to help people in Texas recover from Harvey, its ambassador said Thursday, as the Persian Gulf nation works to show it's a constructive global player amid a diplomatic crisis with its neighbors.

The contribution appears to be the largest by far from a foreign government to assist with the hurricane that devastated stretches of the Texas coast. It was announced as the leader of Kuwait, which has been mediating the Qatar crisis, was in Washington discussing the dispute with President Donald Trump and other American officials.

Qatar pledged the funds through the newly created Qatar Harvey Fund, which Ambassador Meshal bin Hamad Al Thani said would work with Texas Gov. Greg Abbott, local organizations and other Texas officials including the Houston mayor. The funds will be used "to help rebuild communities" affected by flooding.

"Texans are stronger than any storm and will come back bigger and better, and Qatar stands ready to help our friends at every turn," Al Thani said in a statement that emphasized the gas-rich country's ties to Texas, including its consulate in Houston.

Abbott said he was "amazed and humbled" at how people from around the world had shown support for Texas after the hurricane. Several other countries have offered far smaller amounts along with non-monetary assistance.

"Texas and Qatar have a longstanding partnership, and I thank the government of Qatar for their generosity and support for Texas and our citizens as we begin the long road to recovery," Abbott said.

Qatar has worked assiduously in recent months to improve its image in the United States, especially after Trump blasted the close U.S. partner on Twitter and from the Rose Garden for funding extremism. Those comments fueled the perception that Trump was siding against Qatar in a bitter feud with four neighbors that has festered for months.

Bahrain, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates cut ties to Qatar in June over allegations it allows a permissive climate for funding extremists, foments opposition elsewhere in the region and maintains too close ties to Iran. Qatar firmly denies those allegations.

Since the crisis broke out, both sides have launched aggressive public relations campaigns in the U.S., hiring communications firms and placing ads to make their case to policymakers. Qatar has emphasized its role as a key U.S. security partner. The country hosts thousands of U.S. troops and a major base that's key for the campaigns in Iraq, Syria and Afghanistan.

Secretary of State Rex Tillerson tried unsuccessfully in July to mediate by shuttling between the countries, and the U.S. has been letting Kuwait try to resolve it since then. On Thursday, Trump hailed Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad Al Sabah's mediation efforts as the Kuwaiti leader visited the White House.

Harvey killed at least 70 people in a storm system that escalated to a Category 4 hurricane before striking Texas last month, dropping 52 inches of rain over the Houston area. Abbott has said recovery could cost as much as $180 million.

Republicans, Democrats get a big, gentle thanks from Pence

By Andrea Drusch
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Vice President Mike Pence, center, with his wife Karen, right, shares a hug as he tries to encourage residents effected by Hurricane Harvey during a visit Aug. 31 in Rockport.

WASHINGTON — Texas Republicans, caught between denying their state hurricane relief funds and supporting a deal struck with Democrats, got a big, warm "thank you" from Vice President Mike Pence on Thursday night.

So did Democrats.

"Thank you to the efforts that you've made on behalf of your constituents, and thank you for the progress we are making now that the rescue effort is through we're all the way into recovery and rebuilding. We're truly grateful," Pence told the bipartisan delegation, visiting the vice president's home for a casual dinner.

Pence, a former congressman, cited Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, saying "he has already made it possible to make it first step for families and businesses in Texas to rebuild."

The meeting was planned by Pence's office earlier in the week, but came at a tense time for the White House and congressional Republicans. The House is expected to vote Friday on an aid package that has more than $15 billion for aid to storm-ravaged parts of Texas and Louisiana. But the legislation also includes extending the debt limit and government funding for another three months, proposals not usually with conservatives.

President Donald Trump surprised Republicans Wednesday by striking a deal with Senate Democrats to tie the Harvey relief to a debt ceiling increase. The Senate overwhelmingly approved the measure Thursday. Cornyn and Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, voted for the bill.

Some members of the Texas House delegation are so irritated they're suggesting they could vote against the funds for their own hurricane-ravaged state. A handful said Thursday that they would use their time with Pence on Thursday night to voice concerns about the way the deal was made with Democrats.

"As much as I want to help Texas, I can't vote for something that's a blank check on the debt," said Republican Rep. Joe Barton, whose district includes parts of Arlington and Fort Worth.

Barton told reporters he wouldn't be the only Texan voting against the deal.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency desperately needs that money for its Disaster Relief Fund, which funds recovery efforts, and is set to run out of money at the end of the week.

The House, including Barton, voted overwhelmingly earlier in the week to give the agency $7.85 billion in additional funds, but with no debt ceiling or budget changes.

Then came the Trump deal. Conservatives said it ceded leverage on other legislative issues later in the year.

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TRASH

From 1A

As it stands now, clearing even just one Houston street can take days. Some piles are so massive that a single stack of debris from one home can fill an entire truck.

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner this week pleaded for help, asking for anyone with heavy equipment suitable for debris removal to reach out.

The trash will go into the city's existing landfills. San Antonio trucks have been sent in as part of an agreement between the two cities to help each other in disasters, the mayor said.

Soon after the storm hit, state officials suspended some environmental rules on waste removal that they said could impede the pace of disaster recovery, which raised concerns among environmentalists.

Trash looters are another concern. Some homeowners spray-painted messages on mattresses to leave them alone because the debris is needed for insurance claims. Others posted signs saying they were just drying out items they intended to save.

Mike Martinez said a king-sized mattress that had been floating in his bedroom days earlier was taken from his yard along with a La-Z-Boy sectional couch. The $5,000 sofa still looked brand new after the flood but was like a sponge if you sat on it. He couldn't understand why anyone would take it because it's contaminated with floodwater and probably mold. "It was like a parade of people going by looking at the devastation," Martinez said. "Then there was a parade of people picking up the garbage."

Overturned sofas, listing mattresses and toppled chairs dominate the rubble while smaller, more intimate items hide in the cracks.

The piles also created a sort of archaeological record of the households from which they came. There's a moldering red cooler, a beat-up blue kiddie pool, a pornography stash spilling onto the street.

Brand-new golf balls, a full jar of mangoes and a twisted artificial Christmas tree. A book titled "The Inheritance of Loss" seemed particularly poignant.

Sherri Blatt's main concern is that it could be a long wait before the mess is carted away. "This is too long," she said. "Once all the stuff is gone, I'll feel safe."

Almost on cue, a garbage truck rumbled around the corner. But it wasn't there for flood debris — only for the trash that hadn't been picked up in a week and was adding its own odor to the mix.

Irma slams Caribbean, takes aim at Florida

Associated Press

MIAMI — A ferocious Hurricane Irma caused multiple deaths, left thousands homeless and knocked out power on islands across the northern Caribbean as it cut a devastating path that could lead to a catastrophic strike on Florida.

Irma weakened slightly Thursday from its peak, record-setting winds of 185 mph but was expected to strengthen again.

What's ahead for Irma?

Irma appears increasingly likely to rip into heavily populated South Florida early Sunday. Gov. Rick Scott has declared an emergency and mandatory evacuation orders are in place for parts of the Miami metro area and the Florida Keys.

Irma's top sustained winds weakened by about 10 mph on Thursday because of dry air and interaction with land on the island of Hispaniola. However, according to meteorologist Jeff Masters with Weather Underground, Irma could strengthen again to 185 mph" or higher as it heads to warmer deeper water.

Forecasters said Irma could rake the entire Atlantic coast of Florida and rage on into Georgia and South Carolina. Georgia's governor has ordered a mandatory evacuation starting Saturday from the state's Atlantic coast.

What has Irma done so far?

French, British and Dutch rescuers struggled to rush aid to a string of Caribbean islands Thursday after Hurricane Irma left at least six dead and thousands homeless. Warships and military planes were dispatched with food, water and troops after the fearsome Category 5 storm smashed homes, schools and roads, laying waste to some of the world's most beautiful and exclusive tourist destinations.

Nearly every building on the island of Barbuda was damaged when the eye of the storm passed early Wednesday. That left about 60 percent of the island's roughly 1,400 people homeless, Antigua and Barbuda Prime Minister Gaston Browne told The Associated Press. About a million people were without power in Puerto Rico after Irma sideswiped the island.

Evacuation traffic jams

After parts of southern Florida were placed under an evacuation order, some drivers faced traffic jams and fuel shortages as they tried to head north to safety. At least 31,000 people fled the Florida Keys, which could begin seeing wind and rain from Irma as early as Friday night, Gov. Rick Scott said.

The Republican governor acknowledged that traffic jams and gas shortages were "frustrating," and said federal authorities and other states were helping to move more fuel into the state. He urged gas stations to stay open as long as possible.

One flight into the storm

A daring Delta Air Lines crew braved Hurricane Irma's wind and rain to fly in and out of Puerto Rico to pick up travelers.

The flight-tracking website FlightRadar24 shared a radar image showing the plane heading into San Juan from New York just before noon Wednesday as the swirling storm was set to engulf the island. The plane took off less than an hour later with a new group of passengers for the return trip to New York. Radar images showed it navigating a narrow path between Irma's outer bands to escape the storm.

Other flights being canceled

Airlines plan to cancel Florida flights that are in Hurricane Irma's path.

American Airlines says it will begin shutting down operations in Miami, Fort Lauderdale, Fort Myers, Sarasota and West Palm Beach by Friday afternoon and cancel flights through the weekend. JetBlue Airways said Wednesday afternoon that it had canceled about 130 flights.

American, JetBlue, United and Delta offered waivers letting customers change travel plans to Florida and the Caribbean without the usual charges for changing a ticket.

Insurance impact

One of Florida's biggest home insurers could take a big hit if predictions about Hurricane Irma prove true.

The state-run Citizens Property Insurance Corp. is strong enough to absorb the blow from the monster storm, industry experts say, but all the new claims could punch a hole in its finances, possibly leading to higher premiums in future years.

Flood insurance has dropped

An Associated Press analysis shows a steep drop in flood insurance across Florida, including the areas most endangered by what could be a devastating storm surge as Hurricane Irma approaches.

In just five years, the state's total number of federal flood insurance policies has fallen by 15 percent, according to Federal Emergency Management Agency data. Florida's property owners still buy far more federal flood insurance than any other state, but most residents in hazard zones are badly exposed.

Test for Florida's building codes

A catastrophic Hurricane Andrew revealed how lax building codes had become in the country's most storm-prone state. Florida responded by requiring sturdier construction. Now, experts say a monstrously strong Hurricane Irma could become the most serious test of Florida's storm-worthiness since the 1992 disaster.

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This photo shows storm damage in the aftermath of Hurricane Irma on Wednesday in St. Martin. Irma cut a path of devastation across the northern Caribbean, leaving thousands homeless after destroying buildings and uprooting trees. Significant damage was reported on the island known as St. Martin in English which is divided between French Saint-Martin and Dutch Sint Maarten.

Irma looms as the mythical 'Big One' Florida has long feared

By Curt Anderson
Associated Press

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — They call it the Big One — a mythic, massive hurricane that would obliterate the densely populated southeast coast. And it has long been the stuff of Florida's nightmares.

Irma, it appears, could be it. The storm has triggered near-panic in a region of more than 6 million people that includes Miami, Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach, clustered along a narrow ribbon of coastline that has seen nearly double-digit population growth over the past five years.

Isabella Janse Van Vuuren just arrived — she left her home in South Africa two weeks ago to start a job as a stewardess on a yacht, which she and other crew members spent time securing. As Irma approached, she was trying to decide whether to stay or go.

"I'm terrified," she said. "I'm not used to this. I just want to go into a cave and hide, basically. This is not a nice feeling."

But for veterans of life in the Sunshine State, hurricanes are as Floridian as oranges and Mickey Mouse. And every hurricane season brings with it the chance of cataclysm. In 1928, a hurricane caused Lake Okeechobee to burst its banks, unleashing a 20-foot wall of water that killed an estimated 2,500 people. The event was a key part of Zora Neale Hurston's classic 1937 novel, "Their Eyes Were Watching God."

"All gods who receive homage are cruel," she wrote. "All gods dispense suffering without reason. Otherwise they would not be worshipped. Through indiscriminate suffering men know fear and fear is the most divine emotion."

Another famed storm, the killer 1935 Labor Day hurricane that swept across the Florida Keys, is central to the plot of the 1948 movie "Key Largo," which starred Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall.

Irma could be the strongest hurricane to ever hit southern Florida. Andrew hit in August 1992 and caused widespread damage south of Miami. It caused the deaths of at least 40 people in Miami-Dade County alone, according to the National Hurricane Center, with 65 deaths blamed total including those in Louisiana and the Bahamas.

"It was very scary. We just had no idea how bad it was going to be," said Rosi Ramirez, who went through Andrew as a child in Homestead. She's leaving Florida for South Carolina with her three children. "I don't want my kids to go through that traumatic experience. I hadn't thought about Andrew in a while. But now, I am seeing some flashes of what we went through. It is all coming back."

Floridians have not been directly hit by a major hurricane since Wilma in 2005, but if they needed any reminder of what might await them, they saw the catastrophic flooding and damage caused by the storm Harvey in Houston. Jenna Wulf, a native Floridian who is six months pregnant, said seeing the damage caused by Harvey made her family more cautious; she stocked up on water Saturday and the hurricane shutters are going up on her home in suburban Plantation.

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Please turn off the television, Mr. President

■ By watching cable news shows, Trump undermined his position on DACA within 24 hours

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Donald Trump is the first president in U.S. history to have been baited into undermining his own negotiating position by negative TV coverage.

Less than 12 hours after Attorney General Jeff Sessions explained that the administration is ending DACA — Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals — because it's unconstitutional, Trump tweeted that he might revive the program if Congress doesn't act.

This was an implicit admission that he's bluffing on DACA, which gives Democrats every incentive not to trade anything meaningful for a codification of the program. Why make any painful concessions to save DACA if the president is loath to truly terminate it?

Surely, Trump wasn't thinking of any strategic or legislative imperatives; he was thinking only of how to push back against commentators calling him heartless. The time of the tweet — 8:38 p.m. — suggests that he was watching TV, and reporting has confirmed as much.

Which raises the questions: Doesn't the president have better things to do than watch political punditry on cable TV shows? As one of the most famous and powerful people on the planet, why does he care what pundits say about him? And doesn't he realize that his immigration agenda will get attacked by most commentators no matter what?

President Barack Obama famously described himself as having a pen and a phone (that's how we got DACA). Trump has a phone and a remote control, and often works them in tandem as he criticizes, praises and comments on things said about him on air.

Trump is the most unusual combination of a politician who, on the one hand, was elected president by thumbing his nose at media elites and, on the other, is obsessed about what media elites write and say about him.

It's understandable that John McCain, who joked about the media being his political base, would care about his press clippings. But Trump? Who every other day broadcasts his contempt for journalists and is unafraid to take actions — pulling out of the Paris climate accord, revoking DACA — guaranteed to generate media outrage?

Trump is experiencing the agony of the media-bashing media figure. He follows what's said on cable TV more closely than many people who make a living as commentators on cable TV. He sometimes knows more about the industry gossip than people who work in the industry.

This reflects his background as a TV star who leveraged his fame into the presidency. But it is, needless to say, highly unusual.

George W. Bush didn't pay much attention to his press coverage, confident that history would get it right and unwilling to get diverted from doing more important things. Barack Obama had an Olympian disregard for political punditry (as for many things).

Trump time and again demonstrates that he is wounded by what he hears on TV. The irony is that he is reflexively incapable of fully absorbing some of the key lessons of his own success: The media are in a bubble, they aren't nearly as important as they used to be, and whatever they are hysterical about in this six-hour news cycle will soon fade in the next. Trump, though, can't get enough of the bubble and is as shortsightedly consumed with the latest thing as his media nemeses.

Trump clearly feeds off the attention and considers the negative coverage, in part, as a motivator (I'll show those bastards on CNN ...). But his obsession with the coverage also distorts his judgment. The DACA tweet was an unforced error, or, to be more precise, an error forced by cable chatter he should be ignoring.

There are a couple of ways out of the dilemma. Trump can abandon his program and perhaps get some praise for "growing in office" (while destroying his presidency). He can continue, agitated by the coverage, to lash out, sometimes self-defeatingly. Or he can turn off the TV.

The right answer is "Click!," but he's as unlikely to give up the remote as he is his phone.

OPINION EXTRA

Washington needs to find right way to help illegal immigrants

It is about as right as right gets that young people whose parents brought them into the United States illegally as children should be legalized, and it was about as wrong as wrong gets for President Barack Obama to spit on the Constitution in order to temporarily do it on his own. He himself had said no fewer than 22 times that he had no authority to act but traveled the autocratic road anyway.

The excuse, of course, was that Republicans in Congress were obstructing good intentions and that he was thereby freed to trash the system that put him into office. He had, in fact, sworn to uphold the Constitution and was refusing that obligation, apparently figuring that the end justified the means and that miswrought legalese would help him get away with it. Why worry?

Because it took a Revolutionary War, a challenged union of states, a brilliantly devised republic like no other in world history and varied struggles over more than two centuries to make us what we are, that's why.

As kind as it was that the 800,000 got some relief, it was also politically advantageous, and Obama was weakening representative democracy. He was strengthening misuse of executive power. He was diminishing rule of law. Along with his other unilateral hijinks, such as the Clean Power Plan, the move summed up his disdain for fundamental American principles.

Executive orders are vulnerable, however. An executive issues them, and a succeeding executive can take them away. So it is that President Donald Trump decided to revoke the order but keep it alive for six months so that Congress could fix things the right way. Trump thereby showed respect for the law but also showed concern for the 800,000. The young immigrants could be happily relying on a properly enacted law far more stable than a presidential misdeed quite probably on its way to being scotched by the courts. Another of Obama's immigration amnesties met that fate.

An argument against congressional action is that it will simply encourage more illegal immigrants to enter the country either by coming over the border or overstaying visas. Trump, however, did call for an e-verify system to help with the visas and, to help with border security, his wall, his wall, his wonderful wall.

He shouldn't get it because there are far less expensive and equally effective means of achieving what he has already significantly furthered just through his oratory. But he could very well get improved security that includes a few walls.

So will Congress, after years of dilly-dally and head-bumping, say yes to the young people who are here not because of their own free will, but because their parents snuck them in? They are good, productive people who are already enriching our country and it would be unspeakably cruel to disrupt their lives now by shipping them away. An argument in another direction is that laws were disobeyed and that it undermines our sovereignty not to enforce them.

But Trump is working on deporting criminals who are illegal immigrants and reforming legal immigration to lessen numbers and emphasize skills. In that context, it seems to me that doing the right thing by the young people is the easy choice and that members of Congress should eschew political overreach.

The last thing the Democrats should be doing is calling Trump's corrective measures racist and trying to make all Republicans seem nothing but demagogues. The last thing the Republicans should be doing is insisting the Democrats just want to enlarge their voting bloc. What we need is reasonable, respectful, heartfelt discussion that could get us to a resolution making us all proud.

I think we will.

— Jay Ambrose, Tribune News Service

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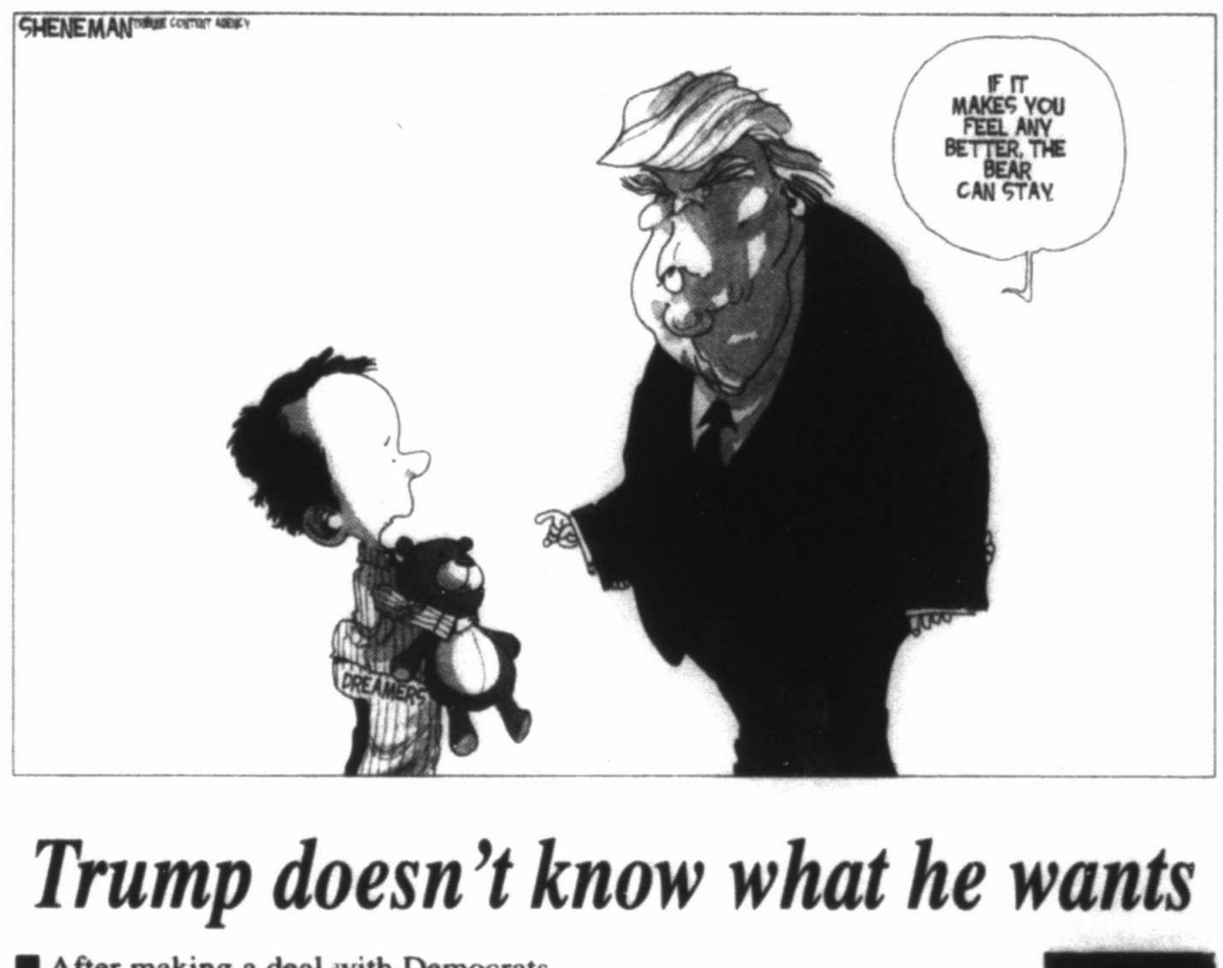
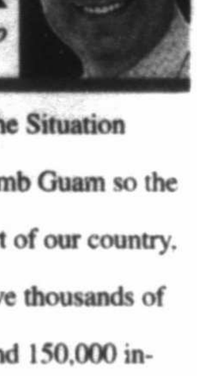


Trump doesn't know what he wants

■ After making a deal with Democrats, we are going to find out



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House Speaker Paul Ryan could not have been more clear.

After meeting with his Republican caucus Wednesday morning on the first day back from their long summer break, he declared at a news conference that Democrats' call for a three-month extension of the government's borrowing limit was "ridiculous."

"That's ridiculous and disgraceful, that they want to play politics with the debt ceiling at this moment," he repeated. He called it "unworkable," said it would jeopardize hurricane response and called out Democratic leaders by name for promoting what "I don't think is a good idea."

About an hour later, Ryan and other GOP leaders sat in the White House with President Trump, who told them he wants ... a three-month increase of the debt ceiling, just as Democrats proposed.

Such chaos and confusion at the highest level of American government hadn't been seen since, well, the day before.

On Tuesday, even as the administration announced that it was ending protection from deportation for the 800,000 "dreamers" — mostly young people who know no country but America — there were signs that Trump had no idea what he was doing. "As late as one hour before the decision was to be announced, administration officials privately expressed concern that Mr. Trump might not fully grasp the details of the steps he was about to take, and when he discovered their full impact, would change his mind," Michael Shear and Julie Hirschfeld Davis of the New York Times reported, citing an anonymous source.

Sure enough, Trump fired off a tweet Tuesday night that revised his position. He called on Congress to "legalize" the dreamers program and vowed to "revisit this issue" if Congress can't.

Even Trump's close advisers seem to have little knowledge of, much less control over, what he says and does.

Trump has signaled that he wants to end a free-trade deal with South Korea, even though his national security adviser, his defense secretary and the director of the National Economic Council all object. He and Defense Secretary James Mattis have contradicted each other about whether to talk with North Korea. Chief of Staff John Kelly's attempts to tone down Trump's antics have reportedly led Trump to escalate his attacks — on Kelly. Trump has publicly criticized Attorney General Jeff Sessions and repeatedly contradicted Secretary of State Rex Tillerson. Ivanka Trump and husband Jared Kushner have let it leak that Trump ignored their advice on Charlottesville and other matters.

One imagines a future scene in the Situation Room:

The president: Why don't we bomb Guam so the North Koreans can't?

The secretary of state: That's part of our country, sir.

The secretary of defense: We have thousands of troops there.

The national security adviser: And 150,000 innocent civilians.

The chief of staff: It would be a humanitarian and strategic catastrophe.

Ivanka Trump: Please don't do this, Dad.

Jared Kushner: [Silence.]

The president: It's settled. We begin bombing in five minutes. Let's hit Hawaii, too. But not my hotel in Waikiki.

The unreliability of Trump has put a burden on Congress, which is ill-equipped to bear it.

Outside the House caucus gathering the morning after Trump's immigration announcement, Rep. Steve King (R-Iowa), an immigration hard-liner, angrily opposed legislative action for the dreamers, saying they can "live in the shadows" and demanding GOP leaders not "divide our conference over an amnesty act."

Minutes later, Rep. Mike Coffman (R-Colo.), took the opposite view, threatening to use a "discharge petition" with Democrats to force a vote on protecting the dreamers if the House doesn't act.

Ryan put the responsibility right back on Trump for the DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) legislation. "We will not be advancing legislation that does not have the support of President Trump, because we're going to work with the president on how to do this legislation," he said. Sens. Marco Rubio (R-Fla.) and Lindsey Graham (R-S.C.) urged Trump to lead.

But what does Trump support?

"We love the dreamers. ... We think the dreamers are terrific," Trump said last week, four days before putting them in jeopardy of deportation.

"I have a great heart for the folks we are talking about, a great love for them," Trump said on the same day his administration announced the end of protection for the dreamers.

What does the president want? Nobody knows — not his advisers, not his fellow Republicans in Congress, and probably not Trump himself.

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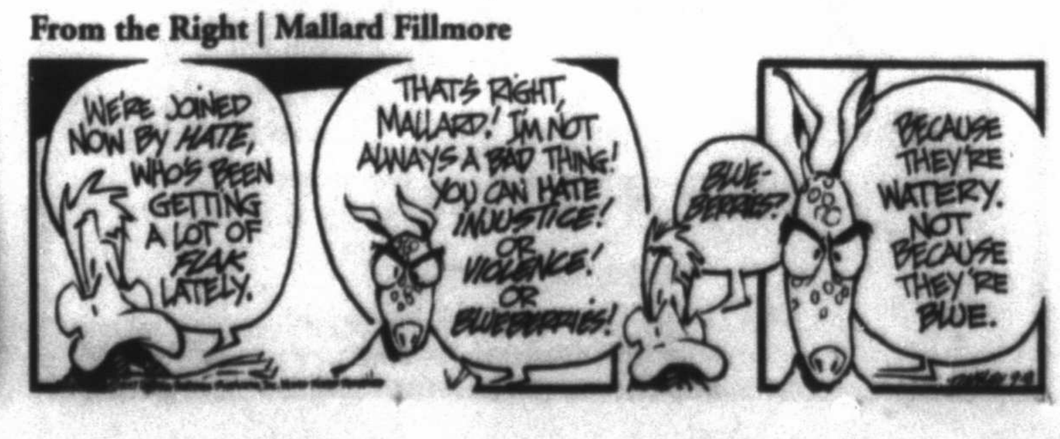

SpaceX launches Air Force's super-secret minishuttle

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press

U.S. Air Force via AP

This undated photo provided by the U.S. Air Force shows an X-37B Orbital Test Vehicle at NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida. An unmanned Falcon rocket that carried one of these experimental planes blasted off Thursday from Florida's Kennedy Space Center.

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — SpaceX launched the Air Force's super-secret space shuttle Thursday, a technology tester capable of spending years in orbit.

The unmanned Falcon rocket blasted off from Florida's Kennedy Space Center, as schools and businesses boarded up for Hurricane Irma.

It's the fifth flight for one of these crewless minishuttles, known as the X-37B Orbital Test Vehicle.

The two Air Force space planes have already logged a combined 5 1/2 years in orbit. But officials won't say what the spacecraft are doing up there. The last mission lasted almost two years and ended with a May touchdown at the runway formerly used by NASA's space shuttles. The first one launched in 2010.

As has become customary, SpaceX landed its leftover booster back at Cape Canaveral for eventual reuse.

This was the first time SpaceX has provided a lift for the experimental minishuttle.

The previous missions relied on United Launch Alliance's Atlas V rockets. Air Force officials said they want to use a variety of rockets for the X-37B program, to launch quickly if warranted.

The Boeing-built minishuttle is 29 feet long, with a 14-foot wingspan. By comparison, NASA's retired space shuttles were 122 feet long, with a 78-foot wingspan.

SpaceX stopped providing details about the X-37B's climb to orbit, a few minutes after liftoff at the Air Force's request. The booster's return to SpaceX's landing zone at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, however, was broadcast live.

"The Falcon has safely landed," a SpaceX launch controller announced. Cheers erupted at SpaceX headquarters in Hawthorne, California. It was SpaceX's 16th successful return of a first-stage booster. Booster rockets are normally discarded at sea.

Amazon hunting for 2nd home, cities start lining up to apply

By Joseph Pisani
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Amazon, bursting out of its Seattle headquarters, is hunting for a second home. Must haves: A prime location, close to transit, with plenty of space to grow.

The company said Thursday it will spend more than $5 billion to build another headquarters in North America to house as many as 50,000 employees. It plans to also stay in its sprawling Seattle headquarters, with the new space "a full equal" to that, said founder and CEO Jeff Bezos.

Amazon's announcement highlights how fast the e-commerce giant is expanding, and its need to find fresh talent to fuel that growth. With the lure of so many new jobs, city and state leaders were already lining up Thursday to say they planned to apply. Among them: Chicago, Philadelphia and Toronto. They have a little more than a month to do so through a special website , and Amazon said it will make a decision next year.

Its requirements could rule out some places: Amazon wants to be near a metropolitan area with more than a million people; be able to attract top technical talent; be within 45 minutes of an international airport; have direct access to mass transit; and be able to expand that headquarters to as much as 8 million square feet in the next decade. That's about the same size as its current home in Seattle, which has 33 buildings, 23 restaurants and houses 40,000 employees.

"They're so big in Seattle, they're running out of room," said Kevin Sharer, a corporate strategy professor at Harvard Business School.

Amazon said it will hire up to 50,000 new full-time employees at the second headquarters over the next 15 years, and they would make an average pay of more than $100,000 a year.

The company is hoping for something else from its second hometown: tax breaks, grants and other incentives. A section of the proposal that outlines those says "the initial cost and the ongoing cost of doing business are critical decision drivers."

Brad Badertscher, an accounting professor at the University of Notre Dame, said the public search appeared to be a way to start a bidding war among cities.

"This was like an open letter to city leaders saying, 'Who wants Amazon and all our jobs?'" Badertscher said. "This is Jeff Bezos doing what he does best: adding shareholder value and getting the most bang for the buck."

Amazon gets tax breaks when cities compete for its massive warehouses, where it packs and ships orders. The company received at least $241 million in subsidies from local and state government after opening facilities in 29 different U.S. cities in 2015 and 2016, according to an analysis by Good Jobs First, a group that tracks economic development deals.

In explaining why it was holding a public process, Amazon said on its site that it wanted "to find a city that is excited to work with us and where our customers, employees, and the community can all benefit."

Bezos has crowdsourced major decisions before — in June, just before Amazon announced its plan to buy organic grocer Whole Foods, the billionaire took to Twitter seeking ideas for a philanthropic strategy to give away some of his fortune. And tech companies have been known to set places in competition with each other: In vying to land Google's ultra-fast broadband network, many cities used stunts and gimmickry to get the company's attention. Topeka even informally renamed itself "Google, Kansas."

Amazon.com Inc. said its search is open to any metropolitan area in North America, but declined to say how open it was to going outside the United States. Jed Kolko, the chief economist at job site Indeed, noted that the company's request for proposals mentions "provinces" several times — a clear sign it would consider a Canadian metro area.

Kolko also said an East Coast locale could bring it closer to the company's offices in Europe.

Amazon's arrival might transform an area: Until 10 years ago, the neighborhood near Seattle's campus just north of downtown was dotted with auto parts stores and low-rent apartments. Now it's a booming pocket of high-rise office complexes, sleek apartment buildings and restaurants.

And the company keeps growing. Amazon has said it will hire 100,000 people by the middle of next year, adding to its current worldwide staff of more than 380,000. It announced plans to build three new warehouses that pack and ship packages in New York, Ohio and Oregon. And it recently paid close to $14 billion for Whole Foods and its more than 465 stores.

The Whole Foods headquarters in Austin is far smaller than what Amazon said it's looking for — the flagship hub is also a full-service grocery store with shoppers who compete for parking spaces. Even its larger corporate campus that stretches down the surrounding blocks may be too small for the space Amazon would want for a second headquarters.

In Seattle, its rise has not been without critics, who say the influx of mostly well-heeled tech workers has caused housing prices to skyrocket, clogged the streets with traffic and changed the city for the worse. The Seattle Times reported Thursday that the median price for a house in August in Seattle was $730,000, up almost 17 percent in a year.

That itself may be a factor. Amazon may be looking for a spot where it's not as expensive for its employees to live, said Rita McGrath, a professor at the Columbia Business School in New York.

"It's hard to attract people if they can't afford the housing available locally," she said.

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President Donald Trump pauses during a meeting with, from left, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., and other Congressional leaders in the Oval Office of the White House on Wednesday in Washington. Trump overruled congressional Republicans and his own treasury secretary Wednesday and cut a deal with Democrats to fund the government and raise the federal borrowing limit for three months, all part of an agreement to speed money to Harvey relief.

It's a 'great thing' to deal with Democrats, Trump now says

By Jonathan Lemire and Erica Werner
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Frustrated with his own party's leaders in Congress, President Donald Trump talked up his suddenly cozier relationship with Democrats on Thursday, raising the prospect of new deals on government spending and even posting one of his tweets at their behest.

"I think that's a great thing for our country," Trump said, describing his new and "different relationship" with Democrats.

In public, Republican leaders glossed over the striking turn of events, but lawmakers in both parties were privately puzzling over how Trump's approach might affect the fate of the party's agenda. And some conservatives openly criticized the deal-making, ideologically flexible president who defied GOP leaders in striking an agreement Wednesday to keep the government operating and raise the nation's debt limit for just three months.

Democrats, privately leery about how long this new Trump might last, were upbeat in public.

As for Trump, after a series of legislative failures he has fumed to associates for months about Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and House Speaker Paul Ryan. On Thursday, he predicted a "much stronger coming together" of the two parties and pronounced himself ready to work with Democrats.

"I think that's what the people of the United States want to see. They want to see some dialogue, they want to see coming together to an extent at least," he told reporters.

Trump, a longtime Democrat who lived most of his life in deep blue New York City, has never closely adhered to Republican orthodoxy and has routinely shown a willingness to shift positions to seal deals.

But his embrace of Democrats in recent days has been startling.

He overruled Republican leaders and his own treasury secretary on a debt ceiling agreement. He courted a Democratic senator with a flight to her home state on Air Force One. He offered reassurances on Thursday to young immigrants at the request of House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, tweeting that those covered by the federal program he has promised to end "have nothing to worry about" over the next six months.

Trump also signaled a willingness to permanently do away with debt ceiling votes and move ahead on a stand-alone measure on the young immigrants, two suggestions opposed by most Republicans.

Trump's unhappiness with GOP leaders has been building for months.

He has harshly criticized both McConnell and Ryan for failing to pass legislation to repeal the Obama health care law and for not doing more to shield him from the ongoing Russia investigations.

Then, wasting no time after Congress returned from summer break this week, Trump waved off Republicans who lobbied during a Wednesday Oval Office meeting for an 18-month debt ceiling extension, then 12 months and then six. When Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin continued to press an economic argument in favor of a longer-term deal, Trump cut him off mid-sentence.

Instead, Trump sided with Senate Minority Leader Charles Schumer and Pelosi — "Chuck and Nancy," as he referred to them later.

That deal was underscored by a photo taken through the window of the Oval Office showing an animated Schumer pointing his finger in Trump's face as the president smiled with his hands on Schumer's arms.

Schumer, said Pelosi, "could speak New York to the president."

Trump's budget director, Mick Mulvaney, asked if the president was annoyed with the GOP leadership, said, "He probably is."

"And believe me, as a Republican, so am I. As a citizen, I am too. I was promised that they would have repealed and replaced Obamacare by now," Mulvaney told Fox Business Network.

House Speaker Ryan played down the tensions, saying the deal that Trump cut with Democrats on spending, the debt and Hurricane Harvey made sense as the nation deals with two major storms.

Ryan said the president didn't want to have "some partisan fight in the middle of the response."

Although Ryan grimaced through his answers, Democrat Pelosi beamed as she told reporters that Trump had been acting at her request when he tweeted assurances Thursday that young immigrants won't be targeted for deportation during the six-month phase-out period for a program that shields them from deportation. The administration announced this week that it is rescinding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program (DACA), though giving Congress six months to address the issue.

Trump also spoke by phone Thursday with McConnell, Ryan and Schumer. And Schumer was to meet with him again, this time about possible federal involvement in a rail link between New York and New Jersey.

"The president is committed to working across the aisle and doing what is needed to best serve the American people," said spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders. She noted that Trump was having dinner with Ryan Thursday night.

Trump told associates he was delighted with the positive news coverage of his foray into bipartisanship and boasted of the good press in calls to Pelosi and Schumer. But some Republicans were anything but pleased.

"Yesterday we saw Washington's swamp continue to rise: Chuck Schumer wrote the art of the steal by taking hurricane relief hostage to guarantee a December showdown that favors Democratic spending priorities," said Sen. Ben Sasse of Nebraska.

Republican Rep. Bill Flores suggested that Trump would come to regret working with the Democratic leaders.

"There may be a feeling of euphoria today, but then there is always the hangover that comes the next day," he said.

And the No. 2 Senate GOP leader, John Cornyn, poured cold water on any idea that Trump's split with his party this week would affect his campaigning in 2018.

"He can count," Cornyn said. "And he'd much rather have (Republican Arizona Sen.) Jeff Flake, despite their disagreements, than he would have a Democrat and have us be in the minority."

Trump's catchphrase for any circumstance: 'We'll see'

By Catherine Lucey and Ken Thomas
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — When in doubt, President Donald Trump has a ready-made response to any questions: "We'll see."

On Wednesday, Trump delivered his go-to line repeatedly. Asked if he would tie debt ceiling legislation to Harvey relief: "We'll see." On his plans for an increasingly aggressive North Korea: "We'll see." And on efforts to work with the Chinese president: "We'll see how that works out."

Trump relies heavily on "we'll see" in the White House, when parrying questions about national security, policy deliberations and personnel. For the onetime real estate tycoon and businessman who often campaigned as a master deal-maker, the vague phrase is a multitasking placeholder that helps him stall for time, keep his options open and build suspense.

"It goes to the overall negotiating strategy of being unpredictable and noncommittal. Everyone stays guessing," said Sam Nunberg, a former campaign aide. "He's always used that."

During a news conference Thursday, Trump offered up the phrase as he spoke about efforts to pursue a peace deal between Israelis and Palestinians. "We have a great group of people. We'll see what happens," he said.

Trump has deployed the line throughout the year, as the administration sought to push back against North Korea's development of its nuclear and missile program, as he weighed exiting the Paris climate deal and as he spoke about efforts to renegotiate NAFTA.

A well placed "we'll see" also proved a helpful way for Trump to put an aide on ice during a year that has been replete with staff shake-ups. During a contentious mid-August news conference in Trump Tower, the president was asked if he still had confidence in Steve Bannon, then a senior strategist. "He's a good person. He actually gets very unfair press in that regard. But we'll see what happens with Mr. Bannon," Trump said. Three days later, Bannon was out.

At times, "we'll see" can prompt anxiety. On Sunday, Trump exited an Episcopalian church near the White House and was asked by reporters if he would attack North Korea. "We'll see," he said, prompting a flurry of questions internationally about U.S. plans for the Korean peninsula.

Trump has used the expression to build suspense, as he did in February when deciding who should replace fired national security adviser Michael Flynn. Trump said: "I've been thinking about someone for the last three or four days, we'll see what happens." The president ultimately chose H.R. McMaster.

At other moments, it may simply have helped him stall. Back in January, in advance of his first conversation with Russian President Vladimir Putin, Trump was noncommittal about whether he was considering lifting economic penalties, telling reporters, "We'll see what happens." The sanctions remain in place, for now.

Michael D'Antonio, a Trump biographer, said the expression provides a way for the president to inject an element of suspense even when he might not have a decisive option at the time.

"Saying 'we'll see' is almost a way of suggesting that there's something in the offing, he knows what it is and all will be revealed in time," D'Antonio said.

Michael Caputo, a former adviser to Trump's campaign, said the use of the phrase may also be an indicator that the president has decided to be more cagey in his dealings with Republicans. He noted Trump's use of the line several times on Wednesday, the same day he reached agreement with congressional Democrats to keep the government running and raise the nation's debt limit.

"Why would the president show the Republican leadership of the House his cards? They've been playing their cards against him for months. This 'we'll see' is a sign that the Republicans better get their house in order," Caputo said.

Of course, Trump has been throwing about "we'll see" since long before he entered the White House.

During the campaign, he used it to express skepticism about how he would be treated at the first presidential debate. Speaking on "Fox and Friends," he said the debates are "a very unfair system, so we'll see what happens."

In 2004, Trump — then starring on the reality show "The Apprentice" — said television networks wanted to film his wedding to the former Melania Knauss, now the first lady. Trump said two networks wanted to hear him say, "I do," instead of "You're fired!"

"Everybody wants that to happen except for me and Melania," said Trump. "We'll see."

In the end, the lavish wedding at Trump's Florida estate, Mar-a-Lago, was not televised.

Trump says military action against North Korea is 'an option' but not inevitable

By Brian Bennett
Tribune Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Thursday said military action against North Korea remains an option to counter its nuclear missile program, speaking ahead of a weekend when Pyongyang is expected to make another provocative move advancing its effort.

"Military action would certainly be an option," Trump said at a White House news conference alongside the leader of Kuwait.

"Is it inevitable? Nothing is inevitable. It would be great if something else could be worked out."

Boasting that the U.S. military is stronger than ever with the addition of "new and beautiful equipment," Trump added, "Hopefully we're not going to have to use it on North Korea. If we do use it on North Korea, it will be a very sad day for North Korea."

He concluded, "North Korea is behaving badly, and it's got to stop."

Pressure has mounted on Trump to respond as North Korea appears to be getting closer to building a nuclear weapon small enough to be compatible with a missile that can reach the United States. North Korea appeared to carry out its sixth and most powerful test explosion of a nuclear bomb on Sunday.

Last month, the North Korean military fired a missile into the upper atmosphere in its latest missile test. A threatened South Korea believes the North Korean military is preparing for another test of an intercontinental ballistic missile on Saturday, Prime Minister Lee Nak-yon said Thursday.

Saturday is the anniversary of North Korea's founding, and its leaders typically celebrate with a show of force.

Trump didn't answer a question about whether he would accept North Korea as a nuclear power and switch the U.S. strategy to one of containment and deterrence.

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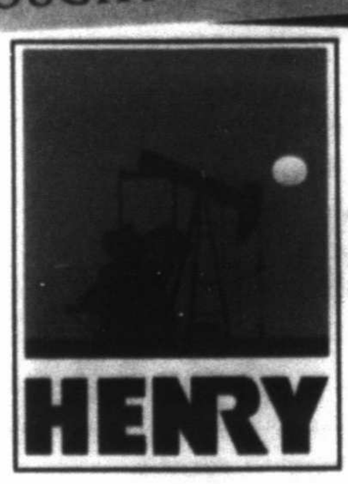

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"American Idol" winner Phillip Phillips headlines this year's MISD Education Foundation's Concert for Kids at the Horseshoe Arena. 8 p.m.

Popular Austin musician Bob Schneider performs at the 9/11 Memorial Weekend charity concert at the Bank of America Plaza benefiting the Professional Firefighter's Association of Midland. Visit iafflocal4405.org for information and tickets.

SUNDAY

STEPPING UP
The 9/11 Memorial Weekend: Memorial Stair Climb begins with a gathering at Bank of America Plaza and then commences to the Wilco Building for first responders to climb the building's steps. 7 a.m.

TUESDAY

CLOSER LOOK
"The Vietnam War." Basin PBS hosts an advance screening of Ken Burns' and Lynn Novick's documentary at Midland College's Wagner and Brown Auditorium. The screening will be followed by a panel discussion and then join a live panel discussion streamed from Washington D.C. with the directors. 6 p.m.

SPANISH STUDY
Casa de Amigos will host Conversational Spanish for Beginners on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-6 p.m. $20 per eight classes. Register by calling 682-9701.

See more calendar items on Page 4B

ONLINE
For information on how to help locally with Hurricane Harvey relief, visit mrt.com.

IN NEED

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

HOSPICE HELP
Volunteer opportunities for two to four hours a shift. Call 682-2855 for more information.

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

KNICK-KNACK HEAVEN

Mercedes Cordero/Reporter-Telegram

Volunteers and staff of Senior Link Midland have begun the process of putting together the 28th Annual Texas-Size Garage Sale, which benefits the Meals on Wheels program. Proceeds from sales help fund more than 30,000 meals for area seniors. The sale will begin with an early bird sale on Oct. 13 an continues on Oct. 14 and 15. Visit seniorlinkmidland.org for more information.

Website makes volunteering easy for agencies, individuals

CHRISTINA GONZALES
Midland Volunteer Connections coordinator

Are you interested in volunteering in Midland but not sure where to start? Midland Volunteer Connections can help with that. This online service at midlandvolunteerconnections.org connects Midlanders to volunteer opportunities that match their personal interests. MVC also helps local nonprofit agencies effectively and efficiently recruit and retain volunteers.

The best part is that this service is free to both potential volunteers and agencies.

MVC is a program of Midland Shared Spaces; funded by the Warren Charitable Foundation.

For potential volunteers, the site allows individuals to see the many ways they can make a difference in Midland. MVC also creates a volunteer resume that tracks volunteer hours.

For agencies, the site can promote volunteer opportunities and in-kind needs. Beyond finding volunteers, the site helps agencies manage and track volunteers, approve hours and add events to the calendar. By using Midland Volunteer Connections, organizations can reduce staff time needed to recruit and schedule volunteers.

More help can often increase potential donations. Contributions are often greater coming from volunteers working with an agency.

MVC is also free to Midland County 501(c)3 agencies with general needs.

The site can also help with group endeavors. Corporate, church and other large groups can find large-scale volunteer opportunities that allow teams to work together. These opportunities can help grow a volunteer culture and achieve higher levels of community engagement.

We also work with Midland College Legacy volunteers for approval and tracking of the students' hours.

To create a free account, agencies and individuals can visit the site and begin to get involved and make a difference.

For more information, call me at 685-0409.

Support group begins for female survivors of abuse

From staff reports

The Midland Rape Crisis and Children's Advocacy Center has a support group for women who have survived assault, rape and sexual abuse. Over the course of eight weeks beginning Monday, Thrive participants will cover a variety of topics to help work through issues that stem from abuse.

"We deal with different feelings and thoughts and beliefs women have who have been through abuse," therapist Shelly Weeks said.

Trust issues, anger and anxiety are among topics to be discussed. Thrive works to battle the effects of assault by providing a refuge and safe space to share while also ensuring confidentiality, she said.

The group is open to women 18 and older. Space is limited, so Weeks encourages those interested to call to reserve a spot in group.

According to Weeks, feedback regarding Thrive has been positive.

"We hear how the group has been helpful and important in these issues," she said.

For more information on the group and its time and location, call 682-7273.

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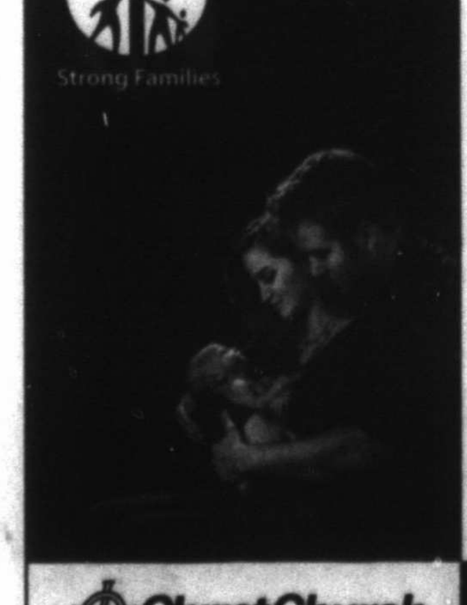

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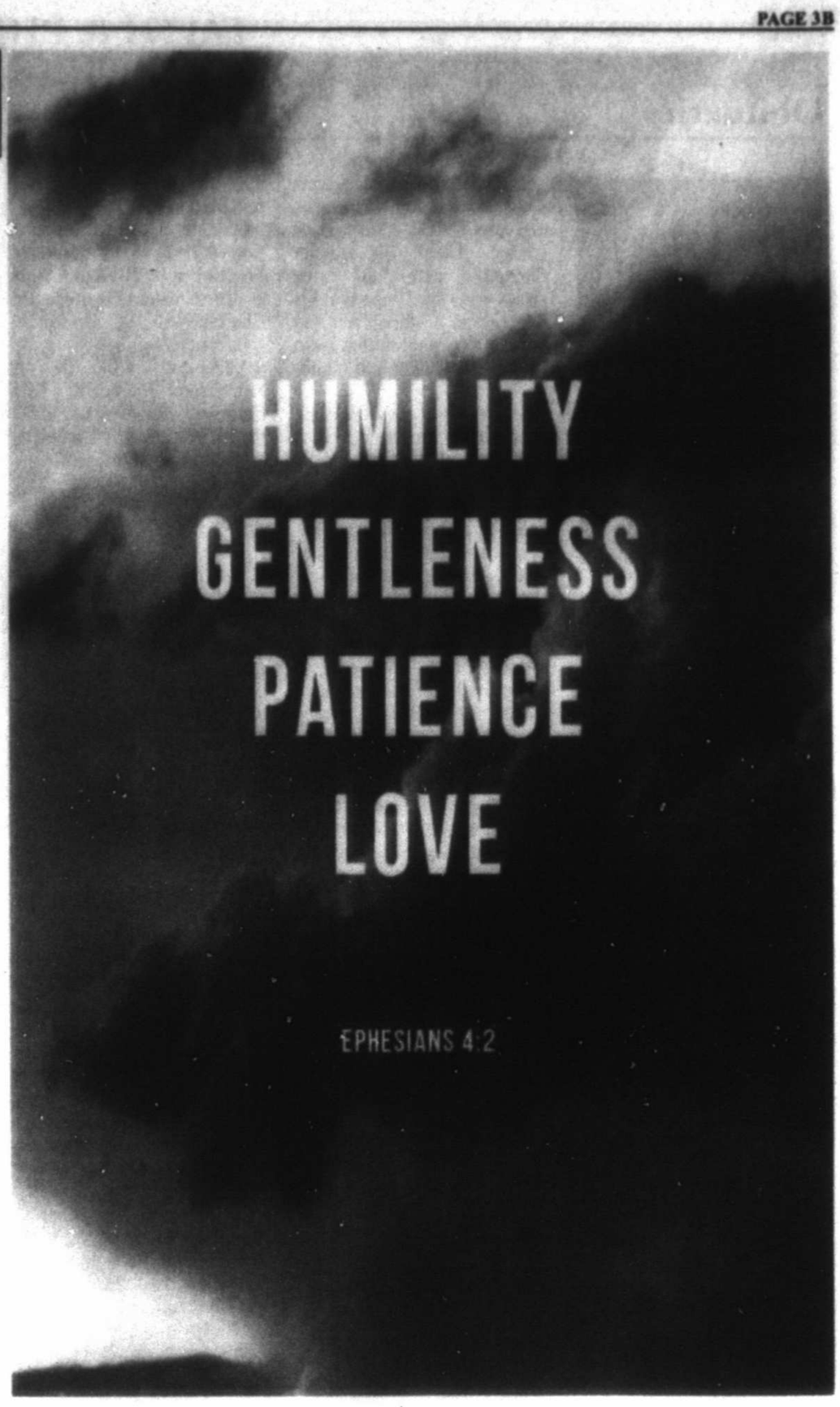

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Obituaries

Cecil Preas

Cecil Preas, 72, passed away September 5, 2017.

He was born November 25, 1944 in Coleman, Texas to Luberta and Curtis Preas. He was one of 10 children and resided in Silver Valley, Texas. He attended school and graduated from Novice High in Novice, Texas. Cecil served in the United States Army as a military police officer with his sentry dog, Kizer, at his side.

Cecil met the love of his life, Cynthia Smedley, on a blind date in Odessa, Texas while living with family and working in the oil patch.

After his time of service in the military, he married Cynthia on April 15, 1967. He attended and graduated from Texas Tech University in 1971 and was proud to be an alumni, as well as loving Red Raider football. Many wonderful stories emerged from these years of early marriage living in Lubbock. From rolling quarters for fun money to spending Thanksgiving at a pancake house, they made the best out of what they had and learned many life lessons together along the way.

Shortly after graduation, they moved to Odessa. Cecil began his career in the oil industry and had the first of two daughters. He adored all three of his girls and was dedicated in providing, loving, and nurturing his family. From 1979 to 1983, Cecil was a partner at B&H Construction in Eunice, New Mexico.

In 1983, he would make his last family move to Midland and worked for Lock Construction. Cecil rode out the notorious cycle of boom and bust in the oil industry and was a committed employee. Later in his career, he seized an opportunity to become a partner at WLP Holdings and worked tirelessly until his retirement in 2012.

One of Cecil's greatest joys was becoming a grandfather. He enjoyed spending his time with his family as well as traveling around the world with Cynthia. He served on the Vestry as a Senior Warden at St. Nicholas Episcopal Church and had deep regard for his church family and being of service as a member. He was a volunteer at the Jubilee Center as well as serving on the board of The Springboard Center. He was a devoted mentor of countless people in a community, in which he belonged for 35 years, that places principles before personalities.

In Cecil's lifetime, he personified wisdom, kindness, and was truly a reflection of Christ. Cecil was a quiet thoughtful man, with razor sharp wit, that imparted his experience, strength, and hope to any and all that were in need and called him family or friend.

He was preceded in death by both his parents, as well as his eldest daughter, Heather Rogers.

His survivors include his wife of 50 years, Cynthia Preas; his youngest daughter, Holly Padilla; three sons-in-law, Alex Padilla of Midland, Jeff Beal of Andrews, and Kendal Rogers of Bartlesville, Oklahoma; along with his adored four grandchildren, Graden Preas Beal, Maizy Mozelle Beal, and Jacob Sebastian Padilla, all of Midland, and Hayden Lane Rogers of Bartlesville.

Visitation and celebration of a life well lived will be Friday September 8, 2017 at the Branch at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Services are to be held at St. Nicholas Episcopal Church Saturday, September 9, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home &

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Lena Mae Williams

Lena Mae Williams, 87 of Midland, TX. went home to be with the Lord September 4, 2017.

Lena Mae was preceded in death by her parents, her step-mother Lela Mae Reed, her husband Frank Williams, Anthony and a loving son-in-law, Bobby Ray Jackson Sr.

She leaves to cherish her loving memories, four generations of girls; her daughter, Velma R. Jackson, granddaughter Tunya L. Williams, great-granddaughter Jazzlon L. Herrell and Tiffany N. Govan, and great-great grandaughters, Neriah E. Allen and Keyanna L. McFarland, all of Midland; an "adopted" son, Joe Nathan Carter of Stone Mountain, GA; two grandsons, Bobby Ray Jackson Jr. of Midland, TX and Anthony Rayshell Jackson (Denise) of Denver, CO; an "adopted" grandson, Anthony Morris of Midland, TX, three great-grandsons, Brian Jackson of Dallas, TX, Brandon Jackson and Sean Jackson of Las Vegas, NV, "special friends" Freddy and Becky Haltom of Midland, TX; and a host of relatives and friends.

A Home Going Celebration will be held Saturday, September 9, 2017 at 11a.m. at the Greater Ideal Baptist Church. With Dr. George A. Bell officiating.

Interment will be in Resthaven Memorial Park Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Jackie Warren Funeral Home.

Mary K. Mathews

Mrs. Mary K. Mathews, of The Woodlands, Texas, passed away peacefully on Friday, September 1, 2017 at the age of 89.

Mary was born to parents Henry Oblander and Katie Kraft Oblander on November 30, 1927 in Shattuck, Oklahoma. She was the youngest of three daughters. She married the love of her life, J.D. Mathews, on February 15, 1951 and spent 52 wonderful years with him. The couple had two children, Bob and Dennis.

Mary was a talented seamstress and crocheter. She worked in a bank. She enjoyed gardening, puzzles, card and domino games, and visiting with her friends. She loved growing old with J.D. and raising their sons together; she was very proud of both of them and wouldn't hesitate to tell anyone who would listen. She got immense pleasure interacting with her five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren as they grew.

Mary is survived by her son, Dennis Mathews and wife Becky; her grandchildren, Brandie Gillette and husband Robert, Brigette Thoma and husband Chris, Jessica Dorchak and husband Matt, Jennifer Danek and her husband Chad, and Joshua Mathews; and great-grandchildren, Elexa and Paxton Gillette, Kian and Kyler Thoma, Payton and Bryleigh Dorchak, and William and Abram Danek.

She is preceded in death by her husband, J.D. Mathews; her son, Bob Mathews; and her parents, Henry and Katie.

Mary was a devoted wife, a doting mother and grandmother, and a good friend to many. We count ourselves lucky to have spent many years learning from her.

A private memorial has taken place.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to American Heart Association or a charity of choice in Mary's name.

You are invited to view our webpage and leave written tributes to the family at *cashnerconroe.com*.

Moliere "Bud" Scarborough

Moliere "Bud" Scarborough, age 91, passed away at his Midland home surrounded by his family on September 3, 2017. He was born on June 22, 1926 in El Paso, TX to Moliere and Polly Scarborough. He attended Ysleta High School and received his BS Degree in Business from Texas A & M University in 1947, after serving as a radioman in the Navy from 1944 to 1946. He roughnecked in West Texas for a period of time before working for Sinclair Oil Company in Midland as a draftsman. He joined the FBI as a Special Agent in December 1950 and married the love of his life, Eleanor M. Scarborough of San Antonio, Texas on June 26, 1951. Bud resigned from the FBI in September 1957, and he went to work for Hunt Oil Company in Houston, Texas as a landman. He was transferred to Tyler, Texas and opened Hunt's Tyler office around 1962, he served as District Landman until he resigned in October 1983, going to work for Delta Drilling Company as East Texas District Landman. Bud left Delta when Kerr-McGee took over DeltaUS and closed the Tyler office. In May, 1986, he joined Citizens First National Bank Trust Department, remaining there until he retired as Senior Vice President and Trust Officer in December 1996.

Bud was an Eagle Scout, CPL and received the Brantley Jackson Memorial award as Landman of the Year in 1970. He was a member of the SAR, ETAPL, AAPL, Christ Episcopal Church, Masonic Lodge #1371, Scottish Rite and Sharon Temple.

He was a wise, gifted man whose counsel was sought by many throughout his life.

Bud is predeceased by his parents; his wife, Eleanor Scarborough, and a sister, Catherine S. Irwin. He is survived by: son, Stuart (Sandy), son, Lee (Debby), and son, Brian; along with 6 Grandchildren: Susan (Nick) Gaultney, Courtney (Michael) Fowler, Martha Scarborough, Smith Scarborough, Houston Scarborough, and Kieffer Scarborough; and 3 Great-Grandchildren: Ryan Fowler, Maggie Fowler and Jackson Gaultney; his sister, Florence (Bob) Schlumpf; nephew, Eric (Debbie) Schlumpf, niece, Cindy Schlumpf Gilmore, and Kevin (Tracey) Schlumpf.

A celebration of Bud's life will be held on Saturday, September 30, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at Christ Episcopal Church in Tyler, Texas. Memorial donations may be made to a charity of your choice.

A special thank you to Hospice of Midland and Caregivers: Christina, Vanessa, Joyce and Scotty.

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

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Ramon P. Contreras

Ramon P. Contreras (Popo) was granted his angel wings and went to rest in the arms of the Lord on September 4, 2017.

Ramon was born September 12, 1943 in Pecos, Texas to the late Jesus and Elia Contreras. He retired from the United States Postal Service after 23 years. With Ramon's passing, we remind others that his life is one to be celebrated. Although we will miss him every day, he will forever remain in our hearts. With his courage, he led us to believe that each day is a blessing and an opportunity to create lasting memories.

As he always told everyone, the one lady that ever stole his heart was his loving wife of 55 years, Tencha Contreras. There was never a time that you would see one without the other. The love they shared was one of a kind. He dedicated his life and love to his wife every loving moment. He continuously poured his love out to his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He never missed a T-ball game, flag football game or school function. Popo always made sure that he was at every one of his grandchildren's event and that he was heard cheering them on as their biggest fan!

Ramon was such a devoted Catholic and shared his passion of God with his family and anyone he met. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, hospital ministry, and assisted the Altar Society with cleaning Our Lady of Guadalupe. He never met a stranger; everyone was his friend or became part of his family. He embraced many and called them his nephews, nieces, and grandchildren. Many knew and called him "Popo."

Ramon is survived by his loving wife, Tencha Contreras; daughter, Gigi Gutierrez and husband Hector; son, Tony Contreras and wife Alicia; and daughter, Tina Bautista and husband Enrique (Ricky;) grandchildren, Danyale Diaz and husband Marcus, Gabriel Bautista and wife Laura, Isaac Gutierrez, Michael Contreras and wife Ashley, and Yvonne Contreras; great-grandchildren, Talon and Caleb Diaz, Xavian and Xander Bautista, and Kataleya and Felicity Contreras; sister, Anita Flores and husband Raul; and aunt, Socorro Bustamante and husband Ramon.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Jesus and Elia Contreras, and grandson, Nicholas Gutierrez.

A memorial rosary will be held tonight at 7:00 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel.

A funeral mass celebrating his life will be Saturday, September 9, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church Grotto, following the burial service at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

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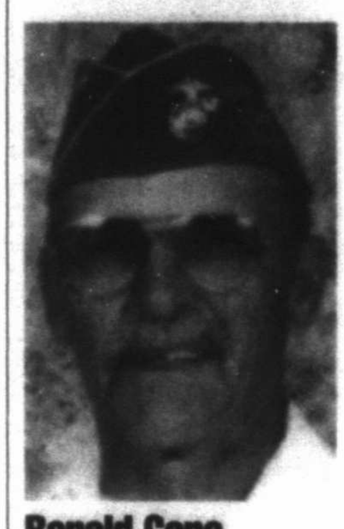

Ronald Gene DeBaun, Sr.

Ronald Gene DeBaun, Sr., 72, of Midland, passed away Tuesday, September 5, 2017.

Everyone is invited to a Celebration of Life gathering at the family's home at 805 Waverly Drive on Saturday, September 9, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Ronald was born May 17, 1945 to Robert and Hulda DeBaun in Stafford, Kansas. He served in the United States Marine Corps.

Ronald is survived by his wife, Betty Carol "Honey" DeBaun; and Derek Edward Gaskins, Carrie Gwen Hegland, Joel Thistle, Tiera Cole, Jacob Alan Gads and Ronald G. DeBaun, Jr.; many grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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

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CALENDAR

Sept. 8-14

Compiled by staff reports and the Arts Council of Midland; acmidland.org

Today

SeptemberFest 2017: Sunsets and Skylines VIP Preview Party. Guests will get an early preview of the art that will be on sale during the festival. Items will also be up for auction. 7 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. $100 open seating, $200 guaranteed seating. museumsw.org.

Saturday

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

Big Give Day is a garage sale by the FTC Mission Department with all items for free. 9 a.m. at Faith Temple Fellowship Hall, 1605 N. Terrell St.

Nature Club: Plans and Their Uses. Nature Club is a drop-off program for children in grades K-3. 10 a.m. at Sibley Nature Center, 1307 E. Wadley Ave.

"Super Kids Save the World" by Centennial library and Keep Midland Beautiful will have a closing party with crafts, play and learning activities. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Midland County Public Library, Centennial branch, 2503 W Loop 250 N.

SeptemberFest 2017: Sunsets and Skylines. The 48th annual event will pay homage to the urban and rural landscapes and feature artists booths, live entertainment, KinderFest and more. Saturday and Sunday at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. $5 adults, $3 children. museumsw.org.

9/11 Memorial Weekend charity concert with Bob Schneider, 6 p.m. at Bank of America Plaza, 303 W. Wall St. $25. iafflocal4405.org

Concert for Kids with "American Idol" winner Phillip Phillips benefiting the MISD Education Foundation. 8 p.m. at Horseshoe Arena, 2514 Arena Trail. $35 advance, $45 door.

Sunday

9/11 Memorial Weekend: Memorial Stair Climb begins with a gathering at Bank of America Plaza at 303 W. Wall St. and then commences to the Wilco Building, 415 W. Wall St. 7 a.m. -noon. $40 registration for first responders. iafflocal4405.org.

The 44th Church Annual Women's' Day Program with guest speaker Evelyn Dixon of Macedonia Baptist Church. 10:35 a.m. at Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, 303 E. Shandon Road.

Monday

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

Belly Dancing Class, 8 p.m. at Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely Ave. uumidland.org.

Midland Humane Coalition volunteer orientation. 6 p.m. at PetSmart, 4206 W. Loop 250 N.

"Ground Zero 360: A 9/11 Retrospective" opens with a commemoration,comments and special guests. "Carried on the Wind: Tree of Remembrance" by Odessa artist Dick Gillam will stand at the entrance of the museum in which the public can write special notes and tie them onto the tree during the exhibition. 6:30 p.m. at Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. noelartmuseum.org.

Tuesday

Hunger Action Month: West Texas Food Bank FUNdraiser Night. Ten percent of sales will go toward West Texas Food Bank. 5-9 p.m. at True Texas BBQ, 5407 Andrews Highway.

"The Vietnam War." Basin PBS hosts an advance screening of Ken Burns' and Lynn Novick's new 10-part documentary. The screening will be followed by a panel discussion with local Vietnam veterans. The audience will then join a live panel discussion in Washington D.C. with directors Ken Burns and Lynn Novick. Veteran interviews will also be recorded via StoryCorps and original Vietnam War photography by Joe Galloway will be on display. 6 p.m. at Midland College's Wagner and Brown Auditorium, 3600 N. Garfield St. Free but registration is encouraged. eventbrite.com.

Arlen Edgar Distinguished Lecture Series: Steve Wolf "Science in the Movies." 7 p.m. at Petroleum Museum, 1500 I-20 West. Free. pbpetro.org

Wednesday

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

Financial Peace University Informational preview. 6 p.m. at Crestview Baptist Church, 301 Loop 250. Register online at crestview.church.

Thursday

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

Family Science Night: Science in the Movies. This edition will feature air cannons, water pyrotechnics, local meteorologists and more. 6:30 p.m. at The Petroleum Museum, 1500 I-20 West. Free. pbpetro.org

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

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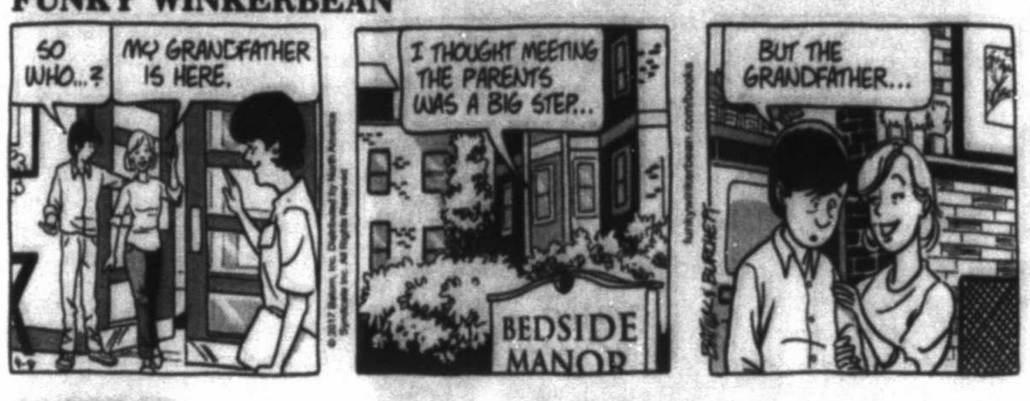

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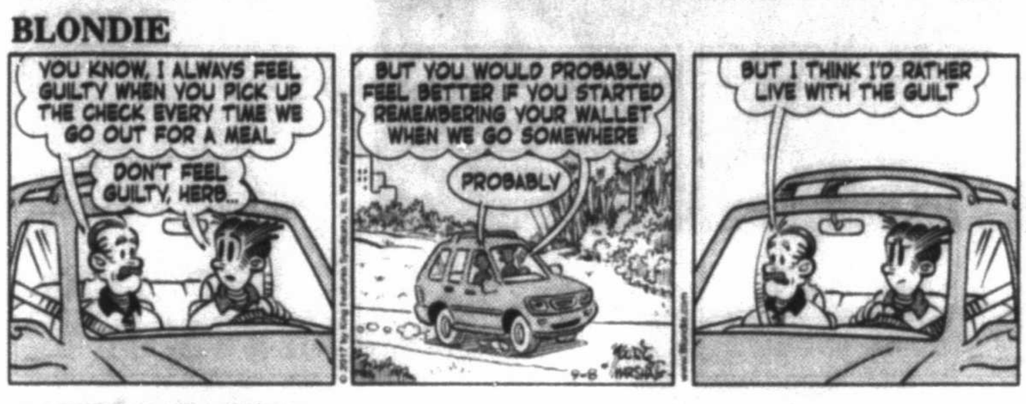

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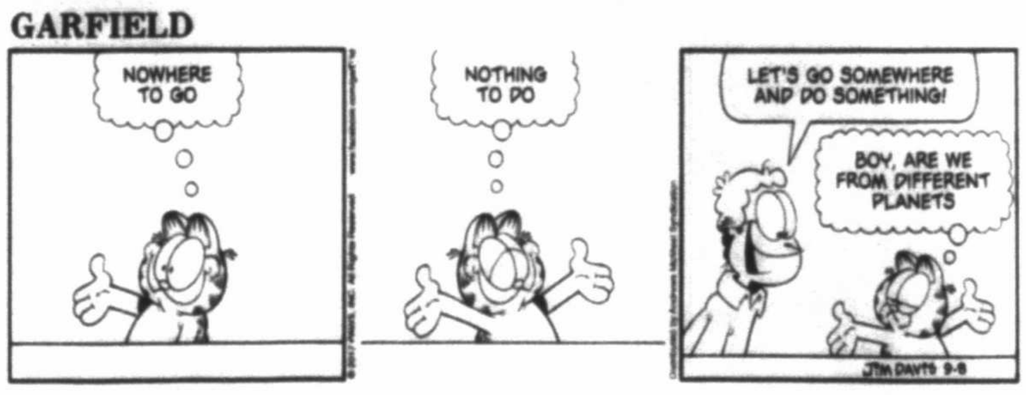

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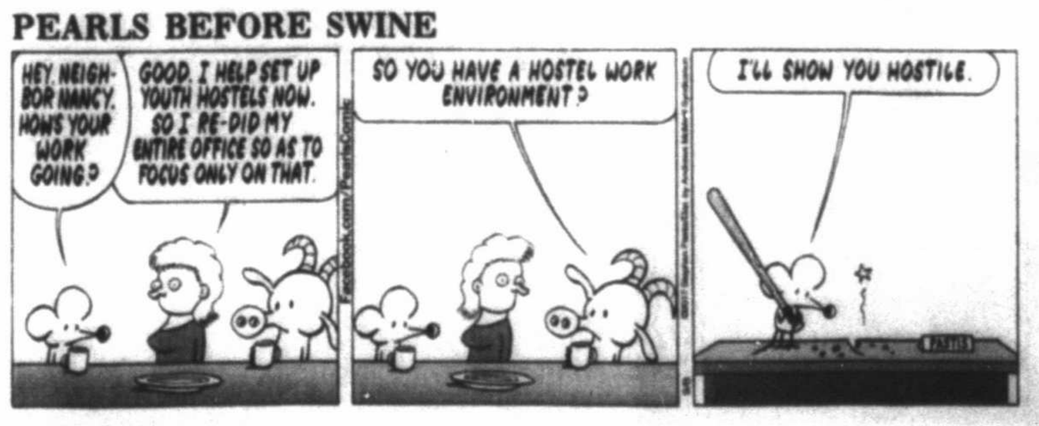

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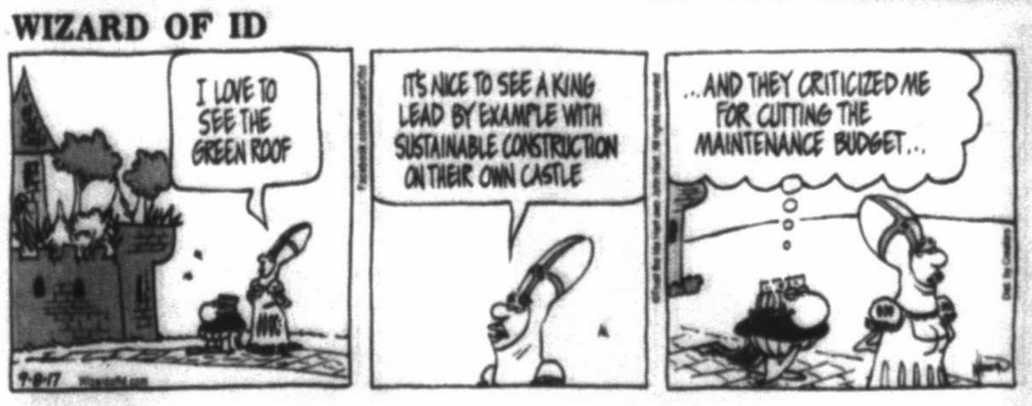

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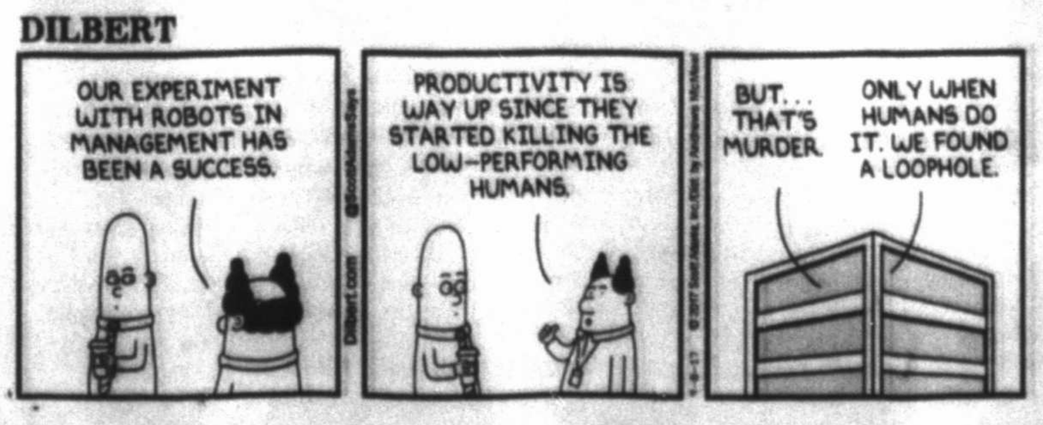

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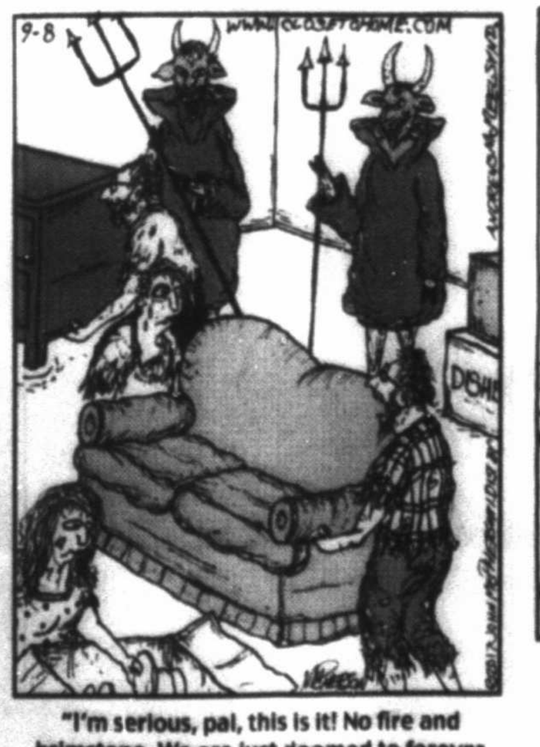

"I'm serious, pal, this is it! No fire and brimstone. We are just doomed to forever move from one house to the next!"

DENNIS THE MENACE

"My Mom likes to look at stuff here... then buy it on her computer at home."

LOCKHORNS

"YOU LOOK PERPLEXED, LORETTA... DID DR. PHIL AND DR. OZ CONTRADICT EACH OTHER?"

FAMILY CIRCUS

"When Billy's, like, talking to us, he's, like, always saying 'LIKE.' Will you, like, tell him to stop it?"

National Cathedral removing Confederate general windows

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Washington National Cathedral is removing two stained glass windows that depict two famous Confederate generals.

Cathedral authorities announced Wednesday that windows depicting generals Robert E. Lee and Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson will removed and stored pending a decision about their future.

A cathedral statement says the images are "inconsistent" with its mission and "a barrier to our important work on racial justice and racial reconciliation."

The windows have been a topic of debate for two years. Removing them was first proposed after the June 2015 racially motivated shootings in Charleston, South Carolina. Cathedral officials say they have been debating ways to potentially keep the windows but "contextualize" their historical meaning. But the statement says the issue gained new "urgency" after the recent, violent white supremacist rally in Charlottesville, Virginia.

PHOTO: A detail of stained glass windows depicting two iconic Confederate generals that are being removed is seen at the Washington National Cathedral on Wednesday in Washington. Cathedral authorities announced Wednesday that windows depicting generals Robert E. Lee and Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson will be removed and stored pending a decision about their future. **CREDIT:** *Carolyn Kaster/Associated Press*

Christine Armario

Chef Yadira Villegas scoops up a bowl filled to the rim with the traditional Colombian soup called ajiaco, at Felinos Restaurant on Aug. 29 in Bogota, Colombia. On Sundays Villegas cooks a giant pot of ajiaco that is typically gone by mid-afternoon. Families with children, the elderly and young couples line up outside the small eatery for a savory taste of home. **BELOW:** Employees shred chicken. A bowl filled to the rim with the traditional Colombian soup is shown.

Colombia cooks up savory welcome for Pope Francis

By Christine Armario
Associated Press

BOGOTA, Colombia — When Pope Francis arrives in Colombia, he will be greeted with one of the nation's most emblematic dishes: the thick soup known as ajiaco.

The meal prepared with potatoes, chicken, corn and an herb known as guascas has been keeping Bogotanos in the nation's chilly capital warm since at least the 1800s.

The origin of the dish is unknown but similar soups using starchy root vegetables are found throughout Latin America.

Bogota's ajiaco is served with a side of heavy cream, avocado and capers that provide a contrasting, acidic punch. It is common in family kitchens and working class cafeterias, a fitting dish, perhaps, for the pontiff known as the "people's pope."

Carmenza Morales, the chef who will cook for the pope, said she will prepare a version that stays true to the traditional Bogota recipe while also keeping with the pontiff's diet. Now aged 80, Francis generally sticks to simple, low-fat meals.

"I have been preparing myself spiritually," she said. "To welcome the pope, your soul must be calm."

The term "ajiaco" comes from the word "aji," or chili in English, though many versions no longer use it as an ingredient. Broadly speaking, ajiaco is considered representative of Latin America's diverse cultural makeup, a mishmash of flavors that depend heavily on where the dish is prepared.

Cuban intellectual Fernando Ortiz once remarked that, "Cuba is au ajiaco," referring to the fusion of Caribbean, African and Spanish traditions that make up the island's cuisine.

Culinary traditions in Colombia, a nation of 49 million, vary significantly by region but by the end of the 1800s, ajiaco was considered a national dish. Culinary anthropologists believe earlier versions included beef but chicken was substituted as prices fell. The addition of cream and capers came later.

On restaurant menus, the dish often appears as "ajiaco santafereno," a reference to the capital city's former name, Santa Fe, while Colombia was still under Spanish rule.

On Sundays at Felinos Restaurant, chef Yadira Villegas cooks a giant pot of ajiaco that is typically gone by mid-afternoon. Families with children, the elderly and young couples line up outside the small eatery for a savory taste of home.

Owner Alberto Jimenez said that for many Colombians the dish reminds them of tastes and smells of the past.

"It brings back memories of afternoons eating in my grandmother's kitchen," he said.

National awards program seeking top youth volunteers of 2018

From staff reports

The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards is looking for Texas' top youth volunteers of the year. Students in fifth- through 12th grades are invited to apply through Nov. 7 for the 2018 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards if they have made meaningful contributions to their communities through volunteer service within the past 12 months.

Sponsored by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the Community Awards were created in 1995 to recognize volunteer work of middle level and high school students.

The awards have been granted annually for the past 22 years on the local, state and national levels.

"We've learned over the past two decades that young people are doing innovative, important work to improve communities at home and abroad," Prudential Chairman and CEO John Strangfeld said in a press release. "We honor their contributions in the hope that their example will inspire others to consider what they can do to make a difference."

The top middle level and high school volunteer from each state and the District of Columbia will be named state honorees on Feb. 6. They will receive $1,000, engraved silver medallions and an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., with a parent or guardian for four days of recognition events from April 28-May 1.

In Washington, a distinguished national selection committee will name 10 of the 102 state honorees as America's top youth volunteers of the year. These national honorees will receive additional awards of $5,000, gold medallions, crystal trophies for their nominating schools or organizations and $5,000 grants from The Prudential Foundation for nonprofit charitable organizations of their choice.

Several Distinguished Finalists in each state will receive bronze medallions, and runners-up will receive certificates of excellence.

Local honorees selected by schools and participating organizations for state-level judging will be presented with certificates of achievement; they will also receive President's Volunteer Service Awards if they have served the minimum number of volunteer hours to qualify (26 hours for age 10 and younger, 50 hours for ages 11-15 and 100 hours for older students).

"NASSP is proud to honor middle level and high school students who go above and beyond to better the lives of others," said JoAnn Bartoletti, executive director of the association. "We are inspired every year by their stories of service, and look forward once again to celebrating young volunteers across America."

Texas' top youth volunteers of 2017 were Ryan Almusawi, 17, of Fort Worth, who is the president and CEO of "Charitable Crusaders Inc.," a nonprofit organization of high school students who work on a variety of service projects that benefit families in need, and Micah Pinson, 13, of Shady Shores, who has conducted an annual holiday toy drive over the past six years that has gathered more than 25,000 toys and games for patients at Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children as a way of giving back to the hospital for the free care he received there.

To apply for a 2018 Prudential Spirit of Community Award, students and certifiers must submit the online application at spirit.prudential.com by Nov. 7.

Students then submit the application for certification to their principal or head of a local participating organization. Certifiers review all applications for their school or organization, then select a local honoree to nominate for state-level judging by Nov. 17. Applications can be certified by a middle or high school principal or head of a Girl Scout council, county 4-H organization, American Red Cross chapter, YMCA or an affiliate of Points of Light's HandsOn Network. (Students can request a paper application by calling 855-670-4787.)

Lee's Fouonji continues to blossom as a football player

By Will Korn
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Lee sophomore wide receiver Loic Fouonji spent the first few years of his life in Cameroon dribbling a soccer ball.

At the time, perhaps images of former African soccer superstars such as Cameroonian Samuel Eto'o or Didier Drogba of the Ivory Coast, inspired him more than any American football player.

But once Fouonji and his family moved to United States in 2008, it wasn't long until football began to influence his life. After relocating to Midland four years ago, one of Fouonji's former Greater Midland Football League coaches approached his mother about the prospect of the tall, lanky speedster picking up the pigskin.

"When I first moved here I wasn't playing football," Fouonji said. "But my GMFL coach talked to my mom and asked for me to try out. I was pretty good at it, so I just kept on playing from there."

Fouonji, who now stands 6-foot-3 and 177 pounds, has already flashed his potential in the sport as a physical downfield target with soft hands.

In the Rebels' 58-24 win at El Paso Coronado last Friday, he hauled in his first varsity catch — a 46-yard strike in stride from quarterback Colby Standard — for a touchdown. He finished the night with 53 yards receiving on two receptions.

Fouonji and the Lee (1-0) offense will aim for an early season encore when they host old rival Abilene High (0-1) at 7:30 p.m. today at Grande Communications Stadium.

Fouonji is just one of many 6-foot-3 or taller receivers in the football world, even at the high school level in Texas alone. But Lee head coach Clint Hartman said it's Fouonji's maturity and desire to outwork his competition at such a young age, that separates him from his peers.

"We think he's a future college football player and that's how hard he has worked," Hartman said. "What I've seen with Loic is he's extremely mature and that comes from his parents. His grades are impeccable. He shows up on time, he works hard when he's here and to get a guy at that age doing that, that comes from home, from somebody who raised him the right way. We see a bright future with Loic Fouonji, we really do."

Hartman first noticed Fouonji's studious nature at Abell Middle School, not long after he was hired as Lee's coach in March of 2016. With an eye on the future

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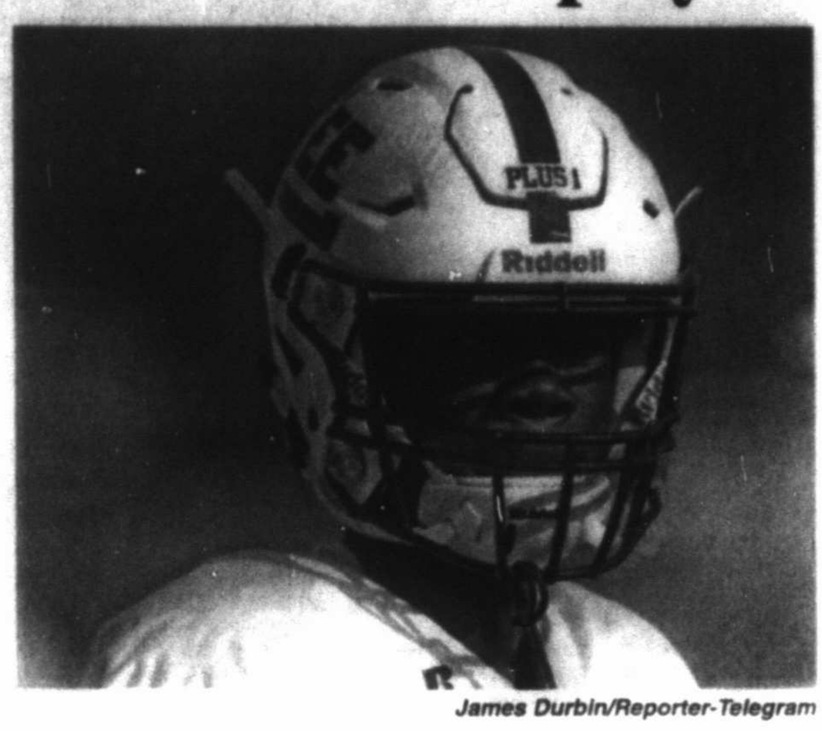

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Lee wide receiver Loic Fouonji photograped during team practice Wednesday at LHS.

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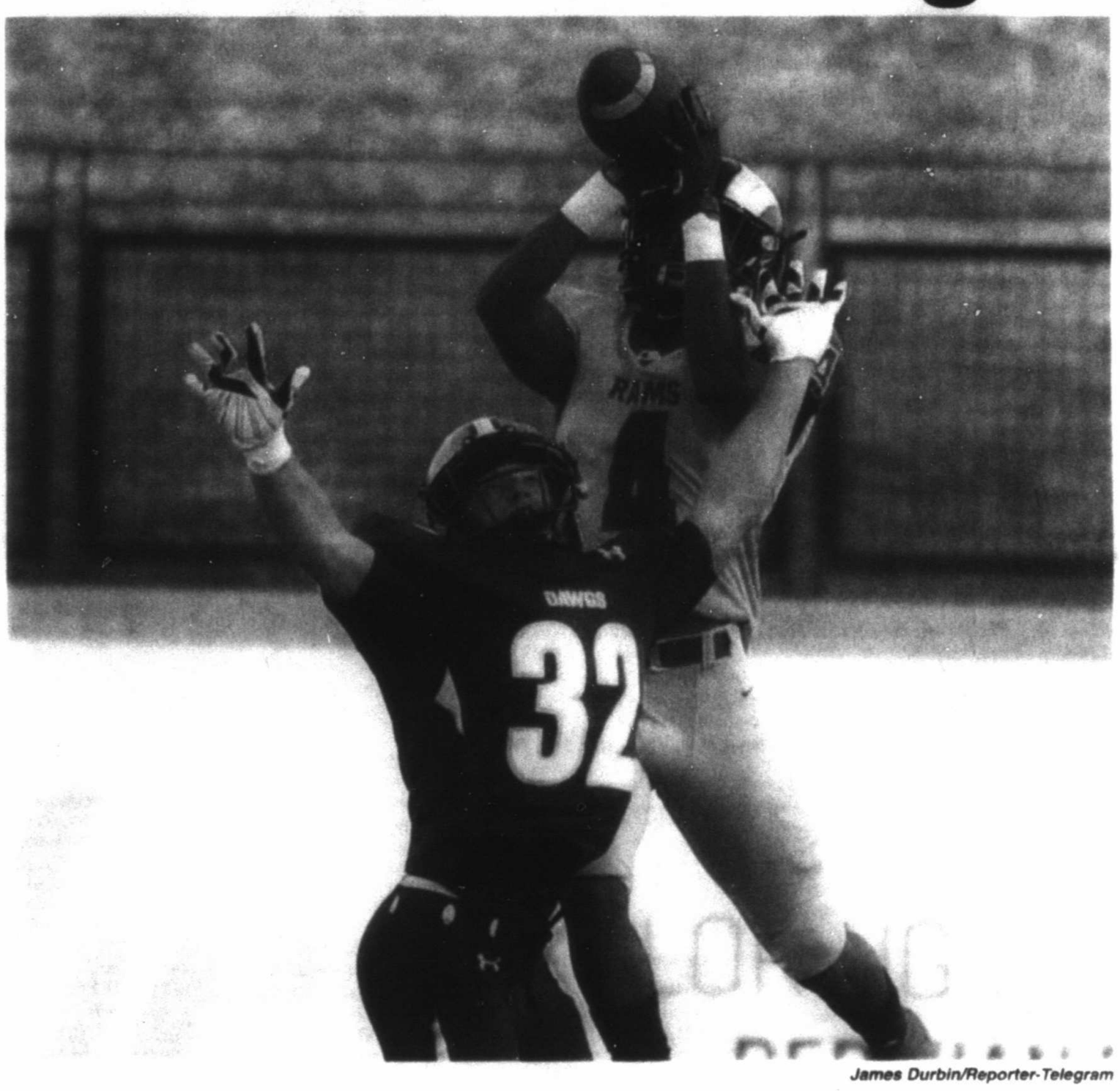

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

El Paso Montwood wide receiver Tyreese Andrus (4) makes a reception while being covered by Midland High's Simon Glenn (32) Thursday, at Grande Communications Stadium.

MHS falls to EP Montwood in shootout

By Christopher Hadorn
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Midland High got itself in a track meet Thursday night with El Paso Montwood at Grande Communications Stadium.

Both teams combined on 16 touchdowns in a shootout, but the Rams' big play passing game proved to be too much for the Bulldogs in the end.

Montwood quarterback Andrew Fernandez lit up the Permian Basin skies with a prolific performance, completing 18 of 27 passes for 365 yards and eight touchdown passes to lead the Rams to a 58-53 win over Midland High.

Fernandez's favorite target was senior Tyreese Andrus, who hauled in eight receptions for 235 yards and five touchdowns to propel Montwood to a 2-0 mark.

Despite surrendering four touchdown passes for 40 yards or more, Midland (0-2) had an impressive offensive showing of its own, as both sophomore Riggs McDonald and junior Suddin Sapien proved capable in leading multiple touchdown drives as signal callers.

In the fourth quarter, the Bulldogs made circumstances interesting by scoring 19 unanswered points to pull within five points with 29 seconds to play after Sapien completed an 8-yard TD pass to Darius Manning.

Montwood secured the onside kick on the following play and the Bulldogs were on the short end even though they amassed 608 total yards.

Tim Gates shined the brightest for

Please see **MHS/2C**

MISD teams optimistic as 2-6A play begins

By Will Korn
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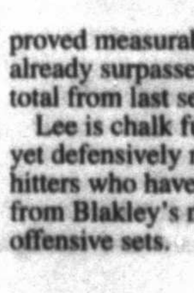
The last time the Lee and Midland High volleyball teams both qualified for the playoffs in the same season was in 2011.

And as the two programs prepare to begin their District 2-6A schedules, there seems to be a legitimate chance both teams could be extending their seasons into November.

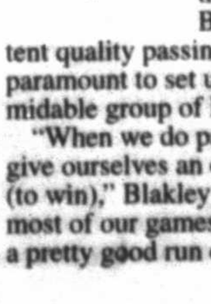
MHS (18-12) will open its district slate by visiting Amarillo Tascosa at 5 p.m. today. Lee (19-12) which has a bye today, will host Wolfforth Frenship at 6 p.m. Tuesday.



Blakley

Under first-year head coach Robert Blakley, the Lady Rebels have improved measurably and have already surpassed their win total from last season.

Lee is chalk full of athletic, yet defensively responsible hitters who have benefited from Blakley's new fast-paced offensive sets.



Lopez

Blakley said he believes he has the pieces in the place to make a mark in the district race this season. But consistent quality passing will be paramount to set up the a formidable group of Lee hitters.

"When we do pass well, we give ourselves an opportunity (to win)," Blakley said. "For most of our games, we've had a pretty good run of it. We've got the hitters, we've got the blockers, we've got our defense. (But) If you can't pass, you can't win."

The Lady Rebels will head into their district opener Tuesday, one week after a frustrating five-set home loss against Lubbock Cooper. It was only their second home match in a season that has been extremely road-heavy thus far.

But Blakley said his players' spirits remain high, as they are ready to make a statement and put an end to the

Please see **VOLLEYBALL/2C**

Holcomb expecting big things from Rangers' defense

By Oscar LeRoy
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Greenwood's Gunnar Holcomb is excited about his team's potential this year and he is especially excited about the defense.

The senior outside linebacker was part of a defense that held Snyder to 185 total yards, 1 for 6 on fourth down conversions and came up with a critical goal-line stand in the second half of a 14-7 victory on the road last Friday.

"I think our defense is the best our defense has ever been in this program," Holcomb said. "We do have some experience but we also have some new guys. I think everyone is coachable and I think everyone is excited to play this year. Everybody just runs to the ball and there's a lot of hats on one guy. It's a fast and aggressive defense."

Holcomb

The Rangers (1-0) are going to need that defense to rise to the occasion tonight when they face quarterback Jaelyn Nolan, an Oklahoma State commit, and Brownfield in the home opener at J.M. King Memorial Stadium.

Having seen Nolan the previous two years on varsity, Holcomb knows he's a shifty and talented player.

"I think that would be a really good test for us and some of the younger guys too and see what they're getting into," Holcomb said. "It will keep us on the edge and not too full of ourselves.

"I think we have a good game plan for him. On offense we watched a lot of film on them and how they stack up on defense, so we should have a good game plan on offense."

Holcomb, who is listed at 6-foot-3 and 190 pounds, is coming off a good overall game as he was credited with 11 total tackles, had an interception and caught a 9-yard touchdown pass while playing receiver. That touchdown he had was the only score of the first half of the defensive struggle.

Holcomb is one of a few players on the team who starts both ways and like going up against a dangerous offense, staying on the field is another challenge Holcomb is not afraid to take on.

"It tough and you have to get into a lot more shape," said Holcomb about playing both ways. "But I think it gives you a leadership role on the team and you really have to hold everybody accountable."

He added that being a senior, it's important for him to step into a bigger leadership role this season.

"As a senior and a two-way player, it's up to me and all the other seniors to step up and show the younger kids how to keep going whenever we're down," Holcomb said.

Greenwood's first-year coach Jared Sanderson said he's been impressed by what he's seen from Holcomb.

"He's been a great leader for us," Sanderson said. "He's playing a different position (on defense) to what he's been playing. When we went to a three-man front, we thought he would be a great hybrid-type kid for us. A lot of times that position will come down and play defensive end but he's also

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DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

Basketball
2017 Basketball Hall of Fame Enshrinement Ceremony, 6:30 p.m., NBAtv
Bowling
Weber Cup, Session 1, 12:30 p.m., ELVN
Boxing
David Benavidez vs. Ronald Gavril, 9:05 p.m, SHO
College Football
Memphis at UCF, 5:30 p.m., ESPNU
Oklahoma State at South Alabama, 7 p.m., ESPN2
Ohio at Purdue, 7 p.m., FS1
Cycling
Vuelta a Espana, Stage 19: Caso to Gijon, 9 a.m., OLYHD
Golf
EPGA: Omega European Masters, 2nd Round, 8:30 a.m., GOLF
LPGA: Indy Women in the Tech Championship, 2nd Round, 2 p.m., GOLF
Champions: Japan Airlines Championship, 2nd Round, 11:30 p.m., GOLF
High School Football
Football Friday, 7 p.m., FSSW+, FCSC
Miami Central at Bishop Gorman (Nev.), 9 p.m., - ESPNU
Major League Baseball
Baltimore at Cleveland, 6 p.m., MLB
NY Yankees at Texas, 7 p.m., FSSW
Houston at Oakland, 9 p.m., ATTSW
Men's Soccer
Bundesliga: Hamburger SV vs. RB Leipzig, 1:30 p.m., FS2
NCAA: Maryland vs. Indiana, 6 p.m., BTN
Motorsports
Monster Energy Cup Series: Federated Auto Parts 400, Practice, 9 a.m., NBCSN
Monster Energy Cup Series: Federated Auto Parts 400, Final Practice, 11 a.m., NBCSN
XFINITY: Virginia 529 College Savings 250, Qualifying, 3 p.m., NBCSN
Monster Energy Cup Series: Federated Auto Parts 400, Qualifying, 4:30 p.m., NBCSN
XFINITY: Virginia 529 College Savings 250, 6:30 p.m., NBCSN
Rugby
Super League: Hull FC vs. Wigan Warriors, 1:30 p.m., FSP
NRL: Melbourne vs. Parramatta, 1 a.m., FSP
NRL: Manly-Warringah vs. Penrith, 4:30 a.m., FSP
Snowboarding
Audi World Cup: Men's & Women's Halfpipe, 6 p.m., OLYHD
Tennis
US Open: Doubles Final, 11 a.m., ESPN2
US Open: Men's Semifinals, 1:30 p.m., ESPN, ESPNDEP
Volleyball
FIVB World Grand Champions Cup: Russia vs. China, 10:30 p.m., OLYHD
FIVB World Grand Champions Cup: Brazil vs. South Korea, 1:30 a.m., OLYHD
FIVB World Grand Champions Cup: USA vs. Japan, 5 a.m., OLYHD
Women's College Volleyball
Duke at TCU, 6 p.m., FCSA
UCLA at Nebraska, 8 p.m., BTN
Texas vs. Minnesota, 8 p.m., LHN
Denver vs. Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, 10 p.m., LHN
Women's Soccer
NCAA: Texas vs. Colorado, 6 p.m., LHN
NCAA: Arizona State vs. Texas Tech, 6:30 p.m., P12 AZ
RADIO
High School Football
El Paso Franklin at Permian, 7:30 p.m., KMCM 96.9 FM
Abilene High at Midland Iee, 7:30 p.m., KFZX 102.1 FM
Wink at Stanton, 7:30 p.m., KBTS 94.3 FM (Big Spring)
Big Spring at Sweetwater, 7:30 p.m., KBEST 95.7 FM, KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)
Coahoma at McCamey, 7:30 p.m., KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)
Forsan at El Dorado, 7:30 p.m., KXCS 105.5 FM (Big Spring)
Lubbock High at Andrews, 7:30 p.m., KACT 105.5 FM/1360 AM (Andrews)
Idalou at Seminole, 7:30 p.m., KSEM 106.3 FM/KIKX 1250 AM (Seminole)
Lamesa at New Deal, 7:30 p.m., KPET 105.1 FM/690 AM (Lamesa)
Colorado City at Crane, 7:30 p.m., portal.stretchinternet.com/elave/
Brownfield at Greenwood, 7:30 p.m., greenwoodsportsradio.com
Texas League Baseball
South Division Championship, Game 3: San Antonio at Midland, 7 p.m., KCRS 97.5 FM, 550 AM

WHAT'S ON DECK

HS Football

Abilene High at Lee, 7:30 p.m.
El Paso Franklin at Odessa Permian, 7 p.m.
Brownfield at Greenwood 7:30 p.m.
Midland Christian at Brock, 7:30 p.m.
Lubbock High at Andrews, 7:30 p.m.
Big Spring at Sweetwater, 7:30 p.m.
Wink at Stanton, 7:30 p.m.
Coahoma at McCamey, 7:30 p.m.
Forsan at Eldorado, 7:30 p.m.
Rankin at Veribest, 7:30 p.m.
Garden City at Santa Anna, 7:30 p.m.
Robert Lee at Grady, 7:30 p.m.

HS Volleyball

Midland High at Amarillo Tascosa, 5 p.m.
Midland Christian at Grapevine Faith Christian, 5 p.m.
Lubbock All Saints at MCA, 6 p.m.
Trinity at Abilene Christian, 6 p.m.

JC Volleyball

Midland College at Wrangler Volleyball Classic, Odessa

LOCAL SPORTS

JACKALOPES NAME TEAM CAPTAINS

ODESSA — Defenseman Rune Kirby has been named Odessa Jackalopes' captain for the upcoming 2017-18 campaign, while defenseman Zac Herrmann, center Noah Poindexter and defenseman Nick Wilson were all chosen as alternate captains.

Voted on by the players via a secret ballot, it was a nearly unanimous vote for the four peer leaders for Odessa.

"It's always an honor to be named captain of any team, but this team in particular is quite exciting," said Kirby. "We have a locker room filled with natural leaders in their own way, and I know that they will hold me accountable just as much as I will them."

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Recalled RHP Mike Wright from Norfolk (IL).
National League
CINCINNATI REDS — Placed LF Billy Hamilton on the 10-day DL.
COLORADO ROCKIES — Activated C Ryan Hanigan from the 10-day DL. Recalled OF Raimel Tapia from Albuquerque (PCL).
American Association
GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Released LHP Darnell Thompson.
SIOUX CITY EXPLORERS — Traded INF Kaite Samson to Southern Maryland (Atlantic) for a player to be named.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
CINCINNATI BENGALS — Signed LB Vontaze Burfict to a three-year contract extension.
CLEVELAND BROWNS — Signed DL Tyrone Holmes. Waived OL Zach Sterup. DB Caiver Pryor and QB Josh Woodrum.
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS — Released RB C.J. Spiller and OL Jordan Devey.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Placed WR Malcolm Mitchell on injured reserve. Signed OL Ted Karras.
Canadian Football League
WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Signed DB Darnell Walker Jr. to the practice roster. Placed DB Roc Carmichael on the suspended list.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
NHL — Named George Parros senior vice president of player safety.
NEW JERSEY DEVILS. Signed D Tim Erixon to a professional tryout.
American Hockey League
HARTFORD WOLF PACK — Signed F Joe Whitney.
SOCCER
Major League Soccer
MLS — Fined New England D Benjamin Angoua an undisclosed amount for simulation, embellishment in a match on Sept. 2.
COLLEGE
TENNESSEE — Promoted Kayla Smith to assistant athletic director for student-athlete engagement.
TEXAS ARLINGTON — Promoted Russell Warren to deputy director of athletics. Debbie Garcia to executive senior associate director of athletics. Richard Kirwan to senior associate Director of Athletics for Communications. Kris Wood to associate director of athletics for development. Bao Duong and Alex Dreher to associate athletic trainers and Diane Seymour to maverick stadium facility manager.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Thursday's College Football Scores
SOUTH
Samford 49, West Alabama 41
SOUTHWEST
Sam Houston St. 44, Prairie View 31
FAR WEST
Utah St. 51, Idaho St. 13
Today
SOUTH
Memphis (1-0) at UCF (1-0), 6:30 p.m.
Delaware St. (0-1) vs. Hampton (0-1) at Washington, 7 p.m.
Oklahoma St. (1-0) at South Alabama (0-1), 8 p.m.
MIDWEST
Ohio (1-0) at Purdue (0-1), 8 p.m.

PRO GOLF SCORES

PGA

European PGA Masters Scores
Thursday
At Crans-sur-Sierre GC
Crans Montana, Switzerland
Purse: $3,247,274
Yardage: 6,846; Par: 70 (35-35)
(a-amateur)
First Round, Leading Scores

Miguel Angel Jimenez	32-32—64
Tyrrell Hatton	34-30—64
Scott Hend	32-32—64
Ryan Fox	32-33—65
Thongchai Jaidee	32-33—65
David Drysdale	33-32—65
Darren Fichardt	32-33—65
Duncan Stewart	33-32—65
Todd Sinnott	34-31—65
Adilson Da Silva	33-33—66
Daniel Im	31-35—66
Fabrizio Zanotti	35-31—66
Carlos Pigem	34-32—66
a-Sean Crocker	32-34—66
Damien Perrier	35-32—67
Paul Peterson	35-32—67

LPGA
Thursday
At Brickyard Crossing GC.
Indianapolis
Purse: $2 million
Yardage: 6,599; Par: 72 (36-36)
(a-amateur)
First Round

Lexi Thompson	32-31—63
Kris Tamulis	32-32—64
Sandra Gal	31-33—64
Moriya Jutanugarn	32-33—65
Lydia Ko	33-32—65
Candie Kung	32-34—66
Nanna Koertz Madsen	32-34—66
Amy Olson	33-33—66
Marina Alex	34-33—67
Cristie Kerr	32-35—67
Pelyun Chien	33-34—67
Marissa L. Steen	35-32—67

Patriots routed in 2nd half, Chiefs win 42-27

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — There were big plays all over the field. The Chiefs, not the Patriots, were making them.

Alex Smith threw two long touchdown passes and rookie Kareem Hunt, after fumbling on his first NFL carry, scored three times to help Kansas City stun New England 42-27 on Thursday night in the season opener.

Coming off their sensational Super Bowl rally to a fifth Lombardi Trophy, the Patriots faded badly in the second half. A raucous sold-out crowd of 65,878 celebrated the unveiling of yet another championship banner, and there was plenty of talk about Tom Brady leading them to a 19-0 record.

After Week 1, though, they are winless.

It was the first time the Patriots lost at Gillette Stadium when leading at halftime, a span of 82 games. They were no match for the Chiefs in the last two periods.

Tyreek Hill scored on a 75-yarder and Hunt put the Chiefs in front with a 78-yarder to punctuate Kansas City's charge after trailing 17-14 at halftime. Hunt also had a 58-yard scamper and finished with 141 yards rushing and 98 receiving. Hill had 133 yards through the air, and Smith went 28 for 35 for 368 yards and four touchdowns.

Brady, the 13th quarterback to start an NFL game at age 40, didn't look too spry. He struggled mightily in the second half and didn't throw for a touchdown, finishing 16 for 36 for 267 yards.

Patriots newcomer Mike Gillislee scored on three short runs, becoming the first player since Terrell Owens of Philadelphia in 2004 to score three touchdowns in his debut with a new team. New England failed twice in the first quarter on short-yardage runs, by Gillislee and Super Bowl hero James White, and again in the fourth period, by Gillislee. If anyone proclaimed the Patriots were missing RB LeGarrette Blount, who scored 18 TDs last season and was a beast in such situations, well, Gillislee, who came from Buffalo as a restricted free agent, ran in for a pair of 2-yard touchdowns and a 1-yarder.

NFL GLANCE

Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Miami	0	0	0	.000	0	0
New England	0	0	0	.000	0	0
N.Y. Jets	0	0	0	.000	0	0
South						
Houston	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Indianapolis	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Jacksonville	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Tennessee	0	0	0	.000	0	0
North						
Baltimore	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Cincinnati	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Cleveland	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Pittsburgh	0	0	0	.000	0	0
West						
Denver	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Kansas City	0	0	0	.000	0	0
L.A. Chargers	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Oakland	0	0	0	.000	0	0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	0	0	0	.000	0	0
N.Y. Giants	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Philadelphia	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Washington	0	0	0	.000	0	0
South						
Atlanta	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Carolina	0	0	0	.000	0	0
New Orleans	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Tampa Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0
North						
Chicago	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Detroit	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Green Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	0
West						
Arizona	0	0	0	.000	0	0
L.A. Rams	0	0	0	.000	0	0
San Francisco	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Seattle	0	0	0	.000	0	0

Scores and schedules

Thursday's Score
Kansas City 42, New England 27

Sunday's Games
Tampa Bay at Miami, 12 p.m.
Oakland at Tennessee, 12 p.m.
Arizona at Detroit, 12 p.m.
Atlanta at Chicago, 12 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, 12 p.m.
Jacksonville at Houston, 12 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Buffalo, 12 p.m.
Baltimore at Cincinnati, 12 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 12 p.m.
Indianapolis at L.A. Rams, 3:05 p.m.
Seattle at Green Bay, 3:25 p.m.
Carolina at San Francisco, 3:25 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Monday's Games
New Orleans at Minnesota, 6:10 p.m.
L.A. Chargers at Denver, 9:20 p.m.

OHS improves to 2-0 after win over Amarillo High

From staff reports

ODESSA -- The Odessa High football team allowed a late touchdown, but hung on for a 28-21 victory over Class 5A Amarillo High on Thursday at Ratliff Stadium.

With the win, OHS moved to 2-0 on the season. The Bronchos will next host Lubbock Coronado at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15.

ODESSA HIGH 28, AMARILLO HIGH 21

Amarillo	7	0	7	7—21
Odessa	0	14	14	0—28

First Quarter
Amarillo — Nathan Betts 1 run (Sam Burks kick), 5:07

Second Quarter
OHS -- Zay Brown 26 pass from Trey Smith (Cain Cordova kick), 11:53
OHS — Julian Galindo 5 pass from Trey Smith (Cordova kick), 0:05

Third Quarter
OHS — Josh Lara 53 pass from Trey Smith (Cain Cordova kick), 11:36
OHS — Jacob Munoz 8 pass from Trey Smith (Cain Cordova kick), 6:09
Amarillo — Blake Bedwell 31 run (Sam Burks kick), 3:19

Fourth Quarter
Amarillo — Rhett Maynard 66 run (Sam Burks kick), 7:20

	Amarillo High	Odessa High
First Downs	10	10
Total Yards	250	241
Rushes-Yards	49-210	35-121
Passing Yards	40	120
Passing	3-6-0	7-12-0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	1-5	3-15

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING — Amarillo High, Rhett Maynard 10-93, Blake Bedwell 24-79, Nathan Betts 13-36, Eugene Mukiere 2-2; OHS, Josh Lara 17-78, Trey Smith 9-40, Senjun McGarity 3-7, Julian Galindo 2-3, Kameron Gonzales 1-1, Team 3-(-8).

PASSING — Amarillo High, Nathan Betts 3-6-0—40; OHS, Trey Smith 7-12-0—120.

RECEIVING — Amarillo High, Andrew Robinson 1-31, Cory Bivens 1-7, Blake Bedwell 1-2; OHS Josh Lara 1-53, Julian Galindo 4-33, Zay Brown 1-26, Jacob Munoz 1-8

VOLLEYBALL

From 1C

program's five-year playoff drought.

"Moving forward, these girls are still hungry," Blakley said. "We haven't accomplished anything yet. We've had a better season than last year, but that doesn't mean squat if we end up where were last year at the end of the season."

Across town, the Lady Bulldogs are enjoying the momentum of some home cooking — victories against a pair of Class 4A opponents in Abilene Wylie last Friday and Seminole on Tuesday.

MHS struggled in Tuesday's win over the 20-win Maidens and underwent a demanding mental exercise as a tune-up to today's match at Tascosa.

Against Seminole, the Lady Bulldogs dropped a close first set and later faced a 19-11 deficit in a third set. But MHS dug deep and rallied behind an explosive 10-2 run in the third frame, before dominating the fourth for the win.

Head coach Amanda Lopez said so far this season, the mental side of the game has been her team's emphasis. Similarly to Lee, talent is in place and technical skill isn't in short supply.

But keeping their minds sharp through the ups and downs of each district match will be one of the deciding factors for the MHS players over the next six weeks.

It becomes especially important given MHS' schedule, as it plays its first three district matches on the road before hosting Odessa High on Oct. 19.

"We've been talking a lot about the mental part (of the game)," Lopez said. "Our goal is to score three points in a row every time we can, every time we get a side out. We start off with Tascosa (today) and we for sure want to be on top of the mental game going into it."

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MHS

From 1C

Midland High, rushing 22 times for 168 yards and scoring four total touchdowns, including a pair of scores in the fourth quarter.

For the second straight week, Gates broke away on a long run as he torched the Rams defense on a 63-yard touchdown.

Midland High finished with 336 yards on the ground.

"We're disappointed that we lost the game," Bulldogs head coach Tim Anuszkiewicz said. "We don't ever want make light of the fact that we didn't win the game. We did some good stuff. We got better this week. Our kids they're doing what we ask them to do.

"They're trying to meet the expectations that we have as coaches and I think they are trying to discover what the expectations are of themselves, so I think that's something that we saw tonight. I am really proud of the way they kept scratching and crawling."

District 2-6A

District 2-6A
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Odessa High	2	0	68	45	1.000
Amarillo Tascosa	1	0	55	08	1.000
Lee	1	0	58	28	1.000
Odessa Permian	1	0	28	21	.000
San Angelo Central	1	0	42	28	1.000
Wolfforth Frenship	0	1	14	70	.000
Midland High	0	2	75	108	.000

Thursday's Scores
El Paso Montwood 58, Midland High 53
Odessa High 28, Amarillo High 21
Today's games
Abilene High at Lee, 7:30 p.m.; El Paso Franklin at Permian, 7 p.m.; Trophy Ortiz Bynon Nelson at San Angelo Central, 7 p.m.; El Paso El Dorado at Frenship, 7 p.m.; Pairview at Amarillo Tascosa, 7:30 p.m.

Midland High senior Stetson Abney scored on a muff punt that was recovered in the end zone, to pull his team to a 26-21 deficit just before the end of the first period.

"We continue to shoot ourselves in the foot and that was the difference in the game," Anuszkiewicz said. "Montwood is a good football team. They have a great quarterback and a great receiver, number four (Andrus). Those guys had a great night. We probably made it a little too easy on them, we will fix some of that stuff and we challenge our guys to get better."

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EL PASO MONTWOOD 58, MIDLAND HIGH 53

Montwood	26	14	15	3	—58
Midland	21	7	6	19	—53

First Quarter
Montwood - Tyreese Andrus 48 pass from Andrew Fernandez (kick blocked). 10:54
Midland - Tim Gates 11 pass from Riggs McDonald (Ivan Campos kick). 8:39
Montwood - Andrus 52 pass from Fernandez (run failed). 6:53
Montwood - Andrus 43 pass from Fernandez (Ricardo Olague kick). 5:59
Midland - Suddin Sapien 19 run (Campos kick). 4:37
Montwood - Tury Cepeda 50 pass from Fernandez (Olague kick). 3:29
Midland - Stetson Abney recovers fumble in end zone (Campos kick). 1:34

Second Quarter
Montwood - Cepeda 11 pass from Fernandez (Olague kick). 10:23
Midland - Gates 18 run (Campos kick). 8:42
Montwood - Andrus 15 pass from Fernandez (Olague kick). 6:54

Third Quarter
Montwood - Andrus 10 pass from Fernandez (Garibay pass from Fernandez). 7:23
Montwood - Daniel Aguilar 5 pass from Fernandez (Olague kick). 4:03
Midland - Ricky Rodriguez 44 pass from McDonald (kick failed). 2:30

Fourth Quarter
Montwood - FG Olague 30. 11:54
Midland - Gates 63 run (pass failed). 10:50
Midland - Gates 4 run (run failed). 5:37
Midland - Darius Manning 8 pass from Sapien (Campos kick). 0:29

	Montwood	Midland
First downs	21	26
Rushes-yards	39-175	46-336
Comp.-Att.-Int.	21-31-0	16-24-1
Passing yards	411	272
Fumbles-lost	1-0	2-1
Punts-avg.	2-44.5	3-41.0
Penalties-yds.	10-84	2-10

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING - Montwood, Andrew Fernandez 7-85, Efren Young 9-26, Neo Rodriguez 3-21, Jason Fernandez 3-(-4), Christopher Ramos 7-53, Team 3-(-6). Midland, Tim Gates 22-168, DQ Hernis 9-42, Elijah Turner 8-68, Suddin Sapien 6-49, Riggs McDonald 1-12.

PASSING - Montwood, A. Fernandez 18-27-0-365, J. Fernandez 3-4-0-46; Midland, Riggs McDonald 9-14-1—160, Sapien 6-9-0-71, Turner 1-1-0-41.

RECEIVING - Montwood, Tyreese Andrus 9-235, Tury Cepeda 3-70, Daniel Aguilar 3-33, Edward Garibay 3-22, Andrew Revilla 1-6, Alex Rodriguez 2-4, JJ Gomez 1-42; Midland, Jalen Terhune 2-58, Campbell Keithley 2-29, Gates 1-11, Caedon McDonald 3-10, Darius Manning 2-49, Ricky Rodriguez 2-68, Turner 4-24

INTERCEPTIONS - Montwood, Chris Martinez 1-14

MIDLAND HUMANE COALITION
UPCOMING EVENTS
9/06 6:00-9:00 Microchipping at Beer Garden
9/07 6:30-8:30 Microchipping at Beer Garden's Yappy Hour
9/11 6:00 Volunteer Orientation at Adoption Center in PetSmart
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FROM STAFF REPORTS

EL PASO FRANKLIN AT ODESSA PERMIAN

When/where: 7 p.m. today, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa

On the radio: KMCM (96.9 FM)

Records: EP Franklin 1-0; Permian 1-0

Last game: EP Franklin 48, Midland High 22; Permian 28, Austin Vandegrift 24

Last meeting/series: Permian won 61-0 last season and leads the all-time series 1-0

Three things to watch:

■ Permian is coming off a nail biting victory last Friday against Austin Vandegrift, as receiver Justin Hammond hauled in a 23-yard, game-winning pass from Steve Steen with 1:22 to play in the fourth quarter. The Panthers trailed, 21-14 after three quarters.

■ Junior running back Ed Williams ostablished himself nicely in the victory, as he piled up 148 yards and a touchdown on 20 carries for Permian. He paced a typically run-heavy Panthers' offense that accounted for 320 of its 397 yards on the ground.

Permian will face a Franklin run defense that limited Midland High to 139 yards on the ground last Friday.

■ The Cougars expect to roll out a balanced offense, led by quarterback Chris Kelley and a deep stable of running backs, headlined by Taj Crenshaw and Seth Dominguez.

Against MHS, Kelley completed 11 of his 18 passes for 184 yards and two scores, while Crenshaw and Dominguez combined for 134 yards and four total touchdowns.

Next: Copperas Cove at El Paso Franklin, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15, Odessa Permian at El Paso Eastwood, 8 p.m. CT Friday, Sept. 15

NO. 2 MCS AT NO. 2 BROCK

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Eagle Stadium, Brock

Online: Live streaming available at http://bit.ly/watchmcs

Records: Midland Christian 1-0; Brock 1-0

Last game: MCS 41, El Paso Eastwood 31; Brock 55, Stamford 7

Last meeting/series: In 2016, Brock def. MCS, 57-41 to take first meeting.

Three things to watch:

■ Both programs are not only the No. 2-ranked teams in the state in their respective classifications, but they also bring championship pedigree to the table with four combined state titles this decade. MCS won three straight TAPPS Division II state titles from 2011-13, while Brock was the 2015 Class 3A Division I state champion.

■ The Mustangs ran for 365 yards, spearheaded by QB Peyton Powell's 288 yards on the ground against Eastwood.

Despite Powell's 420-yard effort vs. the Eagles last year, MCS head coach Greg McClendon says Brock's defense will be geared toward making his team throw. "They're going to run a heavy box, they're going to try to pressure the quarterback and they're going to try to make you throw the ball," McClendon said.

■ Like MCS, the Eagles are more run-oriented on offense, but McClendon says they are more improved throwing the ball this year with QB Tripp Jones.

Next: El Paso Americas at MCS, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15; Brock at Grapevine Faith, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15

LUBBOCK HIGH AT ANDREWS

When/where: 7:30 p.m., Mustang Bowl, Andrews

On the radio: KACT (105.5 FM, 1360 AM), Andrews

Records: Andrews 1-0; Lubbock High 1-0

Last game: Andrews 75, San Angelo Lake View 21; Lubbock High 20, Seminole 17, OT

Last meeting/series: Andrews defeated Lubbock High, 28-16, last year and leads the all-time series 5-3-1

Three things to watch:

■ Andrews had 579 yards of offense and scored on 12 of 14 possessions against Lake View. QB Jace Keesee threw for 284 yards and six touchdowns, RB Britin Garcia caught five passes for 98 yards and WR Noah Lujan caught five passes for 60 yards and two TDs.

■ Lubbock High pulled off the win in Seminole when the Westerners answered a field goal with a 25-yard TD by Isaiah Johnson. LHS won despite only gaining 211 yards, while holding Seminole to 216.

■ Andrews coach Ralph Mason expects Class 5A Lubbock High to present a challenge, especially since the Westerners don't have to use too many two-way players.

"They're better than they were last year," Mason said. "They were able to contain Seminole's offense pretty well and executed just enough offensively to get the win."

Next: Andrews at Levelland, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15; Dumas at Lubbock High, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15

BIG SPRING AT SWEETWATER

On the radio: KBEST-FM (95.7), KBYG (106.1 FM, 1400 AM), Big Spring

When/where: 7:30 p.m., Mustang Bowl, Sweetwater

Records: Big Spring 0-1; Sweetwater 1-0

Last game: Amarillo Caprock 38, Big Spring 18; Sweetwater 35, Wichita Falls 10

Last meeting/series: Sweetwater defeated Big Spring, 60-20, last year and leads the all-time series 53-29

Three things to watch:

■ Big Spring got off to a slow start in its season opener as it was held to just six points in the first half and turned the ball over four times in the game. However, Steers coach Mitch McLemore said the team played better in the second half. QB Jack Everett threw for 172 yards and a TD in the loss.

■ Sweetwater, a Class 4A Division II state finalist from a year ago, is coming off a win over 5A Wichita Falls. QB Chris Thompson was 19-of-24 passing for 304 yards, four touchdowns and an interception.

■ McLemore said a key for his team is slowing down Thompson.

"He's one of the best quarterbacks in the state, so we've got our work cut out for us," McLemore said. "If we can take care of the football and play well on special teams, we've got a chance to surprise some people."

Next: Big Spring at Monahans, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15; San Angelo Lake View at Sweetwater, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15

WINK AT STANTON

When/where: 7:30 p.m., Buffalo Stadium, Stanton

On the radio: KBTS-FM (94.3), Big Spring

Records: Stanton 0-1; Wink 1-0

Last game: Seagraves 37, Stanton 20; Sundown 46, Wink 41

Last meeting/series: Wink defeated Stanton, 38-8, last year and leads the all-time series 9-7.

Three things to watch:

■ Stanton lost four fumbles last week and coach John Peterson said turnovers contributed to his team going down 20-6 at the half. The Buffaloes rushed for 187 of their 246 total yards last week with Devin Simpson leading the team with 71 yards rushing. Peterson said he was proud of the way his team kept fighting in the second half.

■ Peterson said the Buffaloes may have lost two linemen for the year in senior Alejandro Machuca (broken vertebrae) and junior Rankin Kiker (knee).

■ Wink is coming off a close loss but QB Josh Riley had a big game, passing for 244 yards and two touchdowns, while rushing for 116 yards and two more TDs. Peterson said slowing down Riley will be one key for his team.

Next: Forsan at Stanton, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15; Wink at Plains, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15

COAHOMA AT MCCAMEY

When/where: 7:30 p.m., Badger Stadium, McCamey

On the radio: KBST (1490 AM), Big Spring

Records: Coahoma 1-0; McCamey 1-0

Last game: Coahoma 24, Forsan 19; McCamey 24, Reagan County 6

Last meeting/series: McCamey defeated Coahoma last year, 40-26, but Coahoma leads the all-time series 10-5

Three things to watch:

■ Coahoma beat its rival in the Howard County Bowl last week thanks to being a more physical team a rushing for 332 yards. Joe Escobedo rushed for 163 yards and two TDs on 24 carries, while Braden Pearson added 147 yards and two TDs on 22 carries.

■ McCamey, a Class 2A Division I team, handled Class 3A Division II team Reagan County last week as QB Carson Fuentes passed for 225 yards and three touchdowns.

■ Coahoma coach Fred Dietz said Fuentes does a good job of extending plays and the Badgers have some talent in the skill positions. He said it's going to be important for his team to once again control the line of scrimmage and mix in more of the passing game to keep McCamey's defense honest.

Next: Reagan County at Coahoma, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15; Iraan at McCamey, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15

FORSAN AT ELDORADO

When/Where: 7:30 p.m., Larry Mitchell Stadium, Eldorado

On the radio: KXCS (105.5 FM),Big Spring

Records: Forsan 0-1; Eldorado 1-0

Last game: Coahoma 24, Forsan 19; Rocksprings 34, Eldorado 30

Last meeting/series: Forsan defeated Eldorado last year, 33-0, but Eldorado leads series 10-3

Three things to watch:

■ Coahoma had a big night running the ball to beat Forsan last week in the Howard County Bowl. The Buffaloes had 113 yards rushing but had a good night from QB Bryce Hergert, who completed 17 of 29 passes for 227 yards and three TDs.

■ Forsan coach Jason Phillips said his team did a good job of improving last week as the game went on and added Hergert made good decisions and checks when he needed to and he hopes to see him keep improving.

■ Phillips said the Eagles like to spread it out more, so it's going to be important for his team to play more physical.

Next: Forsan at Stanton, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15; Eldorado at Harper, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15

NO. 2 GARDEN CITY AT SANTA ANNA

When/where: 7:30 p.m., Mountaineer Field, Santa Anna

Records: Garden City 1-0; Santa Anna 0-1

Last game: Garden City 70, Austin Veritas 26; May 60, Santa Anna 0

Last meeting/series: Garden City defeated Santa Anna, 52-6, last year and leads the all-time series 3-0

Three things to watch:

■ Garden City rolled past the No. 1 team in TAPPS six-man Division I with 435 yards of offense, 271 of which coming on the ground. JD Rodriguez led the Bearkats with 179 yards rushing and two TDs, while QB Trent McMillan threw for 135 yards and five TDs and even caught a TD pass.

■ Garden City coach Jeff Jones said his team played a pretty complete game but added that the Bearkats do need to clean up some of the silly penalties.

■ Jones said Santa Anna changed up its offense to a tight spread, which makes it a little dangerous. "They could surprise you if you don't take care of business," Jones said.

Next: Garden City at Balmorhea, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 22; Robert Lee at Santa Anna, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15

ROBERT LEE AT GRADY

When/where: 7:30 p.m., Tunnell Field, Lenorah

Records: Grady 0-1; Robert Lee 1-0

Last game: Highland 70, Grady 24; Panther Creek 79, Robert Lee 73

Last meeting/series: Robert Lee defeated Grady, 62-14, last year in the teams' only meeting

Three things to watch:

■ Grady coach Brent Lucas said his team was leading Highland last week, 24-14, before the Wildcats "ran out of gas." Lucas said that may be an ongoing problem with only nine players on the roster.

■ Lucas said his team needs to have better execution , minimize mistakes and be more aggressive.

■ Lucas said Robert Lee likes to run the ball. "They don't do anything fancy. We have to be able to stop that," he said.

Next: Water Valley at Grady, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15; Robert Lee at Santa Anna, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15

RANKIN AT VERIBEST

When/where: 7:30 p.m., Falcon Field, Veribest

Records: Rankin 0-1; Veribest 1-0

Last game: Balmorhea 69, Rankin 21 ; Veribest 60, Rochelle 14

Last meeting/series: This is the first meeting.

Three things to watch:

■ The Red Devils look to bounce back after facing one of the best teams in six-man Division II.

■ Rankin coach Jeff Shelton believes his team will be improved and the Red Devils just need to execute on offense better and clean up some defensive alignment issues.

■ Shelton said Veribest has some good backs with six but it likes to spread it out. "If we can keep their playmakers in check, we've got an opportunity to win the game," he said.

Next: Rankin at Sanderson, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15; Brookesmith at Veribest, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15

A&M coach Sumlin receives threatening piece hate mail

By Ben Baby
The Dallas Morning News

Days after Texas A&M's last-minute loss to UCLA in the season opener, coach Kevin Sumlin received a threatening piece of mail with a racial slur, according to a report.

Per GridironNow.com's Rachel Baribeau, Sumlin's family received mail that said the following: "You suck as a coach! You're a (expletive) and can't win! Please get lost! or else"

Sumlin came under additional scrutiny this week after UCLA's 34-point comeback win in the season-opening game. Immediately following the loss, Texas A&M board of regent Tony Buzbee issued a statement saying he planned on voting for Sumlin's dismissal. Sumlin's contract expires at the end of the 2019 season.

The tweet from Baribeau appears to be a draft from the account of Sumlin's wife. No name was listed on the piece of racist mail. The listed return address is the Houston Country Club. HCC was not immediately available for comment.

Despite grumblings about Sumlin, notably, the annual eight-win season, there's the matter of his contract. Two years remain after this season, at $5 million per. Unless Buzbee is willing to kick in, who's footing the rest of that?

Even if money's not a problem, the rest of this season remains in play, despite Sunday's collapse.

Set for encore, Cowboys' Prescott ignores 'sophomore slump'

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

FRISCO — Dak Prescott stared blankly at a reporter who asked how many times the new face of the Dallas franchise had heard the term "sophomore slump" in recent months after one of the best rookie seasons for a quarterback in NFL history.

"Say again?" the reigning NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year said.

The reporter repeated the question.

"What's that?" Prescott shot back.

Without using any words, the sudden star of America's Team suggested there's plenty he thinks he can do for an encore starting Sunday night against the New York Giants after leading the Cowboys to the best record in the NFC.

And since Prescott likes to talk about winning, that's probably the best place to start since the Cowboys followed their franchise-record 11-game winning streak and 13-3 season with a divisional playoff loss at home to Green Bay last January.

"All I've ever known is hard work, and hard work pays off," said Prescott, who tied the rookie QB record of 13 wins set by Pittsburgh's Ben Roethlisberger in 2004.

"That's what I did in this offseason as I've done every offseason in my career." He also signed endorsements, attended packed youth football camps bearing his name and celebrated from the second row when his alma mater, Mississippi State, ended UConn's record 111-game winning streak at the women's Final Four in Dallas.

While recognizing his rapid rise to fame, Prescott never missed a chance to explain why it was happening. That also meant reminding everyone that the winning and the touchdowns and the triple-digit passer rating had to continue as well.

"Everything," offensive coordinator Scott Linehan said when asked what Prescott needed to do to improve on his remarkable debut.

"I'm being honest. He's also very honest with himself. He works on his fundamentals and takes the coaching like no one else in my opinion and works on a daily basis to get better."

Prescott was a fourth-round draft pick and third-string quarterback when backup Kellen Moore broke an ankle in training camp last year. He'd already had two impressive preseason outings when Tony Romo broke a bone in his back in the third exhibition game.

A year later, Prescott appears to be the next 10-year starter after Romo, who retired and went into broadcasting after having to accept during the season that he wasn't getting his job back.

Sudden change? Depends on who's talking.

"I feel like by the time Sunday comes last year to this year, it's the same," Prescott said. "My coaches do a good job preparing me. Obviously I'm a much better player, much more experienced. So that takes care of itself. But for the most part I'm going to be prepared for the game when Sunday hits."

The Giants beat Prescott and the Cowboys twice last season, first in what was a solid outing for his debut and then in by far Prescott's worst game, a 10-7 Dallas loss that ended the 11-game run.

Prescott wasn't the only record-setting rookie for the Cowboys last season. Ezekiel Elliott led the NFL with 1,631 yards rushing as the fourth overall pick, and both benefited from one of the league's best offensive lines.

HOLCOMB

From 1C

a cover backer and plays great in space. He fits the position really well. But just his effort and his ability to make plays is what I've been impressed with. The kids trust him, kids follow him and he's a great example for our football team."

Holcomb would love nothing more than to lead the Rangers to a great season. From what he's seen, the team has the right attitude to be a great.

"Everybody is just really excited this year," he said. "We're just really aggressive and flying to the ball on everything. Everything is just a lot more fun this year and it makes it more enjoyable. That's why we all love it so much this year with the new coaches and everything. They really involve us more and it makes it a lot more fun for us."

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BROWNFIELD AT GREENWOOD

When/where: 7:30 p.m., J.M. King Memorial Stadium

On the web: towntalkradio.com/greenwood-sports-radio

Twitter updates: @OLeRoy_MRT

Records: Greenwood 1-0; Brownfield 0-1

Last game: Greenwood 14, Brownfield 7; Clyde 49, Brownfield 32

Last meeting/series: Greenwood defeated Brownfield, 63-37, last year and leads the all-time series 7-4

What to watch:

■ Greenwood went to the running game to beat Snyder last week as the Rangers rushed for 286 yards and only passed for 33. QB Jake Somers led the team with 155 yards and a TD on 16 carries, while RB Ryan Snodgrass added 90 yards on 11 carries.

Defensively, the Rangers forced three turnovers in addition to holding the Tigers to 185 total yards.

■ Brownfield was outgained 481-473 by Clyde in the loss and was plagued by five turnovers. Cubs QB Jaelyn Nolan was just 8-of-20 passing for 119 yards, one TD and two touchdowns, but he added 118 yards and a TD on eight carries.

■ Greenwood coach Jared Sanderson said Brownfield is dangerous on offense, especially with Nolan.

"Their quarterback is a really good player and he's got four years of varsity experience," Sanderson said. "We have to put a net around him because he can move around and throw the ball downfield. Football is a game of inches and we have to make sure we maintain leverage on the kid, because he does have the ability to get outside and outrun you."

■ Last week Sanderson picked up his first win as the Rangers' head coach. He said that will be one he will always remember.

■ Sanderson said the Rangers are healthy going into this week's game.

Next: Greenwood at Shallowater, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15; Brownfield at Muleshoe, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15

FOUONJI

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of the Rebels' program. Fouonji was an athlete and person he was eagerly waiting for.

"It wasn't hard to see how he worked, how he is a good athlete," Hartman said. "But there are a bunch of those guys and a lot of them never make it. Because of his internal work ethic, I think he'll make a great impact. He's an awesome kid to have around."

Fouonji, a straight-A student, is dedicated to punctuality and maximum effort. He says his academics have always come before football, even as he may be beginning to take on an greater role on varsity team.

"Every time I get home, my parents inspire me to do my homework and everything," Fouonji said. "I have to get that done before I start doing football."

Thus far during his football journey, Fouonji has been able to lean on his background as a soccer player, as well as a successful stint on Lee's varsity track team last year as a freshman running the 800 meter relay.

A booming leg has the Rebels' coaching staff slotting him in as the team's punter this season, with possible time as a place kicker as well. He booted the ball twice for 63 yards on Friday and with his first punts of his varsity career, he sent the ball spinning high into the night sky in polished form.

Fouonji said he was taken back by his first varsity score, a strike that gave his team a 30-14 lead in the second quarter.

"On the route I was just running down the field, I saw the ball coming up (in the air) and I caught it," Fouonji said. "I was like 'Whoa, I just caught this touchdown.' I was amazed by it."

Added Hartman on Fouonji's debut: "He blocked well, he did everything well, he got an opportunity and he did great."

As a young player, Hartman said Fouonji never stops working to improve. He doesn't expect that to change just because of a few encouraging performances.

He offered future Hall of Fame quarterback and Super Bowl champion Peyton Manning as an example.

"Is everything technically perfect yet? No. But Peyton Manning worked until he was 42 to make it perfect," Hartman said. "Fouonji is working and if you never work, you can never reach your goals.

"Every day he just keeps getting better. He doesn't have a second gear, he only has a high gear. I'm really proud of him."

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ABILENE HIGH AT LEE

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Grande Communications Stadium

On the radio: KFZX (102.1 FM), streamed online at clasicrock102.net

For live updates: Follow @Will_MRT on Twitter

Records: Abilene High 0-1; Lee 1-0

Last game: San Angelo Central 42, Abilene High 28; Lee 58, El Paso Coronado 24

Last meeting/series: Abilene High won 48-14 last season, but Lee leads the all-time series 31-23

Five things to watch:

■ It was a tale of two halves for Abilene High in its 42-28 road loss to San Angelo Central last Friday. The Eagles managed only four yards in the first half and fell behind 22-0 at halftime.

In the second half, Abilene's offense found some rhythm and reeled off a pair of touchdowns in both the third and fourth quarters, but the damage had been done. On the ground, Abilene managed just 53 yards on 27 carries.

■ Hartman said the Eagles are always a well-disciplined team and he doesn't expect them to struggle early like they did against the Bobcats.

"Both sides of the football are always very well coached," Hartman said. "They are going to do the little things right. They have a lot of pride in their program. We know each other pretty well and it's a West Texas rivalry type of deal. It's going to come down to turnover ratio and eliminating explosive plays."

■ Last week, junior Kallin Sipe and senior Andrew Ezzell shared time at quarterback for the Eagles. Ezzell completed 16 of his 29 passes for 220 yards, three touchdowns and an interception, while Sipe was 3-for-4 for 23 yards.

■ Senior receiver Raekwon Millsap is Abilene's top returning playmaker and he created havoc for the Bobcats last Friday. He hauled in seven passes for 160 yards and a pair of scores.

Millsap figures to be one of the top receivers and athletes the Rebel defense will face this season.

"He's as good as there is out there," Hartman said. "He is very, very good."

■ In the historic 54-meeting series between these two programs, eras of dominance have been exchanged. The Eagles won eight of the first 10 meetings between 1961-1970, but Lee took 26 of the next 30 meetings from 1971-2000, including 14 straight wins from 1987-2000.

Since Lee's third consecutive state title in 2000 however, they've beaten the Eagles just three times — most recently, a 28-27 last second victory in 2015 at Shotwell Stadium.

Next: Abilene High at Abilene Cooper, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15; El Paso El Dorado at Lee, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15

Missions rally to beat RockHounds, tie series 1-1

From staff reports

SAN ANTONIO — The Midland RockHounds rallied in the middle innings, but fell short in a 4-3 loss against the San Antonio Missions in Game 2 of the Texas League South Division Championship series, Thursday at Nelson Wolff Stadium.

The Missions tied the best-of-five series at one game apiece and will travel to Midland for Game 3, set for 7 p.m. today at Security Bank Ballpark. Game 4 is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday at Security Bank Ballpark.

San Antonio took a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first on an RBI double play groundout by Noah Perio. In the second, J.P. Sportman doubled to right field to knot the game at 1-1 for the RockHounds.

The Missions pulled ahead 3-1 in the third, courtesy of an RBI single by Ty France and another double play groundout by Nick Torres. A single by Luis Urias in the fourth stretched the lead to 4-1.

Texas League Playoffs

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Semifinal
Best-of-5
NW Arkansas 3, Tulsa 1
Wednesday, Sep. 6: NW Arkansas 5, Tulsa 1
Thursday, Sep. 7: Tulsa 11, NW Arkansas 7
Friday, Sep. 8: NW Arkansas at Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.
Saturday, Sep. 9: NW Arkansas at Tulsa, 8:05 p.m.
x-Sunday, Sep. 10: NW Arkansas at Tulsa, 7:05 p.m.
Midland 1, San Antonio 1
Wednesday, Sep. 6: Midland 9, San Antonio 2
Thursday, Sep. 7: San Antonio 4, Midland 3
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Midland answered with an RBI single by Jorge Mateo in the fifth and a solo home run byViosergy Rosa — his third of the series — in the sixth.

A night after driving in a career-high eight RBI for the RockHounds, Rosa finished the game going 2-for-4 with the home run, a double and two runs scored.

Right-hander James Naile got the start for Midland and struggled, as he surrendered four earned runs on 10 hits over 3 2/3 innings in a loss.

Missions' starter Brett Kennedy earned the win after allowing three earned runs on seven hits while striking out four in 5 1/3 frames.

Trey Wingenter picked up the save for San Antonio after a perfect ninth inning.

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Sportman cf	4	1	2	1	France dh	4	0	1	1
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Murphy c	4	0	0	0	Gattys cf	4	0	0	0
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Seth Wenig/Associated Press

Sloane Stephens, of the United States, reacts after defeating Venus Williams, of the United States, during the semifinals of the U.S. Open tennis tournament, on Thursday in New York.

2 points from defeat, Stephens edges Williams in US Open SF

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Two points from defeat against Venus Williams at the U.S. Open, Sloane Stephens summoned her best strokes when she needed them the most to reach a Grand Slam final for the first time.

Stephens was so close to defeat before taking the last three games of a back-and-forth semifinal between two Americans at Flushing Meadows, edging seven-time major champion Williams 6-1, 0-6, 7-5 on Thursday night.

"It required a lot of fight, a lot of grit," said Stephens, who is ranked 83rd after having surgery on her left foot in January and is the fourth unseeded finalist at the tournament in the Open era, which dates to 1968.

At 37, Williams was attempting to become the oldest woman to win a Grand Slam title in the Open era. She was trying to reach her third major final of this season, something she last did 15 years ago. Here's how long and successful her career has been: Williams' first title match in New York came in her U.S. Open debut in 1997. Stephens was 4 at the time.

"I'm honestly just honored to be able to play at the same time as her, one of the greatest ever to play our game," said Stephens, who joined spectators in clapping for Williams when she walked off the court.

Williams was quite near to winning, ahead 5-4 with Stephens serving at 30-all. Two points away. There. they engaged in a 25-stroke point, until Stephens conjured up a backhand passing winner down the line, then wheeled and pumped her fists.

"Venus knows it's an opportunity lost," said her coach, David Witt, "because she had it. She had it on her racket."

At 5-all, Stephens broke with the help of a lob winner that drew a standing ovation from the crowd, and a full-sprint get of a short ball that she turned into a "How did she do that?!" winner at an impossible angle to love 30.

"There was nothing I could do about those shots," Williams said.

Soon enough, Stephens was serving out the biggest win of her career — and of her impressive comeback from surgery. She returned to the tour at Wimbledon in July, losing in the first round, and lost her next match, too. Her ranking, which reached a high of No. 11 in 2013, dropped out of the top 900.

But since then, Stephens has won 14 of 16 matches.

"I have no words to describe what I'm feeling, what it took to get here," Stephens said in her on-court interview. "Just the journey."

On Saturday, Stephens will meet No. 15 Madison Keys or No. 20 CoCo Vandeweghe in the first all-American U.S. Open women's final since 2002, when Williams and her sister Serena faced each other.

Keys and Vandeweghe were scheduled for the second semifinal later Thursday night. Neither has ever been to a major final.

This was the first time in 36 years that all four women's semifinalists at the U.S. Open represented the host country, so it was understandable if spectators in Arthur Ashe Stadium were conflicted about which players to pull for.

Williams vs. Stephens was a back-and-forth affair, with a pair of lopsided sets leading up to a classic third. Just when it seemed one woman or the other was in full command, the match would swerve in a new direction.

They both hit the ball hard. They both covered so much ground, Williams getting to seemingly unreachable balls thanks to her long wingspan, Stephens doing the same thanks to her speed.

Fans cheered for Williams when she was shown on the arena's video boards for a brief pre-match interview in the hallway that leads from the locker rooms to the court entrance. They roared for Williams during introductions after politely applauding Stephens. And they got louder than ever when Williams finally began to work her way back into the match early in the second set.

The far more experienced Williams was shakier in the early going, ceding the initial break to trail 3-1 thanks to four consecutive shots that went awry. The opening set was not much of a contest, thanks mainly to miscue after miscue by Williams — she had 17 unforced errors by the time it was over, 12 more than Stephens.

Williams finished with six double-faults and a total of 51 unforced errors, 24 more than Stephens.

"I just wasn't playing well. Those are moments where you have to dig deep and figure out how to get the ball on the court and have a big game. I can't be tentative and try to figure out how to put that ball in," Williams said. "Clearly she's seen me play many, many times. I haven't seen her play as much."

Semifinal
Sloane Stephens, United States, def. Venus Williams (9), United States, 6-1, 0-6, 7-5

Men's Doubles
Semifinal
Hora Tecau, Romania and Jean-Julien Rojer (12), Netherlands, def. Henri Kontinen, Finland and John Peers (1), Australia, 1-6, 7-6 (5), 7-5
Feliciano Lopez, Spain and Marc Lopez (11), Spain, def. Bob Bryan, United States and Mike Bryan (5), United States, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4

Women's Doubles
Quarterfinal
Yung-Jan Chan (2), Taiwan and Martina Hingis (2), Switzerland, def. Zhang Shuai, China and Chan Hao-Ching, Taiwan, 6-2, 6-2
Sania Mirza (4), India and Peng Shuai (4), China def. Timea Babos (5), Hungary and Andrea Hlavackova (5), Czech Republic, 7-6 (5), 6-4

MLB ROUNDUP

American League

YANKEES 9
ORIOLES 1

BALTIMORE — Aaron Judge and Chase Headley hit two-run homers, Starlin Castro and Todd Frazier added solo shots and the New York Yankees beat the Baltimore Orioles 9-1 Thursday for their first series win at Camden Yards in four years.

Didi Gregorius had three hits and scored twice for the Yankees, who closed within 3 1/2 games of AL East-leading Boston and fortified their grip on the top AL wild card.

Sonny Gray (9-9) gave up one unearned run and six hits in 5 2/3 innings. The right-hander is 3-4 since he was acquired by New York in a July 31 trade with Oakland.

INDIANS 11
WHITE SOX 2

CHICAGO — The Cleveland Indians set a franchise record with their 15th consecutive win Thursday night, beating the Chicago White Sox 11-2 behind another terrific outing for Corey Kluber.

Cleveland also belted five homers while becoming the first major league team with a 15-game winning streak since Oakland won 20 in a row in 2002. Edwin Encarnacion hit a three-run drive in the first and Francisco Lindor connected in the second to help the Indians get off to a fast start.

Kluber (15-4) struck out 13 in seven innings. Yolmer Sanchez and Jose Abreu homered in the first for Chicago, but Kluber allowed only one more hit for the rest of his outing.

National League

METS 7
REDS 2

NEW YORK — Rookie Brandon Nimmo homered twice, Juan Lagares added a solo shot and the New York Mets beat the Cincinnati Reds 7-2 on Thursday night.

New York has won three of four and ended the Reds' three-game winning streak to open a four-game series.

Hitting in the cleanup spot, Nimmo ripped an opposite-field drive off reliever Tim Adleman in the fifth inning that touched just above the orange line on the left-field wall for a home run.

Lagares followed with a liner that traveled a bit farther into the seats, giving the Mets a 5-2 lead on their 201st homer of the year — the second highest total in club history (218 in 2016). Nimmo added No. 202 in the sixth.

Matt Harvey (5-4) was ineffective early but regrouped for the win, allowing two runs and five hits in five innings.

Tyler Mahle (0-2) struggled in his third major league start, giving up three runs, six hits and four walks in four innings.

NATIONALS 4
PHILLIES 3

WASHINGTON — Trea Turner capped Washington's three-run sixth inning with a two-run single, and the Nationals beat the Philadelphia Phillies 4-3 on Thursday night for their fourth straight win.

Adam Lind had two hits and scored a run for Washington, and Michael A. Taylor contributed a terrific catch in center field. Tanner Roark (12-9) allowed three runs and seven hits in six innings.

Jorge Alfaro and Tommy Joseph homered for Philadelphia, and Odubel Herrera extended his hitting streak to 20 games, the longest in the majors this season.

CUBS 8
PIRATES 2

PITTSBURGH — Albert Almora Jr. hit a two-run homer, Ian Happ had three hits and the Chicago Cubs rolled to an 8-2 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates on Thursday night. The Cubs had 13 hits, including eight for extra bases, as the offense broke out after totaling four runs in the first three games of the series. Happ singled and scored in the first, and Javier Baez hit a leadoff double in the second and came home on Rene Rivera's sacrifice bunt. Jason Heyward singled and was driven in by pitcher Jon Lester's double in the fourth. Baez and Heyward then drove in Anthony Rizzo and Ben Zobrist with back-to-back singles in the fifth. Pirates starter Jameson Taillon (7-6) lasted just 4 2/3 innings while giving up six runs and 11 hits. Taillon struck out three.

BRAVES 6
MARLINS 5

ATLANTA — Kurt Suzuki capped a two-run rally in the ninth inning when his lined single past third base drove in Freddie Freeman and lifted the Atlanta Braves over the Miami Marlins 6-5 on Thursday night.

MLB GLANCE

Standings

American League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	79	61	.564	—
New York	75	64	.540	3½
Baltimore	71	69	.507	8
Tampa Bay	70	71	.496	9½
Toronto	64	76	.457	15
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	84	56	.600	—
Minnesota	73	67	.521	11
Kansas City	69	70	.496	14½
Detroit	59	80	.424	24½
Chicago	54	85	.388	29½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	86	53	.619	—
Los Angeles	72	68	.514	14½
Texas	70	69	.504	16
Seattle	69	71	.493	17½
Oakland	59	80	.424	27

National League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	86	54	.614	—
Miami	67	72	.482	18½
Atlanta	61	77	.442	24
New York	61	79	.436	25
Philadelphia	53	87	.379	33
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	76	63	.547	—
St. Louis	72	67	.518	4
Milwaukee	72	68	.514	4½
Pittsburgh	67	73	.479	9½
Cincinnati	61	80	.433	16
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	92	47	.662	—
Arizona	82	58	.586	10½
Colorado	74	65	.532	18
San Diego	62	78	.443	30½
San Francisco	55	87	.387	38½

Wild Card standings

American League

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	75	64	.540	—
Minnesota	72	67	.518	—
Los Angeles	72	68	.514	½
Baltimore	71	69	.507	1½
Texas	70	69	.504	2
Kansas City	69	69	.500	2½
Tampa Bay	70	71	.496	3
Seattle	69	71	.493	3½
Toronto	64	76	.457	8½
Detroit	59	80	.424	13
Oakland	59	80	.424	13
Chicago	54	85	.388	18
National League				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	82	58	.586	—
Colorado	74	65	.532	—
St. Louis	72	67	.518	2
Milwaukee	72	68	.514	2½
Miami	67	73	.479	7½
Pittsburgh	67	74	.475	8
Atlanta	62	77	.446	12
San Diego	62	78	.443	12½
New York	61	79	.436	13½
Cincinnati	61	80	.433	14
San Francisco	55	87	.387	20½
Philadelphia	53	87	.379	21½

Scores and Schedules

American League
Thursday's Scores
N.Y Yankees 9, Baltimore 1
Cleveland 11, Chicago White Sox 2
Minnesota 4, Kansas City 2

Today's Games
Detroit (Farmer 3-2) at Toronto (Stroman 11-6), 6:07 p.m.
Baltimore (Miley 8-11) at Cleveland (Clevinger 8-5), 6:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Archer 9-8) at Boston (Pomeranz 14-5), 6:10 p.m.
N.Y Yankees (Tanaka 11-10) at Texas (Perez 11-10), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Moore 4-13) at Chicago White Sox (Giolito 2-1), 7:10 p.m.
Minnesota (Santana 14-7) at Kansas City (Kennedy 4-10), 7:15 p.m.
Houston (McHugh 2-2) at Oakland (Cotton 7-10), 9:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Nolasco 6-12) at Seattle (Leake 8-12), 9:10 p.m.

National League
Thursday's Scores
Washington 4, Philadelphia 3
N.Y Mets 7, Cincinnati 2
Chicago Cubs 8, Pittsburgh 2
Atlanta 6, Miami 5
St. Louis at San Diego, late
Colorado at L.A. Dodgers, late

Today's Games
Philadelphia (Thompson 1-1) at Washington (Scherzer 13-5), 6:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Garrett 3-8) at N.Y Mets (Lugo 5-4), 6:10 p.m.
Miami (Urena 12-8) at Atlanta (Foltynewicz 10-11), 6:35 p.m.
Milwaukee (Nelson 11-8) at Chicago Cubs (Lackey 11-10), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Moore 4-13) at Chicago White Sox (Giolito 2-1), 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Williams 6-7) at St. Louis (Weaver 4-1), 7:15 p.m.
San Diego (Lyles 0-2) at Arizona (Corbin 13-11), 8:40 p.m.
Colorado (Marquez 10-6) at L.A. Dodgers (Darvish 8-11), 9:10 p.m.

Texas Boxes

ASTROS 5, MARINERS 3 (LATE WEDNESDAY)

Houston	ab	r	h	bi
Springer cf-rf	5	0	2	1
Bregman 3b	5	0	1	0
Correa ss	5	0	0	0
Reddick rf-lf	3	1	2	0
Y.Gmrel 1b	3	1	0	0
Ma.Gnzls 2b	4	1	2	2
Beltran dh	4	0	1	0
Mrsnick pr-dh	0	1	0	0
Stassi c	2	0	0	0
Fisher pr	0	0	0	0
Centeno c	1	0	0	0
T.Kemp lf	2	0	0	0
Maybin ph-cf	2	1	1	2
Totals	36	5	9	5

Seattle	ab	r	h	bi
Segura ss	4	1	1	0
Alonso 1b	4	0	0	0
Cano 2b	2	0	1	1
Cruz dh	4	1	1	0
K.Seger 3b	4	1	1	1
Haniger rf	4	0	2	1
Gamel lf	4	0	0	0
Zunino c	3	0	0	0
Heredia cf	3	0	0	0

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Seattle.....000 012 000—3

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Harris	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Markes	12-3	0	0	0	0	0
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Seattle						
Moore	6	3	2	2	2	3
Rzepczynski	1-3	1	1	1	1	0
Vincent	2-3	1	0	0	0	2
Pagan	1	1	0	0	0	0
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Thursday's linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
YANKEES 9, ORIOLES 1

New York.....302 201 100—913 1
Baltimore.....000 001 000—1 7 0
Gray, Green (8), Kahnle (8), Heller (9) and Romine; Gausman, Wright (4), Hart (6), Rodriguez (6), Yacobonis (8), Givens (9) and Joseph, Sisco. W_Gray 9-9. L_Gausman 10-10. HRs_New York, Castro, Judge, Frazier, Headley.

INDIANS 11, WHITE SOX 2

Cleveland.....412 000301— 11 16 0
Chicago.....200 000000— 2 3 1
Kluber, Armstrong (8), Bresnie (9) and Gomes; Pelfrey, Beck (5), Fry (7), Bramlr (9) and Narvaez. W_Kluber 15-4. L_Pelfrey 3-11. HRs_Cleveland, Allen, Encarnacion, Lindor. Gonzalez 2. Chicago, Sanchez, Abreu.

TWINS 4, ROYALS 2

Minnesota.....000 010 003—410 0
Kansas City.....000 020 000—2 9 0
Gibson, Hildenberger (8), Belisle (9) and J.Castro, Gimenez; Gaviglio, Alexander (6), Moylan (7), Minor (8), K.Herrera (9), Maurer (9) and Perez. W_Hildenberger 3-2. L_K.Herrera 3-3. Sv_Belisle (6). HRs_Minnesota, Grossman

NATIONAL LEAGUE
METS 7, REDS 2

Cincinnati.....110 000 000—2 6 0
New York.....010 222 00x—7 11 0
Mahle, Adleman (5), Chacin (6), Stephens (7) and S.Turner; Harvey, Smoker (6), Familia (7), Ramos (9) and Plawecki. W_Harvey 5-4. L_Mahle 0-2. HRs_New York, Lagares, Nimmo 2.

NATIONALS 4, PHILLIES 3

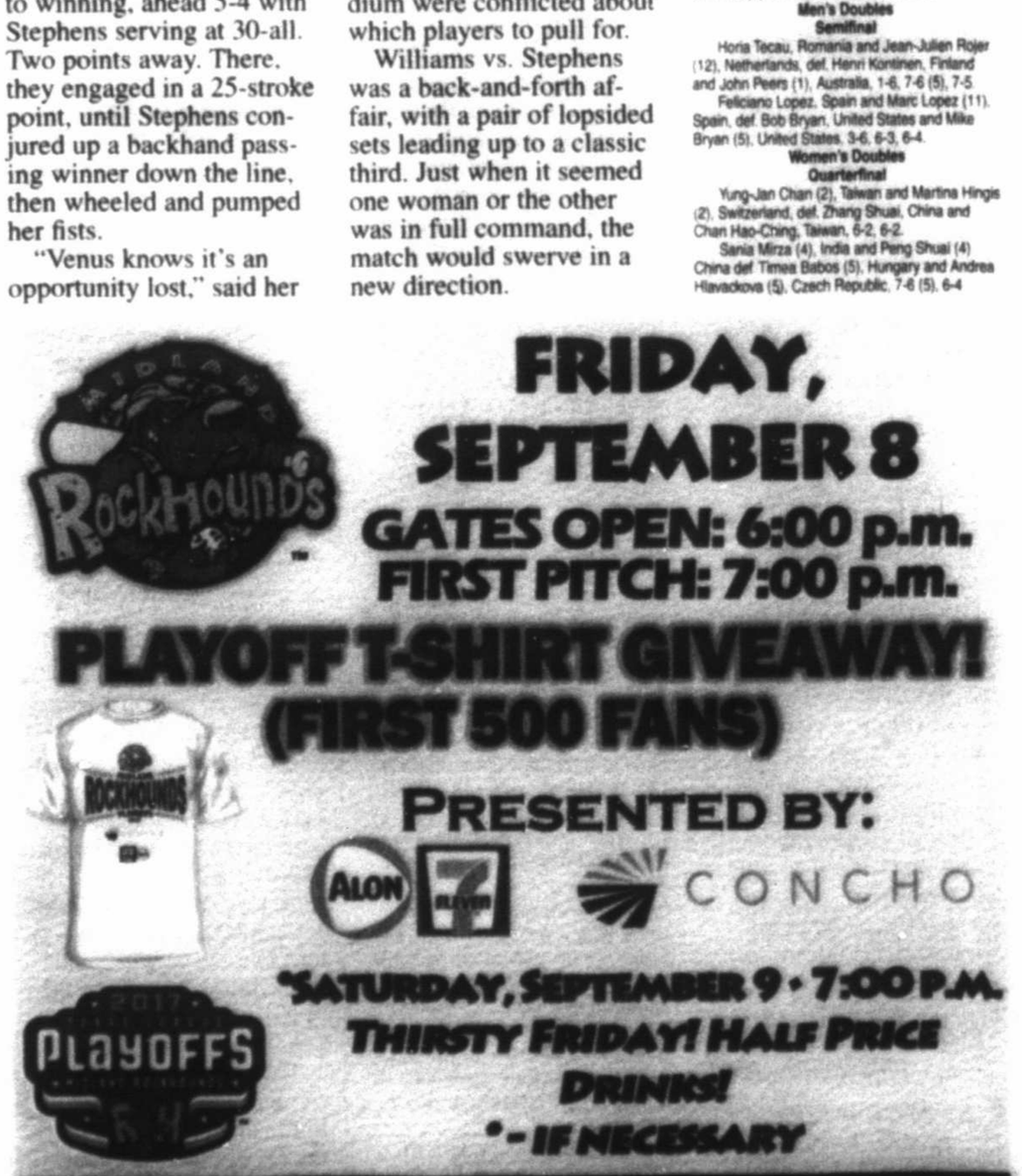
Philadelphia.....001 110 000—3 8 1
Washington.....010 003 00x—410 1
Nola, Morgan (6), Garcia (8) and Alfaro; Roark, Kintzler (7), Madson (8), Doolittle (9) and Wieters. W_Roark 12-9. L_Morgan 3-2. Sv_Doolittle (19). HRs_Philadelphia, Alfaro, Joseph.

CUBS 8, PIRATES 2

Chicago.....111 120 02—813 0
Pittsburgh.....001 000 01—2 8 0
Lester, Grimm (7), Wilson (8), Pena (9) and Rivera; Taillon, Sanchez (5), Strnad (8), Nicasio-kas (9) and E.Diaz. W_Lester 10-7. L_Taillon 7-6. HRs_Chicago, Almora.

BRAVES 6, MARLINS 5

Miami.....300 000 110—510 1
Atlanta.....010 030 002—612 1
Straily, Ellington (6), J.Garcia (7), Steckenrider (7), Barraclough (8), Ziegler (9) and Ellis; Newcomb, Sims (6), S.Freeman (7), Ramirez (7), Brothers (8) and K.Suzuki. W_Brothers 3-3. L_Ziegler 1-4. HRs_Atlanta, Kemp.



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	CNBC		46	52		39	72	American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed	
	CNN		43	50	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		A. Cooper 360		CNN Tonight		CNN Tonight		A. Cooper 360	
	DISC		50	60	31	24	42	Deadliest Catch: Now & Then (N)				Bering Sea Gold		Alaskan Bush (N)		Bering Sea Gold		Alask. Monster 1/2	
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	FNC		45	48	53	23	55	The Story		Tucker Carlson		The Five		Hannity		Tucker Carlson		The Five	
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	FSSW		37	38	50	45	29	Insider (N)	Pre-game (L)	MLB Baseball New York Yankees at Texas Rangers Site: Globe Life Park – Arlington, Texas (L)						Rangers Live (L)	Football Friday (L)	High School Scoreboard (L)	
	FX		31	56	59	64	69	(4:30) ★★ Riddick		★★ World War Z ('13, Act) Mireille Enos, Brad Pitt.						★★ World War Z ('13, Act) Mireille Enos, Brad Pitt.			
	HALLMARK		54	71	58		34	(5:00) ★ Hearts of Sp...		★ The Sweeter Side of Life Kathryn Morris.				Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
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	HISTORY		71	59	29	50	43	Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens (N)		(:05) The Dark Files (N)				(:05) Ancient Aliens	
	LIFETIME		28	30	25	28	48	(5:00) ★★ Just Married		★★ Hitch ('05, Com) Eva Mendes, Kevin James, Will Smith. While helping his latest client, a professional date doctor falls for a journalist.						Couples Retreat "Flight or Fight"		★★ Hitch ('05, Com) Will Smith.	
	MSNBC		47	53		49	73	Hardball (N)		All in (N)		Rachel Maddow (N)		The Last Word (N)		The 11th Hour (N)		Rachel Maddow	
	NBCSN		38	43				Count.	NASCAR Racing Virginia529 College Savings 250 (L)					Post-race	Mecum Auto Auctions "Dallas, TX" (N)				
	NICK		55	-	39	34	37	Sponge	Sponge	★ To Be Announced				F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
	SPIKE		30	-	55	53	58	(4:00) ★ Exodus: Gods and Kings		★★★ The Day After Tomorrow ('04, Act) Dennis Quaid.						★ Hercules Dwayne Johnson.			
	SYFY		66	82	41	57	67	(4:00) ★ Terminator...		★★★★★ Skyfall ('12, Act) Helen McCrory, Daniel Craig.								★★★ Terminator 2: Judgment Day	
	TBS		25	33	44	66	41	ELeague "CS:GO: Group A Winners" (N)				Seinfeld	Sein. "The Pool Guy"	★★★ The Catered Affair Bette Davis.		★★★ Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy ('04, Com) Will Ferrell.		★★★ The Hunger Games	
	TCM		41	75	24	63	66	(5:15) ★ Valley of t...		★★ Taxi! James Cagney.				★★★ The Catered Affair Bette Davis.		★★★ Carry on Cabby			
	TELE		20	-	10	20		Caso cerrado (N)		Jenni Rivera: Ma (N)		Sin Senos Si Hay (N)		Señor de cielos (N)		Al rojo	Titulares	Sin Senos Si Hay P	
	TLC		51	61	32	38	52	Kindred Spirits "Shadows"		Kindred "Breaking and Entering" (N)		Kindred "Trapped in the Attic" (N)		Kindred Spir "Cabin in the Woods" (N)		Kindred "Breaking and Entering"		Kindred Spirits: Bo "Trapped in the Attic	
	TNT		24	34	40	26	50	Bones		★★★ American Sniper ('14, War) Bradley Cooper. An account of the career of Chris Kyle, the most lethal sniper in U.S. military history.						★★★ A Few Good Men ('92, Drama) Demi Moore, Jack Nicholson, Tom Cruise.			
	TVLAND		49	-	35	54	35	MASH	(:35) MASH	(:10) MASH	(:50) Ray	(:25) Loves Ray		Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
	USA		26	55	42	27	49	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family
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Husband's distress over ex's bad news perplexes new wife

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: I have been married to my husband for five years. He's the man of my dreams, and we have a wonderful marriage. Recently we learned that his ex-wife — to whom he was married for 20 years — has been diagnosed with a life-threatening cancer. They have two adult children together.

I have never questioned my husband's love or devotion to me. What's bothering me is his reaction to the news. They had a horrible relationship and never got along, but he is very upset over this. I'm not sure how to handle this. I don't want to seem insensitive, but the emotion he is showing for her has really hurt me. I realize she's the mother of his children, but they have been divorced for years. Please help me understand what's going on with him. — STRONG EMOTIONS

DEAR STRONG EMOTIONS: Not knowing your husband, I can only hazard a few guesses. Although he and his ex-wife have been divorced for years, the idea of a possibly fatal illness striking someone who was once so close may be what's upsetting him. Or he may feel some guilt because of the circumstances of their divorce. Or her diagnosis may have been a chilly reminder of his own mortality. I hope this will give you some insight, because you are going to have to be patient with him until this is resolved.

DEAR ABBY: I need advice on how to enjoy my life and not allow the toxic environment of my job to overwhelm me. My job was nice when I started 12 years ago, and I enjoy helping people. I process payments for disabled people in a cubicle setting. However, my place of employment has become a backstabbing, uncaring, favoritism-oriented environment.

I am well-paid and have good health insurance, so I need to stay. But I am very sad each day going into work. It is affecting the way I interact with my children and my husband. Any ideas on how to get past the horrible day in the office so I can be at peace at home? — DREADING IT

DEAR DREADING: I do have a few suggestions. When it's time to take your break, use it as an opportunity to escape the toxic environment. Put on headphones and listen to upbeat music, read a book or leave the office to eat lunch or have a snack. If possible, take a short walk or meditate and do breathing exercises to relax. Then, after work, before interacting with your children and your spouse, give yourself the "gift" of a 15- to 30-minute walk or jog, which may help you to draw a firm line of demarcation between your work life and your home life. And take your vacation time to get away and replenish your spirit.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

MUD

Neither vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠K
Q J
A Q 10 6 5
♣Q J 10 9 4

WEST
♠9 8 3
10 6 5
K 8 2
♣K 7 3 2

EAST
♠Q 10
A K 9 7 2
J 7 4
♣8 6 5

SOUTH
♠A J 7 6 5 4 2
8 4 3
9 3
♣A

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All pass

Opening lead: Six of ♦

MUD, or middle-up-down, is a popular agreement when leading from three low cards. The middle card is led, followed by the highest card and then the lowest.

The idea is to tell partner how many cards you hold in the suit while warning him, by your failure to lead your lowest card, that you have no high honor in the suit.

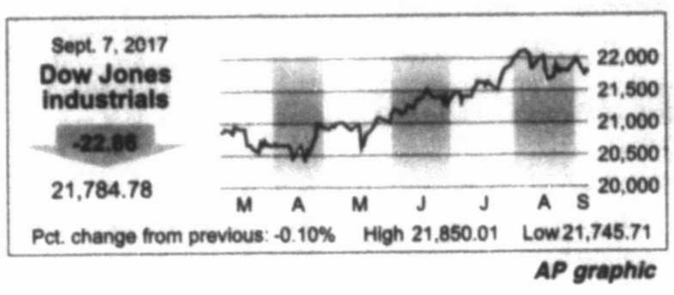
Today's deal is from a tournament in Europe, where it was played at many different tables. A popular defense was to start with three rounds of hearts. Some declarers ruffed the third heart with dummy's king of spades, crossed to their hand with the ace of clubs, and then led the ace of spades followed by a low spade. This lost to East's doubleton queen, but a fourth round of hearts promoted West's nine of trumps into the setting trick.

Some West players were reluctant to play the 10 of hearts on the second round, fearing that declarer might have the nine, and a few declarers succeeded by allowing West to win the third round of hearts with the 10. They won the trump shift, crossed to their hand with the ace of clubs, and cashed the ace of spades. When that felled the queen, South drew the last trump and took the winning diamond finesse for their contract.

Some West players were devoted to their agreements and they did play the 10 on the second heart. This allowed East to continue with the nine of hearts and declarer had no answer. Should South refuse to ruff, East would be on lead and a fourth round of hearts would sink the contract whatever declarer did. MUD wins the day!

BUSINESS & OIL

A DAY ON WALL STREET



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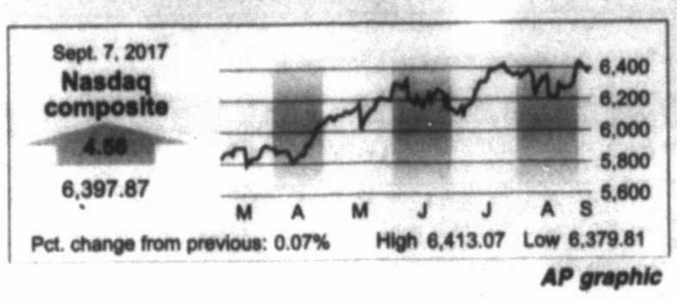

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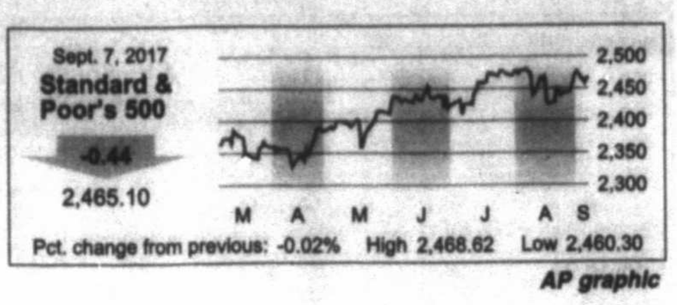

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OIL PRICES

FUTURES

Thursday: $49.09
Previous: $49.16

POSTED

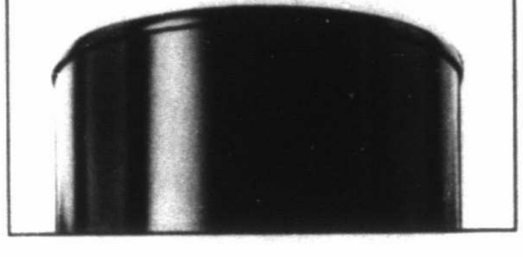
Thursday: $45.75
Previous: $45.50

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Thursday: $42.85
Previous: $42.60

NATURAL GAS

Thursday: $2.981
Previous: $3.000



NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	1013897	22.97	-.44
SPDR Fncl	867501	23.88	-.42
GenElec	763088	24.02	-.90
VanEGold	536084	25.49	+.57
S&P500ETF	509378	246.87	-.03

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
RH	71.54	+22.12	+44.8
SequansC	3.32	+.42	+14.5
Cabelas	61.06	+7.62	+14.3
GNC	9.09	+.85	+10.3
Bemis	46.90	+4.23	+9.9

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
LeiHTOY21	4.78	-1.24	-20.6
NCI BldSy	13.35	-3.45	-20.5
SunTr wtB	9.86	-1.79	-15.4
BlueCapRe	15.05	-2.50	-14.2
M&T Bk wt	68.29	-10.00	-12.8

DIARY

Advanced	1,489
Declined	1,417
Unchanged	145
Total issues	3,051
New Highs	131
New Lows	43
Volume	3,255,431,021

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
NwGold g	75782	4.20	+.14
Globalstar	50934	1.78	-.12
B2gold g	38937	2.86	+.07
TherapMD	33905	6.91	+.46
BarcGSO8	31581	5.16	+.02

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
IntelliCrk	2.98	+.36	+13.7
GoodrPet n	9.81	+1.00	+11.4
StreetEn wt	3.50	+.26	+8.0
Mycroft n	7.38	+.53	+7.7
SwGA Fn	21.99	+1.49	+7.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
GeeGroup	3.56	-.43	-10.8
NTN Buzz rs	6.97	-.63	-8.3
Skyline	12.53	-1.03	-7.6
AltisrcAst	101.95	-6.75	-6.2
AmShrd	2.85	-.15	-5.0

DIARY

Advanced	187
Declined	147
Unchanged	31
Total issues	365
New Highs	14
New Lows	7
Volume	92,364,103

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Comcast s	693736	38.60	-2.57
GoPro	319785	10.00	+1.10
NewLink	286266	13.60	+5.81
Staples	283287	10.23	-.01
MicronT	232782	32.79	+.54

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NewLink	13.60	+5.81	+74.6
VeronaPh n	16.66	+4.70	+39.3
eGain	2.25	+.50	+28.6
Pavmed n	6.00	+1.25	+26.3
Forterro n	3.95	+.81	+25.8

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
FedNatHld	10.55	-1.97	-15.7
AmylamP	12.53	-1.49	-15.7
Avrgen n	9.09	-1.68	-15.6
CellectBio n	8.46	-1.53	-15.3
ZK Intl n	8.86	-1.41	-13.7

DIARY

Advanced	1,395
Declined	1,479
Unchanged	231
Total issues	3,104
New Highs	150
New Lows	56
Volume	1,926,901,595

Equifax breach exposes 143 million people to identity theft

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Credit monitoring company Equifax has been hit by a high-tech heist that exposed the Social Security numbers and other sensitive information about 143 million Americans. Now the unwitting victims have to worry about the threat of having their identities stolen.

The Atlanta-based company, one of three major U.S. credit bureaus, said Thursday that "criminals" exploited a U.S. website application to access files between mid-May and July of this year.

The theft obtained consumers' names, Social Security numbers, birth dates, addresses and, in some cases, driver's license numbers. The purloined data can be enough for crooks to hijack the identities of people whose credentials were stolen through no fault of their own, potentially wreaking havoc on their lives.

"On a scale of one to 10, this is a 10 in terms of potential identity theft," said Gartner security analyst Avivah Litan. "Credit bureaus keep so much data about us that affects almost everything we do."

Lenders rely on the information collected by the credit bureaus to help them decide whether to approve financing for homes, cars and credit cards. Credit checks are even sometimes done by employers when deciding whom to hire for a job.

Equifax discovered the hack July 29, but waited until Thursday to warn consumers. The Atlanta-based company declined to comment on that delay or anything else beyond its published statement. It's not unusual for U.S. authorities to ask a company hit in a major hack to delay public notice so that investigators can pursue the perpetrators.

The company established a website, https://www.equifaxsecurity2017.com/ , where people can check to see if their personal information may have been stolen. Consumers can also call 866-447-7559 for more information. Experian is also offering free credit monitoring to all U.S. consumers for a year.

"This is clearly a disappointing event for our company, and one that strikes at the heart of who we are and what we do," Equifax CEO Richard Smith said in a statement. "I apologize to consumers and our business customers for the concern and frustration this causes."

This isn't the biggest data breach in history. That indignity still belongs to Yahoo, which was targeted in at least two separate digital burglaries that affected more than 1 billion of its users' accounts throughout the world.

But no Social Security numbers or drivers' license were taken in the Yahoo breakin.

Disney streaming service to get Star Wars and Marvel comics

Associated Press

NEW YORK — "Star Wars" and the Marvel comic-book movies will join Disney's upcoming streaming service, potentially giving it broader appeal beyond families with young children.

The Disney service will be the only place to stream those movies on demand in the U.S. as part of a monthly subscription. (So, not on Netflix.)

A price hasn't been announced yet. The service is expected in late 2019 after Disney's current deal with Netflix expires.

Previously Disney announced the inclusion of just Disney and Pixar movies and Disney TV shows. Adding the "Star Wars" and Marvel movies could make the new service appealing to teenagers and adults. The Marvel movies include the "Avengers" and "Guardians of the Galaxy" franchises.

The service will also have original Disney movies, TV series and shorts. Disney CEO Bob Iger said thousands of TV episodes and hundreds of movies will be available, though shows from Disney's ABC network aren't coming to the service.

Disney said last month that it was considering moving "Star Wars" and Marvel to the new service, but a decision wasn't announced until Thursday.

Disney did not say whether all the "Star Wars" movies dating back to 1977 would be available on the service, or all the films in the Marvel universe. A spokesman had no immediate comment. Netflix also has a TV series based on Marvel characters, and Netflix said Thursday that relationship continues. As with the Disney and Pixar movies, Marvel and "Star Wars" movies that play in theaters in 2018 will be on Netflix for U.S. viewers, and some films will be available into 2020.

Disney's offering is one of many online film and TV options coming from entertainment and tech companies, with more in the works. Disney, for example, is also launching an ESPN sports streaming service early next year. It won't replicate what's on ESPN, for now, so it's expected to be somewhat niche.

The company's shares slid $4.05, or 4 percent, to $97.46 in Thursday afternoon trading. Investors may have sold because Iger said earnings per share for this fiscal year will be similar to the level for the year that ended on Oct. 1, 2016. Wall Street analysts had predicted growth.

US stocks end mixed as banks stumble; health care climbs

NEW YORK — U.S. stock indexes finished nearly back where they started Thursday as steep losses for banks and insurance companies were balanced out by gains in health care and technology companies.

Banks skidded as bond yields reached their lowest levels of the year, which sent interest rates down. Insurance companies plunged as investors weighed the prospects of big losses caused by Hurricane Irma, which is hitting the north Caribbean and is projected to reach Florida this weekend. Payment processing companies rose after Mastercard increased its revenue forecasts, while losses for Comcast and Disney hurt media companies.

The economy "is going to suffer a few dents from the storms," said John DeClue, chief investment officer for U.S. Bank Private Wealth Management. But he said the economy "is in remarkably good shape," and that won't change even if damage from hurricanes Harvey and Irma slows economic growth for a few months.If the storms have a noticeable effect on the economy, he added, that will help make sure the Federal Reserve moves slowly in raising interest rates.

Metal prices mixed

Gold rose to its highest price in a year as it climbed $11.30 to $1,350.30 an ounce. Silver jumped 21 cents, or 1.2 percent, to $18.12 an ounce. Copper dipped 1 cent to $3.14 a pound.

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Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $115.21 Up 0.21

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Closing Price $4.15 Down 0.02

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $91.62 Down 1.04

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $1.24 Down 0.02

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $4.56 Down 0.16

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $24.45 Down 0.15

ProPetro Holdings (PUMP)
Closing Price $11.76 Down 0.05

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $30.19 Down 0.87

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $12.86 Up 0.17

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
Closing Price $17.21 Unchanged

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AK Steel		15	5.98	+.14	-41.4
AT&T Inc	1.96	13	35.60	-.97	-16.3
AbtVie	2.56	17	81.78	+4.73	+30.6
Abraxas		**43**	**1.70**	**-.06**	**-33.9**
AdaDvsEq	**92e**	**...**	**14.77**	**+.01**	**+16.2**
AMD			12.63	-.23	+11.4
Alibaba		48	170.48	+2.34	+94.1
Amgen	**4.60**	**16**	**180.71**	**+2.33**	**+23.6**
Anadarko	**.20**	**...**	**42.17**	**-.18**	**-39.5**
Apache	**1.00**	**...**	**40.73**	**+.60**	**-35.8**
Apple Inc	2.52	19	161.26	+.65	+39.2
ApldMatl	**.40**	**15**	**45.22**	**+.49**	**+40.1**
Archrock	.48	...	10.90		-17.4
ATMOS	**1.80**	**25**	**87.40**	**+.87**	**+17.9**
AutoData	2.28	29	108.92	+1.44	+6.0
AVEO Ph h			3.99	+.57	+638.5
BP PLC	**2.38**	**26**	**35.50**	**+.18**	**-5.0**
BkofAm	.48f	14	22.97	-.44	+3.9
B /PVxST rs			47.36	-.22	
BarrngsCp s	1.20		15.66	-.03	-1.2
BarrickG	12	27	18.00	+.15	+12.6
BasicEnS			45		
BerkHa A	**...**	**1726**	**0500.03**	**-4919.98**	**+6.7**
BlkHillsCp	**1.78**	**21**	**66.93**	**+.13**	**+14.0**
BrkMySq	**1.56**	**25**	**62.84**	**+2.97**	**+7.5**
BrownFA s	**...**	**33**	**56.11**	**-.08**	**+21.3**
BrownFB s	**...**	**...**	**54.26**	**+.22**	**+20.8**
CVS Health	2.00	14	80.41	+.53	+1.9
Cabelas		23	61.06	+7.62	+4.3
CallonPet	**...**	**32**	**10.18**	**-.13**	**-33.8**
Caterpillar	3.12	31	117.77	+.79	+27.0
Celestic g		9	12.10	+.56	+2.1
CntryLink	2.16	8	18.66	-.34	-21.5
ChesEng		9	3.87	+.11	-44.9
Chevron	**4.32**	**64**	**111.80**	**+.01**	**-5.0**
Chicoe	.33	11	8.27	+.05	-42.5
Cimarex	**.32**	**33**	**102.06**	**-.81**	**-24.9**
Cisco	1.16	17	31.76	-.11	+5.1
Citigroup	**1.28**	**13**	**66.06**	**-1.26**	**+11.2**
CocaCola	**1.48**	**28**	**46.28**	**+.32**	**+11.6**
ColgPalm	**1.60**	**24**	**71.56**	**+.07**	**+9.4**
Comcast s	**.63**	**22**	**38.60**	**-2.57**	**+11.8**
ConAgra	**.80f**	**20**	**34.38**	**+.14**	**-13.1**
ConchoRes	**...**	**...**	**115.21**	**+.21**	**-13.1**
ConocoPhil	**1.06**	**36**	**45.11**	**+.05**	**-10.0**
CrackerB	4.80f	22	142.22	-2.18	-14.8
CSVrtSh rs			16.70	-.06	-82.5
CrosTim	**1.10e**	**14**	**14.63**	**...**	**-18.6**
DCP Mid	3.12	17	31.86	+.10	-17.0
DTE	3.30	23	111.86	+.18	+13.6
Delcath rs			1.14	+.01	-85.1
DevonE	**.24**	**98**	**32.39**	**-.29**	**-29.1**
DrGMBll rs			25.53	+1.55	
DirDGBr rs			19.22	-1.35	-60.3
Disney	**1.56**	**17**	**97.06**	**-4.44**	**-6.9**
eBay s		6	38.01	+1.25	+28.0
EOG Resrc	**.67**	**...**	**88.60**	**+.75**	**-12.4**
Energen	.08		51.10	-.55	-11.4
EnPro	**.88**	**47**	**69.67**	**+.13**	**+3.4**
ENSCO	.04	2	4.57	-.07	-53.0
EntProdPt	1.68f	20	26.28	+.11	-2.8
Ericsson	11e		5.80	+.07	-.6
ExxonMbl	**3.08**	**30**	**79.03**	**+.25**	**-12.4**
Facebook		36	173.21	+1.12	+50.6
FireEye			15.77	+.99	+32.5
Fitbit n			6.49	+.58	-11.3
FordM	.60a	12	11.40	-.10	-6.0
FrptMcM			15.21	+.15	+15.3
GATX	**1.68**	**10**	**59.02**	**-1.41**	**-1.2**
GabMulT	**.94e**	**...**	**9.37**	**-.06**	**+29.4**
GAInv	**1.15e**	**...**	**34.82**	**-.03**	**+11.7**
GenElec	**.96**	**22**	**24.02**	**-.90**	**-24.0**
GenMotors	1.52	6	36.91	-.38	+5.9
GileadSci	2.08	9	85.47	+2.52	+19.4
GoPro			10.00	+1.10	+14.8
GtPlainEn	**1.10**	**20**	**30.66**	**+.13**	**+12.1**
Hallibrtn	.72		41.31	+.30	-23.6
HP Ent n	.26	19	13.25	-.52	-1.5
HimaxTch	.24e		10.11	-.96	+67.4
HuntBncsh	**.32**	**18**	**12.18**	**-.33**	**-7.9**
iShGold			12.96	+.13	+17.0
iShBrazil	.67e		42.21	+.32	+26.6
iShEMMkts	.59e		45.19	+.33	+29.1
iSh20 yrT	3.05		129.28	+1.31	+8.5
iS Eafe	1.66e		67.50	+.55	+16.9
iShR2K	1.77e		139.11	-.35	+3.2
Inamed			30.61	+1.25	+131.4
Intel	**1.20**	**16**	**36.54**	**-.22**	**-2.0**
InterDig	1.20	8	69.90	+.80	-23.5
ItauUnibH	.32e		13.53	-.04	+31.7
JPMorgCh	2.24f	14	88.53	-1.58	+2.6
JohnJn	**3.36**	**20**	**132.19**	**+1.52**	**+14.7**
Keycorp	.38	15	16.47	-.44	-9.9
KimbClk	**3.88**	**20**	**119.61**	**+.27**	**+4.8**
Kinross g		70	4.89	+.21	+57.2
Kroger s	.50f	11	22.77	+.22	-34.0
LegacyRes			1.24	-.02	-41.5
Lubys	**...**	**...**	**2.68**	**+.14**	**-37.4**
MGMGrPr n	.65		31.09	+.11	+22.8
MGM Rsts	.44	51	33.99	+.22	+17.9
MarathnO	.20		11.78	+.05	-31.9
McDnlds	3.76	27	159.90	+1.68	+31.4
Merck	1.88	17	64.32	+.32	+9.3
MerltMed	**...**	**51**	**40.45**	**-.30**	**+82.6**
MexcoEn			4.56	-.16	-8.8
MicronT		12	32.79	+.54	+49.6
Microsoft	1.56	26	74.34	+.94	+19.6
Mondelez	.88f	31	40.96	+.37	-7.6
MorgStan	1.00f	13	44.07	-1.00	+4.3
Nabors	.24	...	6.94	-.13	-57.7
NOilVarco	.20	76	31.88	+.05	-14.9
NewLink			13.60	+5.81	+32.3
NewellRub	.92f	18	44.76	-2.27	+.2
NokiaCp	17e		6.19	+.03	+28.7
NSTFI3	**.55a**	**...**	**15.05**	**+.12**	**+6.2**
NTXGI	**.55**	**...**	**14.57**	**+.04**	**+6.2**
OcciPet	**3.09f**	**...**	**61.86**	**+.34**	**-13.2**
Oracle	.76f	24	51.73	+.72	+35.1
PDC Engy	**...**	**30**	**40.95**	**-.45**	**-13.6**
PerTech	**...**	**25**	**10.38**	**-.09**	**+84.2**
ParkDri	**...**	**...**	**1.16**	**...**	**-55.8**
PattUTI	**.08**	**...**	**17.47**	**+.05**	**-35.1**
Penney		10	4.12	+.02	-50.4
PennaRE	**.84**	**7**	**10.19**	**-.16**	**-46.3**
Prmian	.63e	23	8.30	+.04	+7.7
Petrobras			10.12	+.11	+.1
Pfizer	**1.28**	**14**	**33.99**	**...**	**+4.6**
PioNtrl	.08	...	131.78	-1.30	-26.8
PlainsAAP	**2.20**	**19**	**22.11**	**+.24**	**-31.5**
PwShs QQQ1	.52e	...	145.47	+.34	+22.8
Praxair	**3.15**	**24**	**132.24**	**+1.29**	**+12.6**
PremEgy	**...**	**...**	**48.00**	**+.30**	**-14.8**
PUVrtST rs			30.41	-.24	
ProctGam	**2.78f**	**24**	**92.97**	**+.25**	**+10.6**
RH		50	71.54	+22.12	+133.0
RangeRs	.08	19	17.91	-.41	-47.9
RegionsFn	.36	14	13.17	-.36	-8.3
RiteAid		42	2.52	+.10	-69.4
Rowan	.40	5	10.02	-.35	-47.0
RoyDShllA	3.76	86	56.94	+.39	+4.7
SpdrDJIA	3.98e	...	218.11	+.14	+10.4
S&P500ETF	4.13e	...	246.87	+.03	+10.4
SabnR	2.36e	19	40.70	-.35	+15.8
SanderFm	**.96**	**13**	**149.76**	**-.64**	**+68.9**
Schlmbrg	2.00	59	65.87	+.15	-21.5
SeadrillLtd		1	.23	-.06	-93.3
SiriusXM	.04	37	5.55	-.05	+24.7
Smucker	3.12f	14	106.02	-.19	-17.2
SnapInc A n			15.15	+.65	-38.1
Sprint			7.97	-.16	-5.3
SP CnSt	1.28e		55.36	+.08	+7.1
SPDR Fncl	.46e		23.88	-.42	+2.7
SP Util	1.55e		55.10	+.41	+13.4
Staples	**.48**		**10.23**	**-.01**	**+13.0**
Starbucks s	1.00	27	53.47	-.84	-3.7
TelefEsp	**1.20e**	**...**	**10.68**	**+.11**	**+16.1**
TevaPhrm	1.36e	7	15.47	-.05	-57.3
3M Co	4.70	24	204.46	+2.41	+14.5
Torchmark	**.60**	**16**	**74.68**	**-1.37**	**+1.2**
Transocn		8	8.70	-.08	-41.0
TriContl	**.98e**	**...**	**25.06**	**+.06**	**+13.7**
21stCFoxA	.36	15	25.79	-.64	-8.0
Twitter			17.22	+.39	+5.6
TylerTech	**...**	**54**	**169.87**	**-.23**	**+19.0**
UniPixel h			.07	-.01	-92.7
USSteel	**1.32**	**16**	**32.15**	**-.52**	**-30.5**
US OilFd			10.03	-.01	-14.4
USSteel	.20		27.68	+.17	-16.1
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ValeroE	2.80	22	68.86	+.75	+.8
VanEGold	.12e		25.49	+.57	+21.8
VanE JrGld			37.68	+.86	+19.4
VerizonCm	2.31	9	46.20	-.71	-13.5
VulcanM	**1.00**	**38**	**119.73**	**+.68**	**-4.3**
WEC Engy	2.08	22	66.12	+.54	+12.7
WalgBoots	1.60f	17	81.56	-.20	-1.4
WealthInfrl			4.08	-.10	-18.2
WellsFargo	1.52	12	49.68	-.20	-9.9
WhitngPet			4.28	-.33	-64.4
WmsCos	1.20	43	29.81		-4.3
XcelEngy	**1.44**	**23**	**49.89**	**+.33**	**+22.6**
Xerox rs	.25p	11	31.88	-.27	+36.6
Yamana g	.02		3.14	+.08	+11.7
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22,179.11	17,883.56	Dow Jones Industrials	21,784.78	-22.86	-.10	+10.23	+17.88
9,763.66	7,712.13	Dow Jones Transportation	9,346.03	+35.88	+.39	+3.34	+15.72
750.32	616.19	Dow Jones Utilities	743.91	+5.41	+.73	+12.78	+9.11
12,019.85	10,281.48	NYSE Composite	11,979.59	+8.67	+.06	+7.44	+9.16
6,460.84	5,034.41	Nasdaq Composite	6,397.87	+4.58	+.07	+18.85	+21.04
2,490.67	2,084.59	S&P 500	2,465.10	-.44	-.02	+10.11	+13.01
1,795.14	1,475.38	S&P Midcap	1,713.58	-6.09	-.35	+3.19	+8.85
25,848.33	21,583.94	Wilshire 5000	25,576.25	-19.45	-.08	+9.18	+12.81
1,462.09	1,158.08	Russell 2000	1,398.67	-3.53	-.25	+3.06	+11.15

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

			3	9		6	5	
			1	6		3		7
			7			9		1
		7						
9		1			2			3
4		9		8				
	7	6		4	9		8	

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SOLUTION TO THURSDAY'S PUZZLE

1	6	5	4	7	3	9	2	8
3	7	4	9	2	8	5	1	6
8	2	9	6	5	1	3	7	4
2	5	1	8	9	6	7	4	3
7	9	3	2	1	4	6	8	5
6	4	8	7	3	5	2	9	1
4	1	7	5	6	9	8	3	2
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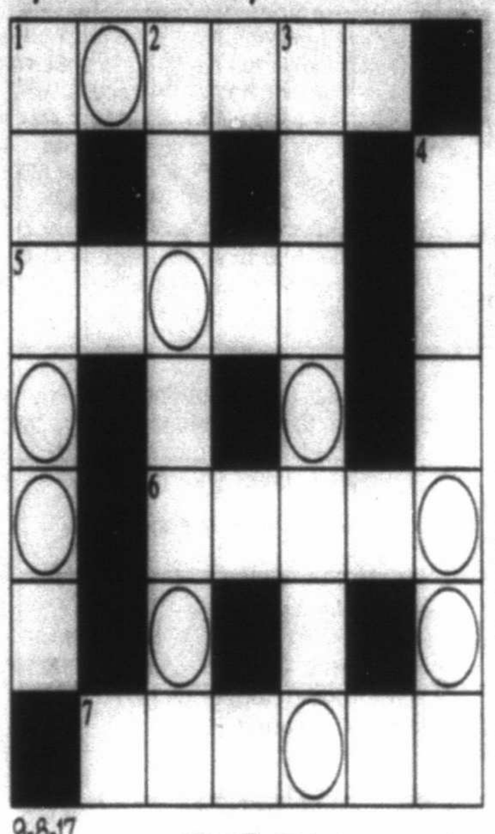

ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Taken, swiped	NOLSET
5. Bedazzle	AZAEM
6. Angry	TRAIE
7. News ___	CHARON

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Rattled	ANEKSH
2. Speech	TROONIA
3. ___ pencil	SELAEYH
4. Straight	INLERA

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

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CLUE: This is located at 6,225 feet above sea level.

BONUS

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by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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(Answers tomorrow)

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Answer: After her divorce, she moved, wanting a — NEW LEASE ON LIFE

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS

1 Short pants?
5 "Gloria in Excelsis ___"
8 Where JFK, Nixon and Carter served
14 Brazil's largest city
16 Military builder
17 "In my opinion ... "
18 MLB single-season recordholder for most hits
19 Skier's destination
20 Musical set in Manhattan's East Village
22 Shooting marble
23 "Xanadu" gp.
24 Youngest Simpson
26 O'er there
28 Somewhat, to Saint-Saëns
29 Against: Abbr.
31 Spanish pronoun
32 Pen pal's greeting?
33 Removes, as a temporary hem
36 No-hitter, usually
38 Shot with more detail
39 Hogwarts subjects
40 Ford maverick?
41 Windy City transit initials
42 Blue Shield offering
43 Energy field
44 Hardy title teenager
45 Carpathian Mountains locale
47 Do diner work
48 Roadie's box
51 Product made from fermented rice
52 Game typically with 81 squares
55 "Scram!"
57 Make less vulnerable to earthquakes, say
59 Straying
60 Countermanded
61 Wee
62 Muesli bit
63 Repairs with turf

DOWN

1 Russia had one in the 20th century
2 Level, in London
3 '70s-'80s show about a big family
4 Induced the purchase of add-ons, say
5 "Tonight, I Celebrate My Love," e.g.
6 Brother of Peyton
7 Obsolete audio technology
8 Employing
9 Federal housing assistance program
10 "No thanks"
11 Somewhat
12 Aloe ___
13 "That smarts!"
15 Flight-related prefix
21 I problem?
24 Pyrénées peak
25 Mike of "Next Friday"
26 Rural agreement
27 Org. that inspects workplaces
28 Any of 12 popes
30 Treasure chest coins represented graphically by two consecutive letters in six puzzle answers (including this one)
32 1875 Alcott novel
33 Uma's role in "The Producers"
34 Squirrel's hoard
35 Escape destinations
37 Fourth dimension
38 Essence
40 Budget motel chain
43 Hunky-dory
44 Elizabeth I's line
46 Shabby
47 "Hamilton" role
48 Help with a job?
49 "A ___ formality"
50 Shave
52 Editor's mark
53 Captain hanged for piracy
54 Pac-12 team
56 Salon offering
58 Spacewalk initials

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

S	A	P	S		A	D	A	P	T	S		S	Y	M
L	U	A	U		C	A	M	A	R	O		H	O	P
O	R	A	N	G	E	B	A	R	O	N		A	Y	E
B	A	R	D	O	T		S	T	P		S	M	O	G
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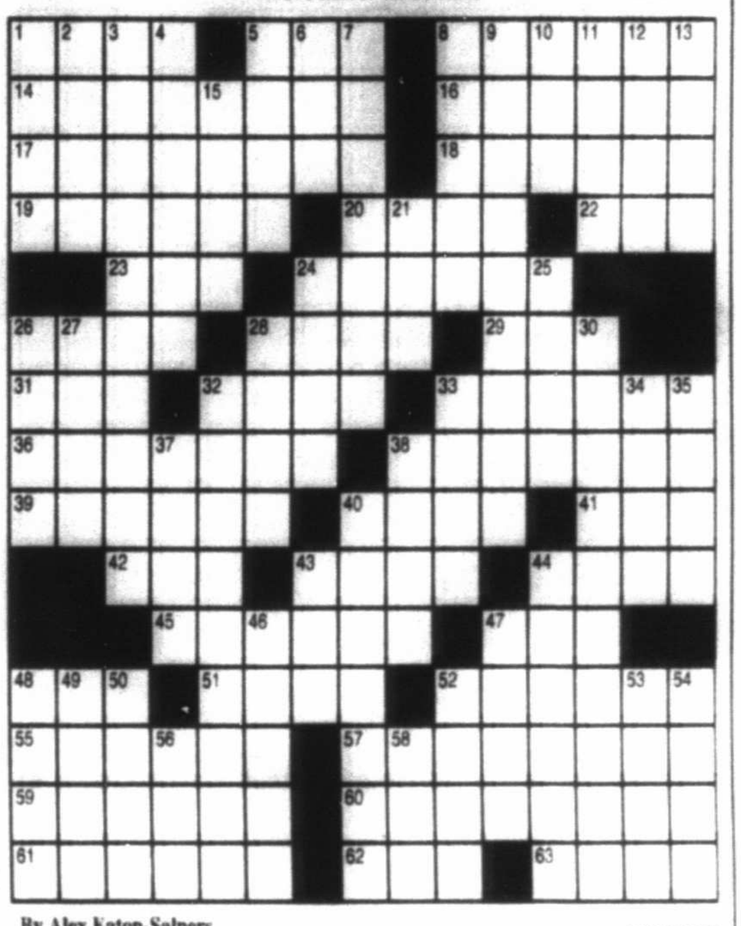

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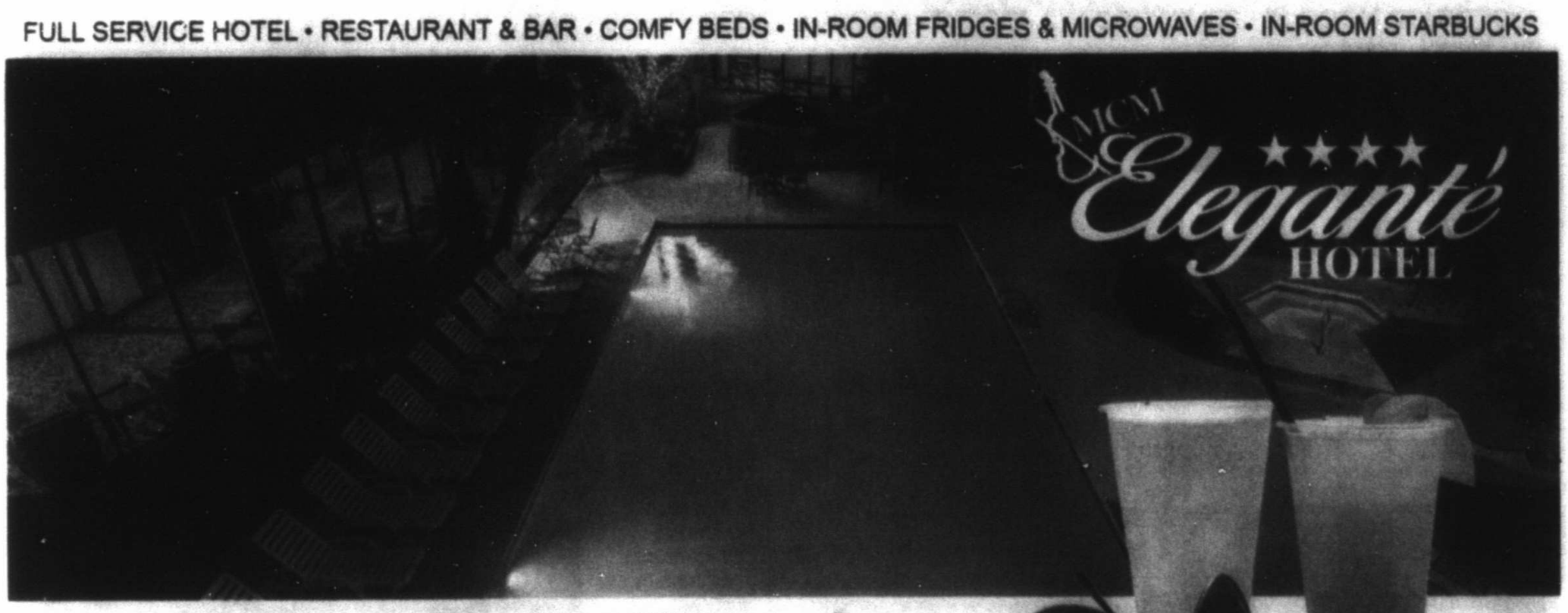

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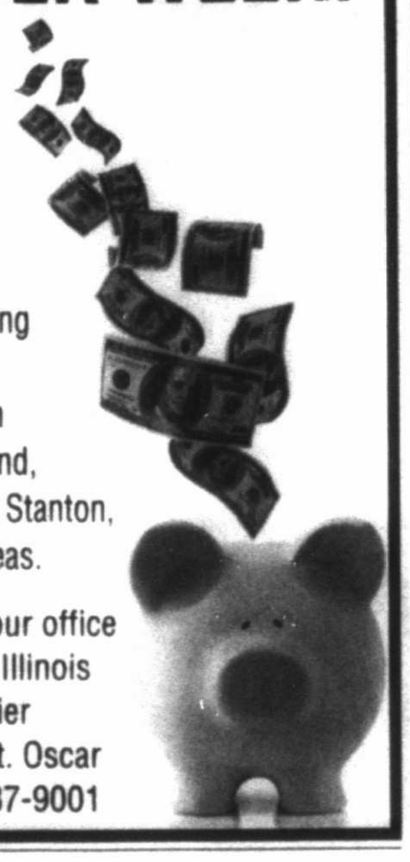

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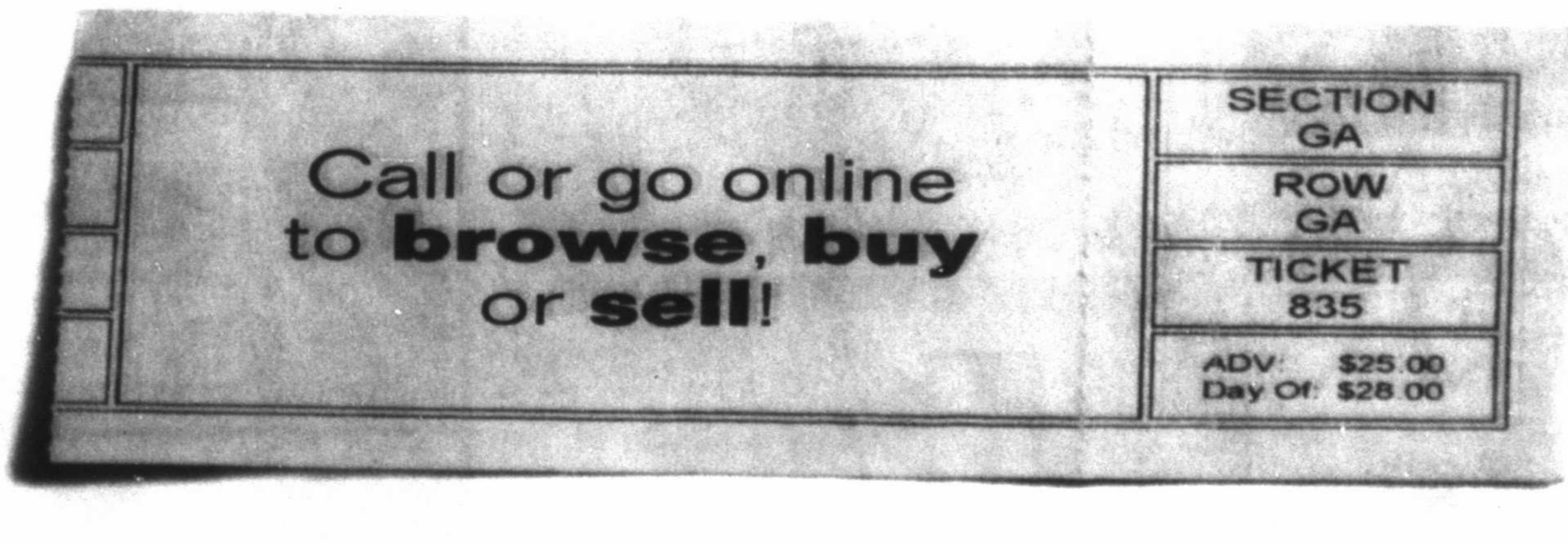

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Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the LARIO OIL & GAS COMPANY, [RRC Operator No. 486710] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 23, Blk. 38 T4S, T&P RR CO Survey, A-109, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC Field, MIDLAND County, being 21.7 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

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

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Sep 26, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC

Lease/Unit Name	CLARK	
Lease/Unit Well No.	401WB	
Lease/Unit Acres	660.45	
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	1.0	
Lease Lines	351.0 F S L,	727.0 F W L
Survey Lines	351.0 F S L,	727.0 F W L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Vertical, Horizontal

Lateral: TH1

Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 50.0 F S L, 330.0 F W L

Terminus Location
BH County: MIDLAND
Section: 14 Block: 38 T4S Abstract: 1041
Survey: T&P RR CO / MOORE, H H
Lease Lines: 50.0 F N L, 330.0 F W L
Survey Lines: 50.0 F N L, 330.0 F W L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 1 additional field: (1) WILDCAT. No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for this field.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC — Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres

WILDCAT — Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10800 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Emily Fowler, at (512)4783456.

Legal and Public Notices

Midland Independent School District

Midland, Texas

Notice to Vendors

Request for Proposal for Workers' Compensation

Administrative Services Only

The Midland Independent School District invites qualified vendors to submit a sealed proposal(s) for **RFP #17-30 Workers' Compensation Administrative Services Only** through the Midland ISD electronic bid system. Proposals will be publicly opened and read in accordance with the proposal documents in the office of Rebecca Mull, Director of Procurement Services, at 615 W. Missouri Avenue, Suite 707, Midland, Texas at **10:00 A.M. on Friday, September 29, 2017.** Request for Proposal documents may be obtained by registering as a supplier at www.midlandisd.com/domain/44. For any questions, contact MISD Procurement Services department at (432) 240-1965.

Midland Independent School District

Midland, Texas

Notice to Vendors

Request for Proposal for Workers' Compensation

Fixed Cost Program

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Midland Independent School District

Midland, Texas

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Midland, Texas

Land for Sale

The Midland Independent School District invites qualified bidders to submit a sealed bid to purchase **10.0 Acres of Vacant Land located in S/2 of N/2 of Section** 1, **Block X, H.P. Hilliard Survey, Midland, Midland County, Texas.**

Bid #17-29 - Sale of 10 Acres located in North Midland County, Texas

Bids may be obtained by registering as a supplier at www.midlandisd.com/domain/44. Bids must be submitted through the MISD electronic bid system. Bids will be publicly opened and read in accordance with the bid documents in the office of Rebecca Mull, Director of Procurement Services, at 615 W Missouri Avenue, Suite 707, Midland, Texas at **2:00 PM C.S.T. on September 29, 2017.** For questions, contact MISD Procurement Services department at (432) 240-1961

Notice of Application for Surface Commingling

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. is applying to the Railroad Commission to amend previously approved commingle permit #4594. Leases included in the permit are Powell Ranch, Powell E.L., Powell E.L. "B", Powell E.L. "C", Powell 1720 and Powell E.L. BC. Production will be from the Spraberry (Trend Area), Blalock Lake (Wolfcamp), Blalock Lake, S. (Wolfcamp) and Dewey Lake (Wolfcamp) fields. Production will be commingled into the Powell BC Central Tank Battery, located in RRC District 8 in Glasscock County.

Pursuant to Statewide Rules 26 and 27, interested parties must file objections or requests for hearing in writing to the Railroad Commission office within 21 days after publication, or the Commission may approve the application.

For questions pertaining to the application, please contact Sandra Musallam at (713) 366-5106.

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Percy Conway O'Quinn, Deceased, were issued to Michele Pitts on August 29, 2017 in Cause No. P19166, 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.

Michele Pitts
c/o Brandon W. Pinson
P. O. Box 8530
Midland, Texas 79708

DATED the 5th day of September, 2017

PINSON LAW FIRM
By: Brandon W. Pinson

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Kristy Engeldahl
Purchasing Agent

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Jeffery Paul Yarborough, Deceased, were issued to Ryan Loyd on August 29, 2017 in Cause No. P19160, 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.

Ryan Loyd
c/o Brandon W. Pinson
P. O. Box 8530
Midland, Texas 79708

DATED the 5th day of September, 2017.

PINSON LAW FIRM
By: Brandon W. Pinson

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Yard - Garage Sales

79701

1407 W Michigan 9am-? Huge Sale! Queen size bedroom set, 2 recliners, BBQ pit, live plants with planters, tools, dining room set, entertainment center, household items, womens, mens & baby clothes. Everything must go.

2812 DELANO Friday & Saturday 8am-1pm. Lots of new stuff for ladies & many other items.

3125 MARIANA Sat 8am-? Backyard sale. Furniture, clothes, shoes, records, CD's & lots of new stuff.

79703

3611 HUMBLE Saturday 8am-1:30pm Multi family garage sale! Mens, womens & kids clothing, various household & office items, toys & more.

79705

1617 E Magnolia Friday & Saturday 8am-? Miscellaneous clothes and coats. Halloween costumes.

402 PLAYER Court Saturday 7am-? Lots of boy clothes, women clothes, water cooler, dishes & lots of miscellaneous.

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79706

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79707

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79707

4003 ST Andrews Dr Saturday 8am-2pm. 2 family garage sale! Golf clubs, chain saw, saddle & lots of Household items.

Yard - Garage Sales

79707

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79701

1407 W Michigan 8am-? Huge Sale! Queen size bedroom set, 2 recliners, BBQ pit, live plants with planters, tools, dining room set, entertainment center, household items, womens, mens & baby clothes. Everything must go.

2812 DELANO Friday & Saturday 8am-1pm. Lots of new stuff for ladies & many other items

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79703

3611 HUMBLE Saturday 8am-1:30pm Multi family garage sale! Mens, womens & kids clothing, various household & office items, toys & more.

79705

1617 E Magnolia Friday & Saturday 8am-? Miscellaneous clothes and coats, Halloween costumes

402 PLAYER Court Saturday 7am-? Lots of boy clothes,women clothes, water cooler, dishes & lots of miscellaneous.

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79706

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79707

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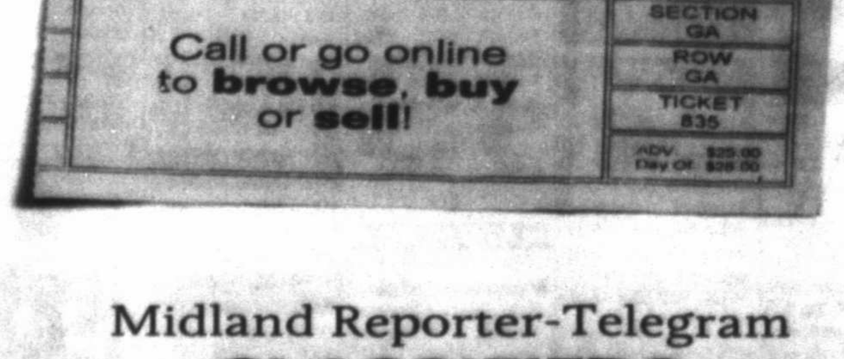

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