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Judy Collins, whose illustrious career has influenced numerous singers, is set to perform at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center on Saturday. Read about her influence and work inside.

Weekender

Regulators OK expanding nuclear waste site

Spokesman cites classification, safety; experts say increased radioactivity, risks

By Betsy Blaney
Associated Press

LUBBOCK — Depleted uranium from federal energy facilities can be buried at a nuclear-waste dumping site in West Texas, state regulators decided Wednesday.

The 3-0 vote by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality also will triple the Dallas-based Waste Control Specialists facility's capacity of storing low-level radioactive waste from the majority of U.S. states — going from 2.3 million cubic feet to 9 million cubic feet.

Company spokesman Chuck McDonald said the amendment also reduces by $50 million — to $86 million — the amount of money the company is required to have available to fund potential liabilities.

Environmentalists worry about the Andrews County site, about 365 miles west of Dallas, and how the company keeps wanting to bury additional types of waste.

Commissioners made no comment about the amendment before voting. A call seeking comment from commission Chairman Bryan W. Shaw was not immediately returned Wednesday.

McDonald says the depleted uranium, which is a byproduct of nuclear power plants, is classified as low-level and will come from federal energy facilities

The amendment provides "the U.S. Department of Energy with a much-needed option as it looks for safe, secure disposal of orphaned waste that it has been storing for up to 40 or 50 years," McDonald said, noting that the amendment syncs up the license with the actual disposal operations taking place.

But experts say depleted uranium gets

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FOR A GOOD CAUSE

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

A group of Rockhounds team and office staff, as well as two Midland police officers and a city councilman, participate in the ice bucket challenge to raise awareness for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease, Wednesday at Security Bank Ballpark. Friends and family members of 29-year-old Massachusetts resident Pete Frates, who has suffered from amyotrophic lateral sclerosis since 2012, started the ice bucket challenge movement to bring awareness to what's often called Lou Gehrig's Disease.

On Wednesday, the ALS Association reported receiving $31.5 million in donations so far this year from existing donors and more than 637,500 new donors.

That's nearly $30 million more than the $1.9 million raised during the same time last year, according to the association, which offers care services to patients and their families.

George W. Bush recently took the challenge and posted the video Wednesday to his Facebook page.

At first, Bush joked that being splashed with ice water was not "presidential" and offered to write a check, according to the video. After a suprise drenching by his wife, Bush officially challenged former president Bill Clinton, who celebrated a birthday this week.

"My gift to Bill is a bucket of cold water," he said in the video.

Companies detail spaceport altitude chamber

By Joseph Basco
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The design of Orbital Outfitters' altitude chamber complex, one of the key components of Midland International Airport's spaceport, was unveiled in-depth Wednesday during a Midland Development Corp. meeting.

The complex features three chambers — a vacuum system, an observation room and safety support systems — according to a presentation made by co-developers Holder Aerospace and Orbital Outfitters. Two of the chambers will be used to test the space suits that Orbital Outfitters are custom-building for XCOR Aerospace's Lynx space vehicle.

The other purposes of the chambers are to test equipment and train personnel in simulated normal and emergency

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Unusual naming tradition for oil fields continues

By Ryan Holeywel
Hearst Newspapers

Employees at LLOG Exploration Co. love the movie "Animal House," so when they discovered an oil field more than 18,000 feet below the sea floor in 2012, it made sense to name it after Bluto, the foul-mouthed degenerate played by John Belushi in the 1978 comedy.

Nearby, another discovery got similar treatment. Its namesake is Marmalard, the preppy president of Bluto's rival fraternity.

And the floating platform that will start producing from the wells next year? It's Delta House, after the home of the movie's misfit frat brothers.

"It's a very serious business," said Eric Zimmermann, vice president for geology at the Covington, La.-based company, "but its a place where we can have a little bit of fun."

Those aren't the only unusual names in LLOG's offshore portfolio. One of its top assets, located west of the Animal House plays, is called "Who Dat," for the chant belted out by fans of the New Orleans Saints football team. "Most of us are Louisiana natives," Zimmermann said. "We've been Saints fans."

Indeed, across the Gulf of Mexico, energy companies have given oil fields names that run the gamut from clever to creative to downright bizarre.

BHP Billiton is expecting hordes of production from its "Genghis Khan" field. Shell hopes its "Habanero" field will prove a hot prospect. And BP's pack of assets includes "Mad Dog."

The names are part of a decades-old tradition across the industry: In almost any oil company, it's not the marketing department or executives who decide the name of an offshore oil field. It's the geologist who finds it.

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Obituaries

Bobby Jerald Collins, Sr.

Bobby Jerald Collins, Sr. of Midland passed away on Monday, August 18, 2014, at the age of 75 years.

He was born in Graham, Texas, on June 10, 1939, to Jeff and Connie Collins.

Bobby was raised along with seven other siblings in Breckenridge, Texas.

He was predeceased by his parents; sisters, Loretta Collins, Joyce Casey, and Cathy Collins; and his son, Bobby Collins Jr.

Bobby is survived by his wife of 52 years, Martha Collins; two daughters, Karen Collins of Austin and Tricia Raabe (Bruce) of Midland along with three grandchildren, Brandon, Paige, and Madison Raabe; his brothers, Maurice Collins (Carlynn) of Fort Worth, Texas, Jimmy Collins (Brenda) of New Braunfels, Texas, Kenneth Collins (Janice) of Dennis, Texas, and Jerry Collins (Kathy) of Carrollton, Texas; and several nieces and nephews.

Bobby attended school in Breckenridge before joining the Army and serving three years in Wyandotte, Michigan.

After returning to Texas, he graduated from the Highway Patrol Academy in Austin, Texas, and was assigned to work in Midland. A fellow patrolman introduced Bobby to the love of his life, Martha, who at that time worked at the Tip Top Drive Inn.

They were married on June 28, 1962, and began their family soon after. In 1965, Bobby made a career change and began working for the City of Midland Fire Department and retired as a Captain after 17 1/2 years of service.

Bobby was a 32nd Degree Mason. He was an avid golf fan and loved the golf channel. Bobby also liked to play dominoes and he taught his kids and grandkids to play as well. This was a great way to spend quality time together.

Bobby has struggled over the years due to complications with COPD. He has met many sweet and generous people through the Hospice of Midland.

The family would like to send out a special thanks to Tammi and Christy for their care, encouragement and dedication.

Donations can be made to the Hospice of Midland, PO Box 2621, Midland, Texas 79702.

Visitation will be from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 20, 2014, at Ellis Funeral Home.

The funeral service will be held on Thursday, August 21, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. at Crestview Baptist Church with the Reverends Robert and Rusty Frazier. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park and Mausoleum Cemetery.

Pallbearers for the service will be Jerry Collins, Kenneth Collins, Bruce Raabe, Mike Routh, Thomas "Buddy" Wood, and Brad White.

Honorary Pallbearers are Maurice Collins and Jimmy Collins.

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

Dale Estel Bartz

Dale Estel Bartz passed peacefully the evening of August 17, 2014, in Kingwood, Texas, at the age of 91.

Dale was born April 2, 1923, in Osage County, Lyndon Kansas. His parents were Herman Bartz Jr. and Leona McCormick Bartz. Siblings include three sisters, Naomi, Wilma, and Levina.

Dale was a veteran of two wars, serving in the Navy during WWII from 1944 to 1946, including an active duty assignment at Pearl Harbor, receiving the Victory Medal, American Area Campaign Medal, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal and the Philippine Liberation Ribbon.

Later, Dale re-enlisted and served in the Korean War. Altogether, Dale served 10 years, three months, and 22 days in honorable service of our country in the US Navy.

Between and during wars, Dale worked as a welder and attended the University of Colorado at Boulder, receiving a Bachelors of Science in Pharmacy. Dale was honorably discharged in 1952, and settled in Socorro, New Mexico.

Later, Dale moved to Santa Rosa, where he met and married the love of his life, Annie Romo. They married in 1955, in Santa Rosa, and owned first Santa Rosa Drug and then City Drug for about 30 years. He was a member of St Rose of Lima Parish, active in the Santa Rosa Lions Club and in most all local school and community events and functions. He cherished his years in Santa Rosa.

Dale and Annie had five children while living in Santa Rosa, Patty, Gerry, Kiti, and Sharon. Dale and Annie sold City Drug and moved to Kermit, Texas, in 1982, where he worked as a pharmacist at the local hospital until 1995.

Annie passed away in 1991, and Dale remained in Kermit until his semi-retirement in 1995. Following retirement, Dale worked as relief pharmacist throughout West Texas for many hospitals and independent pharmacies. He was an active member of the Knights of Columbus West Texas Ministry. He enjoyed traveling, visiting with family and friends, and doting on his grandchildren.

Following a stroke in 1998, Dale moved to Ft. Stockton, and later to Midland, Texas, where he remained fairly independent until later in his life. Dale moved permanently to Humble, Texas, in 2012, where he lived with his daughter Sharon and her family.

Dale was preceded in death by his wife, Annie.

He is survived by his sisters, Naomi Ferguson of Poteet, Texas, Wilma and Jim McDonough of Loveland, Colorado, and Levina Schmidt of Loveland, Colorado; his four children Patty Bartz and partner Britt Panter of Kettle Falls, Washington, Gerry and Rita Bartz of Whittier, California, Kathryn (Kiti) and Bruce Bartz of Kingwood, Texas, and Sharon and Ron Rounsaville of Humble, Texas.

Dale is also survived by eight grandchildren, Kristiana and John Santiago of Spring, Texas, Meghan Collins of San Angelo, Texas, Taylor Collins of Humble, Texas, Ryan Rounsaville of Lubbock, Texas, Gerard Bartz, Fredrick Bartz, and Hailey Padilla of Whittier, California, Bryan and Yvonne Bartz of San Angelo, Texas; and five great grandchildren, Ashlyn Tice and Makayla Santiago of Spring, Texas, and Savannah, Isabella, and Gracie Bartz, of San Angelo, Texas; and many nieces, nephews, and other family members throughout Colorado, New Mexico, and Texas.

Rosary services will be held on Friday, August 22, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. followed by Mass of Christian Burial with Father Thomas Kayammakal officiating. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery.

Serving as Pallbearers will be Bruce Bartz, Ron Rounsaville, John Santiago, Bryan Bartz, Gerard Bartz, and Moses Marquez.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Dale's name to Autism Speaks on behalf of Frederick Bartz.

Dale was a great husband, brother, father, and friend to many in Texas, Colorado, and New Mexico, and will be dearly missed.

All services for Mr. Bartz have been entrusted to the Chavez Funeral Home, 923 South 3rd Street, Santa Rosa, New Mexico, (575) 472-3369. To place an online condolence please visit our website at *www.chavezfuneralhome.com.*

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Federico C. Ilang-Ilang, Sr.

Federico C. Ilang-Ilang, Sr., 88, was born on August 11, 1926, in Cavite, Philippines and passed away in Midland, Texas, on August 18, 2014.

Fred was born on August 11, 1926, to his parents Leon Ilang-Ilang, and Ana Cervantes.

He married his beloved wife Zenaida P. Ilang-Ilang, as to which they were married for forty-nine years. He was a World War II veteran and he then worked for the Philippine Constabulary for thirty years. After moving to the United States he continued to work as an electrical assembler in Los Angeles, California, for seventeen years.

Fred enjoyed crossword puzzles, watching current events, playing chess, mah jong, and watching sports. After he retired he traveled to different parts of the country to visit his family in the United States as well as in the Philippines.

Fred is preceded in death by his loving wife, Zenaida P. Ilang-Ilang.

Fred is survived by his children, Federico P. Ilang-Ilang, Jr., Virgil P. Ilang-Ilang, and wife Marideth, Ernest P. Ilang-Ilang, Rafael P. Ilang-Ilang, Adalia Newell and husband Mark; sixteen grandchildren; fourteen great grandchildren; and various friends and family.

A visitation will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, August 22, 2014, at Ellis Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 23, 2014, at St. Ann's Catholic Church, with Monsignor Larry Droll officiating.

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

Kathy Diane (Horton) Shirley

Kathy Diane (Horton) Shirley, 64, of Midland passed away on Monday, August 18, 2014, at her home in Midland after a lengthy, courageous battle with cancer.

Visitation will be from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 21, 2014, at Sunset Funeral Home.

Funeral Services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, August 22, 2014, at Northside Baptist Church in Odessa with Reverend Clydel Chapman officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Kathy was born on October 2, 1949, in Overton, Texas, to Thomas Doyle Horton Sr. and Roberta Vivian Horton Dalton. Kathy and her family moved to Odessa, Texas, in 1961.

She graduated from Permian High School in 1968. She married Kendall Shirley on August 21, 1970. Although Kathy did have several jobs outside the home over the years, she preferred staying at home being a wife, mother, and eventually the best Mimi ever. Kathy lived in Odessa for the majority of her life but moved to Midland in 2011 to be closer to her children and grandchildren.

Kathy is preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Roberta Horton.

Kathy is survived by the love of her life, her husband of 44 years, Kendall Shirley, her two daughters, Lori and husband Andrew Becker of Midland, Kristi and husband Albert Seybert of Odessa; step daughter, Kim DeMoss of Tulsa, Oklahoma; brother, Thomas (Tom) Doyle Horton Jr.; sister, Sandra Hubbard of Buda, Texas; grandchildren, Adam and Aidan Becker, Davis and Griffin Seybert, Crystal Nolan, and Jon Derrick; and five great grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be as follows: Andrew Becker, Albert Seybert, Adam Becker, Jon Derrick, Scott Horton, and Chad Brock.

The family wishes to extend a sincere thank you to Hospice of Midland and in lieu of flowers please send donations to them.

Arrangements are under the direction of Sunset Memorial Gardens and Funeral Home.

To send condolences please visit our website at *www.sunsetodessa.com.*

Maria Elena Luna

Maria Elena Luna, 72, of Midland, Texas, passed away on Monday, August 18, 2014, due to illness.

Maria was born on August 1, 1942. She was a homemaker. She loved spending time with family, telling stories to her children and grandchildren. She also liked cooking, sewing, ceramics and gardening.

Maria is preceded in death by her parents, Jesus Montoya and Ester Montoya, three brothers; and two sisters.

Maria is survived by her children, Evangelina Enriquez, Maria Elena Torres, Avelino Garcia, Jr., Yolanda Lara, Angelita Garcia, Consuelo Reyna, Elida Herrera, Melissa Hernandez, Alberto Hernandez, Jr., Ignacio Reyna, Sylvia Parra, and Robert Berry, 42 grandchildren; 90 great grandchildren; and 1great-great grandchild; and four sisters.

Visitations will be held at Ellis Funeral Home; viewing on Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., rosary 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., August 21, 2014.

Funeral Services will be held Friday, August 22, 2014, 3:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial Services to follow at Resthaven Memorial Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Manuel Flores, Jr., Jerry Enriquez, Jr., Avelino Garcia, Jr., Arturo Ochoa, Jr., Ryan Hernandez, Israel Holguin, Armando Arciga, and Jesse Rubio, Jr.

She will be greatly missed and always remembered and loved.

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

Patrick Melton McNair

Patrick Melton McNair of Midland, 90, was welcomed by his family in heaven on August 19, 2014, after a lengthy battle with prostate cancer.

Pat was born in Gainesville, Florida, to John R. and Julia Melton McNair, arriving on his parents' first wedding anniversary, March 17, 1924.

After the loss of his parents at age 10, he was raised by his uncle, Will Henri "Bim" McNair, in High Springs, Florida, where he learned the automotive trade firsthand.

After his high school graduation from Toccoa Falls Institute, Georgia, Pat joined the Army Air Corps, and, while stationed at Midland Army Air Field, he met the love of his life, Martha Jo Guthrie, in Andrews. They married on August 20, 1947, and attended Toccoa Falls College.

After college, Pat and Martha owned the Sinclair Service Station and the Texaco Distributorship in Andrews. They moved to Midland in 1964, where Pat owned the Mobil Oil Distributorship, West Texas Bandag, Midland Dayton Tire Sales, and Odessa Tire Center.

They joined First United Methodist Church and the Fellowship Sunday School Class in 1964, where Pat served as lay speaker and Sunday school teacher.

After retirement from ownership of Odessa Tire Center in 1981, Pat and Martha were active in the Commemorative Air Force, traveled in Europe, England, and Canada, and also enjoyed RV travel throughout the U.S.

Pat was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, John R. "Bim" McNair; and a granddaughter, Mary Kelly McNair.

He is survived by his wife, Martha; son, Michael Kelly McNair and wife, Molly, of Fort Worth; daughter, Julia Leigh McNair Chatwell and husband, Richard, of Rockport; grandchildren, Martin Alexander McNair and wife, Dawn, of Willow Park, Richard Avery (Rocky) Chatwell, Jr., of Rockport, and Sarah Rose Chatwell Root and husband, Garrett, of Mountain Home AFB, Idaho; a great-granddaughter, Emma Claire Root, of Idaho; and numerous friends and extended family.

A visitation will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, August 22, 2014, at Ellis Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 23, 2014, at the First United Methodist Church, with Reverend Macky Pitts officiating.

The family extends thanks to Hospice of Midland and Senior Care for their loving care of Pat in his last months.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, Texas, 79702 or to First United Methodist Church Fellowship Class Nursing Scholarship Fund, 300 North Main Street, Midland, Texas, 79701.

Romona (Mona) Snow

Romona (Mona) Snow passed peacefully at 85 in her home on Tuesday, August 19, 2014, with her family at her bedside.

Mona Snow was born on July 3, 1929, in Oakdale, Louisiana, where she graduated from high school.

When she was 18 years old, she was invited by friends to come to Midland to work in Colbert's dress shop. Joe Snow saw Romona changing a mannequin in the dress shop window. They were married soon after, November 23, 1950.

Mona enjoyed golf and won trophies in a bowling league. She won an award for her original orange-slice cake. She loved music, had a great singing voice, casino tours, cooking, sewing, quilting, knitting, needle work, and visiting with neighbors.

In the mid-1960's she earned a real estate license from Midland College and was a realtor for Tall City Realtors.

Romona was a neighborhood organizer and felt that good neighbors were the backbone of Midland.

Mona is survived by her three children, Rheta Page, Duane Snow, and Vickie Collette; two granddaughters, Keely Collette and Danielle Collette; and five grandchildren, Alexis, Aubrey, Myles, Vincent, and Francesca.

Mona is also survived by four sisters, Greta Richardson, Madelyn Mevis, and Jeanette Willis of Lake Charles and Aleta Barns of New Orleans; and a brother Earl L. Willis of Toledo Bend.

Mona was preceded in death by her husband, Joe Snow; her parents, Iva Tootsie and Earl Willis; her sister, Patsy West; and her brother, Rodney Willis.

Mona was a loving wife and mother. She felt her neighbors were part of her family. She believed that amazing events are possible and miracles happen every day. We will all miss her.

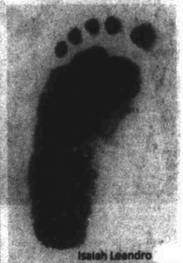
We would like to give special thanks to Dr. M. Miller and all of his wonderful staff for their understanding and care. We would also like to give a special thanks to Hospice Midland.

A formal reception will be held Friday, August 22, 2014, from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel.

In lieu of flowers the family has requested that memorials be directed to American Cancer Society, Multiple Sclerosis Society, Texas Scottish Rite Hospital Crippled Children, Dallas, Texas.

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

Isaac Leonardo



Isaiah Leandro

Isaac and Isaiah Carrasco

Beautiful infant twin brothers, Isaac Leonardo and Isaiah Leandro Carrasco were taken into God's arms in the early morning hours of Tuesday, August 19, 2014.

The family will be holding a rosary at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel Thursday, August 21, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.

Funeral services will be held at an undisclosed time.

Isaac and Isaiah are survived by their loving parents, Elaine and Adrian Carrasco; their loving brothers, Jordan, Jose, and Carlos; grandparents, Eva and the late Leonardo Carrasco and Janie Cardona; and their loving aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Pallbearers will be Arturo Carrasco, Alfredo Carrasco, Adam Carrasco, Lee Cardona, Alex Salinas, and Steve Sanchez.

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

Death Notices

Melba Sue Clay

Melba Sue Clay, 50, of Carrollton died Tuesday, August 19, 2014.

Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

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CHARITABLE ACTS

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland College volleyball coach Tammie Jimenez holds back cables while Lady Chap volunteers paint the side of a habitat home Wednesday.

LOCAL BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

New fire protection ratings show Midland has lower overall risk

The Midland Fire Department recently earned a top fire protection rating from the Texas State Fire Marshal's Office.

An Insurance Service Office rating of 1 means Midland has a lower overall fire risk, according to a press release from the city. Ratings are based on equipment, station locations, training and fire prevention efforts.

"It's great to have an outside agency verify that we are among the top departments in the nation with our equipment, infrastructure and people," said MFD Fire Chief Robert Isbell. "This is truly a testament to the hard-work of the members of the Midland Fire Department."

Issued on a scale of 1-10, ratings determine how insurance companies set premiums for homeowners and businesses.

"The new ... rating will have a small effect on homeowners' insurance rates, with a more significant impact on commercial rates for business and industry, which will be an economic benefit for the community," according to the city.

MISD saves more than $1 million on energy expenses

Midland ISD's energy-savings program has saved the district nearly $1.26 million in utility costs in its first year, Superintendent Ryder Warren announced Tuesday in a press release.

The district's partnership with energy-savings company Cenergistic began in June 2013. Two MISD energy specialists, Wes Jones and Jayson Everett, oversee a "comprehensive energy management and conservation program" in all district buildings.

Warren said in the release that the program not only saves taxpayer dollars, but that it reduces the district's environmental impact, too.

"Because of the millions of dollars leaving our community in relation to the Texas Robin Hood Finance System, we knew we needed to save as many local dollars as we could, and we are doing just that," Warren wrote.

Brine firm sues over fracturing billboard

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — An Ohio man who uses a biblical reference and a statement against "poisoned waters" on billboards opposing wells for disposal of gas-drilling wastewater is fighting a legal threat from the Texas well owner on free-speech grounds.

Austin-based Buckeye Brine alleged in a July lawsuit that the billboards paid for by Michael Boals, of Coshocton in eastern Ohio, contain false and defamatory attacks against its two wells, which dispose of contaminated wastewater from oil and gas drilling.

The complaint by the company and Rodney Adams, who owns the land and operates the well site, contended that the wells are safe, legal and meet all state safety standards. The parties objected to statements on two billboards along U.S. Route 36, including one that "DEATH may come."

"The accusation that the wells will cause 'DEATH' is a baseless and malicious attempt to damage the reputations of the plaintiffs," according to the complaint. "The billboards are also defamatory because they state or imply that Mr. Adams and Buckeye Brine are causing 'poisoned waters' to enter the drinking water supply."

Shale oil and gas drilling employing hydraulic fracturing produces millions of gallons of chemical-laced wastewater. The liquid, called brine, is a mix of chemicals, saltwater, naturally occurring radioactive material and mud.

It's considered unsafe for ground water and aquifers, so Ohio regulations require waste liquid to be contained and injected deep underground. Ohio has recorded no aquifer contamination, but as the state grapples with some 16 million gallons of the wastewater a year, it's seen earthquakes linked to injection wells and a Youngstown-area businessman indicted in a federal dumping case.

Boals, a 55-year-old timber harvester, refused to pull his billboards, which he said cost him more than $1,000.

He said the complaint misrepresents his statements, one of which is that injection wells "pump POISONED WATERS under the feet of America's Citizens." The second sign quotes prophecy from Revelation — on men dying from waters "made bitter."

"I think a lot of people hear the word 'injection well' and they don't realize they inject wastewater into the ground," he said. "I said the poisoned waters travel under the feet of all the people in the area. That's a true statement. 'Bitter' speaks about something not desirable, not something you'd ever want to drink."

After a cease-and-desist letter failed to get Boals to pull the signs, the legal fight escalated. Buckeye Brine directed its appeal for relief to the sign owner, and Boals enlisted the legal help of Fair Shake Environmental Legal Services.

Megan Lovett, an attorney at the Pittsburgh-based nonprofit, said Boals' signs represent protected speech, especially in a rural, hilly region where billboards are one of the more reliable forms of mass communication.

"You can't defame someone with an opinion in Ohio," she said. "You can't control an idea. The way we control ideas is in the marketplace of ideas, not in a court."

Lovett also argued that oil and gas drilling, particularly fracturing, can rightly be considered to "destroy" and "poison" water, as the billboards contend.

Report: 40 percent of state graduates took ACT

Associated Press

AUSTIN — A report from the organization that produces the ACT college entrance exam says about 40 percent of Texas' graduating class this year took the test.

ACT said Wednesday that 116,547 graduating students in the state took the test this year compared to 109,841 last year, a 6 percent increase. The number has increased by 26 percent since 2010.

Texas Education Commissioner Michael Williams said "the growing number of Texas students with aspirations of earning a postsecondary degree bodes well for the future of our state."

The composite score for Texas students was 20.9. The national average was 21.

ACT said 86 percent of Texas students taking the test hoped to get a postsecondary education. ACT said 39 percent met three or four college readiness benchmarks, indicating likely college success.

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■ Laura Bush Literacy Program free reading event, 4:30-5:30 p.m., George W. Bush Childhood Home visitor center. bushchildhoodhome.org.

■ "Sharknado 2: The Second One" film screening at Regal Tall City 14. fandango.com.

■ Damon Wayans Live at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

■ Midland County Fair at the Horseshoe. midlandhorseshoe.com.

Midland County Fair

The fifth-annual Midland County Fair is today through Sunday at the Horseshoe, 2514 Arena Trail. The fair will include a carnival; bull riding, barrel racing and team roping events; petting zoo; tractor pull; creative art competitions; monster truck rides; and performances by local entertainers.

Admission tickets are $5. Hours today are 5 to 11 p.m. today. Tonight also is Back to School and Senior Citizens' night, with family carnival discounts and free admission for fairgoers age 60 and over.

For more information and a full schedule of events, visit www.midlandcofair.com.

Support groups, club meetings today

■ Diabetes support group meets 6:30-7:30 p.m., Midland County Public Library Centennial branch; sponsored by Midland Memorial Hospital; 221-3266.

■ Diabetes Support Group for Spanish Speakers meets 2-3 p.m., Casa de Amigos; sponsored by Midland Memorial Hospital; 221-3266.

■ Permian Basin Chess Club, 6 p.m., University of Texas of the Permian Basin student union; Steve Dudley, 556-1920; Brian Farrell, 288-7141; pbcc.50giga.net; odessachess@cableone.net.

■ Oops Alley Clowns of West Texas; 520-3512.

■ TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 6:30 p.m., Christian Church of Midland, 2609 Neely Ave.; weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. 694-8643.

County treasurer wins state award

Midland County Treasurer Mitzi Wohleking has received the 2014 Texas Outstanding County Treasurer award from the County Treasurer's Association of Texas.

The 243 Texas counties that have county treasurers voted on the recipient, who is selected based on a number of criteria, including developing processes to make their county more efficient and leadership in the county and community.

Wohleking has worked for Midland County since 1989.

Vicente Fox to speak at MC

Vicente Fox, the former president of Mexico, and his wife, Marta, will be the guests for Midland College's Davidson Distinguished Lecture Series. The lecture will be moderated by Ruben Navarrette Jr., whose nationally syndicated column is published in the Reporter-Telegram.

The event is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Sept. 16 at Chaparral Center. For more information, call 685-4526.

Reporter-Telegram on radio

Editor Stewart Doreen discusses local news at 9:35 a.m. Thursdays on KWEL (AM 1070, FM 107.1).

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Lotto Texas: 4-20-22-34-49-50
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Power Play: 2
All or Nothing morning: 4-5-6-11-13-14-15-16-17-19-21-23
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All or Nothing evening: 1-2-4-8-10-13-14-19-20-21-22-23
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Today in history

Today is Thursday, Aug. 21, the 233th day of 2014. There are 132 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On Aug. 21, 1944, the United States, Britain, the Soviet Union and China opened talks at Dumbarton Oaks in Washington that helped pave the way for establishment of the United Nations. (The talks concluded on Oct. 7.)

How sick are you?

Midland Memorial Hospital has partnered with Medical Center Hospital in Odessa on the telephone nurse triage program "66-NURSE," in order to bring the service to the entire Permian Basin.

The program is designed to help people determine whether or not their health situation warrants a trip to the emergency room. Midland residents can call the line by dialing 666-6773.

The program is free and available 24 hours a day-365 days a year. Local nurses are available to help you determine the best place to receive care for your situation. 66-NURSE can help you save time and money by directing you to the most appropriate healthcare option, whether it's a neighborhood clinic, urgent care center, emergency room ... or just staying home.

Perry formally enters not guilty plea to criminal charges

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Republican Texas Gov. Rick Perry has formally pleaded not guilty to criminal charges of leveraging his power to try to oust a Democratic district attorney convicted of drunken driving, according to court documents obtained Wednesday.

The potential 2016 presidential candidate entered his plea in a Travis County court filing. He also waived an arraignment that had been set for Friday.

The waiver was no surprise given that Perry has signaled no intention of the felony charges interrupting a busy travel schedule to court GOP voters elsewhere. Perry was set to discuss immigration at the conservative Heritage Foundation in Washington today, followed by a two-day stop in New Hampshire.

Perry's plea was filed with the court late Tuesday, shortly after the longest-serving governor in Texas history was fingerprinted and had his mug shot taken. He tweeted a picture of himself stopping for vanilla ice cream on the way back from his booking.

But what's next for Perry isn't so glib: His high-powered and pricey legal team will now quickly try to extinguish the case against him, which includes two felony charges stemming from his veto last summer of state funds for public corruption prosecutors.

Perry was already in campaign mode Tuesday when he arrived at the Travis County courthouse — just a block behind the governor's mansion — for processing. He strode to a lectern in front of a phalanx of cameras and reporters, and his vows to fight the charges were interrupted by chants of "Perry! Perry!" from a few dozen supporters.

About the only time Perry didn't seem in control was when he was instructed to remove his newly signature, black-framed glasses for the booking photo.

"The actions that I took were lawful, they were legal, and they were proper," Perry said before entering the courthouse.

Perry was indicted last week on charges of coercion and official oppression for vetoing $7.5 million for the state public integrity unit, which investigates wrongdoing by elected officials and is run by the Travis County district attorney's office. Perry threatened the veto if the county's Democratic district attorney, Rosemary Lehmberg, stayed in office after a drunken driving conviction.

Associated Press

Gov. Rick Perry, left, leaves the Blackwell Thurman Criminal Justice Center after he was booked Tuesday in Austin. Perry was indicted last week on charges of coercion and official oppression for publicly promising to veto $7.5 million for the state public integrity unit run.

Jurors said Perry indictment based on facts, law

HOUSTON — Four grand jurors have defended their indictment of Texas Gov. Rick Perry on abuse of power charges, saying their decision was not politically motivated.

The jurors told the Houston Chronicle that the indictment is based on the facts of the case and the law.

Juror Scott Hillman said Perry's dismissive comments following his indictment Friday are "disrespectful," pointing out that the jury attended eight sessions over the course of five months.

"I see him laugh at these charges, and I think, 'He's laughing at the process, and he's laughing at the grand jurors,'" Hillman said. "We took our role very, very seriously."

County records indicate five of the 12 Travis County residents who served on the grand jury have voted in Democratic Party primaries in the last 20 years and one has voted in both Democratic and Republican primaries. Three have not voted at all.

Perry faces a two-count criminal indictment alleging he abused power when he vetoed money going to a Travis County prosecutors' unit. An abuse of official capacity count is a first-degree felony punishable by five to 99 years in prison. The count of coercion of a public servant is a third-degree felony carrying a punishment of two to 10 years in prison.

Perry said he vetoed the money after Travis County District Attorney Rosemary Lehmberg refused to resign following her arrest for drunken driving. He said Lehmberg has lost the public's confidence.

Perry, his team of lawyers and his supporters have dismissed the indictment as partisan politics. He called it a "farce" in a Saturday news conference and said it's the product of an over-zealous prosecutor in a liberal part of the state.

Juror Janna Bessin called Perry's criticisms "unfair."

"It's too bad," she said, "but I guess that his side's job — to really spin it."

Associated Press

Lehmberg refused to resign and Perry carried out the veto, drawing an ethics complaint from a left-leaning government watchdog group.

Perry was indicted by a grand jury in Austin, a liberal bastion in otherwise mostly fiercely conservative Texas.

The atmosphere all around him Tuesday felt less like an undignified perp walk and more like a full-throated campaign rally. Perry's detractors also waited to relish a glimpse of him walking into court to face processing. Among them was an attorney who is defending more than a dozen Texas abortion clinics set to close this month under a tough anti-abortion bill signed by Perry last year.

"It's not about politics. It's about the governor's abuse of power," said attorney Jan Soifer, who's also a Democratic Party leader in Austin.

If convicted on both counts, Perry could face a maximum 109 years in prison — though legal experts across the political spectrum have said the case against him may be a tough sell to a jury. No one disputes that Perry has the right to veto any measures passed by the state Legislature, including any parts of the state budget.

But the complaint against Perry alleges that by publicly threatening a veto and trying to force Lehmberg to resign, he coerced her. The Republican judge assigned to the case has assigned a San Antonio-based special prosecutor who insists the case is stronger than it may outwardly appear.

The governor has hired a team of high-powered attorneys, who are being paid with state funds to defend him.

OIL FIELDS

From 1A

"It's a perk for people who put in the hard work to develop the prospects," said John Shepard, manager of Latin America exploration at Shell Oil Co., who previously worked on Gulf of Mexico projects. "It's a great example of bottom up, rather than top down."

Shell has pursued offshore oil fields named for cow breeds (Guernsey, Holstein, Angus), cartoon characters (Popeye, Bullwinkle, Rocky) and even famous physicists (Bohr, Kepler, Coulomb).

The names can get even more peculiar. One of BP's top projects in the Gulf of Mexico is called "Na-Kika," after the octopus god of the Gilbert Islands.

Some geologists choose names that rock.

Hess Corp. has a development called "Tubular Bells," named for the debut album of English rocker Mike Oldfield — although it's a relatively new field, discovered 30 years after the 1973 album release.

Chevron's "Blind Faith" is a reference to Eric Clapton's band.

The naming tradition serves important functions beyond indulging the whims of the people who discover the oil.

Onshore, oil fields typically are named after nearby geographic features like towns or streams, said Justin Devery, a deep-water Gulf of Mexico analyst for IHS who previously worked as a geologist at Unocal Corp.

Useful as a code

That doesn't really work in open ocean.

Federal leasing maps identify locations of offshore oil fields, but designate them in the dry language of government.

Who Dat, for example, is located in blocks 503, 546 and 547 of an area known as Mississippi Canyon.

Oil companies prefer shorthand that rolls more trippingly off the tongue.

The names also can serve as a code to prevent rivals from overhearing the exact spot where a company is considering purchasing a federal drilling lease. "If someone happens to overhear several of us talking about the 'Rover' prospect, they have no idea what we're talking about," Shepard said.

Shepard, who's worked for Shell since 1980, said the company originally used letters and numbers as code to mask the location of prospects it was considering. But that quickly become unwieldy. The first prospect he worked on was known simply as P-471. "I think they found the code numbers were almost as hard to remember as the block numbers they're referring to," he said.

In the earlier days of offshore exploration, the names of formations often were based on simple themes like shark species (Great White, Maco, Tiger), tools (Auger, Machete, Screwdriver) or royalty (Queen, King, Princess). Generally, leases in close proximity or purchased at one time followed a single such theme.

But as the industry used up the simplest themes, geologists had to get more creative.

Sometimes they chose names reflecting their interests or hobbies.

Shell has a group of prospects in the eastern Gulf of Mexico named for Civil War sites including Vicksburg, Gettysburg and Appomattox. Ted Godo, the Shell geologist who helped discover them, is a Civil War buff, Shepard said.

Physical characteristics of fields also may suggest names. An offshore field in Nigeria is called "Neiko" — which means "lobster" in a native dialect — because its seismic image resembles the shape of the crustacean, said Bobby Ryan, Chevron's vice president for global exploration. A well drilled near Louisiana was named "Bear's Hump" when the seismic map reminded geologists of the distinctive feature on a grizzly's back.

Naming conventions can become difficult when multiple companies are involved in the same play.

When four oil companies teamed up on one prolific field in the 1990s, they faced a dilemma since they proposed four different names — Brachiosaurus, Alpha Centauri, HI-C and Anaconda. The final name was a subject of much debate.

"Finally one of my team leaders stood up with a cigarette in his mouth and said, 'We're wasting a lot of time. It's BAHA — all upper case — named after the first letters,'" Ryan said. The name stuck.

Employees sometimes favor names that lend themselves to visual images, mindful that the company may celebrate a find by designing logos for T-Shirts and caps.

A little too clever

Still, the process doesn't always go flawlessly.

"We picked a Hawaiian theme for one of our lease sales in the mid-1990s," said Cindy Yeilding, vice president of Gulf of Mexico appraisal for BP.

"It was kind of cute because we were thinking about having a nice lunch with Hawaiian shirts and a luau after the lease sale was over," she recalled. "The team got a little too clever. It was using true Hawaiian names, and we all got confused as to which prospect was which, so we had to rename them."

Exxon Mobil had a project at one point called Mickey, but its name was ultimately changed to Mica to avoid copyright concerns related to a certain cartoon mouse.

Shepard said Shell geologists used to name some prospects after their wives. But the company discourages that naming convention. "People figured out their spouse might not like it if they're hearing 'that's a terrible prospect,'" he said.

A bad prospect is one thing, but in a risky industry it's also possible a name will become synonymous with disaster.

After BP's Macondo well blew out in the Gulf of Mexico, killing 11 rig workers and spilling millions of gallons of oil, media reported that, years earlier, a company employee had won the naming privilege in a charity fundraiser.

In 2002, BP changed the name of a major Gulf of Mexico discovery to "Thunder Horse" from "Crazy Horse," after descendants of the Oglala Lakota warrior said it was inappropriate to use his name.

EXPANSION

From 1A

more radioactive as time passes and if disposed of improperly could pose health risks, such as cancer. And environmental groups, including the Sierra Club and Public Citizen, have long worried about the local geology and contamination of underground water sources near the site, which can accept low-level nuclear waste from compact states Texas, Vermont and 36 other states.

To ensure safety, the depleted uranium will be disposed of at the greatest depth possible, commission spokeswoman Andrea Morrow has said.

State Rep. Lon Burnam, a Democrat from Fort Worth who opposed the amendment and has long opposed the dumping site, called the company's ongoing expansion in size and scope "mission creep."

He was distressed that the commission prohibited any public comments at the commissioners meeting in Austin on Wednesday.

"I'm stunned more by the arrogance than the outcome," he said.

McDonald has said the part of the amendment that expands the volume came from concerns about capacity from state legislators and a commission that oversees the low-level waste site.

Most recently, the Waste Control Specialists' facility has become the temporary storage site for about 100 containers from Los Alamos National Laboratory that were originally destined for disposal at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant in New Mexico, the federal government's only permanent repository for waste from decades of building nuclear bombs.

CHAMBER

From 1A

flight conditions. In other words, the chambers create a vacuum environment.

"One of the things you want people to understand is what it feels like when a suit is pressurized," said Livingston Holder, a partner with Holder Aerospace, who emphasized the bulkiness and restrictive movement of a space suit. "You don't want the first time of feeling that in some emergency during flight. You want to experience that in training on the ground."

To achieve the simulated conditions, the chambers are attached to two large outdoor vacuum tanks, which allows air to rapidly flow out of the chambers. The smaller, two-person suit chamber rapidly decompresses to a 100,000-foot altitude environment in less than five seconds, while the larger, 10-person cabin chamber decompresses to a 60,000-foot altitude environment in less than 15 seconds.

Both chambers have a 20-year life.

Jeff Feige, chief executive officer of Orbital Outfitters, said there are two other places in the country that offers the same type of testing.

"But none of them will be able to (decompress) as rapidly and with as much capability as we're going to have with this new facility," Feige said. "And to be blunt, this is going to be a facility that has a look and feel that is, much frankly, sexier and a lot more exciting for people having the notion of the kind of work you are doing."

Feige said that people will be able to go to the complex and see the testing and crew training firsthand.

"But also, as we bring other companies down to Midland, we feel like this will be an anchor facility that will move people down here," Feige said.

Feige and Holder presented the altitude chamber complex design to the MDC board and a few City Council members, as MDC and Orbital Outfitters agreed to an incentive deal for the company's relocation from California to Midland.

MDC allocated $3.2 million for the altitude chamber complex project.

Key events after Michael Brown's death

Associated Press

FERGUSON, Mo. — A timeline of key events following the fatal police shooting of 18-year-old Michael Brown in the St. Louis suburb of Ferguson, Missouri.

■ **AUG. 9:** Brown and a companion are confronted by an officer as they walk back to Brown's home from a convenience store. Brown and the officer are involved in some kind of scuffle, followed by gunshots. Brown dies at the scene.

■ **AUG. 10:** After a candlelight vigil, people protesting Brown's death smash car windows and carry away armloads of looted goods from stores. In the first of several nights of violence, looters are seen making off with bags of food, toilet paper and alcohol. Some protesters stand atop police cars and taunt officers.

■ **AUG. 11:** The FBI opens an investigation into Brown's death, and two men who said they saw the shooting tell reporters that Brown had his hands raised when the officer approached with his weapon and fired repeatedly. That night, police in riot gear fire tear gas and rubber bullets to try to disperse a crowd.

■ **AUG. 12:** Ferguson Police Chief Tom Jackson cancels plans to release the name of the officer who shot Brown, citing death threats against the police department and City Hall. The Rev. Al Sharpton and President Barack Obama both plead for calm after two nights of clashes between police and protesters.

■ **AUG. 13:** Another night of violence wracks Ferguson, with some people lobbing Molotov cocktails and other objects at police, who respond with smoke bombs and tear gas. Two reporters are detained at a McDonald's. Images of the standoff, showing police using armored vehicles and pointing assault rifles at the crowds, are widely shared on social media.

■ **AUG. 14:** The Missouri Highway Patrol takes control of security in Ferguson, relieving local police of their law-enforcement authority after four days of violence. Within hours, the mood among protesters becomes lighter, even festive. The streets are filled with music, free food and even laughter.

■ **AUG. 15:** Police identify the officer who shot Brown as Darren Wilson, a 28-year-old man who had patrolled the St. Louis suburbs for six years. They also release a video purporting to show Brown robbing a convenience store of almost $50 worth of cigars shortly before he was killed. The video draws anger from protesters. After nightfall, officers and the crowds clash again. Some peopie in the crowd storm into the same convenience store that Brown was accused of robbing and loot it.

■ **AUG. 16:** Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon declares a state of emergency and imposes a curfew in Ferguson. The first night of the curfew ends with tear gas and seven arrests, after police in riot gear use armored vehicles to disperse defiant protesters who refused to leave.

■ **AUG. 17:** Attorney General Eric Holder orders a federal medical examiner to perform another autopsy on Brown. The Justice Department cites the "extraordinary circumstances" surrounding the death and a request by Brown's family members. Police use tear gas to clear the street that has been the scene of most protests three hours ahead of the curfew after reports of gunfire, looting and people hurling Molotov cocktails.

■ **AUG. 18:** Nixon calls the National Guard to Ferguson to help restore order and lifts the curfew imposed two days earlier. A pathologist hired by the family says an independent autopsy determined that Brown was shot at least six times, including twice in the head. A bullet wound to his right arm may indicate his hands were up or his back was turned, but the autopsy team can't be sure without more information, the pathologist said.

■ **AUG. 19:** Nixon says he will not seek the removal of the prosecutor overseeing the investigation into Brown's death. St. Louis County Prosecutor Bob McCulloch's deep family connections to police have been cited by some black leaders who question his ability to be impartial. In the streets, a more subdued protest unfolds, with smaller crowds, fewer confrontations and no tear gas.

Guide to developments in Missouri police shooting

FERGUSON, Mo. — Protesters have gathered daily, with some crowds turning violent, since a police officer fatally shot 18-year-old Michael Brown on Aug. 9 in the St. Louis suburb of Ferguson. Here's a look at key elements of the shooting and the unrest that followed:

The latest

Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon said Tuesday that he would not seek the removal of the prosecutor overseeing the investigation into the shooting. Protesters again filled the streets of Ferguson, but the scene was more subdued than on any of the previous five nights. The protest was lively but peaceful for hours, but around midnight, tensions rose and officers tried to remove the relatively small number of people who had not left. Police said 47 people were arrested.

The shooting

Police have said the officer was pushed into his squad car, then physically assaulted during a struggle over his weapon. At least one shot was fired inside the car. The struggle then spilled onto the street, where Brown was shot multiple times. Brown was unarmed.

But his friend, Dorian Johnson, told reporters that the officer ordered him and Brown out of the street, then tried to open his door so close to the pair that it "ricocheted" back, apparently upsetting the officer. Johnson said the officer grabbed Brown's neck and tried to pull him into the car before brandishing his weapon. He said Brown started to run and the officer pursued him, firing multiple times. Johnson and another witness said Brown had his hands raised when the officer fired.

The unrest

Protesters have gathered nightly since Brown's death, with some of the demonstrations resulting in looting and property damage. Police have used tear gas and smoke bombs, and some people have hurled rocks and bottles at officers. The protesters often chant, "Hands up, don't shoot!"

Along with calling in the National Guard, the governor has put Missouri State Highway Patrol Capt. Ron Johnson, who is from the Ferguson area, in charge of overseeing the protests.

The police tactics

The initial police response drew heavy criticism from around the nation. Critics said it was part of a law-enforcement trend toward more aggressive weapons and tactics. The American Civil Liberties Union in June released a report stating that police were overwhelmingly relying on SWAT raids — involving the use of assault rifles, battering rams and flash-bang grenades — for routine work such as searching for small amounts of drugs and serving warrants.

The investigation

At the request of Ferguson police, Brown's death is being investigated by St. Louis County police. The FBI also has opened an investigation into possible civil rights violations. According to the Highway Patrol, 40 FBI agents started going door-to-door in the neighborhood on Saturday, talking to people who might have seen or have information about the shooting.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS PROPOSED TAX RATE

The MIDLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT will hold a public hearing meeting at 5:30 pm on September 8, 2014, in board room of the Administration Building located at 615 W. Missouri St., Midland, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	$ 1.04005	/ $ 100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
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Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	10.41	% (increase)	or	% (decrease)
Debt service	5.96	% (increase)	or	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	15.49	% (increase)	or	% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	$16,696,394,209	$21,202,830,045
Total appraised value* of new property**	$494,624,800	$636,396,360
Total taxable value*** of all property	$16,542,880,007	$18,220,429,169
Total taxable value*** of new property**	$416,294,102	$517,796,308

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness $ 424,447,417

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund *	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	$1.04005	$0.09000	$1.13005	$7,991	$353
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	$1.23576	$0.10695	$1.33271	$6,789	$326
Proposed Rate	$1.04005	$0.10000	$1.14005	$6,175	$323

* The interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residence	$ 199,047	$ 3217,873
Average Taxable value of Residence	$ 159,384	$ 207,260
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per $100	$ 1.13005	$ 1.14005
Taxes Due on Average Residence	$ 2,145	$ 2,362
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		$ 217

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.141705. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.141705.

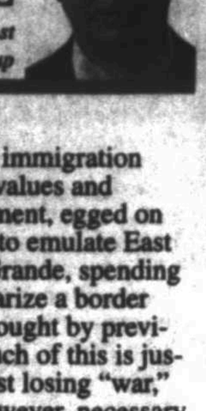
Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, from estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	$ 851,976,344
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	$ 93,429,102

Government becomes dumber, more presumptuous

■ Washington finds unending excuses for flexing its muscles because it can



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In physics, a unified field theory is an attempt to explain with a single hypothesis the behavior of several fields. Its political corollary is the Cupcake Postulate, which explains everything, from Missouri to Iraq, concerning Americans' comprehensive withdrawal of confidence from government at all levels and all areas of activity.

Washington's response to the menace of school bake sales illustrates progressivism's ratchet: The federal government subsidizes school lunches, so it must control the lunches' contents, which validates regulation of what it calls "competitive foods," such as vending machine snacks. Hence the need to close the bake sale loophole, through which sugary cupcakes might sneak: Foods sold at fundraising bake sales must, with some exceptions, conform to federal standards.

What has this to do with police, from Ferguson, Missouri, to your hometown, toting marksman rifles, fighting knives, grenade launchers and other combat gear? Swollen government has a shriveled brain: By printing and borrowing money, government avoids thinking about its proper scope and actual competence. So it smears mine-resistant armored vehicles and other military marvels across 435 congressional districts because it can.

And instead of making immigration policy serve the nation's values and workforce needs, government, egged on by conservatives, aspires to emulate East Germany along the Rio Grande, spending scores of billions to militarize a border bristling with hardware bought by previous scores of billions. Much of this is justified by America's longest losing "war," the one on drugs. Is it, however, necessary for NASA to have its own SWAT team?

A cupcake-policing government will find unending excuses for flexing its muscles as it minutely monitors our behavior in order to improve it, as Debra Harrell, 46, a South Carolina single mother, knows. She was jailed for "unlawful neglect" of her 9-year-old daughter when she left her, with a cellphone, to play in a park while she worked at a nearby McDonald's.

Resistance to taxation, although normal and healthy, is today also related to the belief that government is thoroughly sunk in self-dealing, indiscriminate meddling and the lunatic spending that lards police forces with devices designed for conquering Fallujah. People know that no normal person can know one-tenth of 1 percent of what the government is doing.

In Federalist Paper 84, Alexander Hamilton assured readers that although the proposed Constitution would increase the power of a distant federal government, this government would be inhibited by scrutiny: "The citizens who inhabit the country at and near the seat of government will, in all questions that affect the general liberty and prosperity, have the same interest with those who are at a distance, and ... they will stand ready to sound the alarm when necessary." Not now, when five of the nation's richest 10 counties, ranked by median household income, are Washington suburbs, parasitic off the federal government. The people who write the regulations of school lunches must live somewhere.

New Kensington, Pennsylvania, first-grader Darin Simak, who accidentally brought a toy gun to school in his backpack, turned it in to his teacher. School administrators then suspended him because the school has a "zero-tolerance policy." What children frequently learn at schools is that schools often are run by biological adults incapable of common-sense judgments.

"We simply cannot allow toxic things to be in our schools," said a spokesman for the Texas school district that confiscated the suntan lotion of a 10-year-old who then became sunburned on a school trip. Students, the spokesman explained, "could ingest it. It's really just a dangerous situation." Not as dangerous as entrusting children to schools run by mindless martinets.

Contempt for government cannot be hermetically sealed; it seeps into everything. Which is why cupcake regulations have foreign policy consequences. Americans, inundated with evidence that government is becoming dumber and more presumptuous, think it cannot be trusted to decipher foreign problems and apply force intelligently.

The collapse of confidence in government is not primarily because many conspicuous leaders are conspicuously dimwitted, although when Joe Biden refers to "the nation of Africa," or Harry Reid disparages the Supreme Court's Hobby Lobby decision as rendered by "five white men" (who included Clarence Thomas), Americans understand that their increasingly ludicrous government lacks adult supervision. What they might not understand is that the Reids and Bidens come with government so bereft of restraint and so disoriented by delusions of grandeur that it gives fighting knives to police and grief to purveyors of noncompliant cupcakes.

OUR VIEW

Midland's boom-time conditions bring opportunity to travelers

In the wake of the news that airport boardings increased to the highest level in 18 years, we addressed in this space Wednesday the opportunity that it will bring to Midlanders.

In July, if a Midlander wanted to fly to another part of the state or nation, there were more seats available, which allowed more West Texans to use Midland International. At a time when airlines are rarely expanding their operations at smaller airports, Midland International Airport bucks the trend.

And for the first time in a while we have a statistic to show that the growth we have seen in Midland and the area is bringing us opportunity, which we believe is essential for a prospering community.

Up to this point, the factors have showed growing pains — higher housing costs, rents and hotel room night costs; increased driving fatalities; increased driving times and wait time at restaurants; and more crowded schools.

Until now we haven't seen much in terms of the opportunity that extended boom-time conditions are providing Midlanders.

The growing pains this community has experienced isn't unusual for a prosperous area. Of course, we would argue this is far from an ordinary period of growth; it's more like growth on steroids. So our ability to respond hasn't been what we hoped it would be and the negative has outweighed the positive.

We hope the airport news helps open this community's eyes to the possibilities of a larger Midland. With growth, in our view, comes opportunity. Because those living in Midland right now have the opportunity to eat at new restaurants, patronize new entertainment options, be a part of a more youthful and prosperous population and have a chance to send children to college knowing there are jobs waiting for them when they graduate.

Yes, the community must be responsible for the ways it handles the growth. We must take our cues from the business leaders who have said it is mandatory that we be proactive when dealing with the growth.

Still, it has been easy to look past what these economic times have brought and will continue to bring to our community. There has been opportunity, just like airport officials illustrated this week. We hope the future offers more examples, and at some point we see more of a balance in the growth factors.

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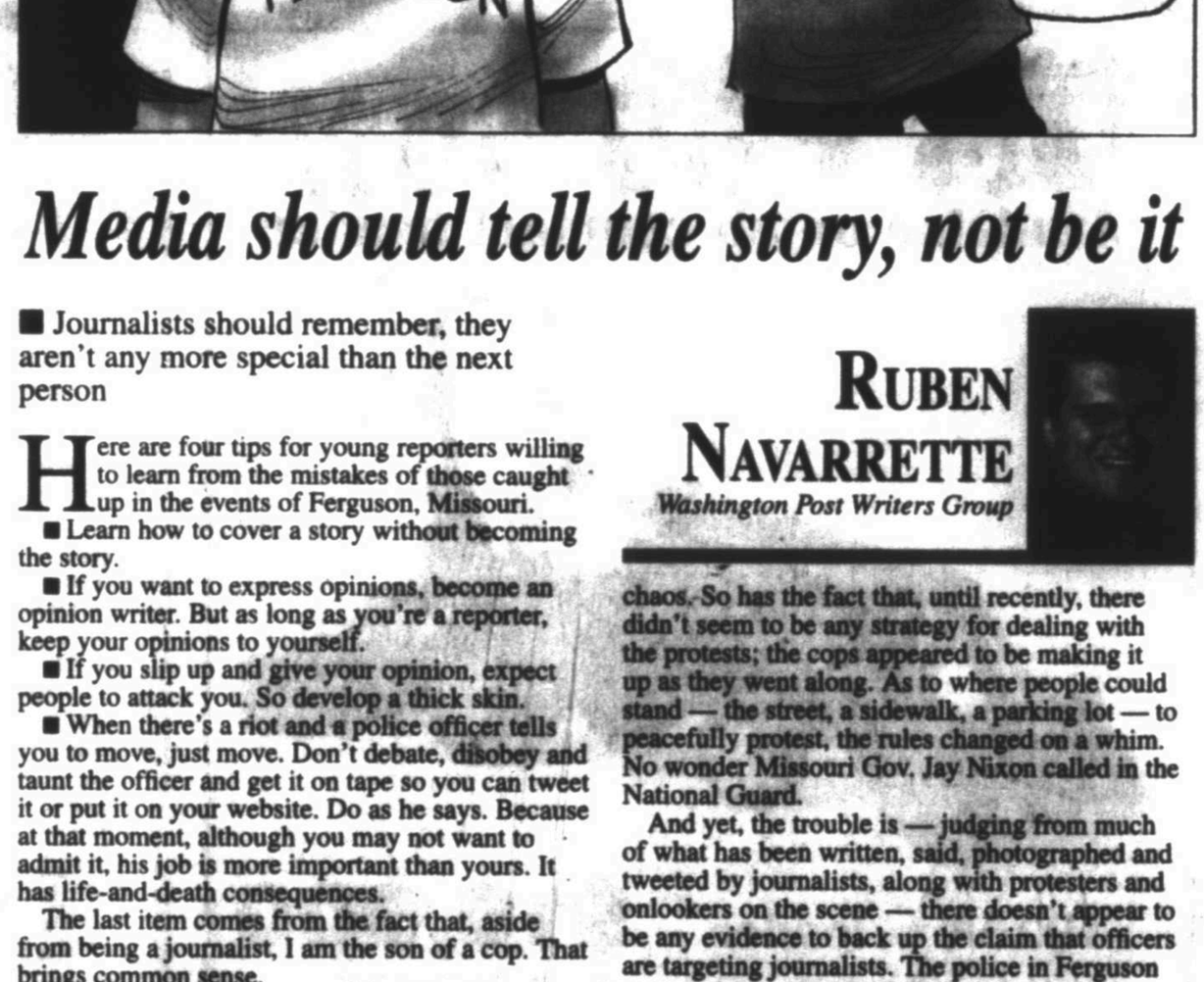
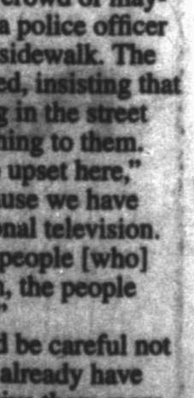


Media should tell the story, not be it

■ Journalists should remember, they aren't any more special than the next person



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Here are four tips for young reporters willing to learn from the mistakes of those caught up in the events of Ferguson, Missouri.

■ Learn how to cover a story without becoming the story.

■ If you want to express opinions, become an opinion writer. But as long as you're a reporter, keep your opinions to yourself.

■ If you slip up and give your opinion, expect people to attack you. So develop a thick skin.

■ When there's a riot and a police officer tells you to move, just move. Don't debate, disobey and taunt the officer and get it on tape so you can tweet it or put it on your website. Do as he says. Because at that moment, although you may not want to admit it, his job is more important than yours. It has life-and-death consequences.

The last item comes from the fact that, aside from being a journalist, I am the son of a cop. That brings common sense.

With reporters being threatened, arrested, manhandled, berated, shot with rubber bullets and pelted with tear gas projectiles, it is tempting to declare that law enforcement officers in Ferguson are waging a war against the media.

Yet, even thinking this way shows that many reporters have lost their way in covering this story. They seem to think it's all about them. Some protesters have figured that out, which is why many of them are now harassing and cursing at reporters — demanding, for instance, that journalists distinguish between residents concerned with police violence and outsiders intent on causing mayhem.

If there were a war by police against members of the media, it would certainly make for a good story — one that reporters would love to tell. This won't come as news to most readers, but there is nothing that journalists like better than talking about themselves, their work or their industry.

The story is also believable given that the law enforcement contingent doing riot control — Ferguson police officers, St. Louis County sheriff's deputies, Missouri Highway Patrol officers — has acted with reckless disregard for public safety. The fact that the officers are outfitted with military-style equipment, and that they're being so heavy-handed with protesters, has only created more chaos. So has the fact that, until recently, there didn't seem to be any strategy for dealing with the protests; the cops appeared to be making it up as they went along. As to where people could stand — the street, a sidewalk, a parking lot — to peacefully protest, the rules changed on a whim. No wonder Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon called in the National Guard.

And yet, the trouble is — judging from much of what has been written, said, photographed and tweeted by journalists, along with protesters and onlookers on the scene — there doesn't appear to be any evidence to back up the claim that officers are targeting journalists. The police in Ferguson seem to be treating journalists just as badly as they're treating everyone else. No better, no worse.

This brings us to the heart of the issue. Some reporters are furious that they're not getting special treatment as members of the media. Because they're being accompanied by a cameraman, or have press credentials hanging around their necks, they expect deference from police officers. No such luck.

Consider a recent episode involving CNN reporter and anchor Don Lemon. While doing a live shot for the network, Lemon and a crowd of maybe a dozen protesters were told by a police officer to move off the street and onto the sidewalk. The journalist complied but also objected, insisting that he and the crowd had been standing in the street for hours and no one had said anything to them.

"Now you see why people are so upset here," Lemon said into the camera. "Because we have been here all day. ... We're on national television. So imagine what they are doing to people [who] you don't see on national television, the people who don't have a voice like we do."

Those who "have a voice" should be careful not to say the wrong thing. Americans already have contempt for the media. Let's not give them more reasons to feel that way.

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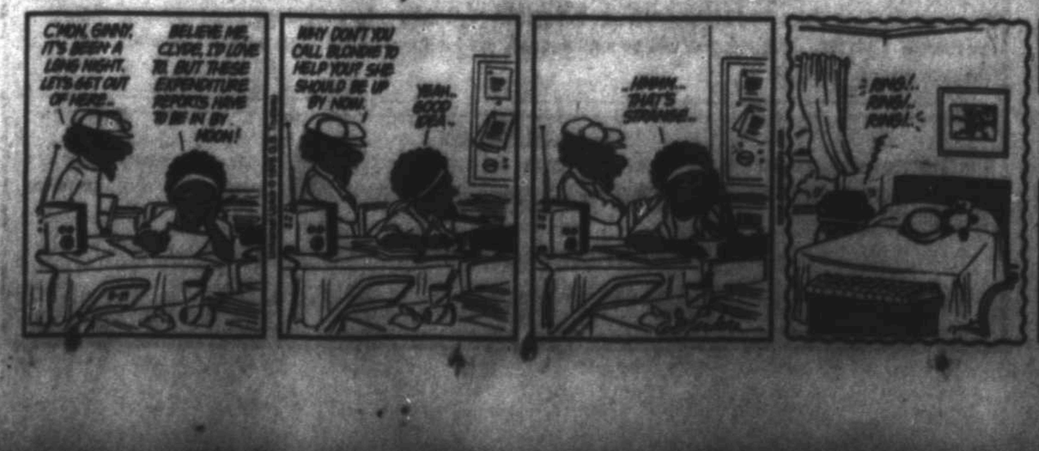


From the Right | Mallard Fillmore

Beheading spurs new attacks on Islamic State militants

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The United States launched a new barrage of airstrikes against Islamic State extremists Wednesday and weighed sending more troops to Iraq as President Barack Obama vowed to be relentless in pursuit of the terrorist group that beheaded an American journalist and is holding other U.S. citizens hostage.

In brief but forceful remarks, Obama said the U.S. would "do what we must to protect our people," but stopped short of promising to follow the Islamic State into its safe haven in Syria, where officials said Wednesday that James Foley was killed. However, when pressed, the State Department refused to rule out future U.S. military operations in Syria, where Obama has long resisted intervening in a three-year civil war.

The Islamic State called Foley's death a revenge killing for U.S. airstrikes against militants in Iraq, and said other hostages would be slain if the attacks continued. Undeterred, the U.S. conducted 14 additional strikes after a video of the beheading surfaced, bringing to 84 the number of airstrikes since they began on Aug. 8.

Foley's mother said she is praying for other hostages being held by the Sunni-dominated terror group, and described her son's slaying as "just evil."

Obama agreed.

"No just God would stand for what they did yesterday, and for what they do every single day," the president said. The Islamic State militants have promised to eliminate all people they consider heretics in their quest to create an extremist state across much of Iraq and Syria.

"We will be vigilant and we will be relentless," Obama said, urging unity among Mideast governments in order to eviscerate the extremist group's growing power. He spoke from Martha's Vineyard in Massachusetts, where his family is vacationing.

Western nations also agreed to speed help to combat the militants — most notably Germany, which bucked public opposition by announcing it would arm Iraqi Kurdish fighters to battle the Islamic State. French Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius said he was outraged by the beheading, deeming it evidence of a "caliphate of barbarism." Italy's defense minister said the country hopes to contribute machine guns, ammunition and anti-tank rockets.

Two U.S. officials said additional American troops — probably less than 300 — could be headed to Iraq to provide extra security around Baghdad, where the U.S. Embassy is located. That would bring the total number of American forces in Iraq to well over 1,000, although officials said no final decision had been made. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the matter by name.

In capitals across the Middle East, by contrast, the news of Foley's death was met with silence, even in Syria and Iraq — the two countries where the Islamic State is strongest. On social media, people in the region condemned Foley's killing, but stressed that the Islamic State has been committing atrocities against Iraqis and Syrians for years.

For much of the past year, and until this summer, the Obama administration was deeply divided on how much of a threat the Islamic State posed to Americans or even other nations beyond Iraq and Syria. But since the militants' march across northern Iraq in June, and as its ranks swelled almost threefold to an estimated 15,000 fighters, Obama has acknowledged that the Islamic State could become a direct threat to Americans.

Foley's death proved to the West what many people in Syria and Iraq already knew: The Islamic State "has declared war on the civilized world," said Dr. Najib Ghadbian, the Syrian National Coalition's special representative to the U.S. The group's sweep also has served as a wake-up call to other Mideast governments, said Fawaz Gerges, director of the Middle East Center at the London School of Economics.

"The Saudis, the Kuwaitis, the Emiratis, and even the Qataris, are getting the message now," Gerges said. "I think in the last few weeks we have seen a kind of new awareness on the part of regional powers that the Islamic State does present a threat to the very social fabric and the foundation of the state system."

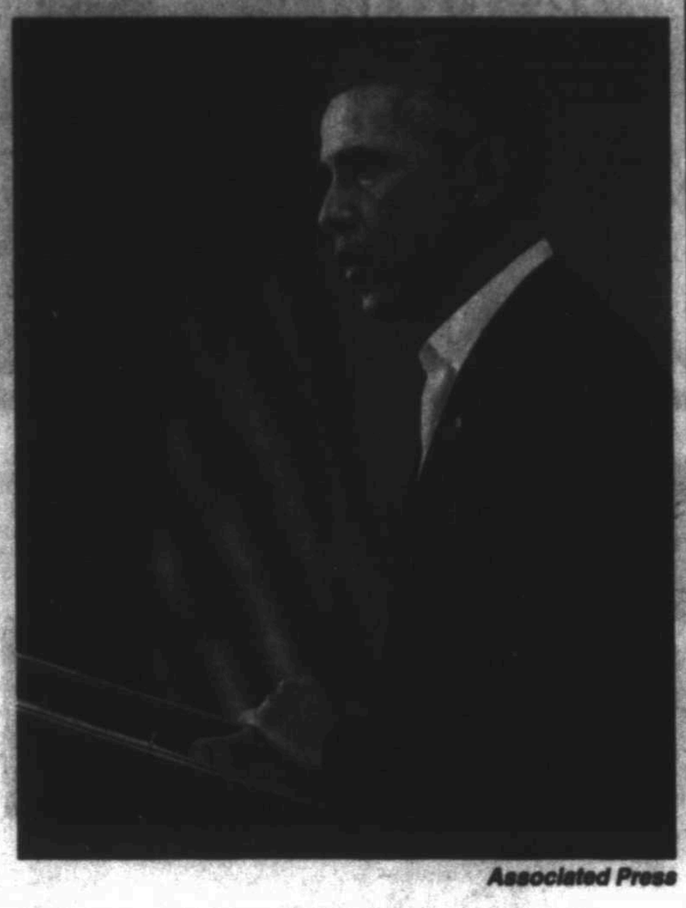
He said Foley's death could help intensify efforts on the part of Washington's regional allies to make a more concerted effort to address the threat.

Jordan and Saudi Arabia, both of whom share a border with Iraq, have dispatched troops to the frontier in a bid to prevent any attempt by the extremists to attack. Iran, an ally of the Shiite-led government in Baghdad, has sent military advisers to help organize Shiite militias in Iraq and defend holy sites.

Authorities from the Gulf to Egypt, as well as their peoples, have looked on with growing concern as the Islamic State group has brutally expanded the territory under its control, punctuating its rise by declaring a caliphate in lands straddling the Syria-Iraq border.

Foley, a 40-year-old journalist from Rochester, New Hampshire, was no stranger to war zone reporting. He went missing in northern Syria in November 2012 while freelancing for Agence France-Presse and the Boston-based media company GlobalPost. The car he was riding in was stopped by four militants in a contested battle zone that both Sunni rebel fighters and government forces were trying to control. He had not been heard from since.

He was one of at least four Americans still being held in Syria — three of whom officials said were kidnapped by the Islamic State. The fourth, freelance journalist Austin Tice, disappeared in Syria in August 2012 and is believed to be in the custody of government forces in Syria.



Associated Press

President Barack Obama speaks in Edgartown, Mass., Wednesday about the killing of American journalist James Foley by militants with the Islamic State extremist group. The president said the US will continue to confront Islamic State extremists despite the brutal murder of journalist James Foley. Obama said the entire world is "appalled" by Foley's killing. The president says he spoke Wednesday with Foley's family and offered condolences.

The Islamic State video of Foley's beheading also showed another of the missing American journalists, Steven Sotloff, and warned he would be the next killed if U.S. airstrikes continued. U.S. officials believe the video was made days before its Tuesday release, perhaps last weekend, and have grown increasingly worried about Sotloff's fate.

Over the last week, as threats against the hostages became more dire, their families and the White House asked The Associated Press to not disclose that they were being held by the Islamic State, out of hope the extremists could somehow be swayed to spare the Americans' lives. The Associated Press is continuing to withhold the name of the other American being held by the Islamic State.

The New York-based Committee to Protect Journalists says that more than 80 journalists have been abducted in Syria, and estimates that around 20 are currently missing there. It has not released their nationalities. In its annual report in November, the committee described the widespread seizure of journalists as unprecedented and largely unreported by news organizations in the hope that keeping the kidnappings out of public view may help in the captives' release.

Obama avoided specific mention of the other American hostages in Syria, and was vague on whether the U.S. would significantly ramp up its assault on the Islamic State beyond the airstrikes and small potential increase in troops in Iraq. A third senior U.S. official said the administration was well aware of the risks to the hostages once the strikes began, and would now consider as aggressive a policy as possible to obliterate the militants.

Obama weighs broader move on legal immigration

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama is considering key changes in the nation's immigration system requested by tech, industry and powerful interest groups, in a move that could blunt Republicans' election-year criticism of the president's go-it-alone approach to immigration.

Administration officials and advocates said the steps would go beyond the expected relief from deportations for some immigrants in the U.S. illegally that Obama signaled he'd adopt after immigration efforts in Congress collapsed. Following a bevy of recent White House meetings, top officials have compiled specific recommendations from business groups and other advocates whose support could undercut GOP claims that Obama is exceeding his authority to help people who have already violated immigration laws.

"The president has not made a decision regarding next steps, but he believes it's important to understand and consider the full range of perspectives on potential solutions," said White House spokesman Shawn Turner.

One of the more popular requests among business and family groups is a change in the way green cards are counted that would essentially free up some 800,000 additional visas the first year, advocates said.

The result would be threefold: It would lessen the visa bottleneck for business seeking global talent; shorten the green card line for those being sponsored by relatives, a wait that can stretch nearly 25 years; and potentially reduce the incentive for illegal immigration by creating more legal avenues for those wanting to come, as well as those already here.

Obama's aides have held more than 20 meetings in recent months with business groups and other interest groups to discuss possibilities, ahead of an announcement about next steps the president is expected to make in September. Coordinating these "listening sessions," as the White House calls them, is its Office of Public Engagement, led by top Obama adviser Valerie Jarrett.

Obama's options without new laws from Congress are limited and would only partially address obstacles business groups say are preventing them from hiring more workers. Even so, administration officials say these groups are urging the White House to help streamline a complex and unpredictable system.

Republicans are working to use immigration and the surge of unaccompanied minors at the border against Democrats in the midterm elections by arguing that Obama and his party are undermining the rule of law.

"Politically we think it flips the switch because it's not just talking about a benefit to those who broke the law," said former Rep. Bruce Morrison, D-Conn., who authored the 1990 immigration law and is now lobbying on behalf of groups representing tech industry professionals, business management and U.S. citizens married to foreigners.

Matt Mackowiak, a Texas-based Republican strategist, said the moves on legal immigration might prompt businesses to praise the president, even if it's not enough to persuade the business community to side with Democrats in the upcoming elections.

"From the White House's perspective, this is an easy way for them to score some points," Mackowiak said. "They'll say: 'We're arguing about substance, Republicans are arguing about process.'"

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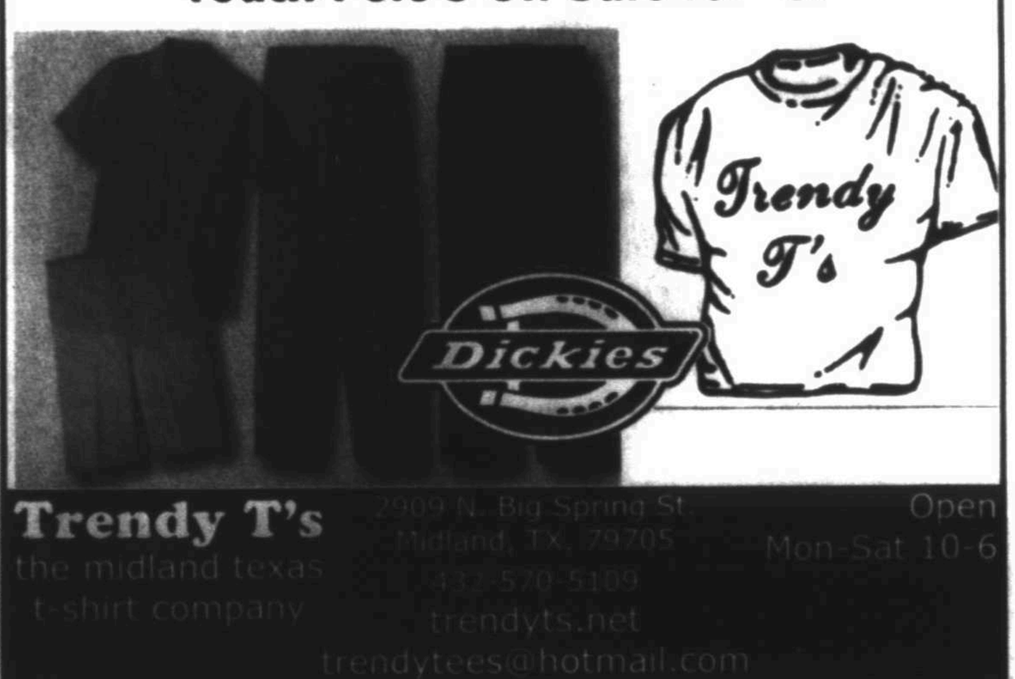

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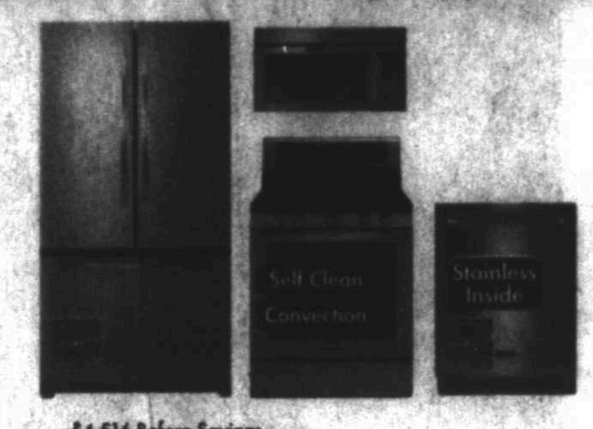

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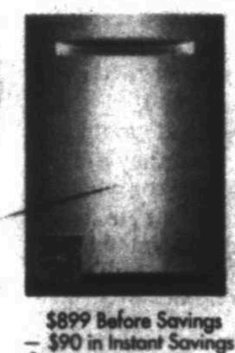

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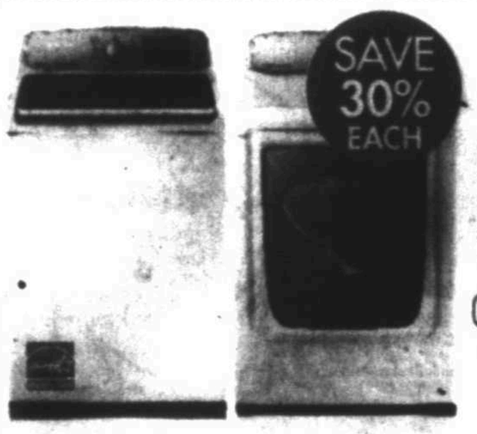

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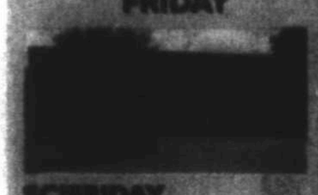

SCIFRIDAY
Watch "Back to the Future" at the Blakemore Planetarium.

SATURDAY

COMING HOME
The Rankin Twins return to the Tall City to perform during the Midland County Fair.

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FUNNY FAMILY
Damon Wayans will be take the Wagner Noel stage today. The comedian and his brothers are on a national stand-up tour. Page 3

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STAYING IN?
Find out which movies are worth watching from the comfort of your couch. Page 3

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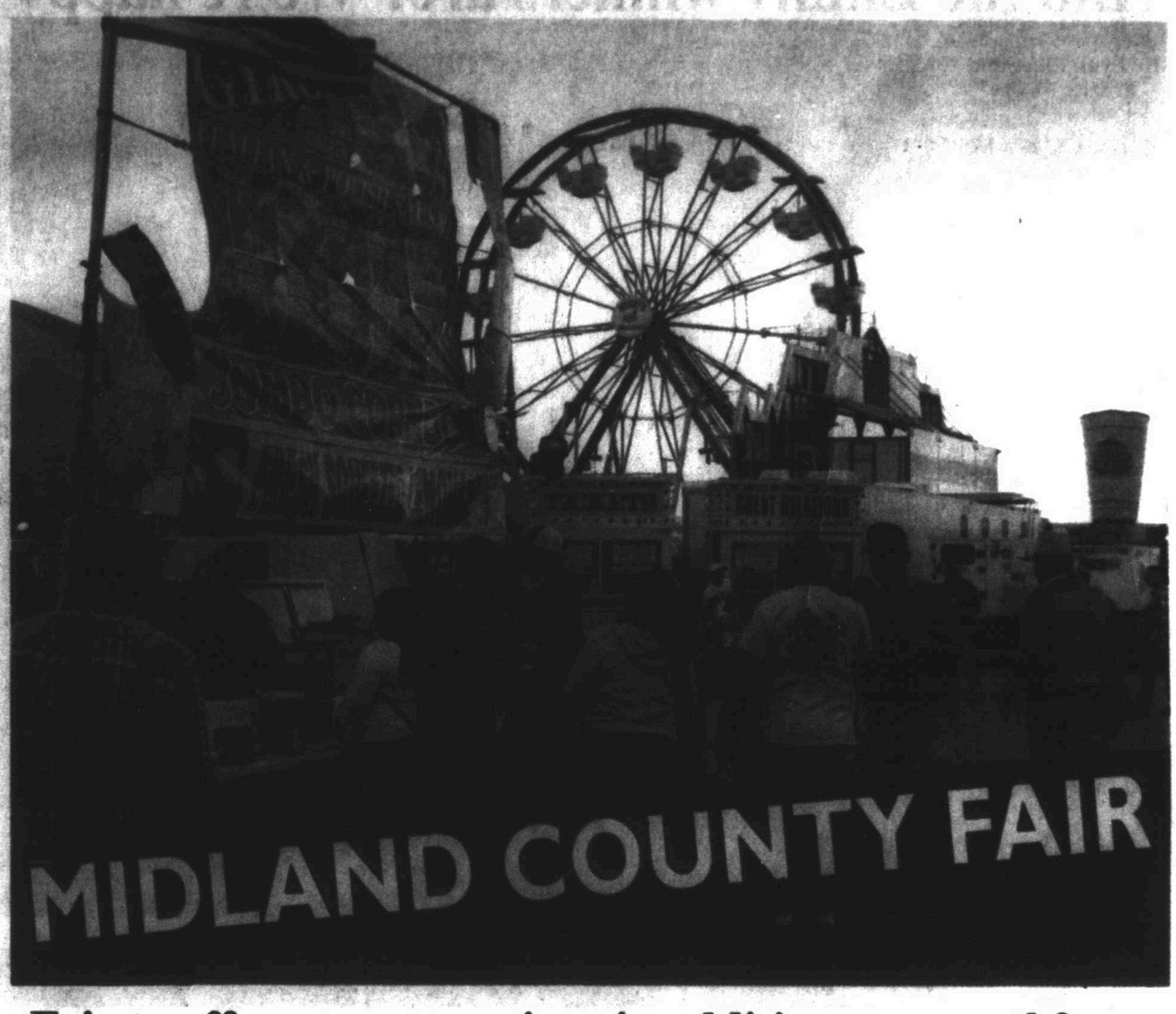
FUN FOLK
The Avett Brothers band will be performing at Chaparral Center.

COUNTRY STAR
Clint Black will take the Wagner Noel stage this month.



Fair to offer new attractions in addition to annual faves

By Rich Lopez
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With county fairs come decadent foods, thrilling rides and a bevy of live performances. The Midland County Fair celebrates its fifth year at the Horseshoe Arena from Aug. 21-24. Over the course of four days, Midland can partake in everything from karaoke and monster truck rides to corn dogs and new rides like the Himalayas.

GETTING IN

Tickets are $5, but children 5 and younger are free. The fair will sell all-day wristbands for Family Back to School Night on Thursday at $30 each or four for $80. Thursday is also Senior Citizen Day with free admission for age 60-plus.

Parking is free.

ADDITIONAL COSTS

Rides require tickets that are sold at $1 each or in books of 20. Additional fees are required for the Monster Truck Rides on Friday and Saturday nights from 5-9 p.m. but prices haven't been set as of press time.

WANT TO GO?

The Midland County Fair at the Horseshoe Arena, 2514 Arena Trail from Aug. 21-24. $5. midlandcofair.com.

THE NEED TO KNOW

The fair recommends no open-toe shoes for children's safety. Pets and service animals are allowed bu must be on a leash and with handler at all times. There will be an ATM

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Midland teen to perform farewell concert at MC

By Rich Lopez
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Saying goodbye isn't always easy, but Gillian Fisher displays a sense of control over her feelings.

She has to. When she bids farewell to her family and friends — and Midland, even — she'll be doing it with flair.

The classical and opera singer will perform a farewell concert Friday at Midland College before heading off to Michigan. She'll be entering her sophomore year at the Interlochen Center for the Arts.

"I thought it'd be a nice way to say goodbye and to be surrounded by friends and family," Fisher said.

She's always enjoyed singing but when private lessons started at age 7, her confidence grew and her talent became evident. This realization was a slight shock to her parents. Neither are performers; instead they come from math and science backgrounds.

"As soon as she could talk, she could sing. We knew she was a talent but it's been both a blessing and a challenge to get her to this point now," said her mother, Tamara Fisher. "But we've had great help along the way."

Fisher, who finished her freshmam year at Trinity School, has garnered a resume of performances. She's performed in Trinity's musical productions, at the MISD Storytelling Contest and at weddings.

She described her styles as versatile as her performances.

"I'm very well-rounded and I feel my voice is very versatile," Fisher said. "I love Broadway but I know opera is what I want to do and that's where my voice feels best. I'm confident in that genre."

Fisher credited her close friends here for understanding what her future entails and the limitations that come with it.

"I have a great core group

WANT TO GO?

Gillian Fisher performs at Midland College's Fine Arts Building, 3600 N Garfield St. 6 p.m. Friday

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Judy Collins discovers her place in younger generation of women

By Rich Lopez
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That Lena Durham is a fan of Judy Collins says something.

Deemed as the voice of a generation through her show "Girls" on HBO, Durham connected with Collins for a guest appearance on two episodes of the show.

Collins

"She told me she was a big fan, and so when I went on the show, my part was as a performer. But it was a great experience and she's so smart," Collins said in a phone interview.

Collins experience with Durham was almost a full-circle moment.

In her 20s, Collins wasn't just a singer but also an activist and continues to be. To see that so prominent in today's generation is exciting for her. And deemed a godmother figure to younger folk singers, her impact seems to be endless.

"They know where a lot of the music started, but they don't always know that we were breaking down barriers

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TV, MUSIC & MORE

And the Emmy winners are? We're happy to guess!

By Lynn Elber and Frazier Moore
Associated Press

Truth be told, we're both perplexed about which Emmy nominees will carry trophies home from Monday's ceremony.

Allow us to explain. There was so much great TV last season that standout prime-time shows including "The Good Wife" and "Scandal" and stars Michael Sheen ("Masters of Sex") and James Spader ("The Blacklist") didn't even make the cut as nominees.

Those who did are, for the most part, richly deserving. But now how to choose among them?

Then there's this year's notable trend of shape-shifting, with programs squeezed into categories that could give them better odds of winning — even if the fit might raise viewers' eyebrows.

Cases in point: Netflix's prison-set "Orange Is the New Black," which despite its dark content is vying with the likes of "Modern Family" for comedy laurels, and HBO's "True Detective," which looks all the world like a miniseries yet is gunning for "Mad Men" and other open-ended dramas.

Thanks, TV academy, for keeping us all guessing!

Even so, this pair of TV devotees are game to try to read the minds of Emmy voters and, in a bit'of bravado, offer up our choices for the best of the best.

Here are the contenders and our own sometimes clashing, sometimes matching picks for seven major categories:

BILLY CRYSTAL TO HONOR ROBIN WILLIAMS

LOS ANGELES — Billy Crystal will pay tribute to Robin Williams, his longtime friend and fellow comedian, at next week's Emmy Awards.

Crystal will honor Williams as part of the traditional "in memoriam" segment for industry members who died during the past year, Emmy executive producer Don Mischer said in a statement Wednesday.

Mischer said the memorial segment during Monday's ceremony will include a performance from Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter Sara Bareilles.

Williams was found dead in his Northern California home on Aug. 11.

At last year's Emmys, Williams honored his friend and mentor Jonathan Winters during the tribute segment.

The Emmy Awards will be broadcast by NBC.

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DRAMA SERIES

Elber
Should win: "Game of Thrones." An epic series from epic novels. Drop the anti-fantasy bias, Emmy.
Will win: "True Detective." Such a brilliant miniseries. But we quibble, and voters won't.

Moore
Should win: "True Detective." Grim, gritty, wickedly addictive.
Will win: "True Detective." How could Emmy snub this true masterpiece?

COMEDY SERIES

Elber
Should win: "Louie." Honesty is the best policy — and so brutally funny.
Will win: "Modern Family." It's big-hearted and on broadcast TV. Old school wins one.

Moore
Should win: "Louie." Emmy needs to kick the "Modern Family" habit.
Will win: "Veep." Emmy will kick the habit — by rewarding the wrong show.

ACTOR IN A DRAMA SERIEA

Elber
Should win: Bryan Cranston, "Breaking Bad." His deserving swan song, powerful to the end.
Will win: Matthew McConaughey. Impeccable performance. Plus he seduced Oscar, so how can Emmy resist?

Moore
Should win: Matthew McConaughey, "True Detective." Edges out co-star Woody Harrelson only because he got to play two roles — not just one — brilliantly.
Will win: Jon Hamm, "Mad Men." Enhanced his character's palette with new colors this season. With time running out for him, the Susan Lucci tease will end.

ACTRESS IN A DRAMA SERIES

Elber.
Should win: Kerry Washington, "Scandal." Carries a mad, mad world on her shoulders with aplomb.
Will win: Robin Wright, "House of Cards." Goes beat-for-beat with Kevin Spacey. That's impressive power.

Moore
Should win: Kerry Washington, "Scandal." Fiery, fearsome, outrageous and yet lovable.
Will win: Robin Wright, "House of Cards." She plays a chilly, not blazing, D.C. powerbroker. Her cool will rule.

ACTOR IN A COMEDY SERIES

Elber
Should win: Don Cheadle, "House of Lies." Comedy is hard? Not in the hands of this supremely versatile actor.

Will win: William H. Macy, "Shameless." Emmy feels better saluting his depraved dad for comedy than drama.

Moore
Should win: William H. Macy, "Shameless." A great actor in a go-for-broke performance. Plus, a great head of hair!
Will win: Louis C.K., "Louie." More comedy, more soul than his rivals in this unique artist's portrait of himself.

ACTRESS IN A COMEDY SERIES

Elber
Should win: Amy Poehler, "Parks and Recreation." Wittily brings can-do perkiness back to TV.
Will win: Julia Louis-Dreyfus, "Veep," HBO. But let's get real: a me-first politician rules again with voters.

Moore
Should win: Amy Poehler, "Parks and Recreation." Her performance radiates sunshine even Emmy snubs can't dim.
Will win: Julia Louis-Dreyfus, "Veep." But she's pressing reasonable term limits for Emmy's largesse.

MINISERIES

Elber
Should win: "Fargo." A glorious movie made new by TV's narrative form.
Will win: "Fargo." Emmy won't miss a chance to remind all that drama's heyday is on the small screen.

Moore
Should win: "Fargo." A Tiffany egg of a miniseries in its painstaking perfection. Plus it's bitterly hilarious.
Will win: "Fargo." Emmy has moments of myopia, but it ain't blind.

FAIR

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on site in the Main Arena. Additional information can be found at the Information Booth in the Education Building.

THE SCHEDULE

Thursday is Back to School Night and Rock Night. Events run from 5 – 11 p.m.

Main stage entertainment includes karaoke, Fatal Flaw and Three Lit Pigs.

Friday is Blues and Oldies Night from 5 – 11 p.m. Festivities include the tractor pull, monster truck rides, an appearance by Cliff Voake aka "John Wayne," the Bulls and Broncs Extravaganza. Main stage entertainment includes the Unsweet T's, Blue Cats and Jumping Giants.

Saturday is Texas County and Family Fun Night. Events run from 10 a.m. to midnight. Festivities include the food eating competition, cowboy mounted shooters and educational seminars.

Main stage entertainment includes karaoke, Robert Cobos, Jase Rejon, Brian Milson with the Rankin Twins headlining at 10:15 p.m.

Sunday is Latino Excitement and Midland County Day at the Fair from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The final day of the fair will continue the educational seminars; feature a car show, the petting zoo and creative arts display.

Mayor Jerry Morales will cap the charreada rodeo and demonstrations from 3 – 5:30 p.m.

Main stage entertainment will include karaoke, the Cowboy Hypnotist, Tommy Tarango and Los Wranglers will wrap the live music.

All schedules are subject to change without notice.

LIVE WIRE

21 Jeanie Patterson @ Cafe at Alldredge Garden
21 Jason Boland & The Stragglers @ Rockin Rodeo
21 The Soft White Sixties @ Basin Burger House
22 Guy Forsyth @ ArtiZen Outlet
22 Broke Down Lowriders @ The Detour
22 Three's Away, Forum Walters, Zativah Kid @ Blue Max
22 Eli Young Band, William Clark Green @ Graham Central Station
22 Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co. @ Midland Senior Center
22 Mike Chism & Hollow Point @ Lone Star Bar
22-23 The Ramblers @ Your Place
22-23 Electric Gypsies @ The Bar
23 Judy Collins, Rachael Sage @ Wagner Noel
23 Fouled Out @ Kegler's Lounge
23 Aaron Einhouse @ Lone Star Bar
23 Buggaboo @ Redneck's
23 All Stars, Richard Acuna, Mike Leonard, Ty Miller, Tyler Kirk, Matt Rios @ Music City Mall
23 Vince King @ Ector Theatre
23 Justin Langston @ MCM Grande
24 3 Doors Down Acoustic Songs From the Basement, Jamie N Commons @ Wagner Noel
24 Padlock, Samuel Zachary, Tucker Binkley, Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co. @ Music City Mall
24 Spellcaster, Redeemed Chaos, Eternal Mosh @ Blue Max
25 Chimaira, The Plot In You, Upon This Dawning, Allegaeon, Silence The Messenger @ Club Patron
26 The Avett Brothers @ Chap Center
26 Johnny & Susie Band @ Permian Basin Dance Club
27 Justin Langston @ Saltgrass
28 Clint Black @ Wagner Noel
28 Cody Johnson Band @ Rockin Rodeo
28 Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co. @ West Texas Dance Club, Odessa VFW
28 Noel Olivas @ Lone Star Bar
29 Cory Morrow, Roger Creager, Phil Hamilton, The Chase Sanford Band @ Horseshoe
29 Jenni Dale Lord @ Abuelo's
29 Tejano Highway 281 @ Cabana Sports Bar
29 Soraida Montoya @ Music City Mall
29 David Tommy @ The Detour
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29-30 Freeride @ The Bar

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STAGE & SCREEN

Do Kermit and Miss Piggy finally wed in 'Muppets Most Wanted'?

Reele & Stream

By Nancy Adamson | nadamson@mrt.com

PICK O' THE WEEK

"Muppets Most Wanted" (PG) Don't let that opening number about sequel losing quality fool you: This sequel is every bit as delightful as the crew's comeback film, also technically a sequel. Some of the cameos could have been a few seconds longer — hello and goodbye, Chloe Grace Moretz and Usher — and the musical numbers lack the pizzazz of the 2011 film — but it's another winner. **A-**

ICK! O' THE WEEK

"Rage" (not rated) Haven't we already seen Nicolas Cage in a film about his daughter being kidnapped? Well, if not, we've seen plenty of others. This one is just as forgettable as the rest. **D**

MORE REVIEWS

"Breathe In" (R) As terrific as the performances by Guy Pearce and Felicity Jones are, the film goes to a place you keep hoping it won't. Despite its realism — punctuated by its slow pace — watching is an exasperating experience. **B-**

"Filth" (R) Adapted from Irvine Welsh's novel, the film is part "Trainspotting" — his most famous and best work — and part Guy Ritchie's gangster film, though this film falls way short of expectations. Without saying too much and playing spoiler, it also is the first of two films this week to have the unfortunate timing to be released within days of Robin Williams' suicide. **B-**

"Frankie & Alice" (R) Best film about multiple-personality disorder since "Sybil." Halle Barry leaves no doubt which of her inner selves is in charge of the body at any given moment. **B**

"The Girl on the Train" (R) Despite its nifty twists and turns, the best part of the film is watching David Margulies' character craft his story about being a Holocaust survivor. **B-**

"Hateship Loveship" (R) Kristin Wiig reveals an unexpected, stunning flare for drama in this film about a naive adult's foray into the real world after spending years caring for a bedridden woman. **B**

"A Haunted House 2" (R) Not quite as raucous or side-splittingly funny as the first, there are still plenty of laughs in this spoof. **B-**

"INXS: Never Tear Us Apart" (not rated) Luke Arnold certainly captures the swagger of Michael Hutchence in this biopic about one of the 1980s greatest bands and its charismatic frontman, but he doesn't have the raw sex appeal. In this week's other unfortunate timing occurrence, Showtime already had this scheduled when Robin Williams committed suicide. **B**

"Locke" (R) A film about a guy driving around making and receiving calls on his cellphone may sound unappealing, but Tom Hardy delivers a tour de force performance of a spirited script that make this one of the week's best films. **B+**

"Summer in February" (not rated) Film based on the early life and career of British painter A.J. Munnings has that neat BBC production feel to it for a while before it crumbles into a sleazy melodrama. **C**

"Swelter" (R) No film really has the right to compare itself to the classic "Reservoir Dogs." This film captures some of the violence and humor but still doesn't come close. **B-**

FILM CAPSULES

The Expendables 3 (PG-13) The mercenary team known as the Expendables face off against a former member who went rogue and was thought to be dead. With Sylvester Stallone, Jason Statham, Antonio Banderas and Jet Li. Written by Stallone, Creighton Rothenberger and Katrin Benedikt. Directed by Patrick Hughes.

Get on Up (PG-13) A biopic about the Godfather of Soul, James Brown, from his impoverished childhood to his musical stardom. With Chadwick Boseman, Viola Davis, Octavia Spencer and Nelsan Ellis. Written by Steve Baigelman, Jez Butterworth, John Butterworth and Tate Taylor. Directed by Taylor.

The Giver (PG-13) In a seemingly utopian society marked by contentment and conformity, a young man is selected to be the new Receiver of Memory, the lone person in his community who carries the knowledge of the old world. With Brenton Thwaites, Jeff Bridges and Meryl Streep. Written by Michael Mitnick. Directed by Phillip Noyce.

Guardians of the Galaxy (PG-13) After stealing a mysterious orb coveted by an intergalactic villain, a brash adventurer teams with a motley crew of alien outlaws to survive and save the universe in this movie based on the Marvel comic book. With Chris Pratt, Zoe Saldana, Dave Bautista and Bradley Cooper. Written and directed by James Gunn. In 3-D and Imax.

The Hundred-Foot Journey (PG) A promising young chef and his family, who have been displaced from India to the South of France and opened their own restaurant, come into conflict with the icy proprietress of a classical French restaurant in this movie based on the novel by Richard C. Morais. With Manish Dayal, Helen Mirren and Om Puri. Written by Steven Knight. Directed by Lasse Hallstrom.

If I Stay (PG-13) After a car accident leaves her caught between life and death, a young woman must choose her fate in this adaptation of Gayle Forman's young-adult novel. With Chloe Grace Moretz, Mireille Enos and Jamie Blackley. Written by Shauna Cross. Directed by R.J. Cutler.

Into the Storm (PG-13) A town is ravaged by deadly tornadoes while storm chasers try to obtain a once-in-a-lifetime shot in this found-footage-style thriller. With Richard Armitage, Sarah Wayne Callies and Matt Walsh. Written by John Swetnam. Directed by Steven Quale.

Let's Be Cops (R) Two rudderless friends dress as police officers for a costume party and enjoy their newfound authority, then get mixed up with real mobsters and dirty detectives. With Damon Wayans Jr., Jake Johnson, Rob Riggle and Nina Dobrev. Written by Luke Greenfield and Nicholas Thomas. Directed by Greenfield.

Lucy (R) A woman forced to act as a drug mule accidentally ingests some of the contraband and finds it gives her superhuman abilities, then turns the tables on her captors. With Scarlett Johansson and Morgan Freeman. Written and directed by Luc Besson.

Sex Tape (R) To spice up their love life, a couple of 10 years make a marathon sex tape and then scramble to erase it from existence after they accidentally send it to friends and family members. With Cameron Diaz, Jason Segel, Rob Corddry and Ellie Kemper. Written by Segel, Kate Angelo and Nicholas Stoller. Directed by Jake Kasdan.

Sin City: A Dame to Kill For (R) Hard-boiled vigilantes, femmes fatales and assorted lowlifes cross paths in this sequel to the 2005 film "Sin City." With Mickey Rourke, Jessica Alba, Josh Brolin and Powers Boothe. Written by Frank Miller. Directed by Miller and Robert Rodriguez.

Step Up All In (PG-13) A high-stakes dance contest in Las Vegas brings together crews from previous installments of the "Step Up" franchise. With Ryan Guzman, Briana Evigan and Stephen "Twitch" Boss. Written by John Swetnam. Directed by Trish Sie.

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (PG-13) Four anthropomorphic turtles trained in martial arts team up with a fearless reporter and her wisecracking cameraman to save New York City from the villain Shredder and his henchmen, the Foot Clan. With Megan Fox, Will Arnett, William Fichtner and K. Todd Freeman. Written by Josh Appelbaum, Andre Nemec and Evan Daugherty. Directed by Jonathan Liebesman.

When the Game Stands Tall (PG) A football coach takes his high-school football team from obscurity to a record-shattering 151-game winning streak. With Jim Caviezel, Michael Chiklis and Alexander Ludwig. Written by Scott Marshall Smith. Directed by Thomas Carter.

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Wayans family tour extends comedians' brotherly bonds

By Leslie Gray Streeter
Cox Newspapers

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — To fans of the various projects of the family Wayans over the past three decades, the announcement that four of them — Keenan Ivory, Damon, Shawn and Marlon —.were touring together must seem like Christmas come early.

Damon Wayans will be appearing solo tonight at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center.

But for these funny brothers, the tour was a novel way to "kinda cross that off the bucket list," Damon said.

"We never did it. We always talked about it. Marlon was scared to do stand-up until about three years ago. Keenan and I are in our 50s, and we thought it would be really cool to do before we're too old to do it," said the 53-year-old actor, comedian, writer and now cellphone app creator known for his work on Fox's groundbreaking sketch comedy show "In Living Color," co-created with Keenan.

The man who created Homey D. Clown and Whiz of the Homeboy Shopping Network and also starred on the ABC comedy "My Wife And Kids" is one of 10 Wayans kids raised in New York, all of whom have worked in entertainment. (That includes former "In Living Color" cast member Kim Wayans, who co-starred in the acclaimed drama "Pariah.") Everyone's busy, but Damon says everyone wanted the tour to work" out.

"It's easy spending time together. The hardest part of it is traveling," he said. "I haven't done this in a long time. It's insane. Keenan was feeling the same. Marlon and Shawn don't mind living out of suitcases."

The next step was navigating the structure of the show, in which each brother does his own set. They have different comic styles: Damon describes his as storytelling, about parenthood, his own fight with diabetes and more. Keenan covers fatherhood, too, but his style is more "jokes, with funny callbacks. He's the most well-rounded of us in terms of being a stand-up. Shawn is just quick-witted, obscure observations, and Marlon may be the most amazing performer. His background is in theater, so he's super comfortable on stage. He can sell anything. Dude would torch his body, do whatever he had to do to get a laugh."

Mostly, "we have to be concerned of stepping on topics and trying to stay out of each other's lanes. We say 'I'm gonna do this' or 'I can't do Obama stuff (if you do),'" he said.

Part of the tour's appeal, besides getting to hang out and work together, has been to sit in the wings and watch each other's sets and appreciate each other in a different way. For Damon, "what I always see is the vulnerability. Marlon and Shawn can be more vulnerable to me, because I'm their big brother. But Keenan is my big brother. It's nice to see that vulnerability that you usually only get a slight glimmer of."

There's something lovely about hearing artists in their own right be so complimentary about their family members, not just in a "Oh, they're awesome" way but with an artist's eye. That eye, of course, is shaded by being brothers, but Damon says they're comfortable enough to give each other notes, or critique each other's work. The artist part means they're fair. The brother part means they're blunt about it.

"What's wonderful about doing this is that it's no one's show. Marlon and Shawn don't worry they're gonna hurt my feelings. It gets you out of your head. I do the same for them, like 'It's better if you do this' or 'You're setting it up wrong, or add this.' It's nice to have three other people around with the same sense of humor."

While Damon is promoting his longtime comedy career, he's also presenting a side of him not as many people know — the side that designs phone apps. Right now he's got two on the market — Flick Dat, a digital business card app that allows for pictures and notes, and Diddeo, a music video-creation app.

"Flick Dat came from me going to digital conferences to learn more about the tech world and coming home with a pocket full of business cards I never use. It was like 'OK, I talked to this guy but I forgot what the conversation was,'" he said. "And when I was there I would always (run out of cards.) So I thought 'What if I created a digital business card?' What's cool about the next update is that it lets you take a picture of anything and make that the (background) of your business card. And if you flip the card over you can write notes."

Diddeo, on the other hand, extends the Vine model of video making, that's "only seven seconds long. As an artist, I was offended," he said. "I like Vine, but it's too short. Diddeo allows you to express yourselves with audio and video, to shoot music videos on the fly, with 35 different filters. It's pretty awesome."

While Damon and his brothers travel the country, there's a new generation of creative Wayans, including his son, Damon Wayans Jr., of "Happy Endings" and "The New Girl," and now the comic movie "Let's Be Cops."

The senior Damon, who played his son's father in a "Happy Endings" cameo, is enjoying being the "proud papa. I would love to work with him again. I see so much of me in him. I think right now he's just scratched the surface in terms of what he can do. I went to the premiere (of his movie) and it was great to sit back and see him.

"I'm so glad he's out of my pocket. It's a great feeling."

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MUSIC & DINING

FISHER

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of friends who support me and understood what I was looking toward," she said. "I'm driven in a way most people my age aren't and I know what I want to do in 10 years. It'll be tough to say goodbye, but I feel in my heart this is the place I need to be."

The potential for connection at Interlochen, however, is high. And this is where Fisher could benefit from her send-off. While Midland has been able to provide the symphony and some opera exposure, the people and the culture of Interlochen will broaden her view.

"I'm not an opera snob, but to be in a community where opera is appreciated is exciting. I'll meet people who have the same goals as I do and with music being such a personal thing, that's exciting and beneficial," she said.

COLLINS

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and working our rears off. There was a certain amount of sexism because touring was a man's thing and so a lot of us were on our own but we made a difference while putting our music out there," Collins said.

And she spreads her godmother magic with newer singers coming up the ranks — whether on her label or in her live shows.

At Collins' appearance Saturday at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, protégé Rachael Sage will open the show.

"I've mentored in lots of ways. I started my own label (Wildflower Records) 15 years ago and I've had a lot of young women like Amy Speace on my label and Rachael Sage in my shows," she said. "I like that in some sense I can sing with and hang out with them, as well as mentoring those artists. It's a part of my life that's important to me and makes up the fabric of music."

But Collins remains as focused on her career as she is with others'. At 75, she said she's working harder than ever before and even getting better. Part of that is her ambition to continue to create.

"To be an artist is to be an activist. We carve new territory and try to do what we can't do," she said. "I create exciting adventures in my shows and just keep learning. I think I'm having more fun now than ever."

Collins is defiant about her age while also proud of it. Instead of bowing down to expectations, she challenges them.

"It's never easy, but I just keep doing what I do and improve. Age is only in the mind. It's why I took this chance in the first place and now it's a privilege. Besides, I have to make a living. I'm a working girl," she said.

AMERICAN & GRILL

ADDIE'S DINER Great burgers and salads with a '50s diner vibe. Chicken fried steak or steak fingers, chicken fried chicken or chicken fingers, fried catfish, hamburger steak and grilled pork chop entrees. Breakfast until 10:30 a.m. 304 E. Florida Ave., 686-2044. | $ | 4 spoons

BUFFALO WILD WINGS Grill and Bar Sports bar with more than 40 TVs inside serves wings, burgers, sandwiches and snacks. Try one of the wraps with your choice of more than 14 sauces. Smoking allowed inside. 5107 W. Wadley Ave. 694-9400 | $ | 3 spoons

BUSH'S CHICKEN Save room for the red cinnamon apple pie for dessert. Fried chicken with traditional sides. Iced tea by the gallon. Three-lane drive through. 2210 N. Big Spring St. 687-7090 www.bushschicken.com | $ | 3 spoons

THE CAFÉ AT CRESTVIEW Quiet cafe inside Crestview Baptist Church is open to the public and serves fabulous desserts. Sandwiches, soups, burgers, Tex-Mex dishes. 301 N. Loop 250 West. 681-8200 www.crestviewmidland.org | $ | 3 spoons

CAFÉ AT THE GARDENS Want to feel like you've left West Texas? Enjoy a cup of soup next to a koi pond inside a green house. Sandwiches and burgers on freshly baked bread, quiche, salads. Open for dinner and drinks on Thursday and Friday nights. 3300 Fairgrounds Road. 687-1478 www.alldredgegardens.com | $ | 4 spoons

COTTON PATCH CAFE Casual dining chain restaurant off of Loop 250. Specials include chicken fried steak and fried catfish. Soups, salads, steaks. 2320 W. Loop 250 N. 618-0070. www.cottonpatch.com | $ | 2 spoons.

CRACKER BARREL Breakfast all day. Chicken and dumplings, meatloaf, smoked ham, fried fish. Old Country Store sells candy, toys, rocking chairs, decorative items. 3108 N. Loop 250 West. 689-3137 www.crackerbarrel.com | $ | 3 spoons

CLEAR SPRINGS CAFE One of the few places in Midland specializing in seafood claims to have the best onion rings and catfish in "Texas, the World and the known Universe." This Texas chain also has locations in Tyler, New Braunfels, Nacogdoches and San Antonio. Seafood, steaks, burgers, salads. 5707 Andrews Highway 522-1188 www.clearspringscafe.com | $$ | 3 spoons

DENNY'S Open 24 hours a day, Denny's is one of very few options for people looking to grab a bite to eat at 3 a.m. Breakfast, burgers, snacks, pies and coffee. 3701 W. Wall St. 520-5306 www.dennys.com | $ | 2 spoons

EDDIE'S CATFISH COMPANY When you open a catfish restaurant, why mess around with anything else. Except maybe fried shrimp, french fries, hush puppies, coleslaw and onion rings. That's the menu at Eddie's Catfish Company. All you have to do is decide how many pieces you want. 301 N. Lee St. 684-4422. www.eddiescatfishco.com | $ | 3 spoons

GRAHAM PHARMACY Refreshingly simple menu makes this a hot spot for lunch. Good luck finding a parking space. Try the pimento cheese sandwich and treat yourself to homemade fudge for dessert. 1601 W. Wall St. 684-5756 www.grahampharmacy.com | $ | 3 spoons

JOJO'S EATERY Possibly the best desserts in town. Buy pies and cakes by the slice or take one home. Oh yeah, and the sandwiches, salads and burgers aren't bad either. Downtown inside the Petroleum Building. 214 W. Texas Ave. 682-3134 | $ | 3 spoons

LORI'S CAFÉ Homestyle, diner cooking with a few surprises like wild boar sausage served with two eggs and toast. Breakfast items, lunch menu. Lori's uses locally-sourced food when available. 2201 W. Wall St. 570-1701 www.loriscafe.net | $ | 3 spoons

THE RANCH HOUSE Stop by for a sandwich or pick up a whole ham or turkey for holidays. Sandwich options include chicken or tuna salad, turkey breast, peppered beef or ham, honey glazed ham, smoked brisket and barbecue. 5103 W. Wadley Ave. 699-0695 www.goldenglazedhams.com | $ | 3 spoons

STANTON DRUG AND OLD-FASHIONED SODA FOUNTAIN Drive about an hour away from Midland for a hamburger or sandwich at Stanton Drug Store. Get there early. The owners close shop when they run out of meat for the day. 201 N. St. Peter, Stanton. 432-756-3731 | $ | 3 spoons

STRAWBERRY FIELDS CAFE Try the Santa Fe wrap. All organic menu with daily specials, sandwiches, wraps, smoothies. Soup and salad bar. If you can't find a table or need a quick lunch, check out the section of foods 'to go' inside the Natural Foods Market. 2311 W. Wadley Ave. 684-5869 www.naturalfoodsmkt.com | $ | 4 spoons

TATER WORLD The menu centers around this local restaurant's namesake. If you're hungry, go for the huge baked potatoes stuffed with brisket or steak. The menu has more than just potatoes. Ask around town and you'll hear Tater World has some of the best catfish in Midland. 802 S Garfield St. 682-9111 | $ | 4 spoons

THE BAR Arguably the best burgers in town. Go during the fall or winter for the chili and cornbread. Live music and drink specials in the evenings. Try a bloody Mary with Saturday brunch. 606 W. Missouri Ave. 685-1757 www.thebarmidland.com | $$ | 4 spoons

TRIPLE THREAT SPORTS BAR & GRILL Philly cheesesteaks are the star of the menu but this sports bar also offers popcorn shrimp, chicken tenders, salads and appetizers. Smoking is permitted inside. 12 Meta Drive 683-5300 | $ | 4 spoons

YANA 615 Downtown Odessa restaurant is perfect for lunch with friends or special occasions. Specialties like orange roughy, chicken tarragon or chicken crepes. Dessert is a must. 615 N. Sam Houston, Odessa 432-332-4305 | $$ | 5 spoons

WING STOP Nine wing sauce flavors range from mild to atomic. In the middle are lemon pepper, Hawaiian and garlic parmesan. 3323 N. Midland Drive, Suite 105 694-WING (9464) www.wingstop.com | $ | 4 spoons

ASIAN

BUSHIDO JAPANESE STEAK HOUSE AND SUSHI BAR Watch chefs roll sushi and cook at Teppan Yaki grills or sit at the bar and watch the game. Extensive sushi menu. More of a casual atmosphere than other Teppan Yaki restaurants. 4416 Briarwood Ave. 689-7900 | $$ | 4 spoons

CHINESE KITCHEN Eat-in or take-out Chinese food. Choose combination meals with one, two or three choices. 4200 W. Illinois Ave. 694-3922 | $ | 3 spoons

GENGHIS GRILL With a buffet that consists of countless raw ingredients to pile into a bowl and hand over for a chef to cook, the food at Genghis Grill is as good as you can make it. 4517 Midkiff Road 520-5426 www.genghisgrill.com | $$ | 3 spoons

GRAND BUFFET Extensive "all-you-can-eat" Asian buffet includes hodgepodge of options including Chinese dishes, salads, seafood, sushi and a Mongolian grill station. 2510 W. Louisiana Ave. 688-8881 | $ | 2 spoons

THE GREAT WALL Chinese takeout restaurant offers large portions from extensive menu. Try the General Tso's chicken with sesame shrimp. 2215 N. Midland Drive 694-5555 | $ | 3 spoons

HUNAN GARDEN Chinese Restaurant Try the daily lunch buffet with about 10 options like sweet and sour chicken, cashew chicken and beef with snow peas. 4410 N. Midkiff Rd, Building A., Space 1. 697-9818 | $ | 3 spoons

KING & I Authentic Thai food served at in the heart of Midland. Try the basil fried rice or Popcorn's special with angel hair pasta, green onions, white onions, tomatoes, broccoli, garlic and jalapenos. There's a reason the lunch crowd is often standing-room-only at the original location near downtown. It's worth the wait. 801 N. Big Spring St. | $ | 4 spoons

KUO'S CHINESE RESTAURANT Friendly service and a relaxed atmosphere. Try the cashew chicken or Mongolian steak with a fried cream cheese wonton. 3303 N. Midkiff Rd., Suite 152 697-8888 | $ | 4 spoons

MOON GARDEN Try one of the lunch specials like broccoli with garlic sauce or kung pao shrimp. The Chinese restaurant is housed in what used to be a Red Lobster — just in case you were wondering about the nautical decor. 2319 W. Loop 250 N. 570-1165 or 685-3012 | $ | 2 spoons

OSAKA JAPANESE STEAKHOUSE AND SEAFOOD Try steak, chicken or seafood grilled at Teppan Yaki tables or sushi with fresh seafood. Locations in Midland and Odessa. 1207 Tradewinds Blvd. 617-7252 www.my-osaka.com | $$ | 4 spoons

SHOGUN RESTAURANT Japanese steak house that's been serving Midlanders for more than 20 years. Watch your food being cooked on the Teppan Yaki tables after you enjoy cucumber and shrimp salad and soup. Lunch prices are very reasonable, be prepared to splurge for dinner. 4610 N. Garfield St. 570-8888 | $$ | 4 spoons

TASTE OF CHINA SUPER BUFFET All-you-can-eat buffet or order from menu. Senior citizen discount and children 3 and younger eat free. 4400 N. Big Spring St., #53. 684-5288 | $ | 2 spoons

BURGERS

BASIN BURGER HOUSE With buns made in-house and creative combinations this isn't your typical burger joint. Try the black & blue burger and follow it with the Nutella & banana milkshake. Live music on the patio. 607 N. Colorado 687-5696 www.basinburgerhouse.com | $$ | 4 spoons

BOB'S BETTER BURGER Step back in time as you stand outside the screen window to order some of the best burgers, fries and onion rings in town. 3417 Thomason Drive 694-1561 | $ | 4 spoons

BROOKS BAR B-Q The barbecue is great but it's hard not to order the fat burger. Whatever you decide be sure to save room for pie. Order it first — the kitchen tends to run out during the lunch rush. 501 E. Texas Ave. 685-5079 | $ | 4 spoons

BURGERS FRIES AND CHERRY PIES More than 20 combinations of burgers and toppings from the standard bacon or chili to the unexpected — ever try pimento cheese on a burger? Fries get the gourmet treatment too. 5210 W. Wadley Ave. 617-2327 | $ | 2 spoons

DICKEY'S BARBECUE PIT Texas-based barbecue marketed as fast food. Try the pulled pork sandwich and the baked potato casserole. 5210 W. Wadley Ave. 689-4500 www.dickeys.com | $ | 4 spoons

FUDDRUCKERS Choose your burger size and add whatever toppings you want. If you're feeling adventurous, try the ostrich or bison. Located inside the mall. 4511 N. Midkiff Road 689-0448 |$ | 3 spoons

JOHNNY'S BAR B-Q & DINER Downtown barbecue served cafeteria style. Try the chopped beef sandwich for lunch. Look for the pig on the roof. 316 N. Big Spring St. 683-4581 | $ | 3 spoons

HOG PIT PUB & GRUB This out-of-the-way bar and barbecue joint offers all the traditional favorites plus unexpected menu items like fried sausage. Go hungry and relish the oversized portions of Texas goodness. 7400 West County Road 116 | 561-9301 | 3 spoons

K-D'S BAR B-Q Pick your meat from the grill then add sides like potato salad, beans and peach cobbler. Try the sausage. Or the brisket. Or the chicken. It's all good. 3113 Garden City Highway 683-4013 | $ | 5 spoons

MICHAEL'S CHARCOAL GRILL Great barbecue and great burgers, including the King Kong burger. Michael's also has a great salad bar. Something for everyone. 723 W. Wadley Ave. 686-9030 | $ | 4 spoons

SAM'S BAR-B-QUE You can smell the smoke before you get into the parking lot at this longtime Midland establishment. Whether you go for ribs, brisket or sausage be sure to save room for the peach cobbler. 1113 E. Scharbauer Drive | 570-1082 | 3 spoons

SCOTTY'S SOUL FOOD Tucked in a hole-in-the-wall location on North Big Spring Street, Scotty's offers everything comfort food. Try the ribs or the chicken fried steak. Don't leave without a helping of cornbread. 2907 N. Big Spring St. | 695-6511 | $ | 4 spoons

TANK'S BAR-B-QUE AND CATERING Stop by Tank's for lunch and get a full plate of barbecue with all the sides to take back to the office or enjoy at a nearby picnic table. Don't skip the potato salad. 401 East Scharbauer Drive 684-0006 | $ | 4 spoons

TEXAS BURGER Fast-food burgers with more of a local — or regional feel — than the national chains. Try the jalapeno burger and spicy fries. Don't forget the ice cream. 3306 W. Loop 250 West, 522-2177 and 500 W. Wadley Ave. 620-9838 | $ | 3 spoons

STEAKS

CATTLE BARON Western-themed steakhouse with prime rib, fresh catfish and Alaskan king crab. The salad bar is worth the trip. 418 Wadley Ave. 683-2334 www.cattlebaron.com | $$ | 3 spoons

SALTGRASS STEAKHOUSE Midland's only restaurant from the Landry's chain specializes in steaks. For something different, try the warm steak salad that includes grilled veggies and steak piled on top of a bed of greens. 4511 W. Loop 250 699-0476 www.saltgrass.com | $$ | 4 spoons

STEAK EXPRESS Surprisingly good steaks and burgers for take-out or delivery. Burgers are a meal by themselves. Steaks come with traditional sides. 3316 W. Illinois Ave. 694-4040 | $$ | 4 spoons

WALL STREET BAR & GRILL Arguably the best steak and seafood in Midland. If you're in the mood for something else, try the chicken fried steak or the Dijon chicken. And save room for the Gold Brick dessert. 115 East Wall St. 684-868 | $$ | 5 spoons

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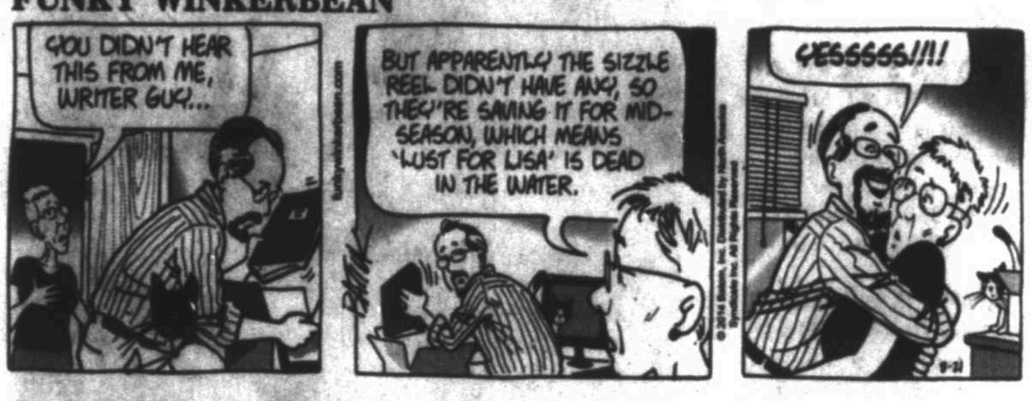

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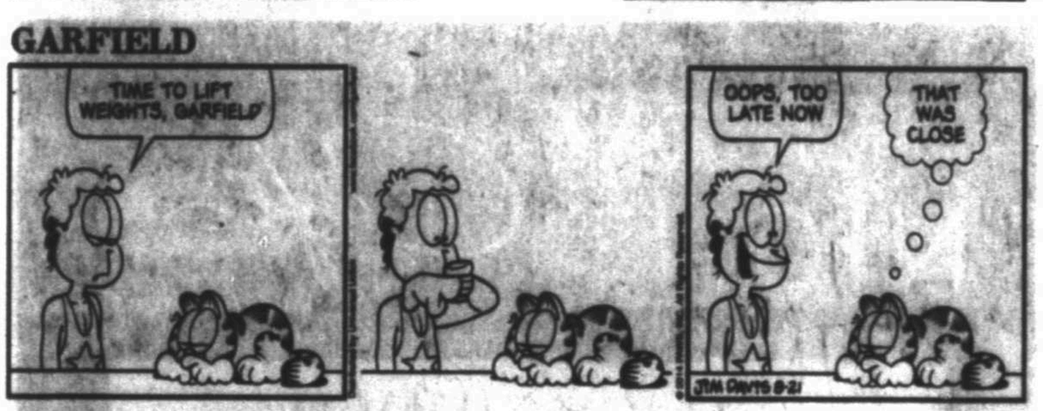

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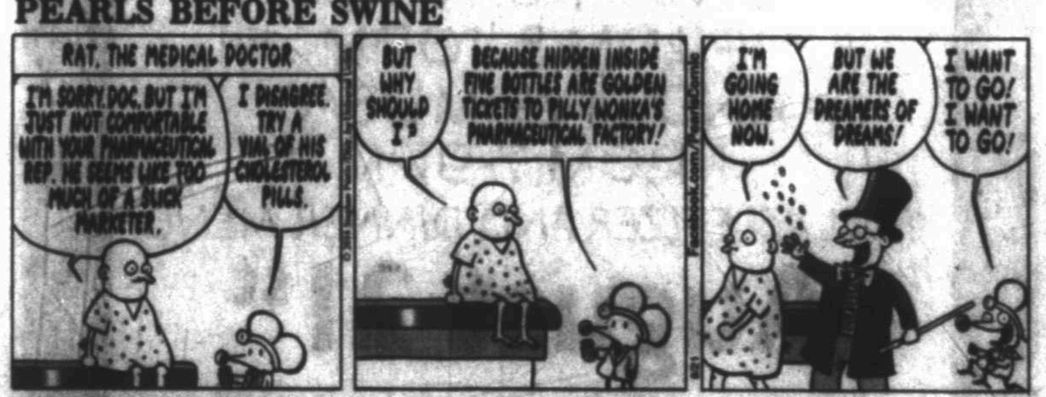

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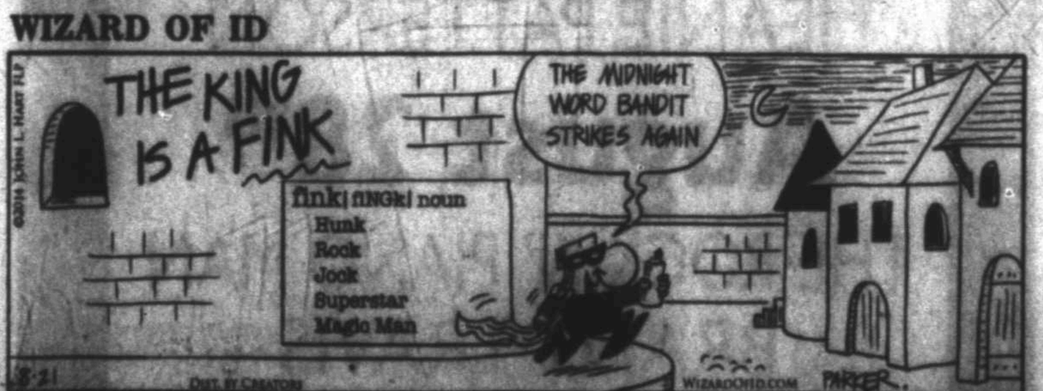

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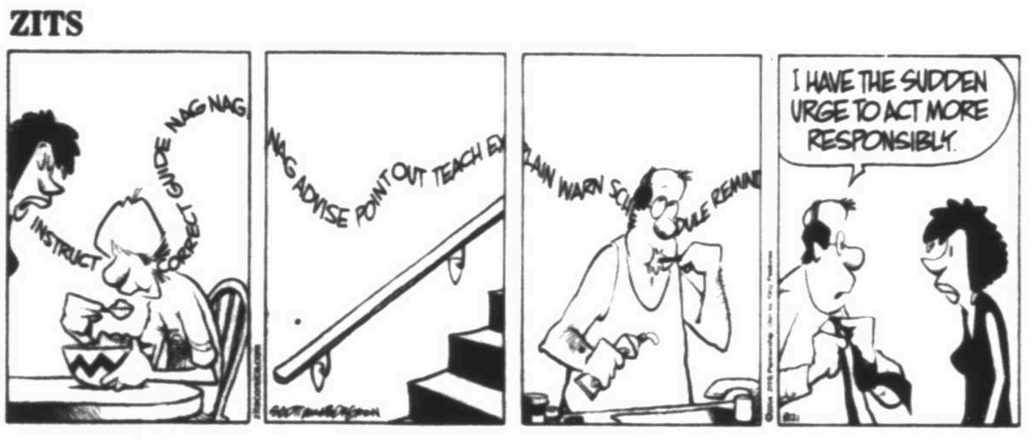

BABY BLUES

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CLOSE TO HOME

"To save space, we now require that all passengers be bungee-corded."

DENNIS THE MENACE

"DAD STARTED SNORING IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STORY AND THAT KINDA RUINED IT FOR ME."

LOCKHORNS

"IT'S NOT A HEART MURMUR, MR. LOCKHORN ... YOU'RE JUST GRUMBLING UNDER YOUR BREATH."

FAMILY CIRCUS

"I'm NOT following you. You just keep walking in front of me."

DINING

WEEKENDER PUBLISHES A PORTION OF THE RESTAURANT GUIDE EACH WEEK. ENTREE PRICE RANGE IS BASED ON THE AVERAGE ENTREE PRICE ON THE MENU:
$ = $1-10, $$ = $10-20 AND $$$ = $20 OR MORE. RESTAURANTS ARE GIVEN A GENERAL RATING BASED ON QUALITY OF FOOD, SERVICE, CLEANLINESS, ATMOSPHERE AND OVERALL EXPERIENCE.
1 SPOON = POOR, 2 SPOONS = AVERAGE, 3 SPOONS = ABOVE AVERAGE, 4 SPOONS = GOOD AND 5 SPOONS = EXCELLENT.

MEXICAN FOOD

ABUELOS Mix of traditional Tex-Mex with unique menu items featuring steak and seafood. Tired of rice and beans on the side? Try papas con chile and espinaca casserole. 2908 W. Loop 250 N. 685-3335 www.abuelos.com | $$ | 4 spoons

AJUUA'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT Tex-Mex favorites such as enchiladas, tacos, burritos and combination plates. Daily specials and menudo served on weekends. 3205 W. Cuthbert Ave. 694-4116 | $ | 2 spoons

CANCUN GRILL Stylish downtown Mexican restaurant inside Wall Towers. Start with the corn queso and then move on to the seafood enchiladas or one of the steaks. 223 W. Wall St. 618-0390 | $$ | 4 spoons

CARAMBA'S SPANISH INN Bustling Mexican restaurant with a variety of foods and combination plates. Tex-Mex favorites and burgers, steaks and seafood. 3116 W. Front St. 520-9724 or 520-9525 | $ | 4 spoons

CASA DEL SOL RESTAURANTE Y CANTINA Reminiscent of a Mexican cantina. Mexican stir-fry is a popular choice or try one of the West Texas specialties like country-fried steak, shrimp or catfish. 523 East Illinois Ave. 686-1118 | $ | 3 spoons

CASA LOPEZ CAFE Sports bar, restaurant and catering service with entrees like enchiladas and fajitas and appetizers such as bacon wrapped shrimp and stuffed jalapenos. 4411 W. Illinois Ave. 699-7373 | $ | 4 spoons

CASA MADRID Established Midland restaurant serves fajitas, Mexican combination plates, tacos, tamales, flautas and enchiladas. 911 S. Big Spring St. 685-1350 | $ | 3 spoons

CHARLAS RESTAURANTE & BAR With a casual atmosphere and full service bar, Charla's serves enchiladas, shrimp nachos, tortilla soup and tropical salad. Delicious chips and salsa. 3330 W. Illinois Ave. 699-2440 | $ | 3 spoons

CHITO'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT & SPORTS Traditional Mexican fare with sports bar atmosphere. Breakfast served on weekends. 4400 N. Midland Drive 689-8646 | $ | 4 spoons

DONA ANITA'S Some of the best chile rellenos in town. Or try the tacos or enchiladas. Heuvos con chorizo, menudo, huevos rancheros and migas on Sundays. 305 W. Florida Ave. 683-6727 | $ | 3 spoons

DOS COMPADRES We recommend the carne guisada or any of the enchiladas with a tangy and mild green sauce. 2200 W. Wadley Ave, #1 Oak Ridge Square 684-7239 www.Doscompadres.net | $ | 3 spoons

DOS MARGARITAS Extensive menu includes fajitas, combination plates, lunch specials and breakfast plates such as huevos rancheros and omelettes. 1501 North Big Spring St. 618-9536 www.dosmargaritasusa.com | $ | 3 spoons

EL BANQUETE Traditional Mexican cuisine such as soft beef and pork tacos. Breakfast burritos, fajitas and enchiladas. 1802 Rankin Highway 620-0123 | $ | 2 spoons

EL BURRITO RESTAURANT Serving burritos for more than 30 years. Breakfast and lunch burritos on homemade tortillas and other Tex-Mex favorites. Also known for their burgers. 1106 N. Big Spring St. 683-9701 | $ | 4 spoons

FAJITAS BRAVO Delicious and tender beef and chicken fajita burritos. Or try nachos, burgers, quesadillas or barbecue. 409 E. Scharbauer Drive 682-6848 | $ | 3 spoons

FREEBIRDS Create your own burrito, tacos, nacho, salad or bowl with fillings that range from cilantro lime rice, black beans and tomatillo sauce to carnitas, queso and pico de gallo. 3322 N. Loop 250 West www.freebirds.com 689-9100 | $ | 4 spoons

GARCIA'S BURRITOS Pick up a breakfast burrito for $2 starting at 7:30 a.m. on weekdays. Or try a fajita plate with beans, rice, guacamole and sour cream. 1306 N. Lamesa Road 684-4383 | $ | 2 spoons

GERARDO'S CASITA Try the tortilla soup or the fajitas. Don't forget a margarita from the full-service bar. 2407 N. Big Spring St. 570-8012 www.gerardoscasita.net | $ | 4 spoons

JAVI'S MEXICANO RESTAURANTE Mexican restaurant, bakery, tortilla and tamale factory serves wide variety of burritos and great burgers. 1511 Rankin Highway 684-4898 | $ | 4 spoons

JORGE'S CAFÉ Two locations in Midland serving Tex-Mex fare. Jorge's does a simple queso without chunks of peppers or tomatoes — you'll either love it or hate it. 3323 N. Midland Drive 689-0032 4400 N. Big Spring St. 683-6303 www.jorges.com | $ | 4 spoons

JUMBURRITO Drive-through or eat-in for breakfast, lunch or dinner. Try the stewmeat with cheese and avocado and smother it with queso and/or Jumburritos' hot sauce. Expect a line for weekend breakfast. 1301 Lamesa Road, 682-5060 | 2101 W. Wadley Ave., 683-7017 | 908 S. Midkiff Road, 689-0350 | 4509 N. Midkiff Road, 689-3894 | www.jumburrito.com | 4 spoons

LA BODEGA MEXICAN RESTAURANT AND BAR Try the chile rellenos — stuffed with beef, chicken, cheese or shrimp, deep-fried and topped with red sauce, sour cream, pecans and raisins — or the rueda, described on the menu as a Mexican pizza. The upstairs bar allows smoking and keeps later hours than the restaurant. 2700 N. Big Spring St. 684-5594 www.mylabodega.com | $ | 4 spoons

LA HERRADURA MEXICAN CUISINE Go for breakfast and try the huevos rancheros with beans, potatoes and tortillas. Menudo, caldo de res and cabrito en salsa verde on the weekends. 1422 Rankin Highway 687-3000 | $ | 2 spoons

LA MISION Festive, colorful restaurant with great Tex-Mex favorites. In a hurry? Go for the lunch buffet. 1008 S. Big Spring St. 682-0320 | $ | 4 spoons

MANUEL'S AUTHENTIC MEXICAN FOOD Home of the "Son of a Gun" plate — a 90 percent lean hamburger steak with onions, jalapeno gravy, beans, potatoes and tortillas — Manuel's also is known for its hot sauce. After you try it you can buy some to take home with you. 3905 Texas 349 www.manuelsdeli.com 682-2258 | $ | 4 spoons

PENO'S CAFÉ & CATERING COMPANY Try the tacos or the variety of breakfast burritos. Some menu items can be bought by the pound. Order tamales by the dozen. 4305 W. Illinois Ave. 262-5720 Facebook: Café J-Peno | $ | 3 spoons

REYNA'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT An order of fajitas is too much for one person to eat, but they're so good you'll try anyway. 3601 W. Wall St. 699-2109 | $ | 4 spoons

ROMIE'S MEXICAN RESTAURANTE Don't underestimate this hole-in-the-wall restaurant serving traditional Tex-Mex fare. Quick service, daily specials and delicious food. 701 S. Marienfeld St. 432-683-5344 | $ | 3 spoons

OSCAR'S SUPER BURRITO Serving Lee High School students, and other loyal customers, for years, Oscar's offers almost endless choices of burritos and other Tex-Mex favorites for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Try the brisket and cheese burrito and don't skimp on the salsa. 4306 Neely Ave. | 699-0242 | 4 spoons

ROSA'S CAFÉ & TORTILLA FACTORY If you're a native Midlander, you get it. If you're not, try the queso and tortillas or the chicken fajitas with queso or the combo burritos. It's worth the long drive-through lines. 903 Andrews Highway 520-2358 2501 N. Big Spring St. 620-0634 | 4301 N. Midland Drive 520-0489 | $ | 4 spoons

SEDONA MEXICAN GRILL & CANTINA Sit on the patio and enjoy drinks and chile con carne queso before your meal. Live entertainment on Fridays and Saturdays. 2101 W. Wadley Ave., # 45 www.sedonamexicancantina.com 570-9600 | $ | 4 spoons

TAMPICO SPANISH INN Go early to get a table. Start with an appetizer like queso, quesadillas or avocado salad. 2411 W. Wall St. 682-5074 | $ | 4 spoons

VENEZUELAN

Cafe Unique Chef Gabriel Alvarado hails from Venezuela and serves Midlanders a varity of arepas, empanadas and other Venezuelan specialities. Try the any of the arepas. Our favorite is stuffed with black beans, shredded beef, sauteed plantains and white cheese. 3303 N. Midkiff Road | 247-1487 | $| 4 spoons

NEW EATS

JERSEY MIKE'S

The sub-sandwich chain based in New Jersey opened Wednesday in north Midland. Hot and cold sandwiches are made to order and the menu also includes wraps and sandwiches. Customers can dine-in, carry-out and order online.

Hours: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. daily
Location: 4400 N. Midland Drive
Phone: 695-9990
Online: jerseymikes.com
Price: $5.25-$11.95 for sandwiches

DESSERT & BAKERY

YOUR WAY YOGURT Start with self-serve yogurt and add toppings ranging from strawberries and whip cream to cereal. 2300 W. Wadley Ave. Suite D 897-4393 | $ | 3 spoons

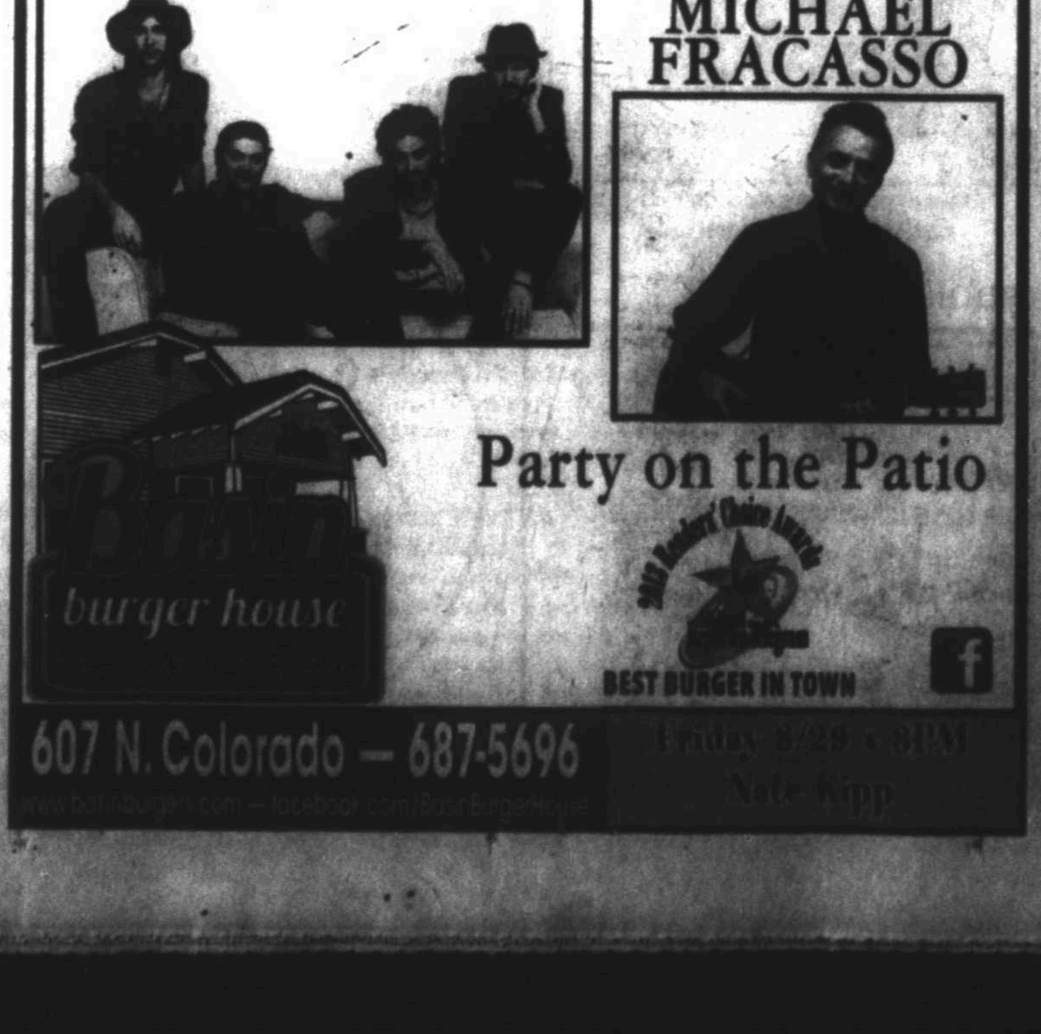
MARTINEZ BAKERY Walls lined with self-serve bakery cases filled with cookies. Also serves "super tortas" with chicken, brisket or ham. 206 E. Florida Ave. 683-3100; 683-2278 | $ | 4 spoons

SUGAR MAMA'S Local bakery specializing in customized cakes, cupcakes, cookies. Try the Elvis — bananas on bottom with peanut butter cream on top. 1028 Andrews Highway, Suite G 618-0976 | 3 spoons

TONY'S BAKERY Order petit fours or a cake for your next party or stop to browse the bakery items for a quick snack. Also try the sandwiches for breakfast or lunch. 1108 N. Big Spring St. 570-4166 | $ | 4 spoons

INDIAN

SHAHI TANDOOR In a hotel lobby off of West Wall Street, Shahi Tandoor offers a authentic Indian cuisine to West Texans and visitors. The lunch buffet offers a variety of salads, meats and vegetarian dishes. Try the sag paneer or chicken tikka masala. Order the garlic naan from the menu. Evening is menu service only. 3400 W. Wall St. | 618-9090 | www.indianfoodmidland.com | $$ | 4 spoons



RockHounds game postponed due to rain

From staff reports

Wednesday night's Midland RockHounds and Corpus Christi Hooks game was postponed because of heavy rain.

A heavy rain shower hit Security Bank Ballpark around the 6:30 p.m. start time, and it rained steady for about 40 minutes before the umpires officially called the game.

The two teams will play a doubleheader beginning at 5 p.m. today at Security Bank Ballpark; the two games are scheduled for seven innings each.

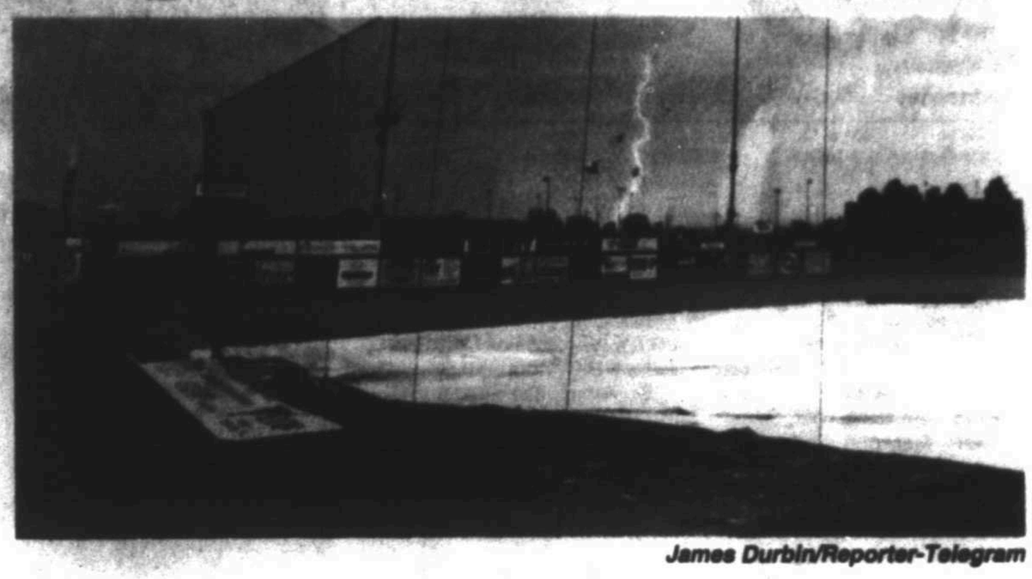
Wednesday's game was the scheduled second game of a four-game set between the RockHounds and Hooks. Midland won Tuesday's first game 15-2, as the RockHounds had 16 hits.

Midland is 32-25 in the second half and entered Wednesday's game two games behind Frisco in the Texas League South Division second half standings.

Murphy Smith, who was scheduled to start today's game, will pitch the first game of today's doubleheader. Smith is 1-4 with a 4.28 earned run average this season. Drew Granier will start the second game and Granier is 7-6 with a 4.23 ERA this season. Granier was recently moved to the bullpen.

Corpus Christi is scheduled to send 2013 Houston Astros top pick Mark Appel to the hill for today's first game. Appel is 0-1 with a 3.98 earned run average since his promotion to Double-A last month. Hooks right-hander Jordan Jankowski will start the second game of the twin bill, he is 4-6 with a 4.06 ERA.

Also on Wednesday, the RockHounds announced that they have donated more than $67,000 to local charities this year.



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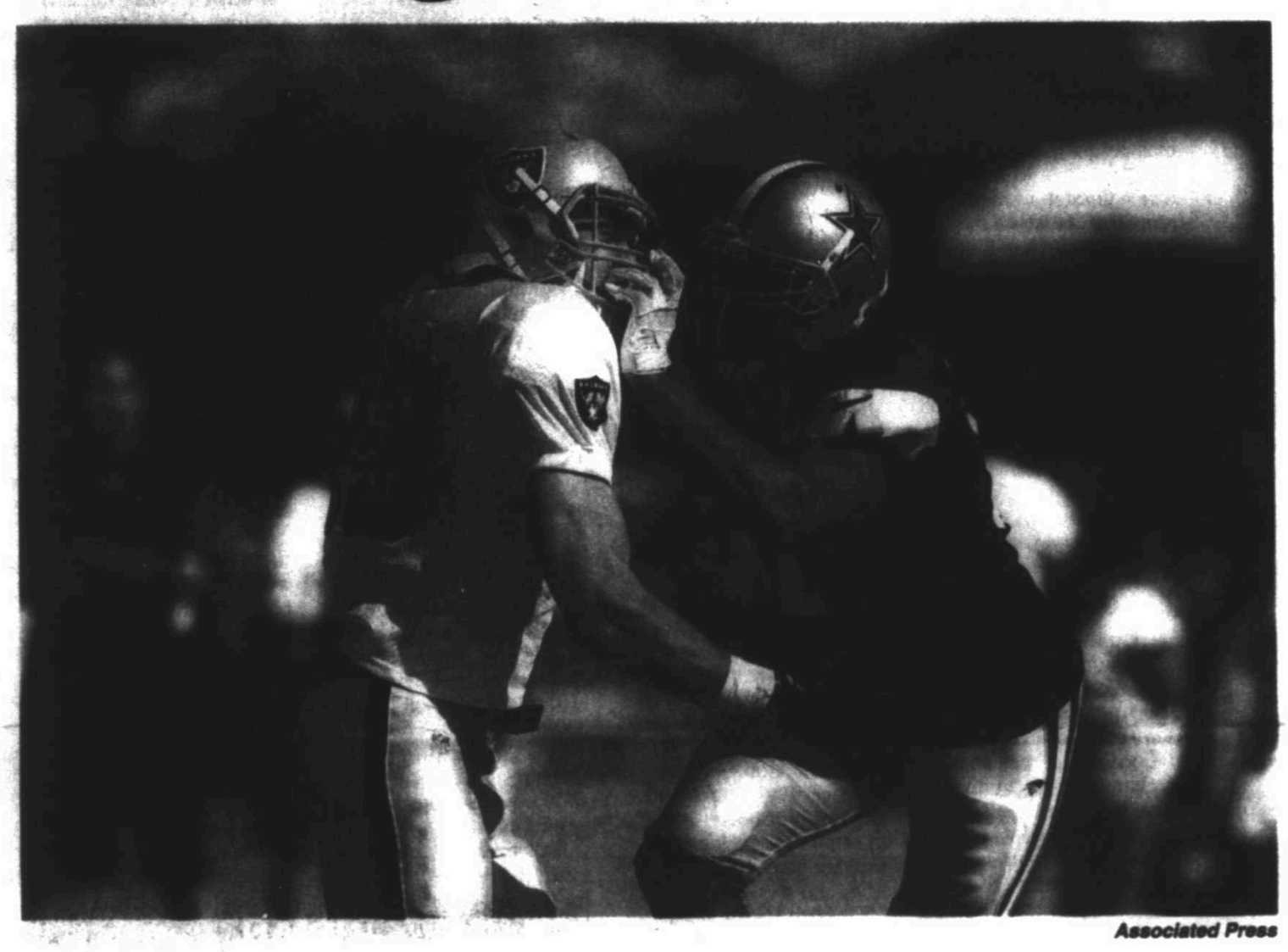
Lightning strikes over Security Bank Ballpark on Wednesday. The RockHounds game against Corpus Christi was rescheduled due to rain.

Moving them around



Associated Press

Dallas Cowboys linebacker Kyle Wilber, right, grabs Oakland Raiders strong safety Tyvon Branch's helmet during a joint practice on Aug. 12 in Oxnard, Calif.

Cowboys shuffle their LBs with McClain

By Schulyer Dixon
Associated Press

IRVING — One day Rolando McClain is getting first-team work with the Dallas defense after owner Jerry Jones offers yet another hopeful plug that the former top 10 pick can fill a big void at linebacker.

The next, McClain is sitting out practice again, raising more questions about the desire of a player who walked away from the sport twice in Baltimore before the Ravens traded him to a team desperate to replace Sean Lee after a season-ending knee injury.

Justin Durant is the swingman as the Cowboys search, playing his more natural spot on the weak side when McClain is on the field and mostly filling the middle when McClain isn't.

"I just go out there and play," said Durant, who was the most logical replacement for Lee before McClain was added close to the start of training camp. "Wherever they tell me to go, I go."

The Cowboys, who visit Miami in their third preseason game Saturday night, haven't told McClain to go, as in leave, and don't look like they will anytime soon.

Coach Jason Garrett said McClain had leg cramps at practice Tuesday, and that the team made the "right decision" to hold him out of practice Wednesday. He also missed time at training camp.

A day earlier, Jones essentially sounded like the Cowboys had found their starting middle linebacker on the scrap heap in a trade that sent a sixth-round pick to Baltimore while the Cowboys also got a seventh-rounder.

"I do think that we've got a chance to pull one out of our hat with McClain," Jones said of the linebacker Oakland gave up on three years after taking him with the eighth pick in 2010.

Durant says McClain "has been working real hard to get back."

"I can't make any assumptions based off what's happened in his career," said Durant, entering his eighth season, and second in Dallas, after stops in Jacksonville and Detroit. "I just know he has come in here, he has been in the classroom going hard and on the field going hard. That's all I can judge him on."

Kyle Wilber starting on the strong side appears to be the one thing that's settled for Dallas at linebacker. If McClain doesn't become a regular, Bruce Carter will probably keep his job on the weak side while Durant plays the middle.

Carter underperformed last year when the Cowboys thought a switch to the 4-3 defense would turn him into a playmaking star. He thrived filling in for Lee before getting hurt late in 2012, but his name didn't come up when Jones seemed to be listing the probable starters on his radio show by mentioning McClain, Durant and Wilber.

Carter's outlook could dim further if

Please see **MCCLAIN**/4C

Volleyball Insider: Lee works to improve passing

By Chris Hummer
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Lee had an up-and-down appearance at the Mansfield tournament this past weekend. On day one, the Rebels dropped two out of three matches. Saturday, day two, the group went a perfect 3-0. And finally Sunday, things tipped back in the other direction, as the team finished 0-2 against West and Irving.

All and all, over eight games, Lee finished 4-4, bringing their overall record to 5-5.

It's not the best possible performance, but for coach Daphne Rhoads it's not that surprising. After all, it takes time for people to mesh.

"We've still got some new pieces," Rhoads said. "The chemistry is great. Just need to get it clicking on the court."

Lee will attempt to do that this coming weekend when they play in the Nina Vannoy tournament in San Angelo. Rhoads pointed to one aspect of play in particular that she wanted to see improved — aggressiveness offensively.

"We were a little timid offensively, need to be more aggressive," Rhoads said. "Need to pass better to run a quicker offense."

This means crisper passes after receiving serves and crisper sets for their outside hitters.

The Rebels will start tournament play against Colorado City on Friday at 8:00 a.m. with that goal in mind.

Trinity takes weekend off, still getting

With a third place finish at the Wink tournament last weekend, the Trinity volleyball team is off to a solid start to the season. Head coach Ann Stroup is encouraged by the way the team has come together, considering the youth of the roster.

The Lady Chargers lost to the Lubbock Titans in three sets Tuesday evening, but Stroup said that's what preseason games are good

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James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee High's Darby O'Grady hits during team practice on Aug. 6.

Tony Stewart skips 3rd race after Ward's death

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Tony Stewart will not race Saturday night at Bristol Motor Speedway, the third Sprint Cup race he's skipped since his car struck and killed Kevin Ward Jr. during a sprint car race.

Stewart's decision was announced Wednesday and Jeff Burton will once again replace him in the No. 14 Chevrolet. Burton also drove Stewart's car at Michigan last weekend.

Stewart-Haas Racing is allowing Stewart to take the time he needs away from the track, and the team statement indicated the three-time NASCAR champion is taking it week-by-week. Stewart will not have to decide on another race until the Aug. 31 event at Atlanta.

Stewart has been in seclusion since the Aug. 9 incident at an upstate New York dirt track. He has not commented since he issued a statement the day after Ward's death.

Stewart also pulled out of the race at Watkins Glen, which began about 12 hours after his car hit Ward at event in Canandaigua, New York. Ward's car had spun into a wall as he and Stewart raced for position, and the 20-year-old climbed out to confront Stewart.

Authorities said the first car to pass Ward had to swerve to miss hitting the driver, who was gesturing toward the

Please see **STEWART**/4C

Texans-Broncos practice features chippy moments

By Arnie Stapleton
Associated Press

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — Denver Broncos right tackle Chris Clark took exception when J.J. Watt pushed him around in a 1-on-1 pass-rushing drill and kept right on motoring toward the imaginary quarterback.

Clark finally broke free with a swipe at the Houston Texans star that sent the pass-rusher's helmet bouncing on the ground.

"Don't get mad when you get beat," Watt hollered at Clark.

That turned into the theme of Wednesday's joint workout in full pads, one which ended with a lot of jawing and posturing after Texans safety D.J. Swearinger loudly celebrated his interception of Peyton Manning in an 11-on-11 drill.

"I picked off Peyton today and I guess that got them a little chippy," Swearinger said. "The offense did great, ran the ball down their throat, so, hey, I would get mad, too. That's all it is: players making plays and people getting mad."

Broncos cornerback Chris Harris said it's one thing to pick off Manning and quite another to go all gaga over it.

"His swag just went to another level," Harris said.

So did the Broncos' indignation.

"There's about 200 guys out here," Broncos cornerback Aqib Talib said. "It's hard to avoid."

No punches were thrown, however, as is so often is the case in these types of get-togethers. After all, players realize it's a little too close to final cuts and the start of the season to risk fighting at practice.

"We wanted to stay clean out here."

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DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

'HOUNDS WATCH

WEDNESDAY'S SCORE
Game postponed

TODAY'S GAME
Corpus Christi at Midland
Security Bank Ballpark

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

RECORDS
Midland 32-25, Corpus Christi 23-28

Wednesday	Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Game postponed.	Corpus Christi at Midland	Corpus Christi at Midland	Frisco at Midland	Frisco at Midland

WHAT'S ON TV

CYCLING
USA Pro Challenge, stage 4, at Colorado Springs, Colo., 2:30 p.m., NBCSN

GOLF
European PGA Tour, Czech Masters, first round, part II, at Prague, 8 a.m., TGC
PGA Tour, The Barclays, first round, at Paramus, N.J., 1 p.m., TGC
Web.com Tour, Portland Open, first round, at North Plains, Ore., 5:30 p.m., TGC
LPGA, Canadian Pacific Women's Open, first round, at London, Ontario, 12:30 a.m., TGC
European PGA Tour, Czech Masters, second round, part I, at Prague, 4 a.m., TGC

LITTLE LEAGUE
World Series, elimination, teams TBD, at South Williamsport, Pa., 2 p.m., ESPN
World Series, elimination, teams TBD, at South Williamsport, Pa., 6:30 p.m., ESPN

MLB
Regional coverage, Houston at N.Y. Yankees or Detroit at Tampa Bay, noon, MLB
Regional coverage, Atlanta at Cincinnati or L.A. Angels at Boston, 6 p.m., MLB

NFL
Preseason, Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m., NFL

TENNIS
WTA, Connecticut Open, quarterfinal, at New Haven, Conn., noon, ESPN2
ATP World Tour, Winston-Salem Open, quarterfinals, at Winston-Salem, N.C., 2 p.m., ESPN2

WNBA
Playoffs, conference semifinal, game 1, teams TBD, 6 p.m., ESPN2
Playoffs, conference semifinal, game 1, teams TBD, 8 p.m., ESPN2

YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES
Swimming, at Nanjing, China, 6 p.m., NBCSN

LOCAL SPORTS

Baylor senior wide receiver, and Midland High grad, Antwan Goodley was named to the Earl Cambell Tyler Rose Award watch list Wednesday, which recognizes the top offensive player in college football that also demonstrates integrity.

Goodley is also on the watch list for the Biletnikoff and Maxwell awards, and is a preseason All-American. He had 71 catches for 1,339 yards and touchdowns last season. Fellow Bears Shock Linwood and Bryce Petty were also named to the list.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
Major League Baseball
MLB — Upheld the San Francisco protest of Tuesday's game against Chicago at Wrigley Field, making it a suspended game to be completed Thursday.
American League
BOSTON RED SOX — Activated C David Ross from the 15-day DL. Recalled OF-1B Alex Hassan from Pawtucket. Optioned C Daniel Butler and RHP Steven Wright to Pawtucket (IL).
TAMPA BAY RAYS — Activated OF Wil Myers from the 60-day DL. Optioned INF Vince Belnome to Durham (IL). Transferred OF Jerry Sands from the 15- to the 60-day DL.
National League
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Reinstated RHP Gerrit Cole from the 15-day DL. Optioned INF Brent Morel to Indianapolis (IL).
SAN DIEGO PADRES — Reinstated OF Cameron Maybin from the restricted list. Optioned INF Jace Peterson to El Paso (PCL). Designated LHP Bobby LaFromboise for assignment.
American Association
FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS — Signed INF Frank Salerno.
GRAND PRAIRIE AIRHOGS — Released INF Jimmy Mojica and OF Kenny Held.
WICHITA WINGNUTS — Traded LHP Alex Hinshaw and a player to be named to Grand Prairie for INF Abel Nieves.
Can-Am League
QUEBEC CAPITALES — Sold the contract of RHP Leondy Perez to Atlanta (NL).
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
ATLANTA HAWKS — Announced Charles Lee and Ben Sullivan have been added to the coaching staff.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS — Placed DT Darnell Dockett on injured reserve. Signed DL Isaac Sopoaga and DL Ryan McBean to one-year contracts.
BUFFALO BILLS — Placed LB Stevenson Sylvester on the injured reserve list.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Traded K Cody Parkey to Philadelphia for RB David Fluellen.
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Signed FB Eric Kettani. Waived/injured TE Fendi Onobun.
NEW YORK JETS — Placed CB Dexter McDougle on injured reserve.
OAKLAND RAIDERS — Re-signed K Kevin Goessling. Waived/injured S Jeremy Deering.
TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS — Released WR Lavelle Hawkins. Claimed OT Edawn Coughman off waivers from Buffalo.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Claimed P Tress Way off waivers from Chicago. Waived P Blake Clingan.
Canadian Football League
CFL — Announced commissioner Mark Cohon will not seek a renewal of his contract, which expires in the spring of 2015.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
BUFFALO SABRES — Named Kevin Devine player personnel director, Randy Cunneyworth player development coach, Jerry Forton NCAA scout, Jason Long coordinator of player development, Corey Smith video coach, Jim Kovachik pro scout, and Seamus Kotyk and Victor Nybladh amateur scouts.
COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS — Announced an affiliation agreement with Kalamazoo (ECHL) for the 2014-15 season.
FLORIDA PANTHERS — Signed F Wade Megan and F Tony Turgeon to one-year AHL contracts.
NEW YORK RANGERS — Agreed to terms with F Kevin Hayes.
American Hockey League
GRAND RAPIDS GRIFFINS — Named Dave Noel-Bernier assistant coach.
ECHL
BAKERSFIELD CONDORS — Agreed to terms with D George Hughes, D Joe Marciano and D Colin Joe on one-year contracts.
FLORIDA EVERBLADES — Agreed to terms with F Evan Bloodoff and D Tyson Gimblett on one-year contracts.
IDAHO STEELHEADS — Agreed to terms with D Charlie Dodero.
READING ROYALS — Agreed to terms with D Dan Ford.
Southern Professional Hockey League
PEORIA RIVERMEN — Signed G Eric Levine. Agreed to terms with D Ben Oskroba and F Dan Cecka.
LACROSSE
Major League Lacrosse
OHIO MACHINE — Announced coach Bear Davis has added title of vice president.
National Lacrosse League
MINNESOTA SWARM — Acquired T Ethan O'Connor and a 2017 first-round draft pick from Toronto for T Brock Sorensen.
COLLEGE
ALABAMA STATE — Named LaToya Clark assistant volleyball coach.
ALBANY (NY) — Named Mark Benson as director of athletics.
BOWLING GREEN — Named Jason Bauer assistant gymnastics coach.
CHOWAN — Named Tim Feldmann assistant athletic trainer.
FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON — Named Andrea Nolan women's assistant volleyball coach.
FAYETTEVILLE STATE — Named Tyrone Jones receivers coach.
HAMPDEN-SYDNEY — Named Robert Bareford men's tennis coach.
HOLY CROSS — Named Mike Lucas women's tennis coach.
LOYOLA (NO) — Named Sam Brock men's rugby coach.
MARIST — Named Jason Sacher women's tennis coach and Leanne Ockenden director of women's basketball operations.
MICHIGAN STATE — Announced junior men's basketball G Bryn Forbes was granted a waiver to play this season after transferring from Cleveland State.
NEBRASKA — Named Ali Farokhmanesh men's graduate assistant basketball manager.
PRESBYTERIAN — Named Steve Roberts men's assistant basketball coach.
RANDOLPH — Named Stephen Davis men's assistant soccer coach.RICHARD STOCKTON — Named Ashley Parker women's cross country coach/assistant track & field coach.
SAN DIEGO STATE — Promoted assistant baseball coach Mark Martinez to baseball coach.
TEMPLE — Named Elvis Forde track and field coach.
YALE — Named Nikki Parsley assistant field hockey coach and Sue Tingley volunteer assistant field hockey coach.

WNBA PLAYOFF GLANCE

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
(Best-of-3)
Eastern Conference
Atlanta vs. Chicago
Friday: Chicago at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Sunday: Atlanta at Chicago, 6 p.m.
x-Aug 26: Chicago at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Indiana vs. Washington
Thursday: Washington at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Saturday: Indiana at Washington, 4 p.m.
x-Aug. 25: Washington at Indiana, TBD
Western Conference
Phoenix vs. Los Angeles
Friday: Los Angeles at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 24: Phoenix at Los Angeles, 8 p.m.
x-Aug. 26: Los Angeles at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Minnesota vs. San Antonio
Today: San Antonio at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Saturday: Minnesota at San Antonio, 6 p.m.
x-Aug. 25: San Antonio at Minnesota, TBD

FISHING REPORT

WEST
ALAN HENRY: Water stained; 85-89 degrees; 18.1 feet low. Black bass are fair to good on Yellow Magics early, later switching to Carolina rigs and jigs. Crappie are good on live minnows and jigs over brush piles. Catfish are good on chartreuse (use Worm-Glo) nightcrawlers.
ARROWHEAD: Water off color; 83-88 degrees; 18.71 feet low. One ramp open and few anglers have been on the lake.
FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 84-89 degrees; 15.21 feet low. Black bass are fair to good on Zell Pops, Texas rigs and shakyheads. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows. Catfish are fair on nightcrawlers.
HUBBARD CREEK: Water off color; 83-89 degrees; 27.86 feet low. Black bass are good on topwaters early, midmorning switching to Texas rigs, crankbaits and jigs. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs over deep cover. Catfish are good on nightcrawlers and cut bait.
OAK CREEK: Water stained; 83-89 degrees; 23.93 feet low. Black bass are fair to good on Carolina rigs, jigs and shakyheads. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows. Catfish are fair to good on chartreuse (use Worm-Glo) nightcrawlers.
O.H. IVIE: Water stained; 83-89 degrees; 39.73 feet low. Black bass are good on Zara Spooks early and late, midday switching to Texas rigs, jigs and Rat-L-Traps. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs shallow.
POSSUM KINGDOM: Water fairly clear; 83-89 degrees; 15.85 feet low. Black bass are fair on Zell Pops early, later switching to drop shot rigs, Carolina rigs, Texas rigs and Rat-L-Traps. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair to good on slabs and Little Georges. Striped bass are fair on live shad and white bucktails. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.
SWEETWATER: Water murky; 83-88 degrees; 26.79 feet low. Black bass are fair to good on Carolina rigs, split shot weighted flukes and Texas rigs. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are fair to good on prepared bait.
SOUTH
AMISTAD: Water stained; 82-86 degrees; 41.80 feet low. Black bass are fair on soft plastics and jigs in 20-28 feet. Striped bass are good on slabs and topwaters. White bass are good on topwaters and slabs. Catfish are fair on nightcrawlers and punchbait in 40-60 feet. Yellow catfish are fair to good on trotlines and juglines baited with live perch in 20-30 feet. Everyone in a boat must have a Mexico fishing license (if fishing the Mexico side) whether fishing or not.
BRAUNIG: Water stained. Black bass are good on watermelon spinnerbaits and soft plastic worms in reeds. Striped bass are good on liver and perch off points near the pier. Redfish are excellent on perch, shad, and silver spoons. Channel and blue catfish are very good on liver, shrimp and cut bait.
CALAVERAS: Water stained. Black bass are fair on perch colored crankbaits and Rat-L-Traps. Striped bass are fair on spoons and striper jigs. Redfish are fair on live perch and tilapia along the shoreline, and on live bait along the crappie wall. Channel catfish are slow. Blue catfish are good on liver and cut bait. Yellow catfish are slow.
CHOKE CANYON: Water stained; 83-87 degrees; 26.31 feet low. Black bass are good on chartreuse/white spinnerbaits and large soft plastics. White bass are slow. Crappie are slow. Drum are fair on worms. Channel and blue catfish are good on punchbait. Yellow catfish are good on live perch and goldfish.
COLETO CREEK: Water stained; 88 degrees in main lake, 101 degrees at hot water discharge; 2.78 feet low. Black bass to 7 pounds are good on watermelon soft plastics and Rat-L-Traps around vegetation in Coleto and Perdido Creeks in 8-10 feet. White bass are slow.

Associated Press

Jeff Gordon celebrates his victory with his crew after the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Pure Michigan 400 at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn, Mich., on Sunday.

Gordon has thirst for fun at Delaware brewery

By Dan Gelston
Associated Press

MILTON, Del. — Jeff Gordon may as well have been any average sports fan, sliding up to the bar and ordering a beer.

But for a guy who has mastered winemaking as well as he has winning races, Gordon needed a remedial course on the finer points of handling a cold one.

"Do you smell the beer like you do with wine," Gordon asked.

He raised the glass to his nose, inhaled the fruity complexity and pungent hoppiness of a Dogfish Head 61, and started to drink.

One sip turned into two sips. And with a few more swigs, Gordon was suddenly the Delaware version of TV barfly Norm Peterson.

"I could drink this all day," Gordon said, to the delight of the Dogfish Head staff.

Gordon has been soaked in champagne in Victory Lane three times this season. He's sipped wine from his private stock at Jeff Gordon Cellars.

After a personal tour of one of the top craft breweries in the business, Gordon was willing to make 24 stand for more than the number on his car — he could use a case of the good stuff to lug back to North Carolina.

"I think I have a new appreciation for a good beer," Gordon said, laughing.

Gordon has had plenty of hops in his step this year, enjoying a career renaissance with Hendrick Motorsports that has him with three wins and a spot in the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship field. He's coming off a win Sunday at Michigan International Speedway that thrust him to the top of the points standings. Gordon, who fueled retirement talk at the Daytona 500, has backtracked from any thoughts about hanging up the helmet.

He looks every bit a title contender — and his cars are as stout as some of the dark, roasty and complex beers Dogfish stirs up.

"I feel like we're the best team," Gordon said Wednesday.

So do the folks at Dogfish Brewery.

Gordon toured the brewery (with beer in hand) and lunched at the brewpub (complete with a five-beer sampling flight) to promote the Sept. 28 race at Dover International Speedway.

Dogfish is widely considered the top of the field, the Jimmie Johnson of the east coast craft beer scene. It's No. 1 and always the beer to beat. Victory Brewing, Yards Brewing and Flying Fish would make up the rest of what could be considered the Hendrick Motorsports of craft beers.

Gordon seemed as interested in the ingredients that go into brewing beers as most fans would be at an inside racing tour at the Hendrick shop.

Forget fuel tanks. Tanks and tanks of beers, enough to satisfy the palate of all the race fans at Dover, filled the brewery.

Dogfish founder Sam Calagione led Gordon on a personal tour of the complex and they startled the rest of the public who had their routine stroll turn into so much more. Many fans were left with their mouths agape when the four-time NASCAR champion walked by with his safety goggles on.

"I had no idea he'd be here," said fan Gary Cancrow, who snapped a quick picture. "He's my favorite driver, too."

Gordon found some comparisons between a successful brewery and a race team.

"When I look at this, I think somebody's going to buy that beer, or buy that by the case, and for us, we have a facility that buys our engines and engine parts but we don't link it to a person, we link it to a performance," Gordon said.

Calagione said Hendrick and Dogfish always had to be at their best to stay on top.

"I'd say both of our company's are equally obsessed with engineering and performance," he said. "Ours is a lot more based with smaller customers while Jeff is all about sponsors."

For all the star power Gordon brought to Delaware, he was only the second most famous celebrity to tour the brewery. Former Led Zeppelin singer Robert Plant found a whole lotta love with the beer when he notched his name as Dogfish's head frontman.

Gordon is again a contender to win this weekend at Bristol. He wins at Kansas and the Brickyard 400 to go along with Michigan. He has 91 career wins and his fantastic season has put 100 in sight.

"It's great to play a role in the results on Sundays and know my guys believe in me," he said.

He's again established himself as a top contender for the championship, and his first in the Chase era.

Retire? Maybe if his achy back finally gives out for him. But he expected to have a longer shelf life than any mass produced beer.

"I don't believe in retirement," Gordon said. "I believe in the next step in life."

Against the backdrop of local favorites like Shrimpys Snack Shack and Go Fish, Gordon made it down to the boardwalk to meet about 300 fans for a Q&A. The Delaware natives had little use for Gordon's thoughts on the revamped Chase or night racing at Dover. They wanted to know, what about some Dogfish sponsorship on the No. 24 Chevrolet?

Pennsylvania-based Yeungling Brewery has stepped up of late for Austin Dillon. But Dogfish wasn't willing to spend the big bucks on Gordon, yet.

"I don't know if we can hang with that," Calagione said.

Gordon skipped the beer to dump a bucket of ice water over Calagione's head as part of the Ice Bucket Challenge. Gordon brought wine from his private stock, swapping some cabernet and chardonnay from 2007 (of his Ella label) and 2010s (of son, Leo) for some Delaware beer.

Gordon preferred the Namaste, a Belgian wit crafted with oranges, lemongrass, coriander and peppercorns.

Sounds good, especially after a victory.

But Gordon wasn't ready to commit to home brewing quite yet.

"The beer business would have been fun to get into," Gordon said. "But I like wine."

TEAMS

From 1C

for, gaining experience.

"We're a little up and down," Stroup said. "We're young, so these preseason kind of games are great to give us the experience.

This version of the Lady Chargers is almost a whole new mix on the court. Some of the girls have played club together before, but many are playing with one another for the first time. Besides on-court chemistry, Stroup said consistency attacking is the thing the team needs to focus on the most.

Trinity will take the weekend off from tournament play, and will return to action Tuesday evening against Pecos.

MHS rolling after early season success

Midland High has been perfect on paper early this season. The Lady Bulldogs are 9-0 and have yet to drop a set, rolling through the Monahans tournament last weekend to a championship without much issue.

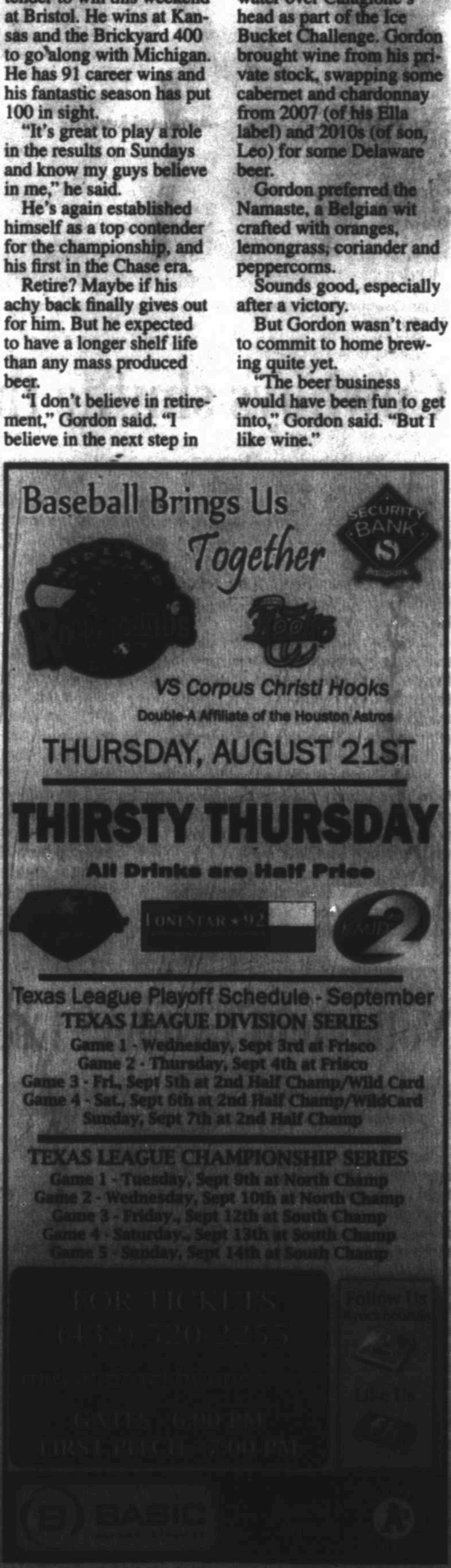
Asked following their championship match win last weekend, head coach Amanda Lopez called the feat "amazing." The Bulldogs are an experienced team, so it's not shocking to see them hum on the court together so quickly. But Lopez said she is still impressed with the maturity they displayed.

At the Monahans tournament, MHS faced a lot of teams from lower classifications. Its stop this weekend, at the Nina Vannoy tournament, will be a better test of the team's overall play.

Games to watch this weekend:

■ Midland High, Lee, Greenwood and Midland Christian will participate in Nina Vannoy tournament in San Angelo beginning Friday

■ Midland Classical will take on Coahoma at home Saturday.



Martinez, Rangers top Marlins, 5-4

By Tim Reynolds
Associated Press

Rangers	5
Marlins	4

MIAMI — Nick Martinez enjoyed his homecoming. And, after an anxious ninth inning, his friends and family got to celebrate a win.

Martinez allowed two runs and struck out a career-high seven in six innings of work, Alex Rios drove in two runs and the Texas Rangers survived Miami's last-inning rally to beat the Marlins 5-4 on Wednesday afternoon.

Marcell Ozuna and Jarrod Saltalamacchia homered in the ninth for Miami, but the Rangers held on for a split of the quick two-game series.

"It was great," said Martinez, who had about 100 family and friends in the stands. "It was very special. I got to pitch where it all started against a team I grew up watching. I thought that was pretty cool and even better than we came out on top."

Martinez (3-9) allowed six hits and threw 62 of 96 pitches for strikes. He was born in nearby Hialeah and pitched at Belen Jesuit Prep, about 12 miles from Marlins Park.

Leonys Martin had three hits for Texas, which grabbed a 5-0 lead after two innings. And after giving up the two solo homers, Neftali Feliz got his fifth save in six tries, striking out Donovan Solano to end the game with the tying run on base.

Feliz closed it out moments after manager Ron Washington visited the mound and nearly pulled him.

"He said, 'Give me one more hitter' and he said it like he meant it," Washington said. "So I gave him one more hitter."

Associated Press

Texas Rangers' Adrian Beltre, center, is congratulated in the dugout after scoring on an error by Miami Marlins shortstop Adeiny Hechavarria in the first inning on Wednesday in Miami.

Marlins starter Nathan Eovaldi (6-8) gave up nine hits and five runs, four earned, in five innings.

Martinez had a 3-0 lead before taking the mound in his home city for the first time. Texas — which had been held to three runs or less in 14 of its last 18 games entering Wednesday — strung together four straight two-out hits in the opening inning. J.P. Arencibia's double brought Rios home with the first run, and Adrian Beltre came around when Marlins shortstop Adeiny Hechavarria dropped the relay.

Schilling blames chewing tobacco for mouth cancer

Associated Press

BOSTON — Former major league pitcher Curt Schilling says he's battling mouth cancer and blames 30 years of chewing tobacco use.

Schilling discussed details of his cancer on WEEI-FM in Boston on Wednesday. He announced he had cancer in February, but had not disclosed what kind.

He says it's due to chewing tobacco.

Schilling is being treated at Brigham and Women's Hospital and the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. He received seven weeks of chemotherapy and radiation treatments and is in remission. He says he's lost 75 pounds.

Schilling is a three-time World Series champion with the Arizona Diamondbacks and Boston Red Sox.

He's being sued by Rhode Island's economic development agency after his video game company received a $75 million state loan guarantee and then collapsed.

MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

ASTROS 5 YANKEES 2

NEW YORK — Scott Feldman shut down the slumping New York Yankees again, and Robbie Grossman snapped a seventh-inning tie with a two-run single that sent the Houston Astros to a 5-2 victory Wednesday night.

Dexter Fowler had an RBI double, Jose Altuve added a run-scoring single, and the Astros (54-73) did more damage to New York's playoff chances with their fourth victory in five meetings this season. Houston, which has finished with the worst record in the majors each of the past three years, won a series at Yankee Stadium for the first time in four tries.

The fourth-place Astros improved to 4-7 in the Bronx and will go for a three-game sweep Thursday afternoon.

Stephen Drew hit his first homer for New York, and Jacoby Ellsbury drove in a run with a bunt single. But the Yankees (63-61) lost for the seventh time in nine games and dropped five games out of a playoff spot.

TIGERS 6 RAYS 0

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Rick Porcello hasn't won any Cy Young awards like three of his teammates, but he has pitched some of the better games of the season for the Detroit Tigers.

One of them came Wednesday night when Porcello pitched a three-hitter for his AL-leading third shutout, a 6-0 victory over the Tampa Bay Rays.

"Nine shutout innings. You literally can't ask for anything more," said Tiger manager Brad Ausmus.

Victor Martinez hit a grand slam and drove in five runs for the Tigers, who handed the Rays their fourth loss in a row.

Porcello (14-8) moved into a tie for the league lead in wins, retiring 20 straight batters after Ben Zobrist's double in the first.

"I felt pretty good from the get-go really," he said. "Even the hit I gave up to Zobrist was a good pitch, and I felt pretty confident that if I kept making pitches like that I was going to get guys out and pitch deep into the game."

INDIANS 5 TWINS 0

MINNEAPOLIS — Rookie T.J. House threw shutout ball into the sixth inning, combining with four relievers to pitch the Cleveland Indians past the Minnesota Twins 5-0 Wednesday night.

Rookie Zach Walters hit his sixth homer. It was his third home run in eight games with the Indians since he was acquired from Washington on July 31 in a trade for shortstop Asdrubal Cabrera.

Mike Aviles homered among his three hits and drove in two runs.

House (2-3) gave up four hits while striking out five and walked three. The Indians extended Minnesota's scoreless streak to 17 innings.

Ricky Nolasco (5-9) gave up four runs in 6 2-3 innings.

National League

PIRATES 3 BRAVES 2

PITTSBURGH — The Pittsburgh Pirates were looking for a way to break out of their seven-game losing skid.

They got a little help when Justin Upton dropped a routine fly ball to left-centerfield in the ninth which set the stage for Gaby Sanchez's game-winning sacrifice fly that capped a late-inning comeback as the Pittsburgh Pirates defeated the Atlanta Braves 3-2 on Wednesday night.

"We try to pride ourselves on not being surprised by success," manager Clint Hurdle said. "To get the two to tie it up then some help and to win, yeah, it's a real nice shot in the arm."

David Carpenter (4-4) took the loss after allowing an unearned run to cross. Jordy Mercer led off with a single and Starling Marte's fly ball to left-center advanced him to third, where Mercer tagged up on Sanchez's flyout.

"We make that play 99 1-2 out of 100 times," Atlanta manager Fredi Gonzalez said about the outfield error.

NATIONALS 3 DIAMONDBACKS 2

WASHINGTON — The Washington Nationals won their ninth straight game when pinch-hitter Anthony Rendon singled home Bryce Harper in the ninth inning Wednesday night for a 3-2 victory over the Arizona Diamondbacks.

Harper opened the ninth with a single off Evan Marshall (4-3) and went to third base on Kevin Frandsen's one-out single. Out of the starting lineup for the first time in 63 games, Rendon singled past third baseman Cliff Pennington to win it.

Five of Washington's last six victories have been by a single run, with four coming in its last at-bat. The Nationals last won nine in a row when they matched a franchise record by winning 10 straight in June 2005.

The NL East leaders also extended their home win streak to eight and opened up a seven-game lead over Atlanta.

Rafael Soriano (3-1) pitched the ninth.

Interleague

BLUE JAYS 9 BREWERS 5

MILWAUKEE — Jose Bautista's three-run homer capped a five-run sixth inning and the Toronto Blue Jays outslugged Milwaukee 9-5 Wednesday, snapping the Brewers' five-game winning streak.

Bautista hit a 1-2 pitch from reliever Brandon Kintzler into the Brewers' bullpen in right field. The homer made a winner of R.A. Dickey (10-12), who gave up five runs in 5 2-3 choppy innings.

Dickey left after Carlos Gomez's two-run homer in the bottom of the sixth made it 7-5.

Colby Rasmus also homered for Toronto, which outhit the NL Central leaders 15-10.

Jimmy Nelson (2-4) took the loss after allowing the first two runners to reach in the sixth.

The Blue Jays, who were a season-high nine games out of first in the AL East entering the day, finished 2-6 on their road trip.

PHILLIES 4 MARINERS 3

PHILADELPHIA — In a change of recent fortune, luck was on Cole Hamels' side this time.

Wil Nieves doubled and had three hits and Hamels got a victory when he wasn't at his best as the Philadelphia Phillies defeated the Seattle Mariners 4-3 on Wednesday.

Chase Utley had the go-ahead RBI and Ben Revere and Marlon Byrd drove in runs for the Phillies, who won for just the third time in their last nine.

METS 8 ATHLETICS 5

OAKLAND, Calif. — Lucas Duda hit a three-run homer, Eric Campbell also connected and the New York Mets beat the Oakland Athletics 8-5 on Wednesday to snap a three-game losing streak.

Zack Wheeler (9-8) allowed two earned runs while working 5 2-3 solid innings. The Mets split their quick two-game interleague series.

Wheeler is 6-0 with a 2.12 ERA over his nine outings since June 30. The A's chased him after two innings in the shortest start of his career June 25.

Las Vegas spoils Mo'ne's night, beats Philly

By John Kekis
Associated Press

SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Mo'ne Davis didn't have her best stuff when she and her Philadelphia teammates needed it most, and Las Vegas took advantage.

Dallan Cave and Brennan Holligan hit two-run homers, lefty reliever Austin Kryszczuk got out of two big jams, and Las Vegas beat Philadelphia and its star pitcher 8-1 in the Little League World Series on Wednesday night.

Davis, just the 18th girl to play in the Little League World Series and the only one to win a game on the mound, took the loss.

"Mo'ne didn't have her A game today," Philly manager Alex Rice said. "At this point, we're playing to get to Saturday."

The victory puts Las Vegas in Saturday's U.S. title game and sends Philadelphia into an elimination game on Thursday night against Chicago's Jackie Robinson West in a matchup of inner-city teams. The Great Lakes champion beat Pearland, Texas 6-1 on Tuesday night in an elimination game.

"I think it's terrific," Rice said. "I've been looking forward to playing Chicago since we got here."

Davis, the darling of the sports world with her amazing success and poise, was both masterful and ordinary on a night made short because of pitch-count rules.

She allowed three runs and six hits and struck out six in 2 1-3 innings before leaving after 55 pitches. That makes her eligible to pitch again in the U.S. championship game on Saturday.

Davis played first after her stint on the mound and was switched to right field in the top of the sixth, but she dazzled her opponents more than once on the mound with off-speed deliveries and tantalizing pitches just off the plate.

"She's very crafty," said Kryszczuk, who picked up the victory. "She's a great pitcher. That triple in the first was huge and then she settled down. Great job by us to get this victory."

The grassy hill beyond the outfield fences at Howard J. Lamade Stadium was jammed with so many cheering fans in lawn chairs that it looked like the bleacher section at any ballpark as 34,128 fans craned to see every pitch.

And they had an effect on Las Vegas, an afterthought at best to many before the game.

"The crowd got to us at times. It was hard to communicate," Las Vegas manager Ashton Cave said. "That's a big weight to carry on a 13-year-old's shoulders what goes on publicly. They definitely deserve the attention that they get, but we have the first Nevada team in history in 75 years to make it to this point. To come through and do what we've done, we're just definitely making a mark."

The 5-foot-4 Davis, who has given the Taney Youth Baseball Association Little League in Philadelphia notoriety no one could have imagined, tries to use the first two innings to get to know the home plate umpire's strike zone, and the first time through the order gauges where the opposing players don't like the ball.

It worked like a charm in her first outing in the World Series as she pitched a two-hit shutout. She didn't get that chance on this night against hard-hitting Las Vegas, which had outscored its first two opponents 25-4.

Davis, her long braids flopping over her shoulders on every pitch, allowed hits to the first two batters as Philadelphia fell behind. Leadoff hitter Zach Hare lofted a soft single to center and Kryszczuk followed with a resounding triple to right center for a 1-0 lead.

Unfazed, Davis struck out the side, getting Holligan looking and Brad Stone and Andrew Matulich swinging.

Philadelphia threatened in the bottom of the first, but Las Vegas right fielder Alex Barker made a dazzling diving catch at the warning track of a drive by Jack Rice to end the inning and strand two Philly runners.

"It was amazing," said Stone, who found out he was starting in warmups.

MLB STANDINGS, BOXES AND LINESCORES

STANDINGS
AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	73	52	.584	—
Toronto	65	62	.512	9
New York	63	61	.508	9½
Tampa Bay	61	65	.484	12½
Boston	56	70	.444	17½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	70	56	.556	—
Detroit	68	56	.548	1
Cleveland	64	61	.512	5½
Chicago	59	68	.465	11½
Minnesota	55	70	.440	14½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	75	50	.600	—
Oakland	74	52	.587	1½
Seattle	68	58	.540	7½
Houston	54	73	.425	22
Texas	49	77	.389	26½

Wednesday's Scores
Texas 5, Miami 4
Philadelphia 4, Seattle 3
Toronto 9, Milwaukee 5
N.Y. Mets 8, Oakland 5
Houston 5, N.Y. Yankees 2
Detroit 6, Tampa Bay 0
L.A. Angels 6, Boston 3
Baltimore 4, Chicago White Sox 3
Cleveland 5, Minnesota 0
Colorado 5, Kansas City 2

Today's Games
Houston (Keuchel 10-8) at N.Y. Yankees (McCarthy 4-2), 12:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Kluber 13-6) at Minnesota (P.Hughes 13-8), 12:10 p.m.
Detroit (Price 12-8) at Tampa Bay (Cobb 8-6), 12:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Shoemaker 11-4) at Boston (R.De La Rosa 4-4), 6:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	72	53	.576	—
Atlanta	66	61	.520	7
Miami	63	63	.500	9½
New York	60	68	.469	13½
Philadelphia	56	71	.441	17

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	71	56	.559	—
St. Louis	69	57	.548	1½
Pittsburgh	65	62	.512	6
Cincinnati	61	66	.480	10
Chicago	54	71	.432	16

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	71	56	.559	—
San Francisco	66	58	.532	3½
San Diego	58	66	.468	11½
Arizona	53	74	.417	18
Colorado	50	76	.397	20½

Wednesday's Scores
Texas 5, Miami 4
Philadelphia 4, Seattle 3
Toronto 9, Milwaukee 5
N.Y. Mets 8, Oakland 5
Washington 3, Arizona 2
Pittsburgh 3, Atlanta 2
St. Louis 7, Cincinnati 3
San Francisco 8, Chicago Cubs 3
Colorado 5, Kansas City 2
San Diego at L.A. Dodgers, late

Today's Games
Arizona (Miley 7-9) at Washington (G.Gonzalez 6-9), [illegible] p.m.
Atlanta (Teheran 11-9) at Cincinnati (Holmberg 0-0), 6:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 13-9) at Chicago Cubs (T.Wood 7-10), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (T.Ross 11-11) at L.A. Dodgers (Greinke 12-8), 9:10 p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S AL WEST BOXES
RANGERS 5, MARLINS 4

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	Miami	ab	r	h	bi
Choo lf	3	0	1	0	Yelich lf	4	0	3	0
Andrus ss	3	1	0	0	Solano 2b	5	0	0	0
Rios rf	4	1	2	2	Stanton rf	3	0	0	0
ABeltre 3b	4	1	2	0	McGeh 3b	4	0	0	0
Arencii 1b	4	1	1	1	GJones 1b	3	1	1	0
Mendez p	0	0	0	0	Ozuna cf	4	2	3	2
Feliz p	0	0	0	0	Hchvrr ss	4	0	0	0
LMartin cf	4	0	3	1	Mathis c	3	0	0	0
G.Soto c	4	0	0	0	Sltlmch ph	1	1	1	1
Odor 2b	4	1	1	0	Eovaldi p	1	0	1	0
NMrtnz p	2	0	0	0	Vidapn ph	1	0	0	0
Adduci ph	1	0	0	0	Hand p	0	0	0	0
Edwrds p	0	0	0	0	Hatchr p	0	0	0	0
Rosales 1b	0	0	0	0	RJhnsn ph	1	0	0	0
ARams p	0	0	0	0					
MDunn p	0	0	0	0					
JeBakr ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	33	5	10	4	Totals	35	4	9	3

Texas 320 000 000—5
Miami 000 200 002—4

E—G.Jones (12), Hechavarria (12). DP—Texas 1, Miami 4. LOB—Texas 3, Miami 7. 2B—Rios (24), Arencibia (7), Yelich (21), Ozuna (20). HR—Ozuna (18), Saltalamacchia (11). SB—L.Martin (22). CS—Choo (4).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
N.Martinez W,3-9	6	6	2	2	2	7
Edwards H,1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Mendez H,5	1	0	0	0	0	2
Feliz S,5-6	1	2	2	2	1	2
Miami						
Eovaldi L,6-8	5	9	5	4	1	4
Hand	1	1	0	0	0	1
Hatcher	1	0	0	0	1	2
A.Ramos	1	0	0	0	0	0
M.Dunn	1	0	0	0	0	1

WP—N.Martinez, Eovaldi.
T—2:55. A—16,672 (37,442).

ASTROS 5, YANKEES 2

Houston	ab	r	h	bi	New York	ab	r	h	bi
Grssmn rf	5	1	2	2	Gardnr lf	4	0	1	0
Altuve 2b	4	0	1	1	Jeter ss	4	0	2	0
Carter dh	4	0	0	0	Ellsury cf	5	0	2	1
Fowler cf	4	0	1	1	Teixeir 1b	4	0	0	0
JCastro c	0	1	0	0	McCnn c	4	0	0	0
Singltn 1b	3	0	0	0	Headly 3b	4	0	2	0
MGnzlz ss	4	1	1	0	Drew ss	3	1	1	1
MDmn 3b	4	1	2	0	Prado 2b	4	0	0	0
Mrsnck lf	4	1	2	1	ISuzuki rf	4	1	2	0
Totals	35	5	9	5	Totals	36	2	10	2

Houston 000 100 400—5
New York 000 110 000—2

LOB—Houston 6, New York 10. 2B—Fowler (13), I.Suzuki (13). HR—Drew (5). SB—Jeter (9), Ellsbury 2 (34), I.Suzuki (11). CS—Headley (2). S—Altuve.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Feldman W,7-6	6 2-3	8	2	2	2	7
K.Chapman H,2	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Fields H,7	1	1	0	0	0	0
Veras S,1-4	1	1	0	0	1	0
New York						
Pineda	6	4	2	2	1	3
Huff L,3-1	1-3	1	1	1	0	1
Rogers BS,1-1	1 2-3	4	2	2	1	3
Whitley	1	0	0	0	0	1

Pineda pitched to 1 batter in the 7th.
PB—J.Castro.
T—3:29. A—42,102 (49,642).

PHILLIES 4, MARINERS 3

Seattle	ab	r	h	bi	Philadelphia	ab	r	h	bi
AJcksn cf	5	0	1	0	Revere cf	5	0	1	1
CTaylr ss	4	0	1	0	Rollins ss	5	2	2	0
BMiller ph	1	0	0	0	Utley 2b	3	0	1	1
Cano 2b	5	0	2	0	Howard 1b	3	0	0	0
KMorls 1b	4	1	2	1	Byrd rf	4	0	1	1
Seager 3b	3	1	0	0	Ruf lf	4	0	0	0
Denorfi lf	4	0	1	0	Nieves c	4	1	3	0
Morrsn rf	4	1	2	1	ABlanc 3b	3	1	1	0
Sucre c	4	0	2	0	Hamels p	2	0	0	0
Zunino pr-c	0	0	0	0	GSizmr ph	1	0	1	0
Paxton p	1	0	0	0	Diekmn p	0	0	0	0
Wlhlms p	0	0	0	0	Giles p	0	0	0	0
EnChvz ph	1	0	1	0	Asche ph	1	0	0	0
Beimel p	0	0	0	0	Papeln p	0	0	0	0
Maurer p	0	0	0	0					
Ackley ph	1	0	0	0					
Farqhr p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	37	3	12	2	Totals	35	4	10	3

Seattle 010 200 000—3
Philadelphia 001 300 00x—4

E—Paxton (3), A.Blanco (1). LOB—Seattle 10, Philadelphia 10. 2B—Morrison (11), Sucre (1), En.Chavez (8), Rollins (20), Nieves (8). HR—K.Morales (4). SB—Revere (37). CS—Denorfia (2). S—Paxton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Paxton L,3-1	4	7	4	1	2	5
Wilhelmsen	1	2	0	0	1	1
Beimel	1	0	0	0	0	1
Maurer	1	1	0	0	0	1
Farquhar	1	0	0	0	0	2
Philadelphia						
Hamels W,7-6	5	9	3	3	1	4
Diekman H,14	2	1	0	0	1	4
Giles H,7	1	1	0	0	0	3
Papelbon S,30-33	1	1	0	0	0	2

WP—Paxton, Hamels 2. PB—Sucre.
T—3:00. A—25,157 (43,651).

METS 8, ATHLETICS 5

New York	ab	r	h	bi	Oakland	ab	r	h	bi
Grndrs rf	5	1	2	1	Crisp dh	5	1	1	1
DnMrp 2b	4	1	2	1	Jaso c	3	0	1	1
DWrght 3b	4	1	0	0	DNorrs ph-c	2	0	0	0
Duda 1b	4	2	2	3	Vogt 1b	5	0	1	0
dArnad c	4	0	0	0	Moss lf	3	2	0	0
dnDkkr cf-lf	5	0	0	0	Reddick rf	4	1	1	0
Campll dh	3	1	2	1	Callasp 3b-2b	3	0	0	0
Flores ss	4	1	1	1	Fuld cf	2	0	0	1
EYong lf	4	1	1	0	Parrino ss	4	0	0	0
Lagars cf	0	0	0	0	Sogard 2b	1	1	1	0
Dnldsn ph-3b	2	0	1	0					
Totals	37	8	10	7	Totals	34	5	6	3

New York 005 210 000—8
Oakland 002 200 010—5

E—Dan.Murphy 2 (15), Duda (3), Sogard (6). DP—New York 1. LOB—New York 7, Oakland 8. 2B—Crisp (19), Jaso (18), Vogt (9). HR—Duda (23), Campbell (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Za.Wheeler W,9-8	5 2-3	4	4	2	3	3
Edgin	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Black	1	0	1	0	2	0
Familia	1 2-3	1	0	0	1	2
Oakland						
Samardzija L,3-3	3 2-3	7	7	7	2	3
J.Chavez	2	3	1	1	3	3
Abad	2	0	0	0	0	0
Otero	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0

WP—Samardzija.
T—3:20. A—20,312 (35,067).

WEDNESDAY'S LINESCORES
AMERICAN LEAGUE

TIGERS 6, RAYS 0
Detroit 100 000 500 —6 7 0
Tampa Bay 000 000 000 —0 3 1
Porcello and Avila; Odorizzi, Yates (7), C.Ramos (8) and Casali. W—Porcello 14-8. L—Odorizzi 9-10. HRs—Detroit, V.Martinez (24).

ORIOLES 4, WHITE SOX 3
Baltimore 000 301 000 —4 8 0
Chicago 200 001 000 —3 6 0
W.Chen, O'Day (8), Z.Britton (9) and Hundley; Noesi, Putnam (8), Petricka (9) and Nieto. W—W.Chen 13-4. L—Noesi 7-9. Sv—Z.Britton (27). HRs—Baltimore, Pearce (13), N.Cruz (33), A.Jones (24). Chicago, A.Garcia (3).

INDIANS 5, TWINS 0
Cleveland 010 200 101 —5 11 1
Minnesota 000 000 000 —0 6 0
House, C.Lee (6), Atchison (7), Hagadone (8), Shaw (8) and R.Perez; Nolasco, Thielbar (7), Swarzak (8), Deduno (9) and Fryer. W—House 2-3. L—Nolasco 5-9. HRs—Cleveland, Walters (3), Aviles (5).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

NATIONALS 3, DIAMONDBACKS 2
Arizona 000 000 020 —2 7 0
Washington 010 001 001 —3 9 0
Cahill, O.Perez (7), Ziegler (8), E.Marshall (9) and M.Montero; Roark, Clippard (8), Storen (8), R.Soriano (9) and W.Ramos. W—R.Soriano 3-1. L—E.Marshall 4-3. HRs—Arizona, Inciarte (3).

PIRATES 3, BRAVES 2
Atlanta 100 001 000 —2 5 1
Pittsburgh 000 000 021 —3 5 0
A.Wood, J.Walden (8), D.Carpenter (9) and Gattis; Cole, Watson (8), Melancon (9) and C.Stewart. W—Melancon 2-3. L—D.Carpenter 4-3.

CARDINALS 7, REDS 3
Cincinnati 000 000 003 —3 9 1
St. Louis 001 031 02x —7 10 2
Cueto, Ondrusek (6), Hoover (7), Contreras (8), LeCure (8) and B.Pena; Lynn, Choate (8), C.Martinez (8), Rosenthal (9) and Pierzynski. W—Lynn 14-8. L—Cueto 15-7. Sv—Rosenthal (37).

GIANTS 8, CUBS 3
San Francisco 400 100 030 —8 14 0
Chicago 020 000 010 —3 11 0
Peavy, J.Gutierrez (8), Machi (9) and Susac; E.Jackson, Villanueva (3), W.Wright (7), Fujikawa (8) and Jo.Baker. W—Peavy 2-3. L—E.Jackson 6-14. HRs—San Francisco, Susac (1), Pence (17). Chicago, Valaika (1), Valbuena (11).

INTERLEAGUE
BLUE JAYS 9, BREWERS 5
Toronto 000 025 002 —9 15 2
Milwaukee 010 112 000 —5 10 0
Dickey, Aa.Sanchez (6), Cecil (8), McGowan (8), Janssen (9) and Thole, D.Navarro; J.Nelson, Duke (6), Kintzler (6), Gorzelanny (7), Jeffress (8), W.Smith (9) and Lucroy. W—Dickey 10-12. L—J.Nelson 2-4. HRs—Toronto, Bautista (24), Col.Rasmus (16). Milwaukee, C.Gomez (21).

ROCKIES 5, ROYALS 2
Kansas City 010 100 000 —2 5 1
Colorado 000 104 00x —5 6 0
D.Duffy, Frasor (6) and Kratz; J.De La Rosa, Hawkins (9) and Rosario. W—J.De La Rosa 13-8. L—D.Duffy 8-11. Sv—Hawkins (19). HRs—Kansas City, A.Gordon (14). Colorado, McBride (1).

LITTLE LEAGUE PLAYOFF GLANCE

At South Williamsport, Pa.
UNITED STATES
GREAT LAKES, Chicago; MID-ATLANTIC, Philadelphia; MIDWEST, Rapid City, S.D.; NEW ENGLAND, Cumberland, R.I.; NORTHWEST, Lynnwood, Wash.; SOUTHEAST, Nashville, Tenn.; SOUTHWEST, Pearland, Texas; WEST, Las Vegas
INTERNATIONAL
ASIA-PACIFIC, Seoul, South Korea; AUSTRALIA, Perth; CANADA, Vancouver, B.C.; CARIBBEAN, Humacao, Puerto Rico; EUROPE & AFRICA, Brno, Czech Republic; JAPAN, Tokyo; LATIN AMERICA, Maracaibo, Venezuela; MEXICO, Guadalupe, Nuevo Leon
Double Elimination
Aug. 14
Seoul 10, Brno 3
Chicago 12, Lynnwood 2, 5 innings
Humacao 16, Perth 3, 4 innings
Las Vegas 12, Rapid City 2
Aug. 15
Guadalupe 4, Vancouver 3
Philadelphia 4, Nashville 0
Tokyo 1, Maracaibo 0
Pearland 6, Cumberland 4
Aug. 16
Perth 10, Brno 1, Brno eliminated
Lynnwood 7, Rapid City 5, Rapid City eliminated
Maracaibo 10, Vancouver 0, 5 innings, Vancouver eliminated
Cumberland 8, Nashville 7, Nashville eliminated
Aug. 17
Seoul 8, Humacao 5
Las Vegas 13, Chicago 2, 4 innings
Tokyo 9, Guadalupe 5
Philadelphia 7, Pearland 6
Monday
Consolation: Rapid City 5, Brno 3
Guadalupe 6, Perth 2, Perth eliminated
Pearland 11, Lynnwood 4, Lynnwood eliminated
Maracaibo 2, Humacao 1, Humacao eliminated
Chicago 8, Cumberland 7, Cumberland eliminated
Tuesday
Consolation: Nashville 12, Vancouver 9
Guadalupe 11, Maracaibo 1, Maracaibo eliminated
Chicago 6, Pearland 1, Pearland eliminated
Wednesday
Seoul 4, Tokyo 2
Las Vegas 8, Philadelphia 1
Today
Game 25: Guadalupe vs. Tokyo, 2 p.m.
Game 26: Chicago vs. Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday
International Championship
Game 27: Seoul vs. Winner G25, 11:30 a.m.
United States Championship
Game 28: Las Vegas vs. winner G26, 2:30 p.m.
Sunday
At Lamade Stadium
Third Place
Loser G27 vs. Loser G28, 9 a.m.
World Championship
Winner G27 vs. Winner G28, 2 p.m.

PAT experiment: 8 missed extra points

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. — Reviews have been mixed around the league for the NFL's experiment with longer kicks on extra points. Regardless, it appears there's a future for them.

Eight kicks from the longer distance — usually 33 yards — were missed during the first two weeks of the preseason. The 94.3 percent success rate (133 of 141) was below the regular-season rate (99.6 percent) from 2013 when the ball was snapped from the 2-yard line instead of the 15. Only five of 1,267 short kicks were missed in 2013.

All of this summer's misses came with the ball snapped from the 15. Snaps will move back to the 2 this week and for the regular season.

NFL officiating director Dean Blandino says he believes longer PAT kicks are "in the league's near future." The results this preseason will be brought to the competition committee, and a proposal for change almost certainly will be presented to team owners at next March's annual meetings. Blandino isn't sure the 15-yard line will be the focal point of any change.

As with any alterations to the game, coaches and players offered a variety of viewpoints.

San Francisco's veteran placekicker Phil Dawson didn't get a chance to try a long extra point because the 49ers didn't score any touchdowns in their first two exhibition games. He sees the positive and negative sides of a longer kick.

"It could rear its head in a game where the kicker hasn't been on the field in a while," Dawson said. "It's hard to stay loose and then all of a sudden there's a sudden score, maybe a fumble recovery, kickoff return, interception return. You might not be super loose yet. It's one thing to go out there and pop through a 20-yarder. You back up (another) 13-15 yards and you're a little stiff, you could possibly run into some problems there."

On the other foot ...

"Any rule change that's designed to highlight what guys do well, I'm all for it," Dawson added. "If that rule change is motivated by, 'Man, our kickers are really good and we want to showcase what they do well,' I'm all for it."

Jets kicker Nick Folk, who has never missed an extra point in his seven-year career, believes longer tries make the more accurate kickers even more valuable. But "I think most kickers want to keep it the same as it's been."

So does Tom Coughlin.

The Giants coach sees some inequity in moving extra point placements back. He rolled his eyes when asked to assess the experiment.

"I didn't think much of it when it was suggested," Coughlin said. "There are some ways to change that part of it if the intent is to make it more exciting. I think that certainly would be one of them.

"I think you have to be aware of the fact that it's a 33-yard (kick) in November when the wind's blowing and it's snowing here and ... in Miami it's 75 degrees. It's a little different in different parts of the country."

Coughlin thought extra points would be more interesting if the ball was spotted at the 1-yard line. It might entice more teams to go for 2 points.

This year, 16 2-point conversions have been tried in the preseason, with four successful. In 2013, nine were attempted in the first two weeks of the preseason, with four successful.

Indianapolis' Adam Vinatieri, who's won four Super Bowls as one of the NFL's best clutch kickers, made all three of his PATs this summer. He agrees with Coughlin that weather can be a factor "when conditions get crummier" and thinks longer kicks might lead to more 2-point attempts.

"I think it could impact the outcome of games and you may see more teams go for 2 in those situations because they won't want to try (essentially) a 33-yard field goal," Vinatieri said.

There are other, more drastic options that might excite the fans if not the coaches and kickers. Perhaps eliminating the kick altogether and requiring teams to go for a conversion with a play.

Or, as Eagles coach Chip Kelly suggested:

"I think they should narrow the goalposts if they want to make it a little bit (harder), but no one asked me."

McClain

From 1C

rookie fourth-round pick Anthony Hitchens shows any playmaking ability in the middle. The Cowboys drafted him higher than his projections as insurance for Lee, and already find themselves exploring that option.

"It's our job to create competition in practice throughout these preseason games to make sure we have the best group out there and give them plenty of opportunities to show they're part of it," Garrett said. "And the other part of it is, too, you work the combinations."

The Cowboys appear to have lost an option at middle linebacker in DeVonte Holloman, a second-year player who missed almost half of last season with a spinal problem and is out again with a neck injury.

Dallas sees McClain as the best fix for all the issues, which is why there's no rush to judge his commitment.

"He's big, he's fast, he's strong, he's physical, he's instinctive, he's a good tackler," Garrett said. "Having said that, he hasn't played football in a couple years. We're balancing those things and trying to create an environment for him to somehow, someway be his best and show us what he can do."

Practice

From 1C

Swearinger said. "We're not out here to start nothing with nobody, we're out here to get good work. Both teams got good work. It got a little chippy at the end but it's all football. It's part of the game."

Broncos safety Rahim Moore said the chippy moments were actually a good sign.

"They're no punks and neither are we," Moore said. "So at the end of the day you do all your talking with the pads. Today they had a great day, we had a great day. So I actually like it because they've got a bunch of competitive guys that we would love to go against each other every day. It's a great way for us to see how we match up, so we love it. It's fun."

It wasn't all frayed nerves and trash talking, either.

Top draft pick Jadeveon Clowney and star left tackle Ryan Clady battled to a draw several times during the 1-on-1 pass-rushing drills that proved the highlight of the two-hour practice.

Clowney sought out Clady afterward and the two exchanged a fist bump in a show of sportsmanship.

The Clowney-Clady matchup was one of the many benefits of the four hours of joint practices so far this week that both head coaches insist far outweigh the inevitable emotions that come with them.

"You can't really simulate this when you go against each other," Texans coach Bill O'Brien said. "The competition level rises, you see different schemes. You hear different communication on both sides of the ball. The coaches work together. We're able to talk to Denver's coaches and vice versa about some of the things they're doing, what they're looking for, what we're looking for. I thought both teams worked very well together."

Despite the pick at the end, Manning and the Broncos' offense played much better than they had 24 hours earlier when Manning called out his teammates over a sloppy practice.

"I'm sure a lot of our guys noticed that he wasn't happy on the field," offensive coordinator Adam Gase said. "I spoke my mind in the meetings. I'm not really going to do it out here for everybody to watch, but I said my piece. We made sure that we came out here and had a better day."

The teams have one more joint practice Thursday, this time in shells and shorts, which should further reduce any extracurricular activity, before their preseason game Saturday night.

Notes: Broncos WR-PR Jordan Norwood tore his left ACL when he landed awkwardly while going up for a touchdown catch and battling with Texans CB Brandon Harris in a red-zone drill. ... Broncos RB Montee Ball participated in his second straight day of workouts following his Aug. 4 appendectomy. Ball said he's lost six pounds but likes the way he feels at 209: "I feel a lot faster, a lot more agile," he said. ... Broncos LB Jamar Chaney (hamstring) sat out and TE Jameson Konz left practice after hurting his neck.

Stewart

From 1C

NASCAR star. The front of Stewart's car then appeared to clear Ward, but Ward was struck by the right rear tire and hurtled through the air.

Ward died of blunt force trauma, and authorities are still investigating the incident. Ontario County Sheriff Philip Povero has said investigators did not have any evidence to support criminal intent by Stewart, but the investigation is expected to last at least another week.

None of Stewart's peers has spoken to the driver since the accident. But they've come to his defense, with six-time champion Jimmie Johnson saying nothing he's seen has convinced him that Ward's death was anything but a tragic accident.

Kevin Harvick, a longtime friend of Stewart's and his teammate at SHR, also bristled at the negative portrayal of Stewart since Ward's death.

"I've known Tony Stewart for a long time ... I know for sure that Tony Stewart is not going to run over somebody," Harvick said. "I don't think there's anybody in this garage that would. It would be hard to find somebody in the racing world that could point that car, just run somebody over."

NASCAR last week announced a rule that prohibits drivers from exiting from a crashed or disabled vehicle — unless it is on fire — until safety personnel arrive.

NFL NOTES

FROM WIRE REPORTS

OHIO

Johnny Manziel: 'I'm the backup quarterback'

BEREA — Johnny Manziel waved both arms as if he was quieting the home crowd before a big play.

Really, he just wants to fade into the background a bit. Good luck with that.

Beaten out by Brian Hoyer to be Cleveland's starter, the Browns rookie quarterback said Wednesday that he's disappointed he won't be on the field against Pittsburgh in the season opener on Sept. 7. Manziel knows he didn't do enough during training camp and the preseason to convince coach Mike Pettine to choose him over Hoyer, who overcame a serious knee injury and then held off the first-round draft pick to keep the job.

Manziel believes the focus should be on Hoyer.

"I'm the backup quarterback," Johnny Football said. "I shouldn't be in the spotlight."

It always seems to find Manziel though, and that will likely remain the case even if he's on the sideline watching Hoyer.

Manziel said he has no regrets about the way he approached his competition with Hoyer, which ended after the Browns coaching staff met Tuesday night to evaluate Cleveland's two quarterbacks, both of whom have performed poorly.

Manziel was criticized for some weekend partying, but the former Heisman Trophy winner insisted he wouldn't change a thing. He's growing and maturing and hopes to one day lead an NFL team. This is all new to him.

"I'll learn how a season goes," he said. "Now next time I come into training camp I won't be surprised by it. Next time I come into OTAs, I won't be surprised by it. But I wouldn't go back from the point after the draft to now and change a single thing. I'm going to continue to live my life and the offseason is the offseason. I'm going to travel places, I'm going to go places, I'm going to do things and that's going to have no effect.

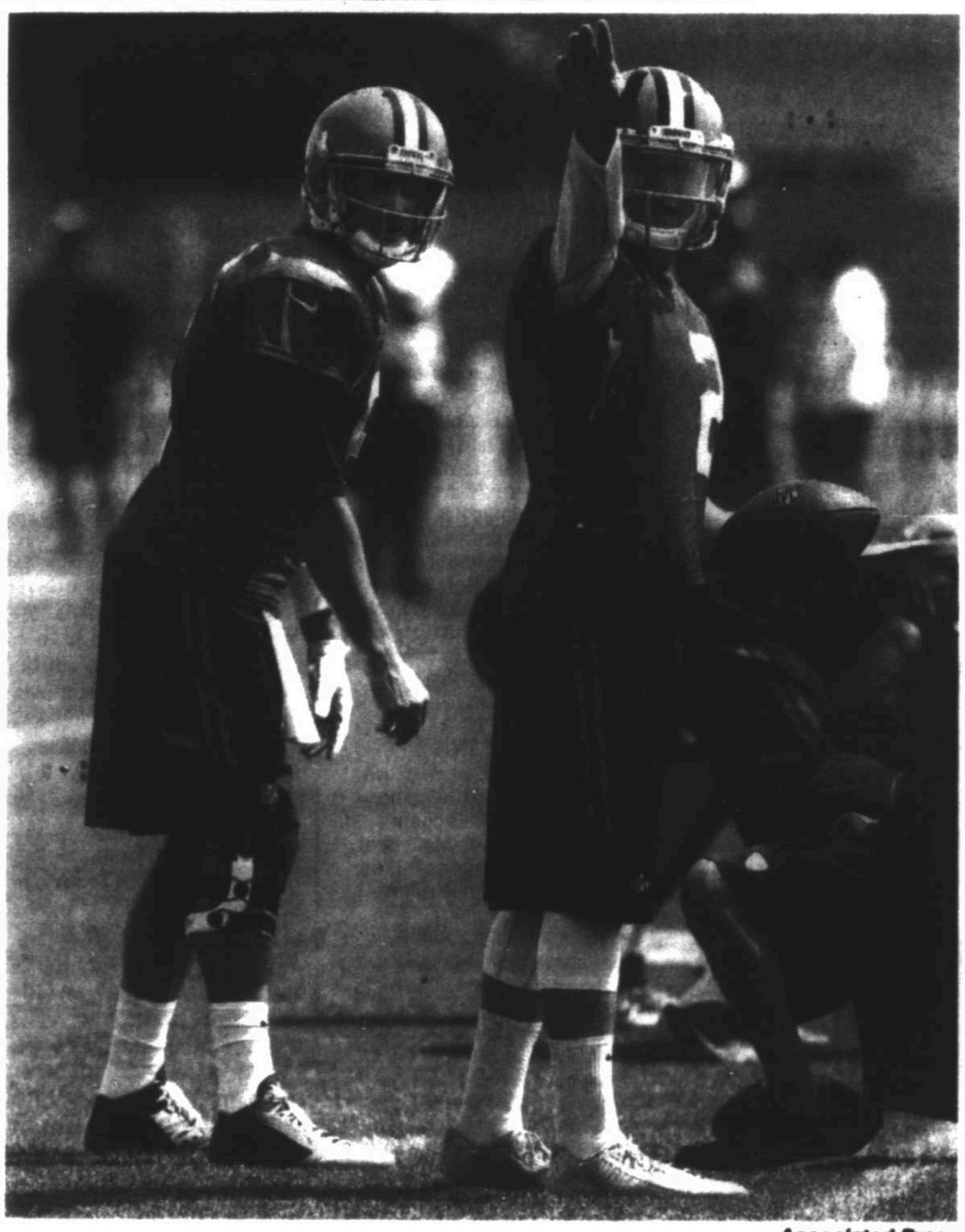
"Obviously I need to do it in the proper way, but I'm still going to continue to have fun in my life and continue to live my life, and I don't think any of that really slowed me in this competition. I think more than anything, if you come out and play well, it makes the decision a lot easier."

Pettine announced in a release before practice Wednesday that he'll go with Hoyer, who made three starts in 2013 before tearing the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee last season. Pettine's decision ends weeks of competition and analysis, and the Browns are hoping it will allow Hoyer to relax and build some chemistry with Cleveland's struggling offense before they meet the dreaded Steelers, their long-time rivals.

The Browns play their first home preseason game on Saturday against St. Louis.

Hoyer was informed by Pettine just moments before a team meeting. Hoyer said he didn't even have enough time to call his family.

"For me, it's excitement," Hoyer said. "This is what I worked for for a whole year to get back to. Obviously, it's good to move forward and move on with the decision being made and get back to work and get ready for St. Louis. Like I said all along, it's been my mentality this whole offseason and training camp to come out here and act like the starter and be the starter and now that it's official we can move on."



Associated Press

Cleveland Browns quarterback Johnny Manziel gestures to a receiver as quarterback Brian Hoyer watches, left, during practice at the team's facility in Berea, Ohio, Wednesday.

ARIZONA

Cardinals work to replace Dockett; Mathieu returns

GLENDALE — On the day the Arizona Cardinals went back to work for the first time since Darnell Dockett went down with a knee injury, the impact of losing the big defensive tackle for the season was softened a bit by the return of safety Tyrann Mathieu and nose tackle Alameda Ta'amu.

The 'Honey Badger' Mathieu, a crucial component of Arizona's talented secondary, went down in the 13th game of his impressive rookie season a year ago with a torn ACL and LCL. The massive Ta'amu tore an ACL in the season finale at San Francisco.

Frostee Rucker moves into Dockett's spot, with two rookies behind him.

Arizona is looking at what's available on the free agent market, and coach Bruce Arians says 'a couple of guys" would be worked out Wednesday.

NEW YORK

Cowboys worth more than $3 billion; tops in NFL

The Dallas Cowboys are the first U.S. sports franchise to top $3 billion in value.

For the eighth straight year, the Cowboys are worth the most of all 32 NFL franchises, according to Forbes. They're valued at $3.2 billion; only Real Madrid at $3.4 billion is worth more among global franchises.

Dallas posted the NFL's highest revenue, $560 million, and operating income, $246 million. That was far ahead of second-place New England, worth $2.6 billion and with $428 million in revenues, $147 million in operating income.

But the Patriots had the biggest increase since last year, up 44 percent in value. Dallas was up 39 percent.

The average NFL franchise value for 2014 is $1.43 billion, the highest in the 17 years the business magazine has tracked professional football. That shows a 23 percent increase, the largest in one year since 1999.

Forbes determines team values using equity plus net debt figures, and accounts for each team's current stadium situation, with adjustments for pending new stadiums and renovations to existing ones.

Washington ($2.4 billion) is third in value, increasing 41 percent since the last rankings, and the New York Giants ($2.1 billion) are fourth.

For the 2013 season, the average NFL team generated record revenue of $299 million and operating income of $53 million. Each franchise received a record $170 million of national revenue, mainly from league broadcasting and licensing fees.

At the bottom are Buffalo, worth $935 million and currently for sale after owner Ralph Wilson's death, and St. Louis at $930 million. But every team increased in worth, the lowest rise being Arizona at 4 percent.

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						6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID	ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Quest "Battle Dome" (N)		Rookie Blue "Fragments" (N)		Rookie Blue "Everlasting" (SP) (N)		KMID News	(:35) J. Kimmel	Chris Pratt, Zoe Saldana	(:35) News Nightline
KOSA	CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	Big Bang Theory	Mom	Big Brother (N)		Elementary "Paint It Black"		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman		(:35) Craig Ferguson
KWWT	CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Gilligan's Island	Happy Days	Hogan's Heroes	Welcome Kotter	Boosh Buddies	Bosom Buddies	Twilight Zone	P. Mason "The Case of the Perjured Parrot"		Dragnet
KPEJ	FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Sleepy Hollow "Necromancer"		Bones "The Source in the Sludge"		Modern Family	Modern "Fears"	The Arsenio Hall Show		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
KMLM	IND	11	11	12	11	11	Dr. Rik Wadge	Rocks/Manuscripts	Update News	Fruits of Zion	Light of the Southwest				Joe McGee	Matt Staver	Called Out	Biblical Israel
KWES	NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News-West 9	NewsWest 9 Now	Game Night "Cue Boom-Boom Pow!"		Sweden (N)	The Engels (N)	Last Comic Standing		NewsWest 9 at 10	(:35) Jimmy Fallon		(:35) Seth Meyers
KPBT	PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Parks and Wildlife	Basin PBS	Secrets of Althorp: The Spencers		Antiques Roadshow "Junk in the Trunk"		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
KUPB	UNI	4	4		4	16	De Que Te Quiero Te Quiero		Mi corazón es Tuyo		Hasta el fin del mundo		Que Pobres Tan Ricos		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	La Que No Podia Amar	
KOSA	MNT	16	16		16		Fam.Feud	Million..	House		House "The C-Word"		My News	Million..	30 Rock	Sunny	Access H.	Insider
FLIX		340	65		165		(5:15)	Undiscovered	★★★★ Dead Poets Society						(:10)	But I'm a Cheerleader	(:35)	★★★ The House of Yes
HBO		300	68	14	14		(5:30)	★★ Getaway	Leftovers "Cairo"		★★ 2 Guns ('13, Act) Denzel Washington.				Taxicab Confessions		Leftovers "Cairo"	
HBO2		302	69	15	101	23	Movie	(:35)	★★★ Batman Begins ('05, Act) Christian Bale.						Katt Williams		Jonah	The Newsburgh Sting
HBOS		304	70	16	102		(5:15)	★ Baggage C...	Rome "Passover"		LastWeek	★★ Enough Said			(:15)	★★ Rock of Ages Tom Cruise.		
MAX		380	71	17	120	24	(5:30)	★ R.I.P.D.			(:15)	★★★ Dawn of the Dead				★★★ Red 2 ('13, Act) Bruce Willis.		SinCity "To Die For"
MAX2		382	72	18	122		(5:45)	★★★ King Kong ('05, Act) Naomi Watts, Adrien Brody.							The Knick		The Knick	(:50) ★★ Armageddon
PLEX				96			(5:15)	The Flying ...	★ Joe Dirt David Spade.						(:35)	★★★ Cross Creek		(:40) ★★ Trojan War
SHOW		320	66	19	140	25	(5:25)	The Kings o...	★ Sparti: A Burning Man Story		★ Scary Movie Ashley Tisdale.				7 Sins		Donovan "Viagra"	7 Sins
TMC		336	67	22	155	26	(5:00)	Four Brothers	★ A Case of You Peter Dinklage.		(:35)	★★ Dirty Movie			(:05)	★ Bikini Spring Break		Movie
ABE		27	32	28	35	47	The First 48 "Easy Money/ Ambushed"		First 48 "Love Kills/ Chasing Shadows" (N)		The First 48 "The Case That Haunts Me: A 10th Anniversary Special" (N)				The First 48 "Uncommon Valor"		First 48 "Love Kills/ Chasing Shadows"	
AMC		40	21	23	42	51	(6:30)	★ Ocean's El...	★★★★ The Breakfast Club Judd Nelson.						(:15)	★★★ Sixteen Candles		(:15) ★ Jerry Maguire
BET		58	26		40		★★ Just Wright ('10, Com) Common, Paula Patton, Queen Latifah.								★ Bring Mary Jane Gabriela Union.			Wendy Williams
BRAVO		65	63		41		The Real Housewives		Tardy...	Tardy...	Tardy (N)	GuideParenting (N)		Tardy...	The Singles Project		Tardy...	Parent
CNBC		46	45		39	72	Greed "Funny Money"		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN		43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		The Sixties		The Sixties		A. Cooper 360		The Sixties	
DISC		50	20	31	24	42	MythBusters		MythBusters (N)		MythBusters (N)		Unexplained Files (N)		MythBusters		Unexplained Files	
DISNEY		56	27	36	25	36	Jessie	I Didn't	Austin	Girl	★ Camp Rock 2: The Final Jam		(:50) Mickey	(:05) Jessie	I Didn't		Gravity	GoodLuck
ESPN		32	29	48	31	30	(5:00) SpnIC	Baseball Little League World Series (L)			Mammoth Stunt (L)		SportsCenter				SportsCenter	
ESPN2		34	28	49	32	31	WNBA Basketball Playoffs (L)				WNBA Basketball Playoffs (L)				Olbermann (L)		Olbermann	
FAMILY		53	54	34	42	33	★★ Billy Madison Adam Sandler.				★★ The Hot Chick Rob Schneider.				The 700 Club		Fresh P.	Fresh P.
FNC		45	58	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD		64	59	27	68	54	Chopped		Chopped		Chopped		BeatFlay	Beat Flay	Diners...	Diners...	Chopped	
FSSW		37	43	50	45	29	TexansHuddle (N)	SportsDay OnAir (N)	Champions Tennis Nashville, Tenn.		PowerShares Series --		Tailgate Rivals (N)	Bull Riding Championship		Outdoor-rSouth (N)	C-USA Football	C-USA Football
FX		31	31	59	64	69	2½Men	Two 1/2...	★★★ Step Brothers ('08, Com) Will Ferrell.				Married	Worst (N)	Married	Worst	Worst	Married
HALLMARK		54	49	58		34	The Waltons		Waltons "The Ordeal"		Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV		63	50	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		HouseH	House (N)	Big Reno	Big Reno	Fixer Upper	
HISTORY		71	62	29	50	43	Pwn Star	Pawn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	(:05) Pawn	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star
LIFETIME		28	25	25	28	48	Runway "Welcome to the Future"		Project Runway "A Suitable Twist"		Project Runway "Dress Heidi" (N)			Undone (N)	Project Runway "Dress Heidi"		Project Runway "A Suitable Twist"	
MSNBC		47	51		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
NBCSN		38	39				Y.Olymp. Swimming		Mecum "Kansas City"		Mecum Dealmakers		Mecum "Seattle" (N)		/Drive (N)	/Drive	Motocross Highl. (N)	
NICK		55	34	39	34	37	Sam Cat	Sponge	Haunted Hathaways		Inst.Mom	See Dad	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE		30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Impact Wrestling				Cops	Cops	Wild Police Videos	
SYFY		66	64	41	57	67	(6:00)	★ The Matrix...	Defiance: Lost (N)		Defiance: Lost (N)		Spartacus: Blood (N)		(:05) Defiance: Lost		(:05) Defiance: Lost	
TBS		25	11	44	66	41	Sein. "The Café"	Seinfeld "The Tape"	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan A special compilation show. (N)		The Office	Conan
TCM		41	61	24	63	66	(5:30)	★ Turn Back t...	★★★ Bombshell ('33, Rom) Jean Harlow.				★★★ Blessed Event				★★★★ Dinner at Eight	
TELE		20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		La alfombra		Premios Tu Mundo				Al rojo	(:35) Titular.	Decisiones	
TLC		51	33	32	38	52	Gypsy Sisters "Gypsies Unleashed"		Gypsy Sisters		Gypsy Sisters (N)		To Be Announced		Gypsy Sisters		To Be Announced	
TNT		24	23	40	26	50	Castle "Linchpin"		Castle "Once Upon a Crime"		Castle "A Dance With Death"		Castle "47 Seconds"		(:05) Dallas "Denial, Anger Acceptance"		(:05) Perception "Dirty"	
TVLAND		49	48	35	54	35	Griffith	A. Griffith	Candid Camera		Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Hot In	Loves Ray
USA		26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Gray"		NCIS: Los Angeles "The Job"		Rush "You Spin Me Around" (N)		Satisfac "...Through Exposure" (N)		Rush "You Spin Me Around"		(:05) Satisfaction "...Through Exposure"	
WGN		19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Manhattan "Last Reasoning of Kings"		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Parks and Rec	Parks and Rec

McIlroy wants strong finish to great year

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

PARAMUS, N.J. — The last player to win back-to-back majors in the same season didn't even make it to the FedEx Cup finale at East Lake.

"That's not going to happen," said Rory McIlroy, with a smile.

He's correct, based on simple math.

Padraig Harrington won the British Open and PGA Championship in 2008, and just his bad luck, the FedEx Cup was restructured that year in an attempt to create more volatility in the playoff events. It rewarded mediocrity instead. Harrington began the playoffs by missing two straight cuts and soon was eliminated.

The system in place the last five years doesn't allow for that.

McIlroy is the No. 1 seed when the playoffs get started Thursday at The Barclays, and he is assured of reaching the Tour Championship. But his hopes of cashing in on the $10 million prize are based more on form than a calculator.

The 25-year-old from Northern Ireland is coming off three straight victories, and they were big ones — the British Open, a World Golf Championship and the PGA Championship. He is No. 1 in the world and starting to separate himself from the rest of golf.

And he's not interested in getting off this amazing run.

"I could just say, 'Look, I've had a great year, it's been an awesome summer. I'm going to just see what happens for the next few weeks and not really work hard,'" McIlroy said Wednesday. "But I want to finish the season well. I want to be up there in contention week in and week out. I feel like the season I had deserves a finish like that. So I'm going to just grind it out every week that I can until I get a bit of a break after the Ryder Cup."

Now that the majors are done for the year, the FedEx Cup presents the best four-week stretch in golf — four tournaments with the best players from the world's strongest tour competing for a shot at the richest bonus in golf.

The Barclays has one of the strongest fields of the year, even though a few players are noticeable by their absence.

Tiger Woods was in town this week, but only for corporate work with McIlroy. Woods missed three months of the season recovering from back surgery and hurt his back again in only his third tournament back. He didn't come close to finishing among the top 125 who qualified for the playoffs.

Dustin Johnson is No. 6, though he is taking a "voluntary leave" to seek professional help for "personal challenges." Jason Dufner is No. 57, though he is out indefinitely with a neck injury. Steve Stricker is at No. 103 and withdrew because of a hip injury that will turn his part-time schedule into no schedule at all for the next few months.

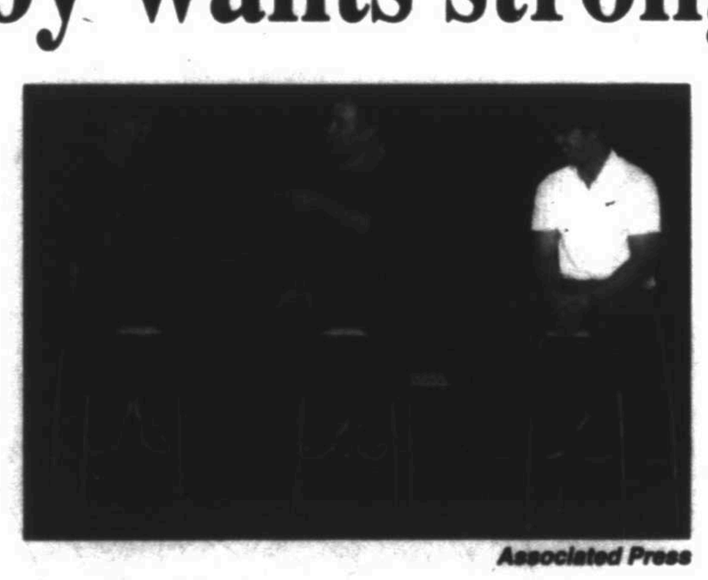
Stricker was a long shot to make the Tour Championship, though this ends his streak of playing in every Tour Championship since the FedEx Cup began in 2007. Phil Mickelson (No. 45) and Hunter Mahan (No. 62) are the others who have made it to East Lake each of the last seven years.

As good as McIlroy has been, the playoffs offer no guarantees.

The $10 million bonus is based largely on who performs well in the Tour Championship, no matter what they've done all year or even in the three weeks leading up to it. McIlroy learned that the hard way in 2012, when he was coming off a PGA Championship victory and won back-to-back playoff events. He tied for 10th in the Tour Championship, which Brandt Snedeker won to capture the cup.

He doesn't seem to mind.

"I still got $3 million for second," McIlroy said. "It is volatile, but it creates excitement at the end of the season when previously there wasn't much excitement. So I don't mind how it's loaded. Just means you have to play well right until the end."



Associated Press

Golfer Rory McIlroy, right, listens as fellow golfer Tiger Woods, left, banters with television host Jimmy Fallon during a golfing demonstration on Monday in Jersey City, N.J.

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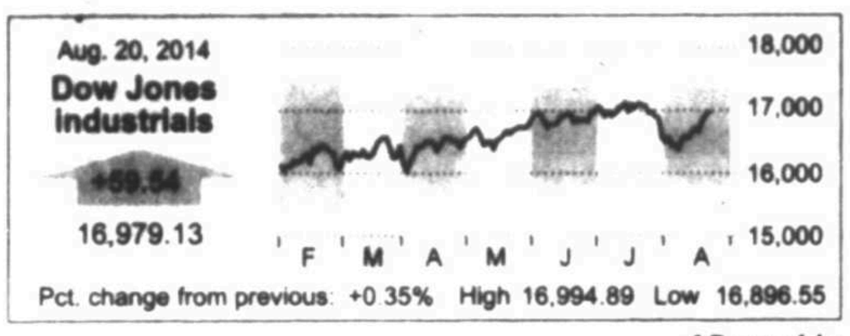

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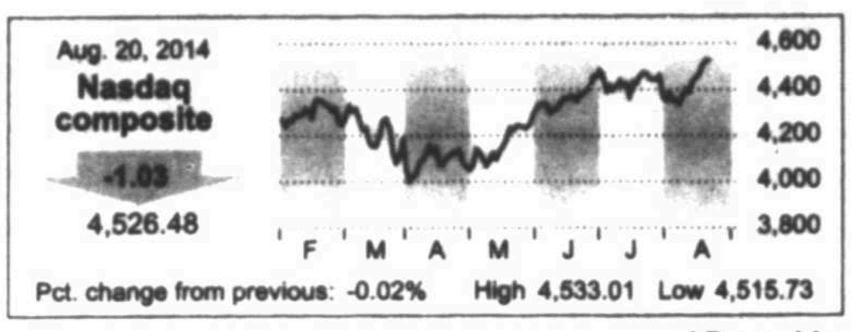

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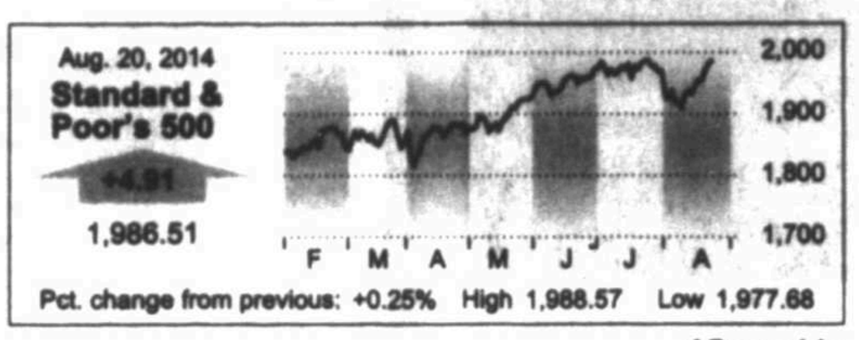

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OIL PRICES

FUTURES
Wednesday: $96.01
Previous: $94.48

POSTED
Wednesday: $92.50
Previous: $91.00

WEST TEXAS SOUR
Wednesday: $82.20
Previous: $80.70

NATURAL GAS
Wednesday: $3.823
Previous: $3.877

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Hertz	730819	30.33	-1.23
S&P500ETF	669537	198.92	+.53
BkofAm	570607	15.52	+.07
NokiaCp	398500	8.13	+.11
B iPVix rs	375399	27.71	+.21

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
IntlRectif	39.10	+12.54	+47.2
DoralFin	8.29	+.90	+12.2
AEagleOut	12.98	+1.39	+12.0
LejuHldg n	16.35	+1.74	+11.9
EKodk wtA	6.05	+.55	+10.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NorandaAl	4.19	-.58	-12.2
NoahHldgs	14.44	-1.84	-11.3
ChinaDigtl	4.10	-.49	-10.7
YoukuTud	19.52	-2.00	-9.3
LightInBox	6.35	-.56	-8.1

DIARY

Advanced	1,572
Declined	1,500
Unchanged	158
Total issues	3,230
New Highs	152
New Lows	18
Volume	2,517,159,454

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
AlldNevG	33085	3.46	+.27
NwGold g	28075	6.35	-.03
Globalstar	25374	4.02	-.12
SynthBiol	25220	2.32	+.32
AmApparel	23733	1.00	-.02

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SynthBiol	2.32	+.32	+16.0
Vicon	2.36	+.24	+11.3
AlldNevG	3.46	+.27	+8.5
IncOpR	6.90	+.43	+6.6
Intellchk rs	4.85	+.23	+5.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Protalix	2.45	-.20	-7.5
CCA Inds	3.20	-.22	-6.4
LiberMed	2.69	-.18	-6.3
PacBkrM g	3.81	-.25	-6.2
BioTime	2.89	-.14	-4.6

DIARY

Advanced	174
Declined	214
Unchanged	37
Total issues	425
New Highs	6
New Lows	4
Volume	91,387,412

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Apple Inc s	512904	100.57	+.04
Intel	269928	34.50	+.16
SiriusXM	269487	3.57	+.01
Staples	253246	11.32	-.30
Microsoft	246668	44.95	-.38

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Inventergy	2.16	+.42	+24.1
AmicusTh	5.50	+.93	+20.4
SinoCoking	3.02	+.47	+18.4
PernixTh h	8.26	+1.25	+17.8
T2 Biosys n	22.97	+3.37	+17.2

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DigitalAlly	5.79	-1.29	-18.2
VaporCp rs	2.22	-.38	-14.6
ChinaHGS	4.70	-.60	-11.3
IntraCell n	15.55	-1.74	-10.1
XTL Bioph	2.09	-.23	-9.9

DIARY

Advanced	999
Declined	1,674
Unchanged	145
Total issues	2,818
New Highs	76
New Lows	42
Volume	1,457,623,735

Bank of America reaches $17B settlement with US

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Bank of America has reached a record settlement of nearly $17 billion to resolve an investigation into its role in the sale of mortgage-backed securities before the 2008 financial crisis, officials directly familiar with the matter said Wednesday.

One of the officials, who spoke with The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the announcement isn't scheduled until today at the earliest, said the bank will pay $9.65 billion in cash and provide consumer relief valued at $7 billion.

The deal is the largest settlement arising from the economic meltdown in which millions of Americans lost their homes to foreclosure. It follows agreements in the last year with Citigroup for $7 billion and with JPMorgan Chase & Co. for $13 billion.

Like the Bank of America deal, those settlements were a mixture of hard cash and "credits" for various forms of consumer aid that the banks promised to provide in coming years.

The Bank of America settlement was negotiated through a joint federal and state working group established by President Barack Obama two years ago with the Justice Department and other federal and state authorities.

Justice Department spokeswoman Ellen Canale declined to comment, as did New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman, a co-chairman of the group. The bank also declined comment.

The deal requires Bank of America to acknowledge making serious misrepresentations about the quality of its residential mortgage-backed securities issued by itself and by Countrywide Financial and Merrill Lynch. Those institutions were acquired by the bank when they were on the brink of failure in 2008 and they were responsible for the bulk of the questionable loans.

The deals are intended to offer some financial relief to homeowners, whose mortgages were bundled into securities by the banks in question and then sold to investors.

The securities contained residential mortgages from borrowers who were unlikely to be able to repay their loans. Still, the securities were promoted as relatively safe investments until the housing market collapsed and investors suffered billions of dollars in losses.

The poor quality of the loans led to huge losses for investors and a slew of foreclosures, kicking off the recession that began in late 2007. The cash totals now being paid by some of the country's largest banks are not nearly enough to reverse the damages caused by the bursting of the housing

Why BofA deal might not cost it $17B

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — How much will Bank of America's expected $17 billion mortgage settlement cost the company? The answer is, almost certainly not that much.

In mega-settlements negotiated with the government, a dollar is rarely worth an actual dollar.

Inflated figures make sensational headlines for the Justice Department, and $17 billion would be the largest settlement by far arising from the economic meltdown in which millions of people in the United States lost their homes to foreclosure. But the true cost to companies is often obscured by potential tax deductions and opaque accounting techniques.

The expected Bank of America settlement will resolve allegations that the bank and companies it later bought misrepresented the quality of loans they sold to investors. Most of the problem loans were sold by Merill Lynch and Countrywide Financial before Bank of America bought them during the 2008 financial crisis. To settle the government's claims against the three companies, Bank of America will pay $9.65 billion in cash and provide consumer relief valued at $7 billion, according to officials who spoke on condition of anonymity because the deal isn't scheduled to be announced until today at the earliest.

Bank of America declined comment on any settlement-related topics Wednesday.

Whether cash payments are structured as penalties or legal settlements can determine whether targeted companies can declare them as tax-deductible business expenses. Also, consumer relief is an amorphous cost category: If Bank of America's deal resembles the department's previous settlements with JPMorgan and Citigroup, that part could be less costly to the company than the huge figures suggest.

Some of the relief will, in fact, come in the form of cash donated to community organizations or, in Citi's case, lending money to affordable housing projects at below-market rates. But much of the relief will come from modifying loans that the banks have already concluded could not be recovered in full. Reducing the principal on troubled loans often just brings the amount that borrowers owe in line with what the banks already know the loan to be worth.

Settlement math also affects the actual cost of the deals, allowing banks to earn a multiple for each dollar spent on certain forms of relief. Under Citi's deal, for example, each dollar spent on legal aid counselors is worth $2 in credits, and paper losses on some affordable housing project loans can be credited at as much as four times their actual value.

Stocks rise

The stock market rose for a third straight day Wednesday despite a report from the Federal Reserve that showed a growing chorus of central bank officials willing to raise interest rates sooner rather than later.

In the bond market, prices fell and yields rose as investors prepared themselves for higher interest rates.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 59.54 points, or 0.4 percent, to 16,979.13. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 4.91 points, or 0.3 percent, to 1,986.51, less than two points away from its late-July record close of 1,987.98.

The Nasdaq composite was mostly unchanged on the day, falling 1.03 points, less than 0.1 percent, to 4,526.48.

The majority of Fed policymakers believe the U.S. economy is improving enough that the bank should start considering how it's going to start raising interest rates, according to minutes from the bank's latest meeting.

The debate on when the Fed should raise interest rates, which have been near zero since 2008, has intensified in recent months as the central bank winds down its other economic stimulus.

The Fed has been winding down its bond-buying program since December, and is expected to end it completely before the end of the year. Despite worries that the Fed's exit might be a net negative for the market, stocks have remained resilient. The S&P 500 is up 7.5 percent this year.

Jonathan Corpina, a floor trader at the New York Stock Exchange with Meridian Equity Partners, said investors are prepared to see the Fed raise interest rates.

"We've been talking about raising interest rates for so long, I don't think the Fed is going to surprise anybody when they finally do it," Corpina said.

The Fed's key short-term interest rate influences the prices of a huge array of investments, including Treasuries, other kinds of bonds and stocks. If the Fed were to raise interest rates, investors would demand higher yields on bonds.

The Fed minutes prompted some investors to sell bonds. The yield on the U.S. 10-year Treasury note rose to 2.43 percent from 2.40 percent the day before. Bond yields rise when prices fall.

Trading has been quiet this week as the summer winds down and with many traders on vacation. Tuesday was the third-slowest trading day of the year and Wednesday was 12th-slowest day.

On Friday, Fed Chair Janet Yellen will give a speech at the bank's annual conference in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. The speech is often a venue where the leader of the Fed lays out major policy decisions.

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.84	10	34.53	+.05	-1.8
Abraxas	...	68	5.47	+.08	+67.7
AdamsEx	.84e	...	14.03	+.07	+7.3
AMD	...	43	4.28	+.01	+10.6
Aeropostl	...	...	3.91	+.04	-57.0
Alcoa	.12	39	16.50	+.07	+55.2
AlonUSA	.40f	...	16.38	...	-1.0
AEagleOut	.50	22	12.98	+1.39	-9.9
Amgen	2.44	20	132.68	-.34	+16.3
AmicusTh	...	...	5.50	+.93	+134.0
Anadarko	1.08	...	110.02	+.13	+38.7
Annaly	1.25e	19	11.86	+.09	+19.0
Apache	1.00	32	100.34	+1.07	+16.8
Apple Inc s	1.88	16	100.57	+.04	+25.5
ApldMatl	.40	27	21.90	-.15	+23.9
ATMOS	1.48	18	50.65	+.09	+11.5
AutoData	1.92	27	83.57	+.14	+3.4
BP PLC	2.34f	7	48.19	-.11	-.9
BabsCCInv	1.20	...	15.60	-.02	+4.5
BakrHu	.68f	23	69.26	+.44	+25.3
BkofAm	.20f	18	15.52	+.07	-.3
Banro g	...	...	.27	+.04	-51.4
B iPVix rs	...	...	27.71	+.21	-34.9
BasicEnSv	...	...	23.42	-.59	+48.4
BerkHa A	...	17	202388.00	-212.00	+13.8
BlkHillsCp	1.56	22	52.74	-.13	+.4
BlackBerry	...	...	10.16	+.31	+36.6
BrMySq	1.44	31	50.04	-.26	-5.9
BrownFA	1.16	31	92.25	-.67	+25.1
BrownFB	1.16	30	92.70	-.30	+22.7
CVS Care	1.10	20	79.61	+.08	+11.2
Cameron	...	22	72.93	+.78	+22.5
Caterpillar	2.80f	18	107.70	+.40	+18.6
Celestic g	...	14	10.92	+.04	+5.0
CntryLink	2.16	...	40.79	+.13	+28.1
ChesEng	.35	29	26.33	+.18	+2.6
Chevron	4.28	12	127.49	-.14	+2.1
Chicos	.30	21	15.63	+.20	-17.0
Cimarex	.64	25	134.92	-.32	+28.6
Cisco	.76	17	24.71	+.07	+11.0
ClayEng	...	37	115.25	-1.81	+40.6
CocaCola	1.22	22	41.25	-.01	-.1
ColgPalm	1.44	27	64.67	+.41	-.8
ConAgra	1.00	44	32.02	+.13	-5.0

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
ConchoRes	...	58	130.30	+2.09	+20.6
ConocoPhil	2.92f	13	80.50	+.59	+13.9
Corning	.40	22	20.70	+.36	+16.2
CrackerB	4.00f	19	99.31	-.30	-9.8
CSVelIVST	...	...	44.03	-.34	+28.1
CSVxSht rs	...	...	2.65	+.03	-64.7
CrosTim	2.73e	12	31.25	+.08	+6.3
DCP Mid	3.03f	...	55.22	+.51	+9.7
DTE	2.76f	18	77.36	+.12	+16.5
Dataram h	...	...	3.06	+.01	+17.7
Dawson	.32	...	23.08	-.03	-31.8
DevonE	.96	19	73.85	-.43	+19.4
DrxSCBear	...	...	14.90	+.18	-12.2
Disney	.86f	22	89.84	-.25	+17.6
DowChm	1.48	19	53.30	+.22	+20.0
EMC Cp	.46	24	29.70	-.19	+18.1
EOG Res s	.67f	24	107.28	+.25	+27.8
EmpDist	1.02	16	25.68	+.15	+13.2
Energen	.60	44	76.05	-.60	+7.5
EngyTsfr	3.82f	...	57.18	+.06	-.1
EnPro	...	63	66.49	-.19	+15.3
EntPrPt	2.88f	27	78.77	+.99	+18.8
Ericsson	.46e	...	12.45	-.09	+1.7
ExterranH	.60	26	42.69	+.58	+24.8
ExxonMbl	2.76	13	99.70	+.21	-1.5
Facebook	...	80	74.81	-.48	+36.9
FordM	.50	11	17.41	+.05	+12.8
ForestOil	...	...	1.57	-.07	-56.5
FrptMcM	1.25	15	36.98	+.69	-2.0
FuelCellE	...	...	2.61	-.20	+85.1
GATX	1.32	15	66.01	+.47	+26.5
GabMultT	.88	...	9.83	+.05	-20.8
GAInv	2.10e	...	37.89	+.21	+7.6
GenElec	.88	19	26.36	+.31	-6.0
GileadSci	...	23	100.79	-.49	+34.2
GtPlainEn	.92	17	25.73	+.19	+6.1
Groupon	...	...	6.25	+.02	-46.9
HalconRes	...	...	5.51	-.13	+42.7
Hallibrtn	.60	22	68.78	+.01	+35.5
Hertz	...	...	30.33	-1.23	+6.0
HewlettP	.64	12	35.12	-.36	+25.5
HomeDp	1.88	22	90.75	+2.52	+10.2
iShBrazil	1.55e	...	51.04	+.06	+14.2
iShGerm	.63e	...	28.79	-.16	-9.4

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
iShJapan	.17e	...	11.95	-.07	-1.6
iShChinaLC	.71e	...	41.21	-.22	+7.4
iShEMkts	.71e	...	45.06	-.09	+7.8
iS Eafe	2.23e	...	66.51	-.21	-.9
iShR2K	1.48e	...	114.95	-.49	-.4
iShREst	2.56e	...	74.38	+.36	+17.9
IntegrysE	2.72	20	67.11	+.09	+23.3
Intel	.90	17	34.50	+.16	+32.9
InterDig	.80f	...	43.85	+.65	+48.7
IntlRectif	...	72	39.10	+12.54	+50.0
JetBlue	...	12	12.73	+.40	+49.1
JohnJn	2.80	19	103.21	+.25	+12.7
KimbClk	3.36	19	108.57	+.11	+3.9
KindME	5.56f	41	98.83	+.36	+22.5
KindMorg	1.72f	36	41.60	+.18	+15.6
KindMM	5.56t	81	100.66	+.06	+33.0
LegacyRes	2.44f	...	30.84	+.34	+9.5
Lowes	.92f	23	52.33	+.81	+5.6
Lubys	...	...	5.32	...	-31.1
MktVGold	.19e	...	26.66	-.03	+26.2
McDnlds	3.24	17	94.19	-.26	-2.9
Merck	1.76	31	59.48	+.57	+18.8
MeritMed	...	28	12.49	-.31	-20.6
MexcoEn	...	48	7.15	+.02	+3.6
MicronT	...	11	33.30	+.90	+53.1
Microsoft	1.12	17	44.95	-.38	+20.2
NII Hldg h	...	...	.16	-.06	-94.4
Nabors	.24f	50	25.82	-.28	+52.0
NatGrid	3.48e	...	74.19	+.85	+13.6
NOilVarco	1.84	14	83.84	+.22	+17.0
NokiaCp	.51e	...	8.13	+.11	+.2
NvMAd	.80a	...	13.74	-.01	+13.0
NvPMI	.86	...	13.55	-.04	+9.5
NuvPI	.86	...	13.59	-.04	+10.2
NSTFI3	.63a	...	13.70	-.03	+6.4
NTXQI	.70a	...	14.47	+.02	+12.6
OcciPet	2.88	13	101.74	-.06	+7.0
Oracle	.48	17	41.25	-.16	+7.8
ParTech	...	...	4.17	+.10	-23.5
ParkDrl	...	19	5.99	-.16	-26.3
PattUTI	.40	27	32.77	+.10	+29.4
Penney	...	...	10.33	+.06	+12.9
PennaRE	.80	...	20.20	-.06	+6.4
Prmian	1.13e	14	14.00	-.08	+8.9
Petrobras	.46e	...	17.68	+.22	+28.3

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
Pfizer	1.04	16	28.89	-.05	-5.7
PioNtrl	.08	...	204.47	+1.30	+11.1
PlainsAAP	2.58f	26	58.87	+.61	+13.7
PwShs QQQ	1.34e	...	98.70	...	+12.2
Praxair	2.60	22	130.43	-.16	+.3
PrmEgy	...	20	64.00	...	+26.7
ProctGam	2.57	21	82.81	+.12	+1.7
Qualcom	1.68	17	76.44	+1.31	+2.9
RangeRs	.16	50	76.95	-.11	-8.7
RiteAid	...	38	6.43	-.03	+27.1
Rowan	.40	20	29.94	+.22	-15.3
RoyDShllA	3.76	20	80.10	-.77	+12.4
SpdrDJIA	3.47e	...	169.60	+.71	+2.5
S&P500ETF	3.58e	...	198.92	+.53	+7.7
SabnR	3.99e	15	56.95	+.55	+12.6
SanderFm	.80	11	94.65	-.57	+30.9
SandRdge	...	...	5.17	-.08	-14.8
Sapient	...	21	14.38	-.10	-17.2
Schlmbrg	1.60	22	109.85	+.43	+21.9
SigmaAld	.92	25	103.87	-.27	+10.5
SiriusXM	...	60	3.57	+.01	+2.3
Smucker	2.56f	19	102.42	-1.03	-1.2
Sprint	...	...	5.50	+.11	-48.8
SPDR Fncl	.35e	...	22.93	+.06	+4.9
SP Inds	.94e	...	54.39	+.56	+4.1
Staples	.48	13	11.32	-.30	-28.8

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
SunocoL s	1.46f	35	48.67	+.07	+29.0
TaiwSemi	.50e	...	20.84	+.10	+19.5
Target	2.08f	20	60.33	+1.08	-4.6
TelefEsp	1.03e	...	15.62	-.10	-4.4
Tesoro	1.20f	20	64.69	+.43	+10.6
3M Co	3.42	20	144.60	+1.21	+3.1
Torchmrk s	.51	14	54.03	+.23	+3.7
TriContl	.68e	...	21.31	+.09	+6.7
Twitter n	...	...	45.06	-.03	-29.2
TylerTech	...	66	90.34	-1.19	-11.5
UBWV	1.28	18	32.53	-.12	+3.4
Vale SA	.84e	...	14.08	+.20	-7.7
ValeroE	1.10f	10	53.94	-.21	+7.0
VerizonCm	2.12	11	48.82	+.12	-.7
Vringo	...	...	1.16	-.24	-60.8
VulcanM	.24f	60	62.74	-.26	+5.6
Walgrn	1.35f	21	62.00	-.15	+7.9
WstnRefin	1.04	20	47.58	+.58	+12.2
WhitingPet	...	18	87.09	+.63	+40.8
WmsCos	1.70f	76	58.65	+.04	+52.1
XcelEngy	1.20	16	31.37	+.01	+12.3
Xerox	.25	14	13.54	+.09	+11.3
Yahoo	...	32	37.50	-.33	-7.3
YoukuTud	...	...	19.52	-2.00	-35.6
Zynga	...	...	3.12	+.01	-17.9

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
17,151.56	14,719.43	Dow Jones Industrials	16,979.13	+59.54	+.35	+2.43	+13.97
8,515.04	6,237.14	Dow Jones Transportation	8,460.97	+46.08	+.55	+14.39	+33.30
576.98	467.93	Dow Jones Utilities	555.96	+1.28	+.23	+13.33	+18.81
11,334.65	9,246.89	NYSE Composite	10,949.49	+19.83	+.18	+5.28	+17.24
4,528.91	3,573.57	Nasdaq Composite	4,526.48	-1.03	-.02	+8.38	+25.74
1,991.39	1,627.47	S&P 500	1,986.51	+4.91	+.25	+7.47	+20.92
1,452.01	1,170.82	S&P Midcap	1,424.69	+3.86	+.27	+6.12	+18.45
21,108.12	17,305.21	Wilshire 5000	21,031.55	+42.32	+.20	+6.73	+20.45
1,213.55	1,009.00	Russell 2000	1,157.51	-4.96	-.43	-.53	+13.31

TODAY: Mostly sunny	FRIDAY: Sunny	SATURDAY: Sunny	SUNDAY: Mostly sunny	MONDAY: Sunny	TUESDAY: Mostly sunny
High: 95 Low: 74	High: 94 Low: 73	High: 94 Low: 74	High: 93 Low: 72	High: 95 Low: 72	High: 95 Low: 72

Local forecast

Expect mostly sunny skies today with a high around 95 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly clear conditions with a low around 73 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph.

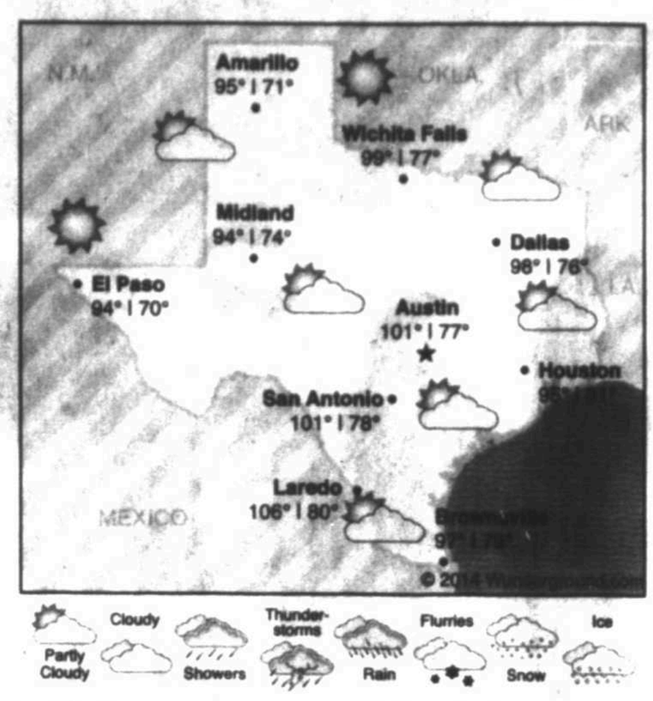
Friday, look for sunny skies with a high around 94 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph. Expect mostly clear conditions at night, with a low around 73.

The high on Tuesday reached 96, while the low dropped to 72. The record high for Aug. 20 is 105 set in 1986. The record low is 58 set in 1940.

National forecast

A zone of drenching showers and thunderstorms is forecast to extend from the deserts and Rockies to the northern Plains, Midwest and Northeast on today. The pattern will include more than cloudy skies and rainfall. Within this zone, clusters of flooding downpours are expected, with isolated severe thunderstorms.

These showers and storms will separate cool air over the upper Great Lakes and New England from building hot and humid air over the South.



Precipitation		Wednesday's temperatures	
Tuesday	0.00 in.	High	96
Wednesday	0.45 in.	Low	72
Month total	0.77 in.	Normal high	94
Year total	4.74 in.	Normal low	69
Normal total (year to date)	9.00 in.	Sunrise	7:17 a.m.
		Sunset	8:27 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Thursday, Aug. 21

Cousin's tag-along kids push the limit of bride's guest list

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 am being married later this year, and I'm planning my guest list. My cousin "Emily" has five young children who I'm making an exception to invite. She lives across the country, so she's starting to book her plane reservations.

Emily just announced that she's being remarried and her fiance has three children he shares joint custody of. Am I obligated to invite three children I have never met? This is causing a lot of grief between me and my fiance because Emily assumes that they are all welcome. Please advise. — D.C. IN NYC

DEAR D.C.: Call Cousin Emily. Explain that your guest list is limited and that her five children — to whom you are related — are the exceptions. No other children have been invited to the wedding, and you would prefer to get to know her fiance's children under less stressful circumstances.

Emily's wrong to assume she can include anyone whose name wasn't on her wedding invitation. The children can stay with their mother or grandparents during the time their father will be away.

DEAR ABBY: My husband prefers leftovers to sandwiches for his work lunch. He generally takes them in reusable plastic bowls that claim to be dishwasher and microwave safe.

After a short time, these bowls become terribly stained. Not only are they unsightly, but sometimes they harbor odors. Even though they have been thoroughly washed, they seem unclean. We have noticed this happens more often with tomato-based food like spaghetti or barbecue.

I have tried soaking the bowls overnight in dishwashing detergent and even using a small amount of bleach, but the stains remain. Is there a way to remove the stains and odors, or must I continue to buy new bowls and throw the stained ones out? — BOWLED OVER IN ALABAMA

DEAR BOWLED OVER: According to "Haley's Hints," by Graham and Rosemary Haley (New American Library), if you soak the bowls and lids in cold water for five minutes or more before putting the leftovers into them, you can prevent the staining from happening. And the odors can be removed by placing crumpled newspaper inside them and putting the tops on before storing them. (This is also an effective way to deodorize shoes.)

DEAR ABBY: My daughter just got remarried to a man who has a 10-year-old son. I don't know the boy at all. What is the appropriate name he should call me? My daughter already has two boys from her first marriage and they, of course, call me Grandma. I don't feel comfortable having her new stepson call me Grandma. Any suggestions? — NAMELESS IN NEW YORK

DEAR NAMELESS: Is your heart really so closed that you would tell that boy he isn't welcome in it? I urge you to be more accepting of this child, or you may get a name that isn't fit for a family newspaper — and not only will the boy be using it, but also his father.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Right sequence

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ K J 2
♡ K 4
♢ K 6 2
♣ K J 6 4 3

WEST
♠ 7 5 3
♡ Q J 10 9 2
♢ 8
♣ Q 10 8 2

EAST
♠ 9
♡ 8 7 6 5
♢ Q J 10 4
♣ A 9 7 5

SOUTH
♠ A Q 10 8 6 4
♡ A 3
♢ A 9 7 5 3
♣ Void

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
2♢	Pass	4♠	Pass
6♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Queen of ♢

South couldn't think of a scientific way to continue bidding his freak hand, so he just bashed out a slam. He caught quite a reasonable dummy, and needed only a 3-2 split in diamonds or a 2-2 split in trumps. There were other chances as well.

Declarer won the opening heart lead in hand with the ace and started by cashing the ace and king of trumps, discovering the 3-1 split in that suit. He handled the diamonds carefully by cashing the ace first and then leading a low diamond through West, who was known to have the outstanding trump. West could ruff or discard, as he wished, but South was in control.

West chose to ruff, dummy playing low, and continued with a heart, won in dummy with the king. Declarer cashed the king of diamonds, ruffed a club back to hand, and ruffed a diamond with dummy's last trump. He could now claim his contract with only trumps and a good diamond left in his hand. Well done!

Had West showed out on the second spade, declarer would have cashed the king of diamonds first and then led a diamond toward his ace, again leading through the hand with the remaining trump. The contract would only fail if the same defender had started with both three trumps and four diamonds — that defender could then clear the trumps when in with a diamond.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Aug. 21, 2014:

This year you could alternate between nurturing and critical. If people start acting a little crazy around you, it might be in direct response to the mixed vibes you're sending. Try to get some feedback. You are unusually creative and full of energy. You will enter a new 12-year luck cycle in late spring. If you are single, others want to get to know you. Be careful when meeting new people, as you could encounter someone who is emotionally unavailable. Get to know someone very well before you decide whether to commit. If you are attached, the two of you will enter a special period that brings you very close together. Accept and respect your differences. CANCER can be clingy.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You might feel caught between doing what you would like to do and doing what needs to be done. Recognize manipulation for what it is. You might not want to play with those who are deeply embedded in this type of behavior. Tonight: Choose a favorite stressbuster.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Your ingenuity will come forward and eliminate a difficult situation. You could be too tired to keep dealing with others who complicate your life. Give some thought to establishing stronger boundaries. You know what you want. Tonight: Join a friend at a favorite spot.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Stay anchored when dealing with a domestic matter. Your ability to convert a difficult situation into one that is easier could be challenged. Be patient when dealing with others. Your fuse could be short, especially with an associate. Tonight: Defer to someone else's ideas.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ You finally will feel more up to snuff, only to have a loved one become touchy and withdrawn. You might need to let this situation work itself out. Try not to be so uptight; instead, go off and choose an activity that you enjoy. Tonight: What would you like to do?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ So much is going on behind the scenes that you could be overwhelmed. You know what you want, and you know where you are heading. Pulling back might be the only smart response for now. It won't be long before you feel more in control. Tonight: Do your thing.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ A discussion can be put off only for so long. Your creativity will feed naturally into your day. What you see happen could please you, even though you might not have anticipated that reaction. What you were concerned about won't be an issue now. Tonight: A midweek break.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ A loved one could become very demanding regarding a financial concern. The two of you clearly do not share the same values, and it will become very evident when money is involved. Tonight: Be willing to clear out extra work, even if it takes you all night.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You might feel as if you are caught between a rock and a hard place. You need to rethink a problem and come to a decision. Your ability to negotiate a different solution will emerge once you detach. Take a walk to clear your mind. Tonight: Choose a favorite mental escape.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You could be overwhelmed by all the choices an associate presents. Somehow you'll need to figure out how to make a decision. Understand that money doesn't have to be the driving force. Take your time, and look at the big picture. Tonight: Make it easy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You will be in the mood to do less and let others carry more of their weight with a project. Fortunately, they will be up for taking on more responsibility. It is important to prove to yourself that you can relax and assume a different role. Tonight: Keep it light and easy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ You'll see a personal matter differently from how an associate sees it. Sometimes discussing one's personal problems with others does provide a fresh perspective, but this might not be the case for you. Only you can decide that. Tonight: Schedule a message.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You'll become more resourceful in spite of someone who keeps saying "no." Don't waste time feeling disappointed. There is an easier solution; you simply haven't found it yet. Tonight: Act as if there were no tomorrow.

BORN TODAY

Basketball player Wilt Chamberlain (1936), singer/songwriter Kenny Rogers (1938), actress Kim Cattrall (1956)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Travelocity user's request
6 Get too personal
9 Prepare a spread for
14 Word after open, in retail
15 Duvall's role in "Gods and Generals"
16 Rap sheet entry
17 Tarot card representing union
19 Hobbles
20 Wind that can be controlled
21 Chowed down
22 Prairie home
23 Fertility fab supply
24 Brightening near a sunspot
26 Genre that evolved from ska
29 Spanish article
30 Wordless okay
31 __ preview
32 Leveling piece
34 Spruce cousins
35 Mixer?
38 Auto club amenities
41 Work for
42 See 5-Down
46 Mountain ending
47 Inclined
48 Pantomime
49 Ingredient that mimics the flavor of an edible fungus
53 Citi Field player
54 Set of devotional prayers
55 Genetic stuff
56 React to yeast
57 Time piece?
58 Checkers' speech? (or what are hidden in 17-, 24-, 35- and 49-Across)
60 Nickel and dime
61 Lennon's love
62 Swindler
63 Cut drastically
64 Youngster
65 Low cards

DOWN

1 King and Queen
2 Meshed together
3 Place to put things
4 Beast in the Royal Arms of England
5 42-Across helper
6 Second-most-massive dwarf planet
7 Force back
8 __-man
9 Symbols seen in viola music
10 "The Tempest" spirit
11 Percussion instruments
12 Beethoven's last piano concerto, familiarly, with "the"
13 Deals with a patchy lawn
18 Trumpet protector
22 __ steamer
25 Stranger
27 Yaks
28 Letters in a dossier
32 Do lutzes, say
33 The Beatles' "And I Love __"
34 Host of some off-campus parties
36 Wedding invitation request
37 "Abort!" key
38 Poet's art
39 Spray
40 Frederick the Great's realm
43 Party choice
44 Time associated with graceful children
45 Swears (to)
47 From the beginning
48 "That's a shame!"
50 Mythical goatmen
51 Academic Maine town
52 Gold brick
56 Oberhausen's region
58 Period, for one
59 Autumn mo.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

T	A	B	U		S	C	A	R	E		T	A	F	T
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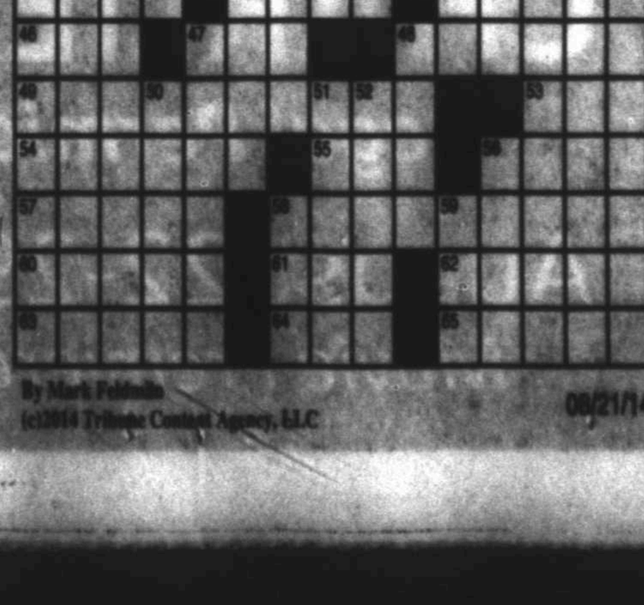

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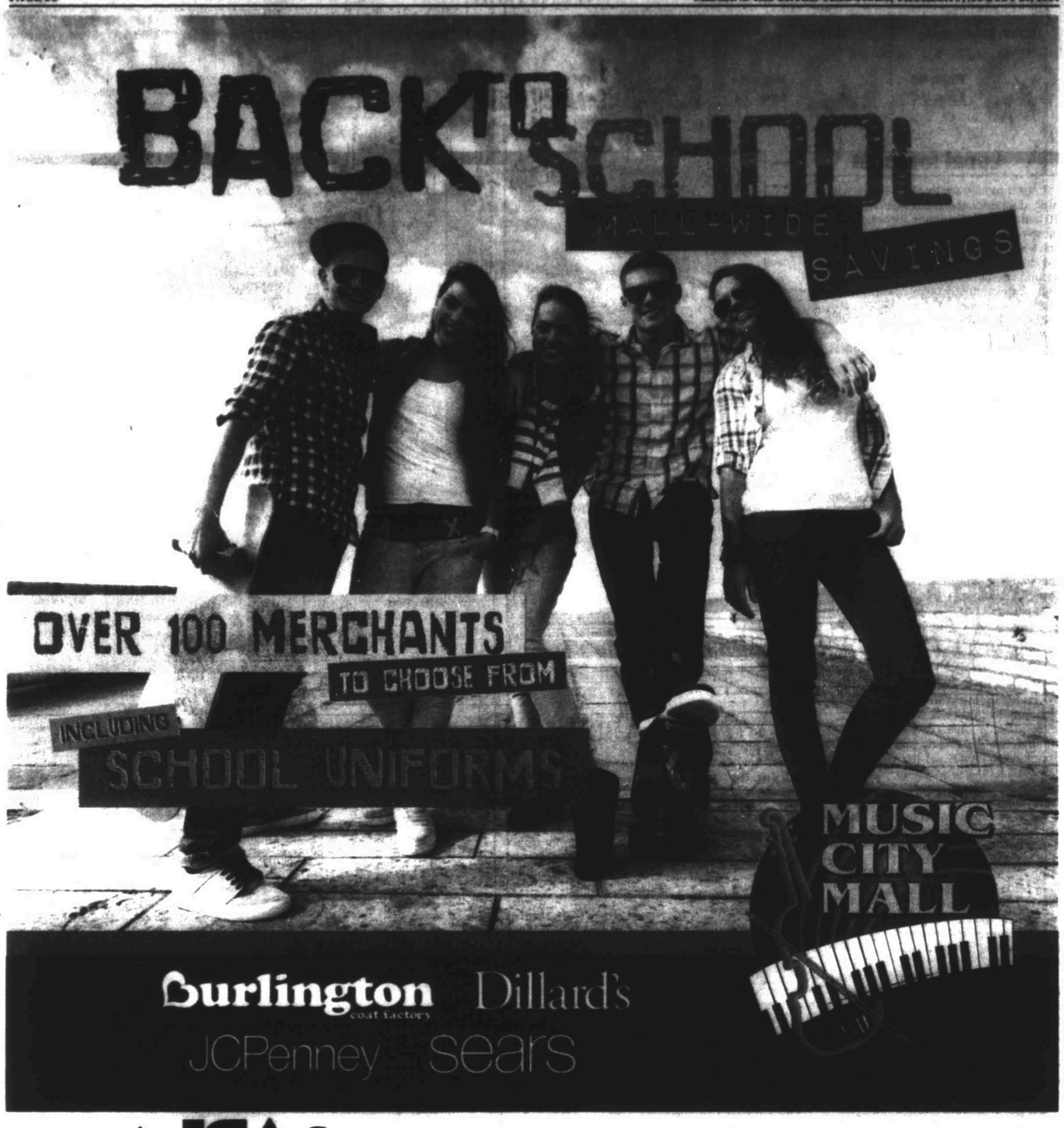

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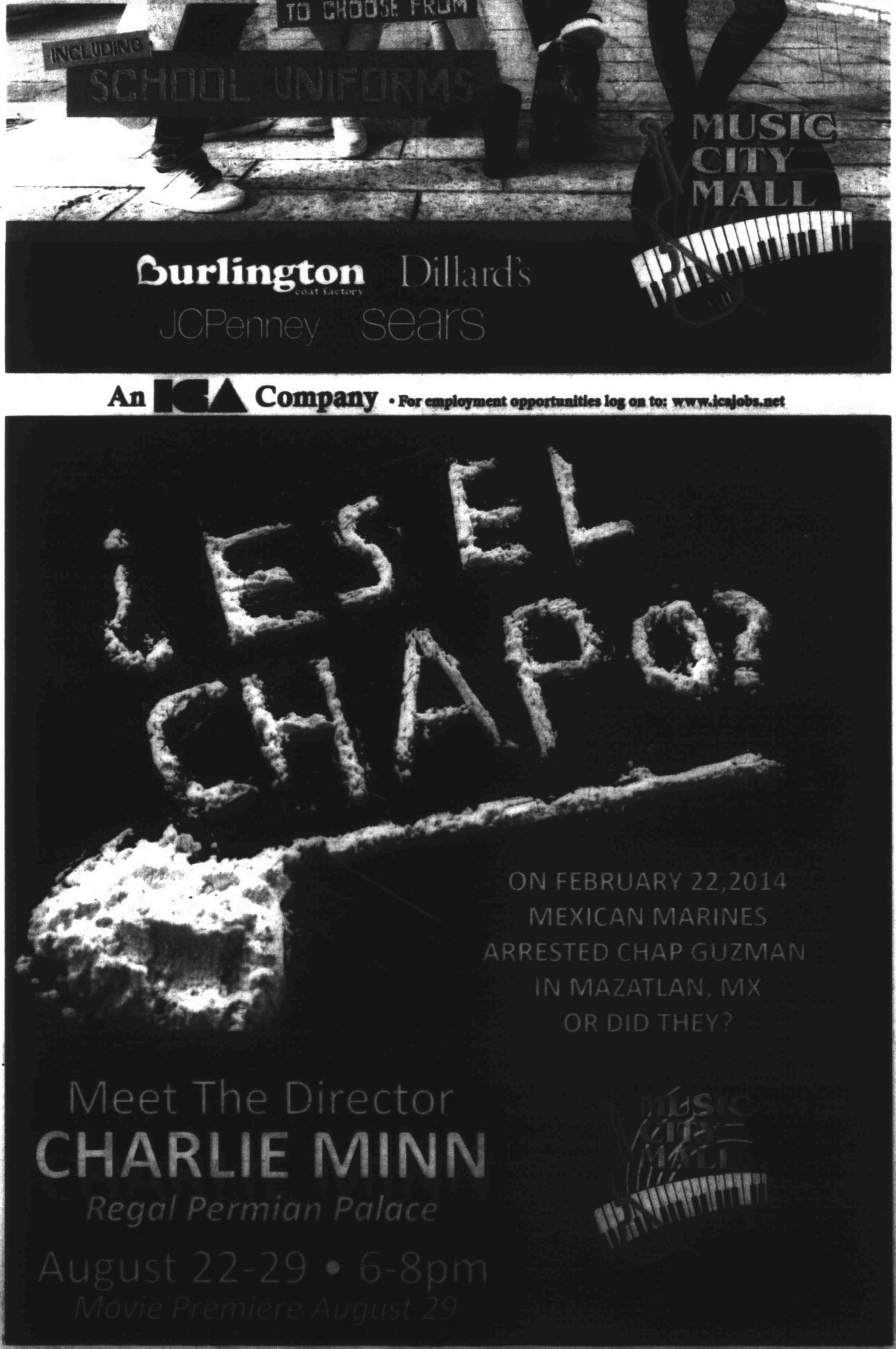

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Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE ON Sale of Personal Property to satisfy a landlords lien for CASH ONLY. Sale date is September 4, 2014 at 10am.

Aztec Storage Center
500 S Midland Dr.
Midland TX 79703

# 69	Jessica Ibarra	Household goods
#119	LeannaTrost	
#150	Veronica Garcia	
#175	Jennifer Lee	

Business Center

Business Opportunity

LOOKING FOR Investors to share profits of 100 RV Park. Call for 432-924-6960

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Autos For Sale or Lease

Passenger Cars

1989 MAZDA B2200, & 1990 Chev Lumina always garaged. 3307 Fannin Ave. 432-699-4325. Midland.

2010 FORD Mustang. Black, sports package, 64,450 miles, dark gray racing stripe on bottom sides, non-smoker and one car owner. $14,500 OBO. 432-553-0575

Fax Your Ad 682-6999

Passenger Cars

2011 NISSAN Altima Coupe 3.5SR, 275 hp, fully loaded, Nav, Blue Tooth, red, excellent condition. 36K miles 432-553-1053

AUDI 2002 TTQuattro, 122K miles, great condition, white with blue leather. $6500 OBO. Call for details 432-561-5631

BMW 2003 325i, black, sports package, new tires, one owner, 165,000 miles, good condition. $5,900. Call 432-349-0369.

NEW TODAY!

BUICK 2007 Lucerne CXL, 105,000 miles, black exterior with tan leather, premium stereo, chrome wheels. $9,299 call 432-425-5750 or 432-924-2508

CADALLIC 2011 SRX 1 owner, garaged, 21K miles, red, very nice. Bargain at $27K. Call Jim 432-557-3418 leave message.

CHEVY 2012 Cruise LTZ with RS pkg. Loaded, 26k miles, black on black leather, excellent condition. $17,500. Call for more info 432-770-1471.

Passenger Cars

FOR SALE black 2001 Mercedes SLK 320 Roadster. 65,000 original miles. $10,000. Retract convertible hardtop shiftable 6 speed auto, 3.2 L fuel injected V6, RWD, factory wheels, AC, AM/FM/weather band telephone options, remote CD changer, electric & heated leather seats, woodgrain trim, electric windows, carpet & mats, wind screen, original documentation & service history, excellent condition, sold as is. Call Jerry 432-853-9392

HONDA 2005 Odyssey EX-L, 109,000 miles, good condition $7,500 432-697-6415

HYUNDAI 2005 Sonata LX, gold, 4dr, V6, sunroof, 99k miles. Perfect! Only $5200 OBO Call 432-218-9941

HYUNDAI 2011 Sonata ltd 48k mi. KBB good $13,500 obo $1k less than KBB value. Call 432-413-3827.

MERCEDES SLK350 2007, 78k miles, Premium accessory package, $18,750 432-853-4647

NISSAN 2010 Sentra low miles 22K miles asking $9,500. 620-309-1999

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Aug 18, 2014
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Sep 22, 2014
Rule38 Case No.7C-0291018
Status/Permit No. 789875
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 1, Bk. , THROCKMORTON CSL Survey, A-542, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, UPTON County, being 19.5 miles N direction from RANKIN, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512) 463-6848.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Sep 22, 2014 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)

Lease/Unit Name:	XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE
Lease/Unit Well No.:	1172H
Lease/Unit Acres:	17433.41
Nearest Lease Line (ft):	100.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft):	53.0
Lease Lines:	7471.0 F north L, 3321.0 F east L
Survey Lines:	6437.0 F south L, 3321.0 F east L
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal	
Lateral: TH1	
Penetration Point Location	
Lease Lines:	7474.0 F NORTH L 3797.0 F EAST L
Terminus Location	
Lease Lines:	100.0 F NORTH L 3797.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines:	100.0 F NORTH L 3797.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA): Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11230 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, DAVID VINCENTI, at (972) 969-3935.

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Aug 15, 2014
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Sep 19, 2014
Rule38 Case No.7C-0291015
Status/Permit No. 789845
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name:	XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE
Lease/Unit Well No.:	2170H
Lease/Unit Acres:	17433.41
Nearest Lease Line (ft):	725.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft):	106.0
Lease Lines:	725.0 F north L, 10002.0 F west L
Survey Lines:	725.0 F south L, 3879.0 F east L
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal	
Lateral: TH1	
Penetration Point Location	
Lease Lines:	725.0 F NORTH L 10002.0 F WEST L
Terminus Location	
Lease Lines:	11900.0 F NORTH L 10007.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines:	2112.0 F SOUTH L 3879.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA): Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11240 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, DAVID VINCENTI, at (972) 969-3935.

Legal & Public Notices

Public Notice
Bid #2015-003

Midland College District is accepting competitive sealed bids for contract pricing on athletic supplies to be purchased throughout the year. The term of the contract will be for the period of October 1, 2014 through August 31, 2016. Bid packets may be picked up Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., in the Purchasing Office, located at 3600 N. Garfield, Midland, Texas. **Bids will be accepted until 2:30 p.m., Thursday, September 4, 2014** in the Purchasing Office, at which time they will be opened and read aloud. For bid packet information, contact Barbara Fennell, Director of Purchasing, (432)686-4250 or bfennell@midland.edu. A final determination may be made at a future board meeting. The College reserves the right to accept or reject any and or all bids submitted.

Legal & Public Notices

Public Notice
Bid #2015-002

Midland College District is accepting competitive sealed bids for contract pricing on science and biology supplies to be purchased throughout the year. The term of the contract will be for the period of October 1, 2014 through August 31, 2016. Bid packets may be picked up Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., in the Purchasing Office, located at 3600 N. Garfield, Midland, Texas. Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, September 4, 2014 in the Purchasing Office, at which time they will be opened and read aloud. For bid packet information, contact Barbara Fennell, Director of Purchasing, (432)686-4250 or bfennell@midland.edu. A final determination may be made at a future board meeting. The College reserves the right to accept or reject any and or all bids submitted.

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ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Major Mud Drilling Company hiring Accounting Staff
SENIOR ACCOUNTING STAFF, AR BILLINGS I, AR TRANSPORTATION, BILLINGS I, and AP SPECIALIST. Desired Qualities: Energetic, self-starters with excellent work ethics; ERP or Computer accounting skills; Excel, Word and Outlook skills. E-mail resume to veronica.whitley@aesfluids.com.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

CHILD CARE WORKER
Mrs. Irene's Child Care FT/PT
Need Full and Part-time Child Care Workers. Will train. Starting wages $10-$11/ hour. Paid holidays and vacation. Call 432-520-8888.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

CDL Sand Truck Drivers
JM Oilfield Service 2601 Si Ursila, Monahans, TX. Now hiring CDL Drivers to run sand trucks in our Monahans location. Drivers are required to have a minunum of 2 years experience & tanker endorsement. · Benefits · Overtime · New Equipment. For more info, Call Daniel Cossy at 830-351-3668

JM OILFIELD SERVICE

CDL Vacuum Truck Drivers
JM Oilfield Service 2601 S. Ursila, Monahans, TX. Now hiring CDL Drivers to run vacuum trucks in our Monahans location. Drivers are required to have a minunum of 2 years experience & tanker endorsement. · Benefits · Overtime · New Equipment. For more info, Call Daniel Cossy at 830-351-3668

JM OILFIELD SERVICE

Diesel & Rig Mechanic
Eagle Rock Drilling Inc. FT
1113 Dayton Road
Midland, TX
Diesel & Rig Mechanic needed, experience required.
Please apply in person at above address. 432-682-3030

Dispatchers & Sand Coordinators
JM Oilfield Service, 2601 S. Ursila, Monahans, TX. Now hiring Dispatchers & Sand Coordinators in our Monahans location. Dispatch experience required. Some sand experience required. Able to manage drivers on location. Good communication skills. Apply in person.

Mud Logger
Mud Logger - Midland, Texas. Experience required. Call 432-631-5151 or email : pattenlogging@yahoo.com

OUTSIDE/INSIDE SALES
Oilfield Supply Store now hiring for **Outside/Inside Sales**. Send resume to **cbelcourt@relianceindustrial.com**

PIPE YARD LEAD-MAN
United Casing, Inc.
Requirements: 3-4 years experience dealing with OCTG pipe. Must have ability to create and understand Excel spreadsheets and to use Microsoft Outlook. Must be able to multi-task; direct and manage yard employees; understand pipe inventory system. Pay rate based on skills and experience. Send all inquiries and resumes to **gpatterson@unitedcasing.com** or bring to **3610 E. Highway 158, Midland. Qualified Applicants Only**.

Electrical Engineer
Occidental Petroleum Corporation has an opportunity for Electrical Engineer, to coordinate project management or project engineering of power system computer modeling and simulation for load flow, short circuit, protective device coordination, arc-flash, harmonics, and motor starting. Reqs. incl. BS plus 1 yr exp. Exp. w/ Geographical Info Sys Geo DB; Power Sys Mdlng SW & Geo Graphical Info Sys Intgrtn, Power Sys Apps Interconnection through a Geo Graphical Info Sys Geo Model; Power Sys Mdlng of Transmission, Distribution, Plants, Facilities, Wells & Substations; Simulation of Load Flow, Short Circuit, Motor Starting Anly, Protective Device Coordination & Arc Flash Studies. Job Site: Midland, TX. Applicants mail your resume to OPC, Attn: M. Chavis, oxy14-020, 5 Greenway Plaza, Suite 110, Houston, TX 77046. Must be legally authorized to work in the U.S. without sponsorship. EOE

HEALTHCARE

Dietary Aide
Legacy Ranch FT
Midland, TX
Now Hiring FT Dietary Aide to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at: 4800 Briarwood Ave., Midland, Tx 79707

Front Office
Seeking friendly, dependable, hard-working person for busy eye clinic and optical shop. Experience preferred but not required. Bring resume in person to **Phillips Eye Clinic 4311 W Wadley, Midland**.

FT/PT Medical Receptionist
Full Time/Part Time Experienced Medical Office Receptionist needed for a busy clinic. Must be willing to travel between Midland and Odessa. Attractive salary and benefits. Please fax resumes to **432-522-2950**.

MEDICAL ASSISTANT
Full time MA position available for busy clinic. M-F 10:00 am - 8:00pm and every other weekend. Full benefit package including incentive holiday pay, 401K, medical and vision insurance also. Please fax resume with references to 432-221-3369 or email staci@txplan.com.
PO#UC8076

PHARMACIST
Leonard's Pharmacy, Inc. FT
Independent Pharmacy- four locations seeking a full time **Pharmacist**. Competitive salary and full benefits. Hours are Monday - Friday. Send Resume to: Leonard's Pharmacy, Inc., 1002 South Main St., Big Spring, TX 79720 or email: **rxs@crcom.net** or call **(432) 267-2711** for more information.

Registered Dental Assistant
Permian Basin Oral Surgery is looking for a repsonsible & dependable assistant who is a certified RDA for our Midland location. 4 1/2 days a wk. Excellent opportunity to join our practice. Please send resume: **lisa@pboms.com**

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

DIRECTOR OF SALES
Experience preferred. Apply in person at **750 JBS Parkway, Odessa, TX**.

HIRING ALL POSITIONS
Our New Holiday Inn Express I-20 Midland, TX: **Front Desk Manager, Front Desk Agents, Executive Housekeeper, Night Auditor, Housekeepers, Breakfast Host/Hostess and Maintenance**. Please E-Mail resumes to **careers@insigniamgmt.com**, FAX resume to **432.699.0979** or apply or stop by **4410 North Midkiff Road, Suite D-212** to pick up an application.

Hospitality Positions
Plaza Inn Midland has immediate openings for: • Front Desk • Night Audit • Room Attendants. Must pass drug test. Apply in person at 4108 N. Big Spring St., Midland, Texas 79705

INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE

DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES
Directs an organization's facilities department. Oversees the functioning of building systems including mechanical, electrical, fire/life safety, and elevators. May manage the maintenance of buildings and grounds. Oversees contractors for facility renovation projects entailing HVAC, electrical systems, and production floor arrangement. Relies on extensive experience and judgment to plan and accomplish goals. Performs a variety of tasks. Leads and directs the work of others. A wide degree of creativity and latitude is required. Please E-Mail resumes to careers@insigniamgmt.com, FAX resume to 432.699.0979 or apply or stop by 4410 North Midkiff Road, Suite D-212 to pick up an application.

MAINTENANCE
Villa Chateau Apartments Full time Maintenance needed. Must have own tools. Drug screen/Background check done. Apply in person at: Villa Chateau Apts., 1603 N. Midkiff Rd, Midland, TX 79701. No phone calls please.

Special Occasion! Call Classified 432-682-6222

OTHER JOBS

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifiting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

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INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE

WEIDNER APARTMENT HOMES

Experienced Apartment Maintenance Supervisor and Apartment Maintenance Technicians Needed
Weidner Apartment Homes is currently seeking **Apartment Maintenance Technicians** & an **Apartment Maintenance Supervisor** to care for a few of our apartment communities. **Responsibilities**: assist in the preparation of apartments for occupancy, respond to service requests, and perform maintenance and repairs on electrical, plumbing, HVAC systems, as well as small and large appliances. **Qualifications**: Experience in apartment maintenance or related field preferred, strong verbal communication skills, have a valid driver's license and reliable transportation. Weidner offers competitive salaries, excellent benefits and generous apartment discounts. **Candidates must pass background checks for employment.** Please apply on-line at www.weidnercareers.com or fax your resume to 877-399-9012.

LAW ENFORCEMENT & SECURITY

SCSS NOW HIRING!!
Security Supervisor: Must have 2 years experience, pass background check and drug screen. $14 to $16 an hour.
Janitorial Staff/Floor Technician: Must know how to strip and wax. $11 to $12 an hour. **Contact Colton Walsh 903-603-0743.**

OTHER JOBS

Assistant Manager
Aus-Mex Tortilleria now hiring an Assistant Manager. Must have good driving record, bilingual a plus. Salary negotiable. Send resume to brianschaetz@hotmail.com, fax 432-561-5349 or call Jose at 432-561-8869

HOUSEKEEPING STAFF
We are looking for enthusiastic and energetic **housekeeping staff** for two of our Midland Hotels. Please stop by **Holiday Inn Express 5309 W Loop 250 N, Midland, TX or SpringHill Suites 5716 Deauville BLVD Midland, TX** to pick up an application.

Inspection Helper
Working under the direction of the Field Service Inspection Manager, the Inspection Helper is responsible for ensuring cleanliness of equipment and safety. **Major Duties and Responsibilities:** Must be able to follow instructions. Keep company vehicle clean, stocked, and organized. Report broken or out of calibration tools to inspector. Follow required safety practices and procedures. Report unsafe practices and injuries. Perform other operational requirements as assigned. **Qualifications:** Valid driver's license and transportation. **Physical Requirements:** Must be able to lift up to 50 pounds. Must be able to regularly use hands, fingers and full body to handle weight in motion or feel objects, tools or controls; reach with hands and arms. Must be able to climb, balance, stoop and kneel. Must be able to hold a minimum of 5 pounds in one hand with arm extended for 30 seconds. Email resumes to humanresources@jaoilfiled.com

Lead Maintenance & Assistant
Summerhill Apartments FT
Must be HVAC certified. Salary depending on experience. Apply in person to: 3001 North Midland Dr. or call 432-697-6039.

Multiple Positions Available
Midland County has the following positions available:
***Equipment Operator for Road & Bridge *Network Administrator, I.T., *Detention Officers/Jailers *Juvenile Probation Officers *Juvenile Detention Officers *Part-Time Floater for Library *Assistant Director for Library.** Please see our website: **www.co.midland.tx.us/departments/hr/pages/Employment** for more details and applications. To be considered you must send a completed application with job reference number to Midland County Human Resources Office, **500 N. Loraine St., Ste. 100 Midland, TX 79701** or **hr@co.midland.tx.us**.

Oilfield Service Tech
Electronic and conventional instrumentation company is looking for a mechanical and electrical aptitude person. Oilfield background helpful but will train the right person. Mush have a clean driving record and pass drug test. Benefits available after 90 days. Some travel. Please email resume to acctg@autodril.com or fax to 432-561-5850. Salary DOE

Project Manager
NOVA Safety and Environmental 2057 Commerce Drive Midland Texas, 79703 Office: 432-520-7720 Fax: 432-520-7701 Nova Safety & Environmental is seeking an Environmental Project Manager. Candidate must have at a minimum a Bachelors of Science Degree in one of the following areas: Geology, Environmental Science, Biology or Chemistry. Job duties include but are not limited to ensuring compliance with state and federal environmental regulations, preparing technical reports, preparing groundwater maps and other site diagrams and overseeing various projects from start to finish. The candidate will need to be able to travel from site to site in the Permian Basin area with limited overnight stays. The job comes with an excellent salary and benefits package, including 401 K, health insurance, paid vacation, and bonuses.

Resident Guard & Cooks - Full Time, Part Time, & Relief
Looking for a second retirement? Company funded, 100% vested in as little as 6 years. Please apply online at www.dismas.com or in person at 24 W Industrial Loop, Midland, TX. Residential re-entry center wants Cooks and Guard 1

Warehouse/Delivery
Warehouse/delivery help needed for local wholesale business. Monday-Friday, possible for some half days on Saturday. Experience a plus, but not necessary. Call 432-520-9571 for more details.

SHIPPING / RECEIVING CLERK
United Casing, Inc.
Requirements: Knowledge of oilfield casing & tubing; 3-4 years experience; excellent data entry skills; must be able to create and understand Excel spreadsheets. Must be able to multi-task; work extended hours (weekends on-call) and handle high volume paperwork flow in a fast-paced workplace. Pay rate based on skills and experience. Send all inquiries and resumes to **gpatterson@unitedcasing.com** or bring to **3610 E. Highway 158, Midland. Qualified Applicants Only**.

NOW HIRING

WYNDHAM GARDEN
OPEN POSITIONS
• Front Desk • Housekeepers • Food and Beverage Manager

Wall Street After 5
Open Restaurant Positions
• Cooks • Servers • Bartenders
Please email resume wyndhammidlandgm@gmail.com or hand deliver at 3100 W. Wall Street, Midland, TX.

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

NOW HIRING

Domino's Pizza

Domino's Pizza is the number one food delivery company in the Basin. Full time drivers needed. Earn $45,000 to $70,000 a year in wages and tips. We are busy, busy, busy! Your earning power delivering pizzas is amazing! Great customer service = great tips! Part timers needed too! Earn up to $100 a shift in as little as 4 hour shifts!

Waiters and waitresses get off your feet and get behind the wheel for the best pizza company in the Permian Basin. Openings are available at all stores. We DO NOT pay tip wage. Earn $7.50 an hour plus tips. Your trips to the customer are compensated for. We have company vehicles if you prefer not to use your own. This is easy money and fun. Apply at: Indeed.com or stop by any of our stores, fill out an application and start down the road to making serious money daily!

All Positions
Rockstar Karaoke FT/PT
Now hiring! Looking for DJs, bartenders, waitstaff, door staff and management. Apply at Torino's Pizza Bar, 3303 N Midkiff Rd #110. Ask for Teresa.

CRACKER BARREL NOW HIRING!
Looking for more pay? Look no more. We provide you with an exceptional training program that rewards you with a raise at the completion of each level. That's up to 3 raises in your first year! We also offer great promotion opportunities, flexible scheduling, paid vacation, benefits and a 401K savings plan.
- **ALL COOKS** - starting at $15 an hour
- **SERVERS** - No tip outs/ tip share
- **DISHWASHERS** - starting up to $13.50 an hour

Stop by **3108 North Loop 250 West Midland, TX 79707 or call 432-689-3137 www.crackerbarrel.com Cracker Barrel** EOE

Dishwashers & Cooks
Lori's Cafe hiring Full Time • Cooks $12- $18 depending on experience • Dishwashers, Servers- Early. Apply in person at 2201 W. Wall, Midland

Host/Bussers & Kitchen Help
The Garlic Press is hiring Host/Bussers and Kitchen Help. Flexible hours. Great work environment and benefits. Apply in person at The Garlic Press in Oak Ridge Square at Wadley and Garfield. 11-2 only

RETAIL JOBS

CASHIERS
Smoker's Outlet is looking for Cashiers in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid weekly. Go by your nearest Smoker's Outlet to apply.

OFFICE & SALES
With multiple duties. Non-smoking environment. Apply in person at: Dinette Designs & Barstools, 1025 North Midkiff, Midland 79701.

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RETAIL JOBS

Customer Service and Office Positions

Stadium Sports is hiring full and part time positions. Positions include customer service duties and general office duties. Will train the right person. Please email your resume to jmartinez@athletesworldusa.com or stop by 3040 W. Cuthbert to fill out an application.

Wall Street Antiques

Now Hiring Part Time Wall St. Antiques 3712 W. Wall Midland, Tx 432-685-6652 Drop by Tues-Sat 9:30-5:30 to fill out an application

SALES JOBS

OUTSIDE SALES PROFESSIONAL

Expanding North Texas paint manufacturer seeking aggressive **OUTSIDE SALES PROFESSIONAL** for West Texas. Candidate should have a minimum of three years outside sales experience and ability to work from home office with little supervision. Previous paint experience and bi-lingual a plus. Excellent compensation package for the right candidate with the ability to earn a six figure income. E-Mail resume to rfunston@excellburpaint.com. All inquiries confidential.

Sales Associates

Wood's Boots in Midland is adding to our team. We are looking for talented **Sales Associates.** Stop in today and pick up an application at 4803 Andrews Hwy, or 812 W I-20 Midland

SKILLED LABOR

Excellent Opportunity!

H&E Equipment Services has an immediate opening for a Shop Mechanic for our Midland, TX location. Our ideal mechanic has a minimum of 2-3 years' experience in mechanically diagnosing, repairing and maintaining various types of construction equipment. Apply today at: https://hehiring.com/JobDesc.asp?JobID=1366

EXPERIENCED ELECTRICIANS

Bergelectric is seeking **EXPERIENCED ELECTRICIANS** to work on long term commercial job in the Midland area. Please call **512-447-3800** or apply on line via: **http://www.bergelectric.com/**

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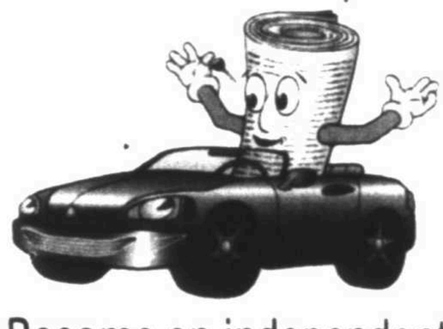

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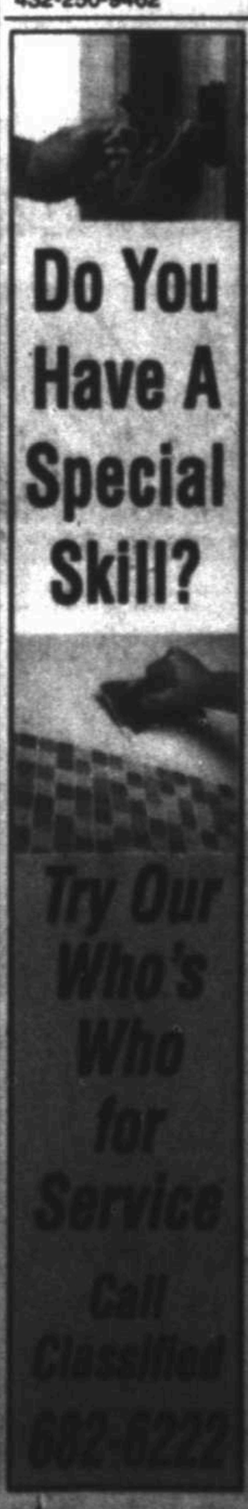

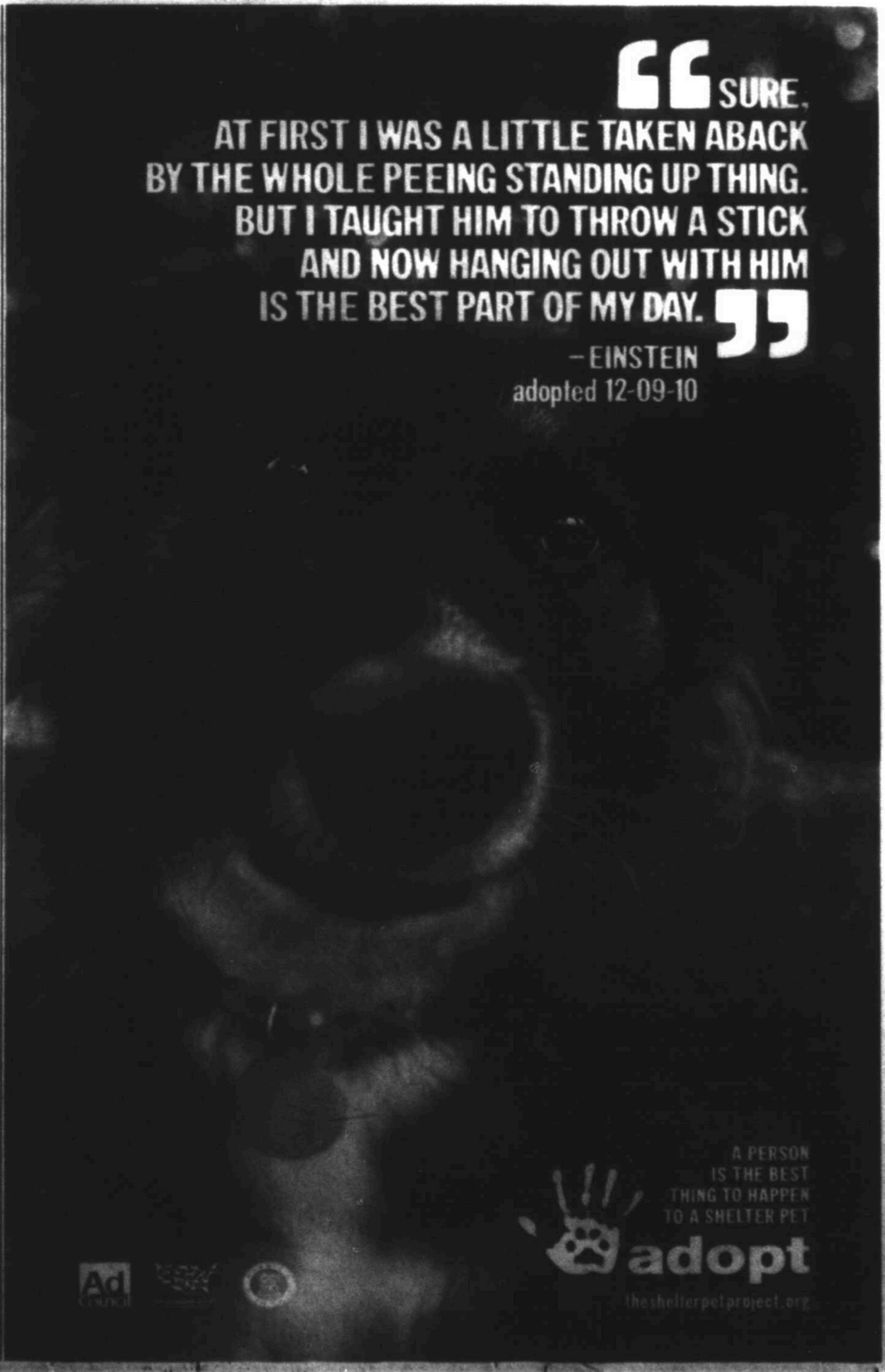

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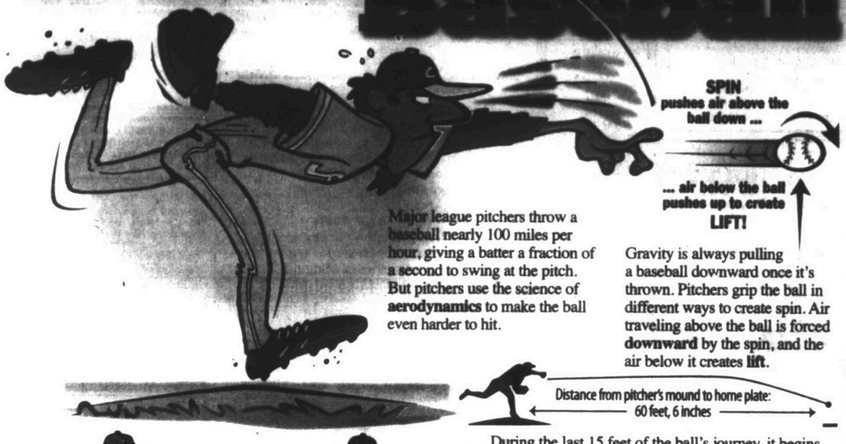

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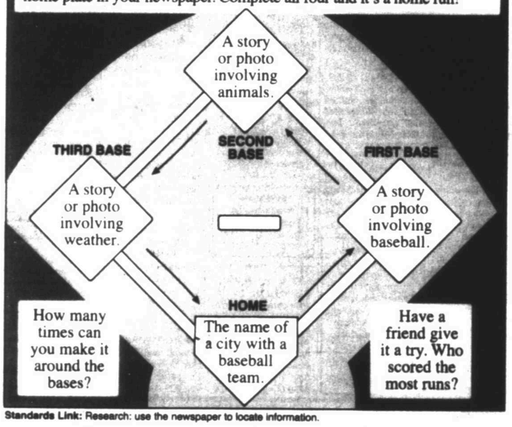
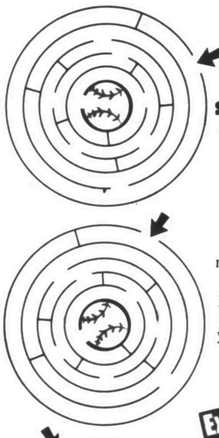


Standards Link: Research: use the newspaper to locate information.

Three strikes, you're out!



Have a friend time you. Can you get to the center of each maze in less than 10 seconds? If you can, score a hit for each one you complete. If not, it's an out.

Extra! Extra! Action!

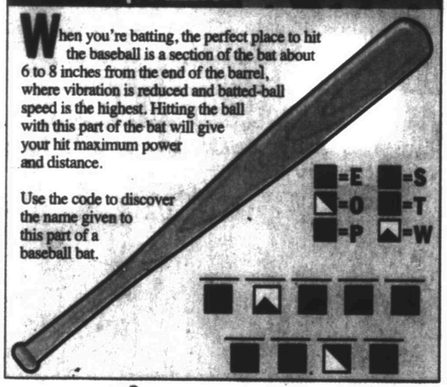
Look at the sports pages of the newspaper. Try to take and hold the pose of the people in the photographs.

Standards Link: Physical Education: Use control in balance activities on a variety of body parts.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

When you're batting, the perfect place to hit the baseball is a section of the bat about 6 to 8 inches from the end of the barrel, where vibration is reduced and batted-ball speed is the highest. Hitting the ball with this part of the bat will give your hit maximum power and distance.

Use the code to discover the name given to this part of a baseball bat.



Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

PITCHER
BASES
CURVE
GRIP
LIFT
EASY
SWING
GRAVITY
AIR
THROW
SCORE
BALL
MOUND
HIT
OUT

M J P L S C O R E W
B S E I G N I W S O
G A K F T B E Y L R
R O L T W C Z A N H
A U G L U N H K S T
V T V R B A S E S Y
I W V Q I D J H R P
T E B A S P D I L O
Y D N U O M A T A G

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Weekly Writing Corner

Batter Up

It was my turn at bat and the fans were going crazy ... Finish this story.

I am nervous. I missed the ball. "Strike one!" Then I missed the ball again. " Strike two!" Last one and I hit a home run!

Zachary, 2nd grade

It was my turn at bat and the fans were going crazy. I swung my bat back and took deep breaths, and I focused on the ball, waiting and waiting, and then whoosh! I dropped my bat, and ran as fast as I could. By the time I reached second base, the announcer said, "Home run!" That point put our team ahead. As time went by, one team scored and then the other. Then came my turn again. I was nervous.This was the game changer. We were tied. I held my bat steady and did the same thing. Another home run. We won!

Calvin, 5th grade

It was my turn at bat and the fans were going crazy. It was my turn to shine. It was the last ball we had and everybody was cheering.Then I saw the ball coming at me, the next thing you know, "BAM!" I hit the ball. Everybody was cheering, screaming and chanting. We won the championship game. I was a hero to everybody. Because I won the game, I got the winning ball.

Ally, 3rd grade

All I could hear now was the beating of my heart. I felt like I was going to faint.I walked onto the field and "BAM!" I saw space aliens on the pitcher's mound. Wait. Space aliens on the pitcher's mound? No way! I must be hallucinating. By the time I recovered, the crowd had just finished laughing at me. I could tell my face was as red as a tomato, and there was a bruise on my head that was just as big and dark as the pitcher's mound.

Isabelle, 5th grade

It was my turn at bat, and the fans were going crazy because it was the championship game. I can't pitch, I can't bat. I can't even throw the ball, but I was the team's only hope. I swung the bat, "Strike one!" I got into a better position, "Strike two!" I closed my eyes and braced myself. "BAM!"

"Cole, come take out the garbage," said mom.

"One second mom," I said as I turned off my baseball video game.

Cole, 4th grade

We were down by four runs in the seventh inning. Everyone on the team was looking down at their shoes.We had lost before and we knew what that felt like. There were two outs. Jake was a last minute pick and noone knew him very well. He hit just past third and made it to first.Next hit went to the short stop and now there were two on. Next hit was just inside the baseline — bases were loaded. Out catcher bunted and their pitcher misfielded. One run scored. Next up, our best batter hit it over the fence on the first pitch — a walk off home run!

Jake, 5th grade

Write On!

Ode to the Sun

Write a poem about the sun.

Deadline: September 14
Published: Week of Oct. 12
Send your story to:

Newspaper In Education
201 E. Illinois
Midland, TX 79701
ljdiaz@mrt.com

Please include your school and grade.

From the Kid Scoop Lesson Library

The Game Game

Find an article about a baseball game in the newspaper. What was the score? By how many runs did the winning team win? Find the place where the game was played on a map. How far is that place from your home?

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Demonstrate comprehension by responding to questions.

What do you get when you cross a baseball pitcher with a carpet?

ANSWER: A throw rug.

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