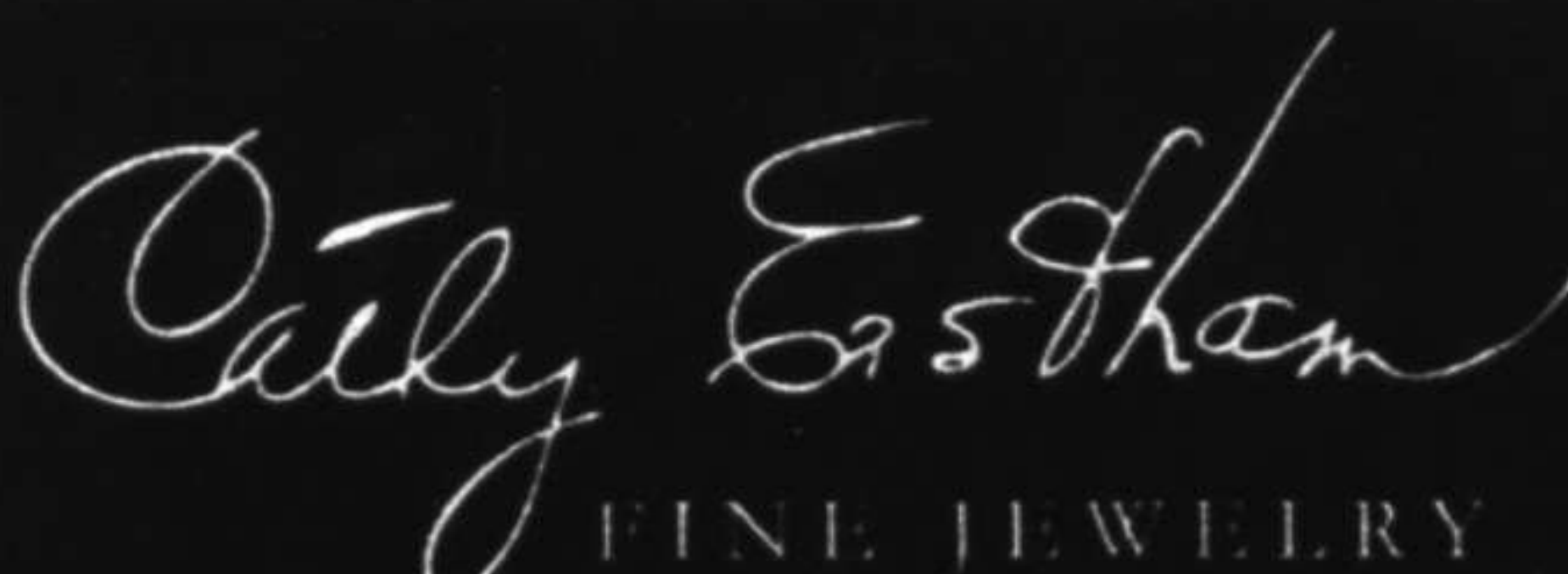




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Cruz fends off O'Rourke in Senate race

By Will Weissert
Associated Press

EL PASO — Sen. Ted Cruz fended off a spirited underdog challenge from Democrat Beto O'Rourke to win re-election on Tuesday in a Texas race that once seemed like a cakewalk but needed a late boost from President Donald Trump to help push the incumbent over the top.

Cruz began as the prohibitive favorite after his surprisingly successful 2016 presidential run, but he suddenly found himself in a tough contest against O'Rourke, a little-known El Paso congressman and one-time punk rocker who became a national political sensation and shattered fundraising records despite shunning donations from outside political groups and pollster advice. Cruz turned back O'Rourke with the help

of Trump, his bitter rival in 2016. Trump took the unexpected step of traveling to reliably Republican Texas during crunch time, staging a Houston rally to energize his base for Cruz just two weeks before Election Day. The president praised the senator as "beautiful" and smart, a far cry from two years ago when he repeatedly mocked Cruz as "Lyn" Ted," made fun of his wife's ap-

pearance and suggested that Cruz's Cuban-born father had a hand in the assassination of John F. Kennedy. With the win, Cruz kept alive his hopes of mounting a second presidential run once Trump leaves the White House. O'Rourke grabbed glowing national headlines by visiting all 254 Texas counties and

Please see CRUZ/4A

CLINCHING COUNCIL



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Spencer Robnett talks with Malori Steadman, center, and his wife, Brooke, Tuesday evening at a celebration party for his re-election to Midland City Council.

Robnett breezes to council re-election

■ Trost beats out Gardaphe for second seat

The youngest member of the Midland City Council will be joined by the man who will become the oldest member of the seven-person governing body. Spencer Robnett had no problems with re-election, earning better than 47 percent of the vote in the three-person race. Michael Trost will make his return to the council, having collected more than 30 percent the vote, nearly 8 percentage points head of Chase Gardaphe.

Robnett campaigned on his work on the city council to make public-private partnerships possible, including one with Pioneer Natural Resources for more than \$140 million in upgrades to the water-treatment facility. Robnett also boasted of the council's work to dedicate more money to roads and infrastructure. He also has pledged not to vote for another spaceport project. Trost rallied against the council for actions taken that he said kept the tax rate too high. Now, he will get his chance to

Please see COUNCIL/4A

Johnson runs away with county judge race

From staff reports

Terry Johnson is the new Midland County judge after a general election race that proved to be not as close as his GOP primary run. Johnson garnered 79.87 percent of the votes cast in his general election race against Democrat Steven Schafersman. The native Midlander secured the Republican nomination for county judge in May's primary runoff, topping James Beauchamp. The win earned Johnson a

Please see JUDGE/4A

Kirk leads pack; Wolfmueller comes back to make runoff

From staff reports

For those looking for a person to come out of nowhere to win the night, there was Heidi Kirk. She led early and all night in the race for Midland ISD District 5. Kirk collected 37.85 percent of the vote, which means she will have to battle second-place Thomas Wolfmueller in the runoff. Kirk went into election night having

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Price of oil

\$62.21 ▼ \$0.89

The big number

A \$30 million study researched the cancer risk of cellphone use. Page 1B

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City Council says no to modular home complex in east Midland. Page 2A.

Word of the Day:

augment
Do you know what it means? Find out the definition on Page 3A.

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Hearst Energy Awards honor area's economic engine

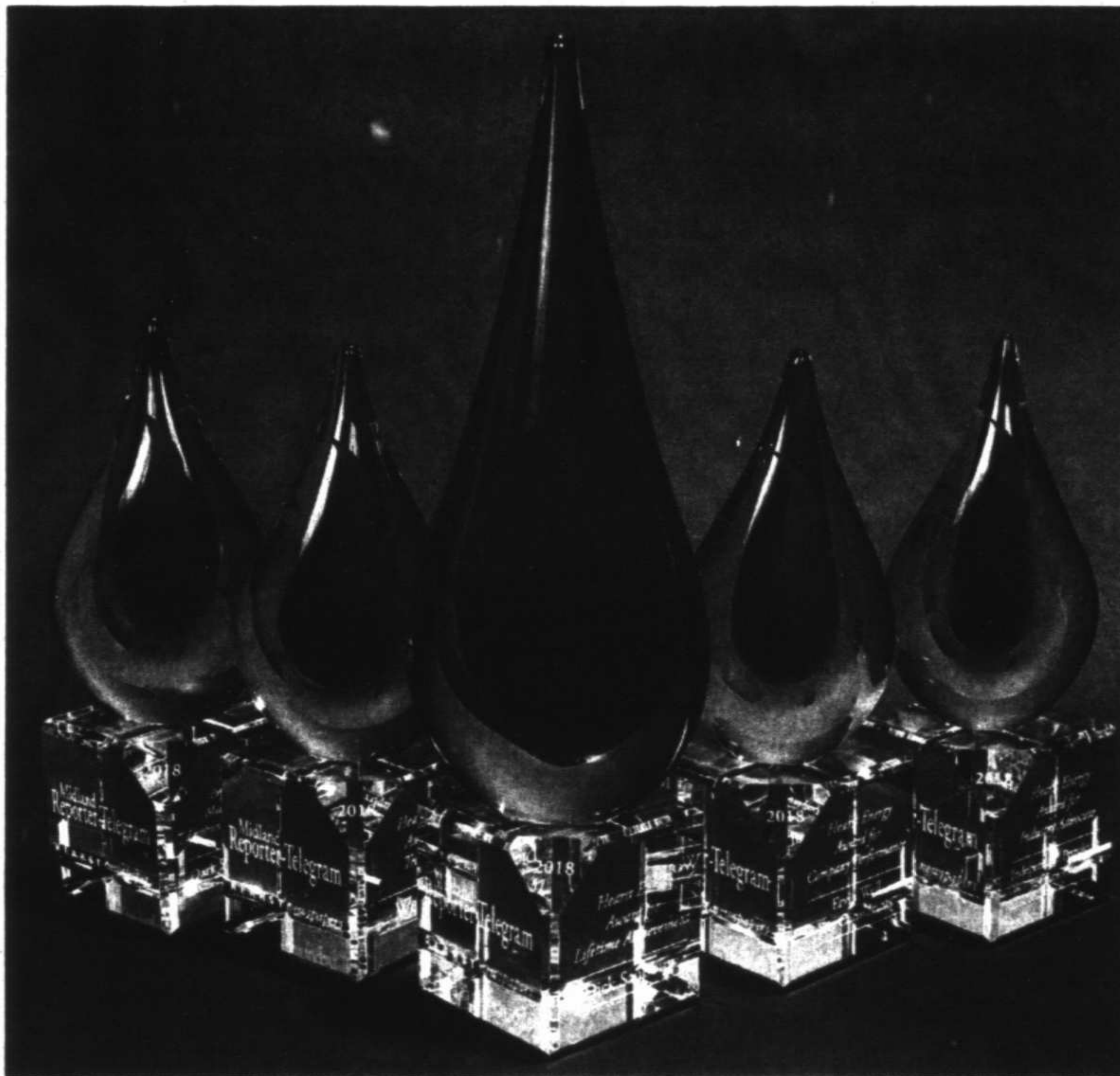
From staff reports

The Reporter-Telegram and its parent company, Hearst, continue their tradition of honoring the area's energy industry with the Hearst Energy Awards. The 2018 awards were presented Tuesday evening during a dinner at Midland Country Club.

Ervin Well Site Consultants, recipient of the Hearst Energy Award for Company Performance, opened its doors in 1997 as a one-man operation comprised of founder Andy Ervin. Today, the company has contracts with more than 100 companies and a presence that ranges from Texas to Arizona, New York, Pennsylvania to the Bakken play in North Dakota.

Ervin said he takes pride in providing clients with experienced consultants skilled in everything from drilling and completions to safety and integrity. The secret to his success, he said, is his gift for spotting talent with expertise to offer his clients.

Lifetime Achievement honoree Dick Saulsbury is founder of what is now Saulsbury Industries. In 1967 he founded Saulsbury Electric, an electrical and instrumentation services contractor. From that beginning, it has grown into a full-service engineering, procurement and construction contractor active across the country in industries ranging from gas processing and treatment to nuclear power to terminals and logistics. He is quick to credit the company's



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

The 2018 Hearst Energy Awards were presented Tuesday.

5,000 employees for helping grow the company.

Despite the various industries Saulsbury serves, "everything we are, everything we have, comes from

oil. We keep that in mind," he said.

The Independent Petroleum Association of America, which received the Industry Advocacy Award,

is about to celebrate 90 years of representing the independent producers that drill 95 percent of the nation's oil and gas wells.

Jeff Eshelman, IPAA's

senior vice president, operations and public affairs, said it is an honor to advocate for an independent energy industry that is relied upon by every American

for energy to power, heat and cool homes, businesses and factories and that fuels the economy.

Oilfield technology legends Sam Gibbs and Ken Nolen knew they should consider themselves retired, but they kept coming up with new ideas, and their latest earned them the Technology award. GreenShot, can accurately shoot multiple fluid levels daily per well, when paired with the SAM Pump-Off controller, variable frequency drives and SCADA systems.

Matt Raglin, founder and chief executive officer of WellWorx Energy, which purchased GreenShot earlier this year, said with the tweaks he has in mind, GreenShot will be a fundamental change from the way fluid levels are currently measured.

This year's Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence Award was presented to the Dark Skies Initiative, which shed light on a problem that intensified as oilfield development neared the McDonald Observatory.

Bill Wren with the observatory approached companies active near the observatory, and Pioneer Energy Services first allowed him on their service rigs to experiment with lighting to reduce the glare from drilling rigs and service rigs and allow the observatory to better perform its work. The Permian Basin Petroleum Association helped spearhead the effort, distributing best practices suggestions to its members.

FOCUS ON FAMILY



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Jenna Bush Hager, left, sits down for a conversation with Tatum Hubbard on Tuesday at the Buckner Shining Hope luncheon. The event at Midland Country Club raised more than \$148,000 for Buckner Midland and its Permian Basin programs, Buckner Family Pathways and Buckner Foster Care and Adoption, according to a press release from Buckner International. The conversation between Bush Hager and Hubbard, chief of staff/executive director of communications for University of Texas of the Permian Basin, focused on family values, the impact her parents — former President George W. and Laura Bush — had on her life, and the importance of nonprofits to strengthen families and serve the community. Also addressing the 370 people in attendance was Albert Reyes, Buckner International CEO.

Council says no to modular home complex in east Midland

By Stewart Doreen
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Score one for NIMBY. Residents of east Midland were successful in defeating a modular home park request that — if successful — would have put as many as 12 modular units in an undeveloped area of land near Lamesa Road and Dormand Avenue.

One day after getting a "no" vote from the Planning and Zoning Commission, residents and officials with a nearby Montessori school convinced the Midland City Council that such housing was not responsible development and created safety risks for families and students in that area.

It was a 6-1 vote. John B. Love III, the representative of the area where the development would have been located, was the lone person voting in favor. He also provided information from a study that modular, or mobile home, developments do not provide a greater risk of crime than other types of development. He also said cities should do better for its residents than being restrictive or isolating modular or mobile homes to areas determined to be undesirable.

The developer from Louisiana said rent for a modular home would be around \$1,800 to \$2,000 a month. Officials connected to the project also said there would be wood fencing and safeguards in place to prevent these modular homes from being rentals that are home to four to six people working in the industry. The goal was to have tenants rooted in the community.

"This is not a man camp," said Robert Rendell, a Midland attorney representing the developer.

It was a person from the oil industry and a neighborhood resident who used industry logic to make the case for opposition. Matt Galindo, who said he works for Pioneer Natural Resources, said the current "oil boom" will last "five to 10 years and then drop off." He said neighbors who bought property looking to settle down would have to deal with potentially different users of the modular home park when that takes place.

Others made arguments that officials with the home park said they want to attract families but aren't offering any amenities, such as a pool or playground. They also said current residents couldn't afford to move and that the developers said they were going to seek residents — such as teachers and first responders — but those same people wouldn't be able to afford the rent.

Councilman Jeff Sparks said during the meeting that he could vote against it because the 12 modular homes wouldn't make much of a dent in the current housing problem.

The council heard and voted on other items related to housing, including an apartment complex located next to Beal Parkway that will include more than 250 units.

CRIMEBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Woman charged with aggravated assault

A Midland woman was arrested Oct. 30 after she allegedly exhibited a knife during the commission of an assault, according to court documents.

Tekeya L. Williams, 23, was released Tuesday on a \$25,000 bond with an emergency protective order for a second-degree felony charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Midland police were dispatched Oct. 30 in reference to a disturbance with weapons.



Williams

Williams was arguing with a man before she grabbed a glass beer bottle and broke it, causing the long portion to become a sharp object, according to her arrest affidavit. She allegedly swung that object at the man.

Williams chased him down a road while screaming she would stab him, according to the affidavit. She allegedly later entered a residence, came outside with a kitchen knife and chased the man again.

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

Man arrested on aggravated assault charge

A Midland man was arrested Friday

after he allegedly used a stick to hit a man in the head, according to court documents.

Jose Ernesto Flores Jr., 28, was being held Tuesday on a \$40,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Midland police were dispatched to a residence at about 6:50 a.m. Friday in reference to a disturbance.

Flores allegedly hit a man in the back of the head with a large stick, breaking it into several pieces and causing the victim's head to bleed.

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



Flores

WORD OF THE DAY
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verb

1. to make larger; enlarge in size, number, strength, or extent; increase.

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their account.October weather
report

Average high: 72.6
Average low: 54.6
Average temperature: 63.6
Typical average in October: 64.8
Highest high: 93 degrees on Oct. 3
Lowest low: 37 degrees on Oct. 15
Precipitation: 5.44 inches
Average for October: 1.73 inches
Days of measurable rain: 13
Most rain in one day: 1.2 inches on
Oct. 24

Most rainfall in October
(at Midland International)

1986	7.45 inches
1985	5.93 inches
1981	5.53 inches
2018	5.44 inches
1974	5.42 inches

Source: National Weather Service

Things to do

■ Fresh Start to a Healthier You —
Celebrating Small Bites. Learn how
to use more than one form of fruit or
vegetable for less meal preparation
and cooking time, 10-11 a.m., West
Texas Food Bank, 1601 Westcliff
Drive. Free. wtfdbank.org.

■ Wednesday Storytime with
crafts for preschool children, 11 a.m.,
Barnes and Noble, 2617 West Loop
250 N. Barnesandnoble.com.

■ Pint Nights featuring one-dollar
pints, 5-9 p.m., Double Dave's Mid-
land, 3206 N. Loop 250 W.

■ Party on the Patio with live music
and food trucks, 5 p.m., Shack in the
Back, 11610 W. Highway 80, Odessa.

■ Bridge game play, 6:45 p.m.,
Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley
Ave. \$6. For more information call
682-8595.

■ Pool tournaments, 7 p.m., The
Detour, 1709 Rankin Highway.

■ Trivia Game Night, 7 p.m., True
Texas BBQ, 5407 Andrews Highway.
Free.

■ Live Trivia by Challenge Enter-
tainment, 8 p.m., Torino's, 3303 N.
Midkiff Road. challengeentertainment.com.

■ Scuba Steve, 9:30 p.m., Midland
Beer Garden, 7112 W. Highway 80.

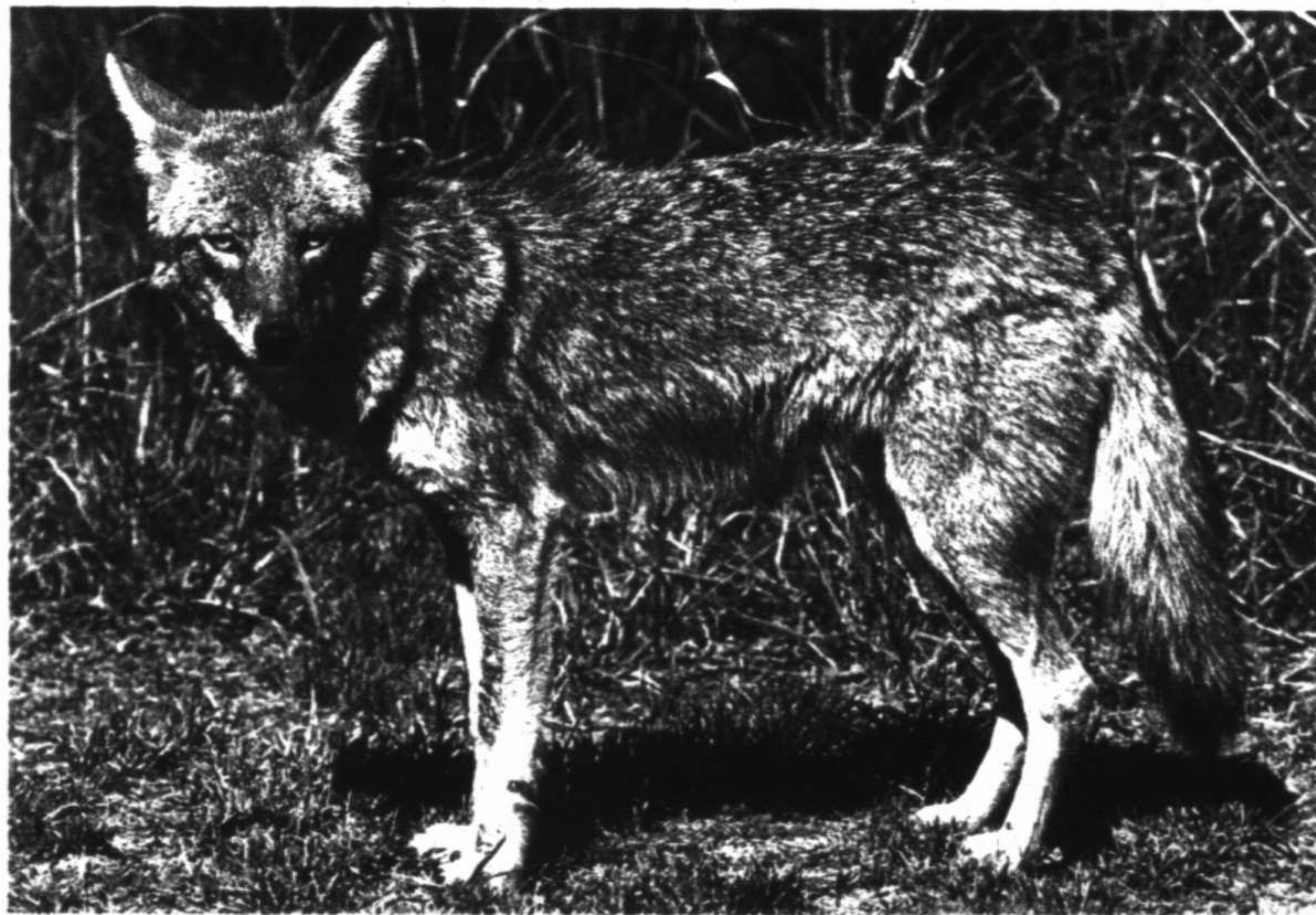
Fishing in Midland

Ponds at two city parks have been
stocked with fish.
Texas Parks and Wildlife recently
tested the water quality at the ponds.

Today in History

TODAY IN MIDLAND

Coyote caught on camera



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

A coyote walks along the scrub brush on Tuesday at Midland Country Club.

at C.J. Kelly Park, 5500 League Drive,
and Bear Park, 5200 W. Wall St., and
approved stocking the fishing holes
with perch and catfish. TPW officials
said fishing is best a few weeks after
ponds have been stocked to give the
fish time to become acclimated to
their new surroundings.

All state fishing laws apply, and both
ponds are monitored by state game
wardens. For more information, visit
www.tpwd.state.tx.us.

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 7, the

311th day of 2018. There are 54 days

left in the year.

On this date:
■ In 1862, during the Civil War,
President Abraham Lincoln replaced
replace Maj. Gen. George B. McClel-
lan as commander of the Army of the
Potomac with Maj. Gen. Ambrose
Burnside.

■ In 1874, the Republican Party
was symbolized as an elephant in a
cartoon drawn by Thomas Nast in
Harper's Weekly.

■ In 1962, Richard M. Nixon,
having lost California's gubernatorial
race, held what he called his "last

press conference," telling reporters,

"You won't have Nixon to kick around

anymore."
■ In 1973, Congress overrode
President Richard Nixon's veto of the
War Powers Act, which limits a chief
executive's power to wage war without
congressional approval.

■ In 1991, basketball star Magic
Johnson announced that he had
tested positive for HIV, and was retir-
ing. (Despite his HIV status, Johnson
has been able to sustain himself with
medication.)

Source: Associated Press

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Monday through Friday

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Lottery

All or Nothing morning: 4-7

8-9-15-16-17-19-20-21-22-24

All or Nothing day: 4-6-10-11

13-15-16-17-19-20-22-23

All or Nothing evening: 2-3-5

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Daily 4 morning: 9-7-6-7

Daily 4 day: 2-9-8-7

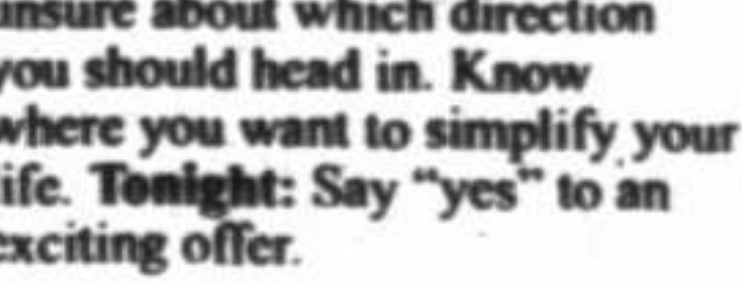
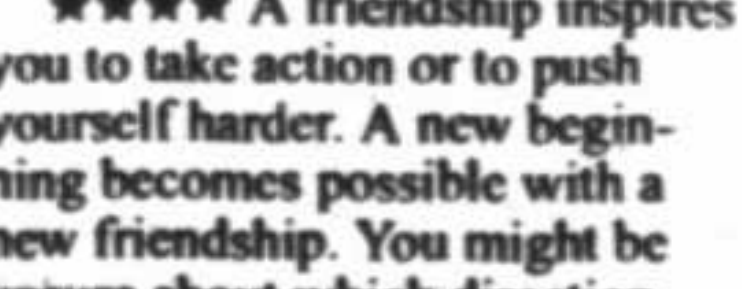
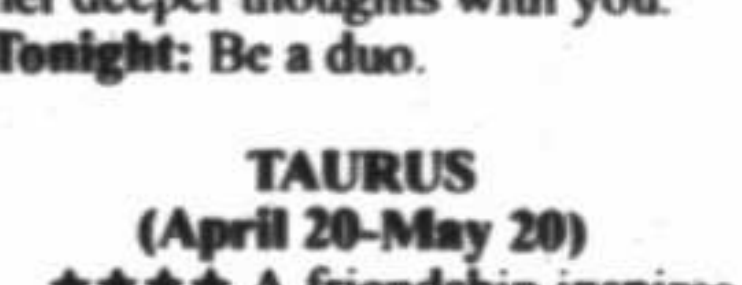
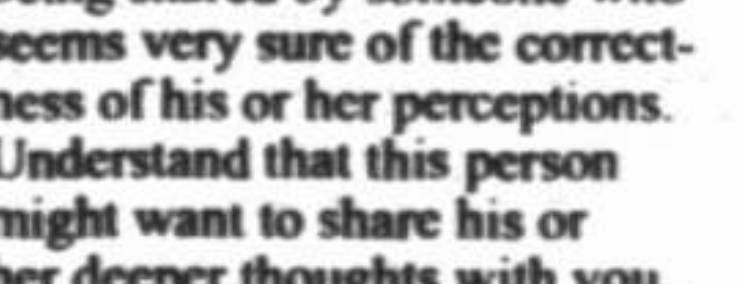
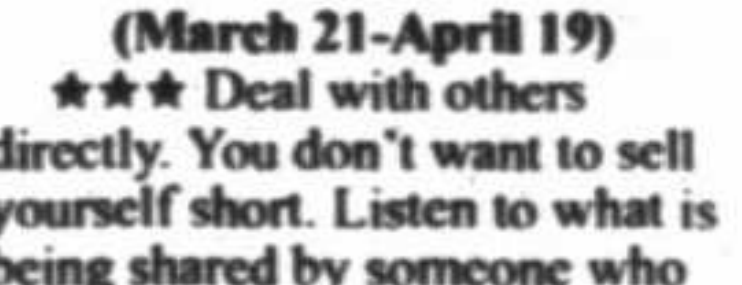
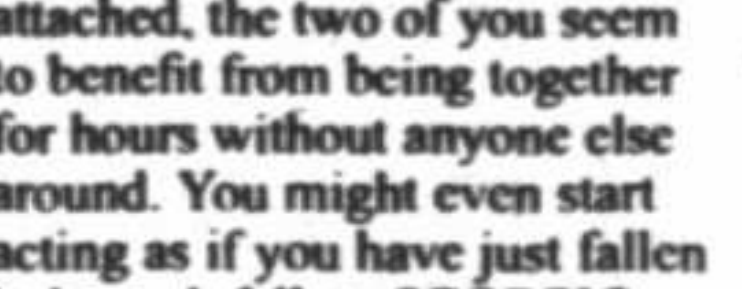
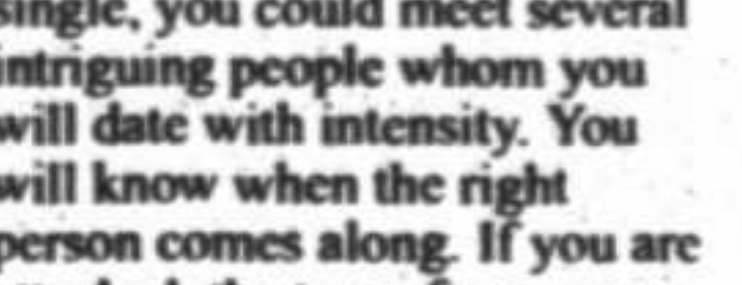
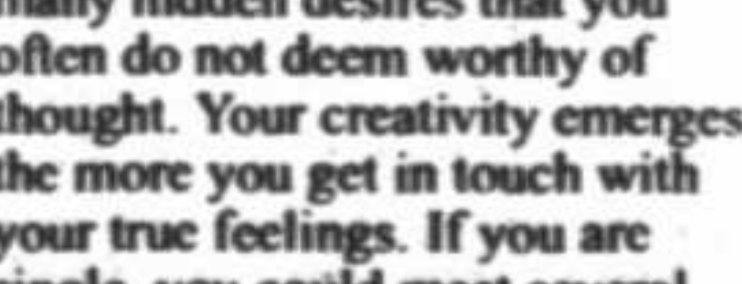
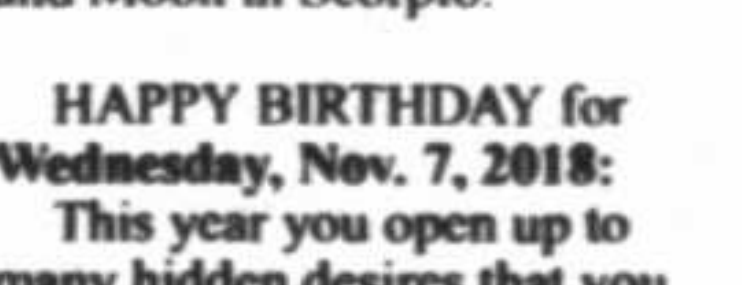
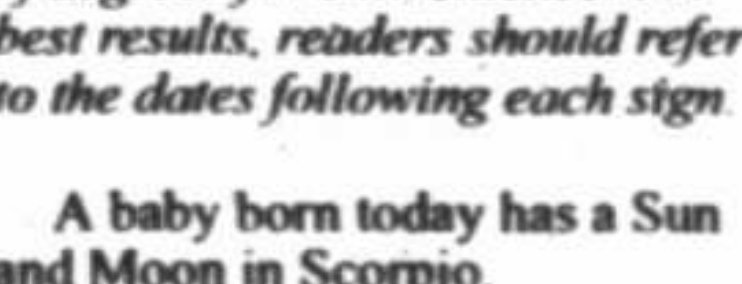
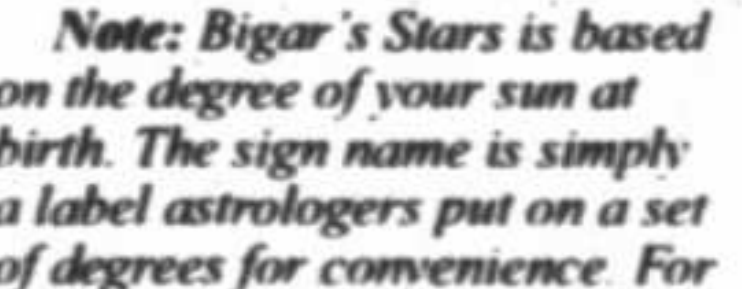
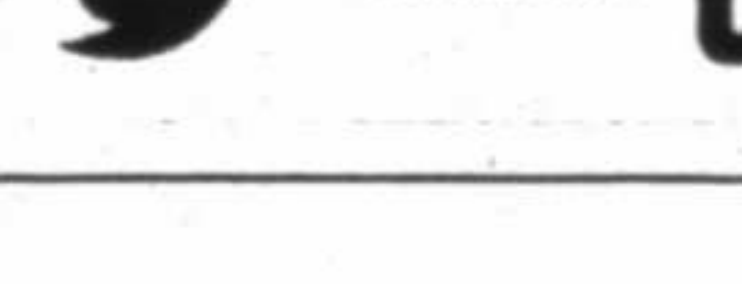
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Pick 3 day: 2-0-7

Pick 3 evening: 6-4-2

Because of an earlier deadline, the
night drawings were unavailable.

Stay
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Weather

Tuesday's temperatures

High.....80

Low.....53

Normal high.....70

Normal low.....43

Nov. 6's records

Record high: 90, set in

2017

Record low: 21, set in 1959

Precipitation

Monday.....0.00

Tuesday.....0.00

Month total.....0.00

Year total.....16.63 in.

Normal total

(year to date).....13.47 in.

Winds

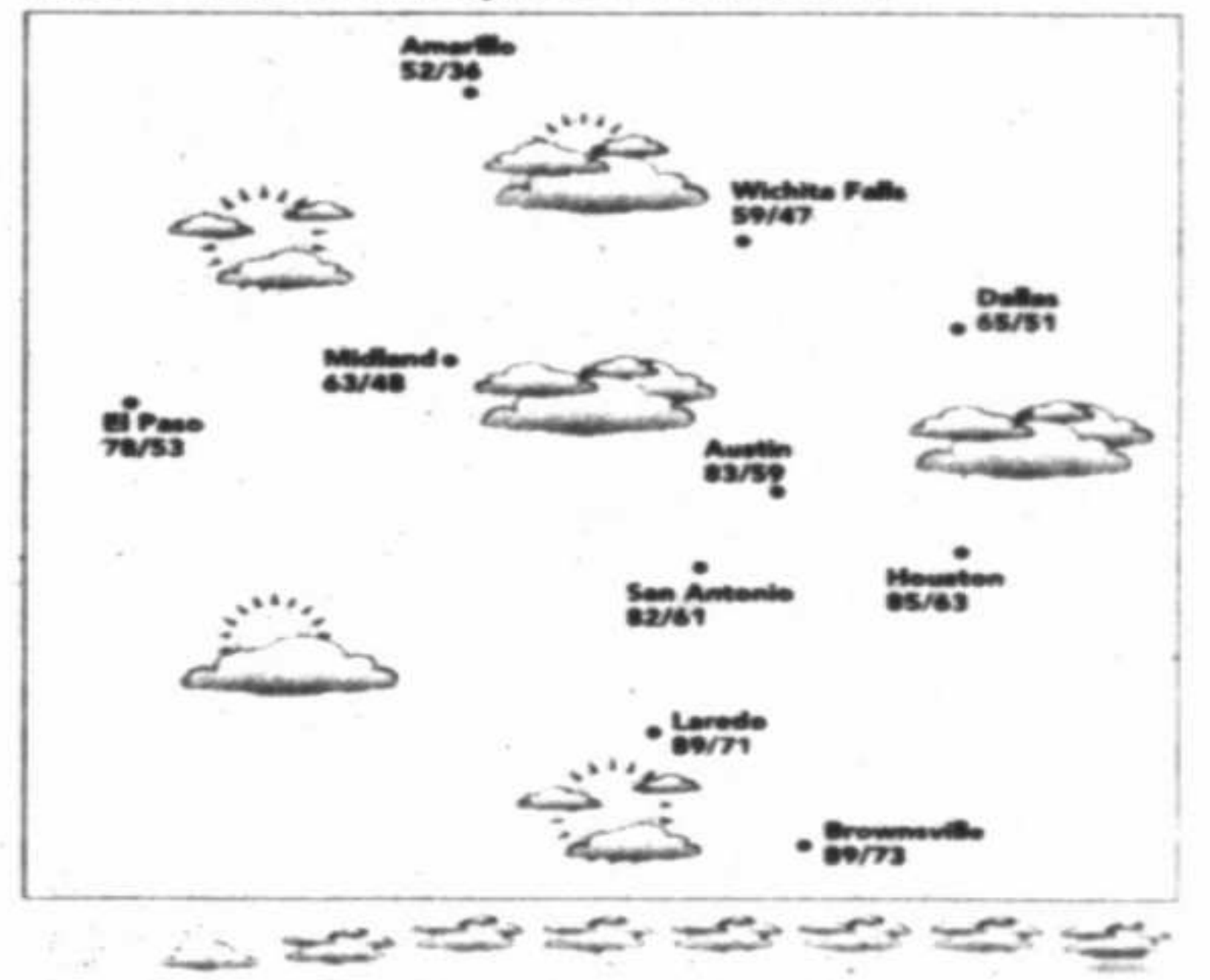
Average speed: 8.8 mph

Highest speed: 17 mph

Highest gust: 21 mph

Today's forecast

Forecast for Wednesday, November 7, 2018



High: 63

Low: 48

Conditions: Partly sunny

during the day/mostly

cloudy at night

Winds: 10-15 mph during

the day and night

Chance of rain: 20 percent

during at night

Sunrise.....7:10 a.m.

Sunset.....5:54 p.m.

Source: National Weather Service

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

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

A baby born today has a Sun
and Moon in Scorpio.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for

Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2018:

This year you open up to
many hidden desires that you
often do not deem worthy of
thought. Your creativity emerges
the more you get in touch with
your true feelings. If you are
single, you could meet several
intriguing people whom you
will date with intensity. You
will know when the right
person comes along. If you are
attached, the two of you seem to
benefit from being together for
hours without anyone else
around. You might even start
acting as if you have just fallen
in love. A fellow SCORPIO
expresses a similar intensity to
yours.

ARIES

(March 21-April 19)

★★ Deal with others

directly. You don't want to sell

yourself short. Listen to what is

being shared by someone who

seems very sure of the correct-

ness of his or her perceptions.

Understand that this person

might want to share his or

her deeper thoughts with you.

Tonight: Be a duo.

TAURUS

(April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Friendship inspires

you to take action or to push

yourself harder. A new begin-

ning becomes possible with a

new friendship. You might be

unsure about which direction

you should head in. Know

where you want to simplify your

life. Tonight: Say "yes" to an

exciting offer.

GEMINI

(May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Pace yourself. You
might believe your day to be
normal, only to find that the
unexpected occurs. Demonstrate
your ability to adjust and sur-
round what is relevant to you.
You might decide to handle
things differently as a result of
today's events. Tonight: Put
your feet up.

CANCER

(June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You have a tendency

to go overboard, and you have

difficulty reigning yourself in.

Look at a long-desired goal with

depth and caring. You can see a

loved one making an adjust-

ment. Know that this process

is not easy for this person.

Tonight: Act as if there is no

tomorrow.

LEO

(July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Stay anchored,

and remain focused on what

you want and on where you are

heading. You could be distracted

by another situation involv-

ing property and/or a domestic

matter. You cannot change

others, but your attitude might

transform as a result of trying.

Tonight: Happiest at home.

VIRGO

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Your instincts will

guide you through a difficult

talk, but only if you don't get

too tied up in who is right and

who is wrong. A close loved

one could prove to be an amaz-

ing inspiration. Reach out to this

person more often. Tonight:

Meet friends for some drinks

and munchies.

LIBRA

(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Love Where You Live

The Village at

Manor Park

1870 4th St. Midland, TX 79701

682-4500

www.villageatmanorpark.org

★★★★ might need a break
from the extremely hectic pace
you have been maintaining.
Be aware that making a money
decision right now would be
ill-advised. Make sure that you
and a friend see eye to eye on
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(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

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(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ You put on your best

face, even if you do not feel on

top of your game. You know the

power of positive thinking. On

the other hand, not processing

the negative thoughts that sur-

round you might be a mistake.

ELECTION ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

441st District Court

Jeff Robnett on Tuesday cruised past his opponent to win the 441st Judicial District Court seat. Robnett garnered 78.67 percent of the vote in his race against Democrat Sara Ruth Spector.

Robnett became the Republican nominee for district judge in March's primary election, garnering a majority of the vote in a four-person race.

In 2012, Robnett had an unsuccessful bid for judge of the 238th Judicial District Court. After Tuesday's win, he will take the reins from Judge Rodney W. Satterwhite, who has served on the bench for nearly a decade.

Robnett is a Midland High School graduate and highlighted his longtime ties to Midland during his campaign. He also focused on his three decades of experience in the legal field.

Comment after early voting results: "I think that the things that I had stressed were that I was knowledgeable and that I was prepared, that I have the proper demeanor and good character. I think those are the good ingredients for a good judge. I've got great examples of Midland district and county judges, and I've been here for so many years. My job is to follow those examples and to be a fine judge like they are."

Did you know? Robnett in 2014 was elected to the Midland ISD board of trustees and served District 4 for one term.

Voting results

Jeff Robnett	78.67 percent	31,379 votes
Sara Ruth Spector	21.33 percent	8,510 votes

MSD District 6

Rick Davis won another term as District 6's representative to the Midland ISD school board.

Davis distanced himself from Lauren Party and Austin beam, collecting 62.60 percent of the vote in the three-candidate race.

The Midland attorney has represented District 6 for a decade and has served as the board president since 2012. Recent accomplishments by the school board included the Lone Star Governance process and the superintendent search that brought Orlando Riddick to Midland.

What he said: "I'm excited to be given the opportunity to follow through on the exciting thing we have going on at Midland ISD. ... Next to working for my church, I can't imagine working on anything more important than working with public schools in Midland. I look forward to following through on things that have so many people so excited."

District 6 map: Includes Lee High School, Abell Junior High, Rusk Elementary, Scharbauer Elementary and Bush Elementary.

Voting results

With 20 of 20 precincts reporting		
Austin Beam	504	9.31
Rick Davis	3,388	62.60
Lauren Party	1,520	28.09

Railroad commissioner

Republican Christi Craddick has become the first Railroad commissioner in a decade to win re-election.

Craddick joins another former Midlander — Michael Williams — as the last two commissioners to win re-election after defeating Democrat Roman McAllen and Libertarian Mike Wright.

Craddick has been chair of the Railroad Commission of Texas, which oversees oil and gas operations in the state. Railroad commissioners serve for six-year terms. One has to go back to the mid-1990s to see the last time a railroad commissioner finished two full terms.

Did you know: Craddick is the only woman elected by the people of Texas to a statewide office (not counting judicial positions).

Voting results

(with 54.31 percent of the precincts reporting)		
Christi Craddick	3,019,919	52.74
Roman McAllen	2,559,771	44.71
Mike Wright	145,427	2.54

U.S. House

Midland's Mike Conaway had no problems winning an eighth term in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Conaway won his race for the Texas' 11th Congressional District, easily defeating Jennie Lou Leeder and Rhett Smith to represent 29 counties, which include Midland, Odessa and San Angelo.

Did you know? Conaway is the chair of the House Agriculture Committee.

Voting results

Mike Conaway	119,908	80.80
Jennie Lou Leeder	26,530	17.87
Rhett Smith	1,947	1.31

District 82

Midland's Tom Craddick ran away with the election for District 82 in the Texas House of Representatives. Craddick collected 81.71 percent of the vote (with 84 percent of the precincts reporting), burying Spencer Bounds, a Democrat who made the ballot but wasn't heard from on the campaign trail.

Craddick was first elected in 1968 and is completing his 50th year as a state representative. He is a former speaker of the Texas House, the first Republican speaker since Reconstruction. He also is the longest-serving legislator in the history of state government.

What does District 82 represent: Midland, Crane, Upton, Martin and Dawson counties.

Did you know: With the win, Craddick will be able to serve in his seventh different decade.

Voting results

(42 of 50 precincts reporting)		
Craddick	27,933	81.71
Bounds	6,250	18.28

Down-ballot Texas leaders on route to victory

Three Republican Texas incumbents seeking re-election — Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, Attorney General Ken Paxton and Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller — were initially neck and neck with their Democratic challengers Tuesday night but appeared to be pulling ahead as more results poured in. Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar and Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush were poised for larger victories over their Democratic challengers.

Patrick — whom some considered among the more vulnerable statewide Republicans — had led Democratic challenger Mike Collier by only a few percentage points, but the gap doubled to more than 6 percent with nearly one-third of precincts reporting. The gap also widened in the attorney general's race with Paxton — a Republican incumbent who has served most of his first term under criminal indictment for securities fraud — leading his Democratic opponent, Justin Nelson, by about 5 percent late Tuesday.



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Terry Johnson and Cindy Schrenkel react Tuesday evening as Mike McKinney looks at early voting results at a celebration party for Johnson winning Midland County judge.

JUDGE

From 1A

place on the ballot with Schafersman.

Johnson will take the seat of County Judge Mike Bradford, who decided not to run for a fourth term.

Focal points of Johnson's campaign included funding for the Midland County Sheriff's Office and local management of the Midland County Horseshoe complex. He also called for transparency and expressed a desire for voters to give input on major projects.

Comment after early voting results:

"This is an awesome experience. It's been a year-and-a-half process for me from the time I decided I wanted to do it until now. We've been through three campaigns because we had the primary, the runoff and now the general election. So I've done about all the campaigning I want to do for quite a while. I'm ready to jump in and start working for the folks of Midland."

Did you know? Johnson is founder of Show of Support, a nonprofit

that provides hunting experiences for wounded U.S. military service members.

Voting results

Terry Johnson	79.87 percent
Steven Schafersman	31,953 votes
	20.13 percent
	8,052 votes

CRUZ

From 1A

often drawing large crowds — even in fiercely conservative areas other Democrats had long since written off.

He raked in donations from across the country and even set a new record for Senate campaign fundraising by collecting more than \$38 million in the three-month period from July through September alone. All told, he raised a whopping amount — more than \$70 million.

Cruz had the support of outside groups but was still being outpaced 3-to-1 by the end of the race — a discrepancy he dismissed by saying the "hard left" was energized by outrage at Trump and "Texas will not be bought."

"It's the time for choosing. It's the time for action. We know that the hard-left right now, they're angry.

They're energized," Cruz said Monday. "They're filled with rage and hatred for the president. And that's dangerous."

For months, Cruz refused to entertain the notion that he'd lose, saying there are more Republicans in Texas than Democrats, so all he had to do to win was avoid conservative complacency. He also said O'Rourke's support for impeaching Trump, relaxing federal immigration policy, decriminalizing marijuana and implementing universal health care were too liberal for even many of the state's moderate Democrats and independents.

Still, the race laid bare that many Texas conservatives never forgave Cruz for clashing with Trump at the end of the 2016 presidential primary and for refusing to endorse him at the Republican National Convention in

Cleveland — a move many saw as putting personal ambitions over party. That's despite Cruz being one of the fiercest supporters of the president and the policies of the Republican-controlled Congress since then, despite getting to the Senate in 2012 as a tea party insurgent intent on enraging establishment leaders from both parties.

Cruz, 47, made no secret about wanting to run for president again once Trump leaves office. And though he was tested by O'Rourke, avoiding what would have been a monumental upset means that remains a possibility. O'Rourke himself had been mentioned as a possible 2020 White House contender — but that was dependent on him staying within striking distance of Cruz.

"My confidence is in the people of Texas," O'Rourke

told reporters on Monday night, moments before staging a raucous rally with Mariachi band at the University of Texas at El Paso, mere blocks from his home. "I think we have every indication, based on turnout so far, that we're going to have a very good day tomorrow."

O'Rourke's defeat also dashed Democrats' decades-long hopes of a booming Texas Hispanic population flipping the country's largest red state blue, potentially transforming the national electoral maps and all-but blocking a Republican path to the presidency. Cruz has for years warned that a Democratic Texas would mean his party would never again win the White House.

A Texas Democrat hasn't won any of the nearly 30 statewide offices since 1994, the country's longest losing streak.

COUNCIL

From 1A

lower the budget or bring other sources of revenue to the table that he claimed are out there for the city to take advantage of.

What Robnett said about re-election: He

talked about the city's work to leverage the taxpayer dollars that results in wins and the hope that it continues. He also said he's learned a great deal during his time on the council and looks forward to coming up with more solutions during this

time of growth. "(The win) validates what we have done the last three years and during my unexpired term. It is humbling to go through election process, and I am grateful for all the support." **Note:** The Reporter-Telegram was not able to reach Trost.

Voting results

Chase Gardaphe	7,316	22.35
Spencer Robnett	15,544	47.48
Michael Trost	9,878	30.17

KIRK

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been outspent by both her opponents, but she said her race was about giving people, especially the teachers and parents a voice. "They wanted someone who is real," she said.

For those thinking that one vote doesn't matter, meet Wolfmueller. He ran as the candidate who was most against the status quo of the district. His run to the runoff was different as he made up 46 votes on the final precinct box to beat out John Trischitti III by one vote.

The runoff is scheduled for Dec. 11.

What Kirk said about her win: "This is so awesome. I was told, 'Don't bother doing it; you won't make it,' so I am very excited. ... This is not about the bank account. It is about being heard and giving the people a voice. People wanted someone to stand up and say something. I was the

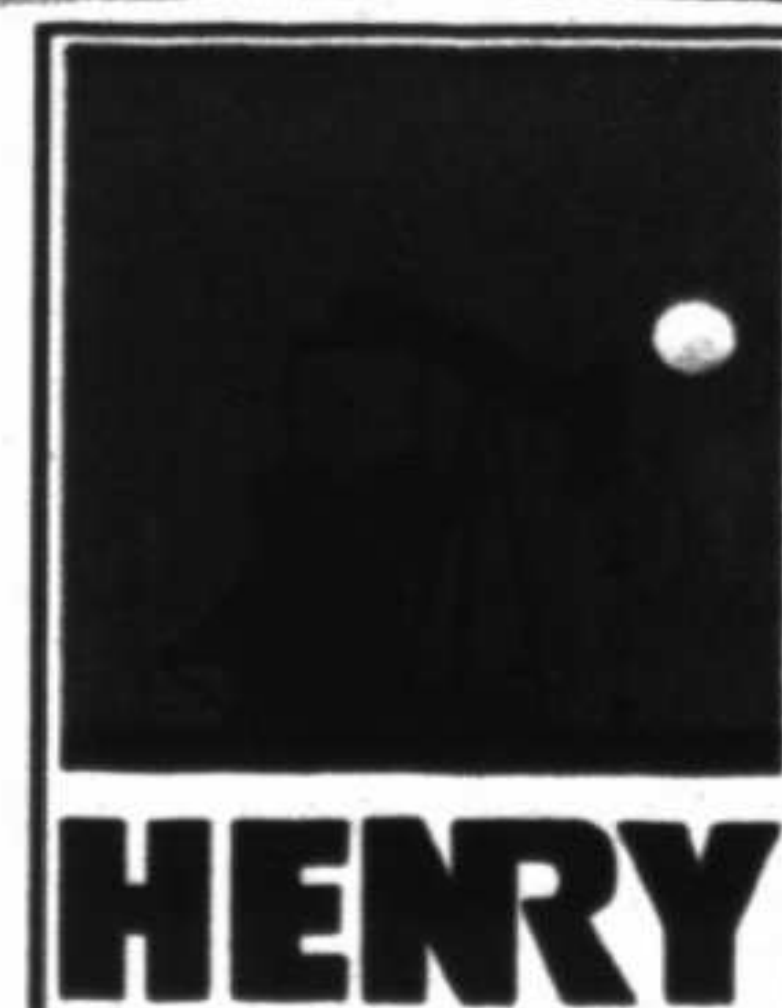
most vocal."

What Wolfmueller said about the comeback: "This is amazing. The people wanted change and they have spoken. If we have a runoff between Heidi and me, it will be about reform for both of us."

District 5: Covers an area of central to north Midland and includes Early College High School, Goddard Junior High, San Jacinto Junior High, Emerson Elementary and Santa Rita Elementary. Some prominent areas/developments include Midland College, Racquet Club, the heavy growth area east and west of State Highway 158, north of Loop 250 and Saddle Club and the Midland Polo Fields.

Voting results

Heidi Kirk	2,438	38.57
John Trischitti	1,941	30.71
Thomas Wolfmueller	1,942	30.72

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TEXAS GOVERNOR'S RACE

Abbott wins 2nd term in overlooked race

By Paul J. Weber
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Republican Gov. Greg Abbott won a second term Tuesday in one of Texas' most uneventful races for governor in decades, despite the headwinds of Democratic enthusiasm nationally and U.S. Senate challenger Beto O'Rourke awakening liberal voters at home.

Similar forces put the GOP's grip on governorships in Georgia, Florida and Wisconsin on the defense. But in Texas, Abbott's re-election was seldom in doubt against Democrat Lupe Valdez, a former sheriff who was running to become the state's first Latina and openly gay governor.

The lopsided victory was a reminder that Texas is still deeply Republican, even as O'Rourke gave Republican Sen. Ted Cruz the state's closest U.S. Senate race in a generation. Valdez never put together a serious statewide campaign, including never airing television ads, and she struggled to break even \$1 million in fundraising.

Abbott, 60, now follows Rick Perry and George W. Bush as Texas Republican governors who handily won re-election — and elevated their national ambitions in the process. Abbott, however, lacks the big Texas personas of those predecessors and

has built his name in other ways.

Last year, Abbott signed the toughest "sanctuary city" ban in the U.S. and was the only governor to push for a North Carolina-style bathroom bill targeting transgender people, two highly divisive issues that have spelled trouble for Republican officeholders elsewhere.

But in Texas, Abbott was being safely rewarded with four more years, which are likely to include more efforts to restrict abortions and immigration crackdowns.

But a bigger challenge awaits him after Tuesday. He is out to reassert his power after failing last year to mend bitter party infighting in the Republican-controlled Legislature, and lawmakers brushed off many of his policy demands after Abbott dragged them into a special session.

Abbott was also unsuccessful in driving out two of his biggest Republican critics this year after campaigning for their primary opponents.

He looked far more dominant in his own race. Valdez, 71, was a barrier-breaking candidate but even national Democratic groups never got behind her stumbling campaign. Among the issues Valdez faced was backlash from liberal Hispanic activists over her record of cooperating with federal immigration agents while she was Dallas County sheriff.

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Dems flip a string of GOP House seats

By Lisa Mascaro
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Democrats picked up at least 10 Republican-held House seats across the eastern half of the country in early returns Tuesday but fell short in a closely watched race in Kentucky as they fought to wrest control of the chamber from the GOP.

Democrats needed a net gain of 23 seats to break the Republicans' eight-year hold on the House and gain a check on President Donald Trump.

The Democratic gains included several suburban districts eyed for turnover because they were won by Hillary Clinton in 2016. In the Miami area, former Clinton administration Cabinet member Donna Shalala won an open seat, while GOP Rep. Carlos Curbelo lost his bid for a third term in another district.

In the suburbs outside the nation's capital, Virginia Rep. Barbara Comstock — among the most endangered GOP incumbents, branded Barbara "Trumpstock" by Democrats — lost to Jennifer Wexton, a prosecutor and state legislator. Wexton was among the record number of women running this year.

And in Kansas, Democrat Sharice Davids beat a GOP incumbent to become the first Native American and gay woman elected to the House.

But in Kentucky, one of the top Democratic recruits, retired Marine fighter pilot Amy McGrath, lost her bid to oust to three-term Rep. Andy Barr in the Lexington-area district.

Pennsylvania looked particularly daunting for Republicans after court-imposed redistricting and a rash of retirements put several seats in play. Democratic favorite Conor Lamb, who stunned Washington by winning a special election in the state, beat Republican Rep. Keith Rothfus in a new district. At least three other red districts flipped to blue.

As Election Day unfolded, Democrats were increasingly confident, predicting a House majority on the strength of voter

enthusiasm, robust fundraising and unusually fresh candidates.

Democratic control of the House would break the GOP's monopoly on power in Washington and would almost certainly bring an onslaught of investigations of Trump's businesses and his administration.

"I feel confident we will win," House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi said as the polls opened.

Midterm elections are typically difficult for the party in power, and GOP incumbents were on defense in races across the country. More women than ever were running, along with military veterans and minorities, many of them motivated by Trump's rise.

The campaign unfolded against a backdrop of jarring political imagery, heated rhetoric and angry debates on immigration, health care and the role of Congress in overseeing the president.

To stem Republican losses, Trump sprinted through mostly white regions of the country, interjecting dark and foreboding warnings about what Democratic power would mean for the nation.

The debate was dominated not by the GOP's \$1.5 trillion tax cuts but by Trump's dire prediction of "invasion" from the migrant caravan and what he called the "radical" agenda of speaker-in-waiting Pelosi.

GOP Whip Steve Scalise of Louisiana predicted his party would retain a slim majority, saying on election eve: "In the end, we hold the House because of the strong economy."

Health care and immigration were high on voters' minds as they cast

ballots, according to a wide-ranging survey of the American electorate conducted by AP. AP VoteCast also showed a majority of voters considered Trump a factor in their votes.

For Democrats, the road to the 218-seat majority ran through two dozen suburban districts Hillary Clinton won in 2016 and through swaths of Trump country in the Rust Belt and heartland where voters backed the president two years ago.

How women and independent voters cast their ballots was likely to determine the outcome.

Ballot counting could drag in tight races, leaving some races undecided long after Election Day.

Outside Richmond, one-time tea party favorite Rep. Dave Brat faced an unusually strong challenge from Democrat Abigail Spanberger, a former CIA operative motivated to run for office after the GOP vote to gut the Affordable Care Act. Like other Democrats across the country, Spanberger emphasized protecting people with pre-existing conditions from being denied coverage or charged more by insurers.

In a suburban battleground in Atlanta, Republican Rep. Karen Handel won a costly special election earlier this cycle but faced an upstart challenge from Lucy McBath, whose 17-year-old son was shot and killed at a gas station.

The GOP's hold on the majority was complicated by an unusually large number of retirements as well as persistent infighting between conservatives and centrists, with much of the conflict centered on the question of allegiance to Trump.



Rep. Marsha Blackburn, R-Tenn., speaks to supporters after she was declared the winner over former Gov. Phil Bredesen in their race for the U.S. Senate on Tuesday in Franklin, Tenn.

Mark Humphrey/AP

U.S. SENATE

GOP keeps Senate control for 2 more years in a triumph for Trump

By Alan Fram
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Republicans retained control of the Senate on Tuesday, ousting Democratic incumbents in Indiana and North Dakota and handing President Donald Trump a triumph by ensuring they will remain as guardians of his conservative agenda for two more years.

Despite Trump's deeply polarizing effect on voters, the GOP harnessed his rock-solid popularity with hard-right voters in rural, deep-red states. They held onto seats in the South, Midwest and West and ensured at least a 50-50 Senate — enough to give Republicans control because Vice President Mike Pence as president of the Senate would tip the balance to the GOP.

Republicans paved their path to victory by defeating Democrats Joe Donnelly of Indiana and Heidi Heitkamp of North Dakota. They also held on to competitive seats in Texas, where Sen. Ted Cruz fended off Rep. Beto O'Rourke, the well-financed liberal darling, and in Tennessee, where Rep. Marsha Blackburn prevailed.

The GOP Senate victory was magnified because Democrats stood a solid chance of wresting control of the House from Republicans.

That would give the Senate the role of blocking House-passed Democratic initiatives on everything from health care to the potential repeal of tax cuts on the wealthy that the GOP enacted last year.

It would also leave the Senate as the showcase for the GOP's goals of tax and spending cuts, trade, immigration restrictions, curbs on Obama's health care law and judicial nominations.

Republicans entered the night commanding the Senate only narrowly, 51-49. But a crucial piece of math was in their favor Tuesday: The Democrats and their two independent allies were defending 26 seats. Republicans just nine.

Blackburn, a conservative who is also an ardent Trump backer, defeated former Tennessee Gov. Phil Bredesen, 74. Bredesen had promised a bipartisan approach if elected and had won the endorsement of music star Taylor Swift.

Heitkamp lost to GOP Rep. Kevin Cramer, whom Trump persuaded to seek the Senate seat. Heitkamp was hurt late in her campaign by an ad that mistakenly named some women as victims of sexual abuse.

The night's news wasn't completely disastrous for Democrats.

Democratic Sen. Joe Manchin was re-elected in West Virginia, a state Trump captured by 42 percentage points in his 2016 election triumph. Democratic incumbents also prevailed in Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin, Midwestern states that Trump carried narrowly two years ago.

Overall, Democrats were defending seats in 10 states that Trump took in 2016, including five he won by at least a huge 19 percentage points. Trump prevailed in Indiana by 19 points.

Tuesday's midterm elections were among the most bitter in years.

Democrats' longshot prospects for

capturing a Senate majority were pinned on expectations that their supporters, roused by revulsion toward Trump, would surge to the polls. Fueling their intensity have been Trump's anti-immigration rhetoric and policies, his efforts to dismantle health care protections enacted under President Barack Obama and the #MeToo movement's fury over sexual harassment.

"Ever since President Trump has been in office, it has just been not the country that I am used to or that I thought I would be in," said Sarah Roth, 22, a Democratic voter from Minnetonka, Minnesota. "And so this really was my opportunity to help this country in changing who is making the decisions."

Democrats also had history on their side: 2002 was the only midterm election in the past three decades when the party holding the White House gained Senate seats.

Republicans were banking on those dynamics being offset by a vibrant economy and by a president whose insult-laden approach to political discourse was as stirring for conservative voters as it was infuriating to liberals.

Trump's racially tinged anti-immigrant rhetoric, while unpopular among college-educated urban and suburban voters, seemed helpful in deeply conservative areas.

"I believe he values immigration, but he wants to make sure we're safe," said Tina Newby of Wetland, Michigan, a GOP voter. "I like the fact that he is not a politician, and I forgive some of the socially incorrect or politically incorrect things that he says."

With so much at stake, Trump campaigned in over a dozen states with Senate elections since Labor Day, visiting some multiple times. He himself has characterized the election as a referendum on his presidency.

AP VoteCast, a national survey of the electorate conducted by The Associated Press, highlighted the effect Trump was having on voters. Nearly 4 in 10 said they were casting ballots to express opposition to him, while just 1 in 4 said their vote was an expression of support for the president.

In other results, Vermont independent Sen. Bernie Sanders and Democrats Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts, Kirsten Gillibrand of New York and Minnesota's Amy Klobuchar were easily re-elected. Along with Sherrod Brown, a pro-labor lawmaker re-elected in Ohio, the four are considered potential 2020 Democratic presidential hopefuls.

GOP hopes of gaining a seat from New Jersey were dashed when Democrat Sen. Bob Menendez won a third Senate term. Menendez won in the heavily Democratic state despite a federal bribery indictment that prosecutors dropped this year after a mistrial.

Also victorious was Republican Mitt Romney, the vanquished 2012 GOP presidential candidate who grabbed the Utah seat being vacated by the retiring GOP Sen. Orrin Hatch. Virginia Democrat Tim Kaine, his party's defeated 2016 vice presidential candidate, won re-election to the Senate.



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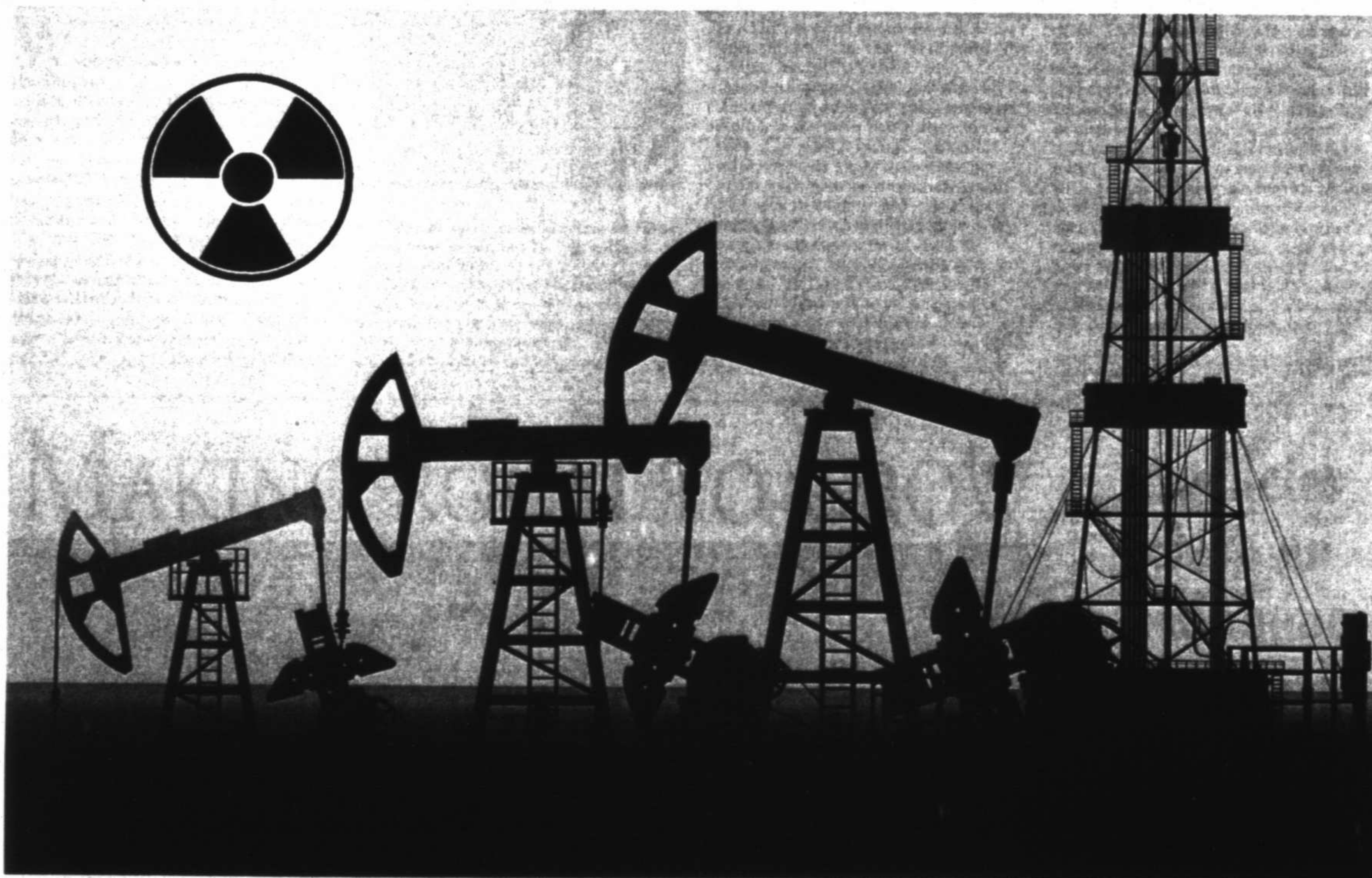
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It's time to get annual physical, enroll for health plan

With fewer than 60 days left in 2018, health care shoppers can maximize the benefits of their health plan.

First, it's a great time to see your primary care physician for your annual physical. Under the Affordable Care Act, one annual physical is 100 percent covered by your health insurance. Annual physicals allow your primary care physician to determine the general status of your health. This is a good time to update your doctor on any new aches, pains or symptoms so he or she may find a potential remedy or stave off any issues lurking in your future. If you don't have a primary care physician, you can call 221-DOCS, and the staff at Midland

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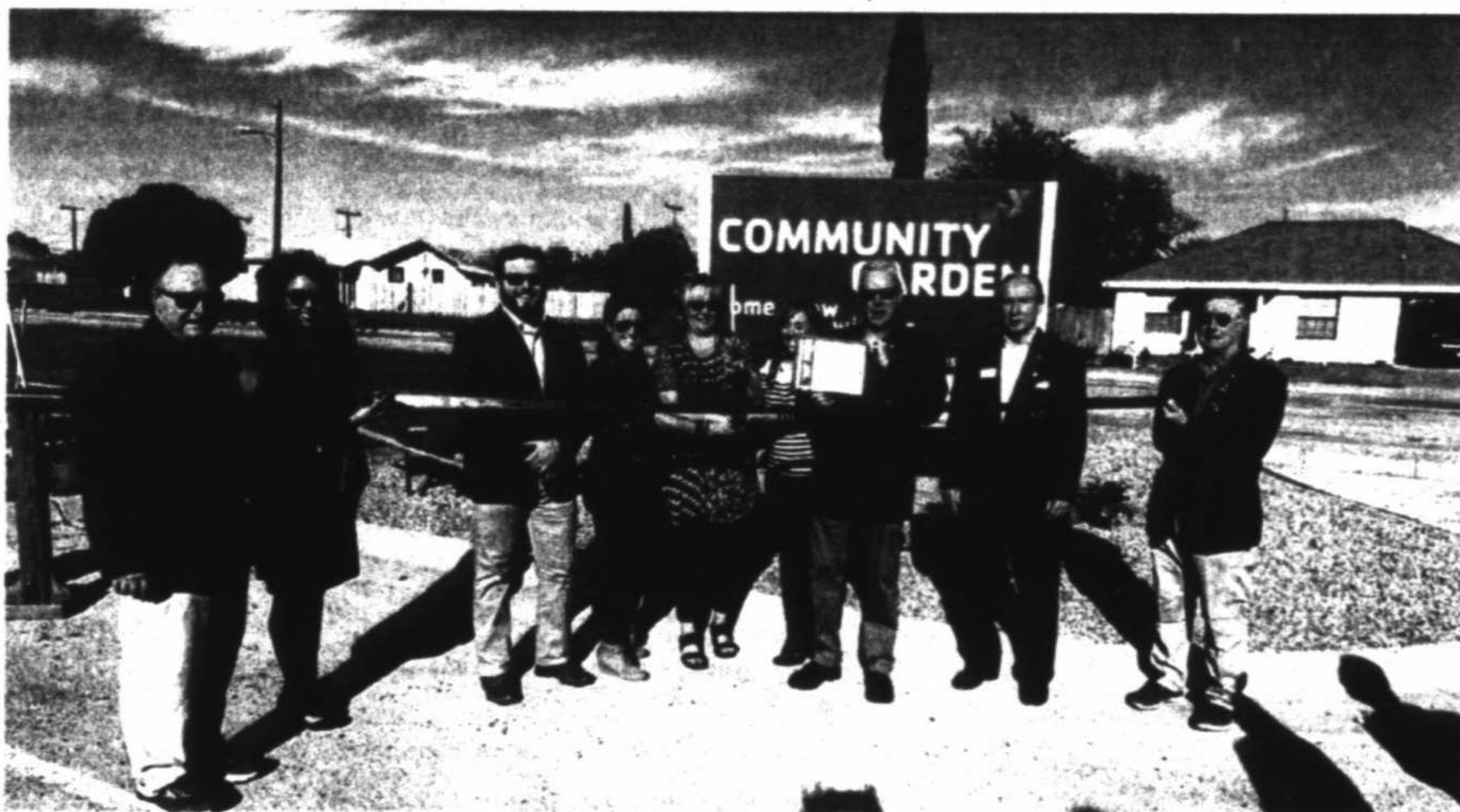
Many companies offer their benefit plans on a calendar-year basis and open enrollment for these benefits are in full swing. The growth in high-deductible health plans has made early planning critical so people can meet their health care needs throughout the year. If your company offers a high-deductible plan, be sure to maximize the amount of money you put into your health savings account. The dollars you save in your HSA will allow you to be prepared to meet those early year deductibles. The HSA savings is also sheltered from taxes up to an annual maximum of \$7,000 in

2019. This money belongs to you and can be carried over each year without penalty. Check with your company's human resources department because many companies provide a partial level of funding or a match plan for their employees.

If your company doesn't offer a high-deductible plan, there are other options such as the HSA that can provide tax-free savings for health care costs. Flexible Spending Accounts have been in use for many years and provide the same benefit as an HSA. These dollars can be used to pay health care costs, including dental and pharmacy expenses, as well as child and dependent care — all tax free.

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MAKING ROOM TO GROW



A ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Midland YMCA Community Garden was Monday afternoon. The garden is the official launch of the YMCA's healthy living community initiative, garden coordinator Jenna Waldschmidt said. On hand for the ceremony were Midland Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors (in blue jackets) and City Councilman Spencer Robnett, third from left; Waldschmidt; Christine Thomas, YMCA operating director; and Aimée St. Pierre, YMCA health and wellness director, fourth from right. Individuals or businesses can rent a plot for year. In addition to the raised garden bed, the gardener will receive soil, water, tools and access to classes. For more information, call 682-2551.

Courtesy photos



Agencies clash on cellphone cancer risk

By Luran Neergaard
and Seth Borenstein
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Two U.S. government agencies are giving conflicting interpretations of a safety study on cellphone radiation: One says it causes cancer in rats. The other says there's no reason for people to worry.

No new research was issued Thursday. Instead, the National Toxicology Program dialed up its concerns about a link to heart and brain cancer from a study of male rats that was made public last winter.

The Food and Drug Administration, which oversees cellphone safety, disagreed with the upgraded warning. And "these findings should not be applied to human cellphone usage," said Dr. Jeffrey Shuren, FDA's chief of radiological health.

What's most important is what happens in humans, not rats, said Dr. Otis Brawley, chief medical officer of the American Cancer Society.

"The incidence of brain tumors in human beings has been flat for the last 40 years," Brawley said. "That is the absolute most important scientific fact."

ORIGINAL STUDY

In a \$30 million study, scientists put rats and mice into special chambers and bombarded them with radiofrequency waves, like those emitted by older 2G and 3G phones, for nine hours a day for up to two years, most of their natural lives.

The levels the rodents experienced were far higher than people are typically exposed to.

FINDINGS

Last February, the National Toxicology Program said there was a small increase in an unusual type of heart tumor in male rats, but not in mice or female rats. The agency concluded there was "some evidence" of a link. Also, the February report cited "equivocal evidence" of brain tumors in the male rats.

Thursday, the agency upgraded its description of those findings. The heart tumor increase marked "clear evidence" of cancer in male rats, it announced. There is "some evidence" of brain cancer.

The change came after the agency asked outside experts to analyze the findings.

"We believe that the link

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Grandparents who parent can face problems

Being a mother and grandmother are two of my greatest accomplishments. The love and joy that I receive from my children and grandchildren is irreplaceable. I would give everything to make sure that they are healthy and safe. The reality is that today, more children are being raised by their grandparents because their parents are absent. This occurrence can be contributed to several problems within the family unit such as substance abuse, neglect, imprisonment, mental health issues, divorce, death and teenage pregnancy. These problems can lead to complex issues and outcomes for grandparents and their grandchildren.

Grandparents mostly interact with the grandchildren for play dates and vacations, not on a day-to-day basis. Therefore, raising a second or even third generation can bring rewards, including

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the fulfillment of giving your grandkids a sense of security, developing better relationships and keeping the family together and out of the foster care system. Nevertheless, no matter how much you love your grandchildren, taking them in requires major adjustments for everyone involved.

Raising a grandchild can also come with challenges. It is not easy for grandparents because they sometimes are

forced into taking on unexpected responsibilities. The grandparent may also feel grief, sadness and a sense of loss and disappointment that their child was not able to raise their own child. Some grandparents may have looked forward to retirement or already were retired. In some situations, the grandparent may have to return to work to assume the financial responsibility for the grandchildren. Grandparents in these situations experience higher levels of stress, resentment and are more likely to face mental health and economic problems. It is very important for grandparents to take care of themselves in order to care of their grandkids.

A healthy grandparent means healthy grandchildren. Grandparents should:

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Midland Health events

■ **Lifestyle Medicine** Center class: Eat to beat cancer, 4 p.m. Thursday and 6 p.m. Dec. 11, Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus, 221-5433; \$5 fee; to register, visit midlandhealth.org and click on classes & events.

■ **Advance Directives** 101, 6 p.m. Thursday, Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus, 221-5433; \$5 fee; to register, visit midlandhealth.org and click on classes & events.

■ **Caregivers Support Group** Open House, 11:30 a.m. Friday, Midland Memorial Hospital; Alisha Acosta, 221-4866, aacosta@midlandhealth.org.

■ **Breastfeeding Class**, noon Saturday, Monday, Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus; Amber Cunningham, 221-3283, childbirtheducation@midlandhealth.org; \$10 fee; to register, visit midlandhealth.org and click on classes & events.

■ **Babycare/Infant CPR**, 2:30 p.m. Saturday & 6 p.m. Monday, Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus; Amber Cunningham, 221-3283, childbirtheducation@midlandhealth.org; \$10 fee; to register, visit midlandhealth.org and click on classes & events.

■ **Lifestyle Medicine** Center class: Plant-based nutrition and diabetes, 6 p.m. Nov. 15, Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus, 221-5433; free, but registration is required; to register, visit midlandhealth.org and click on classes & events.

Weekly support groups & hotlines (subject to change)

■ **TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Christian Church of Midland, 2609 Neely Ave. 694-8643.

■ **Overeaters Anonymous**; 3 p.m. Sunday, 7 p.m. Tuesdays, St. Stephen's Catholic Church, 553-1031.

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

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

■ **PDAP meetings**: 7-8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays: Parents group and younger group (12-17), 1208 W. Wall St.; college group (18-26), 2503 W. Ohio Ave.; older group (27 and over), First Presbyterian Church 11:30-1:30 p.m. Wednesdays: older group, 1208 W. Wall St., includes lunch.

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous** — hotline 580-7868.

■ **Serenity Group**, 8 p.m. daily, 3101 N. "A" St., Building C; 685-3100.

710 Group, 7 a.m., noon and 8 p.m. Wednesdays, 710 Ohio Ave.; 682-8162.

■ **Alpha Omega**, 8 p.m. Tuesdays and 11 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays, 311 S. Pecos St.

■ **12-Step Group of Alcoholics Anonymous**, 7 p.m. Tuesdays, 10 a.m. Saturdays, Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road, Bldg. A, 553-7220.

■ **Al-Anon** (support group for family members of alcoholics), Serenity Group 3101 N. "A" St. Bldg. C, noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 8 p.m. Monday and Wednesday.

■ **Narcotics Anonymous** — hotline 582-2926.

■ **Laundry Group**, 8 p.m. daily and noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 104 N. Marshall St.

■ **Xodus Group**, 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays, PDAP, 1208 W. Wall St., 634-7609.

■ **CODA Group**, 12-step program for relationships, 7 p.m. Fridays and Sundays, Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road, Bldg. A, 599-4490.

■ **La Hacienda Alumni**, support group for former patients, 7 p.m. Thursdays, Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road, Bldg. A, 553-7220.

COM Aquatics

COM Aquatics, 3003 N. "A" St., offers weekly paddle board classes.

The schedule is: Hit the Wave, 7:15 p.m. Monday, 5:15 a.m. Tuesday and Saturday, 6:45 p.m. Thursday and 10:15 a.m. Saturday; and Cardio Wave is 11:05 a.m. Thursday.

Members of COM Water Aerobics Program can reserve a board at any time; non-members can reserve a board two hours before class. (For early-morning classes, call the night before.) To reserve a board, call 684-7755, extension 101.

Finding a doctor

Access to a primary care provider is one mission of Midland Health. Residents who need help finding a physician or setting up an appointment can call 221-3627 (221-DOCS).

Hope Chest

Hope Chest is a program that provides support for women during their pregnancy and after their baby is born.

Hope Chest allows mothers and mothers-to-be to earn necessities such as diapers, wipes, clothing and car seats through a point system.

Points are earned by attending prenatal appointments and childbirth classes, and once the baby is born, moms continue to earn points at pediatrician visits until the child turns 2.

The program office is at Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus. For more information or to enroll in the program, call 221-

1150. To make a monetary donation or donate brand new baby items to Hope Chest, call the March of Dimes office at 416-7310.

MMH payment options

Midland Memorial Hospital recognizes that our community is facing challenging financial times. Resources are tight and families are having to make important decisions about what to spend money on now and what has to wait.

Realizing health care can be expensive and the increasing deductibles make it hard to manage, the hospital has adjusted its payment procedures. We want to make sure you receive the care you need, when you need it. To find out about the new options now offered to better accommodate your payment needs, call 221-4705.

Source: Midland Memorial Hospital

How sick are you?

Midland Memorial Hospital offers a nurse triage program "68-NURSE." The program is designed to help people determine whether their health situation warrants a trip to the emergency room. Midland residents can call the line by dialing 686-8773.

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

Help line for long-term or disabled care

The Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services has a toll-free number residents can call to obtain information on services for the disabled or long-term care.

For more information, call 855-937-2372.

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Obituaries



Elizabeth Ann Jackson

Elizabeth Ann Jackson, 81, of Midland, Texas passed away on November 5, 2018. Visitation will be from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 7, 2018 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory. A graveside service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, November 8, 2018 at Fairview Cemetery.

Pall bearers will be Andrew Hobbs, Billy Rodriguez, Frank Rodriguez, Tim Edwards, Jeff Edwards, Nick Edwards, Corbin Drennan, Clay Jackson, and Pat Jackson. Elizabeth was born on December 18, 1936 in Ironton, Missouri to Bruce and Myrene Wallace. She enjoyed spending time with her kids and enjoyed watching her grandkids participate in various activities. She also enjoyed traveling and quilting. Her warm heart would light up a room and she will be missed greatly by her family and friends.

Elizabeth is survived by daughters Kathie Cash of San Antonio, Texas, Sandy and Sergio Rivera of Midland, Texas, Cindy and Carl Edwards of Rowlett, Texas, Katie and Rick Drennan of Robert Lee, Texas; sons Chris Jackson of Midland, Texas, Mike and Marsha Jackson of Midland, Texas; fifteen grandchildren; 22 great grandchildren, 1 great

great grandchild; sisters MaryLu Pollette and Helen Lee Coleman; and brothers Bill Wallace and David Wallace. She is preceded in death by her husband Billy Jackson; parents Bruce and Myrene Wallace; brothers Jim Wallace and Bruce O. Wallace, Jr.

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

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Franklin A. Farrow

Franklin A. Farrow, 76, passed away peacefully on Friday, November 2, 2018 at his home, surrounded by his family. Born May 6, 1942 in Borger, Texas to Stafford and Gladys Farrow. He survived by his wife, Virginia Farrow, of 55 years and his two children, Coby Farrow (wife Tracy Farrow) and Sallie Thompson (husband Macy Thompson) along with three grandchildren, Caden Farrow, Cacy Thompson and Tyson Thompson.

He was a faithful member of Cornerstone Christian Fellowship. A true servant of the Lord through missions such as Teen Challenge, Kairos Prison Ministry, and in Uganda.

He was proceeding in death by parents Stafford and Gladys Farrow, brother

James Farrow, sister Beverly Schnaubert, sister Winna St. Clair and grand daughter Bailey Mae Farrow.

Celebration of Life will be at Cornerstone Christian Fellowship, 901 N. Midland Drive, on Friday, November 9, 2018 at 1:00 pm.

Donations can be made to: Teen Challenge of Midland, 6901 SCR 1200, Midland, TX 79706.

Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas, Midland, TX. 79701. KAIROS Prison Ministry.

A special thanks to the caregivers of Hospice of Midland for the gentle love and support along with extended friends and family.

Death Notices

Martina Rivera

Martina Rivera, 69, of Midland, Texas passed away on Thursday, November 1, 2018 surrounded by her family. A viewing will be held from 8:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 8, 2018 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, November 9, 2018 at True-Lite Christian Fellowship with burial to follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens. She is survived by her children, Lorenzo Ruiz, Marybel Gardea, Marisol Losolla and Marylou Leyva.

Ronnie Griggs

Ronnie Griggs, 63, of Midland passed away November 5, 2018 in Midland, Texas. He was born January 7, 1955 in Midland. He is survived by 2 sisters, Gail Spence and Phyllis Burdett.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 10, 2018, at Resthaven Memorial Park, Midland, Texas. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

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Currently, FSAs are limited to \$2,650 per year, per employer, and \$500 may be carried over each year.

If you do not have access to health benefits through your employer, consider enrolling in the health insurance exchange. There are subsidies available to assist with premiums based on household income. While many of these plans have high deductibles, you can set up an HSA with plans on the exchange and these can help cover out-of-

pocket costs.

If the health insurance exchange isn't an option for you, consider all the other options available such as Medicare, Medicaid or some other third-party coverage. Midland Health works with a third party to assist qualifying individuals in our community. We make the process as simple as possible and there is no cost to you for this service. Midland Health also offers financial assistance to low-income individuals who qualify under our policy. You can visit the Financial Assistance Department at

200 Andrews Highway or call 221-5257 to find out how you may qualify.

If you've already met your deductible this year and have been putting off a test or procedure, now is the time to act. Most importantly for you, your family, neighbors and co-workers, get your flu shot. These are available at your doctor's office and many other locations throughout Midland.

Stephen Bowerman is senior vice president and chief financial officer of Midland Health.

CELLPHONES

From 1B

between radiofrequency radiation and tumors in male rats is real, and the external experts agreed," said John Bucher, the toxicology agency's senior scientist.

While his agency said the risks to rats don't directly apply to people, the study raises safety questions.

DISAGREEMENT

The FDA immediately disagreed, firing off a press release assuring Americans that "decades of research and hundreds of studies" has made the health agency confident that the current safety limits for cellphone radiation protect the public health.

Plus, FDA pointed out confusing findings from the rodent study — such as that the radiated rats lived longer than comparison rats that weren't exposed to the rays. The toxicology agency said it appeared that the radiofrequency energy helped older rats' kidneys.

There's a reason two different government agencies are clashing — they're asking different questions, said George Washington University public health

professor George Gray.

A former science chief for the Environmental Protection Agency, Gray said the toxicology program examined how cellphone radiation affected animals. By looking at what it means for humans, the FDA "brings in more sources of information and data than just these recent tests in rats and mice," he said in an email.

ARE CELLPHONES SAFE?

"I'm calling you from my cellphone," the cancer society's Brawley said.

He pointed out one well-known risk from cellphones: Car crashes when drivers are distracted by them.

As for cancer, if people are concerned, they could use earphones or speakers, he said.

Those who study risk aren't hanging up. "My family and I won't change our mobile phone habits based on this news," said George Washington's Gray, co-author of the book "Risk: A Practical Guide for Deciding What's Really Safe and What's Really Dangerous in the World Around You."

PRIDE

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■ eat nutritious meals.
■ exercise regularly.
■ practice relaxation techniques.

■ find a support group and

■ reach out in your community for child care assistance

Children who are being raised by their grandparents also will experience the positive and negative effects of the transition from their parents to grandparents. When children are processing the loss of regular contact with their parents, the

move is more difficult. It will take some time for the adjustment, and their behavior can be challenging and unpredictable, especially if the child or children suffered from abuse. Some children may resent being separated from their parent and want to return even if their environment was abusive. The grandparents should know that this is normal and is not a personal attack. No matter their behavior, your grandchildren need your comfort and support and the focus should be on maintaining a secure

and stable environment. Grandparents should always encourage open and honest communication with their grandchildren and should:

■ never manipulate facts.
■ schedule regular times to talk.
■ encourage communication about good and bad feelings and
■ allow young children to communicate through play.

Thank you to all the grandparents who step in to help.

He led a diamond, and East was forced to win and exit with a diamond to prevent an overtrick. Nicely played!

Gun injuries send 8,000 kids to ER each year

By Lindsey Tanner
Associated Press

Gun injuries, including many from assaults, sent 75,000 U.S. children and teens to emergency rooms over nine years at a cost of almost \$3 billion, a first-of-its-kind study found.

Researchers called it the first nationally representative study on ER visits for gun injuries among U.S. kids. They found that more than one-third of the wounded children were hospitalized, and 6 percent died. Injuries declined during most of the 2006-14 study, but there was an upswing in the final year.

The researchers found that 11 of every 100,000 children and teens treated in U.S. emergency rooms have gun-related injuries. That amounts to about 8,300 kids each year.

The scope of the problem is broader though; the study doesn't include kids killed or injured by gunshots who never made it to the hospital, nor does it count costs for gunshot patients after they're sent home.

"I don't know what more we need to see in the world to be able to come together and tackle this problem," said Dr. Faiz Gani, the lead author and a researcher at Johns Hopkins University medical school.

The study is an analysis of estimates on emergency department visits in a national database created by the U.S. government's

■ ANALYSIS

Agency on Healthcare Research and Quality.

The researchers focused on victims under age 18; the average age was about 15.

Almost half the gun injuries were from assaults, nearly 40 percent were unintentional, and 2 percent were suicides. There were five times more ER visits for boys than for girls.

Pediatric ER visits for gun injuries fell from a rate of 15 per 100,000 in 2006 to about 7 per 100,000 in 2013, then jumped to 10 per 100,000 in 2014, the most recent data.

University funding paid for the analysis, published Monday in JAMA Pediatrics.

The findings highlight that gun violence involving kids extends beyond mass shootings that gain the most attention, said Dr. Robert Sege, co-author of an American Academy of Pediatrics gun injuries policy.

"It's extraordinarily sad because these children grow up in fear and it affects their ability to feel safe and comfortable at home or in school. It has an enormous ripple effect on child development," said Sege, a Tufts University professor of medicine who was not involved in the research.

Pressure from the gun lobby has limited U.S. government funding for research on gun injuries and death, and that has led to big gaps in understanding the scope of the



In this Jan. 26, 2013, photo, handguns are displayed on a vendor's table at an annual gun show in Albany, N.Y. In a study looking at data from 2006-14, serious gun injuries including many from assaults sent 75,000 U.S. children and teens to emergency rooms over the nine years. Results were released Oct. 29.

problem, said Dr. Denise Dowd, an ER physician at Children's Mercy hospital in Kansas City.

"It's really important that we have an idea of the magnitude of life lost and injured and how much money we are spending ... so we can prioritize it as a

national health concern."

But she said much more needs to be known for prevention.

"We need national surveillance systems just like we do with motor vehicle deaths, to track these injuries and figure out the circumstances," she said.

AP file photo

Pediatricians say spanking can cause long-term harm to kids

By Lindsey Tanner
Associated Press

The nation's leading pediatricians' group has strengthened its advice against spanking and other physical punishment because of the potential for long-term harm.

In an updated policy released Monday, the American Academy of Pediatrics says that can include aggression, brain changes, substance abuse and suicidal behavior in adulthood.

The academy says research since its 1998 discipline policy led to the update. It says spanking is falling out of favor among parents, especially those with young children. While some parents still believe it can lead to short-term improvements in behavior, studies show spanking is no more effective than non-physical punishment, including timeouts, setting firm limits and establishing unwanted consequences.

The group also suggests putting away favorite toys or reducing screen time.

"Although many children who were spanked become happy, healthy adults, current evidence suggests that spanking is not necessary and may result in long-term harm," the academy advises.

Studies published in the past two decades have bolstered evidence that spanking can make young kids more aggressive and defiant.

Other studies have linked physical punishment in childhood with later brain changes in young adults including reduced gray matter and elevated levels of stress hormones. Suicidal behavior, substance abuse and anger are among other potential long-term consequences of spanking, studies have suggested.

The academy also warns against harsh verbal abuse including shaming kids, citing research linking it with depression and behavior problems in teens.

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Dallas emerges as hub for health care staffing, services

The Dallas area has its share of big players in health care, including UT Southwestern, Baylor Scott & White, Texas Health Resources and Tenet Healthcare.

But the region also has become an emerging hub for health care services, led by a staffing sector that provides a growing share of nurses, physicians and even interim executives.

Last year, AMN Healthcare Services, the industry's biggest staffing company, opened a second headquarters in Dallas. It has big growth plans for both its corporate office and the providers that treat patients in hospitals, clinics and physicians' offices.

"This is a perfect place to build your business," said CEO Susan Salka, who moved from San Diego and created a joint HQ in the Cypress Waters development in North Dallas.

She cited "the fantastic labor market," the ease of recruiting people to North Texas and a "progressive health care environment." The two airports and frequent flight service also make it easier for AMN executives to visit offices, clients and customers around the country.

AMN, which has many brands in staffing, recruiting and consulting, has over 700 corporate employees in Dallas -- along with many clinicians working in local facilities. Salka said the pace of growth is ramping up.

"We're hiring right now," she said.

MITCHELL SCHNURMAN
Dallas Morning News



Another major staffing company, EmCare, was founded in Dallas in 1972. It's a leading provider of emergency room doctors with over 25,000 clinicians nationwide, said a spokeswoman for parent company Envision Physician Services.

Last year, Envision handled 15.9 million ER visits, primarily with staffers from EmCare, she said.

Based on revenue, AMN has about 10 percent of the health care temp market, according to Staffing Industry Analysts, which tracks the industry. It's also the largest travel nurse firm and provider of allied health professionals, which include therapists, technicians and others.

Late Wednesday, AMN reported third-quarter earnings and the stock price rose sharply the next day. For the nine months ended in September, AMN revenue and gross profit each rose 9 percent compared with a year ago. Revenue is expected to top \$2.1 billion for the full year.

These are good times for staffing companies, thanks to a strong economy and tight labor market. AMN's market value was almost \$2.8 billion on Thursday, over five times

higher than in mid-2014. In the past year, the stock price climbed 42 percent.

For many years, hiring in health care has been stronger than in the overall workplace. The aging of the baby boom generation is leading more people to get care -- and driving more health care workers into retirement.

In Dallas-Fort Worth, over 450,000 people work in fields related to health care, according to the Dallas Regional Chamber. The biggest share are in hospitals and ambulatory health services, which include outpatient clinics, doctors' offices and home health firms.

From 2014 to 2018, jobs in ambulatory services grew almost 17% in D-FW, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. That growth was faster than in hospitals and the total market, up 12 and 13 percent, respectively.

Patients are being pushed to lower-cost health options, such as primary care doctors, urgent care centers and the like. Consolidation also contributed to slower job growth.

In the past year, hospitals in D-FW boosted employment by just 1 percent, well below increases in past years, BLS data

shows.

In the early stages of a recovery, it's easier for employers to handle growing demand. But with unemployment near record lows, companies are struggling to hold on to employees. Many workers feel emboldened to make a change and that often leads to a staffing service, AMN's Salka said.

"For some people, it's very empowering to say, 'I don't have to be in one place on a permanent basis,'" she said. "Many also want more flexible arrangements. So our supply (of workers) goes up during strong economic times."

The number of health care workers who quit their jobs rose to a historic high in August, Salka told analysts in a call last week. Hospitals and others have only so many options, especially with retirements on the rise.

Last year, 27 percent of nurses said they planned to retire in less than a year, according to an AMN survey. Almost three-quarters of baby-boomer nurses said they would retire within three years.

With the aging population needing more care, clinical workforce shortages will get worse, AMN's chief clinical officer wrote in a blog post.

From 2016 to 2026, health care is projected to add over 4 million jobs, more than any industry. Many occupations will grow by double-digit percentages, including physician assistants and nurse practitioners. Median

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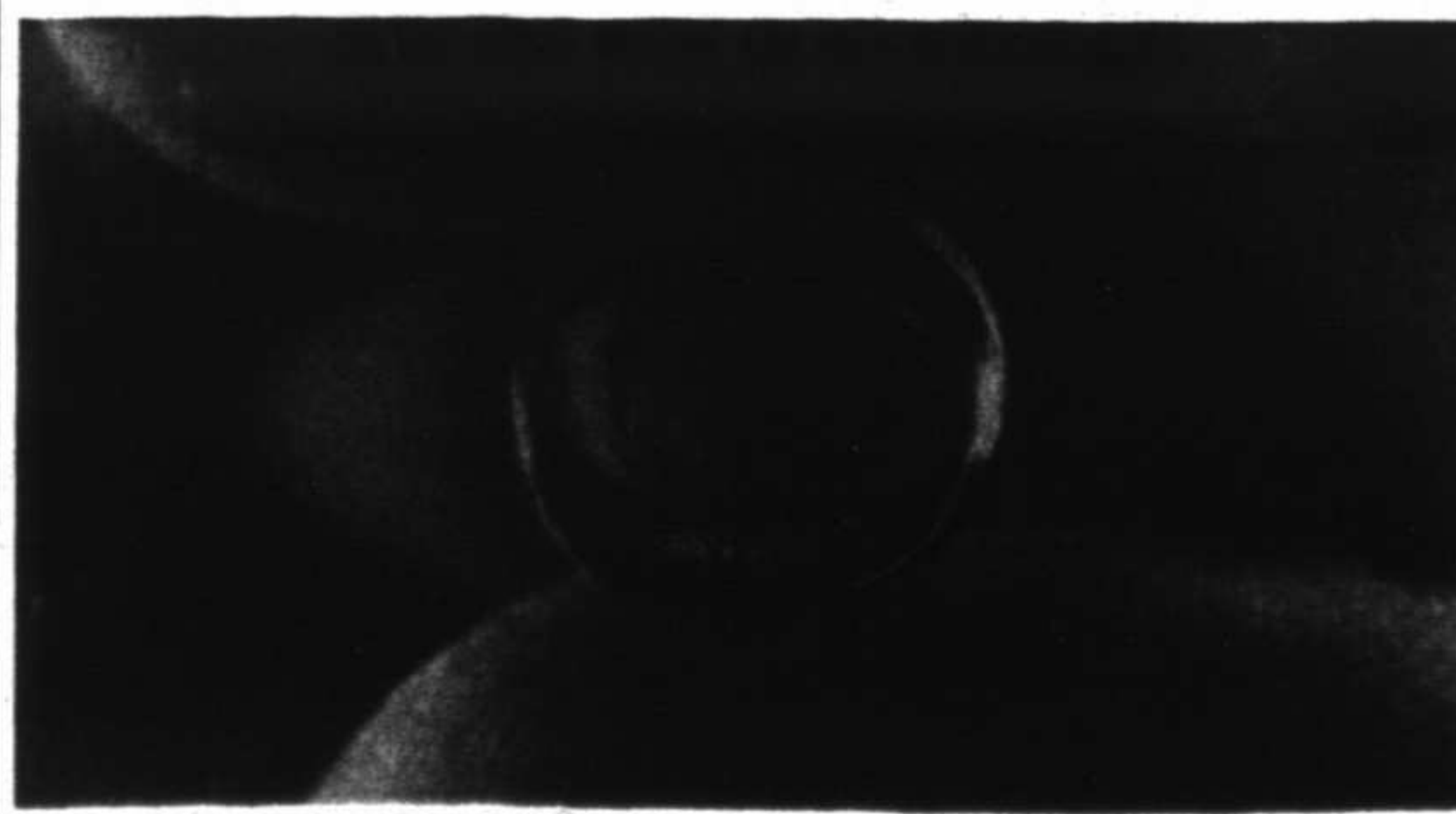
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Appendix removal is linked to lower risk of Parkinson's

By Lauran Neergaard
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Scientists have found a new clue that Parkinson's disease may get its start not in the brain but in the gut — maybe in the appendix.

People who had their appendix removed early in life had a lower risk of getting the tremor-inducing brain disease decades later, researchers reported last week.

A peek at surgically removed appendix tissue shows this tiny organ, often considered useless, seems to be a storage depot for an abnormal protein — one that, if it somehow makes its way into the brain, becomes a hallmark of Parkinson's.

The big surprise, according to studies published Oct. 31 in the journal *Science Translational Medicine*, is that lots of people may harbor clumps of that worrisome protein in their appendix — young and old, people with healthy brains and those with Parkinson's.

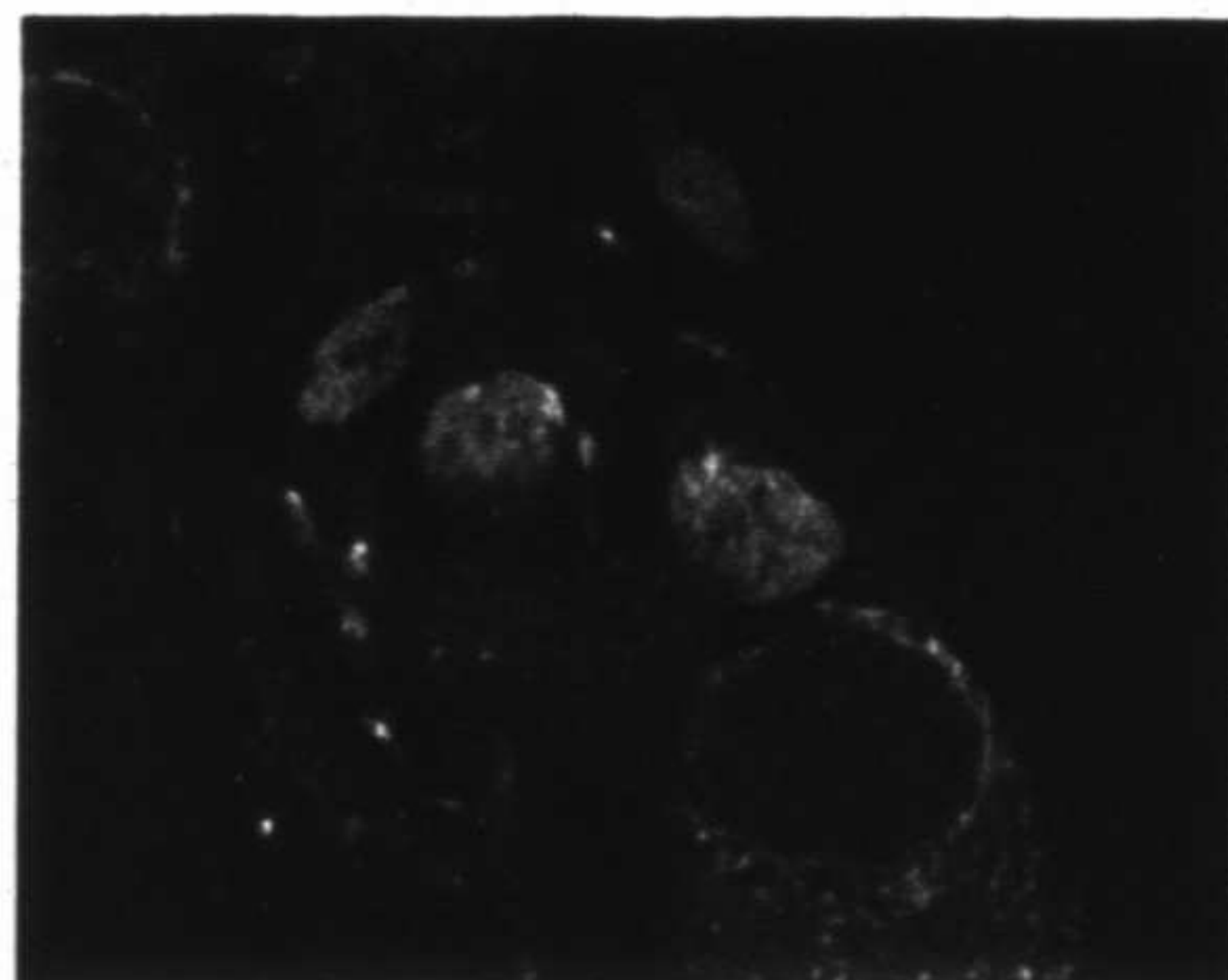
But don't look for a surgeon just yet.

"We're not saying to go out and get an appendectomy," said Viviane Labrie of Michigan's Van Andel Research Institute, a neuroscientist and geneticist who led the research team.

After all, there are plenty of people who don't have their appendix yet still develop Parkinson's. And plenty of others harbor the culprit protein but never get sick, according to her research.

Gut connection

Doctors and patients have long known there's some connection between the gastrointestinal tract and Parkinson's. Constipation and other GI troubles are very common years before patients experience tremors



Van Andel Research Institute via AP

This microscope image provided by the Van Andel Research Institute in October shows an abnormal protein that is a hallmark of Parkinson's disease clumped inside the appendix. New research suggests Parkinson's, a brain disease, may get its start in the gut — specifically, the appendix.

and movement difficulty that lead to a Parkinson's diagnosis.

The recent research promises to re-energize work to find out why, and learn who's really at risk.

"This is a great piece of the puzzle. It's a fundamental clue," said Dr. Allison Willis, a Parkinson's specialist at the University of Pennsylvania who wasn't involved in the new studies but says her patients regularly ask about the gut link.

Parkinson's Foundation chief scientific officer James Beck, who also wasn't involved, agreed that "there's a lot of tantalizing potential connections."

He noted that despite its reputation, the appendix appears to play a role in immunity that may influence gut inflammation. The type of bacteria that live in the gut also may affect Parkinson's.

But if it really is common to harbor that Parkinson's-linked protein, "what we don't know is what starts it, what gets this whole ball rolling," Beck said.

For years, scientists have hypothesized about what might cause the gut-Parkinson's connection.

One main theory: Maybe bad "alpha-synuclein" protein can travel from nerve fibers in the GI tract up the vagus nerve, which connects the body's major organs to the brain. Abnormal alpha-synuclein is toxic to brain cells involved with movement.

There have been previous clues. People who decades ago had the vagus nerve cut as part of a now-abandoned therapy had a reduced risk of Parkinson's. Some smaller studies have suggested appendectomies, too, might be protective — but the results were conflicting.

Labrie's team set out to find stronger evidence.

First, the researchers analyzed Sweden's huge national health database, examining medical records of nearly 1.7 million people tracked since 1964. The risk of developing Parkinson's was 19 percent lower among those who had their appendix surgically removed decades earlier.

One puzzling caveat: People living in rural areas appeared to get the benefit. Labrie said it's possible that the appendix plays a role in

environmental risk factors for Parkinson's, such as pesticide exposure.

Further analysis suggested people who developed Parkinson's despite an early-in-life appendectomy tended to have symptoms appear a few years later than similarly aged patients.

Common protein

That kind of study doesn't prove that removing the appendix is what reduces the risk, cautioned Dr. Andrew Feigin, executive director of the Parkinson's Institute at NYU Langone Health, who wasn't involved in the research.

So next, Labrie's team examined appendix tissue from 48 Parkinson's-free people. In 46 of them, the appendix harbored the abnormal Parkinson's-linked protein. So did some Parkinson's patients. Whether the appendix was inflamed or not also didn't matter.

That's a crucial finding because it means merely harboring the protein in the gut isn't enough to trigger Parkinson's, Labrie said. There has to be another step that makes it dangerous only for certain people.

"The difference we think is how you manage this pathology," she said — how the body handles the buildup.

Her team plans additional studies to try to tell.

The reservoir finding is compelling, Feigin said, but another key question is if the abnormal protein also collects in healthy people's intestines.

And Penn's Willis adds another caution: There are other unrelated risks for Parkinson's disease, such as suffering a traumatic brain injury.

"This could be one of many avenues that lead to Parkinson's disease, but it's a very exciting one," she said.

Former 'wish kid' now a wish-granter for critically ill youth

By Pam Kragen
San Diego Union-Tribune

Eighteen months ago, Sana Moezzi was granted her wish by the Make-A-Wish Foundation of San Diego.

Barely six weeks after her lymphatic cancer was declared in remission, the Carlsbad, California, teenager and six family members and friends spent an all-expenses-paid weekend at the 2017 Coachella Valley Music & Arts Festival.

Now, she's paying that gift forward.

The 19-year-old college sophomore is the youngest of Make-A-Wish San Diego's 125 wish-granters, who volunteer year-round to make the dreams of critically ill children, come true.

So far, Moezzi has helped grant two wishes and she has two more in the works. One of her biggest roles on the wish-granting team is to provide emotional support for the wish kids and their families.

Chris Sichel, president and CEO of Make-A-Wish San Diego, said Moezzi is a survivor with a big heart for others.

"What she brings that no one else can is to be able to sit across from them and say 'you've got this,'" Sichel said. "These are young families, they're so overwhelmed with everything it's like drinking from a fire hose. They need to know there's some light out there."

In honor of National Philanthropy Day, Moezzi has been named the 2018 Outstanding Youth/Student Volunteer by the San Diego chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

She was nominated for the award by Make-A-Wish and the American Red Cross of San Diego. Besides her volunteer work with Make-A-Wish, Moezzi is also the founder and president of the American Red Cross chapter at her college, the University of San Diego.

"I've always been a positive person, but after going through my treatment, my outlook completely changed because I was able to see things from the perspective of others," Moezzi said. "There are so many people going through different things. I have to give that smile to others."

In November 2016, Moezzi was a busy senior at Carlsbad High. She was juggling three advanced placement classes, running two service clubs on campus, playing violin with the San Diego Civic Youth Orchestra, working at a pizzeria and rushing to meet the filing deadline for a mountain of college applications.

Then one evening she came home from work and her mother spotted a lump on her right shoulder near the base of her neck. After a biopsy at Rady Children's Hospital in San Diego, Moezzi was diagnosed with stage two Hodgkin's lymphoma on Nov. 15, 2016.

"It was devastating, both the fear of the unknown and seeing my parents so upset. It hurt my heart," she said.

Over the next four months, Moezzi underwent four rounds of chemotherapy and a month of radiation treatments. She lost her hair, struggled with blackouts and severe nerve pain and her immune system became so compromised she couldn't return to school.

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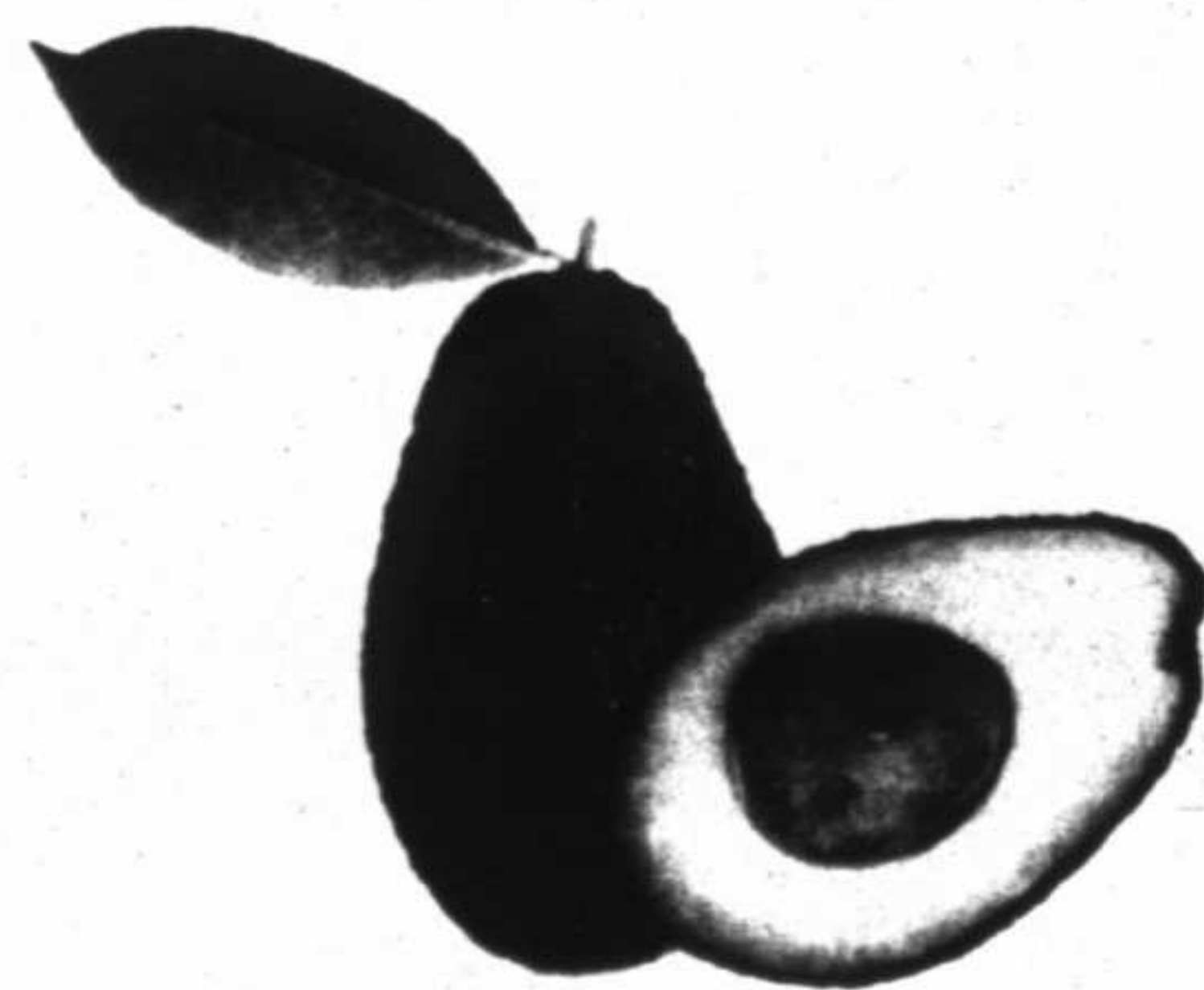


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SPORTS

Midland Christian comes off of bye week looking for a win on page 4C

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Lee falls to No. 6 EP Coronado

From staff reports

ARTESIA, N.M. — The Lee volleyball team couldn't overcome a slow start during a 25-17, 25-22, 28-26 loss to No. 6-ranked El Paso Coronado in Tuesday's Class 6A regional quarterfinal playoff at the Bulldog Pit. The defeat snapped the Lady Rebels' 12-match winning streak and put an end to Lee's deepest playoff run in 19 years.

"We showed up a little bit late to the party," Lee head coach Robert Blakley said. "We didn't get rolling."

Blakley said the Lady Rebels (30-11) struggled in the first set with their passing, which is uncharacteristic of them.

Blakley said Lee played better in the



Blakley

second and third sets after putting some scoring strings together and passing better.

"In the third, we passed and served a little better which allowed us to be a little more competitive against them," Blakley said.

The Thunderbirds (35-6) advanced to the regional semifinal and will meet Flower Mound at 8 p.m. Friday in Haltom City. Flower Mound upset No. 1-ranked Trophy Club Nelson, 3-2, Tuesday.

"Credit to Coronado, they played flawlessly," Blakley said.

For Lee, Yali Flores had a team-high 11 kills, Emily Hillman notched seven digs, Kelsey Harrington had six blocks and setter Allie Gomez tallied 13 assists.

The Lady Rebels, who were adept at serving all season, had only one ace as a team.

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AREA FOOTBALL NOTEBOOK

Greenwood finally get bye after unbeaten district season

By Oscar LeRoy
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The Greenwood football team is getting a well-deserved break.

For 10 straight weeks, the Rangers grinded, overcame



Sanderson

injuries and survived tests along the way to an undefeated District 1-4A Division II season.

Now Greenwood (8-2, 6-0) looks to get some much-needed rest before it embarks for what it hopes to be a long playoff run in two weeks.

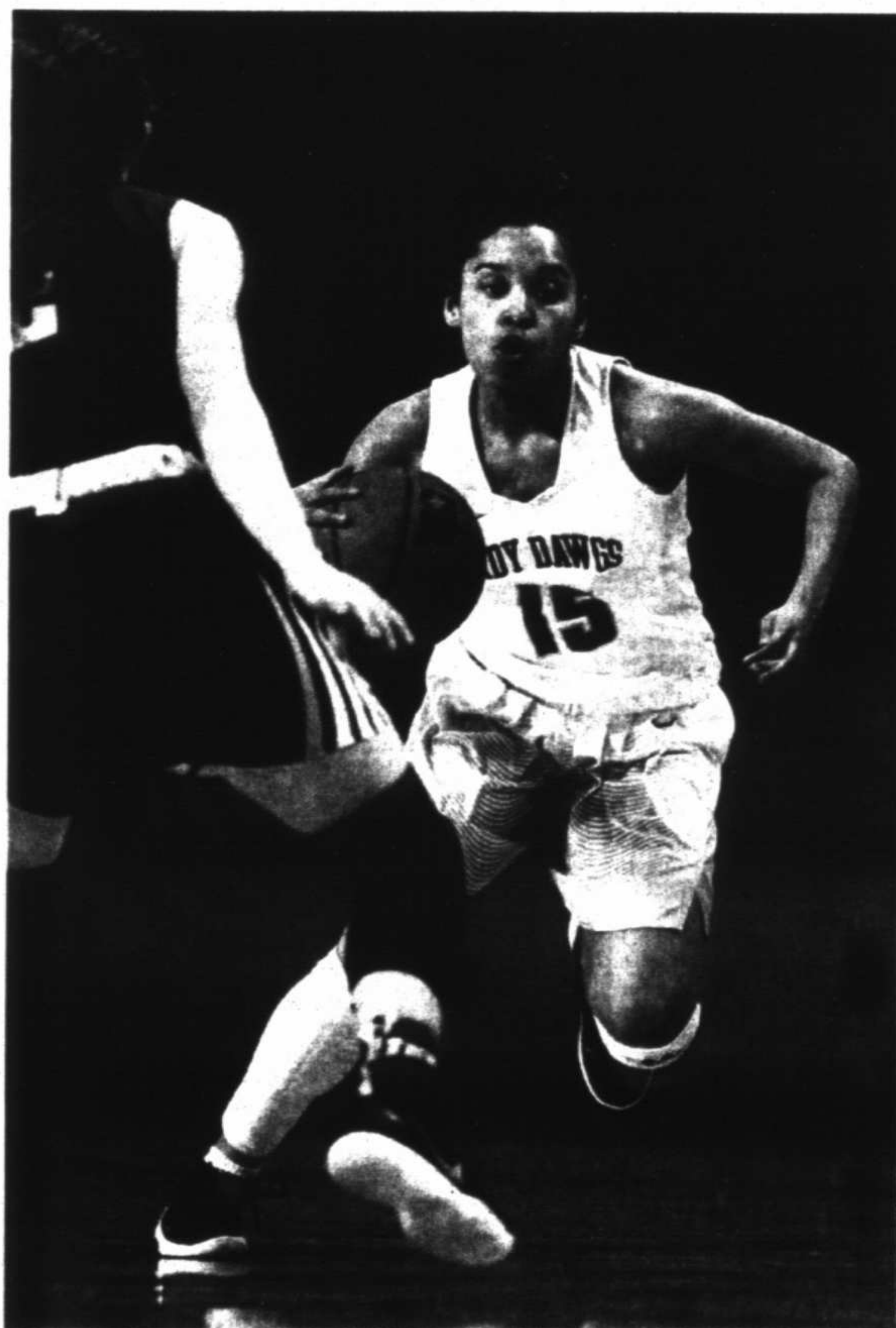
The Rangers completed their regular season and the undefeated district season with a hard-fought 30-21 victory at Monahans,

which broke a personal nine-game losing streak to the Lobos.

"It left a better taste in our mouths going into this off week with a win, that's for sure," Greenwood coach Jared Sanderson said. "We had to fight through adversity and the kids responded well. Monahans is a good football

Please see NOTEBOOK/4C

Taking charge on the court



Left: Midland High's Sadie Govan (15) dribbles against Lee's Karigan Edwards (2) on Feb. 2 at Chaparral Center. Right: Lee's Braydyn Hill (10) dribbles against Frenship's Cassandra Awatt (12) in the Class 6A regional quarterfinal Feb. 20 at Follis Gym in Lamesa.



Photos by James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Govan brings toughness to the court for Lady Dawgs

By Christopher Hadorn
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Senior guard Sadie Govan embodies what the Midland High girls basketball team does best: Play tough in your face defense.

Govan and the Lady Bulldogs aren't flushed with height or size, but the group more than makes up for it with speed, quickness and relentless pressure.

"We don't have the height but I believe that we have the speed," Govan said. "We have the great mentality that we are going out and defend whoever we need to."

Govan is the defensive leader of an MHS squad that is younger this season, but plays with high energy according to head coach Wes Torres. Govan sets the tone for the younger players with her hustle and unyielding pressure.

"She just plays so hard," Torres said of Govan. "She is a tenacious defender."

Govan led the Lady Bulldogs to a 22-14 record and a postseason berth last season after a one-year hiatus from the playoffs. The 5-foot-3 guard helped MHS establish an identity early in the season for playing suffocating defense and the Lady Dawgs carried the momentum into District 2-6A play, finishing third at 6-4.

With Govan, it starts with a strong belief in her abilities. She likes to be pitted against the opposing team's best offensive player.

"I really like that challenge because that gives me an opportunity to just get better at just playing defense," Govan said. "I know if they are a good guard and

there's a guard as good as them, I know I can hold them too."

Last season Govan suffered an injury scare in the second district game at Odessa Permian. Govan dislocated her elbow, but she first feared it might be much worse.

"I remember me being in the ambulance, I was thinking like what if there's broken bones, like I'm not going to be playing anymore," Govan said. "When they told me it was just dislocated, I was relieved. A week later I was ready to come back. I was trying to shoot with it and get it going again. I remember when we played against Lee the second time, I was on the bench and I was fired up. I was ready to play. I was telling the freshman coach that 'I was going to jump out of the jungle and just go out and score and play my game like nothing ever happened.'"

Since last season, Torres has seen Govan grow as a player in both the summer and fall. College programs have shown interest in the Lady Bulldog senior, which has ignited a fire in Govan. Torres says Govan is driven and more motivated to succeed than ever.

"But what's even better about her is she's just a great kid," Torres said. "A great kid. Her mother Angelica is an awesome lady and she has done a great job raising her kids and Sadie is just a product of a great home environment. She's just a mom doing what she has to do to take care of her girls and her son. She's a great kid. One that I like to be around just even outside of the game."

Govan says her mother Angelica is her

Please see GOVAN/4C

Veteran Hill looks to lead Lady Rebels this year

By Christopher Hadorn
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Lee point guard Braydyn Hill is as battle tested as they come.

The four-year letterman has 94 career varsity basketball games under her belt, and has been a part of playoff runs that have gone four and three rounds deep.

Hill will be counted on for her experience and leadership on a Lady Rebels' team that has only two other returning lettermen and that will be suiting up three freshmen this year. It's quite the change for Hill considering she remembers being the freshman on the 2015-16 district title team like it was only yesterday.

"I still feel like a little kid when I see my older sisters like (2015-16 veterans Kyra Lewis, Zion Niblett)," Hill said. "I still feel like the baby, the freshman of the team. I can't be like that anymore."

In 2017-18, Hill guided Lee to a 19-16 record and a trip to the Class 6A regional quarterfinals with her on-ball defense and ability to drive to the hoop. The well-rounded guard posted averages of 11.6 points, 5.1 rebounds, 5.1 assists and 2.8 steals, while earning All-District 2-6A first team honors. Lady Rebels head coach Alfred Acosta has seen Hill evolve.

"She has definitely embraced the leadership role," Acosta said. "She has actually been behind some great leaders that have come throughout this program. She has learned from a lot of great ones and now it's her turn. She is a senior. She is a four-year letterman. We are definitely leaning on her and the girls, they do a phenomenal

job of responding to her."

Like a true leader, Hill has faith and confidence in her green teammates. She sees the positive in their inexperience. Hill says the youngsters are well aware of Lee's winning tradition, which includes eight consecutive trips to the playoffs.

"I like the new faces because that means nobody really knows about them and they don't know how much talent they actually have," Hill said. "They know that we like to win and they have to live up to it and own it. That has to be a part of their identity as well."

The 5-foot-4 senior realizes she can't do it all by herself. Hill, who has a true point guard mentality, knows that her younger teammates need to contribute for the Lady Rebels to win.

"I just have to be more aware of what to do on the court and how to get my teammates more involved because it's different every year," Hill said.

Acosta says Hill's point guard mentality goes beyond the basketball court.

"The big thing about Braydyn, which is something that you love, she's the typical point guard," Acosta said. "She wants to get everybody involved. She's not a scorer-first minded person. She is going to create some attention and get other kids involved and that is a great thing for us. Just not necessarily in the game, but off the court, she does a phenomenal job of making sure girls are productive not only in the classroom, but doing the right thing outside of these walls. I'm very excited about her."

Please see HILL/4C

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FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

Bull Riding PBR World Finals, 9 p.m., CBSN	Association San Antonio at Miami, 6:30 p.m., FSSWSA
College Basketball Ohio State at Cincinnati, 5 p.m., ESPN2	Philadelphia at Indiana, 7 p.m., ESPN, ESPNDEP
Bethune-Cookman at DePaul, 6:30 p.m., FS1	Dallas at Utah, 8 p.m., FSSW
Cal State Bakersfield at TCU, 8 p.m., FSSW+	Minnesota at LA Lakers, 9:30 p.m., ESPN, ESPNDEP
College Football	National Hockey League
Ohio at Miami (OH), 6 p.m., ESPN2	Pittsburgh at Washington, 6:30 p.m., NBCSN
Toledo at Northern Illinois, 7 p.m., ESPN2	Nashville at Colorado, 9 p.m., NBCSN
Golf	Snowboarding
LPGA: Blue Bay, 2nd Round, 9 p.m., GOLF	World Cup: Big Air, 8 a.m., OLYHD
PGA: Nedbank Golf Challenge, 1st Round, 2 a.m., GOLF	Tennis
Men's Soccer	USTA Women's Pro Circuit
UEFA Champions: Valencia CF vs. BSC Young Boys, 11:55 a.m., UniMas, UDN	Las Vegas, Noon, TENNIS
UEFA Champions: PFC CSKA Moscow vs. AS Roma, 11:55 a.m., TNT, GALA	USTA Women's Pro Circuit
UEFA Champions: Juventus FC vs. Manchester United, 2 p.m., TNT, UNIV, UDN	Las Vegas, 7 p.m., TENNIS
UEFA Champions: FC Viktoria Plzeň vs. Real Madrid, 2 p.m., UniMas	Women's College Volleyball
UEFA Champions: Manchester City vs. FC Shakhtar Donetsk, 2 p.m., GALA	Oklahoma at Texas Tech, 6 p.m., FSSW+, FCSA
CONMEBOL Sudamericana: Atletico Paranaense vs. Fluminense FC, 5:30 p.m., FXDEP	Ole Miss at LSU, 6 p.m., SEC
National Basketball	Nebraska at Iowa, 7 p.m., BTN
	Kansas State at Texas, 7 p.m., LHN
	Iowa State at Baylor, 7 p.m., FCSP
	RADIO
	National Basketball Association
	San Antonio at Miami, 6:30 p.m., KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)
	Dallas at Utah, 8 p.m., KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)

WHAT'S ON DECK

JC Men's Basketball

Sunrise Christian Academy at Midland College, 7 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL	Dallas Mavericks from Tucson (AHL)
American League	CHICAGO BLACK HAWKS — Fired coach Joel Quenneville and assistant coaches Kevin Dineen and Ulf Samuelsson. Named Jeremy Colliton coach and Barry Smith assistant coach.
National League	DALLAS STARS — Assigned G Colton Point and F Tony Camerone from Texas (AHL) to Toledo (ECHL).
DETROIT RED WINGS — Recalled C Christopher Ekin from Grand Rapids (AHL) to Detroit (ECHL).	
EDMONTON OILERS — Assigned G Stuart Skinner from Bakersfield (AHL) to Wichita (ECHL).	
WINNIPEG JETS — Assigned G Michael Berdin from Manitoba (AHL) to Jacksonville (ECHL).	
AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE	BAKERSFIELD CONDORS — Recalled F John McFarland from Wichita (ECHL).
CLEVELAND MONSTERS — Assigned F Dan DeSilva and F Nikita Korostelev to Jacksonville (ECHL).	
GRAND RAPIDS GRIFINS — Assigned D Trevor Hamilton to Toledo (ECHL).	
RECALLED C Trevor Velez from Toledo. Named Ashley Cordine director of digital marketing and Paige Stryker digital media production manager.	
SPRINGFIELD THUNDERBOLTS — Assigned G Chris DiDier to Manchester (ECHL).	
ECNL	ALLEN AMERICANS — Signed F Adam Miller.
BRAMPTON BEAST — Loaned D Jonathan Racine to Belleville (AHL).	
SOCCER	Major League Soccer
NEW MEXICO UNITED — Signed F Devon Sandover, G Corey Wood, Mi Juan Gutierrez and Todd Solor and De Joshua Sogge and Austin Yearwood.	
COLLEGE	WOFFORD — Fired women's lacrosse coach Carl Miller.

NBA GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE	Pacific Division
Atlanta Division	Golden State 10 1 200 5
Boston 10 1 200 5	LA Clippers 6 4 200 3
Brooklyn 6 5 245 4	Sacramento 6 4 200 3
Philadelphia 6 5 245 4	LA Lakers 4 6 200 3
Phoenix 3 8 273 7	Portland 2 7 222 7
Central Division	Western Conference
Charlotte 5 5 200 5	San Antonio 6 3 200 5
Memphis 4 5 244 4	Milwaukee 4 5 244 4
Orlando 4 6 200 3	Houston 4 5 244 4
Atlanta 3 8 273 7	New Orleans 4 6 200 3
Washington 2 7 222 7	Dallas 2 7 222 7
Southwest Division	Northwest Division
Minnesota 8 1 200 5	Denver 7 3 200 5
Indiana 7 4 200 3	Portland 7 3 200 5
Detroit 4 6 200 3	Oklahoma City 5 4 200 3
Chicago 3 8 273 7	Utah 4 6 200 3
Cleveland 1 9 100 7	

NHL GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE	Pacific Division
Atlantic Division	Calgary 15 9 5 1 19 32 50
Montreal 14 10 3 1 21 30 38	Vancouver 15 9 5 1 19 32 50
Toronto 14 10 3 1 21 30 38	Edmonton 14 9 5 1 17 42 41
Ottawa 14 10 3 1 21 30 38	San Jose 14 7 4 3 17 46 43
Buffalo 14 10 3 1 21 30 38	Arizona 15 6 3 3 15 37 42
Florida 14 10 3 1 21 30 38	Los Angeles 14 6 7 1 13 33 39
Metropolitan Division	Stanley's Games
N.Y. Islanders 14 8 4 2 18 45 34	Stanley 2, Dallas 1, OT
Pittsburgh 13 8 4 2 18 45 34	Stanley 4, N.Y. Islanders 3, SO
Washington 13 8 4 2 18 45 34	Washington 4, Edmonton 2
Columbus 14 7 6 1 15 48 51	Philadelphia 5, Arizona 2
Carolina 14 7 6 1 15 48 51	Stanley's Games
New Jersey 12 6 5 1 13 39 36	Columbus 4, Dallas 1
N.Y. Rangers 14 6 7 1 13 39 36	Toronto 3, Vegas 1
Central Division	N.Y. Rangers 5, Montreal 3
St. Louis 13 8 4 2 18 45 34	New Jersey at Ottawa, into Vancouver at Detroit, into
Minnesota 13 8 4 2 18 45 34	Edmonton at Tampa Bay, into
Dallas 14 8 5 1 17 41 38	Carolina at St. Louis, into
Winnipeg 14 8 5 1 17 41 38	Minnesota at San Jose, into
Colorado 14 7 4 3 17 52 40	Arizona at Los Angeles, into
Chicago 15 6 3 3 15 48 50	Pittsburgh at Washington, 6:30 p.m.
St. Louis 12 6 5 3 11 42 47	Nashville at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Pacific Division	Calgary at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Nov. 8	At Fantasy Springs Resort Casino, Indio, Calif. (ESPN2), Nemo Macias vs. Jesus Soto Karam, 10, junior middleweights; Manny Ramirez II vs. Jose Gonzalez, 10, featherweights.
Nov. 10	At Manchester (Empire) Arena, Oklahoma City vs. Tony Rodriguez, 12, for Ugly's WEC (ESPN2) heavyweight
Nov. 12	At UIC Pavilion, Chicago, Main: Dillido vs. Matt Miletich, 12, cruiserweights (World Boxing Super Series quarterfinal); Krzysztof Glowacki vs. Mahdi Vasei, 12, cruiserweights (World Boxing Super Series quarterfinal); Arlan Mann vs. Alamy Zolov, 10, cruiserweights.

Bobrovsky stands tall as Blue Jackets beat Stars 4-1

By Mitch Stacy
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Sergei Bobrovsky made 27 saves to lift the Columbus Blue Jackets over the Dallas Stars 4-1 on Tuesday night.

Anthony Duclair, Markus Nutivaara, Nick Foligno and Ryan Murray scored for the Blue Jackets, who snapped a two-game skid.

Ben Bishop stopped 30 shots and Jamie Benn scored for the Stars, who lost their second straight after winning three in a row.

Bobrovsky, who has

struggled lately, played one of his better games this season, capping it by withstanding a 6-on-5 surge after Dallas pulled Bishop late in the game.

Duclair used a screen by teammate Boone Jenner to beat Bishop with a shot from the left circle with a minute left in the opening period, giving Columbus its first power-play goal in six games going back to Oct. 25.

Nutivaara made it 2-0 with his second goal of the season in the middle of the second period, a one-timer from the right circle off a

slick cross-ice pass from Artemi Panarin. Foligno rocketed a one-timer over Bishop's shoulder from the left dot late in the second to give the Blue Jackets a two-goal lead.

Dallas scored on a power-play early in the third, with Benn getting his team-leading seventh goal of the season.

Murray finished it with an empty-net goal with about two minutes left.

NOTES: Columbus has beaten Dallas six straight times. ... D Dean Kukan replaced Scott Harrington in the Columbus lineup. F Lu-

kas Sedlak replaced Oliver Bjorkstrand. ... Dallas forward Brett Ritchie missed his second straight game due to an illness. D Marc Methot missed his third game with a lower-body injury. F Alexander Radulov missed his fourth game with a lower-body injury. ... Jenner has three assists in the past three games. ... Bobrovsky is 11-1-1 against Dallas in his career.

Up next
Dallas: Hosts San Jose on Thursday night.
Columbus: At Washington on Friday night.

HS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

GIRLS

MHS 60

RANDALL 52

Midland High used an 18-9 fourth quarter to pull away from Canyon Randall in a non-district game at the MHS gymnasium.

Teleshia Defell led the Lady Bulldogs (2-0) with 16 points, followed by 10 points from Sadie Gowan and nine points from Taysha Rushton.

MIDLAND HIGH 60, CANYON RANDALL 52

Randall — Canton Moreno 7, Kamey Pineda 16, Cassidy Beck 10, Katie Marling 2, Mariah Williams 2, Claire Headings 1, Kaitie Benton 4, Arndy Velazquez 10.

Midland (2-0) — Jenna Mitchell 5, Teleshia Defell 16, Lily Charnbertan 4, Taysha Rushton 9, Sadie Gowan 10, Zia Ryan Gilmore 6, Deanne Goodley 4, Zia Taylor 6.

Randall 11 15 17 9 — 52

Midland 10 21 11 18 — 60

3-point goals — Canyon Randall 1 (Pineda), Midland High 1 (Rushton). Free throws — Canyon Randall 11-25, Midland High 7-18. Total fouls — Canyon Randall 26, Midland High 24. Fouled out — none.

Next: Abilene High at Midland High, 6 p.m. Tuesday.

SA CENTRAL 54

LEE 51

Lee made only 12 of 32 free throws in a 3-point loss to former district rival San Angelo Central at the Lee High gymnasium.

Paige Low scored a game-high 21 points for the Lady Rebels (1-1). Braydyn Hill added 12 points and Salma Trejo pitched in with 10.

SAN ANGELO CENTRAL 54, LEE 51

Central — Deandra Allen 4, Layla Young 6, Angeline Humphreys 6, Perna Pinner 19, Morgan Walker 8, Madeline Foley 5, Azanna Maldonado 5, Daryn Greene 3.

Lee (1-1) — Salma Trejo 10, Braydyn Hill 12, Deandy Stanford 6, Haley Perkins 2, Paige Low 21.

Central 10 15 9 15 — 54

Lee 7 9 19 16 — 51

3-point goals — Central 3 (Walker 2, Greene), Lee 3 (Trejo 2, Stanford). Free throws — Central 13-18, Lee 12-32. Total fouls — Central 24, Lee 16. Fouled out — Allen, Walker.

Next: Lee vs. Kilbuck Shoemaker, 2:30 p.m. Thursday at Burleson Central Gymnasium.

TRINITY 50

COMPASS ACADEMY 10

Trinity shutout Compass Academy in two separate quarters en route to a 50-point rout in its season opener at Beal Gymnasium.

The Lady Chargers (1-0) had a team-high 11 points from Stephanie Kaczor, nine points from Ania Alexander and eight points each from Colleen Mohr and Emma Sanz.

TRINITY 50, COMPASS ACADEMY 10

Trinity (1-0) — Stephanie Kaczor 11, Ania Alexander 9, Colleen Mohr 8, Emma Sanz 8.

Compass 8 2 8 0 — 10

Trinity 14 16 7 13 — 50

Free throws — Compass 0-2, Trinity 2-7.

Next: Grandville-Fidelity at Trinity, 11 a.m. Saturday.

GARDEN CITY 57

FARWELL 52

NEW HOME — Garden City coach Joe Crabb won his 600th career game as the Lady Kats defeated Farwell in a non-district game.

Angelica Munguia led Garden City (2-0) with 16 points, Lyndee Walker had 14 and Jordan Driver added 13.

GARDEN CITY 57, FARWELL 52

Farwell — Aggie 10, Madeline 16, Acton 5, White 18, Rodriguez 2, Barnes 1.

Garden City (2-0) — Angelica Munguia 16, Lyndee Walker 14, Jordan Driver 13, Allison Hallman 9, Jachal Soto 5.

Farwell 21 9 8 14 — 52

Garden City 16 17 11 13 — 57

ANDREWS 52

COAHOMA 34

ANDREWS — Macee Hack scored a game-high 16 points to lead Andrews to a non-district win over Coahoma.

MaKynlee Overton had 12 points and Kenzie Canale added 11 for Coahoma.

ANDREWS 51, COAHOMA 34

Coahoma — Caylin Corley 6, Kenzie Canale 11, Cassie Grant 3, MaKynlee Overton 12.

Andrews — Madison Thompson 2, Macee Hack 16, Paige Ortiz 8, Cassidy Eggen 6, Kasee Kasee 2, Savannah Infante 4, Mikayla Rose 12, Emily Burger 2.

Coahoma 4 12 9 9 — 34

Andrews 7 15 12 18 — 52

No. 4 Baylor women open season with 100-39 win over Nicholls

Associated Press

WACO — Prescannon AP All-America point guard Kalani Brown scored the first four points for fourth-ranked Baylor, which opened the season by scoring the first 24 points and had seven players in double figures on the way to a 100-39 victory over Nicholls State on Tuesday night.

Brown finished with 13 points, matching Moon Ursin for the team high. The 6-foot-7 Brown also had four rebounds while playing only 18 minutes. All 11 players who saw action for the Big

12 champion Lady Bears scored multiple points and had at least one rebound.

Cassidy Barrios had 20 points and nine rebounds for Nicholls State. The senior guard was the leading scorer last season at 17.3 points a game for the Colonels, who were an NCAA Tournament team after winning the Southland Conference tournament. Their season ended with a loss to No. 1 seed Mississippi State.

DiDi Richards set a career-high with 12 points for Baylor, and freshman Caitlin Bickle also had 12. Newcomers Chloe Jackson,

NaLyssa Smith and Queen Egbo all had 10 points.

Lauren Cox, the 6-4 junior who with Brown makes up maybe the best starter combo in the nation, had nine points, seven rebounds and a game-high six assists in 19 minutes.

Coach Kim Mulkey opened her 19th season at Baylor, where she has led the Lady Bears to two national titles and nine Big 12 conference season titles — including the last eight.

Big picture
Nicholls State: Barrios is one of three returning starters for Nicholls State, which

won 19 games last season. The Colonels were over-matched as expected against Baylor. The 5-10 Barrios was the tallest starter going against a Baylor starting five that included Brown, Cox and 6-1 Richards.

Baylor: With the graduation of Kristy Wallace and the offseason dismissal of Alexis Morris for an unspecified violation of team rules, the Lady Bears went into the season unsure at point guard. Jackson, a graduate transfer from LSU, got the starting nod in the opener. Jackson had nine points and five assists in 25 minutes.

Jones returns as Texas tops Eastern Illinois 71-59

By Mark Rosner
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Andrew Jones, missing from the Texas lineup since he was diagnosed with leukemia in January, made his long-anticipated return on Tuesday night.

Jones, a junior guard, received a standing ovation when he entered the game in the second half. He produced a point, a rebound, a steal and an assist in nine minutes as the Longhorns defeated Eastern Illinois 71-59 in the season opener.

How much Jones gets to play this season is uncertain. He will leave the team in December to undergo further treatments.

Sophomore Matt Coleman had 13 points and seven assists for the Longhorns, while freshman Jaxson Hayes scored 12.

Rade Kukobat led Eastern Illinois with 12 points and Mack Smith scored 11.

Texas struggled for most of the first half but made a 15-0 push toward the end to take a 10-point lead at the break.

Elijah Mitrou-Long had a hand in the first 10 of those points, with two driving layups, a 3-point basket and an assist.

Big picture
Eastern Illinois: The Panthers, picked to finish seventh in the 12-team Ohio Valley Conference by the league's coaches and sports information directors, need time to coalesce. They have four new starters, all junior college transfers. The 6-foot-9 Kukobat is one of them. Another, 6-foot-5 forward JaQualis Matlock, showed some promise in the first half, scoring eight points while working inside against the taller Longhorns. He missed with his only shot attempt in the second half.

Texas: The Longhorns won't provide a full glimpse of themselves until they face Arkansas on Friday. Se-

nior guard Kerwin Roach II missed the opener while serving a one-game suspension for a violation of unspecified team rules several months ago. Roach averaged 12.3 points a game last season, fourth best on the team, while leading the Longhorns with 47 steals. The Longhorns hit 32 percent of their 3-pointers against Eastern Illinois, the same accuracy that ranked last in the Big 12 last season.

Up next
Eastern Illinois: The Panthers are at IUPUI on Saturday. Eastern Illinois defeated IUPUI 80-79 last season at home in Charleston, Ill. Eastern's Terrell Lewis, now a senior, made two free throws with six seconds left.

Texas: The Longhorns face Arkansas on Friday in the Armed Forces Classic at Fort Bliss in El Paso. The Longhorns last played the Razorbacks in December, 2016, with Arkansas winning 77-74 in Houston.

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Greenwood's Cheek named District 5-4A MVP

From staff reports

Greenwood's Kaylee Cheek was named Most Valuable Player on the recently-released 2018 District 5-4A All-District Team.

Greenwood teammate Ashton Rowoldt was named co-Defensive MVP along with Big Spring's Logan Terrazas.

Other first team selections for Greenwood were Hanna Flores, Kailey Martinez and Kensleigh Ellis.

Big Spring's Kayleigh Penny was also a first team selection.

2018 District 5-4A All-District Volleyball Team MVP - Kaylee Cheek, Greenwood

Offensive MVP - Natalia James, Snyder

Defensive MVP - Logan Terrazas, Big Spring

Author: Rowoldt

Newcomer of the Year - Abby Barlow, Snyder

First Team

Hannah Mobley, Sweetwater; Laila Ramirez, San Angelo

Laila Ramirez, San Angelo; Hanna Flores, Greenwood

Kailey Martinez, Greenwood; Kendall Ellis, Greenwood

Kendall Ellis, Greenwood; Snyder; Hannah Flores, Greenwood

Hanna Flores, Greenwood; Snyder; Kayleigh Penny, Big Spring

Second Team

Shanna Moore, Sweetwater; Shae Gonzalez, Lake View

Lake View; Kyle Smith, Greenwood; Mattie Huber, Greenwood

Kate McWilliams, Snyder; Madelyn Cavens, Snyder

Ryan Terrazas, Big Spring; Hannah Bell, Big Spring

Three MC freshmen honored on All-WJCAC team

From staff reports

Three freshmen Midland College volleyball players were honored on the 2018 All-Western Junior College Athletic Conference Volleyball Team just released.

Lauren Watanabe, an outside hitter, from New Braunfels, middle hitter Akor Maywin, from Odesa, and setter Lina Espejo, from Bogota, Colombia, made all conference for the NJCAA Region V runner-up Lady Chaparrals.

WJCAC and Region

V West champion New Mexico Military Institute took home the top awards as Agape Mafua was named MVP while Shelby Forchtnr was named Coach of the Year.

2018 All-Western Junior College Athletic Conference Volleyball Team MVP - Agape Mafua, New Mexico Military Institute

Coach of the Year - Shelby Forchtnr, New Mexico Military Institute

All-Conference

Carley Ennis, Odessa College; Hala Croston, New Mexico Military Institute; Peyton Schmitt, NMII; Mariana Ferreira, Odessa College

Patricia Patterson, Frank Phillips College; Lauren Watanabe, Midland College; Gabriela Long, NMII; Lina Espejo, Midland College; Anna Smith, Odessa College; Rebecca Adams, Clatsop Community College; Haley Thomas, Odessa College; Anna Mayan, Midland College

LEE

From IC

Lee achieved many feats during its 2018 campaign, which included its first district title, its first playoff win and its first area and regional quarterfinal appearance since 1999.

"All we talked about is how they raised the bar and how they made the community proud," Blakley said.

"I'm very proud of them. They should be proud of

themselves. I'm proud of the coaching staff. The year speaks for itself, we did things that hadn't been done in a long time."

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Lee statistics

Kills - 1st Place 11, Emily Hansen 8, Londana Young 6, Jazmine Litcher 4, Kaitlyn

Harrison 3, Chastity Timbo 1

Blocks - Hansen 7, Jazmine Young 5, Harrison 2, Flores 2, Litcher 2, Lily Flores 1

Assists - Allen Gomez 13, Litcher 10, Flores 1

Aces - Hansen 1

Blocks - Harrison 6, Litcher 2, Flores 1, Timbo 1

Records: Lee 30-11; El Paso Coronado 25-6

Jerry Jones: Cowboys 'not in anything' without improved play

By Schuyler Dixon

Associated Press

FRISCO— Even if the Dallas Cowboys were better than 3-5, Jerry Jones says he would have plenty of cause for concern based on what he saw in a damaging loss to Tennessee.

And the normally upbeat owner and general manager doesn't care to discuss the NFC East standings, even though the Cowboys can pull even with defending Super Bowl champion Philadelphia by getting their first road win of the season at the Eagles on Sunday.

"We're not in anything if we don't play better," Jones said after a 28-14 loss to the Titans that looked like it could be a blowout win for Dallas midway through the first quarter. "What I recognize is not so much the three wins and five losses but the way we lost this game and the way we played in the game."

"We've got to play better. Our record could be better than it is right now, and we'd still be in trouble."

The Cowboys traded for a new No. 1 receiver in Amari Cooper and fired offensive line coach Paul Alexander during a surprisingly busy open week. The changes looked good early, with Cooper scoring the first Dallas touchdown and star running back Ezekiel Elliott having 75 yards from scrimmage in the first quarter.

Everything changed with Dak Prescott's throw to Cooper in double coverage in the end zone with a 7-0 lead. Kevin Byard intercepted, Tennessee drove 80 yards in 15 plays for the tie and the Titans never trailed again.

Now the Cowboys are looking at a second straight year of missing the playoffs since the remarkable rookie seasons for Prescott and Elliott, who powered Dallas to an NFC-best 13 wins before a divisional round loss to Green Bay.

Since a franchise-record 11-game winning streak for an 11-1 record two years ago, the Cowboys are 14-15, including the loss to the Packers.

Jones was peppered with questions about Garrett's job security after the loss to the Titans, at one point flatly saying he wouldn't fire him during the season. Anything less than a 6-2 finish would leave Garrett with three winning seasons, and two playoff appearances, in eight full seasons.



Ron Jenkins/AP

Dallas Cowboys quarterback Dak Prescott (4) reaches for the ball as Tennessee Titans linebacker Wesley Woodyard (59) defends Monday in Arlington. The Tennessee Titans won 28-14.

"I don't know how to articulate my patience or lack thereof, and I'm not trying to be smart," Jones said. "I just don't have an assessment of my patience right now."

Prescott committed his first two turnovers at home this season in Dallas' first loss at AT&T Stadium. The interception was the game-changer. A fumble while trying to churn for yardage on a sack at his 40-yard line set up Tennessee's go-ahead touchdown in the third quarter.

While it's realistic to expect Prescott and Cooper to need time to work together and an offensive line to adjust to an in-season coaching change, the Cowboys are running out of it.

"As coach Garrett said, we've got a decision to make," said Prescott, who threw for 243 yards and two touchdowns. "We've got to buckle down, lock arms and be together more than ever. Not let anything break us apart."

Garrett revealed a possible crack Tuesday. A few weeks after strongly backing Scott Linehan when asked if he still had faith in his offensive coordinator, Garrett had a different tone when asked if he envisioned a scenario where he took over play-calling.

"Right now, Scott Linehan is going to call the plays on offense," Garrett, who called plays early in his tenure

as head coach, said after the Cowboys had just 109 yards total offense in a scoreless second half against the Titans.

If the Cowboys lose to the Eagles, not much else will matter, other than the question of Garrett's future beyond this season. Jones declined several chances to address that issue.

"I think we realize we have eight games to go, we've got a long way to go in this season," Jones said. "We want to play better than we played tonight, so I certainly think each individual and coach and front office person is going to have to do better, including me."

NOTES: Garrett said rookie LG Connor Williams came out of the Titans game with a knee injury that could require arthroscopic surgery. Any possible line shuffling would appear to be confined to Williams' spot and center, where Joe Looney has filled in all season with four-time Pro Bowler Travis Frederick battling a nerve disorder. The likely candidate to join the group is backup center Adam Redmond, who has done some work in practice at guard in practice. ... Garrett indicated LB Sean Lee will have another extended absence after re-injuring a hamstring. Lee missed three games earlier this year with the same injury.

Michigan up to 4th in CFP behind Alabama, Clemson, ND

By Ralph D. Russo

Associated Press

Michigan moved into the fourth spot of the College Football Playoff rankings, behind Alabama, Clemson and Notre Dame.

Georgia was next at five, followed by Oklahoma.

The playoff picture cleared up after a week-end where several contenders asserted themselves. The top-four teams in the final rankings on Dec. 2 will play in the national semifinals.

The Crimson Tide easily dispatched LSU from the top four, beating the Tigers 29-0. LSU, though, only dropped to No. 7 after its second loss, ahead of Washington State, West Virginia and Ohio State — all with only one loss.

Unbeaten Notre Dame moved up one spot to No. 3 and Michigan jumped a spot after a 42-7 victory against Penn State.

Rank	Team	Record
1	Alabama	9-0
2	Clemson	9-0
3	Notre Dame	9-0
4	Michigan	8-1
5	Georgia	8-1
6	Oklahoma	8-1
7	LSU	7-2
8	Washington St.	6-1
9	West Virginia	7-1
10	Ole Miss	8-1
11	Kentucky	7-2
12	UCF	6-0
13	Syracuse	7-2
14	NC State	6-2
15	Florida	6-3
16	Mississippi St.	6-3
17	Bohannon College	7-2
18	Michigan St.	6-3
19	Texas	6-3
20	Penn St.	6-3
21	Iowa	6-3
22	Iowa St.	5-3
23	Penn St.	6-1
24	Auburn	7-3
25	Washington	7-3

The playoff semifinals match the No. 1 seed vs. the No. 4 seed, and No. 2 will face No. 3. The semifinals will be played at the Cotton Bowl and the championship game will be played on Jan. 7, 2019, at Santa Clara, Calif.



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Michigan defensive back Brandon Watson (28) celebrates with defensive lineman Kwity Paye, right, after returning an interception for a touchdown Nov. 3 in the third quarter against Penn State in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Midland County girls basketball preview capsules

Note: Midland Christian information was not available.

Greenwood Rangers

Head coach: Ginger Hartman, 2nd year at Greenwood (25-13 in 1 year at Greenwood)

2017-18 record: 25-13, 8-0 in District 4-4A (1st)

2017-18 postseason: Lost to Denver City, 61-45, in the regional quarterfinal

Key players returning: PG Kaitlin Keel, Sr.; G Taylor Payton, Jr.; G Kenzie Ellis, Jr.; P Teresa Rodriguez, Sr.

Key losses: SG Natalie Karcher, P Cassie Melane; G Ariana Loyva

Coach's quote: "They put in a lot of hard work in the offseason and it's showing this year with the condition we are in right now. We are ready to run. I was very proud of our girls in the scrimmages of how we hustled defensively and offensively. It's creating a lot of things on offense and defense on both ends of the court."

Notes: The Rangers don't have much height, as junior Mattie Huber and Emma Sanders are the tallest listed players at 5-foot-7. But Hartman believes the Rangers can make up for it with their hustle and aggressiveness on both offense and defense. "We're able to play four quarters with the same intensity," Hartman said. ... Hartman says Taylor Payton, Keel, Ellis and Rodriguez are the team's veteran cores. ... Keel, the point guard, is the only returning starter from last year. Keel was an All-District 4-4A second team selection

last season. ... Hartman lauds Rodriguez for being a quiet, hard worker that leads by example. Rodriguez will play point for the Rangers. ... Greenwood is picked to finish first in District 5-4A by TABC. The Rangers are followed by Snyder (second), Sweetwater (third) and Big Spring (fourth) in their new district alignment. "We will find that out as the season goes on and we get a chance to scout," Hartman said of District 5-4A. "Like I said, it's a new district and we don't know a lot about it."

No.	Name	Class	HL
10	Emma Sanders	Jr.	5-7
11	Hunter Russell	Jr.	5-4
14	Taylor Payton	Jr.	5-5
15	Kaitlin Keel	Sr.	5-6
21	Kaitlin Keel	Sr.	5-6
22	Kaitlin Keel	Sr.	5-6
23	Madison Hopkins	Jr.	5-5
24	Natalie Karcher	Jr.	5-0
25	Jenna Sanders	Jr.	5-4
26	Mattie Huber	Jr.	5-7
44	Teresa Rodriguez	Sr.	5-4

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 10	at Lakshmi Cooper	6 p.m.
Nov. 15-17	at Friendship Tummy	8:15 p.m.
Nov. 19	Snyder	6 p.m.
Nov. 20	at Pleasant	6 p.m.
Nov. 27	Lakshmi Cooper	6:15 p.m.
Nov. 28-Dec. 1	at Lakshmi Cooper	TBA
Dec. 4	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 7	at Lakshmi Cooper	6 p.m.
Dec. 14	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:45 p.m.
Dec. 18	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 21	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:15 p.m.
Dec. 27-29	at Lakshmi Cooper	TBA
Jan. 1	at Lakshmi Cooper	12:30 p.m.
Jan. 8	Snyder	6:15 p.m.
Jan. 11	at SA Lakshmi Cooper	6:15 p.m.
Jan. 15	at Snyder	6:15 p.m.
Jan. 18	Big Spring	6:15 p.m.
Jan. 25	at Snyder	6:15 p.m.
Jan. 29	SA Lakshmi Cooper	6:15 p.m.
Feb. 1	Snyder	6:15 p.m.
Feb. 5	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:15 p.m.
Feb. 9	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:15 p.m.

Notes: District 5-4A game

Classical Lady Knights

Head coach: Carla Curren, ninth year at MCA

2017-18 record: Midland Classical 23-8, 4-0 in TAPPS 1-3A (1st)

2017-18 postseason: Def. Beaumont Legacy Christian, 59-53, in TAPPS 3A state championship

Key returns: PG Lele Beattie, Jr.; P Lizabelle Russell, Sr.; G Kori Kirk, Jr.; PF Jenny Coco, Jr.

Key losses: GF Mekenna Beattie; F Hilary Sunderland

Top newcomers: Kyla Kirk, Jr.; Callie Doka, Jr.; Ava Spear, Jr.

Coach's quote: "We're excited for four returning starters coming back and these returning off the bench. The four returns are just good athletes. With starting line (because of volleyball playoffs), we're pretty used to that. But they are smart athletes and we know that we will come around eventually."

Notes: Beattie, Russell, Kirk and Coco give the No. 1-ranked Lady Knights four returning starters from last season's state championship team. In addition, MCA also welcomes back bench players Laura Kate Sparks, Kyla Miller and Kenna Bayley. Six of the basketball players also compete for MCA's state tournament-bound volleyball team. ... This season the Lady Knights expect to get stiff competition in their own district. Denton Calvary, who MCA beat in the 2017 and 2018 state semifinals, has been added to TAPPS 1-3A. Furthermore, the newly

aligned district also has Fort Worth Lake Country, the 2018 TAPPS 4A state champion. "This is going to be a really tough district, which will help prepare us for playoffs," Curren said. "It's going to be tough to make it to state this year, but we're excited. But we are approaching the season just like any other season, taking it one game at a time. We hope to keep on improving on now instead of focusing on records. ... Beattie returns after averaging 25.8 points per game as a sophomore to earn the Reporter-Telegram High School Girls Basketball Player of the Year for the 2017-18 season. "We are excited about the leadership of Lele Beattie, who has gotten taller and stronger and she knows the game of basketball. We are excited for her to lead us this year," Curren said.

Name	Class
Hanna Bayley	Jr.
Lele Beattie	Sr.
Grace Coco	Jr.
Jenny Coco	Jr.
Callie Doka	Jr.
Kori Kirk	Jr.
Kyla Miller	Sr.
Lizabelle Russell	Sr.
Laura Kate Sparks	Jr.
Ava Spear	Jr.
Adrian Todd	Sr.

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 13	Trinity	5:15 p.m.
Nov. 19	at Denton City	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 20	at McCarney	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 27	at Lakshmi Cooper	6 p.m.
Nov. 30	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 4	at Lakshmi Cooper	6 p.m.
Dec. 6-8	at Lakshmi Cooper	TBA
Dec. 11	at Lakshmi Cooper	7 p.m.
Dec. 14	at Lakshmi Cooper	6 p.m.
Dec. 17	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 27-29	at Lakshmi Cooper	TBA
Jan. 4	at Lakshmi Cooper	6 p.m.
Jan. 5	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 10	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.

Notes: Brown is in his first year as Lady Chargers head coach after long-time head coach VAD Jeff Young retired to move to Waco. Young headed the program for 17 years. Brown grew up in the basketball state of Indiana before going on to play college basketball and track at Division II Oklahoma Christian in Edmond, Oklahoma. This is his first varsity coaching job. Last year at Trinity, Brown helped with junior high and varsity football, junior high boys' basketball and junior high and varsity track. "I hate wasted dribbling," Brown said of his coaching philosophy. "It's all about ball movement, cutting to get your teammate

open. Defense is huge to me. My favorite thing to do when I was playing was defensive rebounding. That's going to be huge for us." ... Brown raves about the athleticism on the young team. There are no seniors and only one junior (Widner) on the 13-player roster. "There are a lot of freshmen that have natural athletic ability in general to where once it starts clicking for them, they're going to be really dangerous," Brown said. ... Brown says Kaczor is a big body that can move really well. He envisions Kaczor playing a huge role for Trinity.

Key players returning: Brooke Widner, Jr.; Stephanie Kaczor, So.

Key losses: G Rebecca Young; G Reagan Long; G Julia Sharum

Top newcomers: Anis Al-ansari, Jr.; Emma Sene, Jr.; Rayvn Erlendson, Jr.; Colleen Mohr, Jr.

Coach's quote: "We're a very, very young team, which is going to be good. This year will be a transition year, but I feel like in the next two years we are going to be really good." Notes: Brown is in his first year as Lady Chargers head coach after long-time head coach VAD Jeff Young retired to move to Waco. Young headed the program for 17 years. Brown grew up in the basketball state of Indiana before going on to play college basketball and track at Division II Oklahoma Christian in Edmond, Oklahoma. This is his first varsity coaching job. Last year at Trinity, Brown helped with junior high and varsity football, junior high boys' basketball and junior high and varsity track. "I hate wasted dribbling," Brown said of his coaching philosophy. "It's all about ball movement, cutting to get your teammate

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Nov. 16	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 27	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 30	at Lakshmi Cooper	6 p.m.
Dec. 4	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 15-16	at Lakshmi Cooper	TBA
Dec. 18	at Lakshmi Cooper	6 p.m.
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Jan. 8	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 11	at Lakshmi Cooper	6 p.m.
Jan. 15	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 18	at Lakshmi Cooper	6 p.m.
Jan. 22	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 29	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 1	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 5	at Lakshmi Cooper	6 p.m.
Feb. 9	at Lakshmi Cooper	6:30 p.m.

No.	Name	Class
1	Anis Al-ansari	Jr.
2	Brooke Widner	Jr.
3	Brian Bates	Jr.
4	Emma Sene	Jr.
10	Olivia Campbell	Jr.
11	Colleen Mohr	Jr.
12	Emily Thompson	Sr.
14	Rocio Flores	Sr.
16	Kim Bates	Jr.
22	Rayvn Erlendson	Jr.
24	Stephanie Kaczor	So.
25	Lauren Skidmore	So.
26	Alexa Preece	So.

—Compiled by Christopher Hedorn



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Midland Christian's Riggs McDonald takes a handoff to Payton Murdock Sept. 14 against Wall at Gordon Awtry Field.

MCS looks to bounce back after productive bye week

By Oscar LeRoy
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Greg McClendon said even though his Midland Christian team did not have a game last week, it doesn't mean his Mustangs used the off week to slack. He said the team came into each practice to work hard and tried to improve from the things that cost them to suffer back-to-back losses.

The Mustangs (7-2, 1-2 in TAPPS Division I District 1) dropped games to Argyle Liberty Christian (41-34) on Oct. 19 and Fort Worth Nolan Catholic (42-13) on Oct. 26, two of the best teams in the classification.

The Mustangs looks to snap that slide when they host Fort Worth All Saints (2-6, 1-2) at 7 p.m. Friday in the regular season finale.

"I think they're real hungry to get back on the field," the Mustangs head coach said. "On the other side of that we're going to face another quality opponent and we're going to have our hands full. Hopefully, they will have their hands full too."

One of the things McClendon always emphasizes

to his team is starting fast. The Mustangs didn't really have that problem against Liberty Christian and Nolan Catholic. They had a pair of double-digit leads against Liberty Christian and jumped out to a 13-0 lead against Nolan. The problem was that they didn't sustain those leads, and in the case of Nolan, they were outscored 42-0 the rest of the way.

"We've got to find a way of not letting them get back in the game and having a killer instinct," McClendon said. "A lot of it also has to do with who you are playing. Sometimes the opponent is not so easily killed."

McClendon said he wants to see his team get back on track and see the Mustangs continue to improve. He said he believes that they got better in the game against Argyle Liberty but didn't have that same sense in the game against Nolan Catholic.

"We need to make sure we're dotting the Is and crossing the Ts and focusing on peaking as a team," he said.

"I love this bunch and I want them to finish this season with a bang and make

sure we do everything we're capable of doing."

McClendon said thanks in part to the week off, his team is about as healthy as it's been all season.

This Friday's game will also determine playoff positioning. If Midland Christian wins, it will be the third seed and will face Dallas Bishop Lynch, out of District 2, in the bi-district round. A loss would mean the Mustangs would be the fourth seed and would travel to Houston St. Thomas, which is out of District 3.

Trinity closes out season

Trinity will close out the season with a trip to Fort Worth Temple Christian at 7 p.m. Friday.

The Chargers (2-6, 0-4 in TAPPS Division III District 1) will look to end on a high note after losing 49-8 to undefeated Flower Mound Coram Deo last week.

Trinity broke a scoreless streak in district against arguably the toughest defense in league.

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NOTEBOOK

From 1C

team and we knew that going in. They've got some good coaches who understand football and they took advantage of how we were aligned and put a lot of pressure up front. But we came out and played well in the second half."

Monahans had a 21-20 halftime lead as the Lobos seemed to have the momentum at the time. But Sanderson said after his team got a defensive stop to start the second half, a 76-yard touchdown run by Trey Cross seemed to be the spark the Rangers needed.

"I think having some big plays early and having a big play to start the second half were keys for us," Sanderson said.

Sanderson said the team will use the off week to do some self-evaluation, healing and working on how to handle different schemes they might see in the playoffs. The Rangers will face either Perryton or Borger in the bi-district round.

"We want to get ready and get our minds right to hopefully try and make a run," Sanderson said.

Andrews seeks another district title

Andrews will be going after its fifth district championship on Friday when they travel to rival Seminole for the District 2-4A Division I title.

Andrews (7-2, 2-0) may be among new district opponents this year but the Mustangs have extended their district winning streak to 20 games and are coming off an impressive 55-14 victory over San Angelo Lake View.

"I thought we played really well, especially early," Andrews coach Ralph Mason said. "It kind of got out of hand, so we played a lot of kids and at times it got a little inconsistent and sloppy. We ended up finishing the game right, however."

Seminole (5-3 overall) also moved to 2-0 in district after its 34-20 victory over Big Spring.

Mason said he's got a lot of respect for Indians head coach Kent Jackson and his team.

"They've got one of the best coaches around in Kent Jackson. He's a great motivator and a great competitor," Mason said. "He'll have them ready to play."

Motivated Grady keeps winning

Ever since many of the members on the Grady football team were in the seventh grade, Wildcats head coach Brent Lucas and others would talk to them



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Greenwood's Jake Somers looks for more yards after getting by Fort Stockton's Adrian Leyva Oct. 26 night at J.M. King Memorial Stadium.

about leaving a legacy.

It's safe to say that no matter what happens through the rest of the season, this group of players has done just that as Grady is back in the playoffs for the first time since 2014. They will now have a shot at the District 6-1A Division I title when they travel to face No. 4-ranked Borden County on Friday.

These Wildcats are ready for it, especially after they ended a playoff drought. "I think our kids are hungry," Grady coach Brent Lucas said. "They want more than what we've done in the past. Having all those seniors, they're motivated to make up for all those down years. They know what it's like to go through that and they didn't want to repeat it their senior year."

Grady (8-1, 3-0) clinched a playoff spot with a 34-14 victory over Klondike last week.

Lucas said his team got off to a slow start and said his team wasn't ready for getting punched in the mouth early.

Klondike had an 8-0 lead after the first quarter but Lucas said after his team went back to what was working during its seven-game winning streak heading into the game, the Wildcats played well.

"We got back to executing and blocking and tackling. It may sound simple, but it's true," Lucas said.

Borden County (7-2, 3-0) will undoubtedly be the best team the Wildcats will have faced all year as the two-time defending state champs are talented, experienced and big.

"No matter what happens we're still in the playoffs," Lucas said. "It's also going to be important

to come out of that healthy. We don't want to have key pieces get hurt going into the playoffs. We still want to play hard and be aggressive and play like we always play."

Grady will play Wellman-Union or Ropes in the bi-district round.

Garden City aims for district crown

No. 2-ranked Garden City is kind of getting used to playing in high-profile six-man showdowns.

On Friday, the Bearcats (9-0, 3-0 in District 8-1A Division I) will travel to No. 8 Sterling City (9-0, 3-0) to play for the district title. The Bearcats have won five straight district championships.

This will be the fifth time the Bearcats will be playing a team ranked in the Top 10 in either Division I or Division II by sixmanfootball.com. Garden City coach Jeff Jones hopes that experience will help his team this week.

"I think playing those teams prepares us well," Jones said. "We have played well considering the competition we have faced and we're well prepared for a big game. They're all big from here on out."

The Bearcats clinched a playoff spot last week with a 56-6 victory over Highland.

"We played pretty good overall," Jones said. "They took us unto the third quarter and that hasn't happened in a while, so that was good to see. But we came out in the second half, fired up and ready to play."

Garden City will play either Rankin or Balmorhea in the bi-district round.

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GOVAN

From 1C

inspiration to succeed.

"She has really helped me a lot," Govan said. "She is a single mother. I look up to her and I know that she works hard for me, so I want to make it big and just be successful and do her a favor and help her in return."

Govan is only one of three seniors on a Lady Dawgs' team that has its share of first-time lettermen.

The 5-foot-3 guard is embracing the challenge of being a leader that the newcomers can rely on. She also likes the chemistry of the squad despite all the new faces.

"My role has changed because I'm more of a leader since I'm a senior," Govan said. "The younger girls that are on varsity look up to me and so do the girls that are coming on varsity next year."

"We are really like sisters. We hang out with each other outside of school and during practice we get along really well. We're like a big family."

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MIDLAND HIGH
Head coach: Wes Torres, sixth year at MHS (97-65 overall in five seasons)
2017-18 record: 22-14, 6-4 in District 2-6A (third)

2017-18 postseason: Lost to El Paso Pebble Hills, 48-42, in bi-district round.
Key players returning: PG Taysa Rushton, Jr.; G Sadie Govan, Sr.; P Zoe Taylor, Jr.; G Jenia Mitchell, Sr.

Key losses: F Jurnee Williams; G Quay Webster; G Jayci Streun; G Mayra Duarte; G Savanna Carter.
Top newcomers: P Desiree Goodley, Jr.; F Kobe Powell, So.

Coach's quote: "We're small again. We're probably smaller than we were last year. It's hard to be smaller, but we are. But I think we make up for that in our defensive pressure and speed. We're extremely fast, one of the faster teams I've coached here, so we will definitely try to take advantage of our speed and ready to get up and down. This team shoots the ball well."

Notes: The Lady Bulldogs graduated eight seniors from

last year's postseason team. Govan, Mitchell and guard Breanna Lewis are the lone three seniors. "I will never think that we're rebuilding, but we've got a young group," Torres said.

"We've got three seniors improved so much there. She told me that she doesn't want there to be any confusion. She wants everyone on the court to know what their job is," Torres lauds the athleticism of Goodley and Powell, who both played on JV last year. He says Powell is one of the best athletes he has ever coached.

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22	Za'Ryan Gilmore	Jr.	P	5-6
23	Kobe Powell	So.	F	5-8
30	Jenia Mitchell	Sr.	G	5-9
32	Desiree Goodley	Jr.	P	5-7
33	Zoe Taylor	Jr.	P	5-11
50	Mayra Duarte	Jr.	P	5-11

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 9	at Denver City	TBA
Nov. 13	Abilene High	6 p.m.
Nov. 15-17	Flower Mound Tournament	TBA
Nov. 19	SA Lake View	6 p.m.
Nov. 20	at Highland	6 p.m.
Nov. 27	at Wall	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 4	at Sweetwater	6 p.m.
Dec. 6-8	Tal City Clinician's Invite	TBA
Dec. 11	Abilene Wyle	6 p.m.
Dec. 14	Fort Stockton	6 p.m.
Dec. 18	at Abilene Cooper	TBA
Dec. 27-29	Byron Johnson Holiday Classic	TBA
Jan. 4	Tascosa	6 p.m.
Jan. 8	Flower Mound	6 p.m.
Jan. 11	at Odessa High	6 p.m.
Jan. 15	a-at Lee	6 p.m.
Jan. 18	Permian	6 p.m.
Jan. 22	at Tascosa	6 p.m.
Jan. 25	at Frenship	6 p.m.
Jan. 29	a-Lee	6 p.m.
Feb. 1	at Odessa High	6 p.m.
Feb. 5	at Permian	6 p.m.

*Varsity District 2-6A
Tal City Clinician's Invite and Byron Johnson Holiday Classic played at Chapman Center.
Midland High and Lee
a-at Chapman Center

HILL

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Hill and her teammates faced difficult circumstances in late September when Lee post Essence Glover passed away after collapsing at a practice. Hill said the team's bond helped everybody cope with the tragedy and press on during tough times.

"We just had to stick together," Hill said. "Like being around school, we have to pick each other up, make sure we're doing good and are focused in class and not always thinking about it."

Glover will be firmly in the hearts and minds of Hill and her teammates each time the Lady Rebels take the court this year.

"It has brought us closer because you never know when anything can happen," Hill said. "Another day is never promised to you, so you just have to live it to your fullest."

"We play for 'E,' we try to strive to be like her on and off the court, just do everything through her name."

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LEE
Head coach: Alfred Acosta, third year at Lee (36-26 record)
2017-18 record: 19-16, 6-4 in District 2-6A (third)
2017-18 postseason: Lost to Wolfforth Frenship, 62-50, in

regional quarterfinal.

Key players returning: PG Braydyn Hill, Sr.; F Paige Low, Jr.; G Destiny Stanford, Jr.

Key losses: F Quinci Strambler; PG Alaysha Green; G Karigan Edwards.

Top newcomers: G Salma Trejo, Jr.; P Haley Perkins Jr.; G Rylee Low, Jr.; G Myleah Young, Jr.; F Loredana Fournier, Jr.

Coach's quote: "With these younger ones, we have a lot of fresh faces but girls that are hungry. Girls that want to play. Girls that want to play hard. They have really bought into the philosophy of we are a family and the culture of being a family, that we've got to play for each other. We've got to play for the sisterhood. I'm pretty excited."

Notes: Lee will be playing with heavy hearts all season in memory of senior Essence Glover, who passed away on Sept. 19 after collapsing at practice. "Obviously, the first

couple of weeks were very, very difficult for us," Acosta said. "We met, we talked about it and we thought the best way to glorify Essence is to live the way she lived, love the way she loved and really that's carried us through. We are going to be talking about number 42 every day this year and we will be talking about her the rest of our lives because that's the impact that she made on every single one of us."

Hill, Paige Low and Stanford are the only lettermen that remain from last season's regional quarterfinal team. Trejo and Perkins are expected to play prominent roles after playing junior varsity last season. Acosta says Perkins will provide toughness and size in the paint. ... Acosta said Rylee Low and Young can shoot the ball, and left an impression with their commitment toward the program in the summer.

... Paige Low is a three-year letterman who averaged 10.8

points per game and 9.3 rebounds per game last year. ... TABC picked the Lady Rebels to finish third in District 2-6A. Wolfforth Frenship was picked first and Amarillo Tascosa was picked to finish second.

Acosta said the Lady Rebels will be a defensive-oriented team. "That will always be our identity being able to defend," Acosta said. "We may not defend the same way every year, but we will definitely be able to defend, that's going to be the focus. Our philosophy is, every time you're a good defensive team, you always have an opportunity to be in games and win games."

LEE ROSTER

No.	Name	Class	Position	HL
0	Gabriela Martinez	Sr.	F	5-8
2	Ally Kate Hill	Sr.	F	5-7
3	Sabrina Tapp	Jr.	F	5-7
10	Breanna Hill	Sr.	PG	5-7
12	Destiny Stanford	Jr.	G	5-7
13	Jacelyn Burt	Sr.	F	5-7
21	Rylee Low	Jr.	G	5-7
23	Myleah Young	Jr.	G	5-7
30	Loredana Fournier	Jr.	F	5-7

33	Haley Perkins	Jr.	P	5-7
34	Paige Low	Jr.	F	5-7

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 3	Lee 51, Amarillo Palo Duro 41	6 p.m.
Nov. 6	SA Central	6 p.m.
Nov. 8-10	a-Combined Tourny	TBA
Nov. 13	at Wall	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 16	Lubbock Monterey	6 p.m.
Nov. 19	at EP Comstock	6 p.m.
Nov. 27	at Permian	6 p.m.
Dec. 5	at Lubbock High	6 p.m.
Dec. 6-8	Tal City Clinician's Invite	TBA
Dec. 14	at Canyon	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 18	Seminole	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 21	at Greenwood	6 p.m.
Dec. 27-29	Byron Johnson Holiday Classic	TBA
Dec. 31	Fort Stockton	1:30 p.m.
Jan. 4	at Permian	6 p.m.
Jan. 8	at Odessa High	6 p.m.
Jan. 11	Tascosa	6 p.m.
Jan. 15	c-Midland High	6 p.m.
Jan. 18	at Frenship	6 p.m.
Jan. 22	Permian	6 p.m.
Jan. 25	Odessa High	6 p.m.
Jan. 29	c-at Midland High	6 p.m.
Feb. 1	at Tascosa	6 p.m.
Feb. 5	Frenship	6 p.m.

*Varsity District 2-6A
Byron Johnson Holiday Classic and Tal City Clinician's Invite played at Chapman Center, Midland High and Lee
a-at Permian
b-at Pili Griffin Center, Lubbock
c-at Chapman Center

Notre Dame head coach Muffet McGraw responding to a question March 31 during a news conference for the women's NCAA Final Four college basketball tournament in Columbus, Ohio. College basketball season's starting earlier and earlier and that's something top coaches McGraw and Geno Auriemma aren't thrilled about it.



Tony Dejak/AP

Toss up the ball, college hoops ready for early start date

By Doug Feinberg
Associated Press

NEW YORK — College basketball season begins Tuesday — the earliest it's ever started. Muffet McGraw and Geno Auriemma aren't thrilled about that, either.

A sport that used to start official practice around Oct. 15 and have its first games at Thanksgiving is now beginning nearly three weeks sooner. Add that to the summer and preseason workouts that are allowed, and it's nearly a year-round sport.

Tuesday will feature almost 100 women's games and 150 for the men.

"I think the season is way too long," said McGraw, the coach for defending women's national champion Notre Dame. "Basketball has more practice before its first game than any other sport."

With the Final Four taking place on April 5 and the title game on April 7, the season is nearly 200 days long.

"I don't like it. I don't like anything about it," said Auriemma, who has won 11 national titles as the women's coach at UConn. "I don't care what kind of players you have. I remember the days when

you couldn't talk to your players about basketball until Oct. 15. We had some pretty good teams back then."

This year the NCAA moved up the start date a few days to Tuesday to try and create more buzz for the beginning of the season. It gets the opening night of games away from college and pro football, which dominates weekends in the fall.

"Saturday and Sunday is football in this country. It's college football on Saturday and the NFL on Sunday," NCAA vice president of men's basketball Dan Gavitt said. "You start the season Friday and basically they are dark for two days until you start up again on Monday. Starting on Tuesday, we can hopefully get a few days before you get to the weekend where people talk about the season."

The only flaw in that this year is the new start date falls on Election Day, which will dominate news cycles. Gavitt said the NCAA might look at that in the future.

The midweek start date does help alleviate a few scheduling conflicts for gyms, because volleyball is still going on and many schools use the same build-

ing for both sports.

With the new opening date, practice could officially start the last week of September — the NCAA allowed women's teams to begin 42 days before their first game. The men have had that in place since 2013. Teams are still only permitted to have 30 practices during that stretch, just as it's been since 2010. Until this season, schools were allowed 40 days to get those practices in.

Women's basketball coaches weren't in favor of adding the extra two days.

"Our WBCA board voted against 42 going forward. We were all opposed," McGraw said. "The NCAA passed it anyway. The men are doing it and we have to have equality. We weren't in favor of moving the season up, either."

The NCAA also gave coaches more time with their players once school started. Teams are now allowed to use four hours a week for on-court basketball activities in the preseason — double what it previously had been.

Each school is different in how it uses those days. A young team with many new players or a new coach could benefit from the earlier start date. A team

expecting to go deep into the NCAA Tournament might wait a little longer to start so as to avoid burnout when the games matter most.

Most coaches give their teams weekends off during September and October knowing that during the season they won't be able to do that.

McGraw started late with her top-ranked team knowing the ultimate goal was to play until early April. The Irish began on Oct. 4 and McGraw gave her players five days off for fall break.

Auriemma had his team start even later, with its first practice coming in the second week of October.

He also took it a step further. Auriemma decided after last season that Huskies coaches wouldn't schedule offseason workouts during the spring and summer anymore. It was up to the players. If they wanted to work out, they'd have to reach out to the coaches.

Auriemma thought that would bring back the joy of playing and the anticipation of practice. He figured it also would help develop the upperclassmen into leaders, making them organize the workouts and take more ownership.

Ohtani, 2 Yankees finalists for AL Rookie of the Year

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Shohei Ohtani is a finalist for the AL Rookie of the Year award along with two New York Yankees infielders.

The Baseball Writers' Association of America revealed the finalists for its major awards Monday night. The winners will be announced next week.

Ohtani figures to be in a tight race with Yankees infielders Miguel Andujar and Gleyber Torres after a historic first season with the Los Angeles Angels. The two-way Japanese sensation was 4-2 with a 3.31 ERA as a starting pitcher before an elbow injury forced him off the mound. He finished out the season exclusively as a designated hitter, hitting .285 with 22 home runs and 61 RBIs.

Ohtani is the first player ever to hit 15 home runs and strike out 50 batters in a season, and he joined Babe Ruth as the only players ever to hit 15 homers and pitch 50 innings. He had Tommy John surgery after the season and is not expected to pitch in 2019.

Andujar hit 47 doubles, tied for the second-most by a rookie in major league history, while Torres had 24 homers and 77 RBIs as a 21-year-old. They are the first teammates to finish top three in Rookie of the Year voting since Wil Myers and Chris Archer with Tampa Bay in 2013.

The World Series champion Boston Red Sox might be in line for more hardware. Mookie Betts is a finalist for AL MVP, and Alex Cora is in the final three for AL Manager of the Year in his first season. Betts led the majors with a .346 average and .640 slugging percentage while setting career highs with 32 homers and a 1.078 OPS.

Los Angeles' Mike Trout and Cleveland's Jose Ramirez are also finalists for AL MVP. Trout has finished in the top two in AL MVP

voting in five of the past six seasons after finishing fourth in 2017. Ramirez was third in the voting last year, when Houston's Jose Altuve beat out Yankees slugger Aaron Judge.

Milwaukee's Christian Yelich is the favorite for NL MVP, and Colorado's Nolan Arenado and Chicago's Javier Baez also were revealed as top vote-getters. Yelich emerged from a crowded field by hitting .370 with 10 homers and a 1.313 OPS in September while the Brewers topped the Cubs for the NL Central title.

The Mets' Jacob deGrom, Washington's Max Scherzer and Philadelphia's Aaron Nola are the top three for the NL Cy Young Award, with deGrom favored to win for the first time despite a 10-9 record. Felix Hernandez had 13 victories when he won the 2010 AL Cy Young, the fewest wins ever by a starting pitcher to win the award. Scherzer is a three-time winner, including the past two NL awards.

Corey Kluber has a shot at a second straight AL Cy Young Award and third overall. The Cleveland right-hander is up against Tampa Bay's Blake Snell and Houston's Justin Verlander, who won the AL Cy Young and MVP Awards in 2011.

Cora is up against Tampa Bay's Kevin Cash and Oakland's Bob Melvin. Cash oversaw the Rays' successful experiment with using relief pitchers as "openers" to begin games, a trend that others — including Melvin — adopted later in the season. Melvin led Oakland as it charged back into the AL playoff picture and earned a spot in the wild-card game.

Milwaukee's Craig Counsell, Colorado's Bud Black and Atlanta's Brian Snitker were named NL Manager of the Year candidates, while Atlanta's Ronald Acuna Jr., Washington's Juan Soto and Los Angeles' Walker Buehler are the top three for NL Rookie of the Year.

Steinbrenner, Piniella, Johnson on Hall ballot next month

Associated Press

COOPERSTOWN, N.Y. — Late New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner, former managers Lou Piniella, Davey Johnson and Charlie Manuel, and six players headed by Lee Smith are on the 10-man ballot for the baseball Hall of Fame's Today's Game Era committee to consider next month.

Harold Baines, Albert Belle, Will Clark, Orel Hershiser and Joe Carter also are on the ballot for the 16-man committee, which meets Dec. 9 at the winter meetings in Las Vegas.

The committee considers candidates from 1998 to the present, and a candidate needs at least 75 percent of the vote to be elected.

Any candidate picked will be inducted July 21 along with any players elected by the Baseball Writers' Association of America in a vote announced Jan. 22. Mariano Rivera and the late Roy Halladay join a ballot with top returnees Edgar Martinez and Mike Mussina.

When the Today's Game Era committee last met two years ago, former baseball Commissioner Bud Selig and Atlanta Braves executive John Schuerholz were elected. Piniella received seven votes, while Baines, Belle, Clark, Hershiser, Johnson and Steinbrenner

each received fewer than five. Mark McGwire also received fewer than five and was dropped from this year's ballot.

"I believe that committee and the people who have the power of votes, it would be hard pressed not to acknowledge this was a transformative figure in all of sports, not just baseball," Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said in defense of Steinbrenner at the general manager's meetings in Carlsbad, California. "It's very political at times ... so there's some powerful people that view it differently. I'm sure."

Smith's highest voting percentage during 15 years on the Baseball Writers' Association of America ballot was 50.6 percent in 2012. He received 34.2 percent in his 15th and final appearance in 2017.

Baines never received more than 6.1 percent and was dropped after his fifth appearance in 2011 for falling under the 5 percent threshold. Hershiser and Belle were dropped after their second appearances in 2007, and Carter (2004) and Clark (2006) after their first.

The Hall has four committees. Modern Baseball (1970-87) meets in December 2019 and Golden Days (1950-69) and Early Baseball (before 1950) in December 2020.

The 16 voters this year will be announced later.

A golf pro first, Suzy Whaley now breaking barriers

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

Two moments of discrimination took place 1,000 miles and worlds apart, neither pointing to Suzy Whaley making history this week at the PGA of America.

Whaley was just getting hooked on golf in Syracuse, New York, and she was good enough to compete in tournaments when her name was scratched off the entry list of a junior tournament for boys because she was a girl.

"And now I've played in a PGA Tour event," said Whaley, who at the 2003 Greater Hartford Open became the first woman in 58 years to qualify for a PGA Tour event. "Look how far we've come. It's not where we need to be, but we're making progress. And that makes me smile."

Around the time Whaley had her first whiff of discrimination as a young girl, Barrie Naismith Jeffcoat was working at a golf club in Atlanta as a 29-year-old woman who was giving lessons and going nowhere. She hired young men to handle the carts and pick up golf balls from the range. Some of them went on to become PGA professionals and got jobs at other clubs.

She couldn't join the PGA as a certified pro because she was a woman.

"Something was wrong with this picture," Naismith Jeffcoat said in a telephone interview Monday from her home in Virginia. "At the time I was giving lessons to Superior Court Judge (Joel) Fryer. He gave me the name of his attorney. The attorney advised me to call the PGA. I got a lawyer on the phone with the PGA and he told me, 'You can call Jimmy Carter, but it won't do you any good.'"

Instead of calling the president, she filed a lawsuit against the PGA

in 1978. By the end of the year, the PGA signed the Naismith Consent Decree, giving women equal rights to become PGA professionals. Naismith became the first female member on Feb. 1, 1979.

She stayed with the PGA a few more years, yet the impact will be felt strongest this week at the PGA of America's annual meeting in California.

Whaley is set to become the first female president in its 102-year history.

"I'm so thrilled she'll have a high profile," said Naismith Jeffcoat, who has never met Whaley. "There will be a lot of young women that will take up the game and want to be involved. It's very exciting to me to see it come to fruition."

Whaley is a consensus-builder, perhaps her greatest asset.

She is foremost a golf professional, still giving private lessons at Suzy Whaley Golf, the course she owns in Cromwell, Connecticut, and serving as PGA director of instruction at the Country Club of Mirasol in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, during the winter months. Her husband, Bill, was her first golf coach. Both her daughters played in college.

"My strength would be that I love the game of golf. I want to get clubs in people's hands," said Whaley, recently certified as a master professional. "My vision for the membership is to help enhance their careers. How can we get them resources and tools to go where they want to go?"

She also recognizes the historic occasion of the annual meeting Friday, and she doesn't take it lightly.

"It's definitely historic, and I'm honored and completely grateful the membership has that faith and trust," she said. "I look at myself as a PGA professional first. Obviously, I'm a woman. I understand the moniker. There are women who have paved

the way before me."

One was Renee Powell, who last year was inducted into the PGA of America Hall of Fame. Another was Sue Fiscoe, who ran unsuccessfully for national office at the PGA in 2012, which motivated Whaley to run herself two years later.

Whaley rose to national prominence when she won the Connecticut PGA section in 2002, earning a spot in the Greater Hartford Open. That's what inspired Annika Sorenstam to say she would accept an invitation to a PGA Tour event, which she received within weeks at the Colonial. Sorenstam played two months before Whaley.

Her name recognition might have received a boost when weeks before Whaley's election as secretary in 2014, Ted Bishop was ousted as PGA president for calling Ian Poulter a "Lil girl" during a social media rant.

But while Naismith Jeffcoat caused consternation in some circles — after she joined the PGA of America, two men threatened to sue to join the LPGA — Whaley received 53 percent of the votes from PGA delegates, only three of whom were women, and won election by 19 percentage points.

After two years as secretary and two years as vice president, it's time for the 51-year-old Whaley to lead the 29,000 men and women at the PGA of America. She didn't want to be president because she's a woman.

She still understands the moment in front of her.

"I wanted to have a seat at the table, a voice in the room," she said. "I didn't look at it as male or female. I felt I had something to contribute. That doesn't mean it's not difficult. It's an enormous opportunity for equality, and to showcase to women what they can do. Golf is an \$84 billion industry we want to contribute to."

Oakland's Billy Beane voted MLB executive of year

Associated Press

CARLSBAD, Calif. — Oakland Athletics executive vice president of baseball operations Billy Beane was voted the inaugural Major League Baseball Executive of the Year.

Tampa Bay general manager Erik Neander and Milwaukee general manager David Stearns tied for second, MLB said Monday at the annual GM meetings, without announcing the totals. Each team had one vote, which had to be submitted

by the end of the regular season.

Beane, 56, has headed baseball operations for the A's since after the 1997 season, first as general manager, and in his current role since after the 2015 season.

Oakland had the fourth-best record in the major leagues this year at 97-65 and lost to the New York Yankees in the AL wild-card game. The A's had the 28th-highest payroll as of Aug. 31 at \$77.8 million, ahead of only the Chicago White Sox (\$71.3 million) and Tampa Bay (\$70.5 million).

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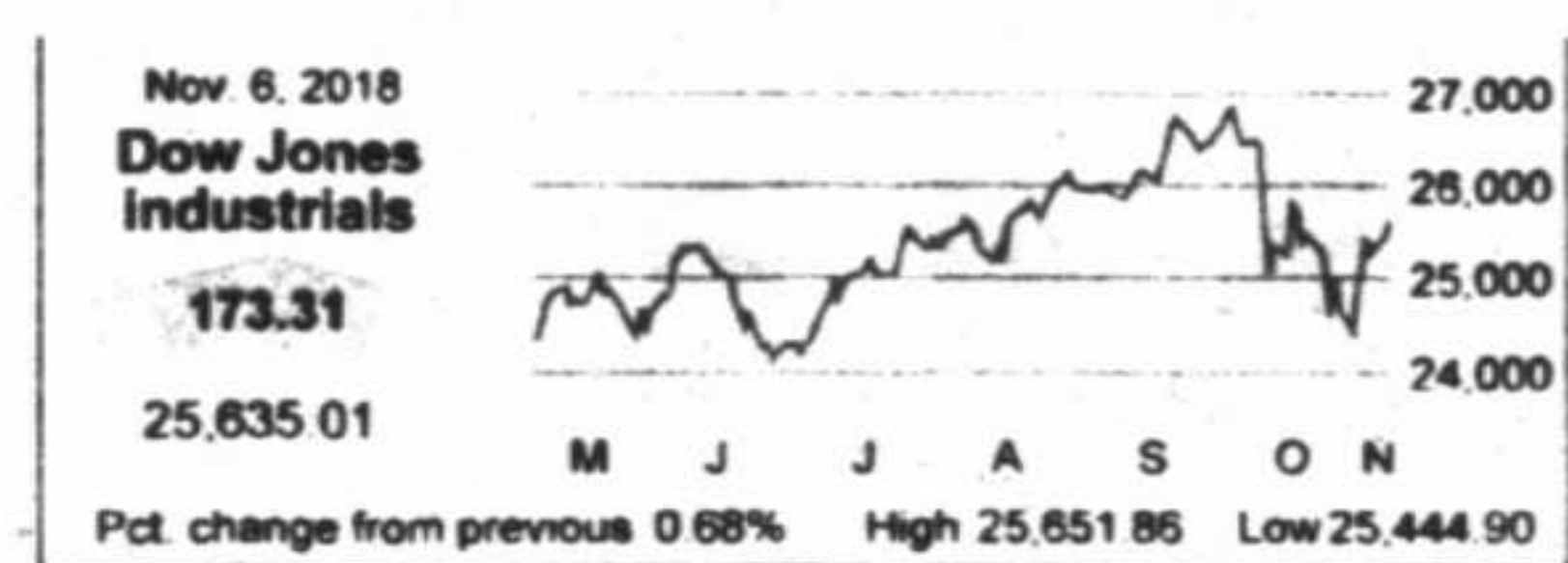
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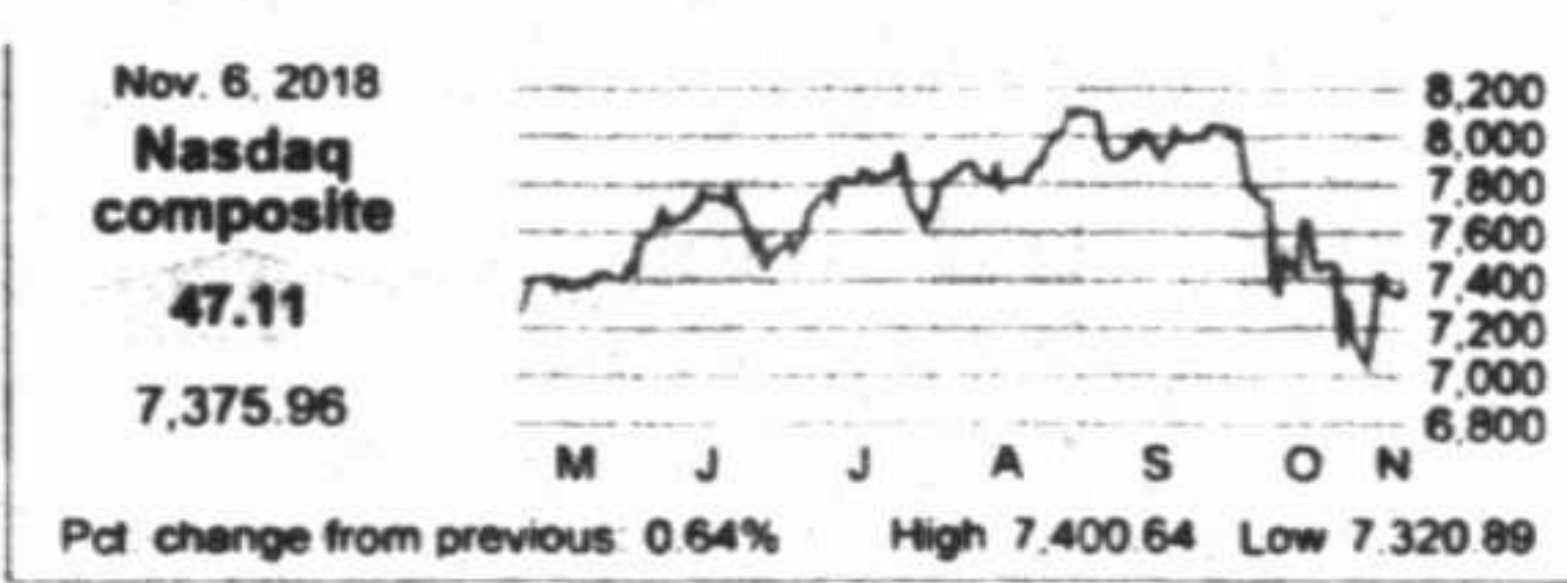
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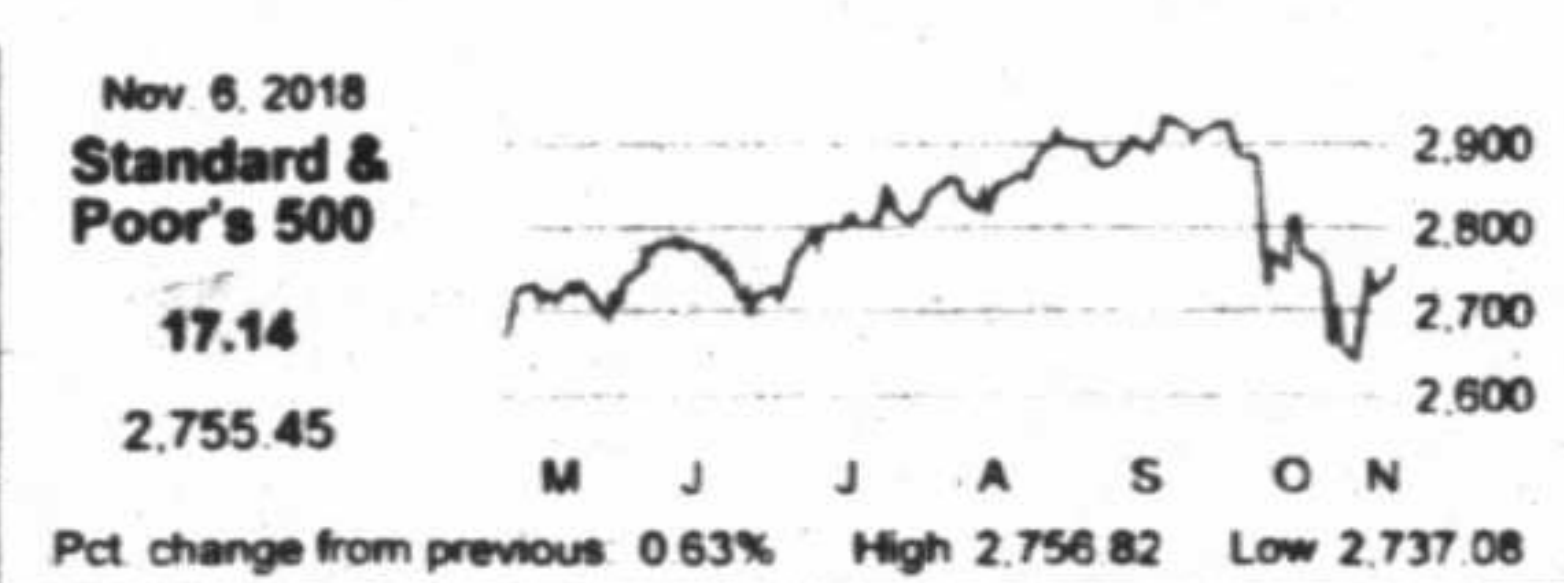
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Tuesday: \$3.555
Previous: \$3.567



Price of oil near seven-month low

By Heesu Lee and Grant Smith
Bloomberg

Oil held near the lowest level in seven months as concerns over a supply crunch eased after the U.S. granted waivers to eight governments to continue buying some Iranian crude.

Futures in New York slid as much as 0.7 percent after declining around 7 percent in the past six sessions. More details emerged on the amount of Iranian crude some nations can buy under American sanctions, after Secretary of State Michael Pompeo confirmed on Monday that China, India, Italy, Greece, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan and Turkey have been given temporary exemptions from the restrictions. Meanwhile, U.S. crude inventories are forecast to have risen a seventh week.

Crude has fallen more than 17 percent from a four-year high last month as American crude stockpiles continued to expand and chances grew for the Trump administration to grant waivers, lowering gasoline prices ahead of Tuesday's U.S. midterm elections. Meanwhile, a trade dispute between Washington and Beijing stoked concerns over slowing global growth that underpins energy consumption.

"The U.S. has for now given a lifeline to Iran," said Olivier Jakob, managing director at consultants Petromatrix GmbH in Zug, Switzerland. "The end result of the sanctions is softer than expected. The final outcome of the sanctions also confirms the political fear of high gasoline prices."

West Texas Intermediate crude for December delivery dropped as much as 41 cents to \$62.69 a barrel on the New York

Mercantile Exchange, and traded at \$62.82 at 11:24 a.m. in London. Futures settled at \$63.10 on Monday, down 4 cents. Total volume traded was 9 percent above the 100-day average.

Brent futures for January settlement slid 52 cents, or 0.7 percent, to \$72.65 a barrel on the London-based ICE Futures Europe exchange. Prices gained 34 cents to \$73.17 on Monday. The global benchmark crude traded at a \$9.72 premium to WTI for the same month.

The waivers awarded allow China to purchase up to 360,000 barrels a day for the next six months, India to buy up to 300,000 a day, and South Korea as much as 200,000 a day, according to people familiar with the matter who declined to be identified. Japan's biggest refiner, JXTG Holdings Inc., said it's considering resuming Iranian imports after the country also received a waiver.

As criticism increased from some American conservatives who didn't think Donald Trump should have issued any waivers, the U.S. president defended the move by saying he didn't want to shock energy markets by forcing all buyers to halt Iranian oil purchases. The exemptions were only temporary measures to ease buyers' transition and avoid destabilizing the market, Pompeo also reiterated.

Meanwhile, U.S. crude stockpiles are forecast to have risen by 2 million barrels last week, according to a Bloomberg survey before the Energy Information Administration releases data Wednesday. That would be the longest streak of increases since March 2017.

Industrials, tech lead US stocks higher ahead of elections

NEW YORK — U.S. stocks rose Tuesday as industrial and technology companies recovered some of the big losses they took over the last month. Strong company earnings also contributed to the gains, but stocks stayed calm as traders waited for results from the midterm elections in the U.S.

Industrial and basic materials companies made some of the biggest gains following reports from fertilizer maker Mosaic and granite, limestone, sand and gravel seller Martin Marietta Materials. Bond prices dipped, sending yields higher. Oil prices continued to fall, extending four weeks of losses. British stocks fell as negotiators from the U.K. and European Union as remained deadlocked over the issue of Ireland's borders.

The midterm elections will determine control of the House of Representatives and Senate, and 36 governorships are being contested along with other state and local positions. The vote could affect U.S. trade, economic and security policies.

Metals fall

Gold shed 0.5 percent to \$1,226.30 an ounce. Silver lost 1 percent to \$14.50 an ounce. Copper fell 0.9 percent to \$2.73 a pound.

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Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
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Study links disposal water, increased quake activity

By Rye Druzin
San Antonio Express-News

A new study says there is a link between the disposal of water used in the oil and gas industry underground and increased earthquake activity.

The study, led by the University of Texas at Austin, says the increased pressure created by pumping used water from oil and gas operations underground raises the risk of earthquakes. The risk is both site specific and regional, and the rate of injection can also be a factor.

Oil and gas production brings up with it large amounts of water in addition to the water used to hydraulic fracture wells, the

process that allows oil and gas companies to tap unconventional shale resources. One of the ways that oil and gas companies have dealt with such large volumes of wastewater is by pumping it back underground for permanent storage.

The areas the study looked at included the Permian Basin, the Eagle Ford Shale, the Bakken and Oklahoma.

Oklahoma had the highest rate of potential association, with 56 percent of water disposal wells potentially associated with earthquakes.

The Eagle Ford Shale was second highest, with 20 percent of its water disposal wells potentially associated with earthquakes.

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	%Chg	YTD
AT&T Inc	2.00	8	30.96	+33	+20.4	
Alcoa	—	—	1.88	—	—	
Academy	17	30.00	-1.58	-10.5	-6.8	
AdiaDevEq	1.52e	—	18.64	+10	+4.1	
AMD	—	—	20.88	+78	+101.2	
Albion	44	147.44	+2.80	+14.5	+10.1	
Alphabeta	1.35e	—	10.05	+0.1	+0.8	
Altria	—	—	17.90	+1.20	+6.2	
Amgen	0.5e	8	4.43	+0.05	+1.4	
Amplifon	40	8	35.17	-55	-32.4	
Amgen	6.3e	17	196.75	+83	+40.7	
Amgen	1.88	84	64.77	+88	+21	
Amgen	1.88	24	203.77	+2.18	+20.4	
Amgen	80	10	34.87	+88	+21.8	
Amgen	53	22	10.80	-13	-2.9	
Amgen	1.84	18	98.46	+11.7	+11.1	
Amgen	—	—	7.40	+0.05	+1.2	
Amgen	3.16e	38	143.92	+2.51	+22.8	
Amgen	—	—	2.03	-51	-27.2	
Amgen	2.58	23	42.88	+86	+46.1	
Amgen	0.06	—	9.75	-14	-4.6	
Amgen	21e	—	4.96	+11	+24.2	
Amgen	80	13	28.21	+15	+4.4	
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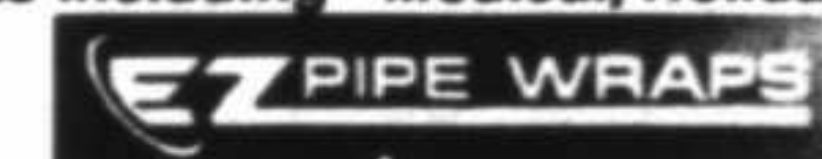
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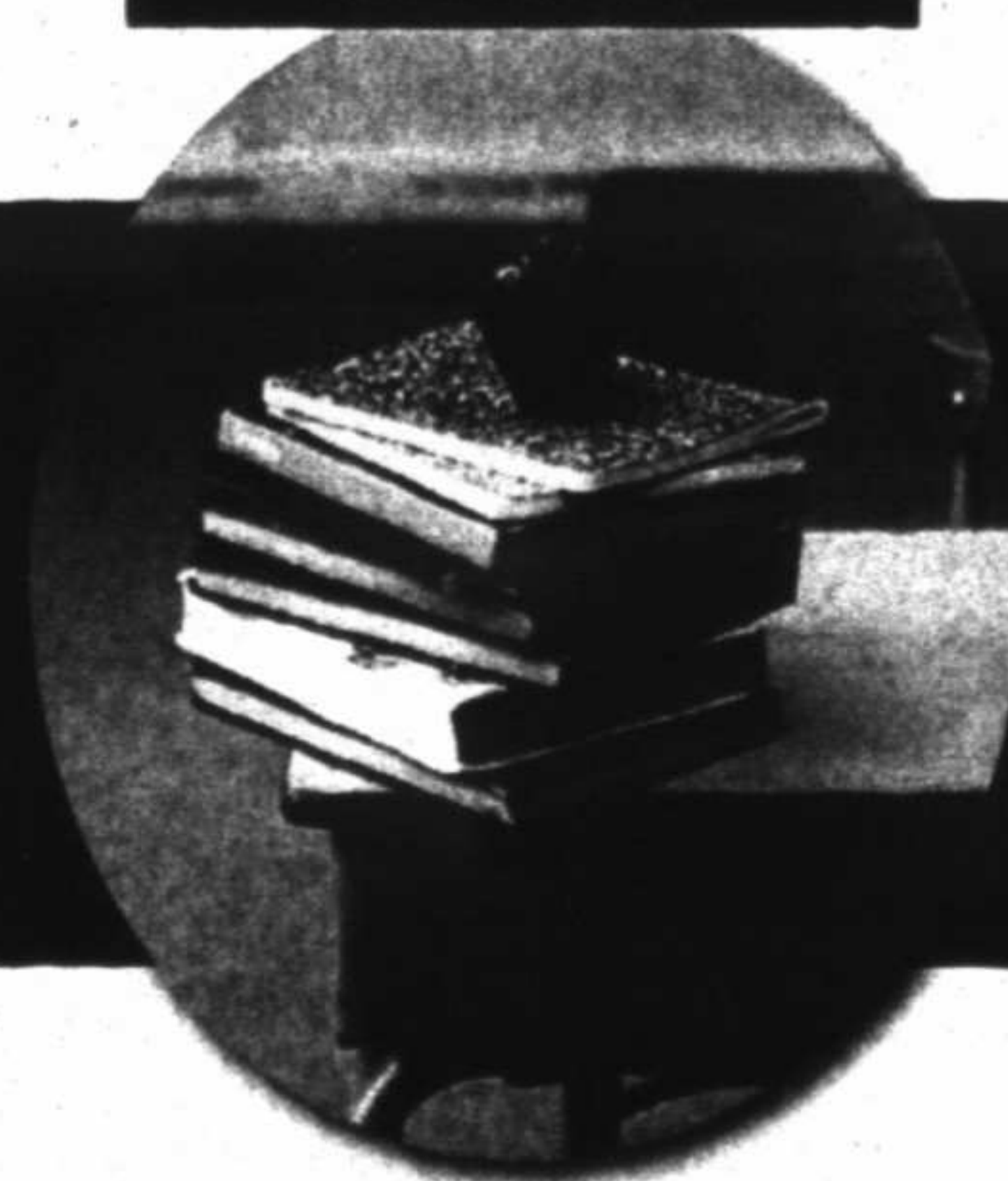
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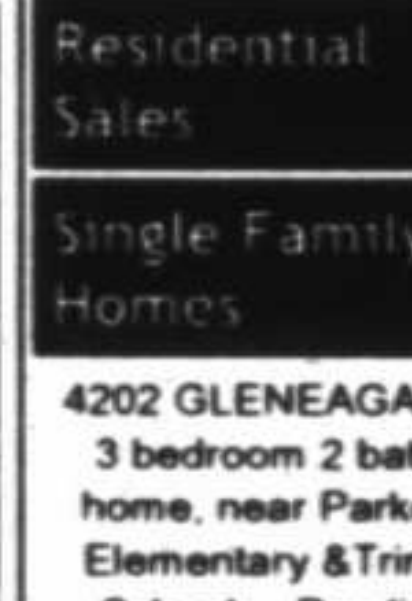


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Downtown Midland Management District (the "District"), was created by House Bill 3582, Acts of the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, codified as Chapter 3821, Texas Special District Local Laws Code (the "Act"), and is governed by the provisions of the Act and Chapter 375, Texas Local Government Code (the "Code"). The District proposes to levy an assessment for services and improvements payable in annual installments over the fifteen-year period of the 2018-2033 Services, Improvements and Assessment Plan (the "Plan") as allowed in the Plan.

The assessments will provide services and improvements in the areas of: (i) development and value enhancement; (ii) urban design and beautification; (iii) marketing and image; and (iv) administration, as further described in the Plan.

The District proposes to levy an assessment in the annual amount of \$0.218 per \$100 of assessed valuation of land and improvements in the District. Under the Plan, the Board may vary the rate of assessment each year, provided that (i) in no year may the rate be increased by more than 5% over the previous year's rate, and (ii) the rate may not exceed \$0.32 per \$100 of assessed valuation. The cost of the services to be provided is estimated to average \$531,293 annually and be \$7,969,395 over the fifteen-year period.

All residents and property owners within the District and all other interested persons are hereby invited to appear in person, or by their attorney, at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 12, 2018, at the Midland Chamber of Commerce, 303 W. Wall, Suite 200, Midland, Texas, 79701 and contend for or contest the assessment plans of the District, the proposed assessment plans of the District, the proposed assessment roll of the District, and each proposed assessment, and offer testimony pertinent to any issue presented on the amount of the assessments, purpose of the assessments, special benefits of the assessments, and the penalties and interest on delinquent assessments. For additional information, please call Natalie Shelton of the Downtown Midland Management District, at (432) 254-9188.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Wayne Scott Pauline, Deceased, were issued to Scott James Pauline on October 23, 2018 in Cause No. P18541, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Scott Pauline
c/o Brandon W. Pinson
P.O. Box 8530
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DATED November 5, 2018.

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0315609
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Oct 16, 2018 Status/Permit No. 845585
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Nov 20, 2018
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
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Fax: (512) 463-6780
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, [RRC Operator No. 217012] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit. Applicant also seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement because the location is less than the required Rule 37 distance to an external lease line for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 7, Bk. 40 T2S, T&P RR CO Survey, A-50, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 10.8 miles SW direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessee 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 Protest should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512) 463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512) 463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Nov 28, 2018 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: WARFIELD EAST L

Lease/Unit Well No.: 101WA

Lease/Unit Acres: 850.03

Nearest Lease Line (R): 1.0

Nearest Well on Lease (R): 167.0

Lease Lines: 2420.0 F EAST L, 779.0 F SOUTH L

Survey Lines: 2420.0 F EAST L, 779.0 F SOUTH L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Laterals: TH1

Penetration Point Location

Lease Lines: 2420.0 F EAST L, 779.0 F SOUTH L

Terminus Location

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Section: 19 Block: 40 T2S Abstract: 56

Survey: T&P RR CO

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Survey Lines: 2072.0 F EAST L, 50.0 F SOUTH L

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This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10480 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Paula Brunson, at (432) 2217442.

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Lease/Unit Well No.: 102WA

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Nearest Lease Line (R): 1.0

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DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0315641
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