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# Ranch's water to arrive in December

## \$30 million pipeline for 40-year supply to be funded by bonds

By Joseph Basco  
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The water project to augment the T-Bar Ranch water pipeline for a 40-year supply of water for Midland has a new scheduled completion date of Dec. 31.

On Tuesday, the City Council approved an amendment to the agreement between the city of Midland and the Midland County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1 for the development of the 6,800-acre Clear Water Ranch in Winkler County, south of Kermit. The amendment calls for extending the completion date of a pipeline from Clear Water Ranch to T-Bar Ranch from July 31 to Dec. 31.

Jay Edwards, general manager of the fresh water district, said the project started off on an "aggressive schedule" to meet high summer demand for water. But because project financing approval from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has yet to be completed, the city allowed the delay.

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"We didn't really want to ask the TCEQ to go through quite the accelerated schedule that we did on T-Bar because we don't necessarily have to have it this summer," Edwards said. "So we're going through their normal review period, which will push the due date back six months."

The city and fresh water district pursued developing Clear Water Ranch after the completion of the T-Bar Ranch pipeline in May as a means to continue the city's 100-year water plan. T-Bar Ranch is estimated to provide Midlanders with 40 years of water, but its water quality is something left to be desired by the city and district.

With Clear Water Ranch, as its name implies, water quality from the T-Bar pipeline will be improved by combining T-Bar Ranch water with Clear Water Ranch water. "You don't have to add any special plants to make the water safer to deliver," said Mayor Jerry Morales. "So there's savings when you don't have to add more chemicals to the water."

And because of its recharge capabilities, Clear Water Ranch is also expected to last 40 years.

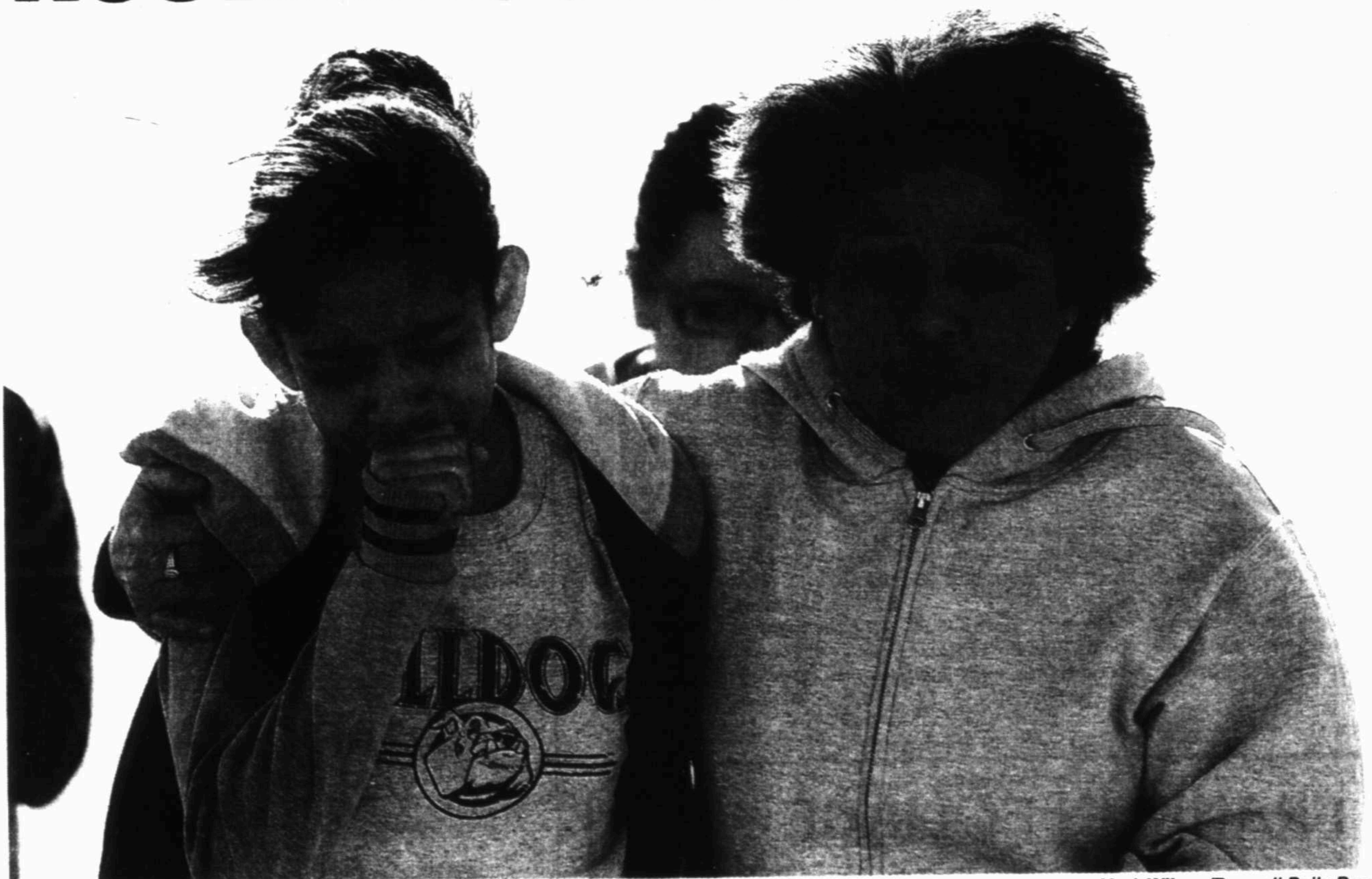
The project will entail 25 wells at the site and 15 miles of 18-inch pipe that will connect to T-Bar Ranch. Clear Water Ranch can produce 4 million gallons per day, a smaller amount than T-Bar's average production of 10 million gallons to 20 million gallons.

Right of way for the Clear Water Ranch pipeline is being cleared, and the pipeline itself is being ordered.

To fund the \$30 million project, the city and fresh water district are working on a financial plan that will be

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# ROSWELLSCHOOLSHOOTING



Mark Wilson/Roswell Daily Record

A student, left, is hugged after a shooting at Berrendo Middle School on Tuesday in Roswell, N.M. A shooter opened fire at the middle school, injuring at least two students before being taken into custody. Roswell police said the school was placed on lockdown and the suspected shooter was arrested.

## MFD driver saves dog in residential blaze

By Rachael Gleason  
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A Midland Fire Department driver saved a dog Tuesday while fighting a residential blaze in central Midland.

Crews responded after 11 a.m. to a house fire in the 2200 block of Sinclair Avenue near the intersection of Garfield Street and Golf Course Avenue.

MFD Fire Marshal David Hickman said the fire is still under investigation, but it started on the back patio and spread to the attic, causing significant fire and smoke damage.

"Wind helped carry it into the house," he said. "Wind is always a factor."

The National Weather Service, in its 10:53 a.m. report online, recorded 22 mph winds coming from the northeast.

Smoke billowed out of the back of the house as a dozen fire department vehicles responded. The Midland Police Department also blocked off parts of North Garfield Street so crews could battle the blaze.

No one was at the house when the fire broke out, but MFD driver Dusty Robertson saved a dog, which was released back to its owner that day, said Sara Higgins, the city's public information officer.

The owner will likely be displaced, Hickman said at the scene.

## Police: NM boy, 12, shoots 2 classmates at school

By Russell Contreras  
Associated Press

ROSWELL, N.M. — A 12-year-old New Mexico boy drew a shotgun from a band-instrument case and shot and wounded two classmates at his middle school Tuesday morning before a teacher talked him into dropping the weapon and he was taken into custody, officials and witnesses said.

A boy was critically injured and a girl was in satisfactory condition following the shooting at

Berrendo Middle School in Roswell.

Gov. Susana Martinez said the students were in the gym, where they typically hang out before classes start during cold and inclement weather. The 12-year-old pulled a shotgun and opened fire there at about 8 a.m.

However, he was "quickly stopped by one staff member who walked right up to him and asked him to set down the firearm, which he did," Martinez said at a news conference.

Superintendent Tom Burris said the school's faculty had participated in "active shooter"

training and they responded appropriately Tuesday.

"In the 10 seconds that transpired from the time of this thing starting until the teacher had control of the weapon, there was no cowardice," Burris said. "There was protection for our kids. Everyone acted and did their duties today at Berrendo Middle School."

Officials at University Medical Center in Lubbock said an 11-year-old boy was flown

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# Flu shots recommended despite season peak

By Rachael Gleason  
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Local health officials are reminding residents to get their flu shots because a virulent H1N1 strain is spreading throughout the state.

The Texas Department of State Health Services reports a high level of flu-like illness in all parts of Texas, with H1N1 being the most common strain.

Sal Garcia, city health manager, said it's never too late to vaccinate against the flu, which commonly peaks in January or February.

"If you haven't been vaccinated, there's still time," Garcia said.

Flu shots, which the state recommends for everyone over 6 months, are available through Midland's Health & Senior Services department to adults and children over the age of 3. Prices range from \$20 to \$35, and Medicare is accepted, according to the city.

If Midlanders have flu-like symptoms — fever, coughing, sore throat, aches, chills and fatigue — they should stay home, Garcia said.

"If you've been sick for 48 hours and it's not getting any better, see a physician," he said. Midlanders with the flu

should also wash their hands and properly dispose of used facial tissues, said Becky Gates, city health department nursing supervisor.

Midland Independent School District is seeing more flu-like illness cases this month, but the rate is on par with previous years, said Tracey Dees, MISD health services supervisor.

The only difference is that more kids are getting sick in January — after the holidays — instead of early December, she said.

The district encourages flu vaccinations, which are not a requirement, and offers a shot clinic for teachers in October, said Dees, noting teachers also promote preventative measures in their classrooms.

Five children have died of the flu so far this season, according to the state health department. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates the illness kills more than 23,000 Americans each year.

"People need to remember that the flu can be serious and even fatal," said Texas Health and Human Services Executive Commissioner Kyle Janek. "Protect yourself and your family by getting a flu shot. If you do get sick, stay home so that we stop the spread of the disease as quickly as possible."

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**Midland Health and Senior Services**  
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**PREVENT THE SPREAD OF GERMS**

- Wash your hands often with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand rub.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread this way.
- Try to avoid close contact with sick people.
- Practice good health habits. Get plenty of sleep and exercise, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids and eat healthy food.

Cover your nose and mouth with a facial tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.

If you are sick with flu-like illness, stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone without the use of fever-reducing medicine.

Source: flu.gov

**WHOOPIING COUGH SYMPTOMS**

- Runny nose
- Low-grade fever (generally minimal throughout the course of the disease)
- Mild, occasional cough
- Apnea — a pause in breathing (in infants)
- Paroxysms (fits) of many, rapid coughs followed by a high-pitched "whoop"
- Vomiting
- Exhaustion after coughing fits

**WHOOPIING COUGH COMPLICATIONS IN CHILDREN AND INFANTS**

- 1 in 5 get pneumonia (lung infection)
- 1 in 100 will have convulsions (violent, uncontrolled shaking)
- Half will have apnea (slowed or stopped breathing)
- 1 in 300 will have encephalopathy (disease of the brain)
- 1 in 100 will die

Source: Texas Department of State Health Services

## CRIMEBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

### MPD: Drunken man drives with boy in back seat

A Midland man was charged with driving while intoxicated Monday after arriving at a local Sonic with a 10-month-old boy sitting in the back seat.

Bruce A. Mata, 28, was arrested Monday and is being held on a \$25,000 bond for a state jail felony charge of driving while intoxicated with a child under 15 years of age.

A Midland police officer was dispatched to the Sonic at 1109 N. Midkiff Road at about 10:30 p.m. Monday. He said Mata smelled strongly of alcohol and had extremely glassy, bloodshot eyes and slurred speech. The officer said Mata was confused and handed him a debit card instead of his driver's license. The officer had to help Mata identify which card was his license.

He didn't know where his car keys were and confirmed that he drove to the

restaurant. Witnesses at the scene said that when Mata was parking his car, he hit the curb multiple times, according to the arrest affidavit.

The child's mother, who was a passenger, said she thought if she got Mata some food it would "help him sober up."

Mata was detained at the scene. While the officer was reading Mata his Miranda and DWI statutory warnings, Mata talked over the officer and said, "Blah, blah, blah, that's a negatory."

The officer found a 12-pack of beer inside the vehicle; two of the containers were open. Mata said he was "going to prison over 10 beers."

If convicted, Mata faces up to two years in prison. MPD: Midland man sexually assaulted female family member

### Man arrested for sexually assaulting family member

A Midland man was arrested Monday for sexually assaulting a female family member, according to court documents.

Jaime L. Arenivas, 40, is being held on a \$100,000 bond for a second-degree



Areniva

felony charge of sexual assault.

The woman told investigators that she had been staying at Arenivas' home in the 200 block of East Pecan Avenue since Dec. 29.

She said she and Arenivas slept in the same bed but had separate blankets. She said she woke up at about 2 a.m. Jan. 8 and Arenivas was touching her genitals, according to the arrest affidavit.

She later asked her mother to pick her up. Her mother said that when she arrived she noticed her daughter had been crying.

The mother said Arenivas had gotten out of prison in June and had previously been in trouble for groping women at Midland apartment complexes. He was arrested in June 2008 in Odessa for groping a woman and was a suspect in several other groping cases. He also was arrested on March 31, 2007, for improper photography after taking photos of women at a Wal-Mart, according to the report.

If convicted, he faces up to 20 years in prison.

## FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Jaime L. Arenivas, 40, of Midland, was charged Monday with sexual assault.

Robert J. Gonzales, 32, of Amarillo, was charged Monday with injury to a child, elderly or disabled person with reckless bodily injury.

William D. Green, 33, of Midland, was charged Monday with driving while intoxicated three or more times and writ of habeas corpus.

Scheler D. Lee, 53, of Midland, was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Cordia Lewis Jr., 61, of Midland, was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Bruce A. Mata, 28, of Midland, was charged Monday with driving while intoxicated with a child passenger under 15 years of age.

LaJeffery A. Miller, 25, of Midland, was charged Monday with evading arrest or detention with a vehicle and tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.

Paul Pinales, 41, of Midland, was charged Monday with theft.

Patricia A. Ramirez, 53, of Midland, was charged Monday with theft.

William D. Rhynes, 44, of Midland, was charged Monday with failure to comply with sex offender registration duties, and writ of habeas corpus.

Hector J. Subia, 36, of Midland, was charged Monday with burglary of a building.

Bradley D. Wilkerson, 26, of Midland, was charged Monday with violation of probation.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

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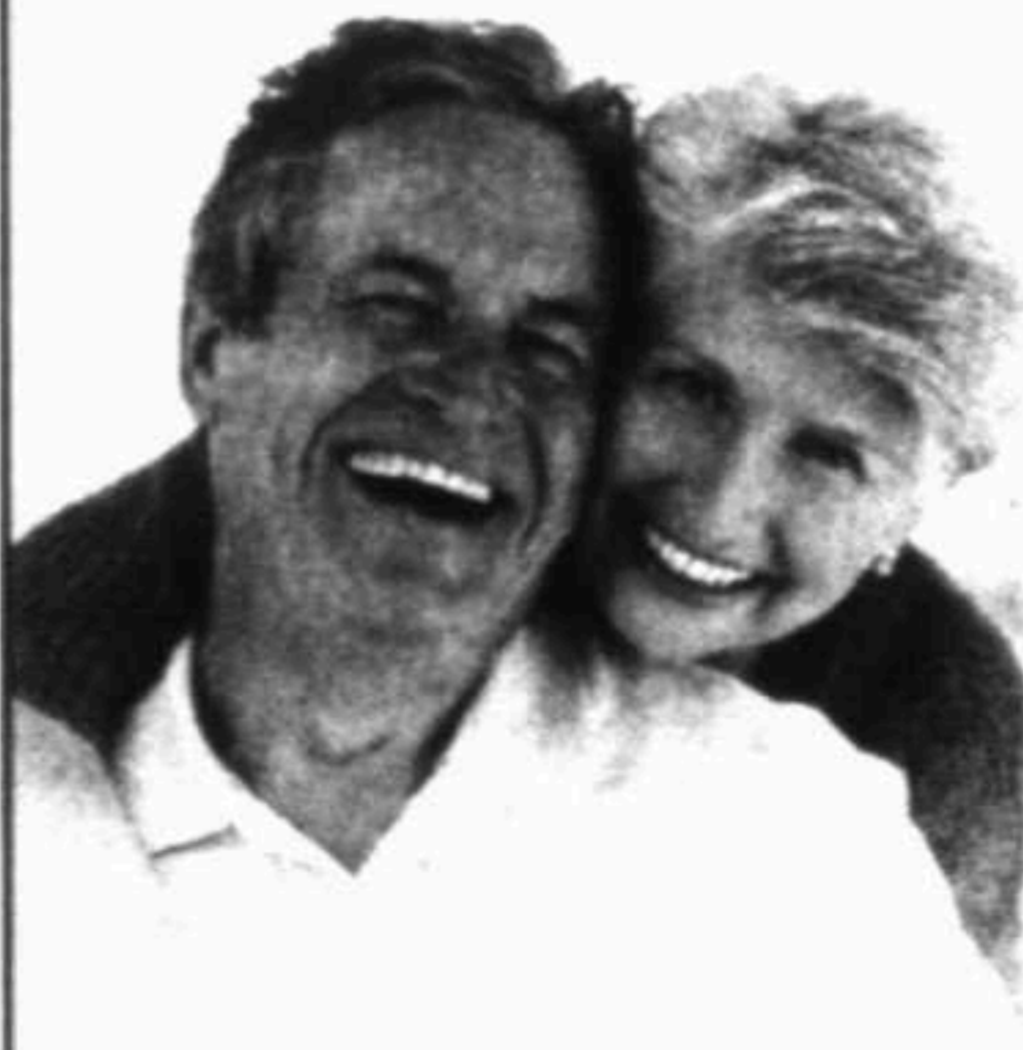
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# Pregnant, brain-dead woman's husband sues hospital

Associated Press

DALLAS — The fate of a brain-dead, pregnant Texas woman and her fetus likely will be decided in a courtroom after the woman's husband sued the hospital keeping her on life support against his wishes.

Erick Munoz filed a lawsuit in state district court in Fort Worth, where his wife, Marlise Munoz, has been on life support since he found her unconscious in their North Texas home on Nov. 26. She was 14 weeks pregnant at the time. Her family says the exact cause of her condition isn't known, though a blood clot is a possibility.

Erick and Marlise Munoz, both paramedics, had seen life and death up close and he previously told The Associated Press that his wife was clear with him: If she fell into a condition like this, pull life support and let her die.

John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth, however, has refused to take Marlise Munoz off machines, citing a

state law the hospital says requires it to continue treating a pregnant patient.

Munoz's lawsuit says that law doesn't apply because Marlise Munoz is legally and medically dead. The condition of her fetus is unclear.

"Marlise Munoz is dead, and she gave clear instructions to her husband and family — Marlise was not to remain on any type of artificial 'life sustaining treatment,' ventilators or the like," the lawsuit said. "There is no reason JPS should be allowed to continue treatment on Marlise Munoz's dead body, and this court should order JPS to immediately discontinue such."

The Tarrant County District Attorney's office, which is representing the public hospital, said its attorneys were reviewing the lawsuit and had no immediate response Tuesday. Hospital spokeswoman J.R. Labbe previously has said hospital officials stand by their position: "This is not a difficult decision for us. We are following the law."

The Texas Advance Directives Act reads in part that, "A person may not withdraw or withhold life-sustaining treatment under this subchapter from a pregnant patient."

But experts said the hospital is incorrectly applying the statute because Munoz is brain-dead and beyond any chance of recovery.

"This patient is neither terminally nor irreversibly ill," said Dr. Robert Fine, clinical director of the office of clinical ethics and palliative care for Baylor Health Care System, in an interview earlier this month. "Under Texas law, this patient is legally dead."

Texas is one of 12 states across a wide political spectrum that automatically invalidate a pregnant woman's advance health care directive. The others are: Alabama, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, South Carolina, Utah, Washington and Wisconsin, according to a 2012 report by the Center for Women Policy Studies, an advocacy group that supports abortion rights.



AP file photo  
Erick Munoz stands with an undated copy of a photograph of himself, left, with wife, Marlise, and their son, Mateo, in Haltom City on Jan. 3. Munoz filed a lawsuit in state district court in Fort Worth where his wife has been on life support since he found her unconscious in their home on Nov. 26. She was 14 weeks pregnant at the time.

## Davis, Abbott report big money in race

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Fort Worth Democrat Wendy Davis raised more than \$12 million over the past six months in her bid to become governor, and Republican Greg Abbott collected \$11.5 million over three months, the campaigns reported Tuesday.

Davis reported the fundraising totals for her Senate account, gubernatorial account and a political action committee formed with Battleground Texas that's dedicated to her election. Battleground Texas was formed to help Texas Democrats, who have not won a statewide election in 20 years.

"Wendy Davis has done more than just meet the credibility threshold, she has sprinted through it, showing broad support and momentum that must scare the tar out of Greg Abbott and his team of Austin insiders," said Matt Angle, a Davis adviser and director of The Lone Star Project, a Democratic PAC.

Both candidates released their

fundraising numbers a day before the required deadline. The Davis campaign said it will report raising funds from 71,843 individual contributors in their official reports due to the Texas Ethics Commission today. About 85 percent of the contributions were \$50 or less.

Of the \$12.5 million, \$3.5 million went to the pro-Davis PAC, called Texas Victory Committee.

"This looks like more fuzzy math from the Davis campaign" said Abbott spokesman Matt Hirsch, in response to the fundraising report that showed her raising more money than Abbott.

The attorney general's news release counted money only given directly to his campaign and shows the tremendous advantage his team has with \$27 million in cash on hand. Abbott's campaign manager Wayne Hamilton said over the last six months, 97 percent of the donors were from Texas.

Texas is second in the nation in

population and size and includes 20 media markets. The 2014 gubernatorial campaign is expected to cost each candidate about \$40 million.

Abbott and Davis are the top candidates running to replace Gov. Rick Perry, who is retiring. Abbott has served as attorney general since 2002 and has long been considered Perry's heir apparent.

Davis gained national attention in June for her filibuster in the Texas Senate of a stringent abortion law. She forced a second special session, where the Republican-controlled Legislature passed the law. She has since become a celebrity among progressive Democrats.

Davis did not immediately release how much money her campaign has spent, how much it has left or how many donations came from outside Texas.

The party primaries are on March 4, but neither Davis nor Abbott face a challenger with a significant campaign organization.

## McDonald Observatory gets new director

Associated Press

AUSTIN — The University of Texas' McDonald Observatory in West Texas is getting a new director.

The Austin American-Statesman reported Taft Armandroff would be announced Tuesday as the new director and professor of astronomy. The appointment will be effective June 1.

Armandroff is currently director of the W.M. Keck Observatory, a nonprofit organization with two tele-

scopes on the summit of Mauna Kea in Hawaii.

He succeeds 75-year-old David Lambert, who directed the observatory for 10 years.

The observatory is gearing up for a study of the mysterious force known as dark energy that's causing the cosmos to expand at an accelerating rate. The \$39 million dark energy project — a collaboration with other institutions — is expected to begin later this year.

## Man convicted of 1993 deaths granted bond

Associated Press

EL PASO — A West Texas man convicted of killing two people as a teenager in 1993 was released on bond Tuesday while he awaits a new trial that the state had ordered.

After spending nearly 20 years in prison for the killings of two teenagers in a drive-by shooting, Daniel Villegas stood in the morning sun outside the El Paso County Jail.

"I never thought this day would come and now it's here. It feels like a dream, like I'm going to wake up," the 37-year-old told a crowd of reporters and sympathizers.

Villegas was flanked by his mother, Yolanda Ville-

gas, and local businessman John Mimbela, who has supported his case. Villegas was released Tuesday after posting \$1,000 of a \$50,000 bond.

"This is too much for me. I get to hold him again. I've waited too long," Yolanda Villegas said while tears rolled down her cheeks.

Daniel Villegas first trial for the deaths of teenagers Armando Lazo and Robert England ended in a hung jury. He was found guilty in 1995 and sentenced to life in prison.

But at hearings in 2011, Villegas' attorney, John Gates, said he hadn't had enough time to prepare for the second trial. The de-

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# TODAY IN MIDLAND

## Thing to do

Concert, Elvis Lives at Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center. [www.wagnernoel.com](http://www.wagnernoel.com).

## Support groups today

■ Bariatric Support Group, 11:30 a.m., ACT Counseling Center, 2445 E. 11th St., Odessa; 272-4333.  
 ■ Overeaters Anonymous; noon, B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D, 553-1031.

## Community calendar

■ The Midland College Student Club Fair will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. today at the Scharbauer Student Center, Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield Road.

■ The George W. Bush Childhood Home monthly reading event is planned for 4:30-5:30 p.m. Thursday at Grande Communications Stadium. The varsity and junior varsity Lady Dawgs will be there to meet fans.

Each child will receive a copy of the book. Refreshments will be served. To make a reservation, call 685-1112.

■ Midland High School girls soccer kick-off event is 5:45 p.m. Thursday at Grande Communications Stadium. The varsity and junior varsity Lady Dawgs will be there to meet fans.

For team schedules visit [midlandhighgirlsoccer.org](http://midlandhighgirlsoccer.org).

■ Texas Tech Physicians of the Permian Basin will host free support group for patients with metastatic cancer beginning Jan. 21.

The Helping Hand Metastatic Cancer Support will meet noon every other Tuesday at Texas Tech Physicians of the Permian Basin Clinic, Room 210B, 301 N. Ave. "N." Lunch will be provided. RSVP to Amber Chavez at 620-1023.  
 ■ Pop-Up Toasters Toastmasters club will host an open house 6:30 a.m. Feb. 4 at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave., Room 228. For more information or to RSVP, contact [popuptoasters@gmail.com](mailto:popuptoasters@gmail.com) or 242-2061.

## How sick are you?

Midland Memorial Hospital has partnered with Medical Center Hospital in Odessa on the telephone nurse triage program "68-NURSE," in order to bring the service to the entire Permian Basin.

The program is designed to help people determine whether or not their health situation warrants a trip to the emergency room. Midland residents can call the line at 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 health care option, whether it's a neighborhood clinic, urgent care center, emergency room ... or just staying home.

## Large item pickup

For residential customers, the city of Midland will pick up furniture and appliances at no additional charge. These items must be placed in the alley in the city right-of-way; the city will not go onto private property. Do not place your item next to the Dumpster; it needs to be behind your home, in the alley. These larger item collections must be scheduled with the Solid Waste Division. To schedule a pickup, call 685-7278.

Source: City of Midland

## Correction

A story in Tuesday's Reporter-Telegram incorrectly listed the date of Midland ISD's bad weather make-up day. Students will have school Feb. 17 and March 24.

## When it's open

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 699-4991

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 All or Nothing day: 1-2-4-5-8-9-10-13-15-17-18-20  
 All or Nothing evening: 3-4-5-7-9-10-12-16-19-21-22-24  
 All or Nothing night: 3-5-6-7-10-12-13-17-18-20-22-24

## Today in history

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 15, the 15th day of 2014. There are 350 days left in the year.  
**Today's highlight:**  
 On Jan. 15, 1929, civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. was born in Atlanta.  
**On this date:**  
 In 1943, work was completed on the Pentagon, headquarters of the U.S. Department of War (now Defense).  
 In 1967, the Green Bay Packers of the National Football League defeated the Kansas City Chiefs of the American Football League 35-10 in the first AFL-NFL World Championship Game, known retrospectively as Super Bowl I.

# WATER

From 1A

submitted to the TCEQ. The plan is expected to be approved in April. Morales said the project will be funded with bonds, such as how the T-Bar Ranch project was in 2012.

The Texas Attorney General's Office will have to give its approval to the project, which could happen in mid-May. Morales said one of the legal requirements that the office is asking for before the Clear Water Ranch project can continue is annual water and sewer rate escalations, which the council also approved Tuesday. According to the council resolution, all water and sewer rates will increase by 5 percent on Oct. 1 this year and Oct. 1, 2015, 4 1/2 percent on Oct. 1, 2016, and 2 1/2 percent on Oct. 1, 2017.

The escalation rates, other than meeting legal requirements with the Attorney General's Office, are meant to create positive cash flow in the city's water and sewer fund, which has a deficit that is

## Lawyer: Texas must demand water for schools

AUSTIN — A Texas environmental agency that's supposed to consider forcing a small South Texas town to turn the water back on so its school district's students can return to class has received conflicting recommendations.

The Office of Public Interest Counsel, appointed by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to represent public interests, wrote in a letter that cutting the water to the La Villa district "presents a serious and imminent threat to the health and safety of the students, teachers and staff." It said the agency has the jurisdiction to force the city to turn its back on and should do so.

La Villa shut off the water in December because of a billing dispute. Students were supposed to return to class Monday, but without water, the schools have remained closed.

TCEQ's interim executive director, Richard Hyde, wrote in a letter to the commission that it does not have necessary authority to compel La Villa to return services to the school district. He recommended the commission take no action, which is what it did when the school district made a similar request in December.

The TCEQ was scheduled to take up the issue today in Austin.

Associated Press

expected to last several more years.

To go beyond Clear Water Ranch and to reach a 100-year plan, the fresh water district will continue to pursue other water sources, and Morales will continue meeting with other cities such as Abilene in the West Texas Water Partnership to create a

regional water plan.

## ALSO AT TUESDAY'S MEETING

The council is considering a revision of its mobile vendor ordinance as the proliferation of food trucks have reached the Midland area.

Three factors — requests

## Comptroller calls for water innovation

AUSTIN — Comptroller Susan Combs said the state needs more investment in water innovation on top of the billions of new dollars recently committed to build more pipelines and reservoirs across Texas.

Combs on Tuesday released a report on water and the Texas economy. She's the latest politician to stress the importance of the state's water needs after the issue dominated the Legislature in 2013.

Voters in November approved dedicating \$2 billion to the state water plan. Combs has proposed a series of ideas that includes the state creating a \$25 million prize pot of water research dollars to promote competition.

Farmers and ranchers lost nearly \$7.6 billion in the 2011 drought. The state also estimated losing \$1.6 billion in lost timber production from dead trees.

Associated Press

from vendors for more freedom, inquiries from council members for more regulation and violations from some vendors — have all prompted the city to take a closer look into its current ordinance. Council members noted during the council briefing on Tuesday that they want food trucks and brick-and-mortar restaurants to be on a "level playing field."

Vendors are supposed to obtain a \$4 permit, which allows them to sell at a location for three days. After their time is

elapsed, vendors have to wait a minimum of 15 days before obtaining another permit.

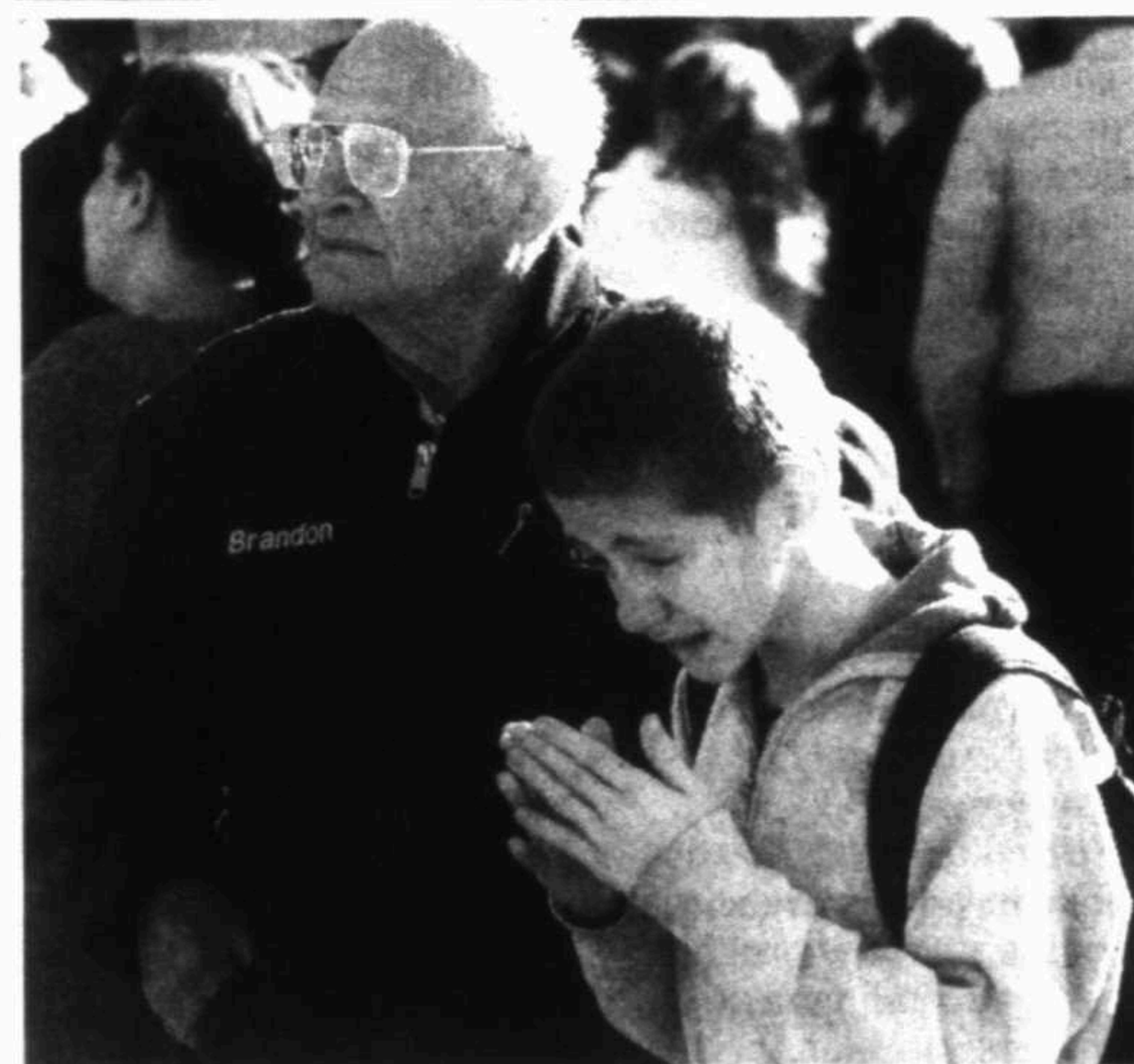
"We have virtually no one that's adhering to these ordinances," said Steve Thorpe, the city's building official.

Some of the proposed changes the city is pondering include switching to annual fees that have no maximum duration but does not allow equipment to be left out overnight. Changes are not expected to be finalized until early spring.



Photos by Mark Wilson/Roswell Daily Record

CLOCKWISE FROM ABOVE: A woman hugs a student at a staging ground set up at the Roswell Mall following a shooting at Berrendo Middle School on Tuesday in Roswell, N.M. A shooter opened fire at the middle school, injuring at least two students before being taken into custody. Roswell police said the school was placed on lockdown, and the suspected shooter was arrested. Law enforcement personnel set up a perimeter following the shooting. A student, right, waits at a staging ground area set up at the Roswell Mall following a shooting.



# SHOOTING

From 1A

there in critical condition and a 13-year-old girl arrived in serious condition. Her condition was upgraded to satisfactory Tuesday evening.

Information from nurses treating the boy indicate he was the shooter's target, hospital spokesman Eric Finley said. There was some confusion about the boy's age, but Finley said his parents told the hospital he is 11.

The governor said a staff member received very minor injuries but declined medical care because he wanted to stay and help.

Berrendo eighth-grader Odie Carranza said she was walking to the school gym when the suspect bumped into her as he rushed past. She told him to be careful, and he

apologized and continued on. The boy ran to the gym, where he pulled a gun from a band instrument case and fired at the students.

"Then he shot up in the sky, then dropped the gun, and then some teacher grabbed the kid that had the gun," Carranza said.

Carranza described the shooter as a "smart kid and a nice kid."

Student Gabby Vasquez said the boy who was shot "was really nice, got along with everybody." Hospital officials said Tuesday afternoon that the 11-year-old underwent surgery but was still in critical condition.

State Police Chief Pete Kassetas said the investigation was in the early stages and authorities were still looking into a possible motive. He estimated more

than 100 students and faculty members needed to be interviewed.

"I don't have a lot of answers as of yet," Kassetas said, adding police believe they have the only individual responsible for the shooting in custody. The suspect's name was not released.

"I want to make sure the community knows there's really nobody else out there," Kassetas said.

A statement from the state police said authorities responded at 8:11 a.m. The school was placed on lockdown and children were bused to a nearby mall, where parents picked them up.

At the mall, parents waited anxiously. Some held hands, while others hugged each other.

Classes were later canceled and won't resume

until Thursday.

Two prayer services were scheduled for Tuesday night at Roswell's Calvary Baptist and First Baptist churches. Pastor Chris Mullennix, of Calvary Baptist, said parents were worried and heartbroken but there was a sense among many he spoke with that the community would be able to come together.

"This is something that strikes people to the core," he told The Associated Press. "We're not talking about a flesh wound or just a mental wound. We're talking about the very souls of people being shaken and rocked by something like this."

Mullennix said the prayer services will start the healing process.

"This is tragic, but yet people in Roswell are tough, and people in Ro-

swell will recover because we do have a sense of community, and I think that's really important," he said.

In the hours after the shooting, social media sites were flooded with sentiments offering prayers for the community. Some Berrendo students posted on their Facebook sites that they were frightened and didn't want to return to classes.

"I'm still scared to go back to school," Carranza said.

Roswell has a population of about 50,000. It is a center for ranching and farming, and is home to the New Mexico Military Institute, the only state-supported military college in the West. The city is perhaps best-known as the site of an alleged UFO crash in 1947.

# Oklahoma same-sex marriage ban struck down by federal judge

By Matt Pearce and Hailey Branson-Potts  
 Los Angeles Times

A federal judge in Tulsa struck down Oklahoma's ban on same-sex marriage Tuesday but suspended his decision while it's appealed to higher courts.

The ruling is the latest in a series of legal victories for same-sex marriage proponents around the country.

U.S. District Judge Terence Kern's ruling stemmed from a lawsuit filed in 2004, the same year Oklahoma passed its constitutional amendment with 76 percent of voters in favor

of banning same-sex marriage.

Kern's ruling said Oklahoma's ban violated the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. He cited comments from state Republicans in 2004 in ruling that Oklahoma's amendment was intended to discriminate against gays.

"Moral disapproval of homosexuals as a class, or same-sex marriage as a practice, is not a permissible justification for a law," Kern, a Bill Clinton appointee, wrote in the ruling, which called the ban "arbitrary" and "irrational."

Oklahoma joins Utah in awaiting a federal appeals court's decision on whether gay and lesbian couples can wed in two of the nation's

most conservative states.

The Oklahoma lawsuit was brought by two longtime couples seeking to strike down the state's ban and the federal Defense of Marriage Act, which restricted recognition of same-sex marriages. One couple had married in another state, the other had not.

"We want the state of Oklahoma to marry us," Sharon Baldwin told the Los Angeles Times in an interview. "I am at least a fourth-generation Oklahoman, and Mary at least a sixth-generation Oklahoman. It doesn't occur to us that we should have to leave our state."

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# Permian Basin resident earns Texas Monthly Bum Steer Award

By Rachael Gleason  
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Texas Monthly dished out its infamous Bum Steer Awards this month, and an Ector County criminal earned a place among the state's oddest news events and personalities.

The magazine annually offers a roast of "confused congressmen,

greasy good-for-nothin's and questionable quacks" in its January edition.

This year's list was the fourth longest, and the magazine called Houston the "epicenter of the steerpocalypse." But an Odessa man joined other featured bum steers after allegedly riding a lawnmower through a city intersection while under the influence of synthetic drugs.

The Odessa American reported in August that Oliver James McCracken, 35, admitted to smoking "potpourri" an hour before riding his lawnmower near the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 1936 and 42nd Street.

Authorities found McCracken possessed an incense substance called "Bang Bang," along with a cardboard tube containing aluminum with a burned residue,

according to his affidavit.

McCracken was charged with a class B misdemeanor and released from the Ector County Detention Center on bond that month, the Odessa American reported.

For a full list of 2013's Bum Steer Awards, visit [www.texas-monthly.com/story/2014-bum-steer-awards](http://www.texas-monthly.com/story/2014-bum-steer-awards).

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# Midland man charged in real estate scam eligible for bond

From staff reports

A Midland man is eligible for bond and will be required to wear a GPS tracker after being arrested Jan. 8 on federal charges of money laundering and conspiracy to commit bank fraud.

Michael Duraine Cowan II, 42, appeared before U.S. Magistrate Judge David Counts on Tuesday afternoon in federal court in Midland. Cowan can post \$25,000 of his \$250,000 bond to be released from federal custody.

Along with wearing a GPS tracking device, Cowan must undergo any psychiatric evaluations deemed necessary during pretrial. U.S. Attorney Austin Berry said this is to ensure that the defendant is in the "right frame of mind" during the court proceedings.

Defense attorneys brought character witnesses to the stand, including Cowan's father and church pastor. They said Cowan is not a flight risk and is heavily involved



Cowan

in the community. Cowan's father said he does not believe his son would leave the area or his wife and children.

Cowan is one of four defendants who have been charged in a real estate scam that involved about 800 properties and \$45 million in bank loans.

Stephen Mark Hilliard, 58; Cynthia Gayle Hirsch, 61; and Berta Laura McFaddin, 55, face federal charges of conspiracy to commit bank fraud, according to a federal indictment unsealed Thursday afternoon. Hilliard, like Cowan, was also charged with money laundering.

The government alleges that the group defrauded the bank by inflating the cost of real estate to fund luxury cars, vacation homes and personal lifestyles.

Counts set a \$50,000 bond for Hilliard, Hirsch and McFaddin on Thursday.

The judge also ordered the group to abstain from alcohol and drugs, possessing firearms and leaving the area. The defendants also were ordered to tell the court if they make any purchases totaling more than \$500.

Prosecutors want the court to order the forfeiture of vehicles, a home and \$27 million in cash.

Berry alleges the defendants participated in a "same-day property flip" scheme.

Hilliard or Cowan would purchase property using one of their many investment companies and would re-sell the property on the same day at an inflated price to another investment company that they owned, according to the indictment.

McFaddin, a division vice president of administration for the Stewart Title Co. in Midland, would assist in completing the HUD-1 form for all of the transactions.

Hilliard and Cowan would then approach a bank with documentation from the second sale of the property to obtain

loans on the inflated sale purchase. In order to substantiate the "inflated price on the fraudulent documentation," the pair would contact Hirsch, a local Realtor, to obtain a Broker's Price Opinion to justify the purchase's price, the indictment stated.

After the loan was obtained, Hilliard and Cowan would use the inflated loan to pay for the legitimate transaction while retaining the difference. The banks had no knowledge of the first, and only legitimate, transaction.

If convicted of the federal crime of conspiracy to commit bank fraud, each defendant could receive a 30-year prison sentence, a term of supervised release not to exceed three years and a fine not to exceed \$1 million.

If Hilliard and Cowan are found guilty, the pair could also face a 20-year prison sentence, a term of supervised release not to exceed three years and a fine not to exceed \$500,000.

## STATE BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

### HOUSTON College board attorneys: Candidate can take office

Attorneys for the Houston Community College board say they see no legal barrier to the swearing-in of a newly elected trustee whose election is under challenge.

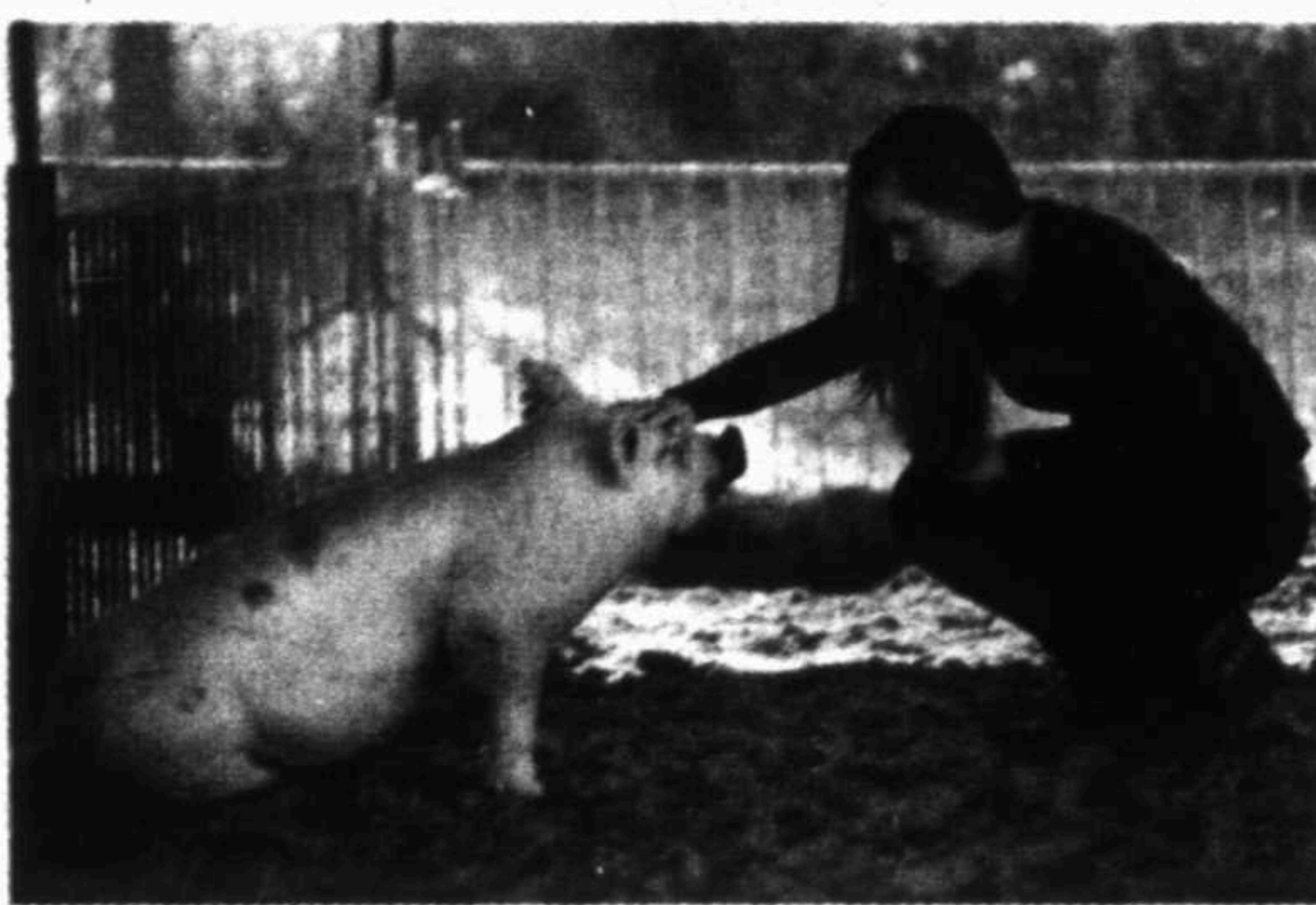
Board special counsel Gene Locke told the Houston Chronicle that the college system sees no legal basis to deny Dave Wilson his board seat. The board is scheduled to elect officers at a Thursday meeting.

However, a court order blocking Wilson from taking office remains in effect until Jan. 27. Wilson's opponent in the November election, a 24-year incumbent, alleged mailers Wilson sent to voters in the predominantly black district implied Wilson was black. Wilson, who is white, has said he never lied on his mailers.

The lawsuit also alleges Wilson is ineligible because he doesn't live in the district that elected him.

### AUSTIN Officers file complaints over reassignments

More than a dozen Austin police officers have



Brownsville Herald

### Friends on the farm

Sarah Higgerson, a cheerleader and a member of the Los Fresnos high school FFA, gave her hog, Boe Duke, some special attention Tuesday at the Los Fresnos animal pens.

filed complaints with the state alleging racial and age discrimination in the wake of staff reassignments, according to a published report.

The complaints submitted in recent weeks with the Texas Workforce Commission are a required step before a lawsuit can be filed, the Austin American-Statesman reported in collaboration with KVUE-TV.

The police department last summer reassigned 19 supervisors and officers who were part of a prominent organized crime division that tackles human-trafficking, narcotics and

other high-profile cases. They were transferred from coveted positions to jobs that include night patrol shifts. The moves sparked turmoil among the rank-and-file about the impact on large investigations and the motives for the transfers, the newspaper reported.

Thirteen of the officers filed complaints with the commission. Nearly all of them are black or Hispanic officers in their 50s.

"We think this is an attempt to weed out some older officers, some Hispanic officers and some black officers, for reasons that, quite frankly,

look discriminating," said Mark Crampton, an Austin attorney representing the officers. He said under the law, the officers must prove only that the moves had a discriminatory effect — not that the city intended to discriminate.

Crampton said officers will determine whether to move forward with a lawsuit after the city responds.

### EL PASO Border agents seize large amount of heroin

Federal border agents say the weekend search of a vehicle attempting to enter the U.S. has resulted in one of the largest seizures of heroin ever recorded at the El Paso checkpoint.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers found more than 35 pounds of the drug in a SUV Saturday. The El Paso Times

reported the street value of the heroin is about \$1.1 million.

By comparison, El Paso CBP seized 60 pounds of heroin in all of 2012 and seven pounds the year before.

Packages were found in a compartment above the

SUV's fuel tank. A drug-sniffing dog detected the heroin, and an X-ray scan revealed alterations to the area of the fuel tank.

The driver, 21-year-old Jesus Antonio Gonzalez of Juarez, Mexico, was arrested on drug smuggling charges.

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## Marriage has place in today's War on Poverty

■ Luck just doesn't seem to cut it any more

As we evaluate the efficacy of the War on Poverty, a single, unquantifiable factor stubbornly demands attention: luck.

When it comes to the fortunes of the rich and the misfortunes of the poor, we recognize the role that luck plays. Some are born lucky — either through natural gifts of appearance, athleticism, intelligence or musical talent. The really lucky ones are also born into stable, educated families with financial security and grown-up parents.

Then there are the unlucky, who, whatever their relative talents, are born into broken families, often to single mothers, in neighborhoods where systemic poverty, inferior educational opportunities and perhaps even crime constitute the culture in which they marinate.

How we level the playing field between these two opposing narratives — how we weave the social safety net — is the challenge for a society that wants to help those in need without perpetuating that need. Is the solution greater government intervention, as Democrats prefer? Or, is the answer temporary taxpayer assistance tied to personal responsibility, as Republicans insist?

**KATHLEEN PARKER**

Washington Post  
Writers Group



The simple answer is both, but simple doesn't cut it in Washington. You'd think these guys were being paid by the hour.

Both perspectives received fresh airings recently at the Brookings Institution. As reported by Melinda Henneberger in The Washington Post, Republican Paul Ryan offered that welfare should be a ramp up, not a way station. Democrat Kirsten Gillibrand focused on greater mobility for women through pay equity, universal pre-kindergarten funding, more affordable child care and an increased minimum wage.

In other words, they each offered more or less the same arguments their respective parties have made for the past several decades. No new ideas, Henneberger concluded.

If I may, this is not a new idea but recently has fallen into disrepair if not disrepute, though it would help in the War on Poverty: Marriage. Or, as some of us prefer, maowidage.

Democrats avoid the M-word for fear of

trespassing on important constituent turfs, especially women's. For many women, the push for marriage is seen as subterfuge for reversing their hard-won gains.

All but evangelicalistic Republicans such as Sen. Marco Rubio, who recently "went there," shy away from the M-word for fear of being tagged Neanderthals who are wedded to old-fashioned gender paradigms and nurse secret desires to keep women pregnant, subjugated and in the kitchen where they belong (speaking as alleged, not as is). Or, God forbid, that they be accused of waging war against women.

Then again, perhaps it is the way some Republican men talk about women that is so off-putting, rather than what they are trying to say about the value of marriage. It is not helpful when, for example, they insinuate that single mothers are using welfare to avoid marriage. Or when some of the more nostalgic members of the GOP latch onto the idea of "welfare queens."

See what I mean? It's hard to separate the value of marriage from the maowidage of loaded rhetoric and demeaning insinuation.

But marriage, besides being the best arrangement for children, has the added benefit of being good for grown-ups. Half the pain, twice the joy. What's not to love?

More to the point, we know that being unmarried is one of the highest risk factors for poverty. And no, splitting ex-

penses between unmarried people isn't the same. This is because marriage creates a tiny economy fueled by a magical concoction of love, selflessness, and a permanent commitment that holds spirits aloft during tough times.

In the absence of marriage, single parents (usually mothers) are left holding the baby and all the commensurate challenges and financial burdens. As a practical matter, how is a woman supposed to care for little ones and/or pay for child care, while working for a minimum wage that is significantly less than what most fair-minded, lucky people would consider paying the house cleaner? Not very well.

Setting aside the issue of choice in reproductive matters, one easily observes that we live in a culture that devalues and mocks marriage, reducing the institution to a buffet item. The lucky can hire a pedigreed baby sitter en route to the next dinner party, dropping a buck in the beggar's cup, while the unlucky are strapped to a welfare check or low-paying job and a no-hope future.

Obviously, marriage won't cure all ills. Every single parent could marry tomorrow and she still wouldn't have a job. But in the War on Poverty, rebuilding a culture that encourages marriage should be part of the arsenal. The luck of the draw isn't nearly enough — and sometimes old ideas are the best new ideas.

### OUR VIEW

## Roswell school shooting hits close to home

There has been another school shooting, and this one hits pretty close to home. Roswell, N.M., is a town that many Midlanders have visited or at least driven through on the way to Ruidoso. If you are interested in aliens, you probably know Roswell, which is about 200 miles northwest of Midland.

In coverage of Tuesday's shooting at Roswell Middle School, the Associated Press described Roswell as "best-known as the site of an alleged UFO crash in 1947."

Roswell, according to the AP, has a population of about 50,000. It is a center for ranching and farming, and is home to the New Mexico Military Institute, the only state-supported military college in the West.

We write this because there is more to Roswell than the place where the next in the line of deranged individuals took the attack to the most defenseless people you can imagine. Can school shootings happen anywhere? We are beginning to think so. Red state, blue state; northeastern, southwestern — the most disturbed don't discriminate.

Today, forgive us if we don't use the shooting as an opportunity to talk about whether there needs to be more guns on campus or armed teachers or more laws in place that may or may not have helped in any school shooting. Cable news has probably provided all the fodder one needs to sound smart around the water cooler.

We will say there is not a perfect solution to prevent tragedies such as this. If there were, it would have been put into place. In our view if someone wants to create havoc, they are going to get their shots off.

The shooting in Roswell is sure to cause local school districts to scramble and make sure their emergency operations are adequate to handle a similar situation. Sure, they have gone through this before.

Maybe it was after Columbine, Colo., or Nickel Mines, Pa., or Virginia Tech or Newtown, Conn.

More importantly, people are hurting. We offer our thoughts and prayers to the people in Roswell. We know our next drive to or through your town will never be the same.

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## Gates should have spoken sooner

■ The former secretary of defense didn't do anyone any favors by speaking up now

The criticism has been coming from all ideological quarters: Robert Gates should have waited longer before airing his differences with President Obama, Vice President Biden, the White House staff and Congress.

I think he waited too long. The critics, including Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., Jeff Flake, R-Ariz., and Marco Rubio, R-Fla., and Rep. Elijah Cummings, D-Md., are probably correct about the damage the former defense secretary has done with his memoir. He has undermined a sitting president's ability to conduct foreign policy, complicated the end of the war in Afghanistan, and made it less likely that future presidents will reach across the aisle for top advisers.

In his memoir, Gates also undermines his reputation as an honorable man above Washington maneuvers. Now he looks like just another hack setting scores — and he's on a book tour defensively complaining, as he did on NBC's "Today" show Monday, that his words have been "hijacked" by partisans "taking quotes out of context."

For all these reasons, Gates should have made his objections known sooner, when he still might have been able to do something about them. Instead, by his own account, he seethed quietly. Had he spoken up at the time — privately or, if that didn't work, publicly — he might have had some influence in changing the problems he saw: a worthless Congress, an insular White House staff and a president insufficiently devoted to his own policies.

"I never confronted Obama directly over what I ... saw as the president's determination that the White House tightly control every aspect of national security policy and even operations," he writes. "His White House was by far the most centralized and controlling in national security of any I had seen since Richard Nixon."

On CBS' "Sunday Morning," Rita Braver asked Gates whether, in retrospect, he should have spoken to the president about this directly. Gates replied that "things don't happen that way if the president doesn't want them to happen that way."

Braver asked whether he thinks "they are still running things from the White House."

"I actually think it's gotten worse," Gates said with a laugh.

It probably has. I and many others have been writing for years about this White House's insular-



ity and the president's vacillating public support for positions, and how this is impairing everything from Syria policy to the Obamacare rollout. Gates might have improved the situation if he had used his considerable clout to make the case to Obama — and if that failed, to voice his concerns to Congress, the media and the public. Instead, he followed a favorite saying of his: "Never miss a good chance to shut up."

Gates had a reputation for being a truth-teller during his time in office, cleaning up the mess at the Pentagon left by Donald Rumsfeld and helping the Obama administration forge a consensus on Afghanistan. But, by his own account, he wasn't telling the whole truth.

Think of the national conversation that the only person to serve as defense secretary under a Republican and a Democratic president could have started by saying at the time what he thought of Congress: "uncivil, incompetent in fulfilling basic constitutional responsibilities, micro-managerial, parochial, hypocritical, egotistical, thin-skinned, often putting self (and re-election) before country."

Rather than write about it years later, imagine the impact he would have had if he actually did what he had the urge to do: "All too frequently, sitting at that witness table, the exit lines were on the tip of my tongue: *I may be the secretary of defense, but I am also an American citizen, and there is no son of a bitch in the world who can talk to me like that. I quit. Find somebody else.*"

No, it wouldn't have served any purpose for Gates to have volunteered in real time his belief that Biden has been "wrong on nearly every major foreign policy" issue for 40 years. But he certainly could have been more forceful at the time in his objections to Tom Donilon and other White House staffers meddling in the chain of command.

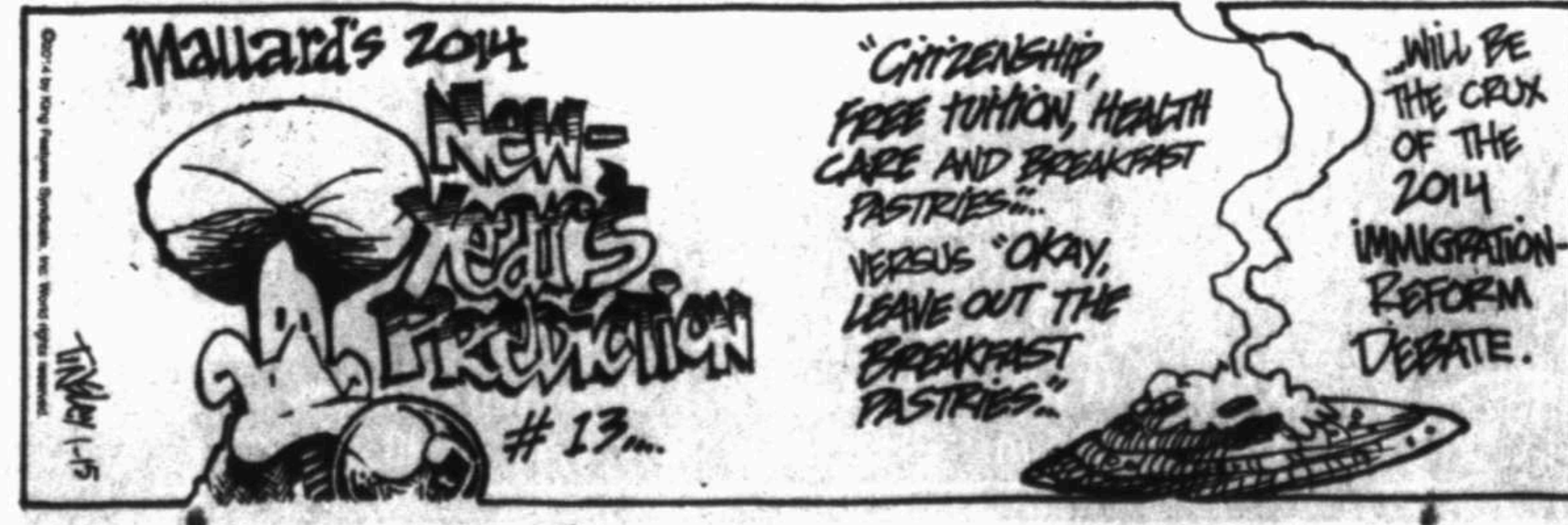
But he held his tongue, and now Gates is answering critics who think he should have held it until after Obama leaves office. "These issues are with us today," Gates told NPR's Steve Inskeep. "These are not issues that can wait to be written about in 2017."

They shouldn't have had to wait until 2014.

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# Bill would effectively ban horse slaughterhouses

Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — State and federal lawsuits that have repeatedly delayed the opening of horse slaughterhouses in New Mexico and Missouri could be moot if the budget bill up for a vote in Congress this week passes without changes.

The spending bill released Monday night would effectively reinstate a federal ban on horse slaughter by cutting funding for inspections at equine facilities.

Opponents of attempts to resume domestic horse slaughter applauded the measure.

"Americans do not want to see scarce tax dollars used to oversee an inhumane, disreputable horse slaughter industry," said Wayne Pacelle, president and CEO

of The Humane Society of the United States. "We don't have dog and cat slaughter plants in the U.S. catering to small markets overseas, and we shouldn't have horse slaughter operations for that purpose, either."

Proponents, however, contend domestic slaughter is the most humane way to deal with a rising number of abused and abandoned horses. Currently, unwanted horses are shipped to Canada and Mexico for slaughter. Some Indian tribes support a return to slaughter, saying exploding feral horse populations are destroying their rangelands.

"It is certainly disappointing that Congress is returning to a failed policy at the urging of special interest groups while failing to provide for an alternative," said Blair Dunn, an attorney for Valley Meat

Co. in Roswell, N.M., and Rains Natural Meats in Gallatin, Mo. "The result is more waste and devastation of the range and the denial of access to an export market that would have created jobs and positive economic impacts to rural agriculture communities that desperately need these opportunities."

Animal rights groups and the Obama administration have been lobbying for the funding cut, as well as outright bans on horse slaughter in the United States. Congress cut funding for inspections at horse slaughterhouses in 2006, but reinstated the funding in 2011, four years after the last of the domestic plants closed.

Valley Meat Co. has been fighting since then to convert its cattle operations to horses. The Department of Agriculture finally issued the company and two oth-

ers permits last year after Valley filed a lawsuit, but the agency made it clear it was doing so only because it was legally obligated and it has joined animal protection groups in lobbying for the funding inspection cuts as well as an outright ban on horse slaughter.

Shortly after the permits were issued last summer, the Humane Society and other groups were able to block their opening with a federal lawsuit challenging the permitting process. After a federal judge threw out that suit and a federal appeals court declined to keep a temporary order against the plants in place, New Mexico Attorney General Gary King won a temporary restraining order against Valley while a state hears his claims the plant would violate state food safety and environmental laws.

## Agreement elusive on jobless benefits bill

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Compromise talks on a new program of long-term jobless benefits ran aground in the Senate on Tuesday, leaving the fate of the measure in extreme doubt while Republicans and Democrats vied for political advantage in the wreckage.

"This is a dispiriting moment for millions of Americans," said Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I., whose state's unemployment is measured at 9 percent.

At issue was a struggle over the possible resurrection of a program that expired on Dec. 28, immediately cutting off support for more than 1.3 million unemployed workers who have exhausted state-paid benefits that generally run for 26 weeks.

The legislation is the first of the year in the Senate and an early preview of a competition between the two parties for support in this year's election from economically squeezed voters.

After more than a week of negotiations, though, the Senate blocked a pair of Democratic-drafted proposals from advancing.

after first denying Republicans a chance to change the legislation — all on near party-line votes.

Anticipating the outcome, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid accused Republicans in advance of resorting to obstruction to block help to families in need.

"We have a filibuster before us again. Another one," Reid said. Republicans want to "have their cake and eat it, too," he said, by having the Senate vote on their own proposed changes in the legislation without guaranteeing to then let the measure pass afterward.

Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell countered that Reid was trying to "fix the result" by requiring Republicans to amass 60 votes behind any of their proposed changes, an all-but-impossible threshold to meet given the circumstances. He said GOP efforts to improve the measure had been checked by Reid at every turn, even if one of the Republican proposals had cross-party appeal.

## Appeals court sets aside Internet neutrality rules

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a decision that could reshape consumers' access to entertainment, news and other online content, a federal appeals court Tuesday set aside Federal Communications Commission rules designed to ensure that transmission of all Internet content be treated equally.

The anti-discrimination and anti-blocking rules have barred broadband providers from prioritizing some types of Internet traffic over others.

A three-judge panel said that the FCC has the authority to regulate broadband providers' treatment of Internet traffic. However, the judges concluded that the FCC failed to establish that its regulations don't overreach.

"Even though the commission has general authority to regulate in this arena, it may not impose requirements" that violate statutory mandates, wrote appeals judge David Tatel. The judges said the FCC's rule in effect treated all Internet service providers as com-

mon carriers — transporters of people or goods for the general public on regular routes at set rates. Examples of common carriers include airlines, railroads, trucking companies and utilities.

But the court said the commission already had classified broadband providers as exempt from treatment as common carriers, which set up a legal contradiction. The FCC failed to establish that its regulations do not impose common carrier obligations on the Internet companies, the judges ruled in a setback for the Obama administration's goal of Internet openness.

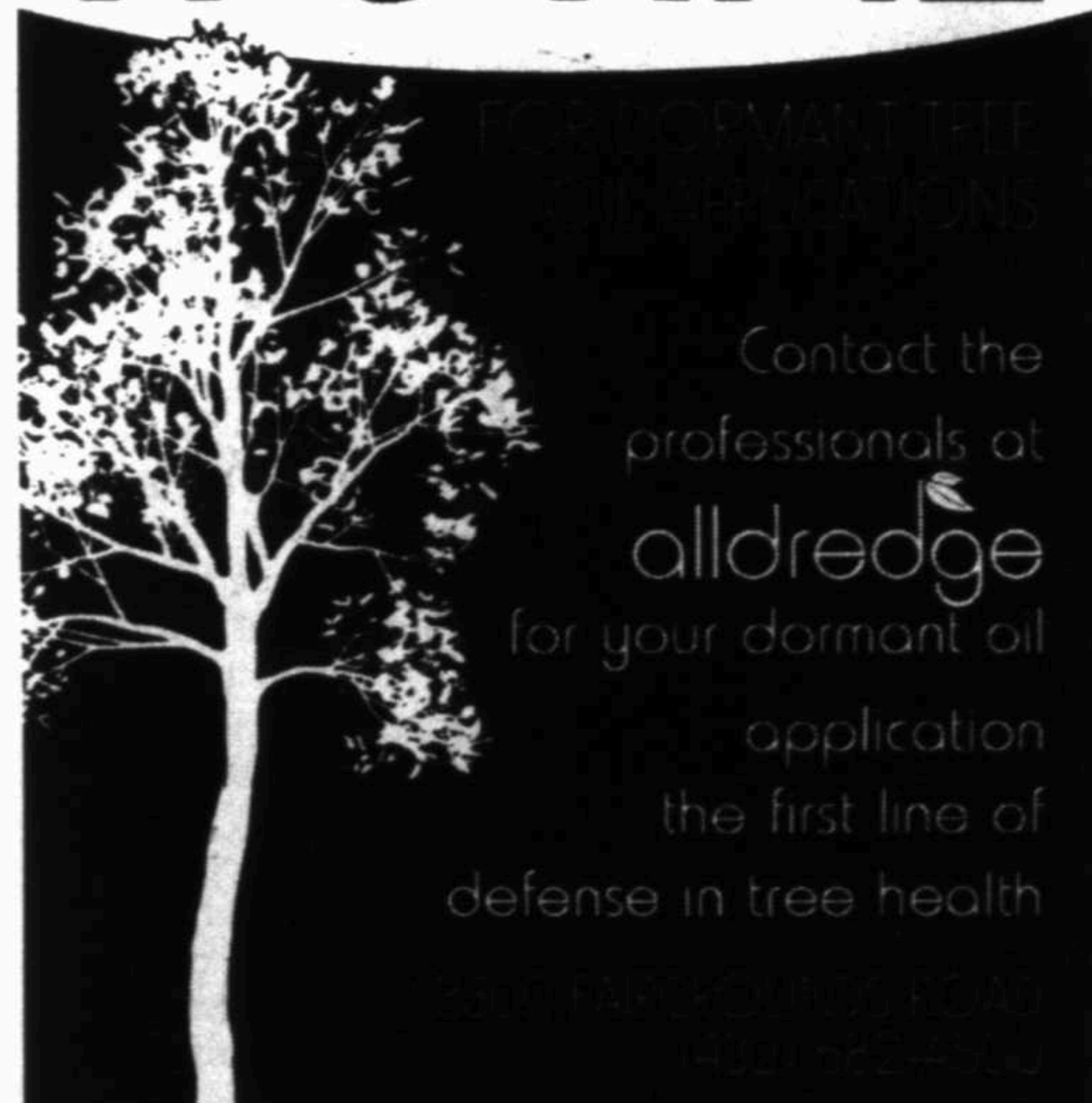
The decision empowers leading Internet providers

to decide which Internet services — such as Netflix movies, YouTube videos, news stories and more — they would allow to be transmitted to consumers over their networks.

In some cases, Internet providers such as Verizon,

AT&T and cable companies can demand that Google, for example, pay them to ensure that YouTube videos are accessible to all their consumers, or Google could pay extra to ensure that YouTube videos are delivered faster.

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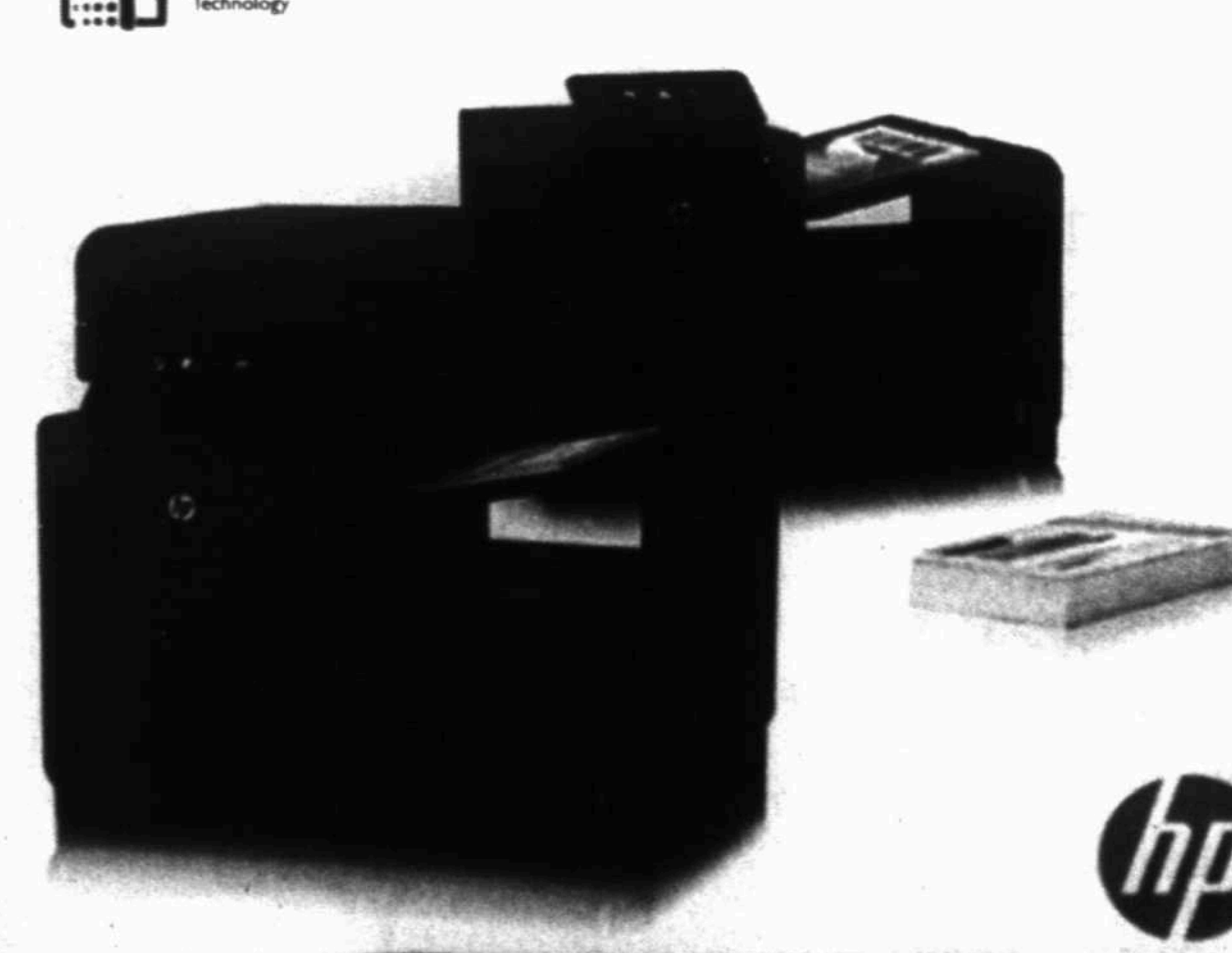
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**NEW MEXICO  
Feds: Blue meth  
seen in Four  
Corners region**

ALBUQUERQUE — Reality in the illegal drug world is mimicking fiction.

Kevin Abar, assistant special agent in charge of Homeland Security Investigations in New Mexico, said distributors are selling methamphetamine tinted blue in the Four Corners region.

That mirrors AMC's hit drama "Breaking Bad," which depicted an Albuquerque-based meth operation that cooked up the drug with a blue hue.

Abar said tinting meth blue is a way for distributors to advertise and brand their product.

But he said the blue meth being sold makes people sick. He said it has been cut with chemicals to make it blue and is not the "pure" product portrayed on "Breaking Bad."

Abar said agents also have stumbled upon red-colored meth.

"Breaking Bad" last year ended its popular run after five seasons.

**CHICAGO**

**Beanie Babies  
maker avoids prison  
for tax evasion**

The billionaire businessman behind Beanie Babies learned Tuesday that he won't go to prison for hiding at least \$25 million from U.S. tax authorities, and the judge who gave him two years' probation instead went to great lengths to praise his charitable giving.

H. Ty Warner, one of the highest profile figures snared in a federal investigation of Americans using Swiss bank accounts to avoid U.S. taxes, issued a brief apology before he was sentenced in Chicago federal court. The toy-maker, who pleaded guilty to a single count of tax evasion,

said he felt "shame and embarrassment" for what he had done.

Warren, 69, could have been sentenced to up to five years in prison, and a prosecutor Michelle Petersen asked U.S. District Judge Charles Kocoras to give Warren at least a year behind bars.

Petersen detailed how Warren meticulously hid his income — more than \$100 million at one point — by filing false tax returns for at least 11 years and pointed out that another area businessman caught in the same dragnet, Peter Troost, got a year in prison from another judge in that courthouse for hiding far less — \$3 million.

"(Without prison time), tax evasion becomes little more than a bad investment," Petersen told the judge. "The perception cannot be that a wealthy felon can just write a check and not face further punishment."

**DALLAS**

**Southwest: 3rd  
person authorized  
to be in cockpit**

A third person in the cockpit of a Southwest Airlines plane that landed at the wrong Missouri airport was a company dispatcher who had authority to be there, airline officials said Tuesday.

The airline and federal officials said they're investigating why the Southwest Boeing 737 with 124 passengers headed for the main airport in Branson, Mo., instead landed several miles away at a smaller airport with a runway about half as long. It's not uncommon for airline employees to sit in the jumpseat with the pilots' permission, but investigators are likely to consider whether the dispatcher's presence distracted the pilots.

The two pilots, men with at least 12 years each at Southwest, were placed on

paid leave after Sunday's flight. The airline said Tuesday that the dispatcher also has been placed on paid leave. Southwest declined to provide more information about the dispatcher's background and purpose for being in the cockpit. Spokeswoman Linda Rutherford said that the National Transportation Safety Board, which is investigating the incident, asked the airline not to disclose that and other information yet.

Dispatchers work with pilots to plan flight routes and fuel loads after considering weather and other factors. Southwest officials said the dispatcher was sitting behind the captain and first officer.

Investigators plan to interview both pilots and the dispatcher, safety board spokesman Keith Holloway said.

NTSB investigators seized the plane's cockpit voice recorder and flight data recorder — the so-called black box. Holloway said that information from the recorders was being analyzed Tuesday afternoon, but it could be a few days before the board releases preliminary findings.

Aviation experts wondered why neither pilot realized that they were approaching the wrong airport.

"I think that they weren't communicating in the cockpit the way they should — back and forth," said Robert Francis, a former NTSB vice chairman. "Everybody has a responsibility to pay attention to the instruments."

No one was injured in the landing at a small airport built for light jets and private planes, but passengers smelled burning rubber as the pilots braked hard to stop near the end of the runway, which gives way to a steep drop-off. The manager of the Taney County Airport, which opened in 1970 and doesn't have a control tower, said no 737 had ever landed there.

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# EDUCATION

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## MISD teachers set to move into modular homes

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Trying to help teachers find affordable housing by all means possible, Midland ISD will soon collect rent checks and play landlord to 20 employees selected to move into district-owned modular homes at the Stonegate Manufactured Housing Community.

In hopes of providing teachers with affordable housing, MISD trustees in June authorized the district to spend up to \$3.5 million for the purchase of up to 70 modular homes, to aid with recruiting and retaining teachers.

District employees expressed interest in the modular homes this summer, but

when it came time to order the homes, the number had dropped to about 20, Superintendent Ryder Warren said.

"I really do love the board's decision to be forward-thinking about the needs of our staff and to be able to do this," Warren said. "The board does not want to be in the housing business for the long term, but I am very proud of them for making this decision."

Buying only for existing need, MISD purchased 20 modular homes — all three-bedroom, two-bathroom, single-family units — for a total of \$703,786. The units are 960 square feet and will be leased to district employees for \$750 a month, said MISD's Chief Financial Officer David Garcia.

"We'll add more if there is a need. I didn't want to outreach our need. I didn't want to go out and commit to buying 50, if we were only going to get applications for 38," Garcia said.

Warren said the district has every intention to use the modular homes to their benefit this spring when recruiting new teachers for the fall.

Stonegate owner Chase Gardaphe has worked nonstop for more than six months to get Stonegate ready. The 23-acre housing community at 1320 N. Fairgrounds Road north of Reyes / Mashburn / Nelms Park is set to open by Feb. 1.

"We've been working on it for a long time, but it didn't look like it because everything was underground utilities,"

Gardaphe said, noting the park includes new city sewer and water, new electric lines and electric meter pedestals. "Everything in there is brand new. Now we've started working on landscaping and drive-ways. We will do asphalt streets, but we're going to wait until all the homes are in, otherwise we'd tear up the streets twice."

When MISD no longer needs the modular homes to recruit and retain quality teachers, Garcia said the district will explore all options to sell the homes.

"We're going to bid them out. If the people residing in them want to purchase them, Stonegate wants to buy them or we want to exercise the minimum buy-back

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## 'DON'T GIVE UP'

AT TOP DeZavala Elementary students react as Jarrett Krosoczka, RIGHT, author of the "Lunch Lady" series, gives a presentation on Friday at the school.

Photos by James Durbin



## Author motivates students to pursue dreams

By Meredith Moriak  
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If at first you don't succeed, don't give up. Try again. And again. Though you may change the strategy you use to reach your goal, it's important you never give up.

This was the main message Jarrett Krosoczka, the well-known children's author and illustrator famous for the "Lunch Lady" graphic novel series, shared with students at DeZavala Elementary Friday during a visit sponsored by the Midland County Public Library.

"All my books kept getting rejected and I thought maybe they didn't like my writing. Maybe I should just be an illustrator, but I didn't give up and quit. I just kept sending postcards and one day, someone liked my work," said Krosoczka, explaining to students how difficult it was to break into the publishing arena.

Though Krosoczka was frequently rejected by publishers, he didn't give up on his love for writing and drawing. He used his imagination to create different stories that weren't in the children's literature market, and eventually publishers took interest in one of his books.

He officially became a published author in 2001, when "Good Night, Monkey Boy" was published. However, Krosoczka doesn't credit the mass production of that book to be the beginning of his career, but rather when he wrote his first book in third grade. The 8-year-old, first-time author even included the sentence "He liked making this book" in his "About the Author" biography at the end of the book.

"I really loved writing the book and drawing all the pictures," said Krosoczka, who stopped waiting for teachers to assign stories as homework and instead made them for fun during his free time. "Writing is using your imagination, but on paper," said Krosoczka, who worked

as cartoonist for his high school's newspaper and eventually studied illustration at the Rhode Island School of Design.

"All the lessons I learned (in third grade) are used today with my career," Krosoczka said, encouraging students to pay attention to the simple lessons teachers share.

In addition to publishing children's books, Krosoczka's graphic novels about a lunch lady who doubles as a crime fighter has secured a strong following.

"She takes her job as cafeteria manager just as seriously as her job as a crime fighter," said Krosoczka, who describes her as a vigilante.

"If you loved 'Frog and Toad and Friends' and you like 'Lethal Weapon,' these are the books for you," Krosoczka said.

He has started writing chapter books, and "Platypus Police Squad: The Frog Who Croaked" was recently named to the 2014-15 Texas Bluebonnet Award list.

"Within the publishing community, it is

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Milam Elementary  
teacher



## Respond with passion when something goes awry

Raise your hand if you've ever been mad, because surely I'm not the only one. I get mad as a parent. I get mad as a teacher. I get really mad as a driver in Midland. I get mad watching television. I get mad reading the newspaper. As adults we have real reasons to get mad, don't we?

When my 4-year-old becomes angry because the iPad died, in his little world, he has a real reason to get mad. And he has a real reason to get mad when we run out of chocolate milk on a Saturday morning when he hasn't slept so great the night before. When my almost 9-month-old daughter gets mad because

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that toy that she wants so badly is just out of reach, she believes that she has a real reason to get mad. And why shouldn't she get mad? Isn't that what we do when one thing goes slightly awry? We get mad.

As a kindergarten teacher, I will tell you one thing: You have not experienced life until you've been in a room full of stir-crazy 5- and 6-year-olds. (And because it has been a pretty cold winter, that means no recess.) When the sillies run rampant in a kindergarten classroom, little fuses are very short and little tempers flare at the drop of a hat.

Recently I experienced the fit of all fits — what I call a cosmic meltdown — because there wasn't any strawberry milk. During the subsequent screaming, kicking and tears, it hit me (as I closed my eyes to breathe deeply before I handled the issue): Why shouldn't this student get mad? Isn't that what we do as adults when things don't go our way? We scream at the television, the coffee pot or the copier. We beat the inanimate objects in our lives when they don't cooperate. Sometimes we get so angry that harsh words and/or tears are the natural response. And now that I've tattled on one of my precious littles, it's only fair that I tattle on myself as well.

Earlier in the semester, I was having a terrible, horrible, no good, very bad day. We've all had days like this: little sleep the night before, not enough coffee the morning of, disrespectful behavior out of my students, someone needing information for a report due yesterday. Yet, all it took was a piercing scream out of a 5-year-old to bring me to tears — not after school, not during lunch and not during my conference, but in my classroom with all of the students watching.

I was mortified. What did my babies do? They didn't yell at me. They didn't threaten me with punishment. They didn't

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## Well-rounded education provides students with variety of skills

English is a hard sell to college students. Even though freshman composition is required for all students, our department is lucky if we welcome a handful of actual English majors each year; the majority of our students have other interests. Many of them, particularly those pursuing careers in health care, engineering or science, struggle with the relevance of English classes. To attack this head on, I ask all my students why they think English is important and how writing skills might aid them in life.

Their answers vary. Occasionally students will talk about literature and writing as cultural necessities. Most, however, call on practicality: Resumes, emails, medical charting, business plans, reports or cover letters. With a number of my friends in more tangibly practical professions such as law, nursing and scientific research, I sometimes feel like the cream puff among the vegetables — delightful, but unnecessary. Nevertheless, talking to my

AMBER KELLY-ANDERSON

Howard College assistant professor



Howard colleagues in other departments, I have learned they are often equally as frustrated trying to engage students who struggle to see the value in any courses not directly related to their major.

So I am revising my question this semester: Why do students need a general education experience in subjects such as math, history, science, social science and English? Why not just take the major-specific courses?

From my perspective, getting a strong foundation in general education helps students build a variety of skills, in addition to allowing the exploration of possibilities. While there are always those students who know exactly what they want to do, many of them have no idea. How many of us could say at age 18 we knew precisely what we wanted to do for the next 40 years? The foundational courses, which we call the core courses, are samplings that allow students to experience a broad variety of disciplines before committing time and money to the advanced pursuit of one area. Some who may have thought they wanted to pursue a particular direction may find that the field is not for them; I've turned a few science majors to the literature dark side.

Being well-rounded is also an important component. Even if the students don't spark to a particular subject,

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## Obituaries



### Angelina Tarango Mora

Angelina Tarango Mora, 81, of Midland passed away on January 13, 2014. She was born on July 8, 1932 in Candelaria, Texas to Alfredo and Petra Tarango. Angelina was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Sylvester Mora; her son, Daniel Mora; her parents; and by her brothers and sisters, Otelia T. Hernandez, Elias Tarango, Beatrice Tarango, Leonilla T. Abalos, and Alfredo Tarango, Jr.

Those left behind to honor and cherish her memory are her daughters, Gloria Auringer and husband Michael Auringer of Brule, Nebraska; and Yolanda Parks; her son, Belay Mora; her brother, Raul Tarango; her sisters, Delia Menchaca, Hilda Saldana, and Alice Ochotorena; and by her grandchildren, Lupe Gonzales, Jr., Jack Daniel Auringer, Danielle Parks, Alexandria Parks Goodwin and Jacob Parks.

Rosary will be held on Wednesday, January 15 in the chapel at Ellis Funeral Home at 7:00 p.m.

Funeral Mass will be held on January 16 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church at 10:00 a.m. with interment to follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

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### Oliver Leon York

Oliver Leon York, 87, of San Angelo, passed away at home on January 12, 2014.

Graveside service will be at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, January 16, at Fairmount Cemetery with the Reverend Karen Schmeltekopf of Hospice of San Angelo officiating. Arrangements are by Robert Massie Funeral Home.

Leon was born in Mineral Wells, Texas to Roland Lee "Buck" York and Bess Register York on August 1, 1926. He attended school in Mineral Wells, Midland, and Kemper Military School. He was a veteran of World War II and served in the Coast Guard aboard the USS General William Weigel.

After the war, he attended American Fliers School in Arlington, Texas. He married Joyce Crawford on June 16, 1951 in Midland.

He was a rancher in New Mexico and Hamilton County, a businessman, pilot, enjoyed golf, and was in his element designing, building and flying planes, model airplanes, and sailing boats. He was a member of St. Mark Presbyterian Church. At various times, he served on the Board of Directors of his bank, in the Chamber of Commerce, delivered Meals for the Elderly, was a deacon in his church, a conscientious pilot, loved flying aerobatics, and was proud to be a very early member of the Experimental Aircraft Association. He received a Master Pilot award from the FAA for 50 years of accident-free flying. Quiet, unassuming, humble, honest, gentle, kind, creative, supportive, intelligent, resourceful, generous, fun and funny, he is already greatly missed.

Leon is preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Bob York; his sister, Barbara Baker; and by his infant daughter, Susan.

Leon is survived by his wife, Joyce; his daughter, Nancy York of San Angelo; sister and brother-in-law, Madelyn and Barney Moore of Christoval; nieces and nephews, Sharon Gentry, Lee York, Jim Ward, Kitty Bailey, Lee Kennemer, Paul Kennemer, Rhonda Turk, Sherri Elkins, Mary Murphy, and their spouses; his great and great-great nieces and nephews; his longtime friend,

Tim McTaggart; and by many other dear friends.

Memorials may be given to Hospice of San Angelo or St. Mark Presbyterian Church.

The York Family wishes to extend our sincere thanks to Dr. Flood and his staff, Hospice of San Angelo for their amazing responsiveness and tender care, and caregivers Jennifer Arreosola and Berta Stakes.

der the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Crestview Baptist Church Forward By Faith Campaign, 301 State Highway 250 Loop Frontage Road, Midland, Texas 79703; Community and Senior Services of Midland (Meals on Wheels), 3301 Sinclair Avenue, Midland, Texas 79707; or Fresenius Medical Care Periman Basin, 3302 West Golf Course Road #200, Midland, Texas 79707.



### Patricia Gail Hodges

Patricia Gail Hodges, 73, of Midland, passed away on Saturday, January 11, 2014, in Lubbock.

She was born January 30, 1940 in Grand Falls, Texas to Clifford G. and Lydia West. She graduated from Knott High School, Knott, Texas. She married Alvis Harlan Hodges on April 19, 1958. She worked at Powell Printing Company in Midland for over forty years. Pat loved to cook and sew and tend to her family. She doted on her grandchildren and great granddaughter. She was a member of Crestview Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband and parents, along with her sisters Bernice Coats, Shirley Davis and Esther Davis.

Survivors include two daughters, Becky (and husband Jerry) Vance of Lubbock, and Connie (and husband Lou) Faraldo of Houston; one son, James (and wife Kim) Hodges of Midland; seven grandchildren, Michael and Christy Vance of Lubbock, Brandon (and wife Becca), Taylor and Megan Hodges of Midland, and Daniel and Patrick Faraldo of Houston; and by one great granddaughter, Amiee Hodges of Midland.

She is also survived by two brothers, James West of Comanche and George West of Coahoma; along with several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Friday, January 17 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home in Midland.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 18, 2014 at Crestview Baptist Church in Midland with Dr. John Gerlach officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park-North. Arrangements are un-

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, January 19, 2014 at St. Joseph Catholic Church at 10:00 a.m., with the burial immediately following.

A special thanks to staff at Seabury Nursing Home and Star Hospice in Odessa, Texas, and a very special thank you to Connie Jones. Thank you for caring for our mother in a compassionate and loving way. Thank you to our cousin, Ismael Valenzuela, for all the countless hours you spent with our mother and for always being there for her.



### Patricia Ortega

Patricia Ortega, 80, of Ft. Stockton, Texas passed away on Saturday, January 11, 2014. She was born in Ft. Stockton, Texas on March 11, 1933 to Rafael and Eloisa Garcia. She married the late Tiburcio Ortega.

Patricia is preceded in death by her husband, Tiburcio Ortega; her son, David Ortega; her parents, Rafael and Eloisa Garcia; three brothers, Fermin Garcia, Juan Valenzuela and Daniel Valenzuela; and by five sisters, Erminda Garcia, Isabel Ramirez, Jesusita Sanchez, Rosenda Sotelo and Amelia Ramirez.

Patricia was a beloved mother, grandmother, great grandmother and great, great grandmother. She continued to participate in mass until she was no longer able to and never failed to pray her daily prayers, including her rosary. She was a Guadalupana in the Catholic Church in her younger years.

Patricia is survived by her only sister, Manuela Sanchez of Ft. Stockton, Texas; two sons, Tony Ortega and Tiburcio Ortega, Jr., both of Midland, Texas; and by four daughters, Norma Lozano and Rosella Sanchez, both of Midland, Texas; Esmeralda Rangel of Ft. Stockton, Texas; and Ermelinda Benites of Woodward, Oklahoma.

She is also survived by 24 grandchildren, 52 great grandchildren and four great, great grandchildren.

A rosary will be held on Thursday, January 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home in Midland. A rosary will also be held on Friday, January 17, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Ft. Stockton, Texas.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, January 19, 2014 at St. Joseph Catholic Church at 10:00 a.m., with the burial immediately following.

A special thanks to staff at Seabury Nursing Home and Star Hospice in Odessa, Texas, and a very special thank you to Connie Jones. Thank you for caring for our mother in a compassionate and loving way. Thank you to our cousin, Ismael Valenzuela, for all the countless hours you spent with our mother and for always being there for her.



### Ruth Scott Wilson

Ruth Scott Wilson, born in Nacogdoches County, Texas, December 21, 1928; passed away on January 9, 2014 in Midland.

She leaves to cherish her memory her daughters, Jessie A Simms (Rudolph) of Owasso, Oklahoma and Rosie Scott of Dallas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Henry and Jeffie Scott; sisters, Johnnie Mae Upshaw, Mary Harris, and Margie Scott; and by a son, Harry Lee Adams.

Viewing will be at the Thomas Funeral Home Chapel Wednesday 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

A Celebration of Life service will be Thursday at 11:00 a.m. at the Macedonia Baptist Church, with Reverend Woodrow Bailey, III officiating.



### Death Notices

#### Ernesto Mendoza, Sr.

Funeral services for Ernesto Mendoza, Sr., 45, will be held Thursday, January 16, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at Templo Nazaret Church with

Pastor Tony Cruz officiating. Burial will follow at Gaines County Cemetery.

Mr. Mendoza passed away Sunday, January 12, 2013 at Kermit Hospital in Kermit, Texas.

Ernesto Mendoza is survived by his parents, Francisco G. Mendoza and wife Socorro; his wife, Arlyn Lujan, four sons, Ernesto Mendoza, Jr., Michael Mendoza, Angel Mendoza, and Hugo Mendoza, two stepsons, Miguel Ayala and Gabriel Ayala; five daughters, Michelle Salinas, America Mendoza, Mia Mendoza, Yireh Mendoza, and Cheyeene Mendoza; a stepdaughter, Melonie Ayala; and by four grandchildren.

### John B. Freeze

John B. Freeze, 87, passed away Sunday, January 12, 2014 at Monahans Managed Care Center.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, January 15, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. at Harkey Funeral Home with Billy Reed officiating.

Graveside services will be held Saturday at 11:00 a.m. at Cove Cemetery in Mountain View, Arkansas.

### Manuel Galindo Tercero

Manuel Galindo Tercero, 81, died Monday, January 13, 2014 at Medical Center Hospital of Odessa.

Survivors are his son, Oscar Tercero; two daughters, Zulema Leyva and Abilia Lujan; and by 11 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Rosary will be said at Acres West Funeral Chapel at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 15, 2014. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Thursday, January 16, 2014 at Acres West Funeral Chapel, officiated by Father Joe Uecker. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens in Midland, Texas.

Viewing will be at the Thomas Funeral Home Chapel Wednesday 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

A Celebration of Life service will be Thursday at 11:00 a.m. at the Macedonia Baptist Church, with Reverend Woodrow Bailey, III officiating.

Funeral services for Velma Evelyn Teeter Henson, 96, will be held Friday, January 17, 2014 at M.S. Doss Chapel at 2:00 p.m. with Atchen Lowrie officiating. Burial will follow at Gaines County Cemetery. Family visitation will be held at Boyer Funeral Home on Thursday, January 16, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Henson passed away Sunday, January 12, 2014 at Homestead Nursing Home in Baird, Texas.

She is survived by a daughter, Glenda Kirklen; a granddaughter, Kimberly Bryan; and by a great grandson, Joseph Bryan.

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## OTHER DEATHS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

### ALABAMA

#### Founding president of University of Mobile dead at 95

MOBILE — University of Mobile officials say they're mourning the loss of the school's founding president, William K. Weaver.

In a statement Tuesday, university officials said 95-year-old Weaver died Monday. A memorial service is scheduled for Thursday at the First Baptist Church of Mobile. His cause of death is unclear.

Weaver retired as the university's president in 1984 and served as chancellor until his death.

University officials said Weaver served as a U.S. Navy Chaplain Corps lieutenant during World War II and was stationed in Massachusetts, the Pacific and in Norman, Okla.

School officials said the University of Mobile is a Baptist affiliated institution and has a current enrollment of about 1,600 students.

### MICHIGAN

#### Patricia Boyle, former state, US judge, dies at 76

HOWELL — Patricia Boyle, a former federal judge and Michigan Supreme Court justice, has died. She was 76.

She died Monday due to respiratory failure while visiting a relative in Florida, said her son, Jason Pernick. Boyle had been living in Howell.

After just five years, Boyle left a lifetime appointment as a federal judge to become a state Supreme Court justice, a post she held for 15 years until retiring at the end of 1998.

State Supreme Court Chief Justice Robert Young Jr. said Boyle brought a "sharp legal mind and profound integrity" to the Supreme Court. Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy said she was a "pioneer" for women lawyers.

Pernick, an Oakland County assistant prosecutor, told the Detroit Free Press that Boyle joined the Supreme Court because she felt she could be of greater public service there.

"Some people would say, 'We don't understand why she gave up that position,'" said Pernick. "The answer for her was easy. She said she did it because she knew she could do more for the people of the state of Michigan on the Supreme Court than she could as a federal district judge."

Pernick said his mother's roughly 5-foot stature was deceiving.

"Anyone who made a mistake that this little package couldn't be a fighter had their hands full. She could be, when she

wanted to be, absolutely as tough as nails," he said.

After graduating atop her class at the Wayne State University Law School in the early 1960s, Boyle faced repeated sex discrimination and struggled to find a job, her son said.

"She told me stories of walking through downtown office buildings and interviewing with law firm after law firm. Even though she was brilliant, she could not get a job as a woman," Pernick said. "For her to come as far as she did is a wonderful thing."

### NEW YORK

#### Jack Tuell, bishop who changed mind on gay ordination, dies at 90

When retired Methodist bishop Jack Tuell was asked how he changed his mind on issues of gay ordination and gay marriage, he explained it simply: "I changed my mind when I changed my heart."

But the answer was more complicated.

Tuell, 90, a prominent clergyman who emerged late in life as an eloquent voice for change in his church's views of homosexuality, died Friday at the Wesley Homes Health Center in Des Moines, Wash. He had been in failing health for several years, his daughter Cynthia Tuell said.

For decades, Tuell, an attorney who became an ordained minister at 35, worked his way up the hierarchy of the United Methodist Church. He was a pastor, wrote a highly regarded text on church governance and served as bishop in Portland, Ore. From 1980 until his retirement in 1992, he was the Los Angeles region's bishop — the top official for 195,000 members in more than 400 churches.

Along the way, he heeded to the church's line on gay issues on those increasingly uncomfortable occasions when questions cropped up.

In a 2003 sermon at Claremont United Methodist Church in Claremont, Calif., he recalled a meeting 20 years earlier with two other bishops and a church executive in the airport at Albuquerque.

"A particular concern being raised was: 'How do we screen out homosexual persons from being ordained ministers?'" he said.

To filter out gay candidates, Tuell proposed a seven-word requirement: "Fidelity in marriage and celibacy in singleness."

The phrase, which was added to church policy guidelines, "had the advantage of not singling out homosexual persons but being generic, applying to all candidates regardless of sexual orientation," Tuell said in his sermon.

"This is by way of confession," he added.

As bishop in Los Angeles, Tuell advocated immigrant rights, signed a protest letter calling U.S. arms policy "idolatrous" and marshaled clergymen against a national lottery game show. But he shuffled a gay clergyman to a non-pastoral job, and his stance on gay issues continued to reflect official policy as stated in the church's Book of Discipline: "The practice of homosexuality is incompatible with Christian teaching," although gay people, like all others, have "sacred worth."

For years after he retired, Tuell, still a sharp attorney, acted as a judge in church hearings. In 1999, he presided over the trial of Gregory Dell, a Chicago minister accused of disobeying church law by performing a commitment service for two gay parishioners. Dell was suspended from the ministry for a year.

For months, Tuell reflected on the conviction. Dell, a minister he described as "dedicated, energetic, compassionate, caring and able," had been ousted. Anguished friends had been telling him their gay and lesbian children didn't feel at home in the churches where they were raised.

"Ecclesiastically speaking, the decision was correct," he later wrote. "As I understand the Spirit of God, it was wrong."

"Is it reasonable to believe that God would create

some with an orientation toward the same gender, put them within the same strong drive of sexuality and love which is present in heterosexual persons, and then decree that such a drive is to be absolutely repressed and denied? This not only defies reason, but it is cruel, unfeeling and arbitrary."

Tuell expressed his change of heart during a guest sermon at his Seattle-area church in February 2000.

"I stated flatly that I was wrong and called on the church to prayerfully seek a new inclusiveness," he later wrote. "I was 76 years old."

Tuell brought his advocacy to the church at large, showing up even in frail health at the 2012 General Conference in Tampa, Fla., to protest church policy.

Born in Tacoma, Wash., on Nov. 14, 1923, Jack Marvin Tuell served in the Army Air Forces during World War II and received his law degree from the University of Washington in 1948. He practiced for two years in Edmonds, Wash.

He later graduated from the Boston University School of Theology with a master of divinity degree.

As bishop in Los Angeles, Tuell inherited lawsuits demanding \$366 million after the bankruptcy of Pacific Homes retirement facilities in three states. He was instrumental in negotiating a settlement of the complex litigation.

NATALIE HAWKS

Burnet Elementary teacher

Educators experience range of emotions through school year

Well fellow educators, we've made it halfway through our school year. Hooray! I hope that you had a restful Christmas break and spent lots of time with your families.

Through November, December and January we experience disillusionment partly because we are exhausted. (That's why we desperately need Christmas break.)

Thankfully, most of us will get our second wind and feel rejuvenated. This is where we push toward STAAR testing and finishing up content.

With not having much time off, I'm exhausted, as most of us are. I'm sitting here nursing the flu on top of everything else.

Then (thankfully) we move toward April and May: anticipation. Not for meeting and greeting new students like in August.

In August we start out optimistic and nervous, anticipating meeting our new students and saving the world. In September and October we begin to switch over to survival mode as things get tough.

Natalie Hawks is a fifth-grade science at social studies teacher at Burnet Elementary in Midland ISD.

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taking the class allows them to appreciate the discipline. Students who are strong in science benefit from taking history and psychology because the courses enable them to develop a different type of critical thinking that may be beneficial to a science-based career.

books).

Before we embarked on this project, I spent most of my time with my own department. The reasoning was simple — we have common interests and similar classroom issues.

Appreciation for other fields should not stop once students complete the core courses. The past year has helped me understand the importance of diversity in education and the workplace.

In any workplace, it's easy to pigeonhole ourselves: this is my job and that's all I need to know. Like with the core classes, it's important to embrace things that perhaps scare us or are outside of our comfort zones.

Working with other professors who are masters of subjects such as math, psychology and science has been extraordinary. We can all look at the same document and see different things.

Amber Kelly-Anderson is an assistant professor of English and history and general studies liaison at Howard College in Big Spring. She lives in Midland with her family.

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get mad and tell me to stop being a baby. The only thing they did was hang their heads, hug me tightly and tell me how sorry they were for being disrespectful.

rage? Why not reach out to someone in need with deep passion? Why not place more emphasis on the passion to respond to what we believe is right?

However, it didn't really click with me until the strawberry milk incident. Anger and rage warrant many different responses, but if given the choice, I believe I'd prefer to respond through the eyes of a child instead of my own eyes.

More and more every day, I walk into a classroom and discover that the world's most untapped resources are the eyes and heart of a child — the passion, the innocence, the purity and the ability to care and to love.

I don't believe screaming fits are the answer, but I do believe that passion is. Why not respond to the anger we feel inside with deep passion rather than

Ashton West teaches kindergarten at Milam Elementary in Midland ISD.

WEDNESDAY PRIME TIME

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Table with columns for channel, time, and program titles. Includes programs like Jeopardy!, Wheel of Fortune, Modern Family, and various news and entertainment shows.

MAKING THE GRADE

FROM STAFF REPORTS

COLLEGE STATION — Several Midlanders were named to the honor rolls for the fall semester at Texas A&M University.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students who maintain a GPR of at least 3.75. The Distinguished Student list recognizes those who maintain a GPR of at least 3.5.

Named to the Dean's Honor Roll was Jocelyn F. Brown, Rachel M. Cox, John H. Drozd, Devan J. Fuchs, Morgan E. Kratzer, Micah J. Mills, Austin K. Rohwer, Karl W. Stanton, Emma R. Wellen and Ty W. Wilson.

Named to the Distinguished Student list was Jonathan D. Berry, Jacob P. Bradford and Margaret E. Kendrick.

PRINCETON, N.J. — Trinity School graduate Audrey Grimes is one of several students to receive \$2,000 National Achievement Special Honors

awards from Learning Ally, a nonprofit educational organization serving individuals with learning and visual disabilities. The scholarship recognizes academic excellence, leadership and service to others.

Grimes, who is studying acting and theater at the University of Texas, has dyslexia.

RICHMOND, Ky. — Midlander Thomas Richardson recently was inducted into Phi Kappa Phi at Eastern Kentucky University.

PORTALES, N.M. — Midlander Seth Clabaugh graduated last month from Eastern New Mexico University.

GREENVILLE, S.C. — Sarah Cummings was named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Bob Jones University.

To qualify, students must earn at least a 3.0 GPA.

Lee High School senior Garrett Greer has been honored by the Midland Downtown Lions Club.



Greer

He is a captain of the football team, is a member of National Honor Society, PALS and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He is an academic letterman and a member of All-District Academic team and second team All-State Academic team.

He attends Kelview

Heights Baptist Church. Greer plans to attend Texas A&M University and major in engineering.

Midland High School senior Wesley Don Juan has been honored by the Midland Downtown Lions Club.



Don Juan

He is class president, member of National Honor Society, Latin Club and Dawgpack and is basketball team captain.

He attends True-Lite Christian Fellowship, volunteers with Breaking Bread Ministry and Be the Change and is a blood donor.

Don Juan plans to attend Texas A&M University or the U.S. Naval Academy and major in engineering.

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a huge honor to get on the Bluebonnet list, and I am thrilled," said Krosoczka.

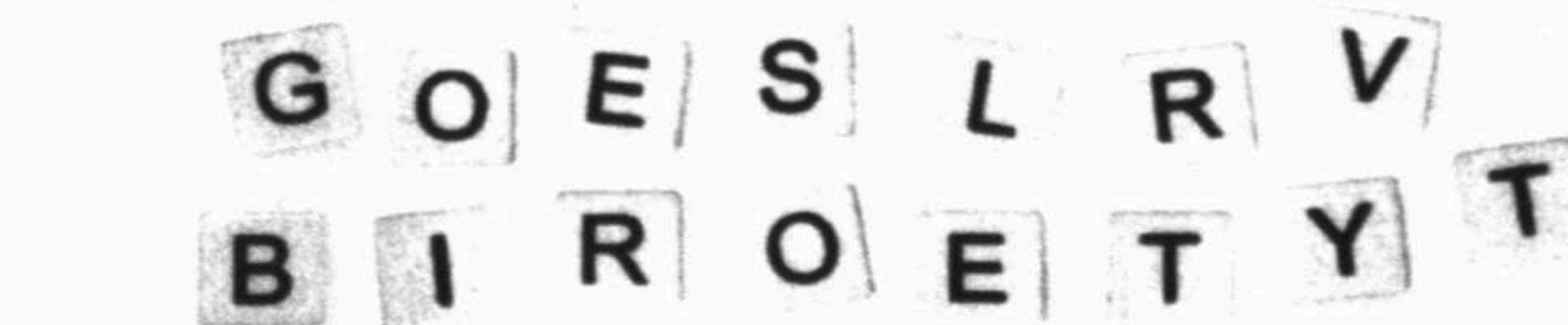
Having Krosoczka in Midland to visit with students at elementary schools and the Midland County Public Library was a real treat, said Library Director John Trischitti.

"Getting best-selling authors to West Texas is difficult, but when I learned he would be in Abilene for an exhibit opening, I asked him if he would be willing to extend his visit a day to come to Midland," Trischitti said.

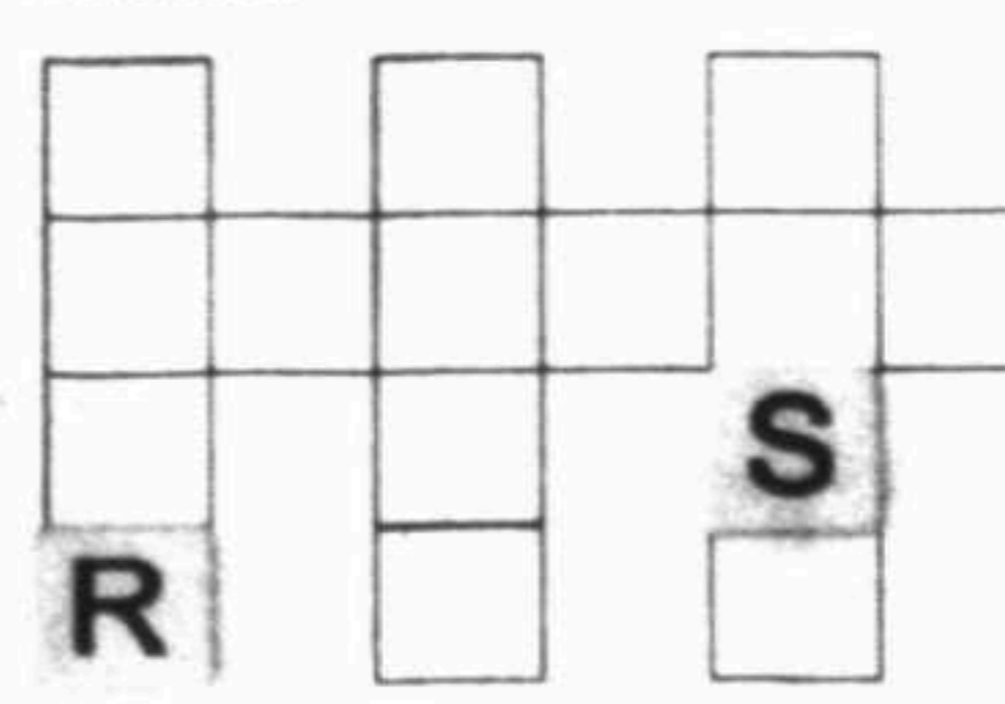
Every student at DeZavala Elementary received a book from Krosoczka's "Lunch Lady" series, thanks to donations from the Midland County Public Library Foundation and Midland Reading Council.

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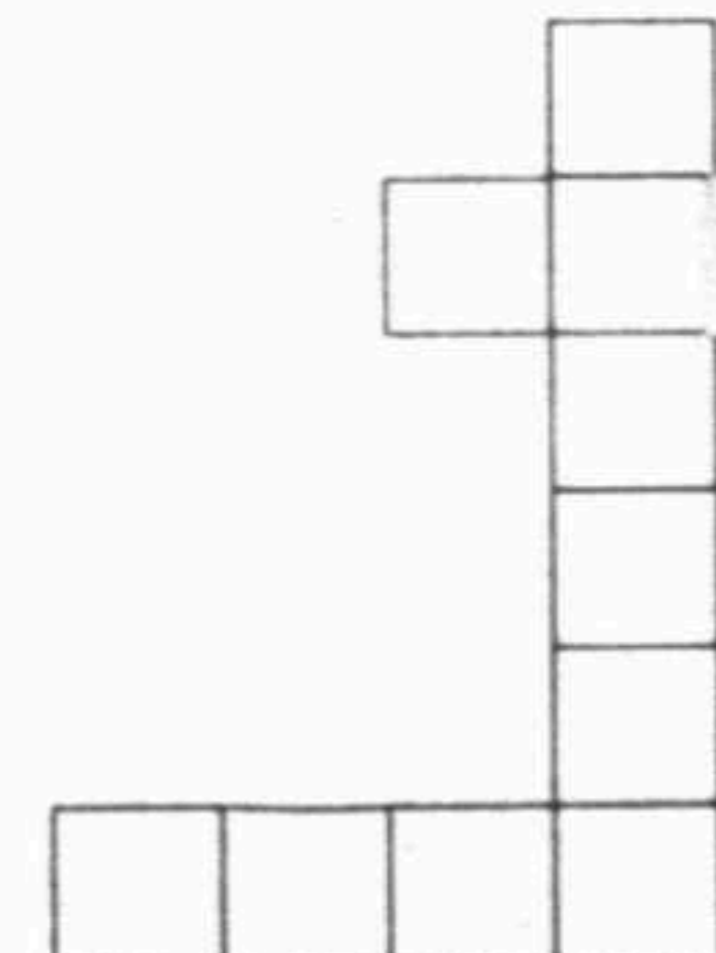
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BANANA BITE: A color



BANANA BITE: Names



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Yesterday's Answer: WEAPON, FORMAT

# HOMES

From 1B

option (with the manufacturer), we will put them up for bid and take the best price," said Garcia, who expects the district to maintain control of the properties for two or three years.

"I'm hopeful that within two or three years we should see a greater supply of housing with apartment complexes opening. When the supply increases, hopefully we will see the costs associated with renting those units go down," Garcia said.

Providing Midlanders with a great living experience and comfortable price point is Gardaphe's main goal.

"We're here to provide a nice community that people are proud to live in. We're not here to capitalize on the boom and then run out of town," Gardaphe said, noting Stonegate will include a swimming pool and basketball court.

Gardaphe's family has been involved with developing and managing manufactured home communities for more than 50 years, primarily in the Houston area.

Stonegate includes 171 lots; only a small portion is designated for MISD employees, Gardaphe said.

Individuals interested in leasing a lot at Stonegate can call the office at 413-2121.

# Input sought on plan for college student preparedness

From staff reports

AUSTIN — The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board will hold a regional meeting at Midland College Thursday to gather input on a newly proposed Texas Success Initiative.

The TSI operational plan provides recommendations and guidelines for institutions of higher education to address student readiness. After receiving input at these regional meetings, the board staff will present the TSI operational plan for approval by the THECB's board of directors on April 24.

Thursday's meeting will be from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. in F. Marie Hall Academic Building, room 101.

"Texas has been among national leaders in identifying and implementing innovative practices to improve academic preparation of underprepared college students," said David Gardner, THECB deputy commissioner, in a news release.

The new TSI assessment was introduced in fall 2013 to assess college readiness. The operational plan, drafted by the THECB Developmental and Adult Education Unit, provides recommendations to the state and institutions of higher education that are designed to address the needs of underprepared students.

"The Coordinating Board's draft TSI operational plan is intended to help institutions address individual students' developmental and adult basic education needs," said Judy Lo-

redo, assistant commissioner for the THECB Division for P-16 Initiatives.

The coordinating board staff held a statewide webinar Dec. 17 to present the proposed plan and upcoming regional meetings. In addition to Midland, meetings will be held in Amarillo, Fort Worth, El Paso, McAllen, Houston, Killeen, San Antonio and Tyler. During these meetings, staff will present the most recent version of the proposed plan, followed by a discussion and comment session.

For more information about the TSI, visit [www.theccb.state.tx.us/TSI](http://www.theccb.state.tx.us/TSI). In addition, feedback can be provided online through Feb. 28 at <https://tinyurl.com/comments-for-TSI-Plan>.

# HONORROLL

FROM STAFF REPORTS

A number of Midland Independent School District junior high students have been named to the "A" Honor Roll for the third six weeks.

NOTE: The list does not include students whose parents have requested that information about their children not be released.

## Abell Junior High

### Seventh grade

- BRITNEY ARMENDARIZ
- KEATON CURTIS
- SATHVIK DEME
- DELOIS HART
- EMILY HILLMAN
- GLORIA KOO
- LANDRY LOUDER
- CHRISTOPHER LOZANO
- EDWARD LUJAN
- MOLLIE MAGUIRE
- ISHITA NEERAJ
- MILAN PATEL
- KALEIGH PUGH
- FIGRELLA RANGEL
- IPPOLIT
- KAYLEIGH RICE
- VANESSA RODRIGUES
- AVRIE RYAN
- TARA SHANNON
- ERIN SPENCE
- RACHEL STANSELL
- LAURA WERNER

### Eighth grade

- BRIANNA AGUILAR
- TYLYNN BILLINGTON
- DYLAN BLASE
- COURTNEY CALLOWAY
- SHUBHRA DIMRI
- ANDREA ESPINOZA
- ALYSSA GARZA
- BLAKE GIBSON
- ELEXA GILLETTE
- DYLAN GOODE
- MATTHEW HALL
- KYLIE HOPPER
- KORY HOWELL
- BRUCE JONES
- GINA KHIEU
- REGAN LAWRENCE
- ARELY LEYVA
- M'KAYLEE MILLOY
- PATRICK OKIMI
- ALEKSIE PARRA
- DILAN PATEL
- NEIL PATEL
- BLAKE RODRIGUEZ
- MICHELLE SALINAS
- NICOLAS SHORES
- MAREN SMITH
- ABBY STONE
- ALEXANDER TELESKA
- AUREE THOMAS
- BRANDON TRAN
- ASHLEY ULATE
- BRYSON UROUIDEZ
- HALIMA WHITE
- ALEXYS WILLIS

## Alamo Junior High

### Seventh grade

- NOAH ALANIZ
- SIERRA ANDERSON
- EDITH ARANDA
- ORION BARRIENTES
- JACELIN BERNAL
- GAZBY BILL
- CAITLIN BLAKES
- ESMERALDA BORUNDA
- SIMONE BROWN
- JORDYN BRYANT
- KAYLEA BUSBEE
- ALFREDO CALZADA
- LILLIAN CARMAN
- KAYLEE CHEEK
- MAKENZIE COPELAND
- JACOB DOELING
- JOSHUA GALINDO
- MEAGAN GARCIA
- MANUEL GARCIA
- VENTURA
- KADE GARNER
- KRISTLYN GUZMAN
- ALEXIS HERNANDEZ
- ANJELA HERNANDEZ
- AVERY LANCASTER
- KAYLEE LOPEZ
- JUAN LUNA
- DAEDRIAN MADRID
- PAIGE MARTIN
- CHRISTIAN MARTINEZ
- ELIZABETH MCRAE
- DEBORAH MENDOZA
- AMERICA MIRANDA
- ANGELA MONROY
- MONTANA MOORE
- ASHLEY MORRIS
- IZACK PEREZ
- ELSIE PINEDA
- USVALDO PORRAS
- JESUS REYES
- LILLIANA REYES
- JASIAH RODRIGUEZ
- JACOB RUIZ
- KAYLA SANCHEZ
- BRAYDEN SIMON
- KAI SMITH
- MATISON SMITH
- NATHAN SMITH

- LANE TANG
- THAWNG THANG
- VAN LILY THIHUM
- JACOB THOMAS
- ERIN VALERIANO

### Eighth grade

- LUIS ARANDA
- MELODY BARRAZA
- KASEY BLACKMON
- BIANCA CASTANEDA
- JOHN COX
- ANNISTON ELVENA
- BROOKLYNN FINNELL
- KATHERINE GALINDO
- MARK GARCIA
- MORIYAH GUTIERREZ
- KALEB HERNANDEZ
- ROBERT HERNANDEZ
- VICENTE HERNANDEZ
- MCCARTNEY HOLEMAN
- JULIE-ANN HOPPE
- BRITTANY MADISON
- MEGAN MOORE
- ADRIAN MUNIZ
- JASMINE NUNEZ
- BRISSA O'BALLE
- MCKENAH PATEL
- SAVANNAH PERALES
- EMILY RAY
- JENNY RODELA
- CRYSTAL RODRIGUEZ
- EDEN ROMERO
- INGRID RUIZ ANAYA
- DIANA SANTANA
- LANDRI ST CLAIR
- SHAYLEE WILLIAMS

## Goddard Junior High

### Seventh grade

- MADISON ADAMS
- IRELAND BENNY
- KANDUS BOX
- CRISTAL CARRASCO
- JACOB CHRANE
- DIANA DELAO
- TYLER DIRICKSON
- LAUREN EDWARDS
- WADE ELLIOTT
- TEMI FLOWERS
- LAYNIE GORDEN
- VICTORIA GRAY
- LINDA GUZMAN RAMIREZ
- ROGER HAGUE
- ALEXANDREA
- HONEYFIELD
- AARON HOWELL
- SABRINA MACIAS
- JESSICA MELENDEZ
- ALYSSA MUNOZ
- BELINDA NORRICK
- MADISON OLIVAS

- CARLEY RAMHARTER
- JOSHUA RAMOS
- LEONARDO ROMAN
- SHELBY SCHMIDT
- JAMIE SHEPHERD
- EMMA SIMMONS
- BROOKLYN STEPHENS
- JOSEPH TOWNSEND
- ANNA VARK
- MIRANDA WADLEY
- ABEER WAHEED
- SHERIDAN WALTHER
- SARA WHEELLESS

### Eighth grade

- JESSY ARMENDARIZ
- EADEN ARRIOLA
- NELI BALDERAS GALLE
- CARLY BARKER
- MERRICK BEACH
- MIA BEJIL
- ABIGAIL BUENDIA
- ISSIAH BUSTILLOS
- ALYSSA COTTRELL
- FAITH DE LA GARZA
- SARAH DEHLINGER
- CHRISTIAN DOAN
- BRANDI FIELDS
- JENNA GADDY
- YALYN GARCIA
- ELENA GARZA
- SIMON GLENN
- BAILEY GOODRUM
- AMAYA HINOJOS
- JACQUELINE HUERTA
- CAMRYN JORDAN
- ABIGAIL JUAREZ
- KARISSA KIDDER
- JORDAN McDONALD
- AIDELIN MEDINA
- BRISA MORALES
- COREY NICHOLAS
- JONATHAN NUNEZ
- DAILEY PARKER
- KAITLYN PIPKIN
- DAVID PURDY
- KARINA QUIROZ
- REAGAN REAM
- CANTON SHERMAN
- JAYCI STREUN
- CLARENCE TAYLOR
- MELEA TRACY
- LAUREL UTSMAN
- BRADEN VINES
- KYLIE VONHOLLE
- MATTHEW WILKINS
- AYLIN ZARATE

## San Jacinto Junior High

### Seventh grade

- BRITTON BOREN

- BROOKLYN BROWNING
- GENESIS CARRASCO
- CAMILLE COURTNEY
- HAYLEY DE BIVAR BRANC
- LOGAN ELLIS
- MADELINE FLORES
- BENJAMIN GIBBS
- LOGAN GLENN
- JACELYN GOLDEN
- EMMA JOHNSON
- LAURA KATOR
- MACY KIDWELL
- CALLAN LANCASTER
- AIDEN LAURITZEN
- ALEJANDRO LUMPKIN
- MAKENZIE MOON
- GERRON NIEMANN
- JACOB OCHOA
- JACQUELINE O'MALLEY
- RACHEL PANNELL
- SEAN PORTER
- AUSTIN PRICE
- REAGAN RIVAS
- WILLIAM RODRIGUEZ
- ANDREW SANCHEZ
- MICAELA SANCHEZ
- LILLY VANDEBURGH

### Eighth grade

- MAKAYLEE CARTER
- MAYA DUARTE
- MADELYNN FEAGAN
- GENTRY FOREMAN
- DAISY GONZALEZ
- ALAYSHA GREEN
- CAROLINE HARPER
- ROBERT HASKELL
- CARTER HENDERSON-NIX
- SYDNEY HOBBS
- GUNNAR HOLCOMB
- LOGAN HOLMES
- HUNTER INGRAM
- CAITLIN LAURITZEN
- WYATT MATOTT
- JASMINE MCCALISTER
- COLLIN McCULLOUGH
- JOHN MEE
- RAYMOND MEE
- MITCHELL MURPHY
- SARAH NELSON
- SAMUEL ORTA
- BRYNNAE PAGE
- CARTER PETTY
- ASHLEY RAUDALES
- MICHAEL SANCHEZ
- KHAI SARAPAO
- REAGAN SQUIRE
- ALLISON STEWART
- MATTHEW TUBBS
- ANH VO
- DYLAN WADE
- ELLEN WARREN
- MOLLIE WRIGHT

# EDUCATION BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

## Greenwood GT program accepting applications

Applications for the Greenwood ISD gifted and talented program will be available on all campuses through Friday.

Parents wishing to nominate their children for placement must return a completed application by Friday afternoon. If applications are not received by Friday, testing for the gifted and talented program will not be available again until spring 2015.

For more information, contact Heather Brown at 685-7821 or [hebrown@greenwood.esc18.net](mailto:hebrown@greenwood.esc18.net).

## Applications available for MISD GT program

Midland ISD Gifted and Talented Services is accepting applications for the Gifted Education Midland Program and Secondary School Gifted and Talented Classes for the 2014-15 school year.

Current first- through 11th-grade students may apply by picking up an application at their campus. Applications must be returned to home campuses by 4 p.m. Jan. 31 in order for students to be tested.

For additional information about the GT program, and for information on the application and identification process, parents/guardians may attend an orientation. These sessions will be held at noon and 5:30 p.m. Thursday in the Carver Center Auditorium, 1300 E. Wall St. The presentation will be available at [www.midlandisd.net](http://www.midlandisd.net) following the meetings.

For more information, contact Judy Bridges, MISD director of advanced academic services, at 685-9524.

## MC to host club fair today

Midland College students will have an opportunity to visit with campus organizations during the student activities fair from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. today in the Scharbauer Student Center.

The MC Club Fair organizers expect more than 20 area businesses and nonprofit organizations to be represented. The event is open to the public. Complimentary hot dogs are available to anyone with a valid MC student ID card.

For more information, call Student Activities Coordinator Stephanie VanCuren at 685-4543.

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**TODAY: Sunny** High: 57 Low: 33

**THURSDAY: Sunny** High: 61 Low: 28

**FRIDAY: Sunny** High: 56 Low: 35

**SATURDAY: Sunny** High: 62 Low: 37

**SUNDAY: Sunny** High: 64 Low: 38

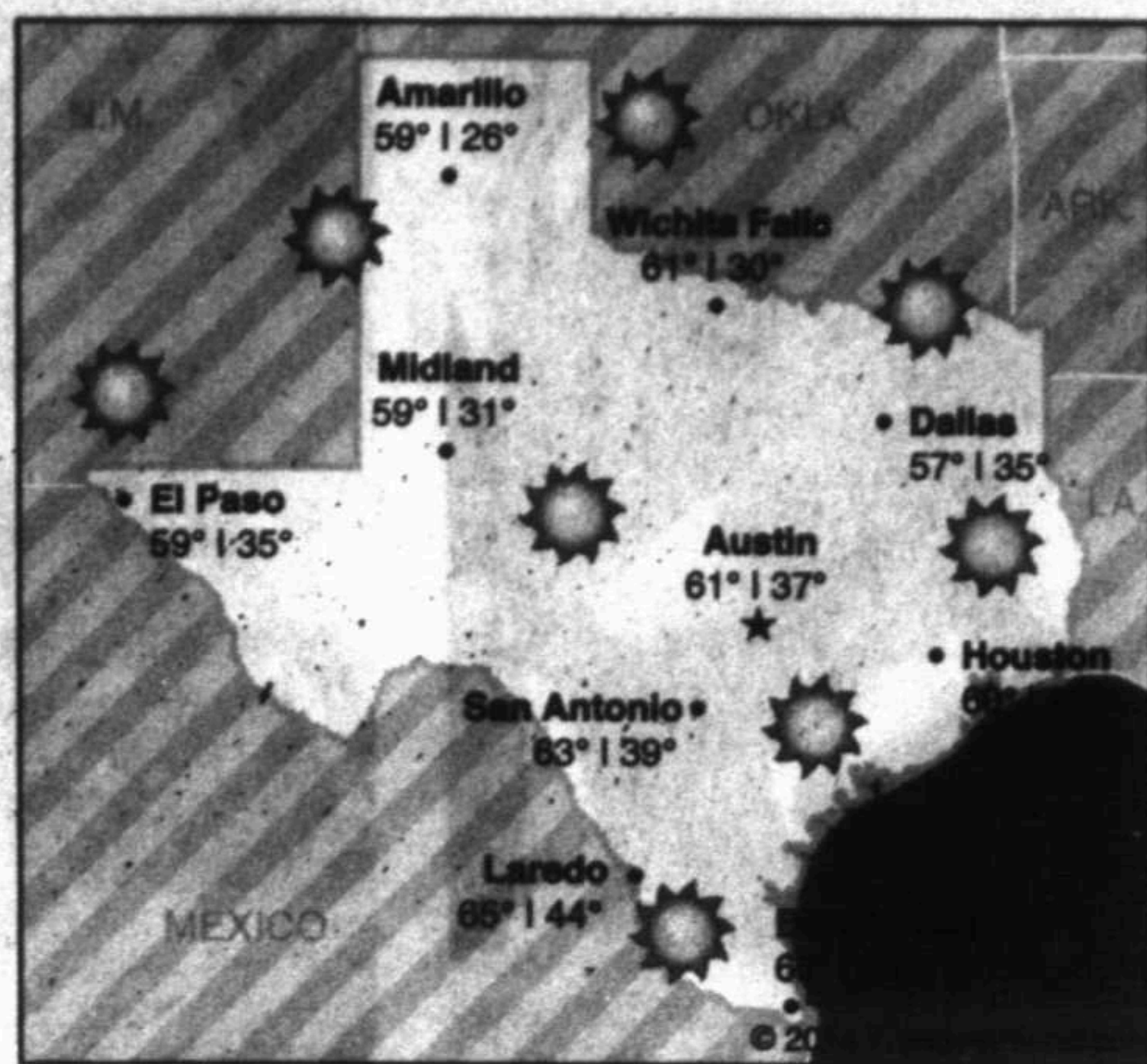
**MONDAY: Sunny** High: 64 Low: 34

**Local forecast**

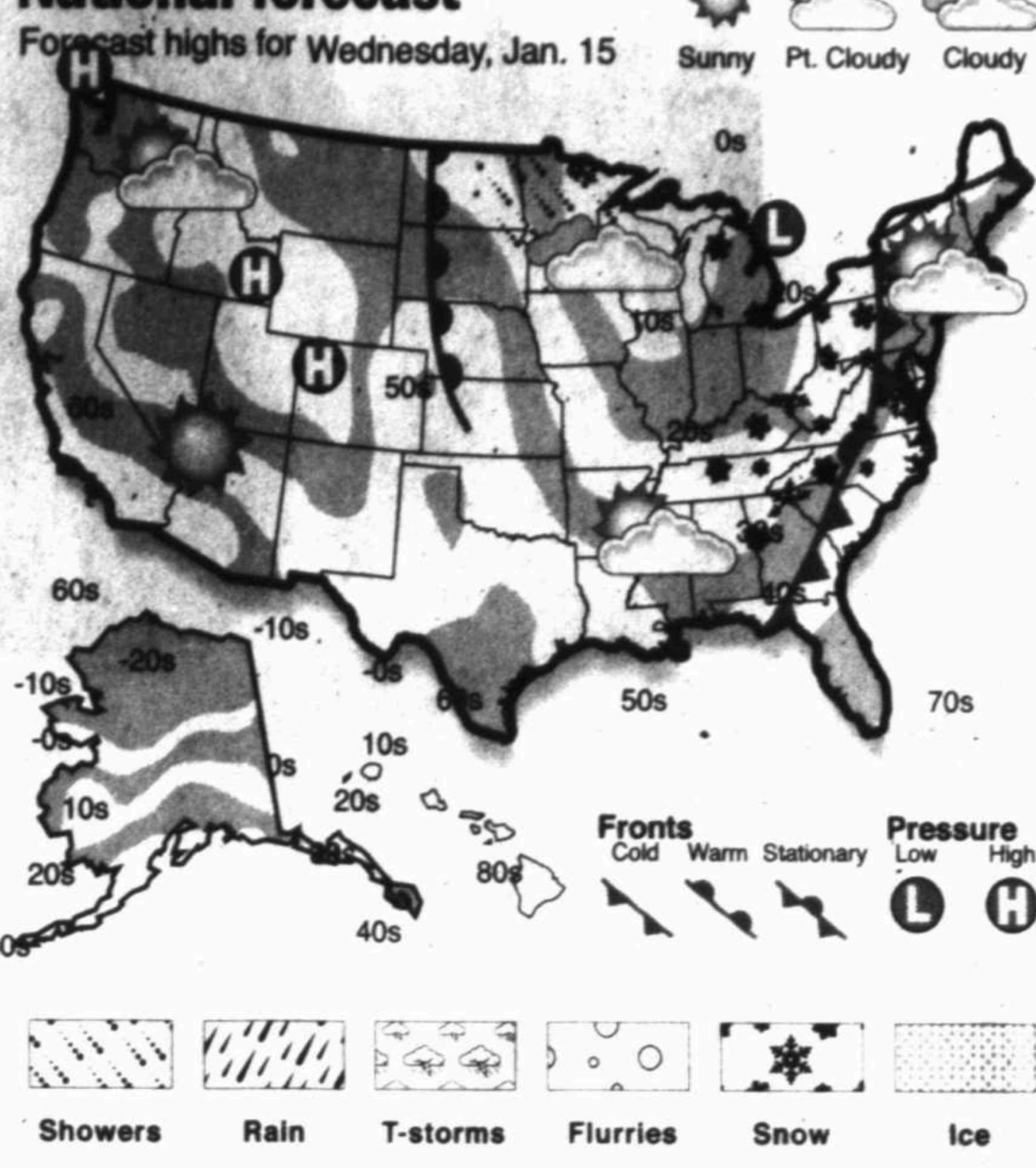
Expect sunny skies today with a high around 57 and winds becoming southwest around 5 mph in the afternoon. Tonight's forecast calls for clear conditions with a low around 33 and west winds around 5 mph.

Thursday, look for sunny skies with a high around 61 and west winds between 10 and 15 mph becoming northeast in the afternoon. Expect mostly clear conditions at night, with a low around 28 and northeast winds between 5 and 10 mph becoming south after midnight.

Friday, the forecast calls for sunny skies during the day, mostly clear skies at night, with a high around 56 and a low around 35. The high on Tuesday reached 63, while the



**National forecast**



**National forecast**

Much of the Atlantic Seaboard will get a break from rain today. One storm will push off the coast as another storm approaches from the west. The exception will be an area of rain lingering over South Florida along a slow-moving cold front.

Some snow may fall from the Great Lakes to the central and southern Appalachians as a storm originating from western Canada pushes east. Enough snow could fall in some areas to coat the ground.

<b>Precipitation</b>	<b>Tuesday's temperatures</b>
Monday ..... 0.00 in.	High.....63
Tuesday ..... 0.00 in.	Low.....32
Month total ..... 0.00 in.	Normal high.....57
Year total ..... 0.00 in.	Normal low.....30
Normal total (year to date) ..... 0.21 in.	Sunrise.....7:49 a.m.
	Sunset.....6:07 p.m.

**Angry dad wants to learn how to control his emotions**

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm a dad in my 30s and I have a problem. I have been battling anger issues since I was a kid, I have been finding myself getting more and more worked up with my kids. When they misbehave, I lose it and yell at them. It is the way I was raised. However, I feel even worse afterward.

I really want to break this habit. I don't want the only memories my children have of me to be images of my red face and bugged-out eyes hollering at them. Do you have any guidelines I can follow to get a better handle on my anger? — **LOUD DAD IN WEST VIRGINIA**

**DEAR LOUD DAD:** Yes, I do. And I'm glad you asked me because it's important that you find other ways of relieving your frustration than taking it out on your children. It is not only counterproductive, it is extremely destructive.

When a bigger person yells at a smaller person, the message is often lost because the smaller person (in your case, your children) simply shuts down out of fear that physical violence might follow.

You should not ignore your feelings when your children act up. Rather, you need to find another manner for expressing your emotions. My booklet "The Anger in All of Us and

How to Deal With It" offers suggestions on redirecting angry feelings in a healthy way. It can be ordered by sending your name and mailing address, plus a check or money order for \$7, to Dear Abby — Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. Shipping and handling are included in the price. Dealing with anger calmly and with reason is more effective than lashing out. Expressing your feelings is healthy when it's done with a few well-chosen words that make your point. As you have already learned, exploding in anger serves no constructive purpose and only makes you feel worse afterward.

Sometimes when people are angry or frustrated about other things, they can lose control of their temper. In situations like these, it is important to evaluate the source of what might really be irritating you before misdirecting your anger at someone who is blameless.

There are healthy ways of dealing with anger and frustration. Developing the control to express emotions verbally without being abusive or calling names is one of them. Another is to say a prayer ("Please Lord, don't let me lose my temper!") before opening your mouth. Leaving the room, going for a walk or short run can be helpful.

Unhealthy ways that should be avoided include getting into your car when you are angry, or using alcohol or drugs to calm you.

My booklet offers many other suggestions for dealing with anger and frustration, and I hope it will be helpful to you. However, if it isn't, then you should discuss your problem with a mental health professional. It's important to get a handle on your feelings so your children won't grow up thinking that verbal abuse is a normal way to handle their emotions.

**DEAR ABBY**

Write Dear Abby at [www.DearAbby.com](http://www.DearAbby.com) or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.



**GOREN BRIDGE**

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

**Thoughtful bid**

Neither vulnerable. South deals.

<b>NORTH</b>	<b>EAST</b>
♠ K 9 3	♠ 10 7 6 5
♥ A 10 9 7 5	♥ 2
♦ A K	♦ J 5 4
♣ 9 5 4	♣ 10 8 6 3 2

<b>SOUTH</b>	<b>WEST</b>	<b>NORTH</b>	<b>EAST</b>
♠ A Q J 8 2	♠ 2	♠ 3NT	♠ Pass
♥ K 8 4	♥ 10 9 7	♥ 6	♥ Pass
♦ A Q	♦ Pass	♦ Pass	♦ Pass

The bidding: SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST

Opening lead: Three of  
This hand is from the Venice Cup, the World Championship Women's Teams, contested in Bali, Indonesia last summer. South was Janice Seamon-Molson, of Florida, representing the USA.

North-South were employing transfers over one no-trump, so North trans-

ferred to hearts and rebid three no-trump to offer South a choice of games. South had an excellent hand for hearts and chose the thoughtful bid of four clubs, in case North had some latent slam ambitions. Any side-suit bid over three no-trump shows a strong raise in partner's major — South couldn't be looking for a new trump suit at this point. North had a hand which came to life when partner showed a good hand with a fit. The leap to six hearts was a reasonable shot.

South won the opening diamond lead and played a trump to her king. She led another trump toward dummy and made the safety play of inserting the seven when West played low! The heavy lifting was done and South had 12 tricks — four hearts, five spades, two diamonds and the ace of clubs.

In the replay, the Polish South bid four hearts over three no-trump, and the slam was missed. Seamon-Molson's four-club bid created a big swing for the USA.

**DAILY CROSSWORD**

- |   |   |                                     |                          |
|---|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>ACROSS</b>   | <b>DOWN</b>                                   | 28 Ribbons on a plate               | 48 Antsy                 |
| 1 Under siege   | 1 ___ Burger,                                 | 29 Turncoat Benedict                | 50 Letter before sigma   |
| 6 Raul Castro's country   | veggie brand that originated in Florida       | 31 Flashy Flynn                     | 51 Not wimp out          |
| 10 Irate  | 2 Perón and Gabor                             | 33 Sends to the canvas              | 53 Sacro-ending          |
| 14 Sheeplike  | 3 "Like newly shaved legs, per some razor ads | 35 Greek vowel                      | 55 Continually           |
| 15 A long way off   | 4 Wishes one had                              | 36 Squabbles                        | 57 Quaker pronoun        |
| 16 Lily variety   | 5 Many "Glee" characters                      | 37 Recipient of many returns: Abbr. | 58 Tiling tools          |
| 17 Give birth to a baby elephant, say                             | 6 Half-___ coffee order                       | 40 Popular tablet                   | 59 Hood's weapon         |
| 18 "Broadcaster of many TV games                                  | 7 What weather balloons may be mistaken for   | 43 Sang one's own praises           | 60 Laudatory poem        |
| 20 Acting the quizmaster  | 8 Ron Burgundy's dog                          | 47 Mouth moisture                   | 61 Reason for contrition |
| 22 Mink kin   | 9 Burning crime                               |                                     | 62 Shaggy ox             |
| 23 Like some simple questions                                     | 10 Principe's island partner                  |                                     |                          |
| 25 Dress like a king or for the ring                              | 11 NHL great Bobby                            |                                     |                          |
| 28 "I'd rather not"   | 12 Tough thing to be stuck in                 |                                     |                          |
| 30 Say convincingly   | 13 What mom has that dad doesn't?             |                                     |                          |
| 32 Brother  | 19 Links goal                                 |                                     |                          |
| 34 Higher limb  | 21 Worked on, as a bone                       |                                     |                          |
| 35 Vase-shaped jug  | 24 In the past                                |                                     |                          |
| 36 "The Treasure of the ___ Madre"                                | 26 "One checking crossings                    |                                     |                          |
| 38 ___ Balls: Hostess treats                                      | 27 Incense                                    |                                     |                          |
| 39 Dog breed, a type of which begins the answers to starred clues |   |                                     |                          |
| 41 Dawn to dusk   |   |                                     |                          |
| 42 "Better luck next time!"                                       |   |                                     |                          |
| 44 Chooses  |   |                                     |                          |
| 45 It may be massive or massaged                                  |   |                                     |                          |
| 46 ___ sax  |   |                                     |                          |
| 47 Narrow strip   |   |                                     |                          |
| 48 Lode deposits  |   |                                     |                          |
| 49 Greg's sitcom wife   |   |                                     |                          |
| 52 Impersonating  |   |                                     |                          |
| 54 Thin-layered rock  |   |                                     |                          |
| 56 Nancy Drew, e.g.   |   |                                     |                          |
| 59 "Seemingly unflattering name for Wrigley Field vines           |   |                                     |                          |
| 63 British Columbia neighbor                                      |   |                                     |                          |
| 64 Jim Davis pooch  |   |                                     |                          |
| 65 Optic layer  |   |                                     |                          |
| 66 Go along   |   |                                     |                          |
| 67 Make (one's way)   |   |                                     |                          |
| 68 Automatic "P?"   |   |                                     |                          |
| 69 Yields (to)  |   |                                     |                          |

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:**

O	N	T	A	P	S	O	X	T	E	C	H		
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A	V	O	W	S	O	S	O	A	O	P	A	D	
P	I	N	E	A	R	T	E	G	A	I	L	Y	
A	C	E	R	T	E	E	T	R	E	K	S		

**JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS**

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

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2014:

This year others present you with a different perspective more times than not. You are confident and sure of yourself, yet understanding a new way of handling life could be quite rewarding. If you are single, during the next six months you could meet someone quite exciting. This person will be generous, and have an excellent sense of humor. If you are attached, the two of you will learn to respect your differences. As a result, your bond will become more loving and exciting. Both of you will flourish. **CANCER** is far more emotional than you are.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) ★★★ The Full Moon could affect your mood. You might want to exercise your "kiss and make up" technique, especially with a close associate. You might feel as though you're between a rock and a hard place. Express your thoughts openly and kindly. Tonight: Relax at home.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Consider opening up to new possibilities that emerge in discussions. You might be quite surprised by what occurs. You could feel overwhelmed by everything that happens. You simply need to take in the moment and not make a commitment right now. Tonight: Play it easy.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Be aware of expenses that keep arising. You might want to rethink your budget. The possibility exists that you might need to give up an indulgence. A little self-discipline will go far at this point. Know that you are capable of nearly anything. Tonight: Balance your checkbook.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ Today's Full Moon puts you directly in the spotlight. As a result, you'll be able to maximize the lunar energy in your favor. Interpersonal relating will be highlighted. Seize the moment to act on an important matter. Tonight: Whatever makes you happy.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★ A dispute suddenly could break out. Someone might misread your attitude. Make a point to clarify your thoughts. A serious but important conversation will stabilize the situation. Note how this person gets when he or she is upset. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ You know when you overspend. You might feel as if you have made a commitment and have little to no

choice but to follow through. How you handle this matter will be important, but probably not as important as you think. Tonight: Where crowds are.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ You might feel as if you must act a certain way, and you could be irritated to be in that position right now. Do not fight the inevitable. You'll want to balance the different aspects of your life. Tonight: Out till the wee hours.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Your sense of what to do might involve testing out your ideas on someone who is more knowledgeable than you on the topic. On some level, you could discover how easily irritated this makes you feel. Walk away from a difficult or volatile situation. Tonight: Go with the flow.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Relate to a partner or key associate directly in order to avoid a volatile situation. A friend still might be less than agreeable because of a sudden change of plans. Make a point not to lose your temper, and you will be OK. Tonight: Togetherness is the theme.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ Avoid a potentially touchy situation by deferring to others. Consider what is more important: keeping the peace or being right. Demonstrate compassion toward a partner or loved one. This person could be feeling insecure with today's Full Moon. Tonight: Sort through ideas.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ Someone could take advantage of your caring nature. You might feel hurt, or perhaps you'll just feel sorry for this person. In any case, pull back and be more discriminating when it comes to your inner circle of friends. Tonight: Head home, and squeeze in some exercise.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ You might feel pulled in two different directions. Your friends really enjoy having you around, yet a child or loved one could express some neediness. You likely will try to juggle all of these concerns. As a result, a partner could become impatient. Tonight: Take a midweek break.

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**BORN TODAY**

Civil-rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. (1929), playwright Moliere (1622), actor Lloyd Bridges (1913)

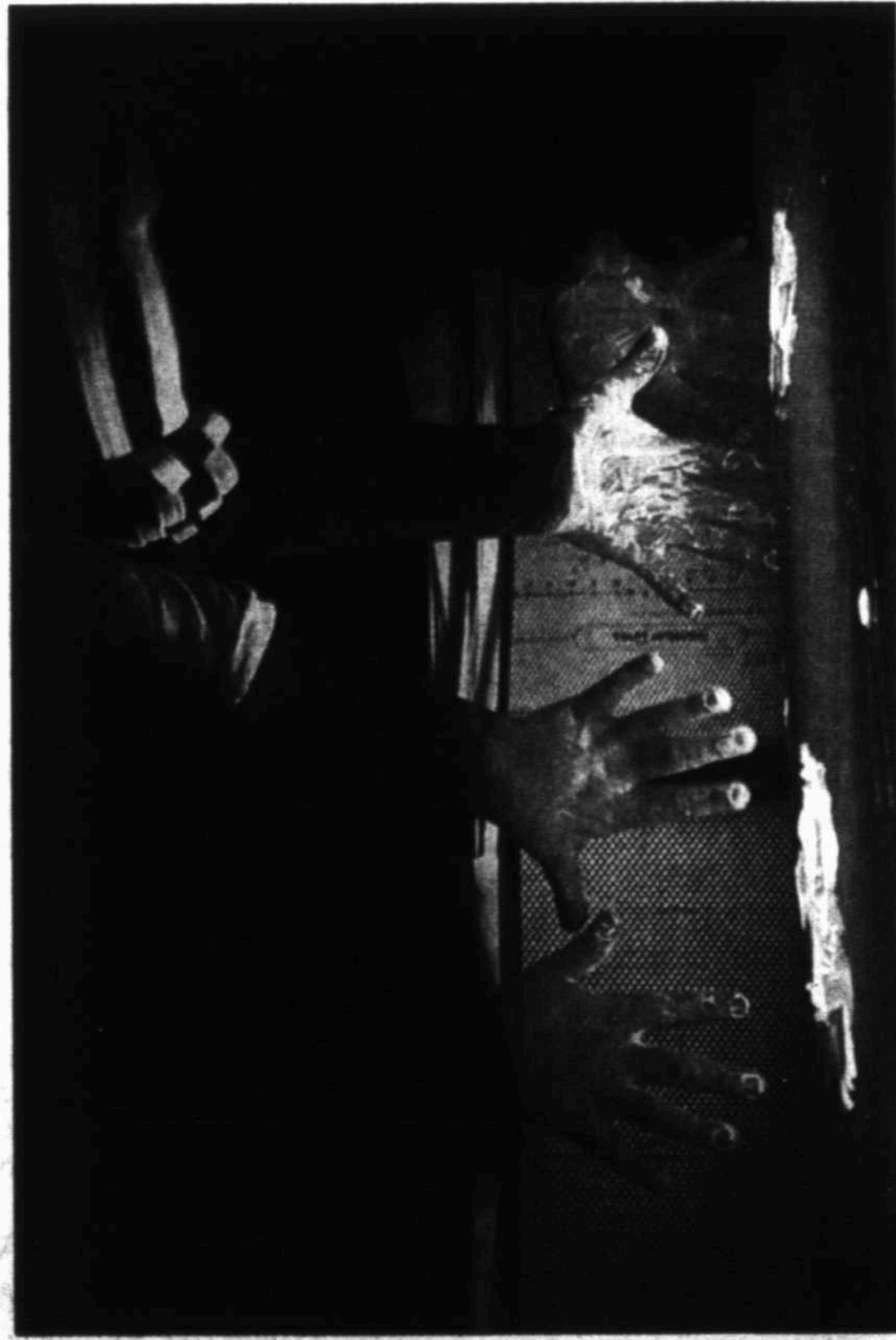
# EXTRA CREDIT

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# FAMILY NIGHT

at Emerson Elementary



**TOP LEFT**  
Aiden Lopez, 4, and Damian Lopez, 7, look at worms with their father, Elyin Lopez, during the Family Math & Science Night and Star Party on Thursday at Emerson Elementary School.

**TOP RIGHT**  
Kari Tate, 8, handles a worm during the Family Math & Science Night and Star Party.

**ACROSS CENTER**  
Children send cars down a track during the event.

**ABOVE**  
Children and parents line up to look through a telescope during the Family Math & Science Night and Star Party.

**ABOVE FAR RIGHT**  
Children participate in an experiment that demonstrates germs and the importance of clean hands.

**RIGHT**  
Kaela Merrill, 4, reacts after watching a balloon inflate from a chemical reaction of baking soda and vinegar.

**FAR RIGHT**  
Children and parents get hot chocolate.

Photos by James Durbin



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# SPORTS

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## Rangers still helping West after explosion

By Stephen Hawkins  
Associated Press

WEST — Scott Podsednik played high school baseball on a since-abandoned field in the shadow of a fertilizer plant that exploded last April in the former major league outfielder's small Central Texas hometown.

A "Keep Out" sign is posted on the fence below the ripped-up scoreboard. Light poles are down on the field. Across a railroad track, there's the cleared plant site.

There are plans for the future, too. Next to the diamond, a park will be renovated with a new playground and a memorial for the 15 people who died in the explosion.

The Texas Rangers, who have made a \$50,000 donation for

West City Park, made a caravan stop Tuesday in the town of about 2,800 people less than 90 miles from their home ballpark.

"The Rangers organization has stepped up in more ways than one," said Podsednik, who was drafted by the Rangers before playing for seven other teams over parts of 11 major league seasons. "They've been incredible; very generous, very classy. West is a sports town, and there are plenty of Rangers fans here. I'm sure that they've made a lot more fans with these acts."

After the explosion last year, the team collected tens of thousands of essential items for West victims and residents, along with gift cards and \$40,000 in cash donations at Rangers Ballpark. Players donated cash and equipment, and Major League

Baseball also gave \$100,000 to relief efforts. More than 1,000 individuals from the town later attended a City of West night at a Rangers game last July.

"It's amazing. ... If there's something that can come of this good, it's the show of humanity that's been shown to citizens of West," Mayor Tommy Muska said. "Such a gracious and generous donation by the players, and by the Rangers organization, and especially for the children that they helped with the baseballs and the equipment. That's really the heart of it."

A fire truck was parked outside the West Community Center, where players Mitch Moreland and Tanner Scheppers joined other members of the Rangers

Please see WEST/4C



Associated Press

The sun sets near the old high school baseball scoreboard in West on Tuesday. Former professional baseball player Scott Podsednik, a West native, was part of a Texas Rangers caravan traveling through central Texas. West was devastated by a deadly fertilizer plant explosion last year. The Rangers have donated \$50,000 to help renovate a park across from the plant site with a new playground and a memorial to the 15 people killed in the explosion.

## CRASHING THE BOARDS



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Justin LeClear, center, holds on to the ball as Odessa High's Quincy Hubert, left, and Elijah Dawson try to take it away Tuesday at Chaparral Center.

## MHS wins rebounding battle to beat Bronchos

By Jonathan Hull  
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If there was one area the Midland High boys basketball team knew they had to perform well on Tuesday night against Odessa High it was on the boards.

With OHS being such a strong shooting team from the perimeter, the Bulldogs knew they had to limit the number of scoring opportunities the Bronchos had by blocking out and getting defensive rebounds.

Thanks to a strong team performance on the boards, the Bulldogs won the rebounding battle and hang on for a 68-65 victory against their District 2-5A rival at Chaparral Center.

Midland High (8-10, 4-4 in 2-5A) had

Bulldogs ..... 68  
Bronchos ..... 65

four players with at least seven rebounds to beat the Bronchos on the glass, 45-27.

"Coming into the game, we knew they were going to be a pretty scrappy team," said MHS forward Will Norwood, who finished with 13 points and a game-high 11 rebounds. "We knew that we had to be intense on both ends and really win the rebounding battle."

Mazelle Justice had several key rebounds for MHS in the fourth quarter and finished the game with eight total. Gary Ringo led the Bulldogs with 17 points and seven rebounds, while point guard Shawn Rivers also had seven rebounds to go with 12 points and four assists.

Norwood said rebounding was his main focus coming into the game.

"Going into this game my goal was to make the ball find my hands on both ends — offensively and defensively," Norwood said. "I just focused on getting rebounds."

A 5-0 run midway through the opening quarter allowed MHS to take a 12-7 advantage and the Bulldogs never surrendered that lead. However, the game wasn't without some drama as Odessa High (6-14, 2-7) consistently shot its way back into the game.

"They can really shoot it," MHS coach Charles Tatum said of OHS. "When you got teams that play with energy and are decisive with the ball, those are

Please see MHS/2C

## Judge: \$765M might not cover NFL concussion claims

By Maryclaire Dale  
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — A federal judge is slowing down the proposed \$765 million settlement of NFL concussion claims, questioning if there's enough money to cover 20,000 retired players.

U.S. District Judge Anita B. Brody denied preliminary approval of the plan on Tuesday because she's worried the money could run out sooner than expected. She also raised concerns that anyone who gets concussion damages from the NFL would be barred from suing the NCAA or other amateur football leagues.



Brody

"I am primarily concerned that not all retired NFL football players who ultimately receive a qualifying diagnosis or their (families) ... will be paid," the judge wrote.

The proposed settlement, negotiated over several months, is designed to last at least 65 years.

The awards would vary based on an ex-player's age and diagnosis. A younger retiree with Lou Gehrig's disease would get \$5 million, those with serious dementia cases would get \$3 million and an 80-year-old with early dementia would get \$25,000. Retirees without symptoms would get baseline screening and follow-up care if needed.

"Even if only 10 percent of retired NFL football players eventually receive a qualifying diagnosis," the judge wrote, "it is difficult to see how the Monetary Award Fund would have the funds available over its lifespan to pay all claimants at these significant award levels."

She asked for more raw financial data before scheduling a fairness hearing this year, when objectors can question the plan. The objectors could later decide to opt out of it.

Law professor Gabe Feldman, who directs the sports law program at the Tulane University Law School, called the ruling a setback but said "there's no reason to panic."

"The question remains whether this gives pause to some of the retired players and makes them question whether this is a settlement they want to be a part of," he said.

Some critics said the NFL, with more than \$9 billion in annual revenue, was getting away lightly. But the players' lawyers said they would face huge challenges just to get the case to trial. They would have to prove the injuries were linked to the players' NFL service and should not be handled through league arbitration. They could end up with nothing.

Sol Weiss, a lead lawyer for the ex-players, remained confident the class action settlement will ultimately be approved. He said he was confident "that there will be enough money to cover these claims for 65 years."

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said league officials were "confident that the settlement is fair and adequate and look forward to demonstrating that to the court."

More than 4,500 former players have filed suit, some accusing the league of fraud for its handling of concussions. They include former Dallas Cowboys running back Tony Dorsett and Super Bowl-winning Chicago Bears quarterback Jim McMahon, who suffers from dementia.

The judge's hand-picked mediator, former federal judge Layn R. Phillips, led

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## Debate continues on Australian Open policy

By John Pye  
Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia — There were clearly varying degrees of opinion on what constitutes extreme heat after a scorching second day at the Australian Open.

Roger Federer thinks it's a "very mental thing" — he's learned to deal with the heat across a record 57 consecutive Grand Slam tournaments, winning an unprecedented 17 men's majors.

The Swiss star was as cool as usual in his straight-set opening win over Australian wild-card entry James Duckworth on Tuesday afternoon, his first under the supervision of new coach Stefan Edberg.

But he had more shade on center court than there was out on Court 6, where the first two matches ended in injury retire-

ments and Canadian qualifier Frank Dancevic collapsed during the third.

Dancevic got up and finished, losing 7-6 (12), 6-3, 6-4 to No. 27 Benoit Paire, and later said the conditions were "inhumane" and "definitely hazardous."

Andy Murray agreed after his 6-1, 6-1, 6-3 win over Go Soeda of Japan, advising officials not to be too cavalier with the rules.

"It looks terrible for the whole sport when people are collapsing, ball kids are collapsing, people in the stands are collapsing," the Wimbledon champion said.

At the end of the day, half of the 128 players in each of the men's and women's draws were ousted.

Top-ranked Rafael Nadal and No. 5 Juan Martin del Potro joined Federer and Murray

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Associated Press

Novak Djokovic waves to the crowd after winning his second round match against Leonardo Mayer of Argentina at the Australian Open tennis championship in Melbourne, Australia, today.

DAILY RUNDOWN

WHAT'S ON TV

GOLF: European PGA Tour, Abu Dhabi Championship, first round, 3 a.m., TGC. MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL: Notre Dame at Maryland, 6 p.m., ESPN2. NBA: Utah at San Antonio, 7 p.m., ESPN. Denver at Golden State.

NJCAA POLLS

Table with NJCAA Division I Men's Basketball Poll results. Columns: Rank, College, Record, Pts. Pvs. Includes teams like Chippewa College, South Plains College, etc.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL: COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE - Suspended Milwaukee LHP Will West 100 games after testing positive for an amphetamine... NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE: COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS - Assigned D Dalton Prout to Springfield (AHL)...

Lady Dawgs blast Odessa High, 66-17

Lady Dawgs.....66 Lady Bronchos.....17

By Jonathan Hull jhull@mrt.com

The Midland High girls basketball team got a much-needed win Tuesday night, regardless of how easy it might have come. The Lady Bulldogs found little resistance in its District 2-5A win against Odessa High, blasting the Lady Bronchos 66-17 at Chaparral Center.

2-5A Girls Basketball Standings

Table with 2-5A Girls Basketball Standings. Columns: Team, Overall, District. Includes teams like Lubbock Coronado, Lee, Amarillo Tascosa, etc.

Friday's Games

Lubbock Coronado at Lee, Midland High at Odessa Permian, Abilene Cooper at Amarillo Tascosa, San Angelo Central at Abilene High.

Tuesday's Scores

Odessa Permian 40, Lee 17, Lubbock Coronado 73, Abilene Cooper 24, Abilene High 64, Amarillo Tascosa 60, 67.

The opening quarter. The Lady Bronchos trailed 18-2 at the end of the first period and it only got worse in the second.

MHS managed to put up 23 points in the second quarter, giving them a 41-3 lead at halftime. Midland High was led by Desare Allen's 15 points, while four other players scored eight, including junior post Val Hall who led the Lady Dawgs with 15 rebounds.

seed in the district, holding a 1 1/2 game lead on fifth-place Odessa Permian. MHS visits Permian at 6 p.m. Friday. "This gives us confidence," Torres said. "We were able to get our younger kids a lot of minutes. That's big for us moving forward."

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MIDLAND HIGH 66, ODESSA HIGH 17. Odessa High (1-19, 0-11 in 2-5A) - Kali Cobos 8, K'Najia Walton 3, Tori Ureste 3, Alex Carpio 2, Jocelyn Nieto 1. Midland High (10-13, 6-4) - Desare Allen 15, Arloe Guardado 6, Aubrie Elliott 6, Claire Lancaster 6, Val Hall 6, Aubree Rowley 6, Miranda Mast 4, Alexis Washington 3, Marri Martin 2, Keaton Fricker 2, Claudia Fricker 2.

MHS From IC

hard teams to guard. They would draw us just enough to make their guys open and they would convert." Midland High led 64-54 with 2:11 left in the game when Odessa High made its last charge. A 3-pointer by Phillip Estrella, who along with Angel Iniquez led OHS with 15 points, pulled the Bronchos within 65-59 with 1:12 left.

2-5A Boys Basketball Standings

Table with 2-5A Boys Basketball Standings. Columns: Team, Overall, District. Includes teams like Amarillo Tascosa, Lubbock Coronado, Odessa Permian, etc.

Tuesday's Scores

Odessa Permian 46, Lee 38, Midland High 68, Odessa High 65, Lubbock Coronado 54, Abilene Cooper 41, Amarillo Tascosa 64, Abilene High 52.

Friday's Games

Lubbock Coronado at Lee, Midland High at Odessa Permian, Abilene Cooper at Amarillo Tascosa, San Angelo Central at Abilene High.

the deficit to 67-63 with 15 seconds left.

Rivers managed to make 1 of 2 free throws with 11 seconds remaining, and OHS only managed to get one shot off - a floater by Kriss Fox - before time expired. And with the win, the Bulldogs find themselves in the thick of the playoff hunt in District 2-5A, sitting just a game back of fourth-place Lee (10-7, 5-5) which lost to Odessa Permian (9-5, 6-3) on Tuesday.

especially offensively. ... You have a bad shooting night against OHS, you can lose. Luckily we had a decent one."

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MIDLAND HIGH 68, ODESSA HIGH 65. Odessa High (6-14, 2-7 in 2-5A) - Angel Iniquez 15, Sam Mills 15, Isaiah Mata 12, Quincy Hubert 8, Kris Fox 7, Luis Canton 4, Marcus Aguilar 3, Damon Bars 1. Midland High (8-10, 4-4) - Gary Ringo 17, Will Norwood 13, Shawn Rivers 12, Nate Rogers 10, Justin LaClear 9, Marcella Justice 5, Juan Melendez 2.

Lions hire ex-Colts coach Jim Caldwell

Associated Press DETROIT - Jim Caldwell got a ringing endorsement from one of his mentors when Detroit Lions general manager Martin Mayhew was doing his homework. The Lions hired Caldwell on Tuesday to replace fired coach Jim Schwartz, ending a search

that included a phone conversation between Mayhew and Tony Dungy. "Martin called me and said we're looking for a leader who can help turn our locker room into a winning one and to help us get the most out of our investment in Matthew Stafford," Dungy recalled in a telephone interview with The Associated Press. "I told

Martin that Jim Caldwell is exactly what you're looking for. He'll lead by making people accountable and by being a role model on and off the field. And with his attention to detail and history of developing quarterbacks, Stafford is going to flourish just like Peyton Manning did with us in Indianapolis. Detroit wanted to replace

Schwartz with someone with experience as a head coach, ideally with a track record of tutoring quarterbacks. Caldwell helped the Indianapolis Colts reach the Super Bowl after his debut season in 2009, but was fired two years later after a 2-14 season while Manning was injured, dropping his three-year mark to 26-22.

TUESDAY IN THE NBA

Utah at San Antonio, 7 p.m. L.A. Lakers at Phoenix, 8 p.m. Cleveland at Portland, 9 p.m. Denver at Golden State, 9:30 p.m. Dallas at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

GRIZZLIES 90, THUNDER 87 OKLAHOMA CITY (87): Durant 15-28 7-9 37. Ibaka 5-13 0-0-11, Perkins 1-2 0-0-2, Jackson 6-14 2-2 17, Seloloshia 0-4 0-0-0, Fisher 1-5 0-0-3, Adams 2-5 1-1-5, Lamb 3-9 3-4-9, Collins 0-1 3-4 3, Totals 33-81 16-20 87.

22-27 90 Oklahoma City 16 31 20 20 - 87 Memphis 24 19 29 18 - 80 3-Point Goals—Oklahoma City 5-21 (Jackson) 3-5, Ibaka 1-2, Fisher 1-4, Seloloshia 0-2, Lamb 0-4, Durant 0-4, Memphis 4-14 (Lee 2-3, Conley 2-7, Prince 0-1, Miller 0-1, Johnson 0-2), Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Oklahoma City 54 (Adams, Ibaka 9), Memphis 51 (Randolph) 13.

GLANTZ-CULVER LINE

Table with NFL Today Offsets. Columns: Favorite, Open, Today, Sunday, O/U, Underdog. Includes teams like Denver, Seattle, New England, San Francisco.

SKI REPORT

New Mexico: Angel Fire - Tue 7:04 am packed powder machine groomed 20 - 20 base 55 of 78 trails. 71% open, 460 acres. 6 of 7 lifts, sm Mon-Thru 9a-4p, Fri 9a-4p, Sat 9a-4p.

Table with Eastern Conference, Western Conference, and Pacific Division standings. Columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB.

2013 MHS BULLDOGS EARN THE RIGHT Celebrating The 2013 MHS Football Season Honoring the Varsity, Gold, Purple & Freshman Football Teams, Trainers, Cheerleaders and the Starz Dance Team. Thursday, January 30, 2013 - 7:00 PM at the Midland Center. Dressy Attire \$15.00 per person (Food line opens at 6:30pm) Catered by O'Mulligans. Tickets on sale at the MHS Fieldhouse Jan 21st - 23rd from 8:00 am - 9:00 am and 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

MIDLAND HUMANE COALITION. The Midland Humane Coalition would like to send a Big Thank You to all of you who have supported us in 2013! This is Bert a very sweet handsome little guy! Bert gets along with other small dogs and loves attention! He would make a great family dog with older children, or would love to be with one person or couple as well! "Change The Path Of A Pet's Life" 4206 W. Loop 250 - Midland, TX 79707 432-520-3134 ext. 7. Please contact the Midland Humane Coalition (located inside Petsmart) For more information 432.520.3134. Please visit us at www.midlandhumane.org. A Big Thank You To Brown's Permian Electric and 'Like' us on Facebook. Sponsored by: Brown's Permian Electric.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Girls

NO. 4 ABILENE WYLIE 64 GREENWOOD 29
ABILENE — No. 4-ranked Abilene Wylie rolled to a victory over Greenwood to stay unbeaten in District 4-3A play.

ABILENE WYLIE 64, GREENWOOD 29
Greenwood (7-15, 3-1 in 4-3A) — Kall Zimmerman 2, Amanda Bell 5, Oriana Ortiz 9, Morgan McKee 8, Cylie Mebane 4, Callie Gilbert 1.

NO. 2 MCA 43 NO. 8 LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN 29
No. 2-ranked Midland Classical Academy opened TAPPS District 1-3A play with a convincing home victory over No. 8 Lubbock Christian.

MCA 43, LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN 29
Lubbock Christian (0-1 in TAPPS 1-3A) — Halle Farns 2, Hannah Farns 2, Brooke Robertson 13, Cassidy Cunningham 7, Tatum Lowe 5.

BROWNFIELD 61 STANTON 43
STANTON — Brownfield defeated Stanton in District 4-2A action on Tuesday. Stanton (11-10, 1-3 in district) was led by Pailyn Grable with 14 points and Hannah Franklin with 12.

BROWNFIELD 61, STANTON 43
Brownfield (2-2 in District 4-2A) — Williams 17, Cruz 18, Hope 8, Smith 6, Salas 2, Lee 2.

NO. 17 BIG SPRING 47 MONAHANS 32
MONAHANS — Big Spring used a strong second quarter to pull away for a District 4-3A victory over Monahans.

BIG SPRING 47, MONAHANS 32
Big Spring (15-6, 2-2) — Dyrshae Vanderbilt 11, Diamonique Mayes 13, Alexis Cansino 6, Shawntae Diaz 6, Jackie Castillo 5, Autumn Minter 2.

NO. 16 GRADY 46 SANDS 33
ACKERLY — Grady used a 15-9 run in the third quarter to pull away from Sands in a District 6-A Division II victory.

GRADY 46, SANDS 33
Grady (13-6, 8-0) — Carl Richards 2, Jenni Fields 13, Lupita Jimenez 11, Brittany Garza 6, Laura Ramirez 2, Faith Hunt 12.

NO. 5 ABILENE WYLIE 80 GREENWOOD 49
ABILENE — No. 5 Abilene Wylie started hot with a 29-point first quarter and beat Greenwood (4-15 1-1) going away in a District 4-3A game.

ABILENE WYLIE 80, GREENWOOD 49
Greenwood (4-15 1-1) — Jeremy Strickland 7, Austin Ucak 2, Grant Franklin 30, Ruben Rocha 2, John Tuula 6, Brandon Elliott 2.

LUBBOCK ALL SAINTS 43 LUBBOCK — Trinity got a close non-district victory over Lubbock All Saints on Monday as Ethan Samuels had a game-high 19 points.

LUBBOCK ALL SAINTS 43
Trinity (5-9) — Ethan Samuels 18, Jonah Starck 12, Philip Beal 4, Peter Rodenko 2, Vincent Baiano 4, Boomer Salera 3, Jacoyne Stubbsfield 1.

NO. 1 LUBB CHRISTIAN 73 MIDLAND CLASSICAL 33
Lubbock Christian lived up to its top ranking in the TABC small private school poll on Tuesday, routing Midland Classical in the TAPPS 1-3A opener for both teams.

NO. 1 LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN 73, MIDLAND CLASSICAL 33
Lubbock Christian (14-6, 0-1 in TAPPS 1-3A) — Jarden Armstrong 2, Garrett Sparks 2, Blake Gladson 3, Marshall McCray 2, Daniel Snell 7, John Stallings 17.

NO. 21 BROWNFIELD 69 STANTON 33
STANTON — Brownfield rolled to a victory over Stanton in District 4-2A action.

BROWNFIELD 69, STANTON 33
Brownfield (12-6, 1-1) — Temps 11, Salas 3, Nolan 4, Cervantes 2, Hill 31, Rainwater 14, Griffin 6, McClary 8.

NO. 17 GRADY 62 SANDS 55
ACKERLY — Beau Lucas scored a game-high 23 points to lead Grady in a come-from-behind victory over Sands to District 6-A Division II play.

GRADY 62, SANDS 55
Grady (13-4, 6-0) — Kyle Garza 4, Joseph Brenso 5, E.J. Rodriguez 7, Taylor Poison 11, Alejandro Jimenez 6, Beau Lucas 23, Cole Avery 9.

DENVER CITY 65 LAMESA 44
DENVER CITY — Denver City used a strong second half performance to pull away from Lamesa for a District 4-2A victory.

DENVER CITY 65, LAMESA 44
Lamesa (9-7, 1-1) — Dra Smiley 2, KU Hunter 8, Kendrick Hunter 5, Jaleel Edwards 12, Ty Maxwell 4, Keshawn Hunter 6, Darius Jackson 2, Jahiani Edwards 5.

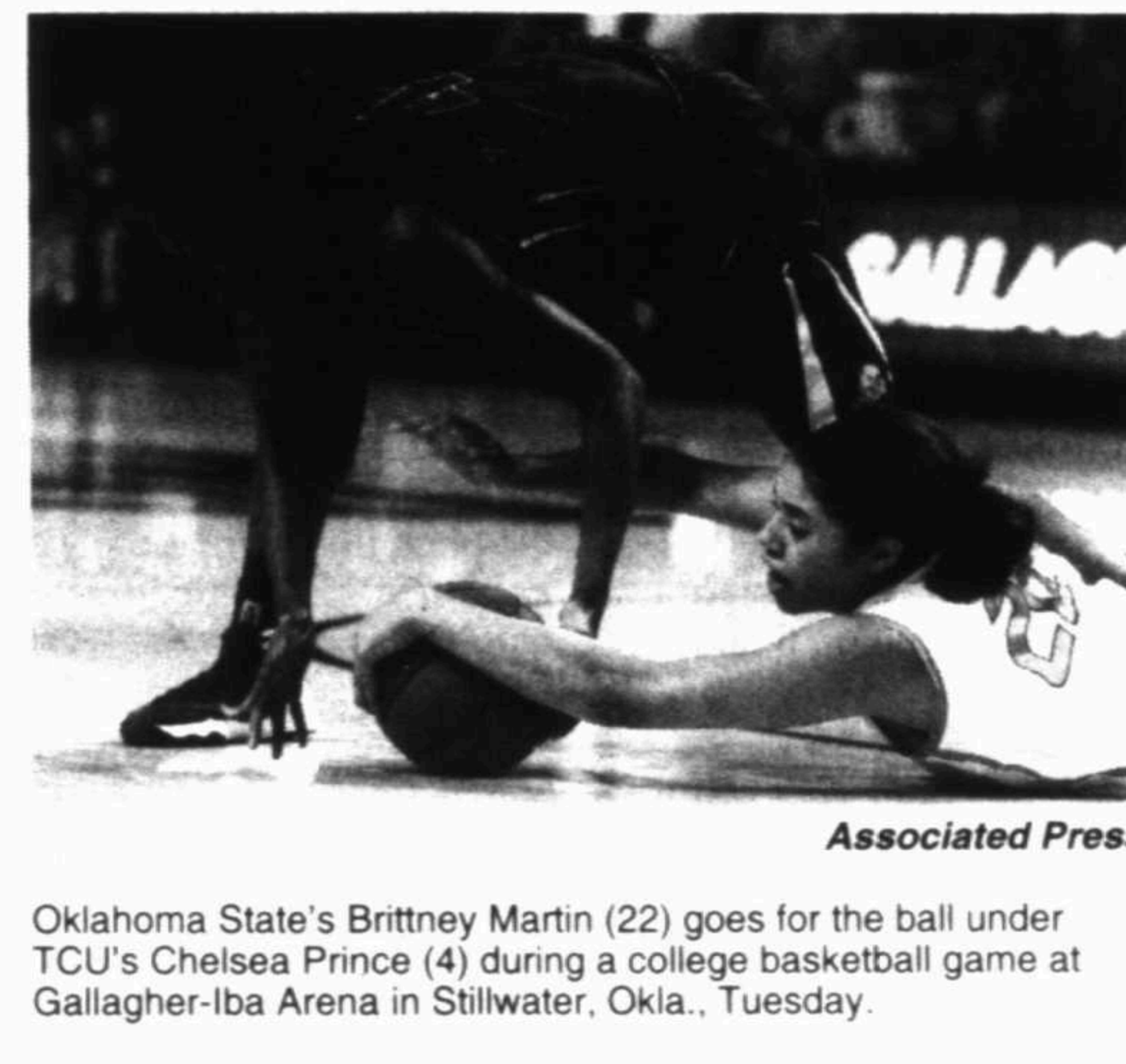
NO. 18 GARDEN CITY 67 STERLING CITY 33
STERLING CITY — Garden City improved its district record to 5-1 with a 67-33 win on the road while Sterling City dropped to 0-6 in District 14A Division II.

GARDEN CITY 67, STERLING CITY 33
Garden City (11-6, 5-1) — Sam Miller 22, Corbin Davis 18, Breton Jones 9, Austin Odum 7, Juan Bustos 6, Kaden Halfmann 3, Dillon Koening 1, July Jost 1.

No. 11 Oklahoma State defeats TCU

Associated Press
STILLWATER, Okla. — Tiffany Bias scored 23 points and Oklahoma State spurred away to a 12-0 lead and then held off a pair of second-half surges to defeat TCU 65-53 Tuesday night.

Cowgirls ..... 65
Lady Frogs ..... 53
but made eight 3-pointers. Zahna Medley scored 17 for TCU (11-6, 2-3). The Lady Frogs opened the second half with a 10-0 run, making stops on Oklahoma State's first nine possessions, and twice came within five points.



Oklahoma State's Brittney Martin (22) goes for the ball under TCU's Chelsea Prince (4) during a college basketball game at Gallagher-Iba Arena in Stillwater, Okla., Tuesday.

Rebels struggle offensively in loss to Permian

From staff reports
ODESSA — Robert Thomas scored a game-high 21 points to lead Odessa Permian to a 46-38 District 2-5A victory over Lee at the Permian Fieldhouse on Tuesday.

Lee (9-7, 5-5 in district) had a 8-7 lead after the first quarter but the Panthers took a 21-17 lead at the half thanks to a strong second quarter. The Rebels cut the deficit to 25-23 at the end of the third, but Permian (9-5, 6-3) had one last response with a strong fourth quarter.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men
TOP 25 MEN FARED TUESDAY
1. Arizona (17-0) did not play. Next vs. Arizona State, Thursday.

Wichita St. 72, Bradley 50
SOUTH
Berea 79, Alice Loyd 67
Florida 72, Georgia 50

Women
TOP 25 WOMEN FARED TUESDAY
1. UConn (18-0) did not play. Next: at Rutgers, Sunday.

Wichita St. 72, Bradley 50
SOUTH
Berea 79, Alice Loyd 67
Florida 72, Georgia 50

Lady Rebels in sole possession of 2nd after win

From staff reports
ODESSA — Daija Stanford scored a game-high 24 points to lead the Lee girls basketball team to a convincing 65-40 victory over Odessa Permian at the Permian Fieldhouse on Tuesday.

Lee (10-6, 9-2 in District 2-5A) jumped out to a 22-15 lead in the first quarter and extended that lead to 47-24 at the half. Allison Valdez added 14 points and Bri'An Washington chipped in with 12 for the Lady Rebels.

CONCUSSION

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several months of negotiations last year and has called the deal fair to both sides. The settlement would include \$675 million for compensatory claims for players with neurological symptoms, \$75 million for baseline testing for

asymptomatic men and \$10 million for medical research and education. The NFL also would pay an additional \$112 million to the players' lawyers for their fees and expenses, for a total payout of nearly \$900 million.

dipping. Feldman said he was unsure why the NFL would insist on that. Given the judge's ruling, the two sides could offer more evidence the fund would be stable, change the payout formula or perhaps have the NFL add more money to the pot.

"I think it's a pretty efficient way of doing things, rather than bring it up for the first time at the fairness hearing," Matt Mitten, who directs the National Sports Law Institute at the Marquette University Law School, said of the judge's opinion.

NFL PLAYOFF GLANCE

Wild-card Playoffs
Jan. 4
Indianapolis 45, Kansas City 44
New Orleans 28, Philadelphia 24

Divisional Playoffs
Jan. 11
Seattle 23, New Orleans 15
New England 43, Indianapolis 22

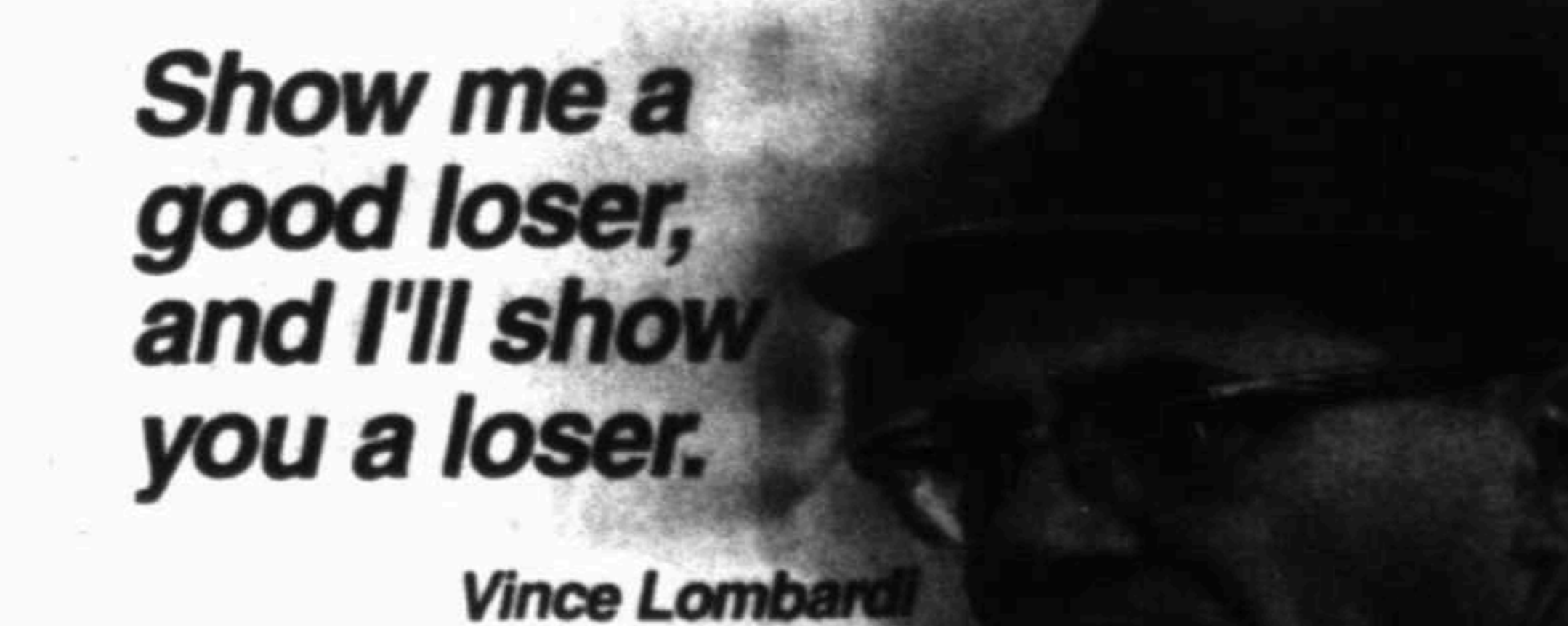
Conference Championships
Sunday
New England at Denver, 3 p.m. (CBS)
San Francisco at Seattle, 5:30 p.m. (FOX)

TBD, 6:30 p.m. (NBC)
Super Bowl
Feb. 2
At East Rutherford, N.J.
AFC champion vs. NFC champion, 5:30 p.m. (FOX)

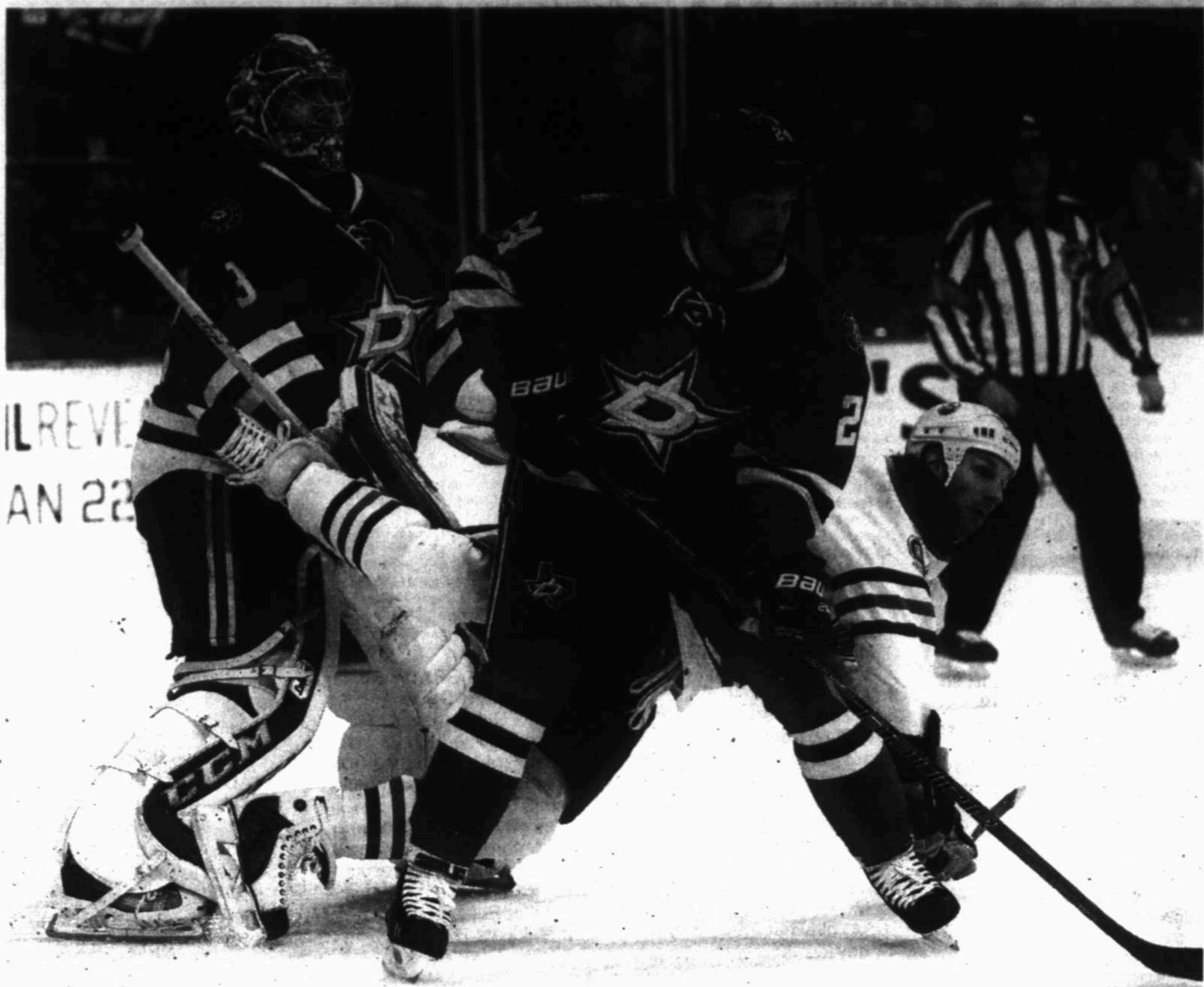
SOCCER ROUNDUP

WOLFFORTH FRENSHIP 2 MIDLAND HIGH 0
Wolfforth Frenship took advantage of the few opportunities it had and defeated the Midland High boys soccer team in a non-district match, 2-0, on Tuesday at Grande Communications Stadium.

"You can't shoot that many times and not score," MHS coach Warren Cottle said. "We dominated the first half but then we came out a little cocky. That letdown to begin the second half was unacceptable. You have to give Frenship credit because they played to their strength, and that's to counter attack."



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Associated Press

Dallas Stars' Kari Lehtonen (32) and Jordie Benn (24) combine to take down Edmonton Oilers' Ryan Smyth (94) in the second period Tuesday in Dallas.

## Stars snap 6-game skid with win over Oilers

Associated Press

DALLAS — Ryan Garbutt had a goal and two assists, and the Dallas Stars snapped a six-game losing streak with a 5-2 victory over the Edmonton Oilers on Tuesday night.

Jamie Benn scored a rare power-play goal for the Stars, who had not won since New Year's Eve. They entered 29th in the NHL with the man advantage.

Benn also assisted on the first goal of the game by Erik Cole, just 14 seconds in. Cody Eakin and Trevor

Stars.....5  
Oilers.....2

Daley each had a goal and an assist for Dallas, which built a 4-1 lead 1:10 into the second period.

The final Stars goal came on Daley's shot into an empty net in the last minute.

Justin Schultz and Sam Gagner scored for Edmonton, with Taylor Hall assisting on both goals.

After the opening faceoff, Daley skated in from the left side, drawing goalie Ilya Bryzgalov's attention. Daley then passed

across to Cole, who swept the puck into the open right side.

Edmonton tied it at 3:20. Hall passed to Schultz in the lower right circle. He skated across the front of the net and flipped the puck over Dallas goalie Kari Lehtonen.

Garbutt's third goal in two home games against Edmonton gave the Stars a 2-1 lead at 8:35 of the first.

Benn's power-play goal followed less than 2 minutes later.

Tyler Seguin passed from the top of the right circle to Benn on the left.

His drive beat Bryzgalov.

It was only the seventh goal at home with a man advantage in 81 opportunities for Dallas this season. Overall, the Stars entered with a 12.4 percent success rate (20 for 161).

Dallas' fourth goal came at 1:10 of the second by Eakin. Antoine Roussel sent a centering pass to Eakin from the right corner.

The Oilers controlled play for most of the second period but came away only with Gagner's goal. He got the puck in the crease after Lehtonen got tangled up with Daley.

## NHL STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE					WESTERN CONFERENCE																		
GP	W	LT	Pts	GF	GA	GP	W	LT	Pts	GF	GA												
<b>Atlantic Division</b>					<b>Central Division</b>					<b>Pacific Division</b>													
Boston	46	29	15	2	60	132	102	Philadelphia	47	24	19	4	52	125	132	Winnipeg	48	20	23	5	45	133	146
Tampa Bay	47	28	15	4	60	136	113	N.Y. Rangers	48	24	21	3	51	119	126	Toronto	48	20	23	5	45	133	146
Montreal	47	26	16	5	57	118	111	New Jersey	48	20	18	10	50	112	118	Tampa Bay 2	48	20	23	5	45	133	146
Toronto	48	23	20	5	51	132	146	Columbus	46	22	20	4	48	129	131	Philadelphia 4	48	20	23	5	45	133	146
Detroit	46	20	16	10	50	118	127	Carolina	46	19	18	9	47	111	130	New Jersey 4	48	20	23	5	45	133	146
Ottawa	47	21	18	8	50	134	146	N.Y. Islanders	48	18	23	7	43	132	156	Florida 4	46	18	21	7	43	109	141
Florida	46	18	21	7	43	109	141	St. Louis	45	32	8	5	69	163	100	Buffalo	45	13	27	5	31	80	125
Buffalo	45	13	27	5	31	80	125	Colorado	46	29	12	5	63	135	117	St. Louis 2	46	20	16	10	50	118	127
<b>Metropolitan Division</b>					<b>Northwest Division</b>					<b>Today's Games</b>													
Pittsburgh	47	33	12	2	68	152	112	Chicago	49	30	8	11	71	177	125	Edmonton	49	15	29	5	35	128	174
Washington	46	22	16	8	52	137	137	St. Louis	49	25	19	5	55	118	122	Dallas 5	48	20	23	5	45	133	146
												<b>NOTE:</b> Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.		<b>Tuesday's Scores</b>		San Jose 2, Washington 1, SO							

## Mayweather Jr. to visit South Africa for a week

Associated Press

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Forget world's best fighter, Floyd Mayweather Jr. was rated by the South African government as the world's greatest athlete and backed him to turn around boxing in the country.

The sports ministry announced Mayweather will arrive on Wednesday for a near-weeklong visit — his first to Africa and a triumph for the country which finally got its man after trying to lure the 36-year-old superstar as guest of honor at the national sports awards last year.

The Ministry of Sport and Recreation also said on Tuesday that the boxer nicknamed "Money" had not been paid any fee to

come.

It hopes he can do more than just throw a few jabs and sign a few autographs for boxing in South Africa, which was still popular but in steady decline. Mayweather's four-city visit would help "resuscitate" the sport, ministry spokesman Paena Galane told The Associated Press.

"Remember, he's the greatest athlete in the world," Galane said.

Mayweather's schedule will include an exhibition at a gym in the Johannesburg township of Soweto and possibly a visit to late South African President Nelson Mandela's apartheid-era jail on Robben Island when he's in Cape Town. Mayweather will also visit Bloemfontein and East London on the south east coast, the city

regarded as the hotbed of South African boxing.

"We wanted someone who's knowledgeable as a fighter and as a promoter," Galane said of South Africa's pursuit of Mayweather to be the catalyst for its boxing revival.

Mayweather does both better than most.

In his last fight in September, Mayweather dominated Canelo Alvarez to improve to 45-0 with 26 knockouts and enhance his reputation as the best boxer of his era. He earned \$41.5 million for the fight, which was the richest ever and generated around \$150 million in TV revenue alone.

The five-division world champion hasn't announced an opponent for his next fight, expected to be in May, although Brit-

ain's Amir Khan has said he has signed an initial contract that may give him a shot at the undefeated American.

Galane dismissed suggestions that reporters wouldn't be allowed to ask Mayweather questions on his future fight plans when he appears alongside South Africa's sports minister and the head of its Olympic committee at a promotional event in Johannesburg on Wednesday.

While the flamboyant Mayweather is expected to be accompanied by his usual large traveling entourage, the sports ministry said he would arrive on a commercial flight from the United States and not on a private jet.

## Policy

From IC

as players advancing in a loaded top side of the men's draw.

Two-time defending champion Victoria Azarenka also advanced, describing playing on the Rod Laver Arena surface as "like you're dancing in a frying pan." Former No. 1-ranked Caroline Wozniacki chimed in with claims that her plastic water bottle was melting on Margaret Court Arena.

By the time four-time major winner Maria Sharapova beat Bethanie Mattek-Sands 6-3, 6-4 just before midnight, the temperature had dipped from a blazing 42 degrees Celsius (108 degrees F) to a relatively cool 30 C (86 F).

The hot wind that blew all day across Melbourne Park offered no reprieve at the peak of the heat. Nor did Australian Open organizers, opting against suspending matches because they said the humidity level was relatively low.

Tim Wood, the chief medical officer at the Australian Open, conceded players experienced "heat-related illness or discomfort," but added: "None required significant medical intervention after they had completed their match."

Tournament director Craig Tiley endorsed those sentiments. A ball girl was treated for heat stress during a morning match, and the tournament shortened rotations for the ball kids to 45-minute shifts and added extra precautions.

Tuesday  
At Melbourne Park  
Melbourne, Australia  
Purse: \$29.72 million (Grand Slam)  
Surface: Hard-Outdoor

Men

First Round

Yen-Hsun Lu, Taiwan, def. Jimmy Wang, Taiwan, 6-3, 6-2, 6-1.  
Michal Przysiezny, Poland, def. Horacio Zebaloso, Argentina, 6-3, 7-6 (4), 7-5.  
Stephane Robert, France, def. Ajaz Bedene, Slovenia, 7-6 (3), 6-3, 6-0.  
Victor Hanesku, Romania, def. Peter Gopjovc, zyk, Germany, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (5), 6-3.  
Miles Raonic, Canada, def. Daniel Gimeno-Traver, Spain, 7-6 (2), 6-1, 4-6, 6-2.  
Martin Klizan, Slovakia, def. John Isner, U.S., 6-2, 7-6 (8), 0-0 (30-0), retired.  
Gyngor Dimitrov, Bulgaria, def. Bradley Klahn, United States, 6-7 (7), 6-4, 6-4, 6-3.  
Dusan Lajovic, Serbia, def. Lucas Pouille, France, 6-4, 7-6 (9), 4-6, 6-3.  
Jo-Wilfried Tsonga, France, def. Filippo Volandri, Italy, 7-5, 6-3, 6-3.  
Kei Nishikori, Japan, def. Mannoto Matsue, Australia, 6-3, 5-7, 6-2, 4-6, 6-2.  
Roger Federer, Switzerland, def. James

## WEST

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organization and were met by about 100 school children. That truck, with No. 27 on it, was donated last year to West's volunteer fire department by Lance Berkman when he was playing for Texas.

"You live that worst day of your life, and then you have to look at the positives, and the Rangers have been a huge positive," said Jennifer Schaffer, the city secretary.

That community center is about two miles down Reagan Street from the park site, where traffic cones and broken glass sit on the tennis and basketball courts that will be redone. The mayor said about 50 new houses are under construction near that park.

The town's baseball fields are now behind the community center, where signage on a water tower recognizes Podsednik for being a 2005 All-Star and World Series champion.

Duckworth, Australia, 6-4, 6-4, 6-2.  
Blaz Rola, Slovenia, def. Federico Delbonis, Argentina, 6-4, 6-2, 7-5.  
Teymuraz Gabashvili, Russia, def. Sergiy Stakhovskiy, Ukraine, 6-7 (3), 6-4, 6-2, 6-0.  
Blaz Kavcic, Slovenia, def. Radek Stepanek, Czech Republic, 6-7 (3), 4-6, 6-1, 2-0, retired.  
Thomas Bellucci, Brazil, def. Julian Reister, Germany, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (5).  
Benoit Paire (27), France, def. Frank Dancevic, Canada, 7-6 (12), 6-3, 6-4.  
Michael Berrer, Germany, def. Michael Llodra, France, 6-4, 7-5, 6-1.  
Roberto Bautista Agut, Spain, def. Tim Smyczek, United States, 6-2, 6-1, 6-1.  
Fernando Verdasco (31), Spain, def. Zhang Ze, China, 5-7, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3.  
Andreas Seppi (24), Italy, def. Lleyton Hewitt, Australia, 7-6 (4), 6-3, 5-7, 5-7, 7-5.  
Nick Kyrgios, Australia, def. Benjamin Becker, Germany, 6-3, 6-7 (5), 6-2, 7-6 (2).  
Donald Young, United States, def. Robin Haase, Netherlands, 6-7 (4), 7-6 (2), 6-2, 1-0, retired.  
Feliciano Lopez (26), Spain, def. Somdev Devvarman, India, 6-4, 6-4, 7-6 (2).  
Vincent Millot, France, def. Wayne Odesnik, United States, 7-5, 4-6, 6-7 (4), 6-1, 6-3.  
Andy Murray (4), Britain, def. Go Soeds, Japan, 6-1, 6-1, 6-3.  
Juan Martin del Potro (5), Argentina, def. Rhyne Williams, United States, 6-7 (1), 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.  
Thanasi Kokkinakis, Australia, def. Igor Siingis, Netherlands, 7-6 (4), 6-6, 7-6 (3), 6-2.  
Jack Sock, United States, def. Tobias Kamke, Germany, 7-6 (5), 5-7, 6-2, 6-4.  
Gael Monfils (25), France, def. Ryan Harrison, United States, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.  
Gilles Simon (18), France, def. Daniel Brands, Germany, 6-7 (4), 6-4, 3-6, 6-3, 16-14.  
Marin Cilic, Croatia, def. Marcel Granollers, Spain, 4-6, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-2.  
Rafael Nadal (1), Spain, def. Bernard Tomic, Australia, 6-4, retired.

Women

First Round

Alize Cornet (25), France, def. Polona Hercog, Slovenia, 1-0, retired.  
Simona Halep (11), Romania, def. Katarzyna Piter, Poland, 6-0, 6-1.  
Caroline Wozniacki (10), Denmark, def. Lourdes Dominguez Lino, Spain, 6-0, 6-2.  
Carla Suarez Navarro (16), Spain, def. Vania King, United States, 6-3, 6-2.  
Victoria Azarenka (2), Belarus, def. Johanna Larsson, Sweden, 7-6 (2), 6-2.  
Christina McHale, United States, def. Chan Yung-jan, Taiwan, 7-6, 7-5, 6-4.  
Zarina Diyas, Kazakhstan, def. Kateryna Siniakova, Kazakhstan, 6-0, 5-7, 6-2.  
Stefanie Vogels, Switzerland, def. Kristina Mladenovic, France, 7-5, 7-5.  
Mandy Minella, Luxembourg, def. Carina Witthoft, Germany, 6-1, 6-4.  
Varvara Lepchenko, United States, def. Lesia Tsurenko, Ukraine, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4.  
Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (29), Russia, def. Teliana Pereira, Brazil, 7-6 (7), 6-4.  
Kurumi Nara, Japan, def. Peng Shuai, China, 7-5, 4-6, 6-3.  
Agnieszka Radwanska (5), Poland, def. Yulia Putintseva, Kazakhstan, 6-0, 5-7, 6-2.  
Garbine Muguruza, Spain, def. Kaia Kanepi, (24), Estonia, 6-2, 2-6, 6-2.  
Oga Govortsova, Belarus, def. Duan Yingying, China, 6-0, 7-6 (6).  
Magdalena Rybakovska (32), Slovakia, def. Andrea Petkovic, Germany, 6-2, 6-3.  
Ajum Morita, Japan, def. Nadiya Kichenok, Ukraine, 6-2, 7-6 (5).  
Anna Schmiedova, Slovakia, def. Timea Babos, Hungary, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5.  
Manna Erakovic, New Zealand, def. Sorana Cristea (21), Romania, 6-4, 7-6 (6).  
Sara Stepanova, United States, def. Yaroslava Shvedova, Kazakhstan, 7-6 (1), 6-3.  
Ajla Tomljanovic, Croatia, def. Tadeja Majenc, Slovenia, 3-6, 7-6 (1), 6-4.  
Olivia Rogowska, Australia, def. Mariana Duque-Marino, Colombia, 6-3, 6-3.  
Karin Knapp, Italy, def. Paula Ormaechea, Argentina, 6-4, 6-2.  
Elena Svitolina, Ukraine, def. Svetlana Kuznetsova (19), Russia, 6-3, 6-3.  
Bojana Jovanovski (33), Serbia, def. Jana Cepelova, Slovakia, 6-7 (1), 6-1, 6-3.  
Yvonne Meusburger, Austria, def. Chanelle Scheepers, South Africa, 7-6 (3), 6-4.  
Mara Sharapova (3), Russia, def. Bethanie Mattek-Sands, United States, 6-3, 6-4.

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# A-Rod's PED use 'most potent we've seen' in drug use

Jim Litke  
Associated Press

If Anthony Bosch were still in business today, bet on this much: His phone would be buzzing nonstop with athletes trying to order the A-rod treatment.

The self-taught doping guru whose testimony and records brought down Alex Rodriguez sounded at times like a snake-oil salesman while detailing the down-to-the-minute regimen of performance-enhancing substances he delivered to the disgraced baseball star.

Included were concoctions called "gummies" and "liquid soap," "pink cream," "blue cream" and even "PM cream" — each with varying doses of testosterone delivered in different ways throughout the day.

Silly as those sound, don't laugh. Elite athletes would gargle with antifreeze if they believed that would improve performance without tripping a positive test.

And unlike the deer-antler spray and the other crackpot cures (holographic stickers, negatively charged water, underwear exposed to radio waves) that Ravens linebacker Ray Lewis tried to explain away at last year's Super Bowl, nearly all of what Bosch was providing A-Rod for \$12,000 a month actually worked.

## COMMENTARY

Peel away the pseudo-science and Bosch's bragging and what remained was "probably the most potent and sophisticated drug program developed for an athlete that we've ever seen," U.S. Anti-Doping Agency CEO Travis Tygart said.

"No one who cares about clean sports likes to hear it," Tygart said in an interview with The Associated Press. "And don't just take my word for it. Look at the findings of an independent arbitrator who saw all the evidence, sat through the testimony and laid the whole conspiracy out."

Tygart said Bosch's regimen included dozens of blood tests to see how the drugs were metabolizing and which doses to use when. It included peptides and female fertility drugs to supplement testosterone, human growth hormone and an insulin-like growth factor.

"At the end of the day," Tygart added, "this was a potent cocktail of sophisticated PEDs stacked together to deliver power, aid recovery, avoid detection and create a home run champion."

Added Dr. Gary Wadler, past chairman of the World Anti-Doping Agency's banned substance committee, "It was illegal from start to finish and not all of it was scientific, but let's be honest — this

guy Bosch knew an awful lot of what he was talking about."

Tygart takes some consolation in knowing that improvements to MLB's drug-testing program make it unlikely a player could avoid detection employing the same regimen today. What troubles him, though, is that much of the discussion in the wake of Bosch's "60 Minutes" interview has focused on the those substances with catchy nicknames like "gummies" and "pink food," but actually did little to improve performance.

Instead, Tygart said the real threat was the sophisticated and comprehensive knowledge about a PED regimen that Bosch — who was not a licensed physician — was able to acquire and deploy.

Bosch faces potential charges stemming from the Biogenesis investigation.

Tygart referred specifically to an exchange in which Rodriguez told Bosch he had an important game coming up and asked whether he should take "gummies" — a lozenge dosed with testosterone — at 10:45 a.m. in case he wound up being required to take a drug test postgame. Bosch replied "10:30."

"Look, no one can say with that much certainty how long the window (to avoid detection) would be open," Tygart said. "And most people know that tiny dose, even fast-acting testosterone, won't

provide much of a boost. But look at it as part of an overall (PED) program, while in-season testing is taking place. It's more like maintenance; it's going to be hard to find, plus it makes the other drugs you're using more effective. ...

"Another point that may have gotten missed," Tygart added, "is that insiders like Bosch want to give the perception they know. It's part of the pitch, how you market to pro athletes. So saying 10:45 instead of 10:30 makes the athlete think, 'Hey, this guy really knows his stuff.'"

In Bosch's case, that was largely true. So much so that anti-doping experts like Tygart and Wadler have broadened the scope of their investigations to include many of the same tactics law enforcement agencies use to pursue suppliers of a wide range of illegal drugs.

"How many guys will take (Bosch's) protocols and adopt them?" Wadler asked. "Plenty. Enhancing performance is tied up with a lot of things, legal and illegal, but the bottom line is always money. ... When we look at this case, it's troubling in a very real sense because most of the science passes muster."

"What I'd stress is not the part about it being good science, but that it's illicit science," he said finally. "And quite possibly, dangerous at some level, too."



Associated Press

Washington Capitals right wing Alex Ovechkin (8) skates to the bench with a broken stick during the first period of an NHL hockey game against the Carolina Hurricanes, Jan. 2 in Washington. The Hurricanes won 4-3 in overtime.

## Face of hockey, Ovechkin faces pressure in Sochi

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Va. — There's been an open season on Russia leading up to the Sochi Games, and that clearly strikes a nerve with Alex Ovechkin.

For hockey fans, he will be the face of his nation at next month's Winter Olympics. He has been called, at various times in his career, the greatest player in his sport, and he has three Most Valuable Player trophies from the NHL to help drive home that point.

He was also the most public in his defiance when there was doubt over whether the NHL would allow its players to go to Sochi. Ovechkin said he would play anyway. There was absolutely no way he was going to miss the Olympics in his home country.

So it's inevitable that his views will be sought on anything and everything Sochi-related. Never mind that he's a hockey player first and foremost, a fun-loving, 28-year-old guy who has kept his thoughts to himself when it comes to politics, social issues or the environment.

Nevertheless, when asked in an interview about misconceptions people have about Russia — and whether he'd like to clear some of them up — his tone became serious. The criticisms clearly bother him.

"To be honest with you, I don't like to hear what the people say about Russia," Ovechkin told The Associated Press after a recent practice at the Washington Capitals practice facility. "Because lots of people say good things, lots of people say bad things."

Asked what he's heard that hurts him the most, he let out a deep sigh.

"Again," he said. "I don't want to talk about it."

He said that if he expresses an opinion — and the hot topics right now are gay rights, terrorism and Russian president Vladimir Putin — that "it's going to be forever," something that will get a lot of attention and that he can't take back.

He did take one emphatic stand, however, one familiar to people no mat-

ter the nationality.

"I'm kind of the guy who supports my country," he said. "Whatever happened has happened. And there's nothing I can do, nothing you can do."

Where Ovechkin does have influence is on the rink, where he has made it his mission to get Russia back to the top of the Olympic podium. The Soviets dominated the sport for decades at the Winter Games before the breakup of the union. The last Russian-led gold was won by the "Unified Team" of former Soviet republics at Albertville in 1992, which means Russia also hasn't won gold since NHL players began participating in 1998.

Four years ago, the Russians were embarrassed 7-3 by host Canada in the quarterfinals in Vancouver. It was arguably the low moment of Ovechkin's career. Certainly, he seemed to take it far worse than any of the Capitals' meltdowns in the NHL playoffs.

"I don't like to lose," he said, "and especially if it's a big tournament, it's a Stanley Cup or Olympic Games or world championship, it's one or two days you're going to be down. ... It's bad, but nothing you can do about it."

"You have to forget about it and move forward."

The expectations will be higher this time, and the pressure enormous back home. Ovechkin said he's tried to ignore such thoughts during the daily grind with the Capitals, but he expects the pressure to be a strength for the Russian team once the Olympics begin.

"Olympics are probably the most important thing for Russians than any other athletes in the whole world," he said. "And since I was a little kid and since everybody was a little kid, their dream was playing in Olympic games, especially if we have a chance to represent our country in Sochi in Russia, it's unbelievable and it's going to be a great thing. That's what I mean it's a strength. I don't think somebody (is) going to (think) their mission is done to be just on Olympic team. Our mission is to try to win gold medal."

## A short year and long finish on the Tour

Associated Press

HONOLULU — Brandt Snedeker is a walking billboard for his summer plans.

Proudly displayed on the front of his golf shirt is "Wyndham," which happens to be the title sponsor for the PGA Tour event in Greensboro, N.C., not so conveniently positioned between the PGA Championship and the start of the FedEx Cup playoffs.

On the sleeve of his shirt is "RBC," the title sponsor of the Canadian Open, where Snedeker is the defending champion. Golf's third-oldest national championship also is in a tough spot on the schedule, held the week between the British Open and the Bridgestone Invitational. The latter is a World Golf Championship. And by the way, have you noticed the brand on Snedeker's cap and golf bag? That's right — Bridgestone.

When does he take a week off? Apparently, he doesn't.

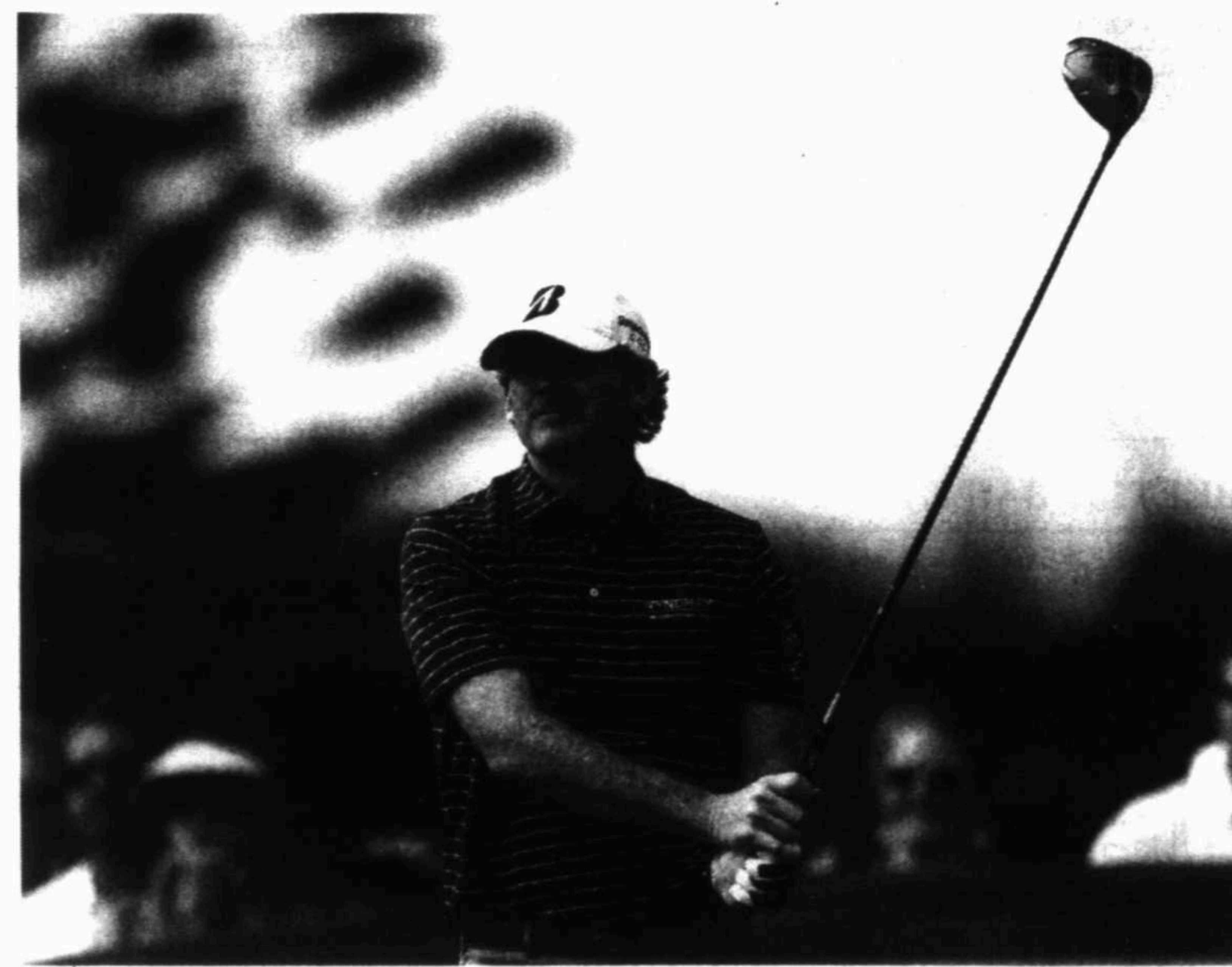
"I'm playing the rest of the year, if that's what you mean," he said when asked about all the logos. "It will be a long stretch. It will be nine in a row at the end of the year."

With the Ryder Cup in Europe this year, the PGA Tour agreed to alter its schedule. The four FedEx Cup playoff events will be played over four straight weeks. That allows for one week off before players travel to Scotland for a week's worth of dinners and three days of golf at the end.

Snedeker has the worst of it, though Zach Johnson is not far behind.

Johnson has no corporate connections with Canada or Greensboro, but his big stretch starts a week before the British Open. The John Deere Classic is like a fifth major to the normal guy from Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Johnson can't and won't miss that one. He'd love to play Greensboro, where he tied for fifth last year. But even if he doesn't play Canada or Greensboro, that's eight big events in 10 weeks.

"I hope I can get in a position where I can take one off," Johnson said. "It worked for me last year. I had no choice, but it was fine."



Associated Press

Brandt Snedeker follows his drive off the third tee during the first round of the Tournament of Champions golf tournament, Jan. 3 in Kapalua, Hawaii.

Johnson's brother got married the week of The Barclays, so he got a late start on the playoffs. No matter. Johnson won the BMW Championship and was among the five players who had a direct shot at the \$10 million bonus.

But he made it clear that he would skip one playoff event if he could.

Some guys might not be in a position to take time off. Qualifying for the nine automatic Ryder Cup spots ends at the PGA Championship, and the three captain's picks are a few after that, which is known as "audition time." Others could find themselves in a spot of trying to get to East Lake for the FedEx Cup finale.

"I think guys will skip for sure," Snedeker said. "Everyone is going to take a hard look at the schedule. It will be interesting to see what guys do. I'm taking a little more time off in the middle of the year. We did it last year and it worked well. Just take a couple of three-week breaks."

That's why no one should be alarmed to see Matt Kuchar taking a month off early in the year, or Adam Scott headed for a six-week hiatus from tournament golf. Tiger Woods has been playing one of the shortest schedules of any top star. He's good enough he can do that.

Graeme McDowell has

never been in contention at the Bridgestone Invitational. He has finished out of the top 20 all but one time. He's giving serious thought to taking that week off — depending on his Ryder Cup status — to be fresh for the PGA's Tour grueling finishing kick.

"They key for me next year is to have something in the tank," he said. "That's my goal, to be ready for that stretch."

The Ryder Cup is the reason for cramming so many big tournaments into such a small space. The last time the Ryder Cup was in Europe, the PGA Tour held three straight playoff events, took a week off, and then played the Tour Championship and Ryder Cup in successive weeks. The schedule didn't hurt the Americans as much as McDowell did that week in Wales.

The PGA of America is worried that the Americans are out of gas when they get to the Ryder Cup? It should be thankful for the FedEx Cup. It's no coincidence that the matches started getting close again after the FedEx Cup began in 2007. Four big events after the majors have kept these guys sharp more than it has worn them out.

Now, it appears that something will have to give.

If players aren't skipping

a playoff event of a World Golf Championship, they'll cut back at some other point in the schedule.

"There's no point in getting to July and feeling you don't want to play golf, because the biggest golf is yet to be played in the two months after that," Scott said. "You've got to be champing at the bit after the PGA. Those are four big weeks, and they're really important. That's why I don't come jumping out of the gate."

The last time Scott played four weeks in a row?

"November," he said with a grin. He won the Australian PGA, the Australian Masters and the World Cup team title, and was runner-up at the Australian Open.

No one will be playing more than Snedeker, and he doesn't sound too worried about it. Nor should he, if recent history means anything.

Remember, it was only two years ago when Snedeker played eight straight weeks from the British Open through the BMW Championship. The tour had an off week, and then he won the Tour Championship (and FedEx Cup) and the Ryder Cup.

"It's not the end of the world," Snedeker said.

## GOLF GLANCE

**PGA TOUR HUMANIA CHALLENGE**  
Site: La Quinta, Calif.  
Schedule: Thursday-Sunday  
Courses: PGA West, Arnold Palmer Private Course (6,950 yards, par 72); PGA West, Jack Nicklaus Private Course (6,951 yards, par 72); La Quinta Country Club (7,060 yards, par 72).  
Purse: \$5.7 million. Winner's share: \$1,026,000.  
Television: Golf Channel (Thursday, 4-6 p.m.; 6:30-10:30 p.m.; Friday, 11 p.m.-3 a.m.; 2-6 p.m.; 9:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 2-6 p.m.; 9:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m.).  
Last year: Brian Gay won his fourth tour title, closing with a 9-under 63 and beating Charles Howell III on the second hole of a playoff. Swedish rookie David Lingmerth was eliminated on the first extra hole.  
Open in Hawaii for second victory in the tour's new wraparound season, birdieing three late holes to beat Chris Kirk by a stroke. Walker also won the season-opening Frys.com Open in October.  
Notes: Kapalua winner Zach Johnson is the

top-ranked player in the field at No. 6. No. 14 Brandt Snedeker, No. 20 Webb Simpson and No. 22 Keegan Bradley are the only others in the top 30 in the field. Phil Mickelson is skipping the tournament to play in Abu Dhabi. ... The tournament, long known as the Bob Hope Classic, was shortened from 90 to 72 in 2012. ... David Duval shot a 59 on the Palmer Course in the final round of his 1999 victory. ... Arnold Palmer won the first event in 1960 and added victories in 1962, '66, '71 and '73. ... The final round will be played on the Palmer Course. ... Tiger Woods will make his first start of the year next week in the Farmers Insurance Open at Torrey Pines.  
Online: <http://www.pgatour.com>  
**EUROPEAN TOUR ABU DHABI HSBC GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Site: Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.  
Schedule: Thursday-Sunday  
Course: Abu Dhabi Golf Club (7,605 yards, par 72).  
Purse: \$2.7 million. Winner's share: \$450,000.  
Television: Golf Channel (Thursday-Sunday, 3-7 a.m., 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.).

**Last year:** Wales' Jamie Donaldson beat England's Justin Rose by a stroke. Tiger Woods and Rory McIlroy missed the cut.  
**Last week:** Louis Oosthuizen won the Volvo Champions for the second straight year in his native South Africa. He birdied the final two holes for a one-stroke victory.  
**Notes:** British Open champion Phil Mickelson is making his first start of the year. ... Martin Kaymer, the tournament winner in 2008, 2010 and 2011, also is in the field along with McIlroy, Henrik Stenson, Luke Donald, Sergio Garcia and American Peter Uihlein. Stenson swept the PGA Tour's FedExCup and European Tour's Race to Dubai last season. ... U.S. Open champion Rose is sidelined by tendinitis in his right shoulder. ... The Qatar Masters is next week, followed by the Dubai Desert Classic.  
Online: <http://www.europeantour.com>  
**CHAMPIONS TOUR MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Site: Kaupulehu-Kona, Hawaii.  
Schedule: Friday-Sunday  
Course: Hualalai Golf Course (7,107 yards, par 72).  
Purse: \$1.8 million. Winner's share: \$307,000.  
Television: Golf Channel (Friday, 6-9 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 1-3 a.m., 6-9 p.m.).  
**Last year:** John Cook won the season-opening event, beating David Frost with a birdie on the second hole of a playoff.  
**Notes:** The tournament opens the 50-and-over tour's 25-event schedule. ... The 42-player field features major champions from the last five years, other tournament winners in the last two seasons and sponsor invitees. ... Kenny Perry and Fred Funk missed the cut last week in the PGA Tour's Sony Open in Honolulu. Perry was the player of the year last season, winning three times and taking the Charles Schwab Cup points title. ... The tour is off the next two weeks. Play will resume Feb. 7-9 with the Allianz Championship in Boca Raton, Fla.  
Online: <http://www.pgatour.com>  
**OTHER TOURNAMENT MEN ASIAN TOUR: King's Cup, Thursday-Sunday, Black Mountain Golf Club, Hua Hin, Thailand.**  
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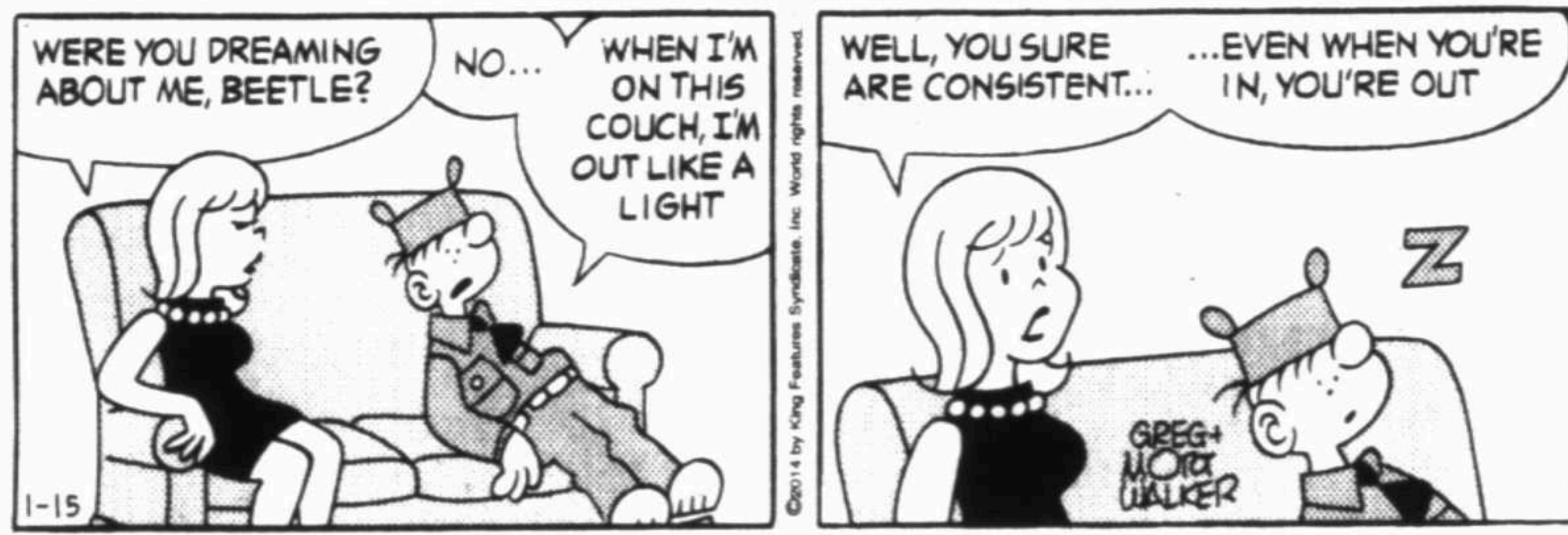
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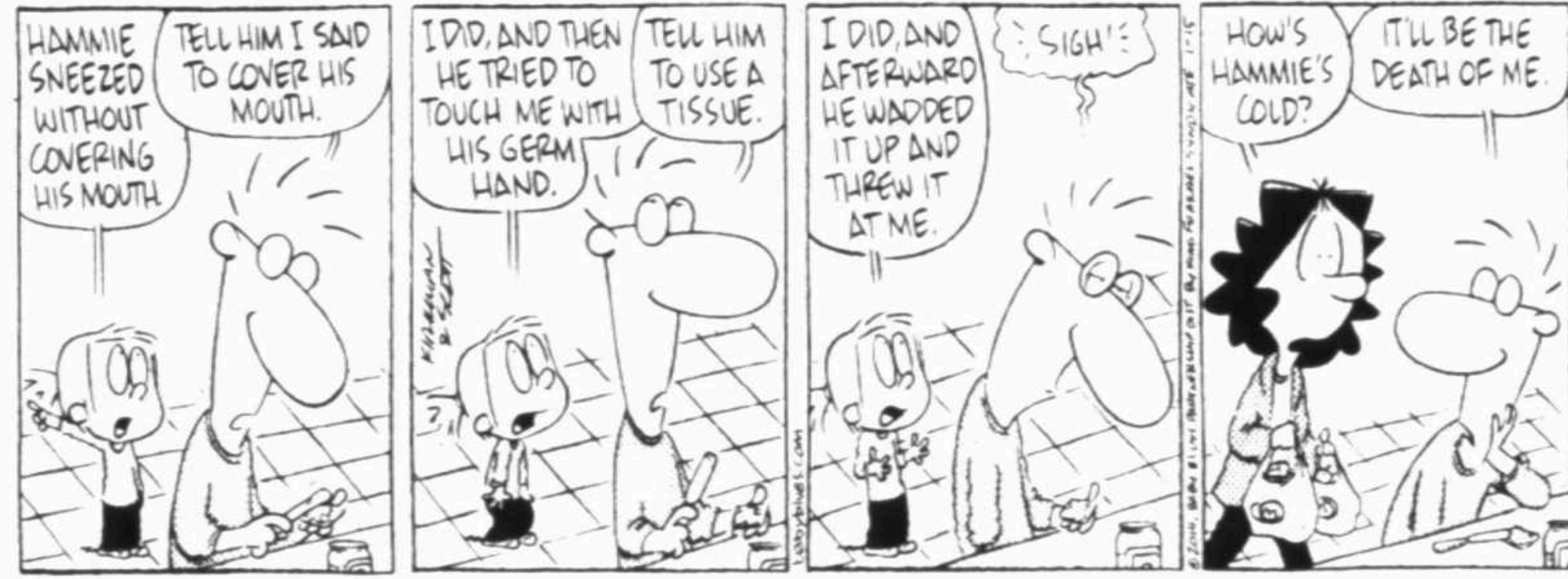
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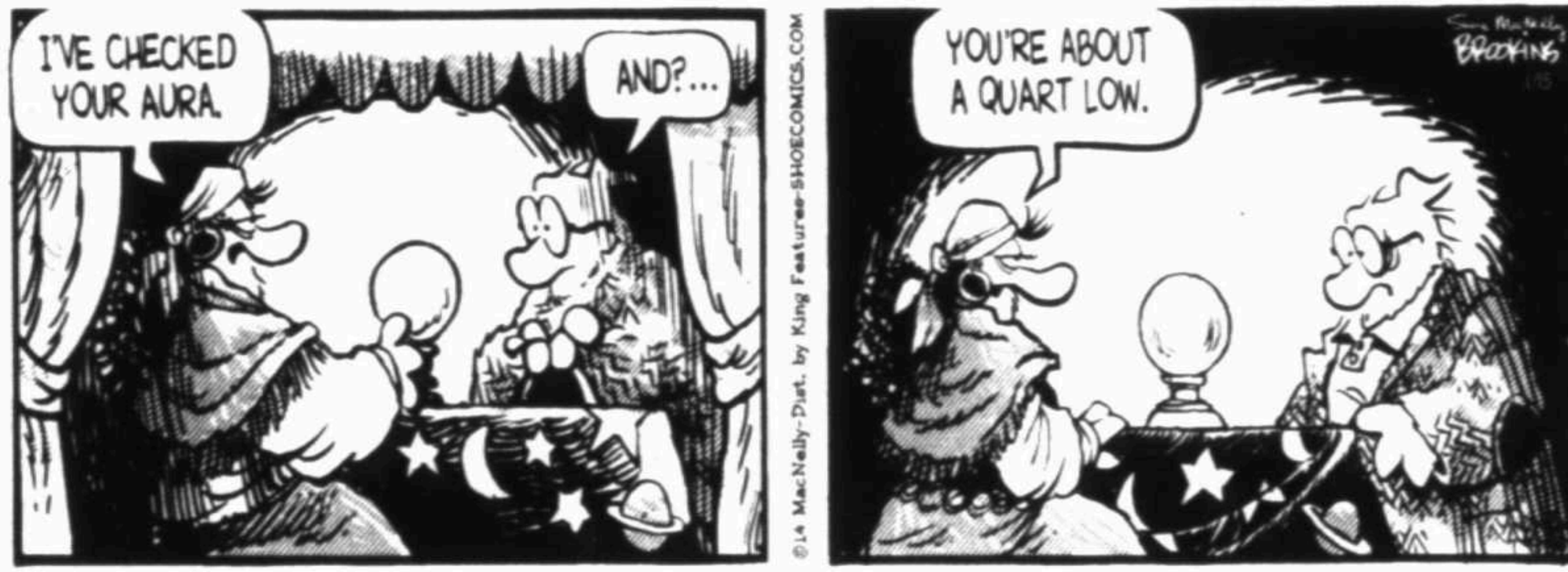
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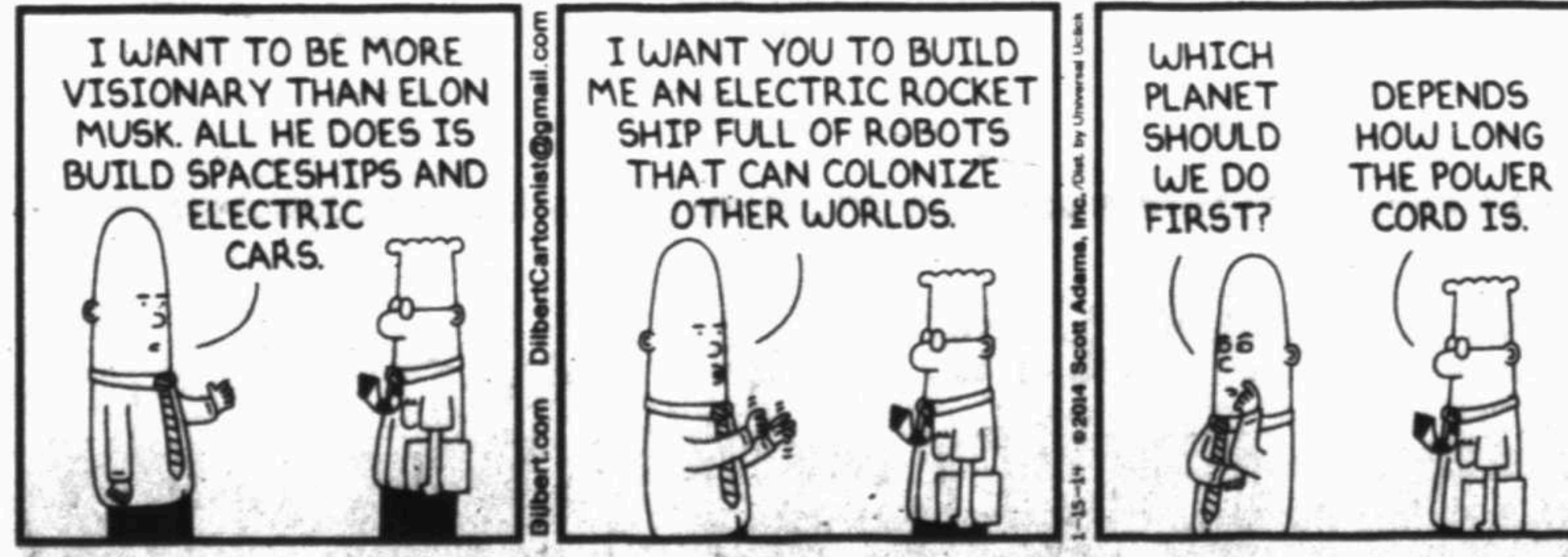
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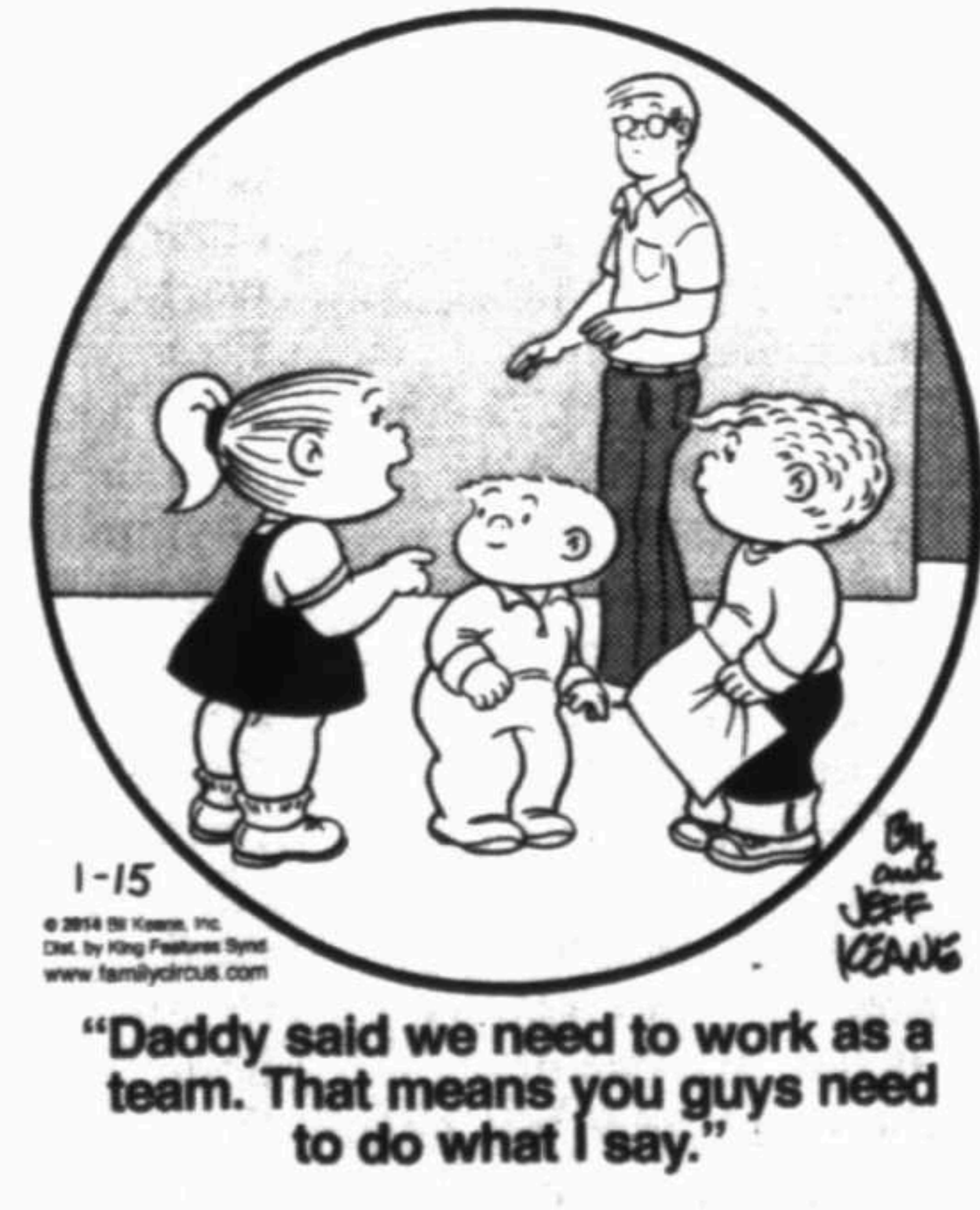
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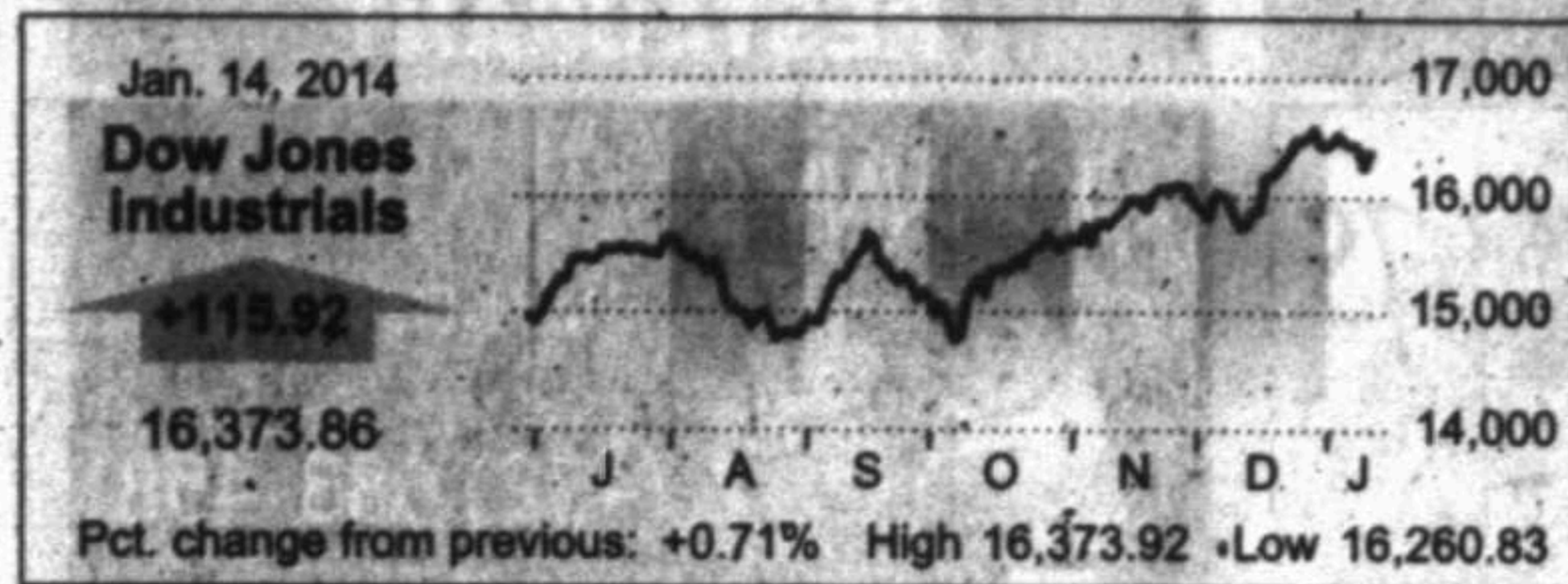


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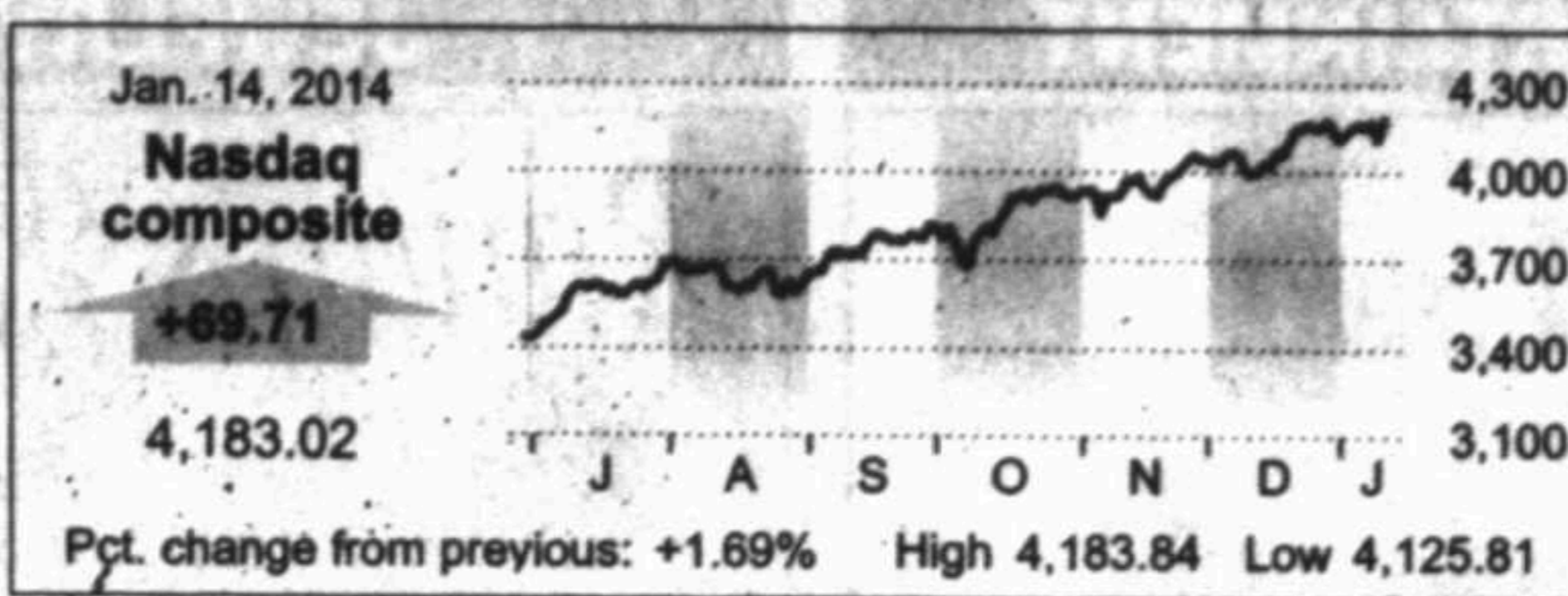
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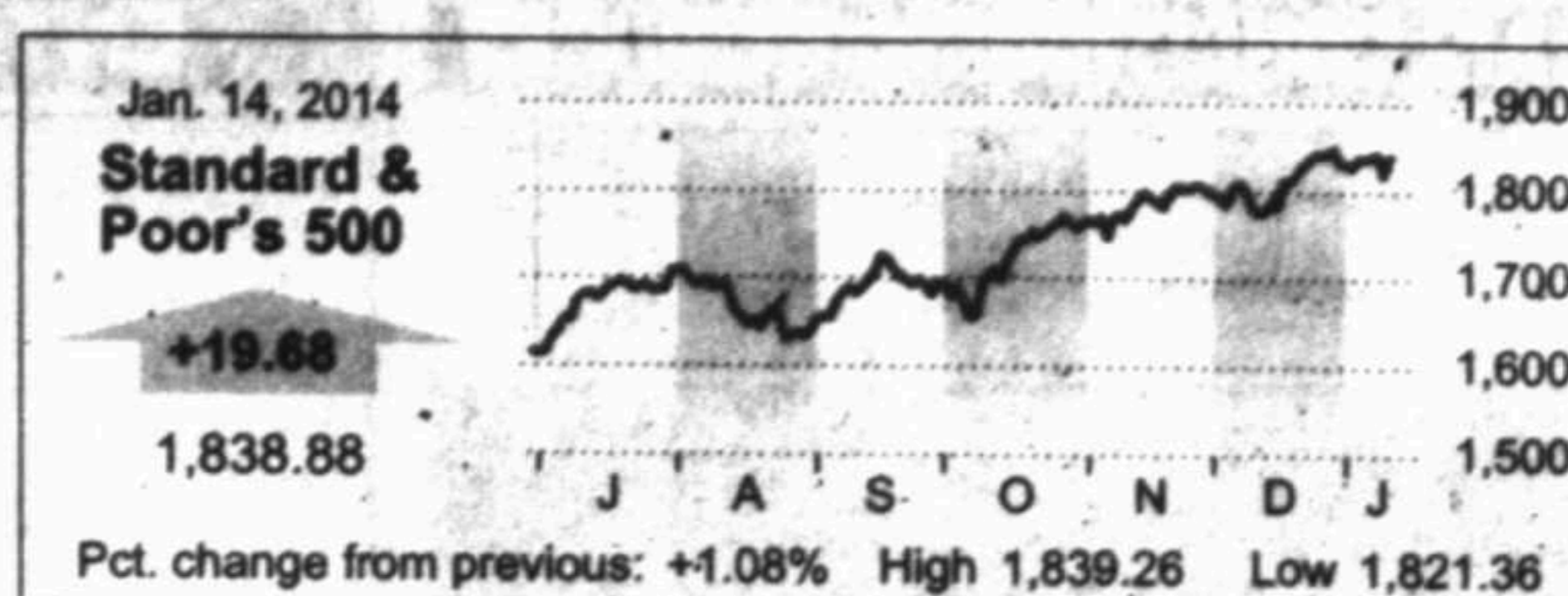
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## OIL PRICES

### FUTURES

Tuesday: \$92.59  
Previous: \$91.80

### POSTED

Tuesday: \$89.00  
Previous: \$88.00

### WEST TEXAS SOUR

Tuesday: \$83.80  
Previous: \$82.80

### NATURAL GAS

Tuesday: \$4.369  
Previous: \$4.274



AP file photo

In this Oct. 3, 2013, file photo, JPMorgan CEO Jamie Dimon is questioned by reporters as he arrives with other financial leaders for a meeting with President Barack Obama regarding the debt ceiling and the economy at the White House. More Target-sized security breaches will happen if banks and retail stores don't start working together to further protect customers' data, Dimon said Tuesday.

## JPMorgan's Dimon says Target breach is a wake-up call

By Ken Sweet  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — More Target-sized security breaches will happen if banks and retail stores don't start working together to further protect customers' data, JPMorgan Chase CEO Jamie Dimon said Tuesday.

JPMorgan has replaced 2 million credit and debit cards as a result of the breach, said Dimon in his first public comments about the event. The bank has replaced nearly all the affected cards.

JPMorgan is the world's largest issuer of credit cards.

Dimon expects that cybercrimes such as the Target breach will become more common if retailers and banks do not work on security, he said.

"This story is not over, unfortunately," Dimon said in a conference call with investors following the bank's fourth-quarter earnings announcement.

In December, Target said 40 million credit and debit card accounts — including customers' card numbers, expiration dates, debit-card PINs and the embedded code on the magnetic strip on the back of cards — were stolen in a data breach that happened between Nov. 27 and Dec. 15. Last week, the company disclosed that hackers stole an additional trove of data affecting 70 million people. That data included names and phone numbers as well as email and mail-

ing addresses. The company said there is some overlap between the two data sets.

It is the second-largest theft of shoppers' credit card data, following the theft of 90 million customers' data from discount retailer TJX in 2007.

Dimon said the bank hasn't seen a reduction in consumer spending because of the breach, and there are no signs that consumers moved to other forms of payment, like cash or checks. The breach is not expected to affect JPMorgan's financial results, a company spokeswoman said.

Dimon, who had not publicly commented on Target's breach until Tuesday, said he expects that banks will issue cards with more security features on them in the future.

Banks and the stores that accept their credit and debit cards have had a complicated relationship for years.

Stores want to accept credit and debit cards because it's often a customer's preferred form of payment. But every time a shopper swipes a credit or debit card, a bank charges a small fee. That fee, known as an interchange fee, adds up to billions of dollars in revenue for the banks. It's why stores like gas stations charge customers more to use credit or debit cards versus cash.

"This might be a chance for retailers and banks, for once, to work together as opposed to suing each other like we've been doing the last decade," Dimon said.

## Oil prices rise

The price of U.S. oil was up nearly 1 percent Tuesday along with a rising stock market.

Global crude slipped, though, on the prospect of rising supplies from Libya, the North Sea and Iran.

Benchmark U.S. oil for February delivery rose 79 cents to close at \$92.59 a barrel in New York.

Brent crude, used to set prices for international varieties of crude used by many U.S. refineries, fell 86 cents to close at \$106.39 in London.

"The overall outlook for oil pricing has taken on an increasingly mixed look with the two main crude benchmarks responding to differing influences," wrote energy analyst Jim Ritterbusch in a report Tuesday.

The U.S. stock market rose 0.9 percent, in part on retail sales that were stronger than expected. That could mean demand for fuel, which has been rising in the U.S. in recent months, may continue to grow.

Still, the price of U.S. oil has fallen steadily since the beginning of the year because supplies of crude and fuels appear ample enough to offset rising demand. Tuesday marked only the third gain of the month for U.S. crude.

Global supplies could still be on the rise, which could mean lower prices for international crude, analysts say. Libyan crude production is beginning to ramp up after protests and unrest cut production late last year.

## Metals fall

Gold for February delivery fell \$5.70 to \$1,245.40 an ounce. March silver fell 10.3 cents to \$20.282 an ounce.

Platinum for April delivery fell \$10.10 to \$1,433.80 an ounce.

## MIDLAND STOCKS

### Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)  
Closing Price \$71.42 Up 1.82

Concho Resources (CXO)  
Closing Price \$99.26 Up 3.63

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)  
Closing Price \$33.56 Up 0.40

Diamondback Energy (FANG)  
Closing Price \$47.01 Up 2.58

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)  
Closing Price \$28.06 Up 0.28

Mexco Energy (MXC)  
Closing Price \$6.64 Unchanged

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)  
Closing Price \$27.04 Up 0.85

Ring Energy (REI)  
Closing Price \$14.04 Down 0.08

### NYSE

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)			GAINERS (\$2 OR MORE)		
Name	Vol (00)	Last Chg %Chg	Name	Last Chg %Chg	
BioAm	943036	16.77 +34	ThomCrk	2.58 +39 +17.8	
S&P500ETF	72077183	67 +1.99	BldBear	8.49 +97 +12.9	
ISHMkts	718527	40.22 +43	TCIMEDS	14.53 +1.51 +11.6	
BIPVix rs	448663	40.62 -1.69	MavenSrn	12.05 +1.20 +11.1	
ISHJapan	437411	11.97 -0.03	Vorage	3.63 +35 +10.7	

LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)			DIARY		
Name	Last Chg %Chg	Advanced			
Dolan pfb	7.51 -2.14 -22.2	Declined			2,168
GameStop	36.31 -9.01 -19.9	Unchanged			913
BarcSHB	16.86 -2.02 -10.7	Total issues			101
C-TricVol	3.25 -2.9 -8.2	New Highs			3,182
PRVxST rs	15.17 -1.35 -8.2	New Lows			112
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			Volume		3,286,900,710

### AMEX

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 OR MORE)			GAINERS (\$2 OR MORE)		
Name	Vol (00)	Last Chg %Chg	Name	Last Chg %Chg	
RexahnPh	604696	1.16 -44	MeelTm	2.28 +25 +12.3	
AldiNewG	131595	4.62 +31	BoveMed	2.40 +23 +10.6	
NwGold g	103953	5.65 +15	AlltarCst	1151.00 +99.79 +9.5	
DocuSec	50623	1.81 -34	CorMedx	2.25 +18 +8.7	
InovoPhm	39019	2.45 -0.09	Silco	34.25 +2.63 +8.3	

LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)			DIARY		
Name	Last Chg %Chg	Advanced			
Oragenics	3.98 -2.7 -6.4	Declined			235
BIP Tin	49.95 -2.72 -5.2	Unchanged			161
ERBA Diag	3.50 -1.19 -31.1	Total issues			35
NovaGld g	2.77 -1.15 -41.5	New Highs			431
Barnwell	3.20 -1.17 -36.6	New Lows			19
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			Volume		235,752,443

### NASDAQ

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Cisco	433541	22.41 +2.22	MedicoNova	2.84 +69 +32.1	
Microsoft	408827	35.78 +8.0	Lantronx	2.30 +52 +29.2	
Facebook	367279	57.74 +1.83	Autobytel	16.45 +2.83 +20.8	

LOSERS (\$2 OR MORE)			DIARY		
Name	Last Chg %Chg	Advanced			
InterceptP	255.12 -109.24	-30.0	Declined		1,954
ChinaRies	7.00 -1.30	-15.7	Unchanged		638
Nil Hldg	2.38 -4.0	-14.4	Total issues		107
DescSys	13.47 -2.24	-14.3	New Highs		2,699
SilicGrn	12.16 -1.73	-12.5	New Lows		159
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			Volume		1,982,273,426

## HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

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Alcoa	...	31	10.32	+2.2	-2.9	Datarms rs	...	...	2.97	-0.1	+14.2	JohnJn	2.64	21	94.72	+2.2	+3.4	RangeRs	16	97	82.17	+2.50	-2.5	3M Co	3.42f	21	137.41	+2.73	-2.0	
AldiNewG	...	13	4.62	+3.1	+30.1	Dawson	...	17	33.56	+4.0	-8	KindClk	3.24	22	105.43	+7.0	+9	RegionsFn	12	13	10.37	+0.6	+4.9	Torchmark	.58	14	78.32	+1.15	+2	
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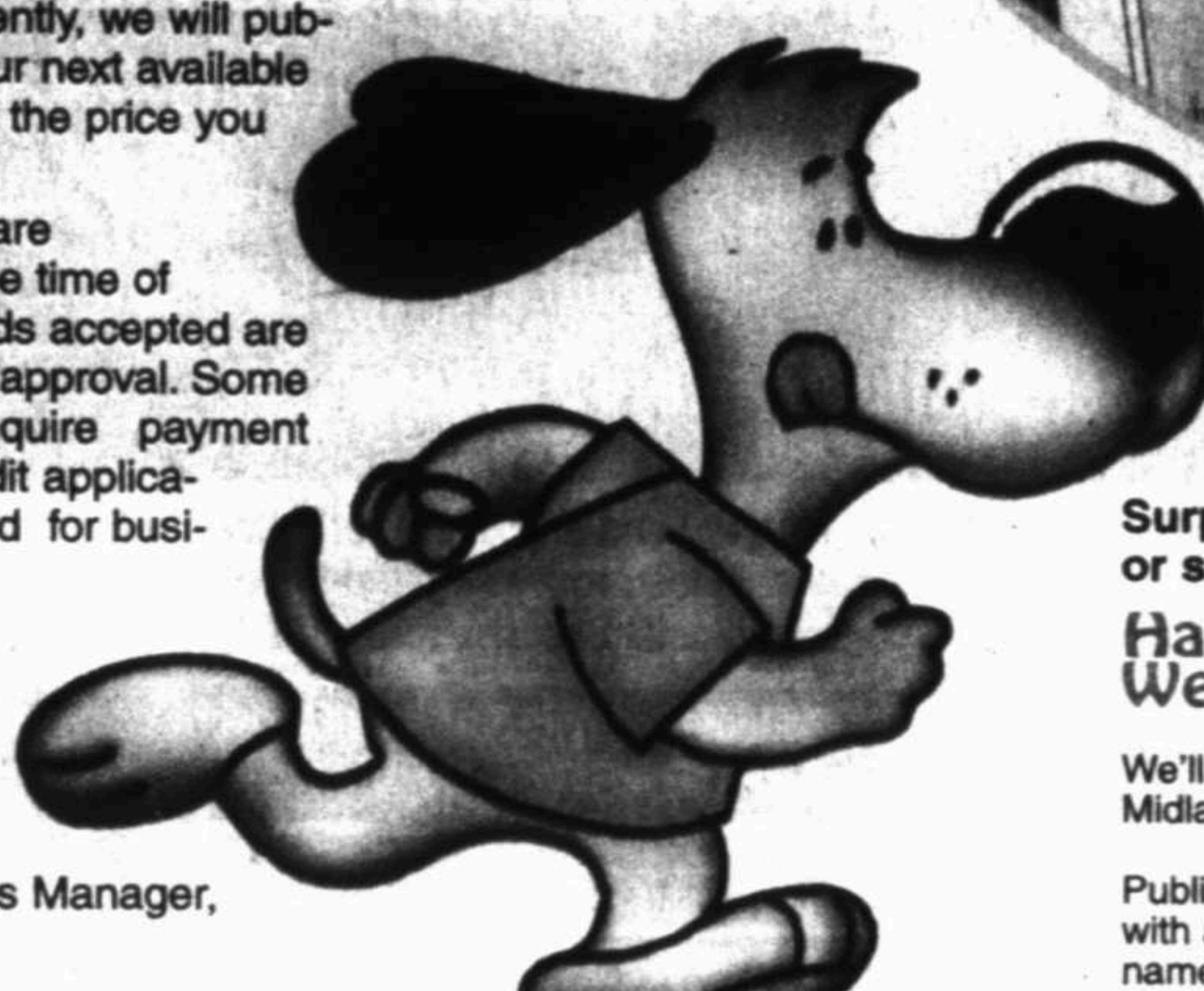
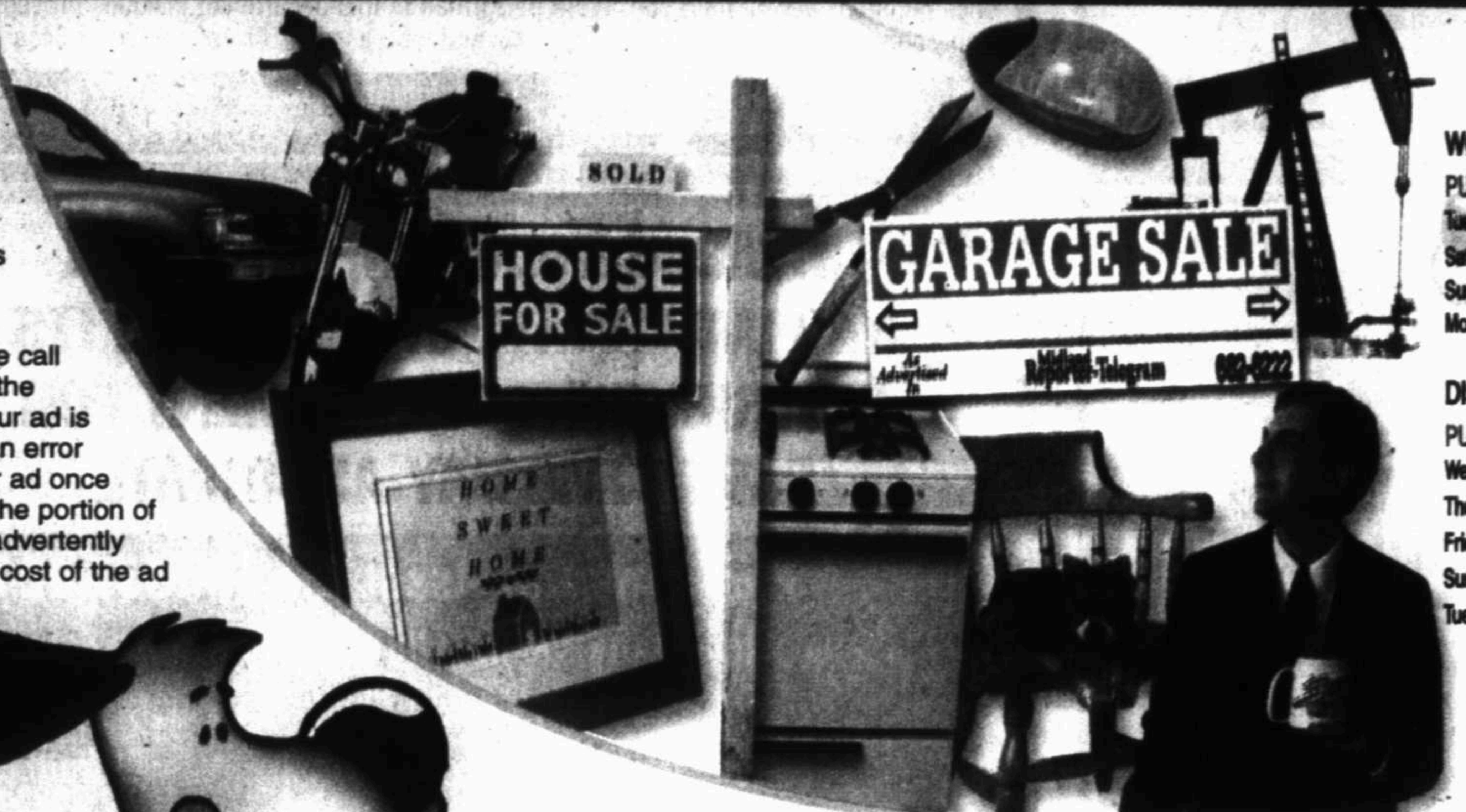


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Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products, including mywesttexas.com.

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**JOB REQUIREMENTS:**

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- Ability to count accurately and do simple math
- Able to operate a forklift and willing to be certified

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- Accurate loading and unloading of printed materials in a safe and efficient manner
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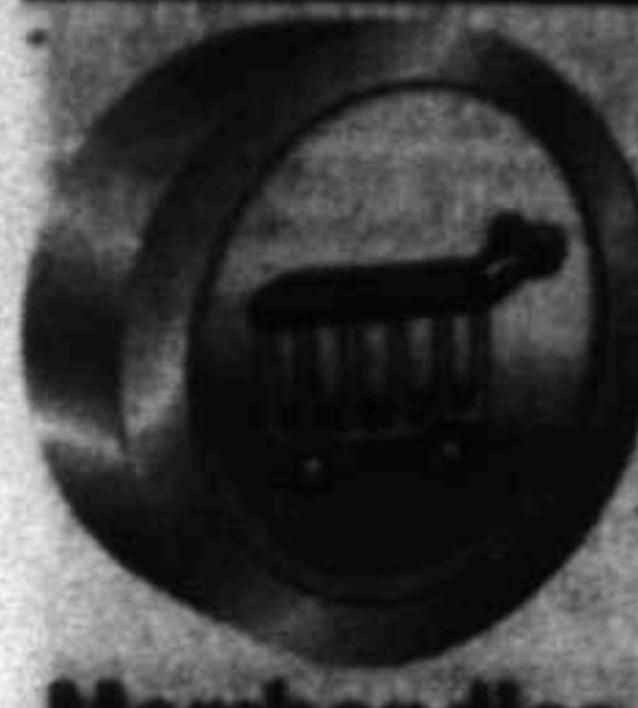
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