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Lieutenant governor



DAN PATRICK: 64 percent

David Dewhurst: 36 percent

Railroad commissioner



RYAN SITTON: 60 percent

Wayne Christian: 40 percent

Attorney general



KEN PAXTON: 63 percent

Dan Branch: 37 percent

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United Supermarkets to operate Albertsons

By Cale Ottens
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Following Albertsons LLC's, recent acquisition of Lubbock-based United Supermarkets, Midland's three Albertsons grocery stores will soon be operated by United and rebranded as "Albertsons Markets."

With the change, customers will likely notice a reduction in overall prices, said Eddie Owens, a spokesman for United Supermarkets.

The stores are slated to begin using United Supermarket's distribution center in Lubbock, about 120 miles away from Midland. Currently, the Albertsons stores are supplied from a center in Fort Worth, Owens said.

Midland locations

Albertsons locations in Midland are at 1002 Andrews Highway, 4706 N. Midkiff Road and 3317 N. Midland Drive.

The shorter commute will help drive down the everyday price of goods, but Owens also said United Supermarkets has a different pricing strategy than Albertsons.

While patrons likely will notice the average price of goods in each store will be lower than before, United Supermarkets traditionally does not drop its prices significantly during sales, which Owens said is Albertsons strategy.

The only immediate store renovations will be a few interior signs, Owens said. Current plans don't include replacing the storefront signs.

"They're just so expensive to replace, at least initially," he said. "That may change somewhere down the line."

The changes are a result of the December acquisition of the Lubbock company. Albertsons LLC bought each property in "The United Family," which includes 60 stores under four brands: United Supermarkets, Market Street, Amigos and United Express.

Eight Albertsons stores in West Texas are impacted by this change, Owens said.

The conversions will start Thursday night as crews plan to transform the Abilene location. The San Angelo location will be converted next week.

Midland's location at 4706 N. Midkiff Road will be the first local store converted, scheduled to begin June 19. The other two stores — at 1002 Andrews Highway and 4706 Midland Drive — are slated to switch on the night of June 26.

The process includes re-tagging all of the items in each store and installing a new sales system, he said.

Each store will be converted after hours on a Thursday and will reopen the next day, Owens said. However, each location may close a few hours early on the day of conversion. Official hours have not been set yet.

Store management will remain the same and no employees are expected to lose their jobs because of the change, he said.

No other changes or renovations are planned at this time.

Sanitation worker killed



Tyler White/Reporter-Telegram

A city of Midland sanitation driver was pronounced dead at the scene of this two-vehicle crash Tuesday afternoon on East Loop 250 near Interstate 20 in Midland County.

City: Two-vehicle crash claims employee's life

From staff reports

A city of Midland employee was killed Tuesday in a crash at the intersection of East Loop 250 and Interstate 20 in Midland County, according to the city's public information officer.

Sanitation driver David Bailey, 46, died at the scene of the two-vehicle crash that occurred at about noon, said Sara Higgins, public information officer for the city.

Department of Public Safety officials said Bailey was traveling southbound on East Loop 250 when the vehicle he was driving collided with a tractor-trailer. The tractor-trailer was traveling westbound after stopping at a stop sign on the north service road of Interstate 20.

At the time of the accident, Bailey was driving a garbage truck owned by a third party. He was test driving it for the city's solid waste department, Higgins said. Bailey had worked for the city since December 2011.

"Every fatal accident is a tragedy, and this one hits especially close to home," said City Manager Courtney Sharp. "David is remembered as a dependable, hard-working employee who was always high-spirited, and he will be greatly missed by his fellow co-workers and colleagues. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family during this difficult time."

Bailey is the 18th person to die this year on roads in Midland County, according to Reporter-Telegram records.

The last fatal wreck occurred May 15 when a 19-year-old Odessa man was ejected from his vehicle after striking a traffic signal pole near Business 20 and Loop 250.

A 44-year-old North Carolina man died May 5 after his vehicle collided with another vehicle on Highway 158.

Despite weekend downpour, county enacts burn ban

By Joseph Basco
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County commissioners approved a countywide burn ban Tuesday, nearly a month before summer officially begins but a few days after rain soaked Midland.

The burn ban is effective for up to 90 days, but the county fire marshal can make a recommendation to commissioners for a renewal.

Statewide, 79 counties, including Midland, have enacted burn bans as of Tuesday morning. Surrounding counties Ector and Martin have not established burn bans, according to the Texas A&M Forest Service.

The burn ban comes after the downpour during Memorial Day weekend. To date, 2.26 inches of rain fell in May — 1.83 inches on Sunday alone.

But despite the rainfall, Fire Marshal Dale Little recommended a burn ban. He told commissioners the ban is not just for residents' safety but also to help first responders, whose resources are wearing thin.

"The equipment, just with the event over the weekend, is stretched to beyond capacity," County Judge Mike Bradford said, referring to a gas line fire in south Midland on Saturday that required a cleanup through the next day.

Little said the Midland Fire Department was called out into the county 220 times in April, an increase from the 156 runs in April 2013.

"We're getting way too many of these controlled burns," Little told commissioners. "And most of them are not controlled."

People tend to start controlled burns to

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Patrick wins GOP race for lieutenant governor

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Republican voters appeared ready to push Texas even further to the right Tuesday, backing tea party favorites and casting out-longtime Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst for a state senator and firebrand radio talk show host who criticized the incumbent as too moderate for one of the state's most powerful political jobs.

Dan Patrick, who emerged as the front runner from the first round of voting, easily beat Dewhurst in the primary runoff for the GOP nomination, ending the political career of a multimillionaire energy businessman who has been lieutenant governor since 2003. Dewhurst had said this would be his final campaign.

"Salute the tea party of Texas!" Patrick said in his victory speech that quoted scripture. "Tea party folks love America, they love the Constitution, they love (free) markets, they love the 2nd Amendment and they love Texas. ... If you love America, welcome to the grassroots of the Republican Party."

Dewhurst poured $5 million from his personal fortune into a desperate bid to hang on. But despite few policy differences between the candidates, Dewhurst couldn't overcome being cast as a moderate unwelcome in a Republican primary dominated by tea party interests.

Patrick swamped Dewhurst in the rematch, with early voting returns showing nearly 65 percent supporting Patrick.

Dewhurst blamed snow for driving down voter turnout for his poor showing in March. On Tuesday, he blamed rain across much of the state for a similar result.

"I must be a rain maker," a teary-eyed Dewhurst said in a concession speech less than an hour after the final polling sites closed. "When I woke up this morning ... I saw blanket rain clouds. I said, 'Oh boy, here we go again.'"



Associated Press

Republican Dan Patrick speaks Tuesday at his campaign watch party at the Hotel Sorella in Houston after incumbent David Dewhurst conceded the Republican primary runoff for lieutenant governor. Patrick will face Democratic Sen. Leticia Van de Putte from San Antonio in November.

RUNOFFROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Texas GOP picks Sitton as railroad commissioner

Oil engineer Ryan Sitton has overcome a big deficit in the March primary to win a runoff for the Republican nomination for railroad commissioner.

Sitton is the CEO of energy consultant PinnacleAIS and has never held elected office. He trailed former Texas House lawmaker Wayne Christian by 12 points after the primary and focused his campaign on being the only candidate with experience in the energy sector.

In Midland County, no Republican on the runoff ballot collected more votes (3,176) or a greater percentage of votes (77.22) than Sitton. In the March primary election Christian topped the four-person field in Midland County. Sitton placed second, more than 1,000 votes behind Christian.

The railroad commissioner is the state's chief energy regulator.

Christian was backed by tea party-aligned groups and played up praise from U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz's father.

Sitton will face Democrat Steve Brown in November. The winner will replace Barry Smitherman, who lost a bid to move up the GOP political ladder by finishing last in the primary race for attorney general.

How Midland County voted

Republican Party primary runoff

Registered voters 74,133
Total ballots cast 4,484

	Votes	Percent
Lieutenant governor		
David Dewhurst	1,140	27.01
Dan Patrick	3,081	72.99
Attorney general		
Ken Paxton	2,771	66.58
Dan Branch	1,391	33.42
Commissioner of agriculture		
Tommy Merritt	1,562	40.03
Sid Miller	2,340	59.97
Railroad commissioner		
Ryan Sitton	3,176	77.22
Wayne Christian	937	22.78

Democratic Party primary runoff

U.S. senator		
Kesha Rogers	82	33.20
David Alameel	165	66.80
Commissioner of agriculture		
Kinky Friedman	88	36.97
Jim Hogan	150	63.03

Source: Midland County Elections Office

Paxton wins GOP runoff for Texas attorney general

Tea party favorite Ken Paxton has won the Republican nomination for Texas attorney general after a bruising runoff against fellow lawmaker Dan Branch.

Paxton is now the favorite to replace Attorney General Greg Abbott, who is running for governor.

Paxton weathered ethics attacks since the March primary and scrutiny over his work as an investment adviser. State regulators earlier this month fined the McKinney state senator $1,000 for failing to make required disclosures.

A national "dark money" group also poured more than a half-million dollars into TV ads criticizing Paxton. But GOP voters still went with Paxton, whose campaign got a big boost after being praised by U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz.

Paxton will face Democrat Sam Houston in November.

Miller wins GOP nod for agriculture commissioner

Former lawmaker Sid Miller has won the Republican nomination for Texas agriculture commissioner after a runoff boosted by a rare endorsement from Gov. Rick Perry.

Miller also played up using shock rocker Ted Nugent as his campaign treasurer. That gave his candidacy a star power that challenger Tommy Merritt couldn't match.

Miller served in the Texas House for more than a decade before losing his West Texas seat two years ago. Perry made few endorsements this GOP primary season but threw his support behind Miller earlier this month.

Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples is leaving office after losing his bid for lieutenant governor.

Hogan wins ag commissioner runoff

Little-known rancher Jim Hogan has defeated singer and humorist Kinky Friedman to claim the Democratic nomination for Texas agriculture commissioner.

Hogan of Cleburne topped Friedman in Tuesday's runoff after no candidate won more than 50 percent in the three-way March primary.

The agricultural commissioner oversees the school-lunch program in Texas while more broadly handling farming issues.

Texas Democrats nominate Alameel for US Senate

AUSTIN — Dallas dental mogul and former major GOP donor David Alameel has beaten perennial candidate Kesha Rogers to win the Democratic U.S. Senate nomination.

He now faces Republican Sen. John Cornyn, strongly favored to win his third term in November.

5 things to know about the runoff elections

Tea party takeover

The tea party still rules Texas. In an otherwise humbling election year for tea party challengers across the U.S., conservative insurgents in the Lone Star State keep winning like it's 2012. None were bigger than fiery conservative talk radio host Dan Patrick, the tea party caucus founder in the Texas Legislature, ousting longtime Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst in a symbolic signal of GOP restlessness. It wasn't a total sweep for anti-establishment Republicans, but they won enough key races to put Texas on track to veer even further right on abortion, gun rights and spending come 2015.

Dewhurst's demise

Just two years ago, Dewhurst seemed a lock to replace retiring U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison. Now Texas Gov. Rick Perry's sidekick for the past 12 years is being shoved out the door after a second loss to an outspent tea party underdog in as many years. Spending about $20 million of his own fortune against Ted Cruz in 2012 and another $5 million against Patrick this time around couldn't buy Dewhurst a perception among Texas GOP voters as anything but a mainstream Republican who's grown too entrenched.

Democrats dodge dilemma

Wendy Davis' high-profile run for governor has made this an unusually visible election year for Texas Democrats, and they averted embarrassment by not nominating a U.S. Senate candidate who wants to impeach President Barack Obama. Kesha Rogers, who's allied with frequent presidential candidate and conspiracy theorist Lyndon LaRouche, lost to Dallas dental mogul David Alameel after forcing a surprising runoff in March. The Texas Democratic Party urged voters to reject Rogers and nominate Alameel to be its heavy underdog to U.S. Sen. John Cornyn in November.

91-year-old congressman ousted

The oldest-ever member of the U.S. House has failed in his bid for one more term. Congressman Ralph Hall, 91, lost the first runoff of his 34-year congressional career to a challenger half his age. Former U.S. Attorney John Ratcliffe, 48, won the Republican nomination for Hall's sprawling district that stretches from suburban Dallas to the Texas-Louisiana border. Hall wanted an 18th term that he promised would have been his last, but Ratcliffe pulled away behind support from top tea party groups.

Perry non grata

Rick Perry was out of sight and out of mind in his last Republican primary as Texas governor. He only endorsed in one major race — Texas agriculture commissioner, one of his old jobs — and his name was seldom uttered on the campaign trail by GOP candidates up and down the ballot. If that sounds like Texas Republicans are looking to the future after 14 years under Perry, the feeling is mutual: Perry is still weighing another presidential run in 2016.

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dispose of trash, whether it's small garbage bags or larger items such as couches. But there have been instances in which people dumped chemicals, such as flares, in their controlled fire, making it a safety issue, Little said.

Little said enacting the burn ban — two days after the rain — is more of a "bigger picture" decision. He explained that the coming hot summer days will dry out the area again.

Although summer officially begins on June 21, Midland is already experiencing hot and dry conditions. The National Weather Service is predicting high temperatures in the 87- to 94-degree range and a 10 percent or less chance of rain through Monday.

"It (dry conditions) is going to make a bigger threat for fire," Little said. "And that could be within a week, that could be within two weeks."

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Selvin A. Barrera-Barrera, 39, of Midland was charged Monday with aggravated assault causing serious bodily injury.

Joshua A. Kirby, 29, of Midland was charged Monday with murder, obstruction or retaliation, burglary of a building and theft of materials.

Tyler C. McKinney, 22, of Midland was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Pablo Najera-Acosta, 67, of Midland was charged Monday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.

Jessica M. Negrete, 32, of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance less than 20 atomic units.

Joe A. Taylor Jr., 47, of Midland was charged Monday with tampering with or fabricating physical evidence and possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Timothy R. Walker, 26, of Midland was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

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CRIMEBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MPD: Two men used broken beer bottles in double stabbing

Two Midland men were arrested this weekend after a double stabbing, according to court documents.



Barrera-Barrera



Machado-Zuniga

Mario Ramon Machado-Zuniga, 29, and Selvin Alexi Barrera-Barrera, 39, are being held on a $75,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of aggravated assault causing serious bodily injury.

Midland police officers responded at about 9:40 p.m. Sunday in the 600 block of North Dallas Avenue, where they found a man had been stabbed.

The man, Barrera-Barrera, had multiple stab wounds on his chest and stomach area and his face and chest were covered in blood, according to the arrest affidavit.

The officers learned the stabbing occurred at a home in the 1500 block of North Main Street. Officers found Machado-Zuniga, whom Barrera-Barrera identified as the suspect, at the residence.

Machado-Zuniga had blood on his shorts, shoes, arms and hands, and officers detained him for questioning.

Machado-Zuniga told officers that he, Barrera-Barrera and a male family member were drinking alcoholic beverages in the backyard of the Main Street home. Barrera-Barrera grabbed a glass beer bottle, broke it and began hitting and stabbing the family member in the right cheek. The family member went inside the house.

Machado-Zuniga then grabbed a broken beer bottle and attacked Berrera-Berrera, stabbing him in his face, chest, abdomen and arms, according to the arrest affidavit. Barrera-Barrera fled the scene.

Officers found large amounts of broken beer bottle glass and blood on the street.

Both men were arrested and transported to Midland County jail.

If convicted, they face up to 20 years in prison.

MPD: Man kicks woman's dog, threatens to kill owner

A Midland man was arrested Saturday for kicking a 3-month-old dog across a room and threatening to kill the owner if she called the police, according to court documents.



Lindsey

Donny Raymond Lindsey, 31, was being held on a $16,000 bond for a state jail felony charge of cruelty to non-livestock animal by torturing or causing serious bodily injury, as well as class A misdemeanor charges of assault-family violence causing serious bodily injury and terroristic threat on a family or household member. He posted bond and was released on Monday.

A Midland police officer responded to the disturbance Saturday morning at a residence in the 600 block of East Interstate 20.

The complainant said she went with Lindsey to a friend's house to "score" some dope for him and they went to a club. Once they returned home, they went to bed with the intention to have sex but Lindsey became sick and the woman said she did not want to have sex anymore, according to the arrest affidavit.

As the woman was getting dressed, Lindsey told her that he "was not finished" and to take her clothes off. She refused and left the room. Lindsey grabbed her by the left arm with enough force to lift her off her feet. The woman injured her shoulder, according to the affidavit.

The woman returned to the bedroom and Lindsey apologized to her and sat down on her bed. The woman's dog walked into the room, and Lindsey kicked it, sending the animal airborn across the room.

Lindsey told the woman that he would kill her if she called the police, according to the affidavit.

If convicted, Lindsey faces up to two years in prison for the felony and up to one year for each misdemeanor.

MPD: Man assaults police officer during traffic stop

A Midland man was arrested Friday for assaulting a police officer and resisting arrest, according to court documents.

Terrance Tremayne Belcher, 36, was being held Tuesday on a $68,000 bond for third-degree felony charges of assault on a public servant and evading arrest or detention, and class A misdemeanor charges of resisting arrest, search or transport and assault-family violence causing bodily injury.



Belcher

A Midland police officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle at about 2:11 a.m. Friday after the vehicle's spoiler fell off outside a club on North Lee Street.

The driver of the vehicle initially failed to stop for the officer but eventually pulled into a parking lot in the 200 block of South Lee Street.

The driver, later identified as Belcher, tried to flee the scene of the traffic stop, according to the arrest affidavit, but the officer grabbed him to detain him. Belcher punched the officer in the face before they fell to the ground in the parking lot. Belcher continued throwing punches at the officer.

A struggle ensued as a large crowd gathered around the officer and suspect. The officer eventually punched Belcher in the face several times and then used pepper spray. The officer then struck Belcher several times in the rib cage before gaining his compliance.

The officer discovered that Belcher was wanted on a warrant for misdemeanor assault, according to the arrest affidavit.

The officer said he suffered injuries to his face, right elbow and both knees.

If convicted, Belcher faces up to 10 years in prison for each third-degree felony and up to one year for each misdemeanor charge.

ECSO identifies murder-suicide victims

The Ector County Sheriff's Office on Tuesday released the names of the victim and suspect in an apparent murder-suicide involving a 3-year-old girl, according to a press release by the office.

Daley Carrasco Franco, 40, shot and killed Hargentina Franco before shooting the girl's mother and then himself Saturday night.

Ector County deputies responded to the shooting at about midnight in the 12000 block of South Beryl Avenue.

The mother, 30, remains in stable condition at Medical Center Hospital.

The investigation continues. Autopsies will be conducted on the man and girl, according to Reporter-Telegram records.

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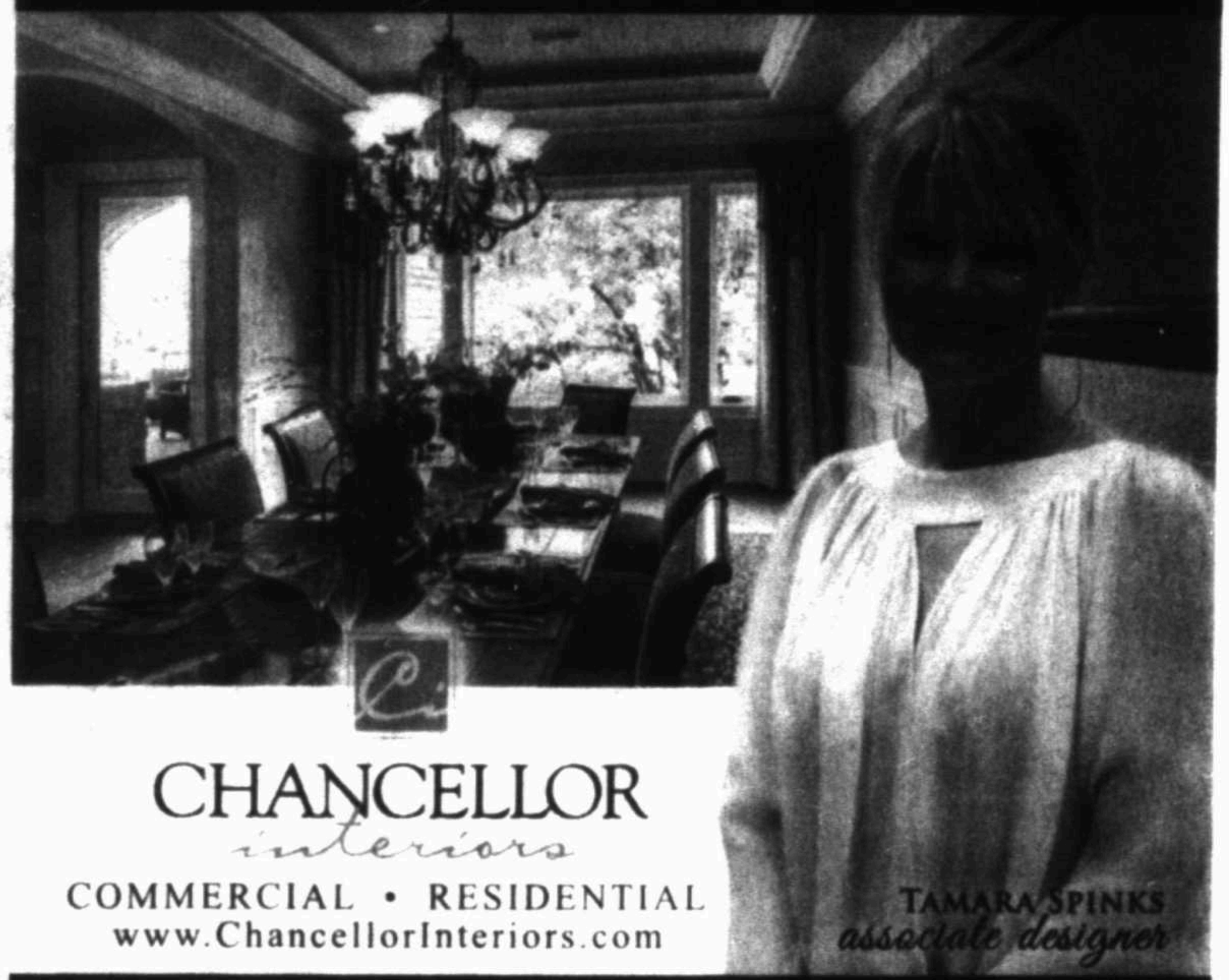

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ONE LAST BEE

2004	First year a Rubio child competed in a school spelling bee
5	Midland Reporter-Telegram Regional Spelling Bee victories the Rubios have claimed since 2005. Also the number of Washington, D.C., road trips the family has taken to attend the national bee.
4	Consecutive years a Rubio has been the reigning Midland spelling champ.
7	The number of dictionaries the Rubio spellers have won.
6	Years of subscriptions to an online encyclopedia Rubio spellers have won.
$575	Cash prizes claimed by Rubio spellers, plus an additional $300 in savings bonds and $145 in gift cards.
9	Regional trophies captured by Rubio children.
2	Years Thomas Rubio competed against one of his sisters at the regional level (2008 against Danielle; 2011 against Gabby).
50	Results for "Rubio" and "Spelling Bee" on nrt.com.



THOUSANDS!
Hours spent by all three siblings combined studying for spelling bees.

MORE THAN 270
Hours the Rubio family has spent driving to or from Scripps National Spelling Bees.

TOP 50
Furthest a Rubic (Thomas) has made it at the national bee.



According to the Rubio family, who is ...

... the most competitive?	THOMAS
... the most nervous on stage?	DANIELLE
... the most studious?	THOMAS
... the funniest to watch on stage?	GABBY
... the most nervous watching in the audience?	PARENTS

WINNING WORDS

Triceratops for Danielle in 2006; bailiwick for Thomas in 2011; frangible for Thomas in 2012; acquittal for Gabby in 2013; fantoccini for Gabby in 2014

TIPS

With a decade of spelling bees under their belts, the Rubio family members offer up some of their best advice for becoming a masterful speller:

1. Decide if you want to commit the time to spelling, studying and competing.
2. Be ready to put in a lot of hard work and make sacrifices.
3. Start studying early.
4. Be curious and a strong reader.
5. Keep studying, typically daily.
6. Study some more -- it's intimidating, but worth it.

SCHEDULE

■ TODAY: Preliminary rounds -- 7 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. live on ESPN3. Gabby is in a group that will appear on most beginning 9 a.m. and 2:15 p.m.

■ THURSDAY: Semifinals -- 3 p.m. live on ESPN2; Finals -- 7 p.m. live on ESPN.

Information compiled by Tessa Duvall | Reporter-Telegram

QUICK FACTS ABOUT THE BEE

Here are five things to know about the 87th edition of the Scripps National Spelling Bee, which began Tuesday and concludes Thursday with the finals broadcast in prime time.

1 NO MICS NEEDED

No one ventured onstage for the first day of competition, and the dreaded elimination bell did not ring. Instead, the spellers were ushered into a quiet room to take a spelling and vocabulary test on a computer, while parents sat anxiously in a waiting room or in the hallway outside. There were 24 words to spell and 26 words to define, and the scores will be combined with today's oral rounds to determine the semifinalists. The vocabulary portion was introduced last year and is proving a challenge for some, but at least it's multiple choice.

2 JUST LIKE OTHER KIDS

The bee's poll of the 281 spellers shows they're a lot like kids everywhere. Sixty-eight percent attend public schools. Taylor Swift came out on top as favorite musician, "Divergent" and "Harry Potter" are the favorite movies and books. Soccer and basketball are the favorite sports. Then again, some differences start to surface when it came to favorite TV shows: "The Big Bang Theory" and "Doctor Who" ranked first and second. Also, when asked which college they hope to attend, the top answers were Harvard, Stanford, MIT and Yale.

3 IT'S IN THE BLOOD

Many eyes will be on 12-year-old Vanya Shivashankar of Olathe, Kansas, a top-five finisher a year ago who once again will attempt to become the back-half of the first sibling tandem of champions in bee history, following the path blazed by sister Kavya in 2009. But there's another speller with a chance to accomplish that feat: 14-year-old Ashwin Veeramani of Cleveland watched his older sister, Anamika, win in 2010. Ashwin is back for a second time, having finished tied for 33rd last year.

4 AROUND THE WORLD

The bee attracts English spellers from all over. This year, there are competitors from American Samoa, the Bahamas, Canada, China, Italy, Ghana, Jamaica, Japan, Puerto Rico, South Korea and the U.S. Virgin Islands. There have been two winners from outside the 50 U.S. states: Hugh Tosteson from Puerto Rico in 1975 and Jody-Anne Maxwell from.

5 THE STREAK

The last six champions and 11 of the last 15 have been Indian-American, including 2013 winner Arvind Mahankali of New York, who correctly spelled "knaidel" and then was invited to a Manhattan deli a few days later to sample the food that had just made him famous. The Indian-American success began when Nupur Lala won in 1999. Lala was featured in the documentary "Spellbound."

Associated Press

TODAYINMIDLAND

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Hotel business

Taxable receipts for March 2014

Midland	$8,304,182
Odessa	$6,912,553
Abilene	$3,659,049
Lubbock	$6,997,566
San Angelo	$3,866,166

Previous years

Midland in March 2013	$6,709,940
Midland in March 2012	$5,141,144
Midland in March 2011	$3,984,864
Midland in March 2010	$2,558,858
Midland in March 2009	$2,922,730

Top Midland hotels (total receipts)

DoubleTree by Hilton	$1,142,919
Hilton Garden Inn	$691,275
Residence Inn	$623,666
Holiday Inn Express	$524,745
Sleep Inn	$439,004
Grand Texan	$434,512
La Quinta (Wall St.)	$420,205
Springhill Suites	$410,408
Townplace Suites	$394,874
Best Western	$361,519
Midtown Hotel	$358,404
Courtyard by Marriott	$354,621
Hampton Inn and Suites	$297,399
Plaza Inn (Big Spring St.)	$271,817
Value Place	$255,370
La Quinta (Loop 250)	$247,061
Fairfield Inn	$235,069
Comfort Suites	$222,271
Comfort Inn	$222,544
KJ Texas Properties	$194,102
Baymont Inn	$220,936
Studio 6	$202,082
Comfort Inn (I-20)	$198,700
West Texas Inn and Suites	$177,896
Best Value Inn	$133,669
Victorian Inn	$117,694
Days Inn	$113,725
America's Best Value Inn	$113,315

Note: H B Rentals was listed with $177,990

Top in Midland-Odessa

DoubleTree by Hilton	$1,142,919
MCM Fundome (O)	$840,450
MCM Elegante (O)	$731,012
Hilton Garden Inn	$691,275
Residence Inn	$623,666

Source: Texas Comptroller's Website

Today in Midland history

On May 28, 1978, Al Unser drove Jim Hall's car to victory at the Indianapolis 500. It was the first Indy title for Hall.

Meetings today

Midland Coalition
11:30 a.m.
Palmer Drug Abuse Program
1208 W. Wall at 11:30AM.
Note: Anyone concerned about underage drinking and substance abuse is encouraged to attend.

Midland-Odessa Urban Transit District Board
Noon
Midland–Odessa Transportation Organization (MOTOR) boardroom
Wright Office Complex, Suite 1, 9601 Wright Drive

Hospital District
1:10 p.m.
MMH Administration Office boardroom

Club meetings, support groups today

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

■ The Knot Adoption Support Group, 11:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church; Kathy Hagler, Kathy@WTIE.net.

■ Uptown Midland BPW, noon, Petroleum Club; Glenda Knox, 686-2819.

Community calendar

■ Nonprofit Management Center's Lunch and Learn Series is set for 11:30 a.m. June 9 at Atmos Energy Center, 2304 Loop 40. Guest speaker is Steve Murdock, sociology professor at Rice University and director of the Census Bureau under President George W. Bush. He will address understanding the Basin's current demographic and economic environment.
Fee is $25 for center members and $30 for nonmembers. Deadline to register is June 6. To register call 570-7971 or go to www.nmc-pb.org.

■ Polo Park Estates is holding a community yard sale 3-5 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday at 2100 Castleford Road. Items for sale include wheelchairs and walkers.
The sale will benefit area veterans, according to Robert Williams, community sales leader at Polo Park.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 0-6-2
Pick 3 day: 4-5-4
Pick 3 evening: 6-3-8
Pick 3 night: 5-1-6
Daily 4 morning: 6-7-0-7
Daily 4 day: 2-3-1-2
Daily 4 evening: 4-7-9-5
Daily 4 night: 1-0-0-3
Cash Five: 1-12-16-19-27
Mega Millions: 1-6-10-46-58; MB: 13; Megaplier 2
All or Nothing morning: 3-4-5-7-8-9-10-12-15-17-22-23
All or Nothing day: 2-3-4-6-7-10-11-15-16-17-18-21
All or Nothing evening: 5-6-7-11-12-13-17-18-19-21-23-24
All or Nothing night: 4-8-9-10-11-14-18-19-21-22-23-24

Today in history

In 1892, the Sierra Club was organized in San Francisco.

In 1912, the Senate Comerce Committee issued its report on the Titanic disaster that cited a "state of absolute unpreparedness," improperly tested safety equipment and an "indifference to danger" as some of the causes of an "unnecessary tragedy."

In 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt pushed a button in Washington signaling that vehicular traffic could begin crossing the just-opened Golden Gate Bridge in California.

In 1964, President Ronald Reagan led a state funeral at Arlington National Cemetery for an unidentified American soldier killed in the Vietnam War. (However, the remains were later identified through DNA as those of Air Force 1st Lt. Michael J. Blassie, and were sent to St. Louis for hometown burial.)

Rains help region's water supply

From staff reports

The Colorado River Municipal Water District reported Tuesday that weekend rains have helped increase the region's municipal surface water supply.

The O.H. Ivie Reservoir rose from 10.93 percent full to 17.20 percent full as of Tuesday morning, according to the CRMWD. Lake Thomas went from 1.12 percent to 1.33 percent, but Lake Spence hasn't seen an increase yet.

"The rains this weekend are by no means a drought buster," said CRMWD General Manager John Grant. "However, it is a start to replenishing area lakes that have been hard hit by the drought over the last five years.

"Before we can start seeing increases in our surface water supplies, it has to start raining and raining in the right areas," Grant said.

Facts & figures

Rainfall numbers over the extended weekend

San Angelo	7.42 inches
Lubbock	6.18 inches
Roswell	4.44 inches
Amarillo	3.34 inches
Snyder	2.92 inches
Midland	1.84 inches
Big Spring	1.35 inches
Abilene	1.35 inches

Around the area

Officials are reporting 1.8 inches at the Martin & Ector/Crane/Midland County FSA office in Stanton. There were also reports of 0.5 of an inch to 2.5 inches around Martin County.

In Garden City/St. Lawrence, there were reports up to 2.5 inches (and some hail).

Source: FSA office, producers in Martin and Glasscock County

1-inch rainfall days in Midland since October 2012

Jan. 9, 2013	1.34 inches
Aug. 6, 2013	1.15 inches
Oct. 13, 2013	1.42 inches
Dec. 20, 2013	1.05 inches
May 24, 2014	1.83 inches

Note: In these five days, 58 percent of the 11.87 inches of rain from October 2012 to May 27, 2014, has fallen.

The rains over the watersheds were a good start to re-establishing soil moisture, filling stock tanks and wetting the creeks and rivers, and there is still water that will continue to flow into the lakes for the next few days, he said.

Total inflow to the CRMWD reservoirs as of Tuesday morning was 36,470 acre-feet with the Ivie Reservoir being the biggest beneficiary. Total combined reservoir storage for the district now stands at 108,840 acre-feet, or 8.56 percent of total capacity. The Ivie Reservoir gained 8.66 vertical feet and captured 35,840 acre-feet of inflow.

"Customers of the district still need to remember how serious this drought is and with the recent rain not get complacent," Grant said. "Just continue to use common sense — if you have an automatic sprinkler system and received 1 to 2 inches of rain at your house, turn off your sprinkler system for the next couple of weeks."

North Dakota tornado prompts safety discussion

Associated Press

WATFORD CITY, N.D. — No sirens or local alert system warned an RV park housing workers in North Dakota's oil patch about a Memorial Day tornado that injured nine people and damaged or destroyed 15 trailers.

Even with warning, there are scant places to take cover in the wide-open plain.

Though such weather is rare in the area, officials say the twister already has prompted discussion among companies and others about how to better protect the thousands of workers who have taken to temporary homes as they cash in on the region's booming industry.

McKenzie County Emergency Manager Jerry Samuelson said some oil companies have contacted him inquiring about shelters. He said the county might also discuss adding conditions to the zoning laws, though it might be cost prohibitive.

"We never had zoning laws in McKenzie County before the oil boom and now we do," he said. "And maybe that's something that needs to be incorporated into our zoning — if you're going to put up a big man camp up there, where is the shelter?"

The twister touched down about 7:50 p.m. Monday just south of Watford City, about 50 miles southeast of Williston. One of the nine people hurt was a 15-year-old girl who suffered critical injuries and was flown to a Minot hospital. The girl, who was visiting an aunt and uncle, was in an intensive-care unit but expected to survive, Samuelson said.

He did not release the girl's name or the community in which she lives. Eight other people were treated at a Watford City hospital for less serious injuries.

Tornadoes are rarely reported in McKenzie County, with only 14 since 1950, with no fatalities, according to weather service data. Monday's tornado was an EF-2 in strength on the 0-to-5 enhanced Fujita or EF scale, the weather service said, adding that preliminary information suggests the twister's winds peaked at 120 mph.

Many who have come to the area looking for work in wake of the oil boom live in hastily assembled trailer parks, known as man camps, which house prefabricated structures that resemble military barracks. Some companies rent blocks of hotel rooms for employees, and some workers sleep in their cars or in tents.

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ESTHER CEPEDA
Washington Post Writers Group

Childhood is wasted on the young. We all know this, but too few of us have taken the time to go back to the longings we felt deprived of in our youth.

Not me. I'm actually on a roll — a decade-long one.

Back in 2004, I was frustrated that my two sons, even at their tender ages of 4 and 7, had already rejected all the experiences that I so desperately desired as a kid — gymnastics and dance classes, piano lessons, Scouting and sports. To this day their apathy confounds me, but I stopped lamenting it and instead figured I'd better just provide enrichment activities for myself before I got too old.

At the age of 31, I found myself in a beginning ballet class, surrounded by 11-year-olds, learning how to leap, twirl and hold my head correctly. I danced until about a year and half later. While preparing for a recital in which I was to show off my hard-earned pointe skills, I shattered my wrist in another youthful endeavor: rollerblading.

The whole thing was laughable. I had broken my tailbone rollerblading when I was in college. Surely, the odds of taking another traumatic spill were low. Not so.

Over the following years I turned to safer interests spanning the many impulses I had as a child, but was never able to pursue because my parents were too cash-strapped from paying for my Catholic school education.

I learned to sew, knit and crochet, joined a scrapbooking club, became obsessed with the silent films of Lon Chaney, got braces. I took lessons in piano, guitar and voice, performing in recitals alongside youngsters who were already better musicians than I'd ever be.

There were the martial arts years during which my husband, two sons and I studied for our black belts in various Korean disciplines — mine was in swordcraft — and in the last few years we've pivoted to training in firearms sports.

In the past few months, though, I've leaned heavily into the toys and games I yearned for as a kid. I got a Lite-Brite for Christmas from my sons and started rapidly putting together jigsaw puzzles.

During our younger son's annual pilgrimage to our region's Lego store, I fell in love with the Maersk Triple-E, a 25-inch long, 1,516-brick replica of a real container ship. I felt so silly buying it for myself that I dismissed the idea of splurging on such an extravagant toy.

But I woke up in the middle of the night pining for that Lego set.

I ordered it online and then stalked the mail truck for a week. When I finally received it, I was disappointed only by how fast I was able to put the thing together. It came out to about 50 bucks per hour of joy, but who can put a price tag on the fulfillment of a lifetime of wishing I'd had a Lego set as a kid?

My latest obsession is cardistry. I fell under the spell of Ann Patchett's beautiful novel "The Magician's Assistant," captivated by her description of various playing card flourishes, passes, cuts and shuffles. I dug in.

Now I have surrounded myself with card decks of different makes, models, brands, sizes and finishes (Cambric, Linoid, and Air-Cushion for varying flexibility, stiffness or springiness).

My copy of Roberto Giobbi's "Card College, Vol. 1" (translated from the original German and featuring an introduction by the legendary Juan Tamariz, an international authority on the art of misdirection) just arrived. I figure that if I diligently put in a few minutes every day, I'll be able to impress my nieces and nephews after dinner next Christmas.

There are whole crowds of adults out there skateboarding, taking up gymnastics and learning musical instruments for the first time. We're lucky we weren't burned out by Stage Mom or Sport Dad parents who drove us to artistic or athletic perfection expecting what a recent Wall Street Journal article referred to as parental return on investment for pricey extracurricular activities.

Now is the perfect time to resurrect a hankering. Buy that unicycle, accordion or Play-Doh Fun Factory and get the most out of it all summer long.

OUR VIEW

Numbers don't lie about Midland's need for workers, housing

An economy with an unemployment rate below 3 percent is not always all it's cracked up to be. While there are definite perks to an economy on fire, there are growing pains as well. Top economists reiterated this in a story Sunday by Business reporter Cale Ottens. The message was that we cannot continue on the current path.

Whether we are talking about workforce issues, home-grown inflation or out-of-control housing prices, what is taking place in Midland is not healthy for an economy and many of our community's residents.

As Ottens wrote, "Midland's low unemployment rate and increase in the labor force, population and home prices are all intertwined with the Permian Basin's thriving oil and gas industry." That explanation is not lost on many here. It also provides a reason why community leaders have been reactive to issues. And it's the reactive nature of those leaders and booming conditions that have our community playing catch-up. Housing is going up at a pace that makes it a challenge to oversee proper construction. City officials say they have it covered, so we will take them at their word. Playing catch-up sometimes dictates that long-term planning takes a back seat to what we as a community experience today.

City public information officer Sara Higgins said officials are now planning and preparing for consistent growth in coming decades. As we have written here before, communities benefit greatly from long-term planning. We have also opined that our community's lack of planning during a three-to-five-year window left us having to play catch-up when it comes to housing.

Some community leaders have grown tired of the constant mention of housing in Reporter-Telegram editorials. They believe this editorial board is pushing too hard, and Midland could be on the verge of having too much housing. They believe economic conditions will not just cool off but that a bust is coming. At least two members of the city council are among those who believe that slowdown will happen sooner, not later. That mindset contradicts what local business leaders have told our community. It also could provide a challenge to City Hall when it comes to following any blueprint for long-term planning.

You don't have to be an economist to know that right now we don't have sufficient housing. We applaud the efforts of the city to rectify it. The numbers right now don't lie. Midland has the lowest unemployment rate in the nation, there are "now hiring" signs all over our city, some convenience stores are hiring for $15 an hour, a community's quality of life has been dramatically impacted, and top economists have told us the inability to catch up quickly enough has created inflation for residents.

This week, the Bureau of Labor Statistics will send out the next unemployment report that undoubtedly again will put Midland on top with the lowest unemployment rate in the nation. Again, in our view, the numbers don't lie. We need people to come to Midland, we need housing, and we need to make certain our community leaders are on the same page when planning for the next five years and beyond.

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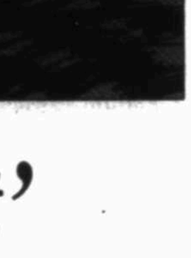
'Yes, girls can do that'

■ Society is not necessarily past expecting different things from men and women



RUBEN NAVARRETTE
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A little girl can break her daddy's heart with one question. A few days ago, my 9-year-old daughter — noticing I was in a suit and not my usual, casual attire — asked me where I was going, and I told her. I had been invited to judge a high school debate competition. She asked what that was all about, and I told her it is where two teams square off and make well-constructed arguments, trying to convince a judge of their point of view.

She asked, "Can girls do that?"

I can't imagine my 7-year-old son would ever ask such a question about whether boys would have these opportunities. He just assumes he can do anything he wants.

It both surprised and saddened me that, upon hearing about the world of high school debate, my daughter's first thought would be of limitations, barriers and closed doors. She wanted to know if she'd be welcomed there.

Foolishly, I thought our society was past this sort of thing. Earlier generations raised sons and daughters with different goals and expectations. Boys went to college and started careers. Girls got married and started families.

In our home, as in many modern homes, we don't think this way. I expect my daughters to be just as successful as my son, if not more so. If they put in the effort, the sky is the limit.

Now, because of recent events in the world of journalism, I've had to wonder whether — once my daughters become successful — they will get labeled as "pushy" by some jealous colleague or small-minded boss trying to put them in their place.

You mean there are pushy folks in journalism? You don't say? I've been writing for nearly 25 years, and I've worked for three different newspapers. I've been pushed around plenty, and I've pushed back. I've yelled and cursed and hung up on editors. I once saw two colleagues nearly come to blows after a supervisor insulted a subordinate. I've been reprimanded for challenging the boss.

Newsrooms are not for the faint of heart. It's a hyper-democratic environment in which everyone has a point of view. It's expected that you'll fight for your stories and defend your opinions. You're not supposed to fold under pressure. You're supposed to — dare I say it? — push.

So what in the world was Arthur Sulzberger Jr. thinking? The publisher of The New York Times recently said that Jill Abramson was dismissed as executive editor because of "arbitrary decision-making, a failure to consult and bring colleagues with her, inadequate communication and the public mistreatment of colleagues."

Is he kidding? An executive editor made "arbitrary" decisions? She failed to "consult and bring colleagues with her"? Why, alert the media!

At all three of the newspapers for which I worked, the people at the top "consulted" with the rest of us by sending out office memos telling us about changes to be made, and how it was going to be from now on. But then, in most of those cases, the top bosses were men. No one expected them to take a survey of employees before acting, or move forward on projects only after reaching a consensus. When they plowed ahead with boneheaded decisions, no one called them "pushy." They were seen as strong, decisive and firm. And, often when they failed, they were rewarded with a promotion. So they "failed up."

My daughters probably won't have that luxury. So, faced with the question, I quickly offered an answer.

"Yes, honey, of course, girls can do that," I said. "In fact, some of the best debaters I've seen — at the high school and college level — were girls and women. You can do anything a boy can do, and, if you work hard, you can do it better. Remember that."

She smiled, hugged me and walked away. I hope she went to study her vocabulary, or practice speaking in front of a mirror.

Later that day, the high school debate competition went off without a hitch. The teams — two boys versus two girls — were exceptional, and evenly matched. Both were assertive in arguing their positions. They challenged one another aggressively. But in the end, the girls won.

The lesson: No matter what your gender, if you want to be the first across the finish line, you have to push.

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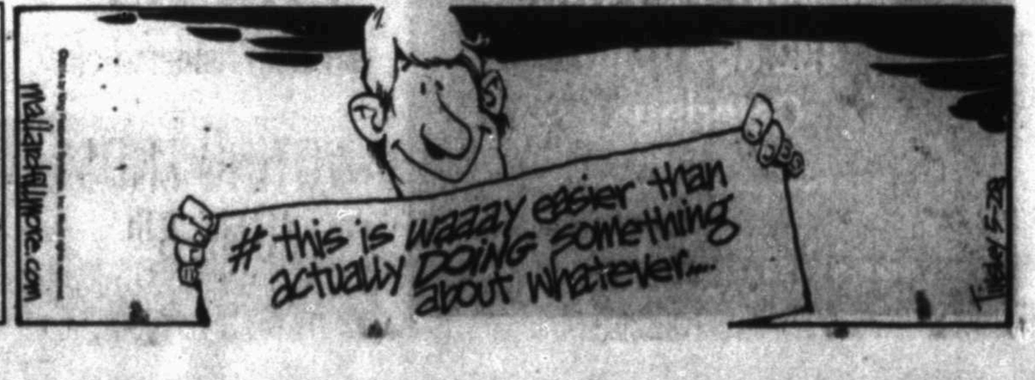



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In this photo taken Monday, Molly Schuyler of Bellevue, Neb., smiles after eating two 72-ounce steak meals in under 15 minutes at The Big Texan Steak Ranch in Amarillo. The competitive eater set a record. The countdown time of 45:03 means she finished both meals in 14 minutes, 57 seconds.

Woman eats two 72-ounce steaks

Associated Press

AMARILLO — A competitive eater from Nebraska has set a record by devouring a 72-ounce steak at an Amarillo steakhouse, and then decided to chase it down with another 72 ounces.

The Amarillo Globe-News and the Twitter page for the Big Texan Steak Ranch said Molly Schuyler on Monday downed the 4 1/2-pound slab of beef in 4 minutes, 58 seconds.

She then took a more pedestrian time of 9:59 to finish the second steak.

The restaurant invites anyone to a free meal if they eat not just the 72-ounce steak, but also a baked potato, shrimp cocktail, a salad and bread roll in less than an hour.

The previous record was 8:52.

In February, Schuyler, a 5-foot-7, 125-pound mother from Bellevue, Nebraska, ate 363 chicken wings in 30 minutes to set a record in Philadelphia.

New Mexico biofuel plant catches fire

Associated Press

ANTHONY, N.M. — A New Mexico biofuel facility caught fire Tuesday, sending a giant column of black smoke into the air and prompting authorities to briefly evacuate an area that includes about 350 homes.

A series of small explosions was reported at the Rio Valley Biofuels plant near the town of Anthony, but there was no immediate word of any injuries, Dona Ana County spokesman Jess Williams said. Operations manager Jed Smith said he believed all five employees who work at the plant were OK.

County officials activated their emergency operations center and declared a hazardous materials emergency, Williams said. The immediate area was evacuated, but residents were allowed back in to their homes by early afternoon.

Anthony is on the New Mexico-Texas line between Las Cruces, New Mexico, and El Paso, Texas.

Witnesses described hearing loud explosions and seeing large flames as fire trucks and emergency responders rushed to the scene.



Associated Press

In this handout photo provided by Julio Gonzalez, smoke rises from a fire at a biofuel facility near Anthony, N.M., on Tuesday, prompting an evacuation of an area a half-mile around the plant, authorities said.

"We heard a few explosions, then a really loud one," witness Miguel Favela said. "You could hear the fire burning."

The fire was first reported shortly after 9 a.m. A Rio Valley Biofuels manager said about 2 1/2 hours later that it was "basically out — smoldering."

Crews were still dousing the site with water several hours after the accident.

Williams and Smith both said the cause of the fire was not yet known.

The half-mile area around the plant was evacuated because of the threat of blasts from the methanol on the premises, authorities said. Other chemicals on site include vegetable oil, hydrochloric acid and biodiesel fuel.

According to Rio Valley Biofuels' website, the company began commercially producing bio-diesel fuel from recycled oil from local food processors in 2006. The company said it gets oil from sources that include vegetable oil, crude cottonseed, sunflower, soy, palm and canola.

The plant produces between 3,000 and 6,000 gallons a day, the company website says.

County hazardous-materials specialists plan to inspect the site further to determine what chemicals may have been affected or released in the fire.

STATEBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

PLAINVIEW

Jimmy Dean Museum planned for Wayland Baptist

Groundbreaking is planned for next month on a museum dedicated to the country singer and sausage mogul Jimmy Dean.

Wayland Baptist University and the Museum of the Llano Estacado will break ground June 24 on the Jimmy Dean Museum addition to the museum on the Wayland campus in Plainview, Dean's hometown.

The Dean family contributed $1 million to the university in 2008 in what is the largest cash gift in school history. The museum will cost about $5 million to complete and will house memorabilia from Jimmy Dean's personal collection. It will depict Dean's life from its most beginnings in northeastern Plainview top his career in music, television and business.

A bronze statue of Dean will be delivered this week and will be moved to the museum entrance.

CORPUS CHRISTI

4 killed in 3-vehicle wreck near Refugio

Officials say four people have died in a three-vehicle wreck after a sport utility vehicle hydroplaned near Refugio.

Department of Public Safety spokesman Cpl. Charlie Ramirez said a Chevrolet Suburban traveling south on U.S. Highway 77 hydroplaned early Monday evening on the wet highway, going into the northbound lane, where it struck a Ford Mustang. A Nissan Altima then struck the Mustang.

Ramirez tells the Corpus Christi Caller-Times two people in the Suburban and two people in the Mustang died.

He said there were 12 people total in the three vehicles. Other passengers suffered injuries that were not considered life threatening.

Ramirez said the Suburban was traveling to the Rio Grande Valley. The cars were headed to the Houston area.

Refugio is about 40 miles northeast of Corpus Christi.

DALLAS

George W. Bush has partial knee replacement

Former President George W. Bush has successfully had a partial knee replacement in Chicago.

Bush spokesman Freddy Ford said Bush had the procedure Saturday and returned home to Dallas Monday. Ford said in an email Tuesday that Bush was "doing great" and was able to "get up, walk around, and go up and down stairs just a couple hours after the procedure."

Ford said he wouldn't release further details.

Bush is known as a fitness buff. Since leaving the White House the 67-year-old has hosted an annual 100-kilometer mountain bike ride in which he rides along with those injured in wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. He participated in the ride earlier this month at his Crawford ranch.

He had a heart procedure to ease a blocked artery in August.

ARLINGTON

DWI officer's patrol car hit by drunken driver

Arlington police say a suspected drunken driver crashed into a patrol car while an officer on DWI patrol was responding to a major accident call over the weekend.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported that the officer and the driver were treated and later released from a local hospital after the early Sunday.

The 53-year-old driver was arrested after being discharged and faces a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Police said the officer was traveling down a street when the driver pulled out in front of him from a side street.

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High court rules for death-row inmates with low IQ

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Twelve years after barring execution of the mentally disabled, the Supreme Court on Tuesday prohibited states in borderline cases from relying only on intelligence test scores to determine whether a death row inmate is eligible to be executed.

In a 5-4 decision that split the court's liberal and conservative justices, the court said that Florida and a handful of other states must look beyond IQ scores when inmates test in the range of 70 to 75. IQ tests have a margin of error, and those inmates whose scores fall within the margin must be allowed to present other evidence of mental disability, Justice Anthony Kennedy said in his majority opinion.

A score of 70 is widely accepted as a marker of mental disability, but medical professionals said people who score as high as 75 can be considered intellectually disabled because of the test's margin of error.

In 2002, the court said that executing mentally disabled inmates violates the Eighth Amendment prohibition on cruel and unusual punishment. But until Tuesday, the justices left to the states the determination of who is mentally disabled.

Kennedy said the finality of capital punishment requires giving inmates the chance to present evidence of mental disability in borderline cases.

"The states are laboratories for experimentation, but those experiments may not deny the basic dignity the Constitution protects," Kennedy said in an opinion that was joined by the court's four more liberal justices.

At most, eight other states employ a similar cutoff of 70, Kennedy said. He listed those states as: Alabama, Arizona, Delaware, Kansas, Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia and Washington. Kansas has not executed anyone in nearly 50 years and Washington recently suspended its death penalty, he said.

In dissent for the four justices to the right of Kennedy, Justice Samuel Alito said the court has no evidence that relying on test scores just above 70 is unreasonable and so should not be held unconstitutional.

Tuesday's decision came in the case of 68-year-old Freddie Lee Hall. Lawyers for Hall said there is ample evidence to show that he is mentally disabled, even though most of his multiple IQ tests have yielded scores topping 70. Hall has been on death row for more than 35 years since being convicted of murdering a pregnant 21-year-old woman in 1978.

In nine tests administered between 1968 and 2008, Hall scored as low as 60 and as high as 80, with his most recent scores between 69 and 74, according to the state.

The case is Hall v. Florida, 12-10882.

In other decisions

■ In a pair of unanimous rulings in favor of law enforcement authorities, the justices threw out claims from anti-Bush protesters against Secret Service agents and from the daughter of a man who was shot repeatedly by Arkansas police to end a high-speed chase.

■ The court divided, also 5-4, in holding that Michigan cannot sue an American Indian tribe to block the opening of a casino that is located away from the tribe's reservation.

Obama charts end to Afghan war by 2016

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Fake appointments, unofficial logs kept on the sly and appointments made without telling the patient are among tricks used to disguise delays in seeing and treating veterans at Veterans Affairs hospitals and clinics.

They're not a new phenomenon. VA officials, veteran service organizations and members of Congress have known about them for years.

The "gaming strategies" were used to make it appear veterans were getting appointments within target times set by the department, according to a 2010 department memo to VA facility managers aimed at fighting the practices.

The memo from William Schoenhard, then the VA's deputy undersecretary for health operations and management, said that when a medical appointment wasn't available within the 30-day target time then used by VA, some schedulers would:

■ Make a fake appointment within the 30-day period but not tell the patient. The appointment would be canceled later and a new appointment would be made to meet a new 30-day target.

■ Note on a paper log the actual distant date of an appointment, but not enter it into computer until within 30 days of the date.

■ Give the patient an appointment at whatever date was next available, but log it in the computer as the date the veteran had asked for.

Schoenhard's nine-page memo ordered the practices stopped and instructed managers on how to detect them. Then he added:

"Please be cautioned ... additional new or modified gaming strategies may have emerged, so do not consider this list a full description of all current possibilities of ... practices that need to be addressed."

Or as Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., put it at hearing this month: "As soon as new directives are put out, they're torn apart to find out how to get around the requirements."

"Cooking the books" at VA hospitals has exploded into public view since allegations arose that up to 40 patients may have died at the Phoenix VA hospital while awaiting care.

The department's inspector general said he's found no evidence so far that any of those deaths were caused by delays. He's widened his office's probe to include 26 VA centers but hasn't specified just what is being investigated at the newly added locations.

There are some 1,700 VA health facilities nationwide, including hospitals, clinics and residential rehabilitation centers. Investigators are now trying to determine how widespread is the practice of falsifying records. But the fact it is a problem has been detailed in VA inspector general reports and Government Accountability Office reports to Congress going back a decade.

The 2010 Schoenhard memo cited practices identified by a task force monitoring access to care.

"We have worked very hard ... to root out these inappropriate uses of the scheduling system and these abuses," VA's Robert Petzel testified at a Senate hearing this month. "This has been a very important thing to us for at least the last four years."

Petzel was the top VA health care official until he was forced to resign ahead of his retirement previously scheduled for later this year.

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First lady responds to school meal critics

By Mary Clare Jalonick
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — First lady Michelle Obama is striking back at House Republicans who are trying to weaken healthier school meal standards, saying any effort to roll back the guidelines is "unacceptable."

The rules set by Congress and the administration over the last several years require more whole grains in the lunch line and set limits on sodium, sugar and fat. The first lady met Tuesday with school nutrition officials who said the guidelines are working in their schools.

The event was an unusual move for the first lady, who has largely stayed away from policy fights since she lobbied for congressional passage of a child nutrition law in 2010.

"The last thing we can afford to do is play politics with kids' health," Obama told participants.

An agriculture spending bill

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Pablo Martinez Monsivais/AP

First lady Michelle Obama speaks to school leaders and experts surrounding school nutrition, Tuesday, in the Eisenhower Executive Office Building on the White House complex. The meeting provided an opportunity for Obama to hear directly from these leaders about the work they are doing to improve school nutrition in their local districts.



RAISING FUNDS



Travis Elementary School fifth-graders to date have raised close to $2,100 for Texas Permian Basin Honor Flight — which sponsors a trip to Washington, DC., for area veterans. The students participated in Keep Midland Beautiful's Trash for Cash and sought donations from community members at the Honor Flight Telethon on Memorial Day. The students are working with Travis teacher Becky Rejon, who is involved with Honor Flight.

Courtesy photos

Greenwood HS top grads thank moms for support

By Tessa Duvall
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The valedictorian and salutatorian of Greenwood High School credit much of their academic successes to the support of a certain special woman in their lives — their mothers.

"When you're a young child, that's when you're developing the most, you're learning the most," salutatorian Ashley Sullivan said. "Your parents are going to be your biggest influence. They're the people you're around the most, and I probably couldn't have asked for a better mom to do that for me."

Valedictorian Kevin Campbell also said his mother laid a strong educational foundation for him. Campbell was homeschooled by his mother until the ninth grade.

"She taught me how to work hard, and be focused," he said. "She taught me well, and I had a good work ethic when I got into high

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VALEDICTORIAN
Campbell



SALUTATORIAN
Sullivan

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Excessive praise may sometimes be counterproductive

Many schools in Midland are already out for summer break, and others finish up this week. It's time for much-needed rest and recreation, but also time for reflection. Both educators and parents make literally thousands of decisions each day, and it is important that we consider — though it's sometimes uncomfortable — the effects of those decisions on the children with whom we work. I've already started, and my thoughts and reading just this week have raised some interesting questions about things we do to enhance or to limit the progress and the potential of our children.

I call the month of May the recognition season in schools across the country — a time to celebrate children for all their accomplishments. On the surface, the idea of praise could not be a bad thing. now could it? Surely, praise is one key to success. After all, flattering words make a child feel good, bolster their self-esteem and thus fuel future achievement. Well, it seems that the issue is not as clear-cut as it appears.

Carol Dwerk, a Stanford University psychologist and author of "Mindsets," challenges the notion of praise, in particular praise that labels a child as the best, the smartest or the ultimate at anything. She suggests that praise, if attached to a label, can actually limit a child's potential by making them fearful to try new things, less likely to take on new challenges, and even more likely to give up. Dwerk suggests that a far better approach is pointing to effort, strategies and persistence in how we frame the praise that we give our children.

Here's a concrete example. Your child makes an "A" on his math final, and you say, "You are obviously a math genius, well on your way to acing the SAT!" Dwerk's research indicates a more effective approach might be to say something like, "The strategies you used to prepare for this test seem to have been effective. You started early, reviewed notes and old quizzes, worked with a study group and put in the necessary study time."

The difference may seem subtle, but the temptation to heap effusive praise on our children seems all too habitual. We want our children to feel good, to "bubble wrap" them, to shelter them from disappointment, to protect them. After all, isn't that our job? I submit that the best armor of all is competence, and that the practice and persistence necessary for hard-won skills and steady progress may indeed require that we change the message in very specific ways.

In a New York magazine article published Aug. 3, 2007 ("How Not to Talk to Your Kids: The Inverse Power of Praise"), Po Bronson summarizes the work of Dwerk and others on the topic of praise. It is well worth reading and easy to find with a quick Internet search. Take this quote as an example. "In the opinion of cognitive scientist Daniel T. Willingham, a teacher who praises a child may be unwittingly sending the message that the student reached the limit of his innate ability, while a teacher who criticizes a pupil conveys the message that he can improve his performance even further."

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Wyoming's rejection of national science standards is troublesome



DERRICK Z. JACKSON
Boston Herald columnist

Wyoming's rejection of new national science standards because they include the teaching of climate change reminds me of a book I read to my kids, "Gila Monsters Meet You at the Airport." It's about a Manhattan boy who moves west and is filled with scary stereotypes. He meets a boy there who thinks the East is full of gangsters and alligators living in the sewers. Of course, the stereotypes do not pan out in this gentle poking at ignorance.

But there is nothing gentle about the spasm of ignorance that continues to prolong national inaction on climate change. The Wyoming Legislature refused to approve the national standards because it was afraid they would turn children against the state's coal and oil industry.

State education board chairman Ron Micheli told the Casper Star-Tribune he does not accept climate change as a fact and that the new standards are "very prejudiced in my opinion against fossil-fuel development." State Representative Matt Teeters said, "There's all kind of social implications" in saying global warming is settled science. "I don't think that would be good for Wyoming."

Meanwhile, South Carolina is considering adding guidelines to soften the references to climate change. To be sure, these are only two states. Eleven others and the District of Columbia have already adopted the national standards, including the coal state of Kentucky. A legislative committee had rejected them, but Gov. Steve Beshear approved them anyway. His office said the standards are "a critical component in preparing Kentuckians for college and the workforce."

But even as major scientific reports continue to warn that the effects of climate change are already here, fossil-fuel disciples try to chip away at what kids can learn about it in school. Last year, the Texas Board of Education faced several questions on whether the risks of hydraulic fracturing were being exaggerated in a high school environmental science textbook and whether any downsides to renewable energy were being ignored.

One complaint was that the text failed to point out that wind energy is unreliable and cannot be easily transported from rural areas to cities. The publisher, Houghton Mifflin, responded that the text "explicitly states that 'one of the problems of wind energy is transporting electricity from rural areas where it is generated to urban centers where it is needed.'"

But that is troubling, because by the time the textbook hits the classroom, the issue will on its way to being solved. Power companies in Texas and the Midwest are addressing the issue with billions of dollars in transmission-line upgrades.

Bit by bit, step by step, these challenges add up to an America that remains more ambivalent about climate change and what to do about it than most other developed nations. According to a Pew Research global survey last year, only 40 percent of Americans considered climate change a major threat to the nation, placing the United States among the least concerned of the 39 nations surveyed. A Gallup poll last month found that the percentage of Americans who worry "a great deal" about global warming, 34 percent, is virtually unchanged since 1989.

One reason we are not universally concerned is because we are not universally informed. This willful ignorance about man's responsibility for global warming allows Republicans and fossil-fuel-state Democrats to stonewall a national climate change policy, and leads most of the 2016 Republican presidential hopefuls to believe they can win on a platform that includes denying the conclusions of an overwhelming percentage of climate scientists.

In Wyoming, Micheli said he opposed the science standards because they do not teach "the cost-benefit analysis" of controlling climate change. With each state that denies science, the nation moves closer to the tipping point where the cost is beyond control.

Obituaries



(Nell) Joan Bell

(Nell) Joan Bell, 85 of Midland, passed away on Sunday, May 25, 2014, at Midland Memorial Hospital.

She was born August 26, 1928, in Littlefield, Texas to Sidney G. Pace and Ivy Pearl Pace.

She married Foy D. Bell April 19, 1948 in Littlefield. To this union was born Foy (Randy) Randolph Bell, Rhonda Ann Bell Glover, and Sidney Rex Bell.

She was preceded in death by her husband Foy and sons, Randy and Rex.

Joan was one of 10 children born to Sidney and Pearl Pace; Roy Ansel Pace, Virginia Ruth Pace Zachary, John Pace, Sidney Elizabeth Pace Hall, Iris Pace Jennings, Ruby Lehman Pace Jones, Ronald Lynn Pace, Sherry Pace Simpson Johnson, and Judith June Pace Ward.

She is survived by her daughter Rhonda Glover of Odessa; grandsons, Randall Cavender and wife Melissa and their daughter Annaleise, Jason and Michael Bell, Mason and Justin Bell all of Odessa and Ruben Bell and wife Brendy and their sons Luke and Nick Bell of Woodward, Oklahoma; Joan's siblings, Sidney Elizabeth Hall of Lubbock, Lehman Jones, and Ron Pace of Littlefield, Sherry Johnson and husband Bill of Houston, Texas, and Judith Ward and husband Dale of Levelland, Texas; numerous nephews, nieces and cousins.

Foy and Joan lived in various places in the West Texas-New Mexico area before Foy's retirement in 1991 from Permian Corporation. On retirement in 1991, they made their home in Midland. Joan was an active member of Fairmont Park Church of Christ. She worked at various times of her life in such occupations as a telephone operator, selling drilling mud and chemicals and as a hostess and cashier at the Barn Door in Odessa. Her friendship will be missed by all who knew her.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Pearl Pace Reading Lab c/o Dr. Ronna Pribett Department of Humanities at Lubbock Christian University, 5601 19th ST, Lubbock, Texas 79407.

Viewing will be from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 28, 2014, at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home. Receiving of friends will also take place Wednesday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Funeral service is set for Thursday, May 29, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. at Fairmont Park Church of Christ, 3813 N. Midland Dr., with Ministers Don Mitchell and Bill Johnson officiating. A graveside service will follow at 3:00 p.m. at Memorial Park in Littlefield, Texas.

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

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James "Jimmy" Walter Brock

James "Jimmy" Walter Brock was born on October 10, 1930, in Weatherford, Texas and passed away on May 23, 2014, in Midland, Texas.

Jimmy went to school in Kermit and graduated in 1948; he continued his education and played football for Ranger Junior College, University of New Mexico in Albuquerque and Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas.

Jimmy was a bull rider while he was in college. He was known as "Little Rock Brock" from "Gunsite, Texas".

Jimmy worked in various jobs in the West Texas oilfields in the early days of his career. Through his hard work and determination, he created Mid-Tex Construction and Mid-West Equipment of Odessa. He later established Brock Oil and Gas in Midland which he operated at the time of his death.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother, M.W. and Myrtle Lee Brock of Kermit and eldest son, James W. Brock, Jr. of Midland.

He is survived by his wife, Beverly Jordan Brock; son, Lindy Brock of Kerrville; daughter, Kristen Grulke of Austin; stepdaughter, Brandi Rider of Georgetown and stepson, Brandt Jordan of Katy.

He is also survived by eleven grandchildren and two great grandchildren; his sister, Linda Knight, three nieces of Kermit; Jean Gallagher of Kerrville, mother of his children plus countless friends.

A celebration of his life will be held on Saturday, May 31, 2014, at the American Legion Woods Lynch Post 19 in Midland from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that a donation be made to the Jimmy Brock Memorial Domino Tournament, and sent to American Legion Woods Lynch Post 19, c/o Ed Handley, 501 Veterans Airpark Lane, Midland, Texas, 79705.

Death Notices

Betty Lou Henry

Betty Lou Henry, age 87, of Odessa, died at her home on May 20, 2014, in Flower Mound, Texas.

She is survived by her three children, Cathryn Lou Carrell, Carolyn Lee Hogue, and James Counts Henry.

Services will be held at a later date.

University of Houston students see rise in campus burglaries

By Benjamin Wermund
Houston Chronicle

Late last month, two men allegedly drove to the University of Houston and tailed another car to make their way into a gated student apartment development. One of the men approached a female student on the third floor and, after a brief struggle, stole her phone. The other acted as getaway driver.

Two days later, the two men, who later were arrested and face theft charges, stole another student's phone, according to a UH news release.

They told police they were specifically targeting college students. They may not be alone.

As UH has added dormitories and apartments to lure students to live on campus, some crime has followed, the latest federal figures show.

From 2010 to 2012, as UH added space for thousands more students, the number of annual burglaries on campus rose steadily from 14 to 87. The 2012 figure is higher than those of Texas A&M University and the University of Texas at Austin, which each has more students living on campus than UH.

Crime 'comes with it'

UH's transformation into a Tier One institution included a push to make the university a place to live as well as study. But the crime "comes along with it," said Bret Collier, chief of staff for the UH Police Department.

"More students living on campus has been transformational and positive for UH," Collier said. "Unfortunately, more rooms and more people living on campus account for an increase in overall opportunities for crime."

Since 2011, UH has opened three apartment developments with space for 3,000 students. Over the same time, UH more than doubled the number of security guards on campus — adding 65 guards for a total of 110.

Still, more than twice as many burglaries occurred on the UH campus in 2012 than at nearby Texas Southern University, which saw 43 — down from 59 the year before. UT-Austin recorded 23 burglaries in 2012, and Texas A&M logged 60.

UH students said they hear about robberies and burglaries frequently.

Sereen Zaini, a 23-year-old who just graduated, said she would stick with a large group of friends when moving around campus, especially late at night.

Zaini, who studied graphic design, said she would see another student walking with a dog in the fine arts building, where Zaini would regularly stay late into the night working on projects. Zaini was told the girl had been attacked on the fourth floor of the building and brought the dog with her ever since. UH officials said they had no record of the attack.

'Constant' email blasts

Email blasts from UH police about incidents such as the phone robberies last month are "pretty constant," said Deepa Titus, a 21-year-old accounting senior. Still, she said she feels comfortable for the most part, because it hasn't happened to her or anyone she knows.

"I hear about it all the time, but I don't really feel like it's real," Titus said.

The UH Police Department has 52 commissioned officers and 110 security guards covering a campus of nearly 700 acres. With more than 60,000 people on campus at any given time, UH is the size of a small city, Collier said.

"As such, we're subject to the same amount of crime and violence any community faces," Collier said. "However, statistically speaking, the university remains as safe and secure as most areas of Houston and safer than many."

Joseph Gallegos, a 22-year-old public relations junior who commutes to school from downtown, agreed.

"People are worried about safety," Gallegos said. "I'm more scared downtown than I am here."

Community creates soccer club for refugee children

By Vincent T. Davis
San Antonio Express-News



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SA International coach James Hope and the team break at the end of an Under-14 boys game in the Rhapsody 66 League at the Rhapsody Soccer Complex on Saturday.

SAN ANTONIO — Thirteen-year-old Bishal Magar dreams of becoming a professional soccer player, like his idol, Neymar da Silva Santos Jr. of FC Barcelona. The soccer phenom wasn't far from Bishal's mind as he sprinted across the soccer field at the Rhapsody Soccer Complex.

The teen is a midfielder for one of the boys teams of the SA International Club, which drew loud praise from its coach, James Hope, as the team battled the Black Lions in a match this month.

"Attaboy, well done," Hope, 46, yelled, surrounded by Frederic Mboyam, 13, Abdalla Ahmed, also 13, and other members of Bishal's team. "Good job, excellent!"

The coach's praise lifted spirits but could not propel the team to victory. It lost a 5-4 squeaker.

"We want them to belong," Hope said. "It's a path to our society where they can become productive citizens."

Hope's lessons are part of the SA International program, created by the San Antonio soccer community for refugee youth who lack the resources to play in soccer leagues. More than 80 refugee youth, ages 11 to 15, play on three boys and two girls teams.

Many of the players and their families fled persecution and war and arrived in San Antonio under the Catholic Charities refugee service program. For many of the youth, it's their first time living outside of a refugee camp. The players of the teams are from more than 10 countries, including the Congo, Honduras, Iran, Kenya, Nepal, and Thailand.

"We're San Antonio's international team," said club founder Deidra Hagdorn.

They wear gently used soccer gear. Some players have shin guards, some don't. The soles of some of their shoes are peeling away. But their biggest challenge, volunteers said, is transportation to and from practice and games.

"I see these kids, they can't get involved because of limited or no funds," Hagdorn said. "If they miss the bus, they don't go to school; no one has a car to take them there."

The club began when Hagdorn had a vision to do something for middle school refugee children in the Northside and North East school districts. She learned that school was their social life, and after school many would hang out and potentially get in trouble.

Talking with their teachers, she found there was an alternative — the youngsters loved soccer.

"I was thinking how fun it would be to get them involved with soccer," Hagdorn said. "I want the kids to play and off of the streets."

She called her friend, coach Hope, of the Crockett Soccer Club, who works with kids on limited incomes and helps them get involved in soccer.

Then others came on board — soccer trainers, soccer clubs, Bobby Blunt of the Dragons Soccer Club and Margaret Costantino, director of the Center for Refugee Services. Hagdorn and Stephanie Moody created a crowdfunding page online to raise funds for uniforms, cleats and help with transportation.

Their first practice was Jan. 25. The wore jeans, boots, flip-flops, the same gear they wore during neighborhood games. One of the trainers gave a barefoot player his cleats.

But they have performed well as teams. One of the boys teams became district champs and second in state in the South Texas Youth Soccer Association.

Organizers are proud of the youth and grateful for the support the teams have received. Rich Moore, who helps with transportation on SaturCay, said the club gives the youth an anchor.

"They know we're going to be there to pick them up," he said. "It's something they can rely on. It's important to give them some roots when they land somewhere."

Midland College receives grant to help residents deal with housing issues

From staff reports

The Midland College Business & Economic Development Center has received more than $15,000 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to help counsel Midlanders with housing issues.

The center's associate director, Betsy Fredericks, said the funding will support free services ranging from assisting lower-income persons find an affordable apartment to helping first-time homebuyers avoid unsustainable mortgages.

The Midland College BEDC is one of 232 local housing counseling agencies receiving a grant, according to a press release from MC. The grant will cover 12 consecutive months of service and was awarded in response to a proposal submitted earlier this year. MC may receive the grant for a second year if the center continues to provide the services, Fredericks said.

The center is located at MC's Cogdell Learning Center, 201 W. Florida Ave. Summer hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

For more information, call 684-4309.



Susan Walsh/AP

President Barack Obama talks with Deidre Carillo, 18, of San Antonio, sitting in her electric car as part of the 2014 White House Science Fair exhibits that are on display in the State Dining Room of the White House in Washington, Tuesday. Obama was celebrating the student winners of a broad range of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) competitions from across the country.

Obama promotes math, tech aid at science fair

By Jim Kuhnhenn
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama confessed to feeling a little bit, well, unaccomplished.

There was the catapult-armed mannequin who shot three-point baskets, the 18-year-old cancer researcher and the second-grade Girl Scouts from Tulsa, Oklahoma, with their Lego "flood-proof" bridge design.

"I'm such an under-achiever," Obama said after chatting with Eric Chen at Tuesday's annual White House Science Fair. Chen, a Harvard-bound San Diego, California, high school senior, won grand prizes at the 2013 Google Science Fair and the Siemens Competition in Math, Science, and Technology for identifying new drug candidates for the treatment of influenza.

It's an annual self-deprecating routine for the Harvard trained lawyer and 43rd president of the United States, who happily recounts his personal challenges in the fields of science, technology, engineering and math.

"One year I accidentally killed some plants that were part of my experiment," he told Tuesday's White House Science Fair audience. "Another time a bunch of mice escaped in my grandmother's apartment. These experiments did not take me straight to the White House."

This year, Obama drew special attention to the science and engineering achievements of girls and young women, noting that men outnumber women studying and working in engineering and computer science.

"Half our team we're not even putting on the field," he said. "We've got to change those numbers."

Obama announced a new $35 million Education Department competition to train the best math and science teachers. He also announced and expansion of AmeriCorps to help teach science and math to 18,000 low-income students this summer, and national science and math mentoring projects in Chicago; Philadelphia; San Francisco; Allentown, Pennsylvania; Indianapolis; the Research Triangle Park in North Carolina; and Wichita, Kansas.

He noted that he often greets champion athletes at the White House, most recently the Super Bowl champion Seattle Seahawks. But he said accomplished students deserve such honors, too.

"As a society, we have to celebrate outstanding work by young people in science at least as much as we do Super Bowl winners because super-star biologists and engineers and rocket scientists and robot builders, they don't always get the attention that they deserve, but they're what's going to transform our society," he said.

San Antonio ISD incorporates technology into its music program

By Emily Rodriguez
San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO — Cirilo Campos was so inspired by his mariachi teacher at Irving Middle School that he went back to teach music at the same school when he received his degree a decade later.

"Many students have come through this 25-year-old program. If we keep getting students who were taught to come to the program, the new ideas are endless," the mariachi director said.

Campos' own idea — taking the generations-old music into the digital age — recently received a financial boost from the San Antonio ISD Foundation, which presented the program with almost $5,000 in grant money. The project involves buying iPads and SmartMusic, software that allows a student musician to record himself practicing and then gives immediate feedback.

It's a unique approach to education. Campos and Carla Ramirez, the assistant mariachi director, will use the new tool to help provide personalized instruction to students.

"This is what SAISD is doing that is different from every district," Campos said. "We're incorporating music; we're incorporating technology and bringing in the new era of teaching."

Seventh-grade guitarist Paloma Arellano said the software will evolve how music is taught to students.

"I honestly didn't know how to read music or how to hold a guitar until Mr. Campos and Mrs. Ramirez taught me," she said.

At Irving Academy, the music arts charter school within Irving Middle School, technology teacher Ernest Gonzales was awarded more than $4,500 to allow the mariachi students to record and produce their own album. Gonzales will use the grant money to purchase Ableton, a program for students to create, record and perform music using computers. He will teach a new course this fall designed to prepare students for the business side of music production while they create an album. Gonzales hopes to eventually create a school record label.

Campos said recording should begin in December; he anticipates the album will be completed in February.

"I really hope that Irving Academy and the West Side can become a little hotbed of electronic music and begin a community here at the school," Gonzales said. "They have a lot of creativity and they just need some kind of way of expressing that. This will be the perfect thing for them."

Midlanders win National Merit scholarships

From staff reports

Two Midland students are among the approximately 2,500 National Merit scholarship winners announced Tuesday.

Chandler Cavitt, a Lee High School senior, received a scholarship from the University of Oklahoma. Cavitt plans to study biomedical engineering.

Ashley Cross, a graduate of Early College High School at Midland College, received a scholarship from Texas A&M University, where she plans to study forestry.

Each sponsor college selects its scholarship winners from among the 2014 National Merit Scholarship Program Finalists who plan to attend that institution.

The scholarship provides between $500 and $2,000 annually for up to four years of undergraduate study.

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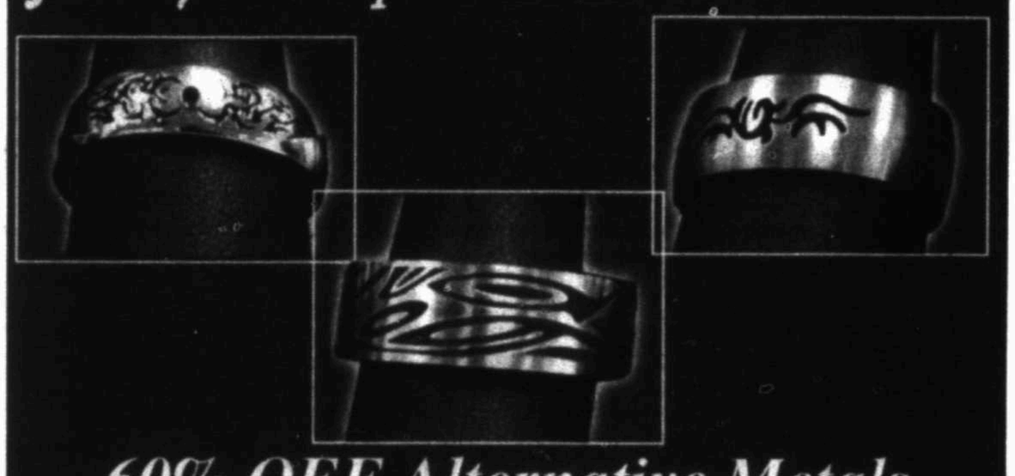

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Another researcher who studies a complementary subject is Angela Lee Duckworth, who runs the Duckworth Laboratory at the University of Pennsylvania. She studies two variables contributing to success — grit and self-control. As described on the Duckworth Laboratory website, "Grit is the tendency to sustain interest in and effort toward very long-term goals. Self-control is the voluntary regulation of behavioral, emotional and attentional impulses in the presence of momentarily gratifying temptations or diversions." Check out her TED talks on the subject.

Duckworth believes we are more likely to set and to stick with challenging goals when we believe that our efforts can change the outcome. We can learn to exercise this aspect of "grit" in challenging situations. Duckworth talks about the costs, risks and benefits considered in deciding whether to meet challenges head-on or to back away for fear of failure. What if the well-meaning praise that we heap on our children is counterproductive to our long-term goal: parenting and teaching children how to be all that they can be?

Here are two questions that I intend to pursue this summer. How can parents and teachers affirm our children in ways that make it more likely that they will expend more effort, take on new challenges with confidence and reach their full potential? What practices do we need to abandon in our homes and in our schools that are counterproductive to this objective? I challenge each of you to do some thinking as well. We just might discover a better way to success.

Patricia Maurer is the head of preschool and lower school at Trinity School.

GISD

From 1B

school. My parents kept me going, always encouraged me. That'd be the No. 1 reason I'm valedictorian."

Campbell said his mom, who used to work as an engineer, also played a role in his decision to study engineering at Texas A&M University.

"She always wanted to get us into stuff like that," he said. "She thought it was great fun, to do physics things when we were homeschooled. She told us, 'Physics is fun.'"

Sullivan, who plans to attend Midland College before transferring to Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi to study business, said her mom always put education first.

"She always tried to find an opportunity to teach us in everything," she said.

Sullivan recalled how car trips became a chance for education.

"In the car, she would just teach us things," she said. "Anything she could see a learning opportunity from, she would teach my sister and me."

GISD top graduates fast facts

KEVIN CAMPBELL, VALEDICTORIAN, 18
Son of Daniel and Shirley Campbell
Plans to attend Texas A&M University for mechanical engineering
High school activities included: theater, tennis, UIL One-Act Play, UIL Academic Literary Criticism, National Honor Society
Community service: Christmas in Action, volunteer with blood drives, Children's Praise Team at First Baptist Church
Attends First Baptist Church

ASHLEY SULLIVAN, SALUTATORIAN, 18
Daughter of Jim and Beckie Sullivan, and Teresa and Shane Warnick
Plans to attend Midland College, then transfer to Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi to study business
High school activities included: basketball, National Honor Society, Students in Philanthropy, PALS, Student Council
Community service: Greenwood Church of Christ food pantry, volunteer with the public library's Teen Advisory Board
Attends Greenwood Church of Christ

LUNCH

From 1B

approved by a House subcommittee last week would allow schools to waive the standards if they have a net loss on school food programs for a six-month period. Rep. Robert Aderholt, R-Ala., who wrote the bill, said he was responding to requests from school food directors. The House Appropriations Committee is expected to approve the spending bill this week.

At the White House event, school nutrition directors from New York City to Los Angeles to a rural county in Georgia told the first lady success stories about implementing the standards and said they would be disappointed to see any roll backs.

"We're not just talking about food, we're talking about education," said David Binkle of the Los Angeles Unified School District. He said participation is up in his district, along with test scores and graduation rates.

The first lady asked the group for advice about how they can better respond to schools that are struggling, and suggested that the conversation should be focused on helping those schools rather than rolling back some of the standards completely.





Courtesy photo

Winners in the third annual Midland Crime Stoppers poster contest are: high school category, Mike Jacquez, from left, Francisco Dominguez-Delgado and Sergio Martinez; and junior high category, Kimberly McDonald, Daisy Gonzalez and Allison Gamertsfelder.

Winners named in Crime Stoppers' poster contest

From staff reports

The winners in Midland Crime Stoppers' third annual poster contest were recognized May 21. The first-place winners' posters will be the official campus posters for the 2014-15 school year. The winners also received cash prizes.

High school category

■ First place: Mike Jacquez, Midland High School junior, $375.

■ Second place: Francisco Dominguez-Delgado, MHS sophomore, $150.

■ Third place: Sergio D. Martinez, MHS senior, $50.

Junior high school category

■ First place: Kimberly McDonald, San Jacinto Junior High eighth-grader, $275.

■ Second place: Daisy Gonzalez, San Jacinto eighth-grader, $125.

■ Third place: Allison Gamertsfelder, San Jacinto seventh-grader, $50.

High school honorable mention awards: MHS seniors Pam Arrendondo, Abigail Galindo, Fernanda Garcia, Carly Norwood and Trystin Teale; MHS junior Jay Elliott; and MHS sophmores Jasmine Ceniceros and Tania Pruneda.

Junior high honorable mention awards: Abell Junior High eighth-graders Joslyn Cavitt, Michelle Salinas and Brandon Tran; San Jacinto eighth-graders Katy Fedorova, Ashley McClanahan and Hlawn Ting; and San Jacinto seventh-graders Jacelyn Golden and Michael Polinske.









TODAY: Sunny High: 89 Low: 63

THURSDAY: Sunny High: 88 Low: 63

FRIDAY: Mostly sunny High: 89 Low: 63

SATURDAY: Sunny High: 91 Low: 68

SUNDAY: Sunny High: 93 Low: 70

MONDAY: Mostly sunny High: 94 Low: 70

Local forecast

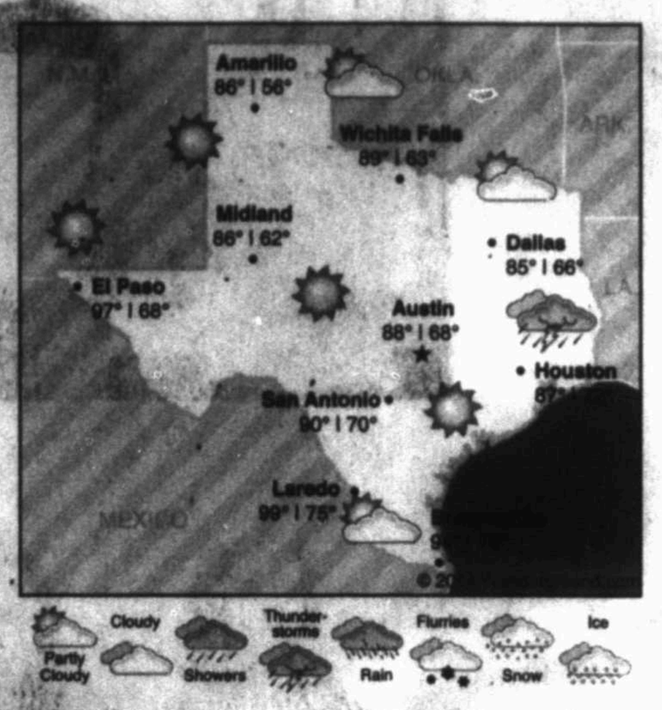
Expect dry conditions this week with highs in the upper 80s through Friday. There is no rain in the seven-day forecast. Highs will climb into the 90s this weekend.

The high on Tuesday reached 91, while the low dropped to 62. The record high for May 27 is 106 set in 2011. The record low is 48 set in 1947.

Weather why

Q: How much advance warning time is there before a tornado hits?

New technology has improved advance warning times dramatically, said Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "The National Weather Service says that in recent years, the amount of pre-warning time before a tornado hits has almost doubled," McRoberts explained. "It is now as high as 11 to 15 minutes before it strikes. That's up from only five to six minutes in the 1980s. Also, there is now something called the Emergency Alert System used by many radio and TV stations. This system automatically takes control of a broadcast and advises listeners and viewers of an approaching tornado. When an alert is sent, a warning is automatically scrawled across your TV screen with a break in programming."



Precipitation

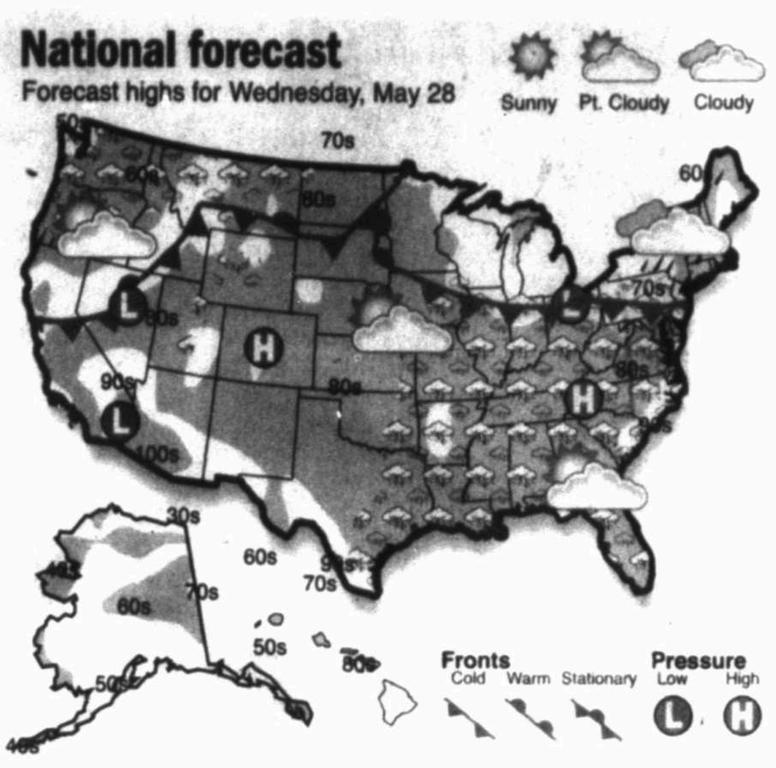
Monday	0.00 in.
Tuesday	0.00 in.
Month total	2.26 in.
Year total	3.16 in.
Normal total (year to date)	3.96 in.

Tuesday's temperatures

High	91
Low	62
Normal high	90
Normal low	63
Sunrise	6:45 a.m.
Sunset	8:48 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, May 28



Man trolling on dating sites is not ready to fall in love

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.



DEAR ABBY: I met the most wonderful man on a dating site. We seemed to hit it off. In fact, we are falling in love with each other. But he isn't ready for an exclusive relationship and still wants to date. He gets on the dating sites when I'm asleep in his bed.

I really care for him, but I don't want to pressure him. He has told me he loves me, but right now he just wants to be friends. He says I should also date, but how do you turn off love? — SAD AND CONFUSED

DEAR SAD AND CONFUSED: Please don't think I'm unkind, but when a man is falling in love with a woman, he does not creep out of bed in the dead of night to visit dating sites. He also doesn't tell her to date other people.

Although you may love this guy, from where I sit, when he said he "just wants to be friends," it appears he meant friends with benefits. Because you are looking for more than that, the next time he gets out of bed to peruse a dating site, you should go with him — on your way out the door.

DEAR ABBY: I have a friend, "Michelle," who is attractive, intelligent and works as a teacher's assistant in a public school. What I can't understand is, she refuses to go anywhere without her 33-year-old daughter, "Chloe." They even dress alike.

Chloe is pretty and doesn't have a boyfriend. When Chloe goes out with friends, her mother rings her cellphone over and over until Chloe turns it off.

What do you think is the problem? If Michelle and I go someplace, she wants to bring Chloe, or she calls her and has her come to where we are. Chloe complains to me that she wants her freedom, but Mom accuses her of not loving her, and cries and makes her feel guilty.

Chloe is a college graduate. Her mother allows her to work, but she must come straight home afterward. I'm confused, Abby. What can I do? — SOMETHING'S NOT RIGHT

DEAR SOMETHING'S NOT RIGHT: How sad for Chloe. Michelle's relationship with her daughter is more "smotherhood" than motherhood. It's not healthy for either of them. Your friend appears to be unable to see Chloe as separate from herself — which is why she wants them to dress like twins and becomes anxious when Chloe is with friends instead of by her side.

The kindest thing you could do for the young woman would be to tell her to discuss this with a licensed mental health professional, because she will need help and support in severing the umbilical cord at this late date. That won't be easy. There will be pain involved for both Chloe and her desperately possessive mother, but if Chloe is going to have an independent life, it has to happen.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

The squeeze kid

Both vulnerable. South deals

NORTH
♠ A 9 8 7 6
♡ 10 4 3 2
♢ A 2
♣ 10 2

WEST
♠ J 10 5 4 3
♡ 5
♢ K 10 (5) 4 3
♣ 5 4 3

EAST
♠ 2
♡ J 9 8 7
♢ K 9 8 7 6 (5)
♣ 9 8 7

SOUTH
♠ K Q
♡ A K Q 6
♢ Q J
♣ A K Q J 6

The bidding

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
2♣	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♣	Pass	3	Pass
4NT	Pass	5	Pass
7NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Jack of ♠

South was Trump Coup Tommy, who resented that he was only considered a good player when the trumps broke badly. He was determined to make a name for himself as a well-rounded player. Today's hand was a good chance. He could count 13 tricks with normal breaks in hearts and clubs, so he bid the grand slam in no-trump.

Tommy was quite pleased with himself when dummy came down. Hearts at 3-2 or 3-3 spades would give him 13 easy tricks. He won the opening spade lead in hand and cashed the ace and king of hearts. Bad news! He next tried the queen of spades. More bad news.

Tommy was undaunted. He had been reading Clyde Love's classic book, "Bridge Squeezes Complete," and he was sure he recognized this position. With the spades on his left and the hearts on his right, he could make 13 tricks, even if both opponents had the king of diamonds!

Tommy cashed the queen of hearts and crossed to dummy with the 10 of clubs to cash the ace of spades. Tommy discarded his queen of diamonds with great flair. He then cashed his clubs, and on the last club, West had to keep a spade, so he came down to a singleton diamond. Tommy discarded dummy's last spade and East was cooked! He had to keep a heart so he also came down to a singleton diamond. Tommy led his jack of diamonds to the ace and dummy's lowly two of diamonds scored the 13th trick.

"Don't call me Trump Coup Tommy anymore," he said. "From now on, I'm The Squeeze Kid."

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, May 28, 2014:

This year you come up with many different ideas for friends and professional associates. They sometimes wonder where these intellectual gems come from, but they enjoy their usefulness regardless. If you are single, people find you to be a charming conversationalist. By midsummer, you'll have many potential sweeties to choose from. Ask yourself what kind of relationship you want first. Do not minimize your need for companionship. If you are attached, the two of you never seem to want for a topic of conversation. When you meet a fellow GEMINI, you might not see a similarity unless you detach, as all of you are multifaceted.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You will be more expressive than you have been in a while. You could have a chance for a special new beginning because of your willingness to face facts. You're determined to accomplish what you want. Others can't help but be drawn toward you. Tonight: Strut your stuff.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You will put yourself on the line, if need be. You'll feel as if you have a lot to offer, and you might want to let others know. Know that they likely have strong feelings as to what they want to do. Respond to an offer from a friend who cares a lot about you. Tonight: Let it happen.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ You'll have so much going on that you can barely keep up with a situation. You might want to let others know more of what is going on with you. Someone knows how to make your imagination work overtime. Be aware of your natural limits. Tonight: All smiles.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Your intuition will guide you. You might need some time by yourself to do some intense thinking. A roommate or family member could lose his or her patience. A friend in the know will reveal much more of what is going on with this person. Tonight: Play it low-key.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Zero in on what makes the most sense. You might not be ready to declare your thoughts about a personal matter just yet, but you will make a considerable effort to initiate this discussion. Someone enjoys your company. Tonight: Where your friends are.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ You might want to deal with a loved one directly. An element of the unexpected seems to run through an important decision. You know where and how to spend your money, but a key associate or loved one might have a different idea of what works. Tonight: In the spotlight.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You can meet any demand that comes your way. Your creativity seems to wander from one area of life to another. The answers you seek are a high priority in your mind. You could find that someone else doesn't see things the same way. Tonight: A must appearance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Relate to a partner directly. You'll have an important decision to make, but first you might prefer to have a discussion on the topic. You will want to be sure of yourself when you finally decide to act. Your imagination could help your approach. Tonight: Enjoy a break.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You know how to bend for the well-being of the group. You have high energy and a sense of direction. Friends play a significant role in your decision-making process. Indulge a loved one who plays a significant role in your life. Tonight: Be more of a pal to a key person.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You could be quite involved with a friend who adds considerable happiness to your daily life. You might need to maintain a nice, even pace to accomplish what you must. Use your instincts with a message, and you will choose the right words. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ You might want to be spontaneous. Use your sixth sense with an associate or a very playful friend. Explain your expectations as clearly as possible, and it will help others relax. Everyone has his or her strengths; use yours well. Tonight: Act as if it were Friday!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ You'll need to hone your juggling skills as you attempt to balance an intellectual discussion with an intense premonition and a sense of destiny. You might have difficulty integrating these different concepts, as you could feel a little off-kilter. Tonight: Head home.

BORN TODAY

Author Ian Fleming (1908), poet Thomas Moore (1779), Olympic athlete Jim Thorpe (1888)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Islands north of Cuba
8 Earl Grey pouches
15 Fruit that's a source of cosmetic oil
16 Hay fever drug brand
17 Beirut's country
18 Chicago mayor Rahm
19 Belt holder
20 Luftwaffe foes of WWII
22 Red Cross training course
23 LPGA star __ Pak
24 Veep before LBJ
25 Plot surprises
29 Sushi topper
31 Snack on the trail
35 Aptly named laundry soap
36 Roman goddess of agriculture
38 Letter after pi
39 Answering to
40 Birmingham's st.
41 2007 Heisman Trophy winner
43 Half of CDII
44 It may be precious
46 Zinc __
47 Capsize, with "over"
49 Harry Potter pal
50 GM security system
51 Therapists' org.
53 Munich article
55 Takes place
58 Home of Absolut Vodka: Abbr.
59 Like "le" in Fr.
63 Talk openly about, as one's feelings
65 Emphatic denial
67 Existing independent of experience, in logic
68 Type of oil
69 Visa penalty
70 "Hmm ..."

DOWN

1 *Rocking good time
2 Small Chevy model
3 Handbag brand with a bindle-toting icon
4 Put __ on: limit
5 *"Holy smokes!"
6 Is crazy about
7 Echolocation device
8 __ kwon do
9 Shade provider
10 *Frighten
11 Actress Annette
12 Mexican water
13 2014 Baseball Hall of Fame inductee Maddux
14 *Cyber Monday event
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34 *Authority
36 "The Censor" of Rome
37 *Gem
42 Strait's "All My Live in Texas"
45 Sign of a changed sheet
48 "House" star Hugh
50 Tot's bodysuit
52 *Smoking gun, e.g.
54 "Consider it done"
55 "Down Under" gem
56 Nightclub in a Manilow song
57 Far from chatty
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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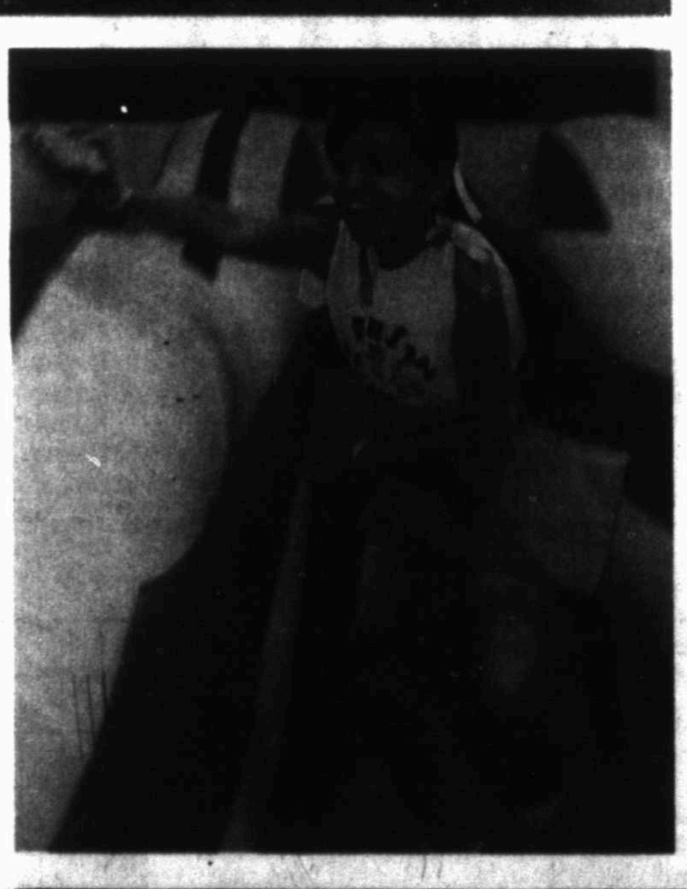


AT TOP
Gunner Richardson gets his face painted by Greenie the Clown during Emerson Elementary's Reading Rodeo Friday morning.

FAR RIGHT
Aiden Garcia makes his way up the rock wall during the rodeo.

ABOVE
Cody Brady and Josh Reed duke it out in the ring at the Emerson event.

RIGHT
Destiny Riuz stretches for distance on the bungee run.

BELOW LEFT
Emerson Principal Lina Baiza poses for a picture with third-grader Kari Tate.

BELOW CENTER
Rose Benzenhafer gets a temporary face tattoo by Rebecca Aycock.

BELOW FAR RIGHT
Alyssa Espinoza works on her sand art.







PHOTOS BY TIM FISCHER

Westbrook scores 40; Thunder tie series at 2-2

By Cliff Brunt
Associated Press

Thunder	105
Spurs	92
Series is tied 2-2	

OKLAHOMA CITY — Russell Westbrook had 40 points and 10 assists, and the Oklahoma City Thunder beat the San Antonio Spurs 105-92 on Tuesday night to tie the Western Conference finals at two games apiece.

It matched the second-highest playoff point total of Westbrook's career, falling short of the 43 he scored in the 2012 NBA Finals. He also had five rebounds and five steals.

"I think I did all right. Coming out with a win is most important," Westbrook said in a postgame interview with TNT. "I just try to come out and give maximum effort. My teammates ask that of me and that's what I try to do on both ends of the floor."

Kevin Durant added 31 points on 11-for-22 shooting. It was his highest-scoring game of the series after the NBA's leading scorer was held to a 22.7-point average in the first three games. Serge Ibaka added nine points and eight rebounds for the Thunder, who have turned around the series since he returned from an injury that was expected to keep him out for the rest of the postseason.

Boris Diaw had 14 points and 10 rebounds, and Tony Parker added 14 points for the Spurs, who blew a 2-0 lead against the Thunder in this round two years ago and are in danger of doing it again.

Oklahoma City dominated for the second consecutive game after getting blown out in the first two. The Thunder committed just seven turnovers and shot 49 percent from the field.

The Spurs scored the first eight points of the game, but things went downhill from there. A steal and dunk by Westbrook gave the Thunder a 42-32 lead with just under five minutes left in the first half. Back-to-back 3-pointers by Durant pushed Oklahoma City's lead to 50-36.

The Thunder led 58-43 at halftime. Durant scored 22 points and Westbrook added 17 points, eight assists and four steals before the break.

Parker shot 6 of 9 in the first half, but the rest of the Spurs made just 11 of 32 before the break.

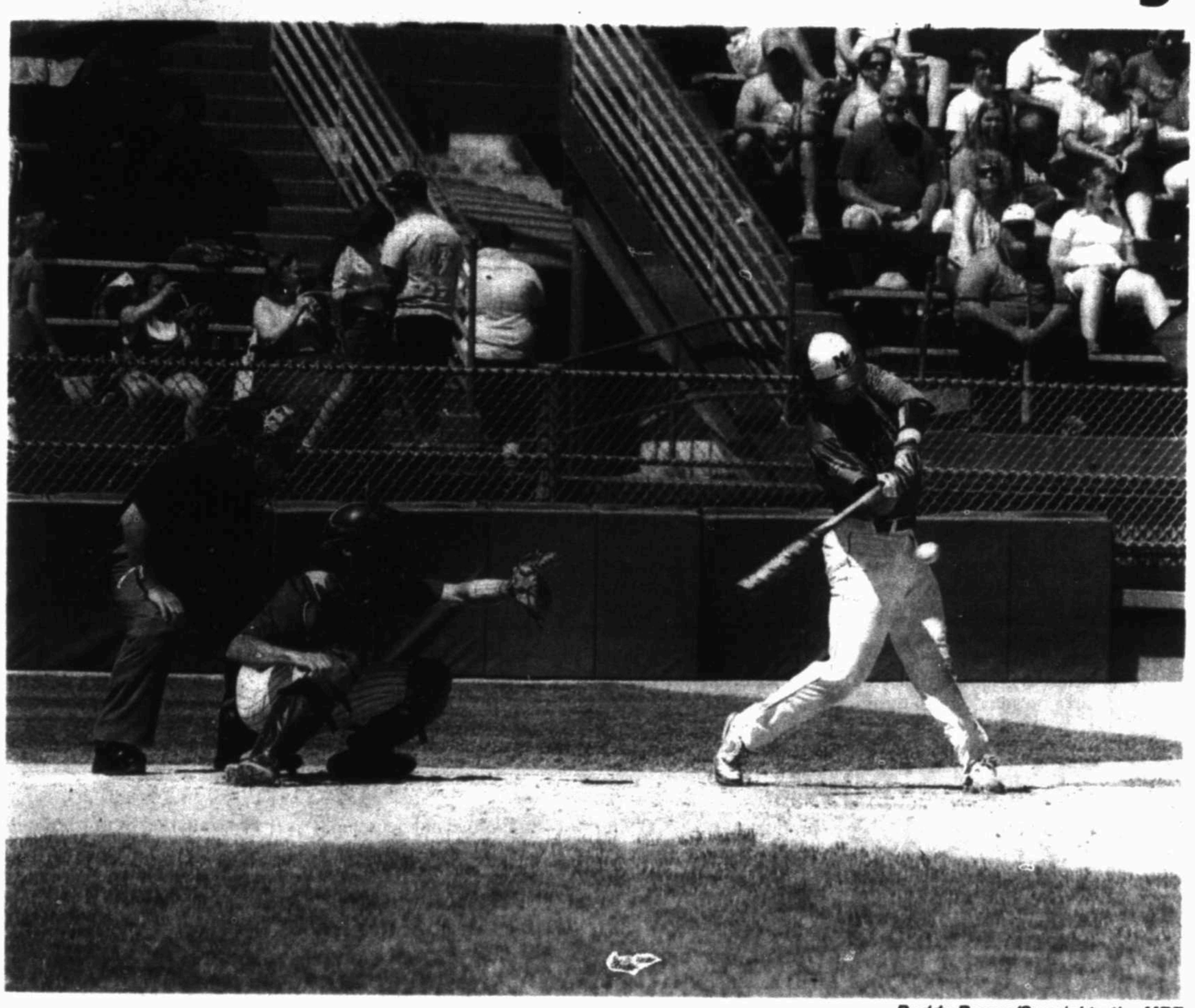
A lob from Reggie Jackson to Durant for a two-handed slam bumped Oklahoma City's lead to 60-43. A steal and jam by Ibaka made it 66-49, and a dunk by Westbrook made it 76-49.



Associated Press

Oklahoma City Thunder forward Serge Ibaka (9) blocks a shot by San Antonio Spurs forward Tim Duncan (21) in the first quarter of Game 4 of the Western Conference finals NBA playoff series in Oklahoma City on Tuesday.

Chaps survive another day



Buddy Brown/Special to the MRT

Midland College's Chris Shaw hits one of his two home runs during Tuesday's game against Columbia State at the JUCO World Series in Grand Junction, Colo. Shaw was 4-for-4 with two home runs on Tuesday.

Shaw, pitchers help MC in win to stay alive

By Oscar LeRoy
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Chaparrals	10
Chargers	7

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. — There's something about being on the brink of elimination that excites but yet calms the Midland College baseball team in pressure situations.

The Chaparrals have basically been close to being eliminated from the postseason for the past month, so facing No. 6-ranked Columbia State (Tenn.) in a JUCO World Series elimination game on Tuesday afternoon was nothing they haven't faced before.

Behind a pair of two-run home runs by Chris Shaw and some gutsy pitching performances from Thomas McIlraith and Sebastian Palacios, the Chaps defeated the Chargers 10-7 in front of 2,082 fans at Suplizio Field to stay alive in the World Series.

Midland College (42-24) is one of five teams still remaining in the tournament and will next play at 8:30 p.m. CDT Thursday against an opponent to be determined.

On Tuesday, the Chaps jumped out to a 7-0 lead before holding off a late rally by the Chargers (46-13). Columbia State had two on with two outs in the bottom of the ninth, but Palacios got the save by getting Wes Neiderland — who had hit a two-run homer the inning before — to strike out to end the game.

Palacios, who got a save in a pressure situation against McLennan in the Region V championship game, entered in another pressure situation in the eighth after Neiderland had cut it to 10-7 with his two-run blast to right. Palacios not only retired the next three batters in that inning — two by strikeout — but retired the first two batters of the bottom of the ninth. He walked the next two batters, before getting Neiderland for the final out.

"We had a kind of a similar situation in the regional tournament, so I was just

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More online

Be sure to check out an extended photo gallery from the game online.

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Romo progressing, still limited after back surgery



Associated Press

Dallas Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo watches as Caleb Hanie throws a pass during an NFL-organized team activity on Tuesday in Irving.

By Schulyer Dixon
Associated Press

IRVING — Tony Romo looked like the man in charge of the Dallas offense for the first offseason practice until the drills got a little more competitive.

Five months removed from back surgery, Romo donned a baseball cap for 11-on-11 work. There's no use in rushing, as coach Jason Garrett has been saying for weeks.

Romo echoed that talk Tuesday in his first extensive interview since sustaining a herniated disk against Washington and missing the finale against Philadelphia with a playoff berth on the line.

"I don't know that there's anything you can't do," the 34-year-old said in the locker room after practice. "You just want to make sure you don't put a high volume of numbers on it yet."

For example, Romo says he has thrown at full velocity — just not very often — in his continuing recovery from surgery Dec. 27. That came two days before he watched from home while the Cowboys fell to the Eagles in a third straight season-ending loss that put them at 8-8 and kept them out of the postseason.

Please see ROMO/3C

Past Triple Crown winners ready for new champ

By Beth Harris
Associated Press

Patrice Wolfson is ready to give up her title as the co-owner of the last Triple Crown winner.

She will get the chance if California Chrome is successful in his bid to join Affirmed and 10 other horses atop racing's pinnacle.

No horse since Affirmed in 1978 has swept the Kentucky Derby, Preakness and Belmont Stakes. Since then, 11 have won the first two legs only to fail in the 1 1/2-mile Belmont, the longest and most grueling of the three races that are run over a five-week span. Wolfson and other connections of Triple Crown winners believe this may be the year they get to induct another member into their exclusive club.

"You just like to see a great horse win it and I think he's got the potential to be a great horse, so we'll be cheering for him," Wolfson said Tuesday by phone from New York.

Wolfson, who owned Affirmed with her late husband Louis, will be at Belmont Park on June 7. She'll be joined by others with ties to Triple Crown winners, including 92-year-old Penny Chenery, who owned 1973 champion Secretariat.

"If this horse can win the Triple Crown, I want to be there," Chenery said from her home in Boulder, Colo.

The jockeys who rode the last three Triple Crown winners will be at Belmont, too: Steve Cauthen (Affirmed), Jean Cruget (Seattle Slew) and Ron Turcotte (Secretariat).

The 1970s produced three Triple Crown winners, with Secretariat breaking a 25-year drought. Seattle Slew followed in 1977 and Affirmed came along the next year, leading many to believe the Triple Crown was an easy feat.

Now 36 years have passed since Cauthen, who was then 18, teamed with Affirmed to hold off Alydar in three thrilling races, capped by their victory by a head in the Belmont.

"It was one of the greatest races of all time to watch and to be involved in," he said. "Two great horses continuing a great rivalry, never giving up. It lived up to the hopes and expectations of everybody."

At 3-5, Affirmed was the last odds-on favorite to win the Belmont. California Chrome figures to be a low price, too, just like in the Preakness, where he was the overwhelming favorite.

Cauthen has watched California Chrome from afar and the chestnut colt reminds him of Affirmed. Cauthen and his horse got along well, and he sees California Chrome and jockey Victor Espinoza doing the same.

"He's got a lot of options with him. The horse seems to settle wherever he wants him and can pick up in an instant," said Cauthen, who runs a breeding operation in Verona, Ky. "This horse has got a great chance of pulling it off."

Billy Turner carries a title of his own: the last living trainer of a Triple Crown winner. He's gotten a close-up view of California Chrome, who has been training at Belmont Park where Turner's stable is based.

"He's such a nice horse," he said. "He goes out there, jogs off, gallops around, does whatever they like him to do, sort of notices the crowd and just seems to really enjoy what he's doing."

Turner had his hands full with Seattle

Please see TRIPLE CROWN/2C

DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

'HOUNDS WATCH

MONDAY'S SCORE
Springfield 4, Midland 1

TODAY'S GAME
Midland at Springfield, 7:10 p.m.
Hammons Field, Springfield, Missouri

RADIO/INTERNET
www.milb.com
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RECORDS
Midland 25-20, Springfield 21-24

Monday	Tuesday	Today	Thursday	Friday
Tulsa 6, Midland 5, 10 innings	Springfield 4, Midland 1	Midland at Springfield	Midland at Springfield	Midland at Tulsa

WHAT'S ON TV

GOLF
NCAA, Division I playoffs, match play finals, 4 p.m., TGC
European PGA Tour, Nordea Masters, first round, part I, 4 a.m., TGC

MLB
Regional coverage, Pittsburgh at N.Y. Mets or Houston at Kansas City, noon, MLB
Regional coverage, N.Y. Yankees at St. Louis or Atlanta at Boston, 7 p.m., MLB

NBA
Playoffs, conference finals, game 5, Miami at Indiana, 7:30 p.m., ESPN

NHL
Playoffs, conference finals, game 5, Los Angeles at Chicago, 7 p.m., NBCSN

SOCCER
Men's national teams, exhibition, Mexico vs. Israel, at Mexico City, 8:25 p.m., ESPN2

TENNIS
French Open, second round, at Paris, 4 a.m., ESPN2

LOCAL SPORTS

GARNER ACES AT HOGAN PARK

Terry Garner had a hole-in-one on No. 10 on the Quail Course at Hogan Park Golf Course on Tuesday.

Garner used a 6-iron from 182 yards. It was Garner's third career hole-in-one.

Witnesses were Wally Brown, Charles Roberts, Casey Adams and Jarid Larson.

JACKS TRADE LAUB FOR DRAFT PICKS

ODESSA — The Odessa Jackalopes announced on Tuesday that they have traded forward Lukas Laub along with a third round pick to the Minnesota Magicians for a first and fifth round pick in the 2014 North American Hockey League Draft.

Laub, who is from Germany, led the Jacks with 16 goals and 30 points during the 2013-14 season.

The NAHL draft is set for June 3.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Reinstated 1B Chris Davis from the paternity leave list.

BOSTON RED SOX — Sent RHP Steven Wright to Portland (EL) for a rehab assignment.

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Placed C/INF Carlos Santana on the 7-day DL, retroactive to Monday, and 1B Nick Swisher on the 15-day DL. Selected the contract of C George Kottaras from Columbus (IL). Recalled INF Jesus Aguilar from Columbus. Designated RHP Blake Wood for assignment.

HOUSTON ASTROS — Optioned OF L.J. Hoes to Oklahoma City (PCL). Recalled OF Robbie Grossman from Oklahoma City.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Traded OF Melky Mesa and RHP P.J. Walters to Toronto for cash considerations.

TAMPA BAY RAYS — Optioned RHP Alex Colome to Durham (IL). Selected C Roman Ali Solis from Durham. Transferred LHP Matt Moore to the 60-day DL.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Optioned RHP Zeke Spruill to Reno (PCL).

ATLANTA BRAVES — Agreed to terms with RHP Kameron Loe on a minor league contract.

CHICAGO CUBS — Placed LHP Wesley Wright on paternity leave. Recalled RHP Blake Parker from Iowa (PCL).

LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Placed C A.J. Ellis on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Sunday. Recalled C Tim Federowicz from Albuquerque (PCL).

MIAMI MARLINS — Placed RHP Carter Capps on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Monday. Recalled RHP Arquimedes Caminero from New Orleans (PCL).

NEW YORK METS — Recalled RHP Vic Black from Las Vegas (PCL).

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Designated RHP Vin Mazzaro for assignment. Recalled RHP Brandon Cumpton from Indianapolis (IL).

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Agreed to terms with LHP Pedro Feliciano on a minor league contract.

American Association

FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS — Signed RHP Kevin Fuqua.

GRAND PRAIRIE AIRHOGS — Signed LHP Thomas Keeling.

LINCOLN SALTDOGS — Signed INF Mike Gilmartin.

WICHITA WINGNUTS — Signed INF-OF Colt Loehrs. Released INF Dillon Hazlett.

Can-Am League

ROCKLAND BOULDERS — Signed RHP Nate Roe.

TROIS-RIVIERES AIGLES — Signed C Elvin Millan Jr.

Frontier League

FLORENCE FREEDOM — Signed OF James Roche and INF Ryan Miller. Released INF Ryan Henley and 1B Clark Murphy.

LAKE ERIE CRUSHERS — Released 1B Wes Patterson.

SCHAUMBURG BOOMERS — Traded INF Ben Kline to Florence.

WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS — Released INF Nick Latta.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association

NBA — Fined Indiana F Paul George $25,000 for public criticism of the officiating.

FOOTBALL
National Football League

ARIZONA CARDINALS — Signed T Cory Brandon, CB Jimmy Legree, WR Kevin Ozier, and RB Jalen Parmele.

BALTIMORE RAVENS — Signed LB C.J. Mosley.

CINCINNATI BENGALS — Signed HB Jeremy Hill and DE Will Clarke.

DALLAS COWBOYS — Placed TE Evan Wilson on the waived/injured list. Signed G Tyronne Green.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Signed LB Telvin Smith.

MIAMI DOLPHINS — Signed OL Samuel Longo and Michael Philipp and DL Micajah Reynolds.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Signed WRs Wilson Van Hooser and Reese Wiggins.

PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Signed OL Wesley Johnson and LB Jordan Zumwalt to four-year contracts.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — Placed OT Luke Marquardt on the waived/injured list and LB Morgan Breslin on the waived/non-football injury list. Signed WR Bruce Ellington to a four-year contract, TE Kevin Greene to a three-year contract and LB Chase Thomas to a two-year contract.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Signed WR Kevin Norwood and LBs Kevin Pierre-Louis and Horace Miller.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS — Signed coach Todd Richards to a two-year contract extension through the 2016-17 season.

SOCCER

U.S. SOCCER — Named Tony Gustavsson women's national team assistant coach.

Major League Soccer

PORTLAND TIMBERS — Signed D Danny O'Rourke.

WRESTLING

USA WRESTLING — Named Kyra Tirana Barry team leader for the women's world team.

COLLEGE

ECAC — Named Ronnie Nunn associate commissioner for officiating.

ALBANY (N.Y.) — Named Isoken Uzamere women's assistant basketball coach.

KANSAS STATE — Granted a transfer release to women's basketball G Leticia Romero.

OHIO STATE — Announced DE Jamal Marcus will transfer.

OKLAHOMA CHRISTIAN — Named Jessica Ruckman associate head softball coach.

TROY — Named Stephanie Demake women's assistant soccer coach.

UCONN — Named Sarah Cullen and Ellen Herman women's assistant volleyball coaches.

HIGH SCHOOL PAIRINGS

BASEBALL
CLASS 5A
*** if necessary**
Regional Semifinals

Southlake Carroll (W4, 30-4) vs. Flower Mound (R5, 26-10)

Game 1: Flower Mound 6, Carroll 4. Game 2: Carroll 4, Flower Mound 2. *Game 3: Flower Mound 8, Carroll 7. Flower Mound wins series 2-1

Midland High (W2, 26-9) vs. Flower Mound Marcus (W5, 30-7), Concordia University, Austin

Game 1: FM Marcus 5, MHS 1. Game 2: MHS 5, FM Marcus 4. *Game 3: FM Marcus 11, MHS 0, 5 innings. Marcus wins series 2-1

Regional Final

Flower Mound (R5, 28-11) vs. Flower Mound Marcus (W5, 32-8), McKinney Boyd HS

Game 1: 7:30 p.m. Friday; Game 2: 1 p.m. Saturday; *Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 1

CLASS 4A
*** if necessary**
Regional Semifinals

Lubbock Monterey (W4, 30-8) vs. Cleburne (W4, 28-4)

Game 1: Monterey 5, Cleburne 1; Game 2: Cleburne 5, Monterey 2; *Game 3: Monterey 2, Cleburne 0, 11 innings. Monterey wins series 2-1

Wolfforth Frenship (R4, 31-7) vs. Aledo (T7, 28-6), Driggers Field, Abilene

Game 1: Aledo 5, Frenship 4, 8 innings; Game 2: Aledo 4, Frenship 2. Aledo wins series 2-0

Regional Final

Lubbock Monterey (W4, 32-9) vs. Aledo (T7, 30-6), Hardin-Simmons University's Hunter Field, Abilene

Game 1: 8 p.m. Thursday; Game 2: 7 p.m. Friday; *Game 3: 1 p.m. Saturday

CLASS 3A
*** if necessary**
Regional Semifinals

Lubbock Cooper (R2, 18-17) 8, Liberty Hill 2

Iowa Park (W5, 30-3) 6, Perryton 2

Regional Final

Lubbock Cooper (R2, 18-17) vs. Iowa Park (W5, 30-3), McMurry University's Driggers Field, Abilene

Game 1: 7:30 p.m. today; Game 2: 5 p.m. Friday; *Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2

CLASS 2A
*** if necessary**
Regional Semifinals

Idalou (W3, 27-3) vs. Holliday (W6, 28-2)

Game 1: Holliday 7, Idalou 3; Game 2: Idalou 9, Holliday 4; *Game 3: Idalou 4, Holliday 1. Idalou wins series 2-0.

Bushland (W1, 25-2) vs. Wall (W6, 25-1), Lubbock Cooper HS

Game 1: Wall 8, Bushland 4; Game 2: Noon Saturday; *Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2

Regional Final

Idalou (W3, 29-4) vs. Wall (W6, 27-1), Moffett Field, Snyder

Game 1: 6:30 p.m. today; Game 2: Noon Saturday; *Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2

CLASS A
*** if necessary**
Regional Semifinals

Forsan (W2, 19-9) vs. Stamford (W8, 19-2), Hermleigh HS

Game 1: Forsan 7, Stamford 5. Game 2: Stamford 12, Forsan 0. *Game 3: Stamford 18, Forsan 6. Stamford wins series 2-1

Miles (R2, 21-10) vs. Anson (R8, 20-5)

Game 1: Anson 4, Miles 0. Game 2: Anson 16, Miles 0. Anson wins series 2-0

Regional Final

Stamford (W8, 20-3) vs. Anson (R8, 22-5), McMurry University's Driggers Field, Abilene

Game 1: 7 p.m. Thursday; Game 2: Noon Saturday; *Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2

SOFTBALL
CLASS 5A
*** if necessary**
Regional Final

Mansfield Timberview (W7, 29-6) vs. Lubbock Coronado (W2, 37-4), ACU's Wells Field, Abilene

Game 1: Coronado 3, Timberview 1. Game 2: 5 p.m. Saturday; *Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2

CLASS 3A
*** if necessary**
Regional Final

Snyder (W4) vs. Pampa (W1, 33-7), Plainview HS

Game 1: Snyder 14, Pampa 2; Game 2: Snyder 14, Pampa 3. Snyder wins series 2-0.

CLASS 2A
*** if necessary**
Regional Final

Hawley (W7, 33-0) vs. Bangs (W6)

Game 1: Hawley 7, Bangs 0; Game 2: Hawley 2, Bangs 1. Hawley wins series 2-0

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Today's Games
Class A Semifinals

Hubbard (29-6) vs. Harleton (29-8), 9 a.m.
Petrolia (27-5) vs. Weimar (22-8), Noon

Class 2A Semifinals

Hawley (35-0) vs. East Bernard (25-11), 3 p.m.
Crawford (33-1) vs. Lone Oak (28-5), 6 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Class 3A Semifinals

Snyder (36-5) vs. Van (30-5), 9 a.m.
La Grange (38-2) vs. Huffman Hargrave (30-5), Noon
Class A Final, 3 p.m.
Class 2A Final, 6 p.m.

Friday's Games
Class 4A Semifinals

Barbers Hill (32-0) vs. Ennis (37-5), 9 a.m.
Aledo (31-4) vs. Buda Hays (31-5), Noon

Class 5A Semifinals

Lubbock Coronado (36-4) vs. Deer Park (37-6), 3 p.m.
The Woodlands (38-3) vs. San Antonio Southwest (34-11), 6 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Class 3A Final, 10 a.m.
Class 4A Final, 1 p.m.
Class 5A Final, 4 p.m.

MC

From 1C

trying not to put too much on myself," said Palacios, a freshman right-hander from Corpus Christi. "I just went in there and tried to do my own thing, and let my catcher do his thing and call the pitches, and it was successful."

MC coach David Coleman admitted he got a little nervous when Neiderland came up to the plate representing the tying run. But he said he allowed "Coach Shaw" to go out there and calm things down for Palacios.

"You try to put guys to lead and we have tremendous leadership in our dugout," Coleman said. "Teammates care more about each other than they care about a coach. When you get that stuff going, you let it happen. The smartest thing I do is stay out of the way. And when they need to get redirected I do, and I haven't had to say much to them in the last six, seven weeks."

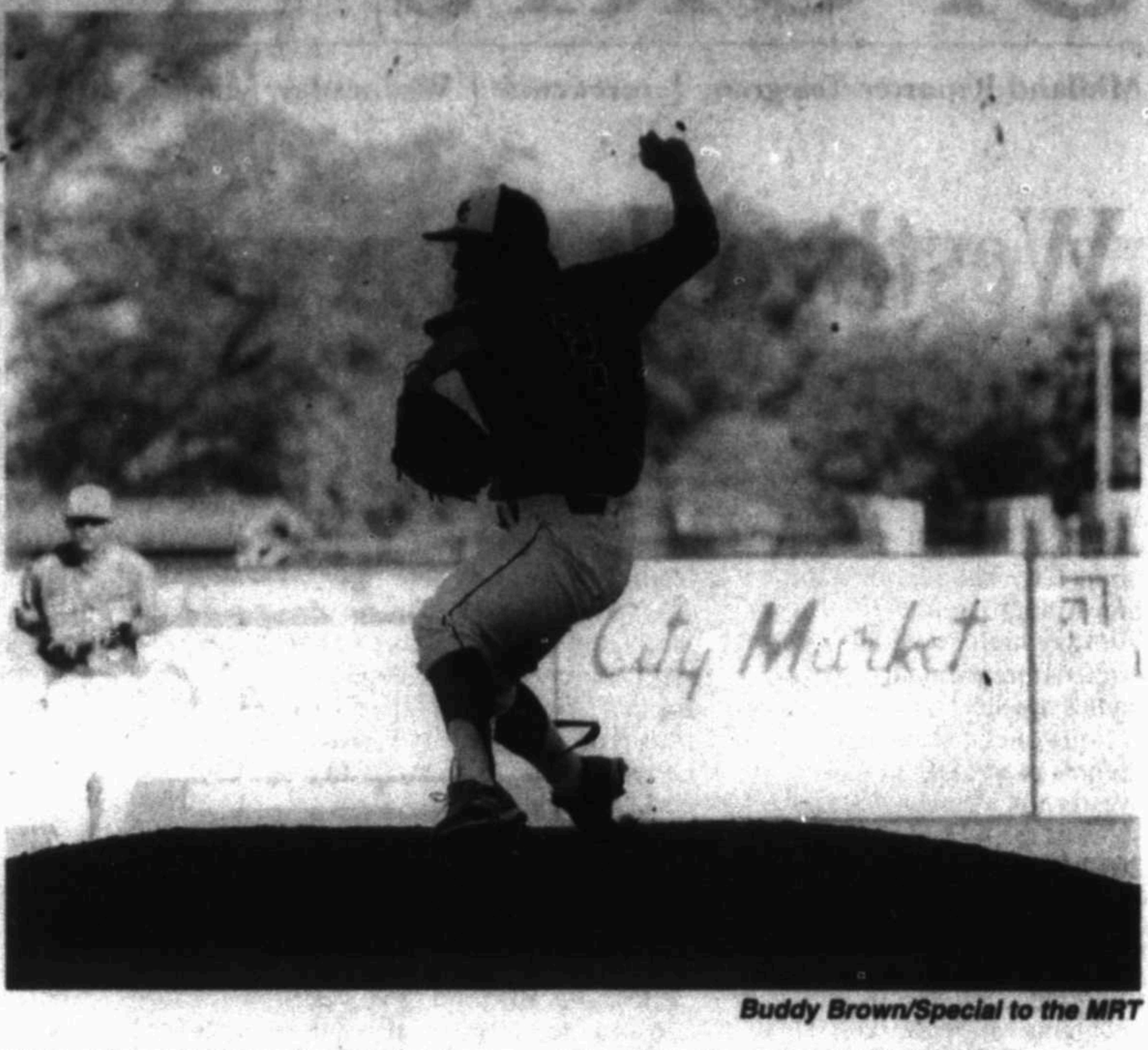
Shaw did much more than just provide leadership as the Chaps' catcher as he finished the game 4-for-4 with two home runs, a walk, four RBI and four runs scored. At the end of the day, Shaw looked like he had been in a battle with the dirtiest uniform on the field.

Shaw helped the Chaps get off to a good start as his two-run home run to left highlighted a five-run top of the first.

"I'm just trying to put a good swing on the ball, first off, get a good pitch to hit," Shaw said. "In the first at-bat, I just missed a pitch to right field and I knew (starting pitcher Jake McDougal) was going to come in with something different. He came in with a curve ball the next pitch, and I didn't miss it."

After the Chargers cut MC's lead to 7-3 with three runs in the second inning, Shaw struck again with another two-run homer, this time to right field for a 9-3 advantage.

"I think (in Monday's 9-0 loss to Iowa Western) we lost our aggressiveness a little bit," said Shaw comparing his team's approach at the plate. "We failed to hit pitches that we did (Tuesday), and I think that was a big thing."



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Midland College's Sebastian Palacios throws a pitch on Tuesday at the JUCO World Series in Grand Junction, Colo.

During that early offensive surge by the Chaps, the Chargers went through four pitchers after McDougal only went 2/3 of an inning.

"We just didn't compete well on the mound early in that game," Columbia State coach Mike Corn said. "We never stopped fighting, I just didn't put our team in the right position. We didn't give up, but when you're down (9-3) early, that's a long road against a really good team."

Meanwhile, McIlraith once again gave the Chaps the kind of start they needed as he went 6 1/3 innings, gave up five runs on nine hits, struck out two and walked one.

"We're going to need as many arms as we're going to get," said the sophomore right-hander from Amarillo. "We only have eight relief pitchers, so I knew I was going to have to carry us deep into this game and I was glad I was able to do that."

Added Coleman about McIlraith's performance, "I thought giving the ball to a veteran guy is critical and I thought he stepped up nice."

The Chaps continue to dig into their survival mode, and so far it seems to be working for them pretty well.

"We have been comfortable being uncomfortable," Shaw said, "if that makes sense."

CHAP NOTES: In addition to Shaw's big game, Anthony Reyes was 2-for-4 with two RBI and a run scored, Bryndan Arredondo was 2-for-4, and Blaine Prescott was 2-for-6 with two doubles and two runs scored for the Chaps. …MC has now hit four home runs in three games of the JUCO World Series. MC came into the tournament as the best home run-hitting team with 62 on the season.

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Thomas McIlraith, Clay O'Dell (7) and Chris Shaw. Jake McDougal, Dylan Stewart (1), Will Snider (2), Scooter Hightower (2), Tyler Stewart (6) and Chase Howell and Desi Ammons (3). W — McIlraith. L — O'Dell. S — Palacios. 2B — MC: Blaine Prescott 2. HR — MC: Shaw 2 (14), CSCC: Wes Neiderland. RBI — MC: Shaw 4, Reyes 2, Clarkson, Davis, Narvaiz; CSCC: Neiderland 3, Patterson 2, Ammons, Few.

Records: Midland College 42-24; Columbia State 46-13

Next: Midland College vs. TBA, 8:30 p.m. (CDT) Thursday; Columbia State's season is complete

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Today
First round

Game 1: Iowa Western 6, Columbia State (Tenn.) 5

Game 2: Midland College 10, Johnson County Community College (Kan.) 5

Game 3: Blinn Community College 7, Cochise (Ariz.) College 4

Game 4: Chatahoochee Valley (Ala.) Community College 8, Delgado Community College 6

Sunday
Loser's bracket

Game 5: Columbia State 12, Johnson County CC 2, Johnson County CC eliminated

Game 6: Cochise College 9, Delgado CC 5, Delgado CC eliminated

Second round

Game 7: Miami Dade vs. Spartanburg Methodist College, ppd.

Monday
Second round

Game 7: Miami Dade 8, Spartanburg Methodist College 3

Loser's bracket

Game 8: Columbia State 12, Cochise College 11, 12 innings, Cochise College eliminated

Winner's bracket second round

Game 9: Blinn CC 10, Chatahoochee Valley CC 2, 8 innings

Game 10: Iowa Western 9, Midland College 0, 7 innings

Tuesday
Loser's bracket

Game 11: Spartanburg Methodist College 18, Chatahoochee Valley CC 3, 5 innings

Game 12: Midland College 10, Columbia State 7, Columbia State eliminated.

Winner's bracket quarterfinal

Game 13: Blinn CC (36-26) vs. Miami Dade (36-25), late

Wednesday
Loser's bracket

Game 14: Spartanburg Methodist College (47-17) vs. Game 13 loser, 4 p.m.

Winner's bracket quarterfinal

Game 15: Iowa Western (53-11) vs. Game 13 winner 8:30 p.m.

Thursday
Loser's bracket final

Game 16: Game 14 winner vs. Game 15 loser, 4 p.m.

Winner's bracket semifinal

Game 17: Game 15 winner vs. Midland College (42-24), 8 p.m.

Friday
Championship

Game 18: Game 17 winner vs. Game 16 winner, 8 p.m.

If necessary game

*Game 19: Game 18 winner vs. bye

If three teams remain at Game 18, the team with most games played receives bye to Game 19. In case of tie for games played, a coin toss will determine the bye.

TRIPLE CROWN

From 1C

Slew, describing the colt as "an absolute monster."

"All he wanted to do was train. He wasn't lovey-dovey," Turner said. "Once you trained him, he'd settle right down. My biggest concern with him was trying to figure out how to get him settled down enough to go a mile and a half in the Belmont."

That's a distance no 3-year-old has ever run before and few will be asked to go that far again in their careers. California Chrome has proven adaptable in the 1 1/4-mile Derby and 1 3/16-mile Preakness, where he got good trips and wasn't bothered by the noise of large crowds.

"He's proven already that he's the dominant horse in the 3-year-old ranks today," Turner said. "He would be unlucky not to win the Belmont."

Unlike some of the more regal bloodlines that produced the 11 Triple Crown winners, California Chrome comes from a modest pedigree as the product of a $2,500 sire. Top pedigree stallions typically cost between $75,000 and $100,000.

But he does have some Triple Crown connections. His father's side of the family traces back to both Seattle Slew and Secretariat.

"That makes it exciting for me," said Jim Hill, who co-owned Seattle Slew.

The last two horses to win the first two legs of the Triple Crown were never factors in the Belmont. Big Brown failed to finish the race in 2008 and two years ago I'll Have Another was scratched the day before with an injury.

"You never know," Cauthen said. "That's why they have to run the race."

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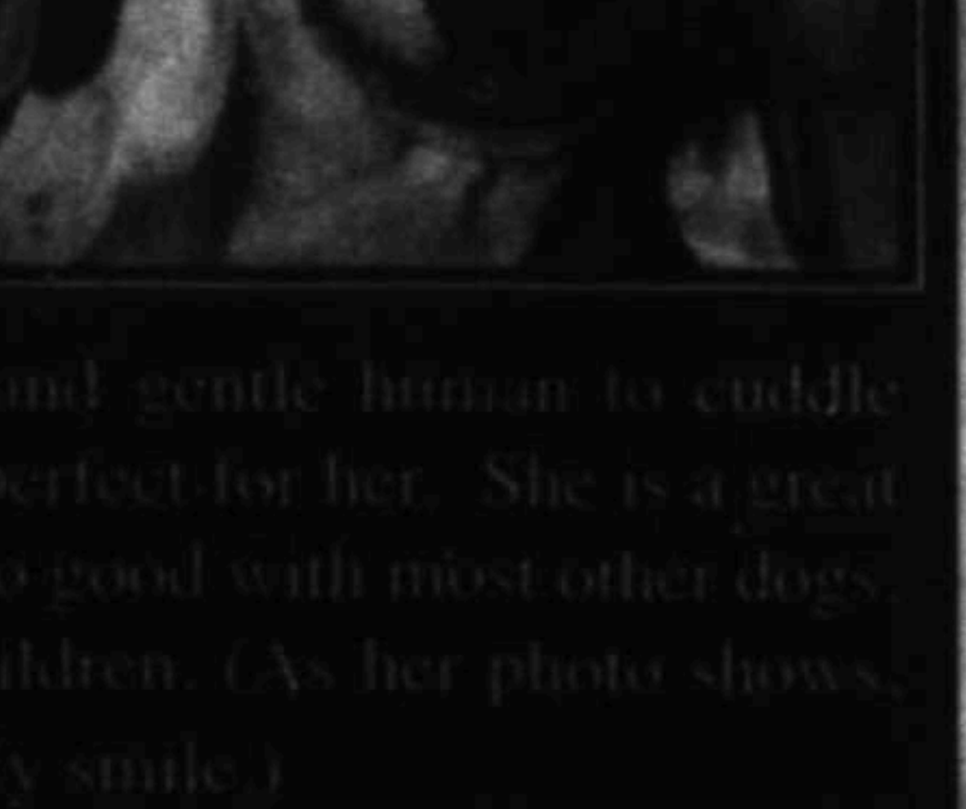

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Springfield beats Midland with home run in the 2nd

Cardinals 4
RockHounds 1

From staff reports

Springfield third baseman Patrick Wisdom hit a three-run home run in the second inning, and that proved to be all the Cardinals needed in a 4-1 victory against the Midland RockHounds on Tuesday at Hammons Field.

That home run was one of seven hits that Midland starter Drew Granier gave up in the game as he went seven innings and had three strikeouts. It was fifth time in the last seven games the RockHounds had a starting pitcher go seven innings or longer. Granier fell to 2-2 this season.

Springfield pitcher Jonathan Cornelius was a little more effective as he held Midland to one run on four with three strikeouts. Cornelius is now 4-5 this season.

Midland's lone run came in the top of the sixth as catcher Blake Forsythe scored on a Max Muncy ground out.

The RockHounds (27-24) had five hits in the game, and Billy Burns had two of those as he was 2-for-4 with a double.

Midland fell to 3 1/2 games behind first place Frisco in the Texas League South Division standings and are now tied for second with Corpus Christi.

TL standings

Second Half
North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Tulsa	37	23	.540	—
Arkansas	34	28	.493	3
Springfield	34	27	.471	3½
Northwest Arkansas	18	31	.367	8½

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Frisco	35	25	.600	—
Corpus Christi	27	24	.529	3½
Midland	27	24	.529	3½
San Antonio	24	28	.462	6

Tuesday's Scores
Frisco at Tulsa, ppd., rain
Northwest Arkansas at San Antonio, late
Corpus Christi 5, Arkansas 2
Springfield 4, Midland 1

Today's Games
Frisco at Tulsa, 6:05 p.m., 1st game
Frisco at Tulsa, 6:35 p.m., 2nd game
Northwest Arkansas at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m.
Midland at Springfield, 7:10 p.m.
Arkansas at Corpus Christi, 7:10 p.m.

CARDINALS 4, ROCKHOUNDS 1

Midland	ab	r	h	bi	Springfield	ab	r	h	bi
Burns cf	4	0	2	0	O'Neill lf	4	1	2	0
Nahajima 2b	4	0	0	0	Ortega cf	4	0	0	0
Muncy 1b	4	0	1	1	Stanley c	4	0	1	0
Whitaker rf	4	0	0	0	Rodriguez dh	4	0	0	0
Head 3b	4	0	0	0	Smith 1b	3	1	1	0
Marte dh	2	0	1	0	Wilson 2b	3	1	1	0
Coleman ss	3	0	0	0	Wisdom 3b	3	1	1	3
Oberacker lf	3	0	0	0	Williams rf	3	0	2	0
Forsythe c	3	1	1	0	Mclat ss	3	0	0	0
Totals	31	1	5	1	Totals	31	4	8	3

Midland ..... 000 001 000 —1
Springfield ..... 030 010 00x —4

E — Burns (2), Williams (5). DP — Midland 1. Springfield 1. LOB — Midland 4, Springfield 3. 2B — Burns (7). HR — Wisdom (5). SB — Williams (5).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Midland						
Granier L, 2-2	6.0	7	4	3	0	3
Oakley	2.0	1	0	0	0	3
Springfield						
Cornelius W, 4-5	7.0	4	1	1	1	3
Wright S, 2	2.0	1	0	0	0	1

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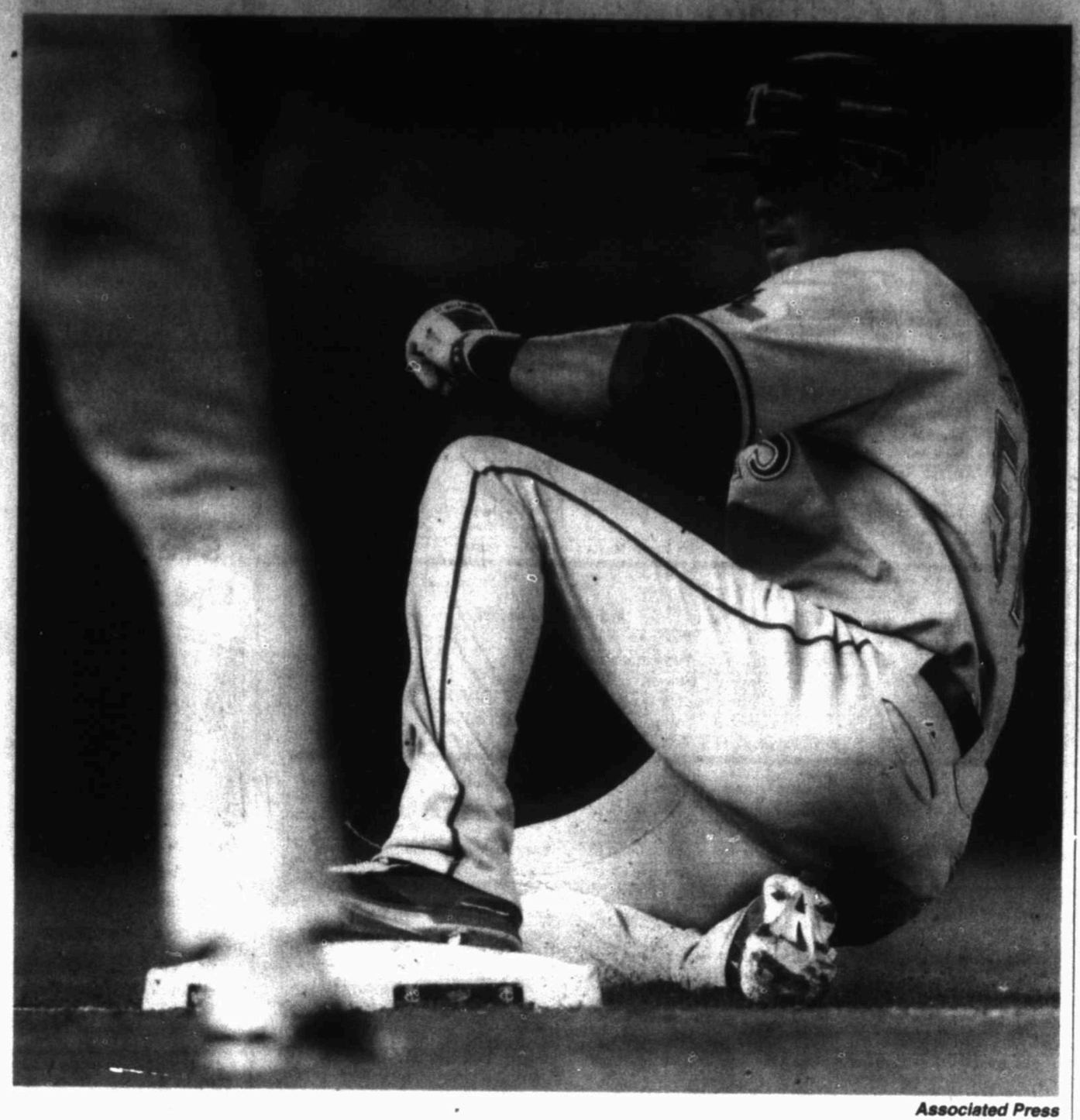

Associated Press

The Texas Rangers' Alex Rios slides safely into third with a triple off Minnesota Twins pitcher Glen Perkins in the ninth inning of their game Tuesday in Minneapolis. The Twins won 4-3.

MLB ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

TWINS 4
RANGERS 3

MINNEAPOLIS — Texas closer Joakim Soria bobbled a slow-bouncing ball hit by Minnesota's Danny Santana to the left of the mound with two outs and the bases loaded in the ninth inning, allowing the winning run to score in the Twins' 4-3 victory over the Rangers on Tuesday night.

The day began ominously for the Rangers when star pitcher Yu Darvish was scratched from his scheduled start with stiffness in his neck. Fill-in Scott Baker gave up three hits over six innings and Chris Gimenez hit a tiebreaking two-out RBI single in the sixth off Phil Hughes.

But Soria (1-2) took his first blown save in nine chances with a shaky ninth inning patched together by the Twins, who ended their four-game losing streak.

ASTROS 3
ROYALS 0

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Collin McHugh held light-hitting Kansas City at bay over seven innings, and Matt Dominquez drove in the only run the Houston Astros needed in a 3-0 victory over the Royals on Tuesday night.

Houston tacked on two more runs off reliever Tim Collins in the eighth, and Tony Sipp and Chad Qualls breezed through the final two innings without allowing a hit to complete the shutout.

McHugh (3-3) scattered five hits while striking out nine without issuing a walk to earn his first win in five starts. He stranded a runner at third base in the second inning and runners at second and third in the fifth, but otherwise cruised through the Kansas City lineup.

The only run Jeremy Guthrie (2-4) allowed came when Dominquez followed up a pair of one-out walks to Dexter Fowler and Jason Castro with a single in the fourth inning.

BLUE JAYS 9
RAYS 6

TORONTO — Mark Buehrle became the first nine-game winner in the majors, Edwin Encarnacion and Adam Lind hit back-to-back home runs and the Toronto Blue Jays extended their winning streak to eight games, beating the Tampa Bay Rays 9-6 on Tuesday night.

Juan Francisco also homered for the AL East-leading Blue Jays, who have won 13 of 15 and are 19-7 in May.

Buehrle (9-1) allowed four runs, three earned, and eight hits in 6 2-3 innings to win his season-best fifth straight decision. The left-hander walked one and struck out three.

Casey Janssen finished for his eighth save in as many chances.

Encarnacion connected for the 14th time in May, matching Jose Bautista's team record for home runs in a month. Bautista hit 14 homers in June 2012.

The Blue Jays lead the majors with 76 home runs. They have gone deep in 10 straight games and 29 of their past 34, hitting 58 homers in that span.

National League

METS 4
PIRATES 2

NEW YORK — Juan Lagares drove in two runs, Vic Black gave the bullpen a boost and the New York Mets finally managed some timely hits in their first game with a new batting coach, beating the Pittsburgh Pirates 4-2 Tuesday night.

Daniel Murphy doubled twice and light-hitting Ruben Tejada reached base all four times up to help the Mets win for only the fourth time in 13 games. The victory came one day after hitting coach Dave Hudgens was fired and replaced by Lamar Johnson, who had been New York's minor league hitting coordinator.

Black (1-0) got four big outs in his first major league outing this season, and Jenrry Mejia pitched two innings for his fourth save.

With a runner on, Curtis Granderson made an outstanding catch in the right-field corner for the second out of the ninth. Mejia then walked Andrew McCutchen and retired Mets nemesis Gaby Sanchez on a game-ending grounder.

Starling Marte hit a two-run single for the Pirates, hurt by four wild pitches in losing for the second time in seven games.

With the score 2-all, Tejada drew his second walk to start the sixth. He advanced on two wild pitches by Jeanmar Gomez (0-2) and scored when Lagares flicked a single over a drawn-in infield.

ROCKIES 6
PHILLIES 2

PHILADELPHIA — Wilin Rosario hit a go-ahead, three-run homer and Jorge De La Rosa pitched six strong innings to lift the Colorado Rockies to a 6-2 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies on Tuesday night.

Drew Stubbs went 2 for 4 with a double and an RBI for the Rockies, who had lost four of five while being outscored 16-0 in their two previous games.

Ben Revere hit his first career homer in his 1,466th at-bat, and Darin Ruf also went deep for the Phillies.

The start of the game was delayed 1 hour, 22 minutes due to rain.

De La Rosa (6-3) continued his strong stretch, allowing one run and six hits with four strikeouts and two walks. The left-hander is 6-0 with a 1.58 ERA in his last seven starts.

Philadelphia starter Cole Hamels (1-3) left after the seventh after giving up four runs and three hits with four strikeouts and two walks.

Interleague

RED SOX 6
BRAVES 3

ATLANTA — Jackie Bradley Jr. hit a two-run single during Boston's four-run rally in the seventh inning and the Red Sox beat the Atlanta Braves 6-3 on Tuesday night in the latest comeback following their longest losing streak in 20 years.

Dustin Pedroia had three hits and Grady Sizemore had two, including the go-ahead single in the seventh.

The Red Sox snapped their 10-game losing streak on Monday, overcoming a five-run deficit to top Atlanta 8-6.

Jon Lester (5-6) snapped a personal two-game losing streak by giving up three runs on eight hits and three walks in six innings. Koji Uehara retired the Braves in order in the ninth for his 11th save.

Braves starter Aaron Harang left with a 3-2 lead after the sixth. Anthony Varvaro (1-1) took the loss.

CARDINALS 6
YANKEES 0

ST. LOUIS — Lance Lynn threw a five-hit shutout in his first career complete game and the St. Louis Cardinals got home runs from Allen Craig and Matt Holliday in a 6-0 victory over the New York Yankees on Tuesday night.

Holliday and Matt Adams had three hits and an RBI apiece and Craig drove in two runs. The Cardinals have won 10 of 13, shaking off a 12-inning loss in the series' opener, and ended the Yankees' three-game road winning streak that matched their best of the year.

David Phelps (1-2) pitched in his hometown for the first time and allowed three earned runs in six innings. Two infield errors contributed to two unearned runs in the Cardinals' breakout four-run third.

Derek Jeter got a standing ovation before each at-bat, just like in the opener. He was 0 for 3 with a walk.

Adams leads the National League with 22 multi-hit games, Holliday has reached safely in all 23 home games and Craig has a team-high 15 RBIs this month.

Cowboys LB Lee leaves practice with knee injury

Associated Press

IRVING — Oft-injured Dallas Cowboys linebacker Sean Lee didn't even make it through the first offseason practice without another setback in a career filled with them.

Lee went down with a left knee injury during the team portion of what was supposed to be a noncontact workout Tuesday. Coach Jason Garrett said Lee was getting an MRI later in the day.

The fifth-year middle linebacker went to the ground with rookie offensive lineman Zack Martin on top of him and didn't get up right away. He had to be helped off the field by trainers, screaming in anger at cameramen lining the entrance to the training room.

The 27-year-old Lee has missed 15 of 32 games the past two seasons and has never played a full a season in his four years in the league. He missed five games last year with hamstring and neck injuries.

"Unfortunately, he's had to deal with a few of these things but he's as mentally tough an individual as I've ever been around," Garrett said. "So whatever the circumstances are he always puts his best foot forward and strives to be his best. Don't anticipate this being any different."

Lee, who wasn't in the locker room when it was open to reporters Tuesday, tore a ligament in his right knee during spring practice at Penn State in 2008 and sat out that season before finishing his college career a year later. The Cowboys drafted him in the second round in 2010.

After a pair of mostly healthy seasons his first two years, Lee sustained a season-ending toe injury in the sixth game in 2012.

Romo

From 1C

"It's very difficult to watch," said Romo, who was under center for season-finale losses at the New York Giants and Washington the previous two seasons, and for another one at Philadelphia in 2008. "That one obviously is out of your control. That's what made it hard. It's amazing how big of a fan you become, rooting and excited about every little thing."

Romo was further along Tuesday than he was a year ago, when he had surgery to remove a cyst on his back in April and missed all the offseason practices. He went to California ahead of his teammates for some intense conditioning work before training camp, and spent the first few weeks catching up.

"I'm actually excited just about comparative to last year where you're just going into camp without having had a rep in the offseason," Romo said. "There's some things I want to work on, and I've been doing that in small doses. Now we'll get that ramped up here."

Romo has a new play caller for the third straight season in Scott Linehan, who was offensive coordinator in Detroit before coach Jim Schwartz was fired after last season.

Linehan and Garrett worked together for a season in Miami almost a decade ago, and plenty of the language will be the same. The new passing game coordinator is in no hurry to see up close all the things his new primary weapon can do.

"We're early," Linehan said. "And the mental game that he's getting done with us and the meetings and the last four or five weeks when we started our offseason program has been huge. I know he's getting himself ready to go."

There are daily discussions over what's next for Romo.

"Certainly we anticipate him being ready to go at training camp," Garrett said. "We'll evaluate how he did today, say, 'What do you think? Should we stick with the same plan tomorrow? What do you think about Thursday?' You're always trying to push the limit as best you can, but you don't want to do something where you go across that line and they have setbacks."

NOTES: The Cowboys waived injured rookie free agent tight end Evan Wilson and signed guard Tyronne Green, a fourth-round pick by San Diego in 2009. Green has 28 starts in 41 career games. He was with New England part of last season but didn't play.

MLB STANDINGS, BOXES AND LINESCORES

STANDINGS
AMERICAN LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	31	22	.585	—
Baltimore	26	23	.531	3
New York	27	24	.529	3
Tampa Bay	23	30	.434	8
Boston	22	29	.431	8
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	28	19	.596	—
Chicago	26	27	.491	5
Minnesota	24	25	.490	5
Kansas City	24	27	.471	6
Cleveland	24	28	.462	6½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	31	20	.608	—
Los Angeles	28	22	.560	2½
Texas	26	26	.500	5½
Seattle	25	25	.500	5½
Houston	21	32	.396	11

Tuesday's Scores
Toronto 9, Tampa Bay 6
Boston 6, Atlanta 3
Houston 3, Kansas City 0
Minnesota 4, Texas 3
Baltimore at Milwaukee, late
Cleveland at Chicago White Sox, late
St. Louis 6, N.Y. Yankees 0
Detroit at Oakland, late
L.A. Angels at Seattle, late

Today's Games
Houston (Cosart 3-4) at Kansas City (Duffy 2-4), 1:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Archer 3-2) at Toronto (Hendriks 1-0), 6:07 p.m.
Atlanta (Floyd 0-1) at Boston (Lackey 5-3), 6:10 p.m.
Baltimore (B.Norris 3-4) at Milwaukee (Gallardo 2-3), 7:10 p.m.
Cleveland (House 0-1) at Chicago White Sox (Noesi 0-4), 7:10 p.m.
Texas (J.Saunders 0-1) at Minnesota (Gibson 4-4), 7:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 3-3) at St. Louis (S.Miller 6-3), 7:15 p.m.
Detroit (A.Sanchez 2-2) at Oakland (Kazmir 5-0), 9:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (C.Wilson 6-3) at Seattle (F.Hernandez 6-1), 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	28	23	.549	—
Miami	27	25	.519	1½
Washington	25	26	.490	3
Philadelphia	22	26	.458	4½
New York	23	28	.451	5
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	30	22	.577	—
St. Louis	29	23	.558	1
Pittsburgh	23	28	.451	6½
Cincinnati	22	27	.449	6½
Chicago	19	30	.388	9½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	32	19	.627	—
Los Angeles	28	24	.538	4½
Colorado	27	24	.529	5
San Diego	23	29	.442	9½
Arizona	21	32	.396	12

Tuesday's Scores
Colorado 6, Philadelphia 2
Miami at Washington, ppd., rain
Boston 6, Atlanta 3
N.Y. Mets 4, Pittsburgh 2
Baltimore at Milwaukee, late
St. Louis 6, N.Y. Yankees 0
San Diego at Arizona, late
Cincinnati at L.A. Dodgers, late
Chicago Cubs at San Francisco, late

Today's Games
Pittsburgh (Morton 1-6) at N.Y. Mets (Colon 3-5), 12:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (E.Jackson 3-4) at San Francisco (Lincecum 4-3), 2:45 p.m.
Colorado (Lyles 5-1) at Philadelphia (R.Hernandez 2-2), 6:05 p.m.
Miami (Koehler 4-4) at Washington (Zimmermann 3-2), 6:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Floyd 0-1) at Boston (Lackey 5-3), 6:10 p.m.
Baltimore (B.Norris 3-4) at Milwaukee (Gallardo 2-3), 7:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 3-3) at St. Louis (S.Miller 6-3), 7:15 p.m.
San Diego (Stauffer 2-2) at Arizona (C.Anderson 2-0), 8:40 p.m.
Cincinnati (Bailey 4-3) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 3-1), 9:10 p.m.

TUESDAY'S AL WEST BOXES
TWINS 4, RANGERS 3
Minnesota

	ab	r	h	bi
Dozier 2b	3	1	1	0
Mauer 1b	4	0	1	1
Plouffe 3b	4	0	0	0
Arcia rf	4	2	2	1
Wngrn dh	4	0	0	0
Parmel lf	2	0	0	0
Nunez ph-lf	2	1	1	1
KSuzuk c	4	0	1	0
ESantn ss	2	0	0	0

Texas

	ab	r	h	bi
Andrus ss	4	0	1	0
Morlnd 1b	4	1	1	0
ABeltre 3b	4	0	1	0
Rios rf	4	1	3	0
Gimenz c	4	1	2	1
LMartn cf	3	0	0	0
DMrph dh	3	0	0	1
Odor 2b	3	0	1	1
A Hicks cf	2	0	0	0
Pinto ph	1	0	0	0
DSantn cf	1	0	0	0
Totals	**33**	**3**	**9**	**3**

Totals **33 4 6 3**
Texas ..... 020 001 000—3
Minnesota ..... 011 000 002—4

Two outs when winning run scored.

E—Soria (1). DP—Minnesota 1. LOB—Texas 5, Minnesota 6. 2B—Rios (13), Odor (2), Dozier (6), Mauer (6), Arcia (2). 3B—Rios (6). HR—Arcia (1). S—L.Martin, E.Escobar. SF—Do.Murphy.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
S.Baker	6	3	2	2	0	4
Poreda H,4	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Ogando H,7	1 2-3	1	0	0	1	2
Soria L,1-2 BS,1-9	2-3	2	2	1	1	1
Minnesota						
P.Hughes	7	8	3	3	0	3
Fien	1	0	0	0	0	0
Perkins W,2-0	1	1	0	0	0	0
WP—Ogando.						

T—2:43. A—22,702 (39,021).

ASTROS 3, ROYALS 0
Houston — **Kansas City**

	ab	r	h	bi
Altuve 2b	5	0	1	0
Springr rf	4	0	1	0
Fowler dh	4	1	1	0
JCastro c	4	1	2	0
MDmn 3b	5	0	1	1
Krauss 1b	2	0	0	0
Guzmn ph-1b	0	1	0	0
Grssmn lf	4	0	2	0
Presley cf	3	0	3	1
MGnzlz ss	4	0	1	0
Totals	**35**	**3**	**12**	**2**

	ab	r	h	bi
Aoki rf	4	0	0	0
Infante 2b	4	0	1	0
Hosmer 1b	4	0	0	0
BButler dh	4	0	0	0
AGordn lf	4	0	1	0
S.Perez c	3	0	1	0
L.Cain cf	3	0	1	0
AEscor ss	3	0	0	0
Pareds 3b	3	0	1	0
Totals	**32**	**0**	**5**	**0**

Houston ..... 000 100 020—3
Kansas City ..... 000 000 000—0

E—LCain (1). DP—Kansas City 3. LOB—Houston 11, Kansas City 5. 2B—J.Castro (7). SB—Grossman (2). SF—Presley.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
McHugh W,3-3	7	5	0	0	0	9
Sipp H,3	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Qualls	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Kansas City						
Guthrie L,2-4	6	7	1	1	3	5
Crow	1	1	0	0	0	0
Collins	1	2	2	2	1	0
K.Herrera	1	2	0	0	0	0

HBP—by Guthrie (Krauss). WP—T.Collins.

T—3:02. A—17,826 (37,903).

TUESDAY'S LINESCORES
AMERICAN LEAGUE
BLUE JAYS 9, RAYS 6

Tampa Bay ..... 000 201 120 —6 12 0
Toronto ..... 000 242 10x —9 13 1

Cobb, C.Ramos (6), Boxberger (6), Lueke (7) and J.Molina; Buehrle, Delabar (7), Cecil (8), Janssen (9) and D.Navarro. W—Buehrle 9-1. L—Cobb 1-2. Sv—Janssen (6). HRs—Toronto, Lind (3), Encarnacion (16), J.Francisco (9).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
METS 4, PIRATES 2

Pittsburgh ..... 000 002 000 —2 5 1
New York ..... 001 102 00x —4 7 2

Volquez, J.Gomez (6), Ju.Wilson (6), Grilli (8) and R.Martin; Niese, Black (6), Mejia (8) and Recker. W—Black 1-0. L—J.Gomez 0-2. Sv—Mejia (4).

ROCKIES 6, PHILLIES 2

Colorado ..... 000 100 320 —6 5 0
Philadelphia ..... 000 100 100 —2 8 0

J.De La Rosa, Logan (7), Ottavino (7), Hawkins (9) and Rosario; Hamels, Manship (8), Hollands (8), De Fratus (9) and Ruiz. W—J.De La Rosa 6-3. L—Hamels 1-3. HRs—Colorado, Rosario (5), Philadelphia, Ruf (1), Revere (1).

INTERLEAGUE
RED SOX 6, BRAVES 3

Boston ..... 100 100 400 —6 12 0
Atlanta ..... 101 010 000 —3 10 1

Lester, Breslow (7), Tazawa (7), A.Miller (8), Uehara (9) and D.Ross; Harang, Varvaro (7), Avilan (7), Hale (7), Thomas (9) and Laird. W—Lester 5-6. L—Varvaro 1-1. Sv—Uehara (11). HRs—Atlanta, Heyward (4).

CARDINALS 6, YANKEES 0

New York ..... 000 000 000 —0 5 2
St. Louis ..... 004 010 10x —6 10 0

Phelps, Aceves (7) and McCann; J.Murphy, Lynn and Y.Molina. W—Lynn 5-2. L—Phelps 1-2. HRs—St. Louis, Craig (5), Holliday (3).

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						6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Middle	Goldberg	Modern Family	Goldberg	Motive "They Made Me a Criminal" (N)		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	Hawaii Five-0 "Pukana"		Criminal Minds "The Caller"		CSI: Crime Scene "Under a Cloud"		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman		(:35) Late Late
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H "Exorcism"	Gilligan's Island	Happy Days	Hogan's Heroes	Welcome Kotter	F Troop	F Troop	Twilight Zone	Perry Mason		Dragnet
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	So You Think You Can Dance "Auditions #1" (SP) (N)				Modern Family	Modern Family	The Arsenio Hall Show		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Mani Erfan	House Call	Update News	Dollars & Sense	Light of the Southwest				Dr. Rik Wadge	HaYesod	Jean-Claude	Dr. William
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 at 6 p.m.		World Music Awards The 22nd annual World Music Awards. (N)				Chicago P.D.		News-West 9	(:35) The Tonight Show		(:35) Late Night
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Nature "American Eagle"		Nova "D-Day's Sunken Secrets" One of the largest underwater archaeological sites. (N)				Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Corazon Indomable		Porque el Amor Manda		La Tempestad		Mentir Para Vivir		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Una familia con suerte	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Fam.Feud	Million..	Law & O: CI "Grow"		Law & Order: C.I.		My News	Million..	30 Rock	Sunny	Access H.	Insider
FLIX	340	65		165		(4:35) Carlito's Way		★★ Being John Malkovich				★★★ A Simple Plan Bill Paxton.				(:05) Varsity Blues	
HBO	300	68	14	14		(5:45) The Normal Heart Matt Bomer.				★★ Red 2 ('13, Act) Bruce Willis.				Bill Maher		LastWeek	Movie
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(5:00) American ...		Racine	(:45) Open Heart		Real Sports		★★★★ The Way Way Back			(:15) Fight Club	
HBOS	304	70	16	102		(4:50) Spy Game		Big Love "Affair"		LastWeek	Vice	★★★★ Prisoners ('13, Thril) Hugh Jackman.					Movie
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	Movie	(:40) ★★★ Batman Begins ('05, Act) Christian Bale.					★★★ Oblivion ('13, Act) Tom Cruise.				(:10) Sin City Diaries	
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(5:10) Prometheus		(:15) ★★★ Big ('88, Com) Tom Hanks.				StrikeBk	(:50) Carnal Awakening			(:15) ★★ Volcano	
PLEX			96			(5:25) Life Stinks		★★ Double Take			★★ Made in Heaven			(:15) ★★ Her Minor Thing			Movie
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(5:20) Step Up Re...		Penny Dreadful		Living Dangerously		Califor.	Nurse J.	★★ Kill Bill Vol. 1 Uma Thurman.			
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:00) The New Da...		The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Pa...				Welcome to the Punch			(:40) Requiem for a Dream		
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(4:30) Die Hard II: ...		★★★★ Die Hard: With a Vengeance ('95, Act) Bruce Willis.						★★ Invincible ('06, Dra) Greg Kinnear.			
BET	58	26		40		Comic V	Comic V	Comic V	★★ The Bodyguard ('92, Susp) Kevin Costner, Gary Kemp, Whitney Houston.							Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Million Dollar List		Million Dollar List		Million Dollar (N)		Million Dollar List		Watch (N)	Million Dollar List		Wives
CNBC	46	45		39	72	American Greed		American Greed		Greed "Shipwrecked"		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Anthony Bourdain		CNN Tonight		A. Cooper 360		Anthony Bourdain	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Dual Survival		Dual Survival (N)		Dual Survival (N)		Kodiak (N)		Dual Survival		Kodiak	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Dog Blog	Austin	Boy MW	Boy MW	Jessie	Jessie	GoodLuck	Dog Blog	Austin	A.N.T.	Phil	McGuire
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	(5:00) SprtC	NBA Countdown (L)		NBA Basketball Playoffs Miami Heat vs. Indiana Pacers (L)					SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	Highly?	SportsCenter		(:25) ESPN Magazine		(:25) FIFA Soccer International Friendly (L)				Olbermann		Tonight
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	Melissa	Melissa	Melissa	Daddy (N)	★★ Confessions of a Shopaholic				The 700 Club		Daddy	Daddy
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Restaurant		Diners, Drive-Ins		Rest. "A Lot To Lose"		Restaurant (N)		Diners...	Diners...	Rest. "A Lot To Lose"	
FSSW	37	-3	50	45	29	Big 12 Showcase	Pre-game (L)	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Minnesota Twins Site: Target Field -- Minneapolis, Minn. (L)						Rangers Live (L)	Aggies Preview	Bull Riding Championship	
FX	31	31	59	64	69	(5:00) Horrible Bo...		★★ Love and Other Drugs Jake Gyllenhaal.					★★ Love and Other Drugs Jake Gyllenhaal.				
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Waltons "The Ordeal"		Waltons "The Ordeal"		Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Buying "Warren & Jill"		Property Brothers		Property Brothers		HouseH	House	Property Brothers		Property Brothers	
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	The World Wars "A Rising Threat"				The World Wars "Never Surrender" (F) (N)				(:05) The World Wars "Never Surrender"			
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Wife Swap "Stonerock/Finley"		Petals on the Wind (2014, Drama) Ellen Burstyn, Rose McIver, Heather Graham.				Flowers in the Attic (2014, Thriller) Ellen Burstyn, Kiernan Shipka, Heather Graham.				Petals on the Wind	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
NBCSN	38	39				NHL Live!		NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs (L)					Overtime	Poker		Poker	
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Sponge	Sam & Cat	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	(5:30) Eddie Murphy Raw				Tribute/Don Rickles				Tribute/Don Rickles			
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(5:30) ★★ Pitch Black ('00, Thril) Vin Diesel.				★★★ The Chronicles of Riddick Vin Diesel.					★★ Red Planet		
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Sein. "The Money"	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Deal With It (N)	Conan Simon Helberg, Eli Young Band		Pete Holmes	Conan
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:00) Hit the Deck		★★ My Man Godfrey June Allyson.				★★★ The Opposite Sex June Allyson.				Music for Millions	
TELE	20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		La impostora		En otra piel		El señor de los cielos		Al rojo	(:35) Titular.	En otra piel	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	World's Tallest Children		World's Strongest Toddler		My 40 Year Old Child		My 40-Year-Old Child "A New Case"		Girl Who Never Grew		Hayley: World's Oldest Teenager	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Castle "Watershed"		Castle "Flowers for Your Grave"		Castle "Nanny McDead"		Castle "Hedge Fund Homeboys"		Hawaii Five-0 "He Kane Hewa'ole"		Hawaii Five-0 "Kai e'e"	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Roseanne	(:35) Rose.	(:10) Rose.	(:50) Hot In	(:25) Hot in Cleveland		Hotin (N)	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	30	42	27	49	NCIS "Defiance"		NCIS: Los Angeles "Parley"		NCIS: Los Angeles "Descent"		Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	NCIS: Los Angeles "Absolution" 1/2	
WGN	19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules "Pilot"	Rules of Engage.	Parks and Rec	Parks and Rec

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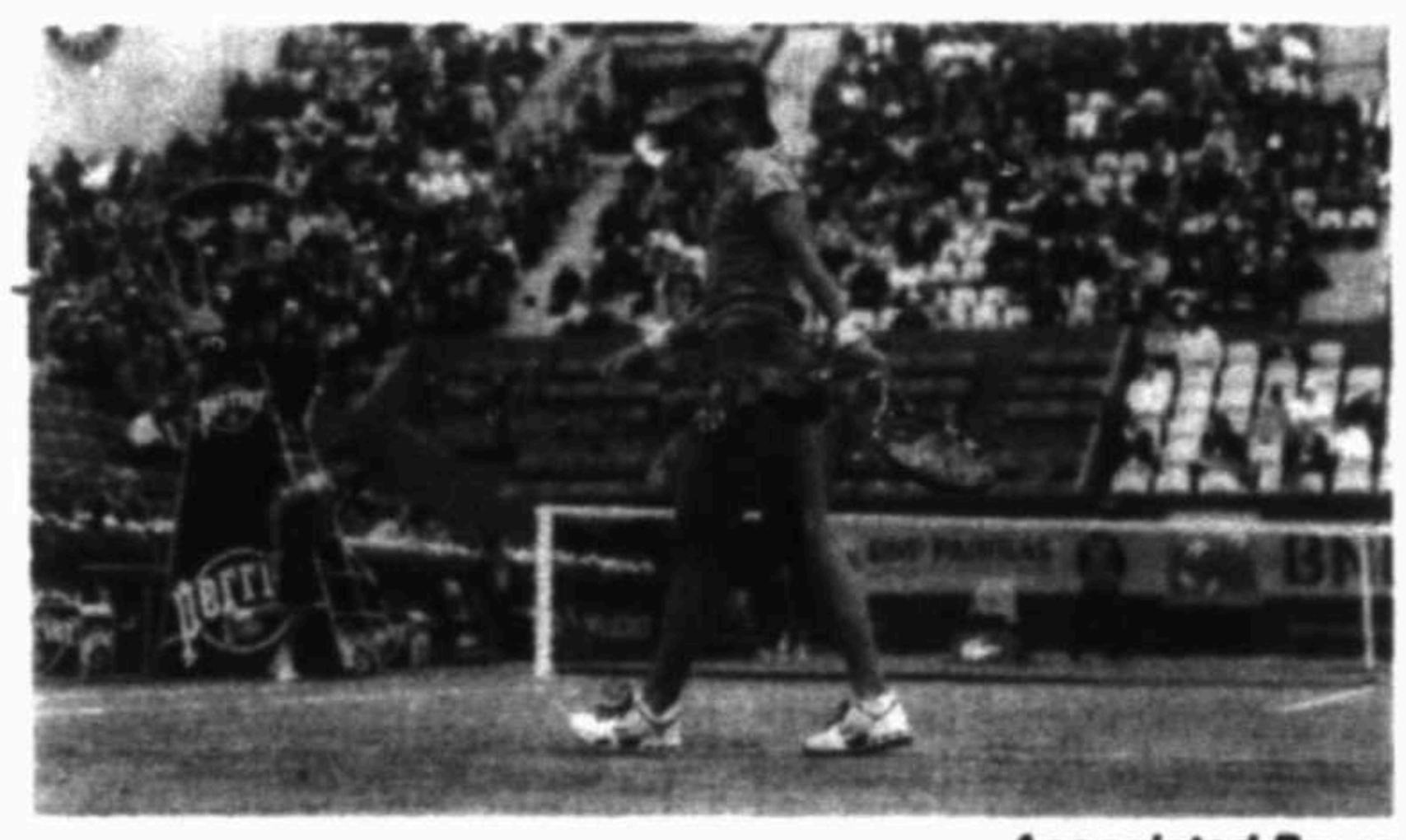
Australian Open champ Li 1st-round loser at French Open

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press



Associated Press

China's Li Na reacts as she plays France's Kristina Mladenovic during the first round match of the French Open tennis tournament at the Roland Garros stadium, in Paris, France, Tuesday.

PARIS — Much to her dismay, Li Na is familiar with this feeling.

She earns a Grand Slam championship, is heralded at home, then shows up at subsequent major tournaments and seemingly forgets how to win.

Happened in 2011, after her French Open triumph made her China's first player with a Grand Slam singles title. Happened again Tuesday, when Li was seeded second at Roland Garros but lost to someone ranked 103rd in the first round, not quite four months removed from winning the Australian Open.

"I didn't follow the game plan," Li said. "Didn't have any idea how to play."

It's the first time that the men's and women's singles champions from the previous major lost in the first round.

"Nobody say if you (are) No. 2 in the world, you have to win all the matches. I mean, this is tennis," said Li, who works with Carlos Rodriguez, former coach of four-time French Open titlist Justine Henin.

For an opening match at a major, the "tension is different," she added. "Always tough to pass the first round."

This French Open has seen some rough going for several past major champions and other highly seeded players, and the second round has yet to begin.

One person pleasantly surprised to finally feel what it's like to win in the first round is 66th-ranked Marinko Matosevic of Australia, who was 0-12 at Grand Slam tournaments before beating Dustin Brown of Germany 7-6 (5), 6-4, 6-7 (1), 7-5.

"Huge relief," said Matosevic, who now meets No. 7 Murray. "It got pretty demoralizing at some stages. I had some tough draws. When I did have my chances, I just couldn't quite do it."

Li hung her head when she sailed a stroke long on match point for her 37th unforced error, 12 more than Mladenovic. At the opposite baseline, Mladenovic raised both arms, then covered her mouth with her trembling left hand, trying to process what had just happened. Soon, the 21-year-old Mladenovic was choking back tears.

"It's never normal when you beat such a big name, big player," said Mladenovic, who had been 1-5 at the French Open before Tuesday.

She faced two set points in the opener while trailing 5-4 but erased both and took three games in a row to nose ahead.

"This is really big," Mladenovic said. "You don't beat Li Na every day."

Tuesday
At Stade Roland Garros
Paris
Purse: $34.12 million (Grand Slam)
Surface: Clay-Outdoor
Singles
Men
First Round

Ivo Karlovic, Croatia, def. Grigor Dimitrov (11), Bulgaria, 6-4, 7-5, 7-6 (4).
Carlos Berlocq, Argentina, def. Lleyton Hewitt, Australia, 3-6, 6-2, 6-1, 6-4.
Andreas Seppi (32), Italy, def. Santiago Giraldo, Colombia, 6-3, 7-5, 6-3.
Axel Michon, France, def. Bradley Klahn, United States, 6-1, 6-7 (4), 5-7, 6-1, 6-4.
David Ferrer (5), Spain, def. Igor Sijsling, Netherlands, 6-4, 6-3, 6-1.
Richard Gasquet (12), France, def. Bernard Tomic, Australia, 6-2, 6-1, 7-5.
Juan Monaco, Argentina, def. Lucas Pouille, France, 6-3, 6-1, 6-4.
Philipp Kohlschreiber (28), Germany, def. Pere Riba, Spain, 7-5, 6-4, 6-1.
Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan, def. Sergiy Stakhovsky, Ukraine, 6-3, 6-4, 2-6, 6-3.
Andreas Haider-Maurer, Austria, def. Daniel Brands, Germany, 4-6, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4.
Kevin Anderson (19), South Africa, def. Stephane Robert, France, 7-5, 6-3, 6-4.
Simone Bolelli, Italy, def. Andrea Arnaboldi, Italy, 6-4, 6-4, 6-2.
Jurgen Zopp, Estonia, def. Tommy Haas (16), Germany, 2-5, retired.
Jack Sock, United States, def. Nicolas Almagro (21), Spain, 5-0, retired.
Pablo Cuevas, Uruguay, def. Matthew Ebden, Australia, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3.
Dusan Lajovic, Serbia, def. Federico Delbonis, Argentina, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3.
Andy Murray (7), Britain, def. Andrey Golubev, Kazakhstan, 6-1, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.
Fernando Verdasco (24), Spain, def. Michael Llodra, France, 6-2, 7-6 (4), 7-6 (3).
Marinko Matosevic, Australia, def. Dustin Brown, Germany, 7-6 (5), 6-4, 6-7 (1), 7-5.
Gael Monfils (23), France, def. Victor Hanescu, Romania, 6-2, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.
Jan-Lennard Struff, Germany, def. Albano Olivetti, France, 6-1, 6-4, 6-4.
Steve Johnson, United States, leads Laurent Lokoli, France, 4-6, 6-7 (7), 7-6 (3), 6-3, 3-1, susp., darkness.

Women
First Round

Simona Halep (4), Romania, def. Alisa Kleybanova, Russia, 6-0, 6-2.
Kristina Mladenovic, France, def. Li Na (2), China, 7-5, 3-6, 6-1.
Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (24), Russia, def. Kimiko Date-Krumm, Japan, 6-3, 0-6, 6-2.
Svetlana Kuznetsova (27), Russia, def. Sofia Shapatava, Georgia, 6-3, 6-1.
Camila Giorgi, Italy, def. Bojana Jovanovski, Serbia, 6-46-3.
Teliana Pereira, Brazil, def. Luksika Kumkhum, Thailand, 4-6, 6-1, 6-1.
Heather Watson, Britain, def. Barbora Zahlavova Strycova, Czech Republic, 6-3, 6-4.
Sorana Cirstea (26), Romania, def. Aleksandra Wozniak, Canada, 6-7 (3), 7-5, 6-2.
Alison Riske, United States, def. Mirjana Lucic-Baroni, Croatia, 7-6 (2), 6-3.
Kiki Bertens, Netherlands, def. Alexandra Cadantu, Romania, 7-6 (5), 6-1.
Jelena Jankovic (6), Serbia, def. Sharon Fichman, Canada, 5-7, 6-1, 6-3.
Sloane Stephens (15), United States, def. Peng Shuai, China, 6-4, 7-6 (8).
Polona Hercog, Slovenia, def. Jana Cepelova, Slovakia, 6-2, 6-3.
Silvia Soler-Espinosa, Spain, def. Chanelle Scheepers, South Africa, 6-2, 6-3.
Elina Svitolina, Ukraine, def. Petra Martic, Croatia, 5-0, retired.
Ana Ivanovic (11), Serbia, def. Caroline Garcia, France, 6-1, 6-3.
Kirsten Flipkens (21), Belgium, def. Danka Kovinic, Montenegro, 7-6 (6), 6-2.
Julia Glushko, Israel, def. Donna Vekic, Croatia, 7-5, 2-6, 6-4.
Yanina Wickmayer, Belgium, def. Caroline Wozniacki (13), Denmark, 7-6 (5), 4-6, 6-2.
Magdalena Rybarikova, Slovakia, def. Urszula Radwanska, Poland, 4-6, 6-4, 3-0, retired.
CoCo Vandeweghe, United States, def. Iveta Melzer, Czech Republic, 7-6 (6), 6-2.
Maria-Teresa Torro-Flor, Spain, def. Klara Koukalova (30), Czech Republic, 7-6 (4), 6-2.
Ekaterina Makarova (22), Russia, def. Shelby Rogers, United States, 6-2, 6-3.
Dinah Pfizenmaier, Germany, def. Estrella Cabeza Candela, Spain, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.
Casey Dellacqua, Australia, def. Lourdes Dominguez Lino, Spain, 7-5, 6-3.
Lucie Safarova (23), Czech Republic, def. Mandy Minella, Luxembourg, 6-3, 7-5.
Sara Errani (10), Italy, def. Madison Keys, United States, 7-5, 3-6, 6-1.

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To all shareholders in Chevron: if someone dumped toxic waste in your garden, you would sue and those responsible would pay damages.

Please make this simple point to the Chairman and CEO of Chevron regarding the company's behavior in Ecuador. Thank you.



What makes ordinary, law-abiding family guys become dogged corporate liars? People who go home at night and insist their children grow up with respect for them, for the law, for common decency. Yet the very next day go to the office and pursue - or turn a blind eye to – corporate behavior that leads to people dying or being maimed, needlessly.

The people of Ecuador have been involved in a long-running dispute with Chevron, the oil company. The case against Chevron is that a company they acquired, Texaco, dumped toxic waste in the Ecuadorian Amazon after drilling oil there for over 20 years.

Internationally agreed standards were not followed. Drilling safety standards, laid down by the American Petroleum Institute over 50 years ago, were not followed. Even a sense of regard for fellow Man was ignored.

As a result, the highly dangerous toxins that are produced when drilling for oil were channeled into the waters of the Amazon region of Ecuador. These waters, used for centuries by the indigenous peoples of the region, for drinking, bathing and fishing, carried toxins up to 100 TIMES higher than the levels permitted BY LAW in the USA.

How could this be? Why would a reputable oil company that generally follows its own industry standards and laws in the United States, suddenly ditch them when drilling for oil in Ecuador?

It is hard not to come to the conclusion that someone felt that the Amazon region in Ecuador was so far off the beaten track that no-one would know which procedures were being followed and which ones were being ignored.

The technical reason for how the toxic waste polluted the water is simple.

The pits dug to hold the toxic wastes have to be lined to prevent toxic waste seeping into the waters. But pits in Ecuador were not lined. The result is the basis of the dispute.

However this should not be a dispute. The facts are well known to Chevron and their lawyers. But again, someone at the top of their organization has figured that they would rather spend their shareholders money on fighting a claim by the affected indigenous peoples of Ecuador than make a just settlement.

And maybe, for some people, lives and pain are just a cold calculation: is it cheaper to fight than to provide reparations?

When people ignore procedures involving dangerous chemicals, bad things are bound to happen. In this case, the 'bad things' are birth defects, cancers, communities destroyed. All because oil drilling that made billions of dollars for an oil company was simply not cleaned up properly.

Now the world knows. And the peoples of Ecuador will not give up until a just and transparent settlement is agreed upon.

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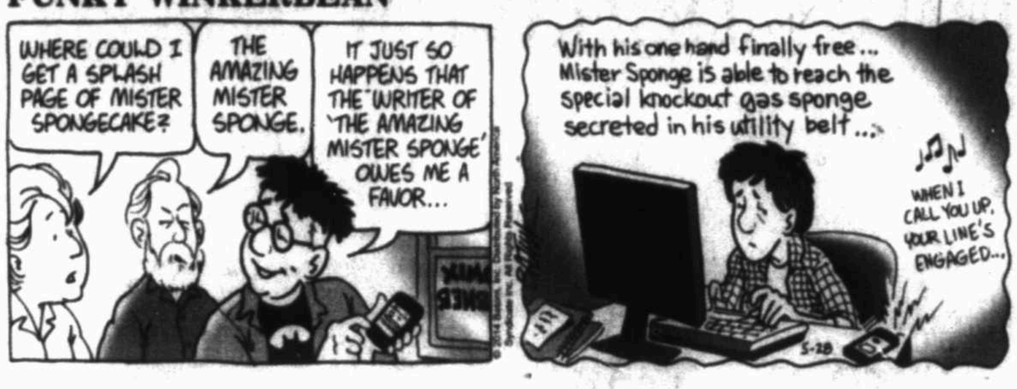

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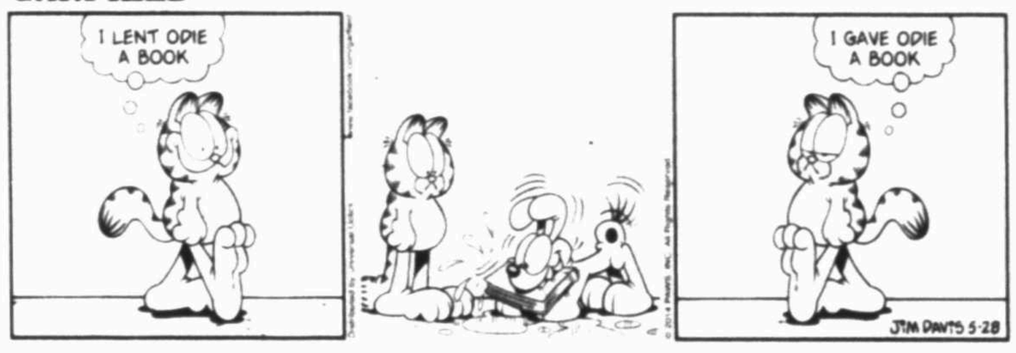

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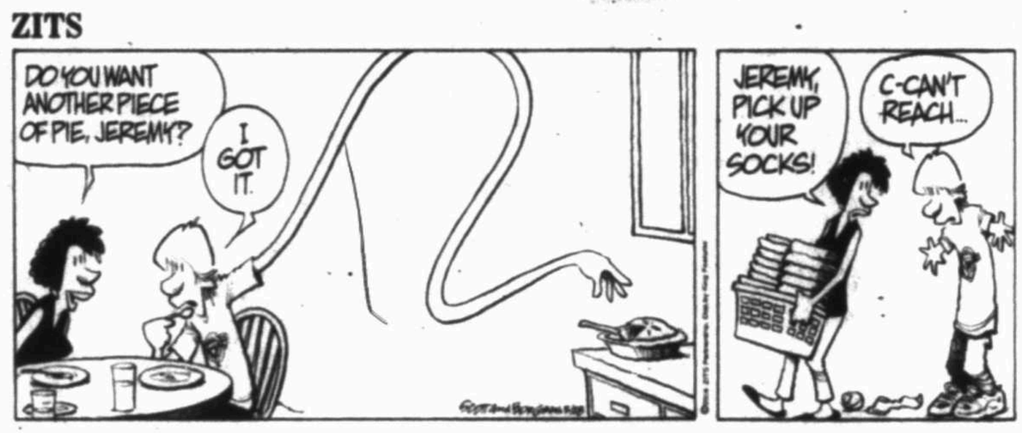


BABY BLUES



MUTTS



CLOSE TO HOME

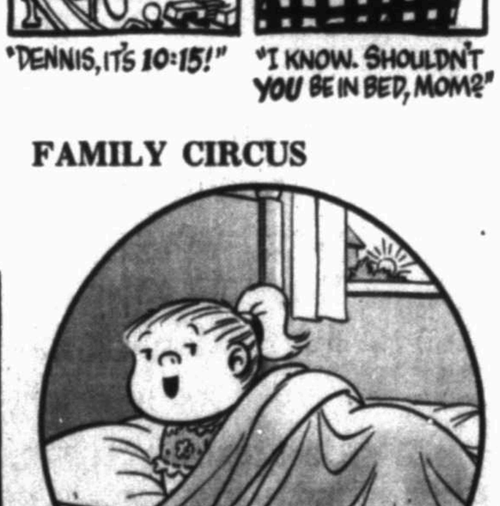


"Grandad, tell us about the time the shrunken head tribe captured you in Borneo and you tricked them and escaped!"

DENNIS THE MENACE



FAMILY CIRCUS

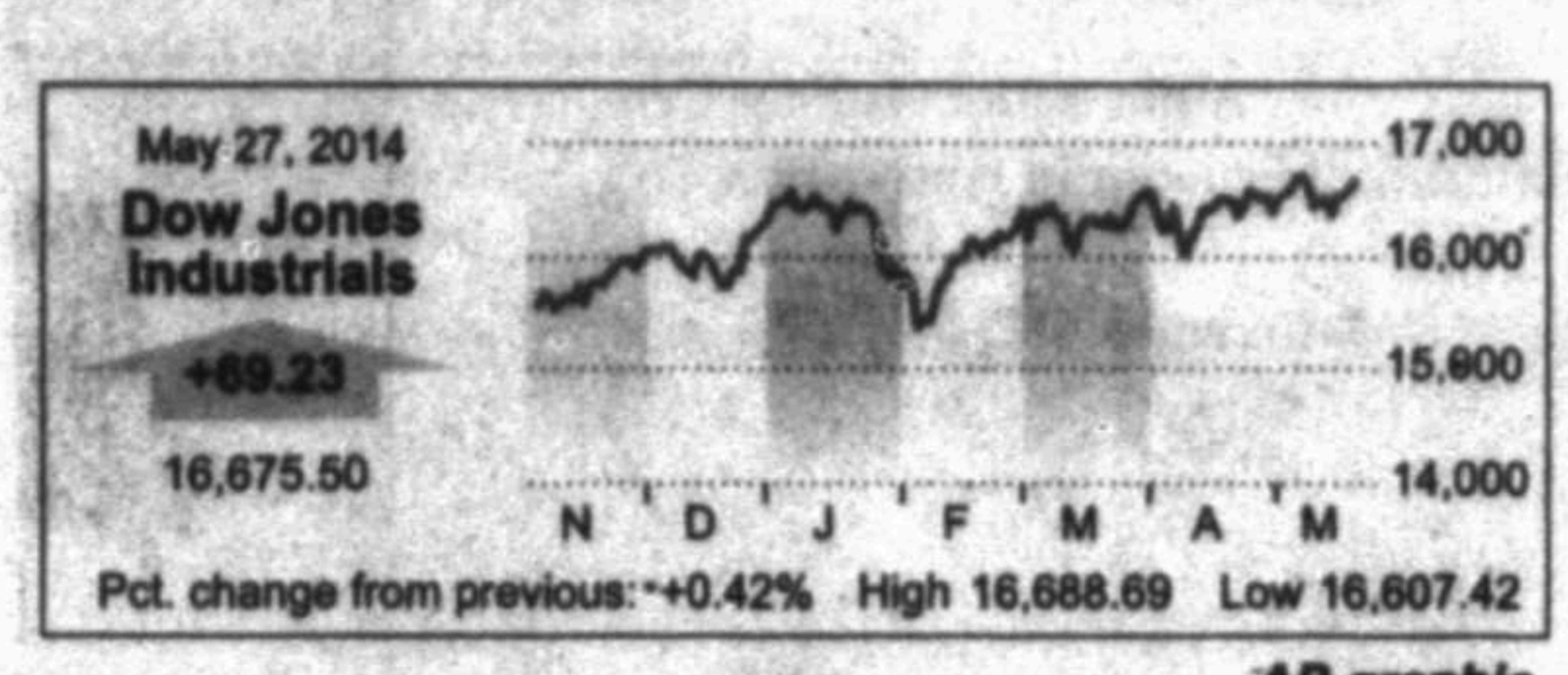


LOCKHORNS



BUSINESS & OIL

A DAY ON WALL STREET



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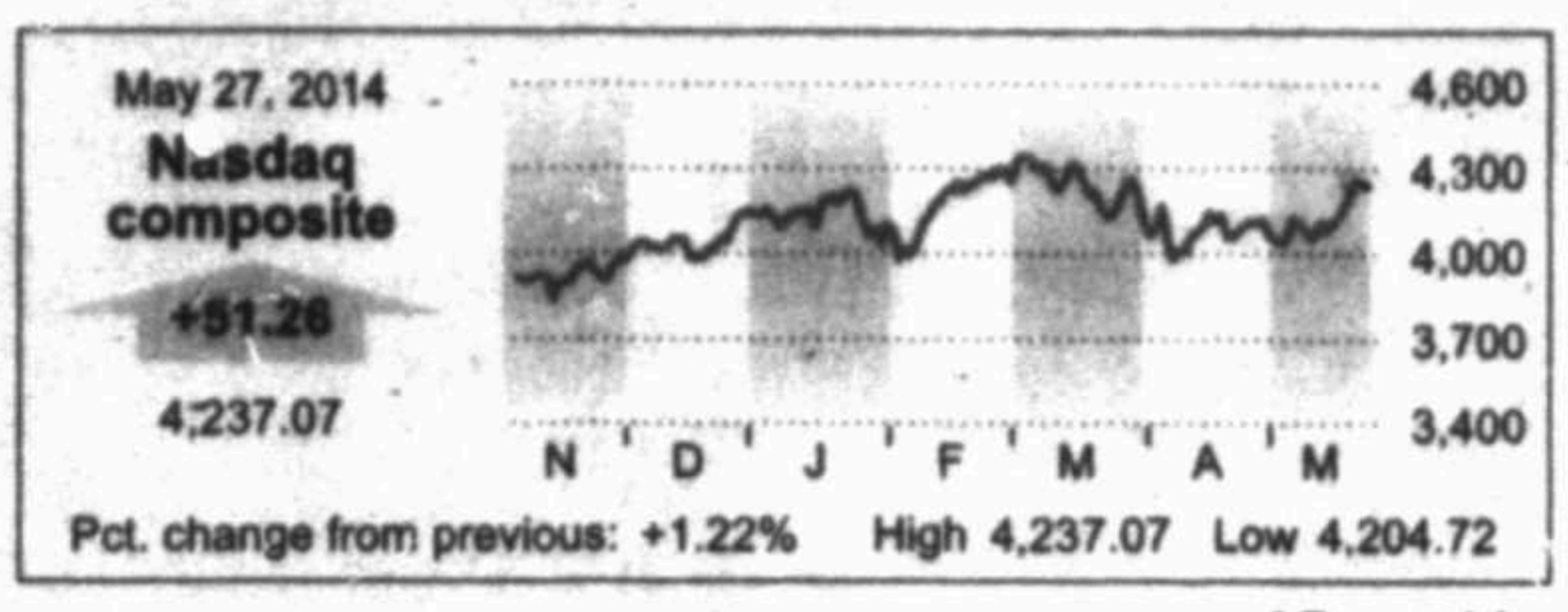

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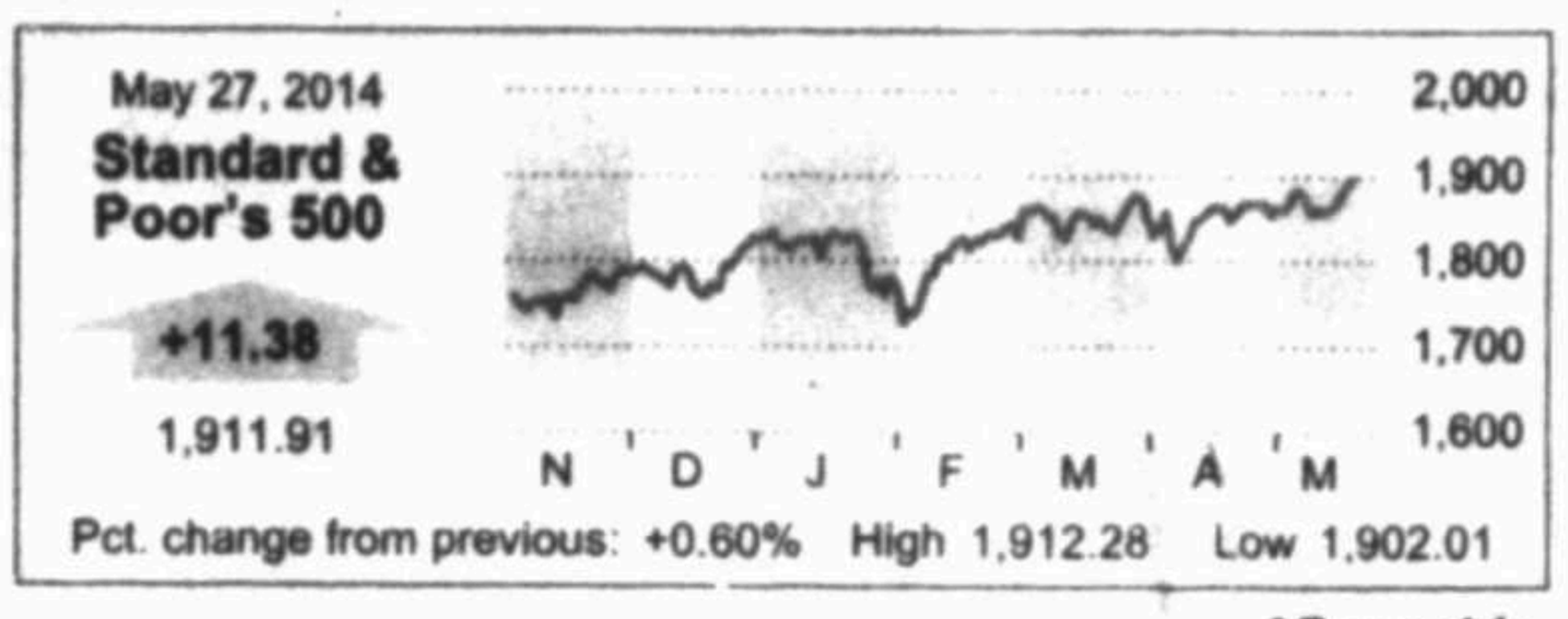

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OIL PRICES

FUTURES

Tuesday:	$104.11
Previous:	$104.35

POSTED

Tuesday:	$101.00
Previous:	$100.75

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Tuesday:	$91.80
Previous:	$91.55

NATURAL GAS

Tuesday:	$4.505
Previous:	$4.405

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	1205624	15.22	+.50
S&P500ETF	594913	191.52	+1.17
iShR2K	438627	113.58	+1.61
MktVGold	392863	22.41	-.90
iShEMkts	373587	42.77	-.37

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Hillshire	45.19	+8.17	+22.1
Lentuo	2.21	+.31	+16.3
Aeropostl	3.92	+.51	+15.0
DirGMBear	28.84	+3.50	+13.8
NAtlDrll n	9.65	+1.15	+13.5

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Frontline	2.39	-.47	-16.4
DirGMnBull	14.35	-2.49	-14.8
DxGldBll rs	28.97	-3.67	-11.2
DxIndiBl rs	86.22	-7.85	-8.3
WSP Hldgs	2.01	-.18	-8.2

DIARY

Advanced	2,134
Declined	975
Unchanged	117
Total issues	3,226
New Highs	229
New Lows	21
Volume	2,825,637,478

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
AlldNevG	51300	2.97	-.11
InovioPhm	45197	2.10	+.10
NovaGld g	35961	2.94	-.24
NwGold g	31419	5.15	-.02
UraniumEn	30868	1.82	+.18

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Innsuites	2.25	+.45	+25.0
PacBkrM g	5.08	+.77	+17.9
TrnsEntx rs	3.94	+.44	+12.6
CnsTom	45.90	+4.95	+12.1
BioTime	2.56	+.24	+10.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
B2gold g	2.52	-.22	-8.0
NovaGld g	2.94	-.24	-7.5
MAG Slv g	6.96	-.38	-5.2
OrionEngy	4.73	-.25	-5.0
IssuerDir	10.33	-.53	-4.8

DIARY

Advanced	207
Declined	204
Unchanged	23
Total issues	434
New Highs	13
New Lows	6
Volume	116,700,084

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Facebook	548934	63.48	+2.13
SiriusXM	468635	3.32	+.05
HimaxTch	280047	6.62	-1.04
Intel	267871	26.71	+.42
Zynga	262878	3.41	+.13

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Spherix	2.97	+1.46	+96.7
DyaxCp	8.41	+1.81	+27.4
GlycoM n	8.38	+1.42	+20.4
FairwayGp	7.00	+1.06	+17.8
UBIC	9.68	+1.41	+17.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
KellySB	18.19	-3.26	-15.2
LiveDeal s	3.79	-.63	-14.3
HimaxTch	6.62	-1.04	-13.6
YouOnDm	2.82	-.41	-12.7
Anlogic	67.86	-9.06	-11.8

DIARY

Advanced	1,981
Declined	674
Unchanged	113
Total issues	2,768
New Highs	100
New Lows	24
Volume	1,775,448,872



AP file photo

American Airlines pilot Bill Elder, the airline's fleet training manager on the Boeing 787 Dreamliner, pushes a ground-proximity warning light that came on as he nears the Empire State Building in a Boeing 787 flight simulator May 19 in Fort Worth. In the next few months, dozens of American Airlines pilots will sit in the same simulator and learn the nuances of the controls before they can fly the real plane, which the airline will begin using for passenger flights early next year.

Dreamliner set to land at American Airlines

By David Koenig
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — Rumbling down the runway at New York's JFK airport, American Airlines pilot Bill Elder points the nose of the Boeing 787 skyward and takes off for Denver.

Elder roars over the Atlantic, then banks sharply to the left, back over Queens and then Manhattan. But he is flying too low and triggers a ground-proximity warning as the Empire State Building appears off to the left.

Not to worry. The scene is unfolding in a flight simulator at American's training center in Texas. Elder, American's fleet training manager, is demonstrating the warning systems that mimic those in an airliner.

American will take delivery of its first 787, which Boeing calls the Dreamliner, in November. Passenger flights begin early next year. In the next few months, dozens of American pilots will sit in the same simulator and learn the nuances of the controls before they can fly the real plane.

The 787 could be American's most important new plane since the Boeing 777 in 1999. With its improved fuel efficiency and long range, the 787 could boost the airline's profit by making many international routes more economical.

The plane has a turbulent record. Production was delayed two years, and the entire worldwide fleet of 50 was grounded last year after batteries overheated in two planes. Regulators allowed the jets to fly again after Boeing crafted a fix that included encasing the batteries in steel boxes to contain any fires.

The Dreamliner was the first big passenger jet to use lithium-ion batteries to power key systems. Last week, U.S. safety officials said that the Federal Aviation Administration relied too much on Boeing for technical expertise and might not have adequately tested the batteries for hazards because of short-circuiting. Experts believe that lithium-ion batteries can short-circuit without warning, the investigators said.

American Airlines Group Inc. declined to make an executive available for comment. In a statement to The Associated Press, the airline said it was "in constant dialogue with Boeing and we look forward to adding the 787 to our fleet." American's former CEO and current chairman, Tom Horton, similarly stood by Boeing last year.

American will become just the second U.S. airline, after United, to fly the 787. Worldwide, about 140 are flying today, and Boeing said it has orders for nearly 900 more.

American has ordered 42 Dreamliners but hasn't yet said which routes they will fly. Spokesman Casey Norton said the plane will be tested on domestic routes before going into international service — the same strategy used by United Airlines.

Richard Aboulafia, a prominent aviation consultant, said the Dreamliner will be crucial for American as it competes with United and Delta to attract premium passengers on international routes. He said that American will fly it to Asia, the Middle East and secondary cities in Europe.

"It is absolutely the plane you want to fly point-to-point internationally," he said, "and it's at its best at longer ranges" where the fuel efficiency pays off most.

United executives said the plane burns 20 percent less fuel than similar jets and scores highest in the airline's surveys of passengers. United plans to use the 787 on new flights this year between San Francisco and Chengdu, a Chinese city that has never had nonstop service from the U.S., and between Los Angeles and Melbourne.

Oil stays above $104

The price of oil remained above $104 a barrel Tuesday as investors weighed how the conflicts in Ukraine and Libya were likely to affect crude supplies.

Benchmark crude for July delivery fell 24 cents to $104.11 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Brent crude, a benchmark for international oils, dropped 30 cents to $110.02 on the ICE Futures exchange in London.

Ukraine is a key conduit for Russian gas deliveries to Europe. A proposed solution to a dispute over Ukrainian natural gas debts to Moscow raised hopes that a supply cutoff would be averted. Russia's acceptance of Petro Poroshenko's victory in Sunday's presidential elections was also regarded as a sign of easing tensions.

But the resurgence of fighting, as the government in Kiev responded with an airstrike to the pro-Russia separatists' occupation of the airport in Donetsk, a city of about 1 million in eastern Ukraine, underscored the uncertainties that remain.

Meanwhile, in Libya, which has been unable to stabilize since the ouster of Moammar Gadhafi in 2011, the National Oil Corporation said crude exports stood at 160,000 barrels a day, down from 1.4 million barrels a day a year ago. Several key export facilities are controlled by militias who do not recognize the central government.

Gold falls

In metals trading, the July contract for gold fell $26.20, or 2 percent, to $1,265.50 an ounce.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $124.00 Up 0.01

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $131.56 Up 0.81

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $27.52 Up 0.75

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $71.47 Down 1.31

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $27.73 Up 0.13

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $6.99 Up 0.18

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $30.30 Up 0.33

Parsley Energy LLC (PE)
Closing Price $22.68 Up 0.48

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $18.85 Down 0.05

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.84	11	35.21	-.11	+.1
Abraxas	...	40	5.16	+.05	+58.2
AdamsEx	.84e	...	13.43	+.07	+2.8
Aeropostl	...	...	3.92	+.51	-56.9
Alcoa	.12	43	13.48	-.04	+26.8
AlonUSA	.24	...	14.41	-.02	-12.9
Ambev n	.22e	...	7.11	-.29	-3.3
ARltCapPr	1.00	...	12.44	+.14	-3.2
Amgen	2.44	19	115.89	+1.56	+1.6
Anadarko	1.08f	...	101.33	-.02	+27.7
Apache	1.00	21	90.36	+.18	+5.1
Apple Inc	13.16f	15	625.63	+11.50	+11.5
ApldMatl	.40	29	20.58	+.54	+16.4
AriadP	...	...	6.49	+.19	-4.8
ATMOS	1.48	18	50.08	-.25	+10.3
AutoData	1.92	27	79.30	+.45	-1.9
BP PLC	2.28	12	50.70	-.40	+4.3
BabsCClnv	1.20	...	15.26	-.01	+2.2
BakrHu	.68f	26	69.92	-.07	+26.5
BcoSBrasil	.93e	...	6.71	+.03	+24.3
BkofAm	.04	20	15.22	+.50	-2.2
B iPVix rs	...	...	33.87	-1.08	-20.4
BarrickG	.20	...	15.94	-.58	-9.6
BasicEnSv	...	...	25.62	+.23	+62.4
BerkHa A	...	16	191300.00	+1095.00	+7.5
BlkHillsCp	1.56	24	57.46	+.73	+9.4
BrMySq	1.44	28	48.89	+.10	-8.0
BrownFA	1.16	33	89.94	+.06	+21.9
BrownFB	1.16	31	92.01	+.59	+21.8
CVS Care	1.10	20	77.17	+.05	+7.8
Cameron	...	22	63.91	+.66	+7.4
Caterpillar	2.40	18	103.68	-.35	+14.2
Celestic g	...	17	11.78	+.25	+13.3
CntryLink	2.16	...	37.32	+.04	+17.2
ChesEng	.35	24	28.32	+.64	+4.3
Chevron	4.28f	12	122.84	-.53	-1.7
Chicos	.30	19	15.61	+.15	-17.1
Cimarex	.64	24	128.47	+1.94	+22.5
Cisco	.76f	17	24.71	+.19	+11.0
Citigroup	.04	11	47.57	+.28	-8.7
ClayEng	...	54	124.00	+.01	+81.3
CocaCola	1.22f	22	40.77	+.19	-1.3
ColgPalm	1.44f	29	66.71	-.02	+2.3
CmtyHlt rt	...	...	.06	+.00	+28.0

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
ConAgra	1.00	16	31.56	-.05	-6.4
ConchoRes	...	44	131.56	+.81	+21.8
ConocoPhil	2.76	13	79.04	+.61	+11.9
CrackerB	4.00f	20	100.52	+1.27	-8.7
CrosTim	2.71e	14	35.99	+.99	+22.4
DCP Mid	2.98f	40	54.43	-1.38	+8.1
DTE	2.62	18	75.28	+.40	+13.4
Dataram h	...	...	2.74	+.05	+5.4
Dawson	.32	40	27.52	+.75	-18.6
DevonE	.96f	18	73.13	+.48	+18.2
DrxSCBear	...	...	16.15	-.74	-4.8
Disney	.86f	22	83.74	+.42	+9.6
DowChm	1.48	14	50.93	+.25	+14.7
eBay	...	...	51.77	-.25	-5.6
EMC Cp	.46f	21	26.57	-.03	+5.6
EOG Res s	.50	24	104.73	+.76	+24.8
EmpDist	1.02	15	24.20	+.36	+6.7
Energen	.60	36	84.70	-.02	+19.7
EngyTsfr	3.74f	...	55.84	+.01	-2.5
EnPro	...	66	72.48	+.93	+25.7
EntPrPt	2.84f	26	74.22	+.10	+11.9
Ericsson	.46e	...	12.36	+.11	+1.0
Exelon	1.24	17	35.38	+1.23	+29.2
ExterranH	.60	27	42.35	+.73	+23.8
ExxonMbl	2.76f	11	101.36	+.04	+.2
Facebook	...	84	63.48	+2.13	+16.2
FordM	.50	10	16.16	+.14	+4.7
ForestOil	...	19	2.25	+.04	-37.7
GATX	1.32	16	63.09	-.61	+20.9
GabMultT	.88	...	10.70	+.02	-13.8
GAInv	2.10e	...	35.60	+.14	+1.1
GenElec	.88	20	26.57	+.06	-5.2
GileadSci	...	30	82.16	+1.22	+9.4
GtPlainEn	.92	16	25.36	+.15	+4.6
HalconRes	...	...	5.83	+.26	+51.0
Hallibrtn	.60	22	63.97	-.04	+26.0
HewlettP	.64	12	33.10	-.62	+18.3
Hillshire	.70	27	45.19	+8.17	+35.1
HimaxTch	.25e	33	6.62	-1.04	-55.0
iShBrazil	1.44e	...	47.08	-.75	+5.4
iShJapan	.13e	...	11.46	+.09	-5.4
iShChinaLC	1.02e	...	36.15	-.19	-5.8
iShEMkts	.86e	...	42.77	-.37	+2.3
iShR2K	1.45e	...	113.58	+1.61	-1.5

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
IntegrysE	2.72	18	58.32	+.51	+7.2
Intel	.90	14	26.71	+.42	+2.9
InterDig	.40	33	37.92	+.21	+28.6
InvBncp s	...	27	10.68	+.09	+6.5
JD.com n	...	...	22.97	+2.87	+9.9
JPMorgCh	1.60f	14	55.14	+.61	-5.1
JohnJn	2.80f	19	100.81	-.17	+10.1
KimbClk	3.36	20	110.56	-.17	+5.8
KindME	5.52f	28	75.64	-.24	-6.2
KindMM	5.52t	46	72.38	-.34	-4.3
Kinross g	...	...	3.82	-.14	-12.8
LegacyRes	2.38f	...	27.73	+.13	-1.5
Lubys	...	...	5.26	+.15	-31.9
MktVGold	.19e	...	22.41	-.90	+6.1
McDnlds	3.24	19	102.36	+.36	+5.5
Merck	1.76	38	56.69	-.12	+13.3
MeritMed	...	32	14.12	+.09	-10.3
MexcoEn	...	70	6.99	+.18	+1.3
MicronT	...	11	28.06	+.73	+29.0
Microsoft	1.12	15	40.19	+.07	+7.4
MorgStan	.40f	18	31.12	+.63	-.8
Nabors	.16	55	25.99	-.08	+53.0
NBGrce rs	...	...	3.37	+.15	-39.8
NatGrid	3.48e	...	74.71	+.53	+14.4
NOilVarco	1.84f	15	81.93	+.03	+3.0
NokiaCp	.51e	...	7.86	+.02	-3.1
NvMAd	.80a	...	13.57	+.01	+11.6
NvPMI	.86	...	13.71	+.02	+10.8
NuvPI	.86	...	13.69	+.01	+11.0
NSTFI3	.63a	...	13.88	...	+7.8
NTXQI	.70a	...	14.24	+.03	+10.8
OcciPet	2.88	13	97.45	+.48	+2.5
Oi SA C	.14e	...	.84	-.08	-48.8
Oi SA	.14e	...	.86	-.01	-46.2
Oracle	.48	18	41.91	-.24	+9.5
ParTech	...	...	4.50	-.07	-17.4
ParkDrl	...	24	6.38	+.07	-21.5
PattUTI	.40	29	33.00	+.12	+30.3
Penney	...	...	8.85	-.16	-3.3
PennaRE	.80	...	18.37	+.37	-3.2
Prmian	1.04e	15	14.65	-.02	+13.9
Petrobras	.46e	...	14.62	-.29	+6.1
Pfizer	1.04	16	29.61	+.12	-3.3
PinnaclFds	.84	35	31.48	-1.79	+14.6
PioNtrl	.08	...	203.52	+1.21	+10.6

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
PlainsAAP	2.52f	24	55.61	-.73	+7.4
PwShs QQQ	1.30e		91.00	+1.12	+3.5
Praxair	2.60	22	130.83	-.10	+.6
PrmEgy	...	14	57.85	...	+14.6
ProctGam	2.57f	21	80.08	-.44	-1.6
Provectus	...	...	.75	-1.27	-68.9
RF MicD	...	57	9.70	+.25	+88.0
RangeRs	.16	66	90.92	+2.24	+7.8
RegionsFn	.20f	13	10.12	+.05	+2.3
RiteAid	...	38	8.27	+.15	+63.4
Rowan	.40	16	31.02	+.92	-12.3
RoyDShllA	3.76f	10	78.46	-.63	+10.1
SpdrDJIA	3.56e	...	166.47	+.64	+.6
SpdrGold	...	...	121.85	-2.66	+4.9
S&P500ETF	3.48e	...	191.52	+1.17	+3.7
SabnR	3.93e	14	55.61	-.03	+10.0
SanderFm	.80	12	87.01	+1.87	+20.3
SandRdge	...	...	6.56	+.01	+8.1
Sapient	...	28	16.62	+.20	-4.3
Schlmbrg	1.60	19	102.16	+.77	+13.4
SigmaAld	.92	24	98.01	+.32	+4.3
SiriusXM	...	55	3.32	+.05	-4.9
Smucker	2.32	18	100.44	+1.32	-3.1
Spherix	...	...	2.97	+1.46	-63.2
Sprint n	...	...	9.23	-.01	-14.1
SPDR Fncl	.34e	...	22.23	+.19	+1.7

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
Staples	.48	13	11.42	.23	-28.1
SunocoLog	2.78f	32	91.38	-.21	+21.1
TelefEsp	.47e	...	16.61	+.16	+1.7
Tesoro	1.00	17	54.42	+.17	-7.0
3M Co	3.42	20	141.44	+.30	+.8
Torchmark	.76f	14	81.30	+.21	+4.0
TriContl	.65e	...	20.69	+.14	+3.6
Twitter n	...	...	30.51	+.01	-52.1
TylerTech	...	67	81.56	+.94	-20.1
UBWV	1.28	17	30.43	+.67	-3.2
Vale SA	.84e	...	13.07	-.11	-14.3
ValeroE	1.00	10	53.74	-.80	+6.6
VangEmg	1.20e	...	42.55	-.35	+3.4
VerizonCm	2.12	11	49.62	-.12	+1.0
VulcanM	.20	59	61.35	+.16	+3.2
Walgrn	1.26	25	70.24	+.45	+22.3
WellsFargo	1.40f	13	50.55	+.39	+11.3
WstnRefin	1.04	17	39.56	-.15	-6.7
WhitingPet	...	15	71.39	-.03	+15.4
WmsCos	1.70f	56	46.85	-.02	+21.5
Windstrm	1.00	24	9.39	+.01	+17.7
XcelEngy	1.20	16	30.37	+.13	+8.7
Xerox	.25	13	12.15	+.09	-.2
Yahoo	...	29	35.12	+.10	-13.2
Zynga	...	...	3.41	+.13	-10.3

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INDEXES

52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
16,735.51	14,551.27	Dow Jones Industrials	16,675.50	+69.23	+.42	+.60	+8.22
7,995.39	5,952.18	Dow Jones Transportation	8,017.84	+31.26	+.39	+8.34	+25.32
558.29	462.66	Dow Jones Utilities	537.81	+3.79	+.71	+9.63	+9.22
11,334.65	8,814.76	NYSE Composite	10,720.61	+38.74	+.36	+3.08	+12.92
2,688.81	2,186.97	Amex Index	2,672.34	+8.40	+.32	+10.15	+10.38
4,371.71	3,294.95	Nasdaq Composite	4,237.07	+51.26	+1.22	+1.45	+21.44
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20,257.19	16,442.14	Wilshire 5000	20,258.82	+135.32	+.67	+2.81	+15.67
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An Open Letter to Chevron Shareholders from the Ambassador of Ecuador to the United States

EMBAJADA DEL ECUADOR
WASHINGTON D.C.

Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores y Movilidad Humana

Ambassador Nathalie Cely
Embassy of Ecuador in Washington, DC

Washington, DC, May 28th 2014

Dear Chevron Shareholders,

As you may know, Chevron has been accused by indigenous communities in Ecuador of having contaminated the Ecuadorian Amazon while it operated in my country as TexPet and as Texaco between 1964 and 1992, several years before it was acquired by Chevron in 2001.

Legal battles over this issue have been long, hard-fought, and fraught with misinformation and rhetoric designed to distract the public, the courts, and other interested parties from the real issue of what took place in Ecuador and the moral and legal responsibility of Chevron.

In that regard, I would like to draw your attention to new information, recently made public, that you likely are unaware of.

As part of the pending international arbitration proceedings commenced by Chevron against the Republic of Ecuador, experts with the internationally recognized, U.S.-based environmental consulting firm the Louis Berger Group reviewed Chevron's own data—and conducted its own testing—to get to the truth. This includes examining Chevron's own environmental testing, as reflected in documents that Chevron sought to keep secret but was ordered to produce by several U.S. courts in support of the arbitral proceedings.

In our view, the results of that testing leave no room for doubt of three facts:

1. Texaco knowingly engaged in practices that by design predictably led to widespread contamination, notwithstanding the availability of better technologies that Texaco used elsewhere;

2. Substantial contamination in the rainforest caused by Texaco remains today;

3. That contamination has caused, is causing and is likely to continue to cause significant health and environmental impacts in the region.

In the accompanying document, we present to you a comprehensive summary of this evidence for you to review yourself.

I do not write this letter with joy. I instead write with a measure of reluctance. I am a diplomat, and it is generally not my practice to criticize any person or company. At the same time, I do believe it is my duty as the representative of Ecuador to this country that we bring this evidence of the Company's liability to your attention—and into the public domain.

I encourage you to review the evidence yourself, to ask appropriate questions, to perform due diligence, and to retain truly independent experts. As it stands, Chevron appears intent to continue its practice of spending tens of millions of dollars annually on attorneys to support its many litigations, and still many more millions of dollars on its related public relations and lobbying campaigns.

I nonetheless am an optimist at heart and will therefore continue to hope that the Company will re-examine the path it has charted and that it will choose to act, going forward, in a manner more befitting the eco-friendly image that it seeks to project to the world.

Sincerely,

Nathalie Cely
Ambassador of Ecuador to the United States

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Background

Ecuadorian indigenous plaintiffs originally brought their suit against Texaco in 1993 in a federal district court in New York, but Texaco—and later Chevron—asked the New York court to dismiss the case so that it could be resolved in Ecuador. At the time, the Company had repeatedly represented (and offered multiple affidavits in support) that the Ecuadorian courts were fair and capable of adjudicating the dispute. The Company won dismissal of the case from the court in New York in 2002, and the following year the indigenous plaintiffs re-filed the case in Ecuador—as Chevron and Texaco had encouraged.

Almost immediately thereafter, in 2004—long before the Company lodged any complaints about "fraud"—Chevron launched the first of successive litigations and arbitrations against the Republic of Ecuador. Five years and substantial resources were wasted on this litigation, which was dismissed by both the U.S. federal district court in New York and the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

International Tribunal

The same year after its claims were dismissed from the U.S. court (and still two years prior to any decision by the Ecuadorian courts regarding the rainforest residents' claims), Chevron commenced the now pending international arbitration against the Republic of Ecuador.

In the arbitration proceedings, Chevron has argued that it is not liable for any kind of contamination in the rainforest where Texaco operated for nearly three decades, and that if there were any contamination, it is not harmful to the environment or the inhabitants of the region. I encourage you to examine Chevron's claims—and all of the evidence—because Chevron's position is belied by Chevron's own environmental testing, as reflected in documents that Chevron sought to keep secret but was ordered to produce by several U.S. courts in support of the arbitral proceedings.

New Evidence of Significant Texaco-Chevron Pollution

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Chevron's own experts tested soil samples both before and during court-ordered judicial inspections in the rainforest litigation. TPH (Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons, a measure of the amount of oil in a sample) values exceeded the 1000 mg/kg Ecuadorian standard at 91 percent of the sites Chevron had sampled by spring of 2007. Two carcinogenic PAHs (benzo(a)pyrene and benzo(a) anthracene) exceeded Ecuadorian standards at more than half of the sites tested; the PAH pyrene exceeded Ecuadorian standards at 90 percent of the sites; and naphthalene exceeded Ecuadorian standards at 82 percent of the sites.

Just as with the soil samples, more than 50 percent of the sediment samples Chevron took showed that TPH values exceeded the maximum allowable 1000 mg/kg standard. These samples also showed that 25 percent of the sites exceeded allowable levels of the carcinogen benzo(a)pyrene and 43 percent exceeded allowable levels of pyrene. That any sites exceeded allowable PAH limits in sediments almost two decades after their release indicates a persistent problem.

New Evidence of Chevron's Misleading Activities

While Chevron's legal strategy in recent years has been to focus attention on the conduct of attorneys for the indigenous plaintiffs, the Company's own litigation practices have proven less than exemplary as the Company engaged in activities plainly designed to mislead the Ecuadorian court by systematically understating the contamination it caused.

As the Louis Berger Group found:

1. Chevron conducted extensive, unauthorized pre-inspection tests at most sites so that it would know exactly where the contamination was and where, more importantly, it was not. Chevron then used this information to systematically avoid finding any pollution during the official judicial inspections. Indeed, its experts—relying on cherry-picked test samples—pronounced the samples "representative" of the whole when the Company knew that they were not. That Chevron still found evidence of contamination reveals the true omnipresence of the contamination.

2. Chevron relied on a test, the TCLP test, which was never intended to assess the existence of petroleum hydrocarbons in the soil, but rather to test levels of contamination in the water coming out of landfills. The fundamental problem with this test is that oil and water don't mix, so it will yield positive results only if the oil is literally dripping out of the sample.

3. Chevron's experts used their knowledge of a site's geography and the natural characteristics of oil to avoid sampling at locations likely to show pollution. For example, Chevron would sample upstream from sources of contamination when it knew that the contamination would migrate downstream. Or Chevron would take only surface samples where pollution was known or expected to be deeper.

4. Chevron used "composite sampling"—a sampling technique designed to find average concentrations—and added known clean soil to make dirty samples look cleaner.

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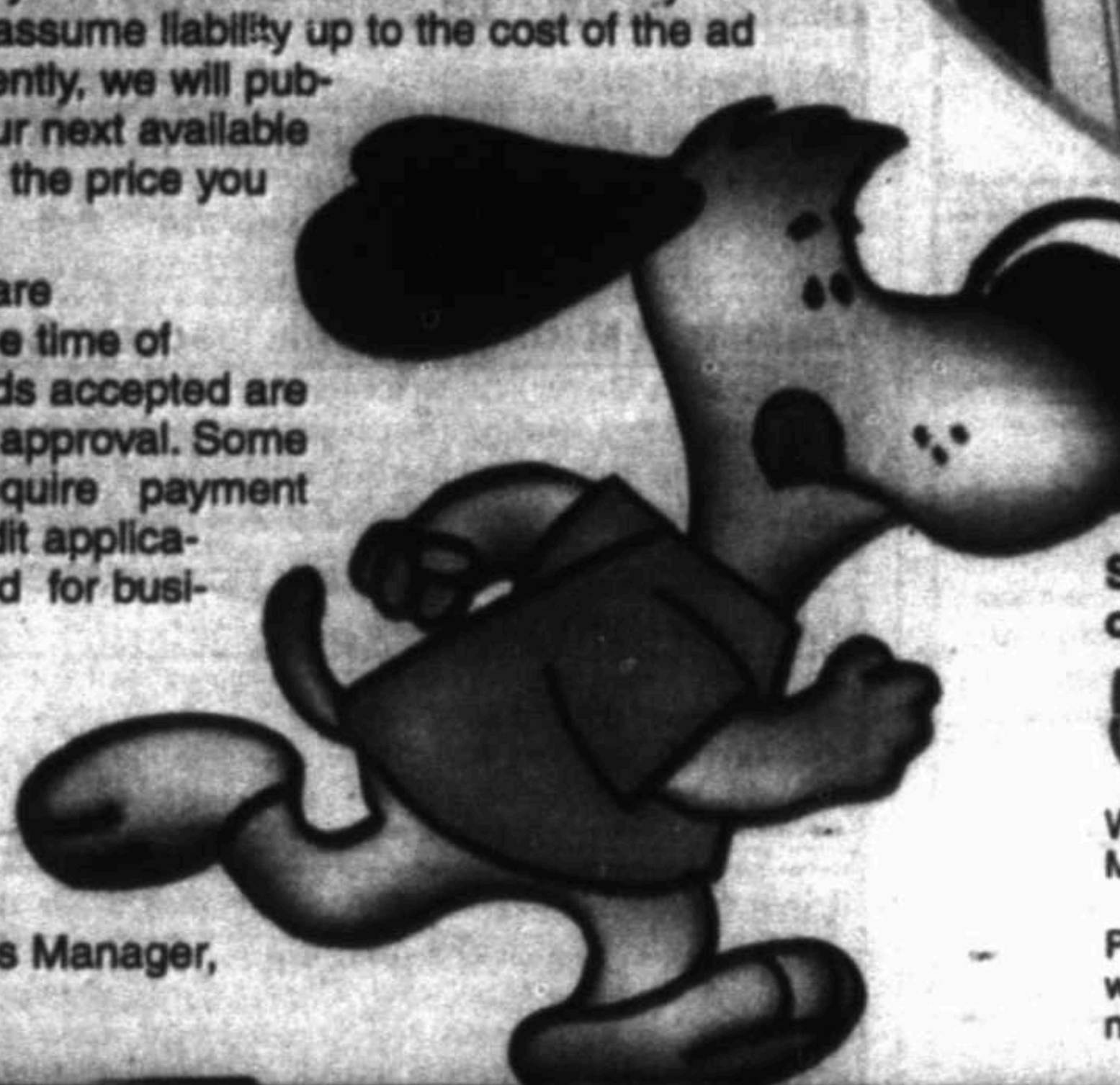

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HUMAN RESOURCES

Human Resources Director
McCamey County Hospital District is seeking a Human Resources Director. Bachelor's degree in Human Resources or Business preferred. Minimum two years of college required. Candidates must be able to deal with the technical expertise in all key functional HR areas, including policy development, talent acquisition, team building, benefits management, workers' compensation, Employee Health and HR compliance management. We are looking for candidates who are approachable and have strong relationship building skills. Ideal candidates must demonstrate the ability to foster an atmosphere of respect and cooperation. They must have strong computer skills. Candidates must be able to pass background checks. This is a key strategic position with responsibility for all Human Resources functions. This position is an integral member of the hospital's leadership team. Any questions contact Jaime Ramirez 432-652-8626 extension 218. Applications may be completed online at mccameyhospitaldistrict.org. Resumes may be emailed to jgulihur@mchdtx.net. Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Friday, June 3, 2014.

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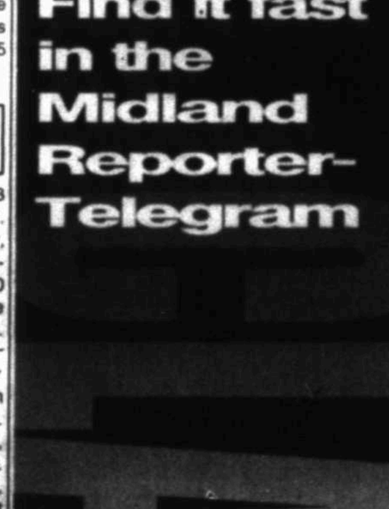

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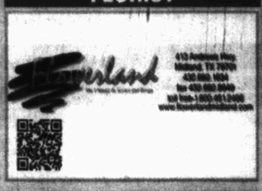
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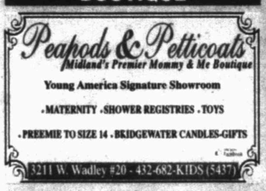
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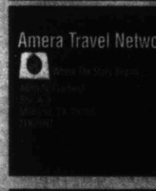
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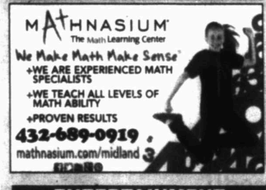
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