



# Republicans, Clinton argue; another budget deadline approaching

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WASHINGTON (AP) - Republicans are accusing the Clinton administration of choosing political points over compromise after the White House threatened to veto a huge 1996 spending bill unless environmental provisions are dropped.

Facing a deadline of next Wednesday, Congress is trying to end its long-running impasse with President Clinton over financing dozens of agencies for the remaining five-and-a-half months of fiscal 1996.

But Republicans reacted angrily when Vice President Al Gore said at a news conference that Clinton would "absolutely" veto the \$160 billion measure unless Republicans stripped language Gore said would harm the environment. These included reining in protections for endangered species and ending the Environmental Protection Agency's oversight of wetlands development.

"When taken as a whole, they represent a sweeping and negative change in environmental law," Gore wrote in a letter to House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga.

Gingrich told reporters the administration "really wants to play presidential politics" by insisting on

all its environmental demands. And Sen. Christopher Bond, R-Mo., accused Gore of "a craven political show" and added, "They don't want a bill, they want a campaign issue on the environment."

Other differences remained as well, including spending levels for advanced technology and hiring new police officers and a GOP effort to force the firing of soldiers infected with the AIDS-causing HIV virus.

But lawmakers were hoping to meet today, for the first time in nearly three weeks, to try to iron out remaining differences - at least among Republicans - so a bill could be sent to Clinton by next Wednesday, when the latest measure temporarily financing agencies will expire.

Meanwhile, the budget battleground was beginning to shift to fiscal 1997, which begins Oct. 1.

Congress' own nonpartisan fiscal analyst, the Congressional Budget Office, gave Clinton a political weapon for his upcoming re-election campaign against Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., when it declared that his 1997 budget would indeed eliminate annual deficits by 2002.

The analysis, which CBO Director Junc O'Neill presented to the House

Budget Committee, will allow Clinton to claim that he met the test Republicans themselves set last year - that the president present a balanced-budget plan validated by CBO.

O'Neill said the projection assumes the president follows through on ending a proposed tax cut in 2000, getting extra savings from Medicare and other domestic programs, and placing new fees on television broadcasters.

Republicans said it is politically unrealistic to believe that tax cuts would be rolled back and that deep enough spending cuts would be enacted. "It's not very likely to be successful," said House Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio.

House and Senate GOP budget writers, working with Dole and Gingrich, have begun charting their own spending blueprints for 1997.

Though leaders are still making final decisions, participants say each chamber's plan will map the way to a balanced budget in 2002 and call for tax cuts. Savings in Medicare, Medicaid, welfare and other domestic programs are expected to resemble those Republicans called for in January in their final offer during the failed budget talks with Clinton.

# Minimum wage hike causes election-year GOP division

By DAVID ESPO  
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WASHINGTON (AP) - Moderate House Republicans are calling for an increase in the minimum wage, aligning themselves with President Clinton and the Democrats on the issue but exposing election-year divisions within their own party.

"We want to guarantee that a minimum wage at 40 hours plus is enough to support a family," said Rep. Chris Shays of Connecticut, one of 20 GOP lawmakers who signed on Wednesday to an increase despite opposition from Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, the party's presumptive presidential nominee, and other GOP leaders.

The Republicans' bill would raise the federal minimum hourly wage from \$4.25 to \$5.25 an hour - 10 cents more than the Democrats' version - in two steps. The first 50-cent increase would take effect 90 days after President Clinton signed

the bill. The second increase would come a year later.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich sidestepped the question of whether the bill would be scheduled for a floor vote.

Rep. John Boehner, R-Ohio, chairman of the GOP caucus, said the issue seemed likely to come to a vote one way or another. "There appears to be an awful lot of support, even though it's terrible economic policy," he said.

Opponents say raising the minimum wage could cost jobs. They also are likely to portray a hike in the minimum wage as a tax increase on businesses.

The minimum wage was raised to its current level on April 1, 1991, from \$3.80 an hour.

The proposal backed by Democrats calls for a 90 cent increase in two increments over two years.

Supporters of an increase say that when inflation is taken into account,

the minimum wage will soon be at 40-year low unless it is raised.

But the second-in-command in the House, Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, issued a statement renewing his opposition to the proposal.

"This whole issue is a sham on the part of the Washington union bosses that fund the Democrat party," he said in a statement that made no mention of the action taken by his fellow Republicans.

Shays and 13 other GOP lawmakers announced their plans at a news conference. "We need to have work rewarded," said Rep. Bob Franks of New Jersey. "It should not be partisan," said Rep. Amo Houghton of New York.

Most of those involved are from Northeastern states, and several are likely to face difficult election races this fall.

Clinton and congressional Democrats have been seeking a minimum wage increase for several months, part of an effort to appeal to workers whose standard of living has stagnated in the past several years.

"House Republicans are finally climbing on board and it's about time," said Labor Secretary Robert Reich in an interview. He said several of the Republicans involved had told him privately in the past they supported raising the minimum wage, "but at the time they said they were constrained from showing support publicly." He declined to name them.

# Crowds increasing for bombing anniversary

By PAUL QUEARY  
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OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) - As the first anniversary of the Oklahoma City bombing approaches, people are streaming past the site, leaving flowers, ribbons and teddy bears in remembrance of the 168 people who died.

"It's really scary just to think that you could go somewhere and have something like this happen," 17-year-old Jayme Auschwitz said Wednesday as she stood outside the chain fence surrounding the site of the April 19, 1995, blast.

Hundreds of tokens decorate the fence, including the teddy bears that came to symbolize a nation's sympathy, elaborate wreaths memorializing individual victims, and crude crosses made from splinters of wood. Colored ribbons and fresh flowers contrast with faded palm fronds left over from Palm Sunday.

As a group of high school students from the Oklahoma Panhandle town of Turpin tied a red ribbon bearing the legend "Our Prayers Are With You" to

the fence, workers were busy erecting scaffolding to hold TV crews.

More than 1,200 media credentials have been issued to reporters and photographers who want to cover Friday's anniversary ceremony. At the fence, reporters sometimes outnumbered visitors.

"They should remember," said Phyllis Emerson, who works two blocks away and brought her 4-year-old grandson to the fence.

"For the ones of us that worked down here, it seems like yesterday."

Most of the Alfred P. Murrah federal building was demolished about a month after the bombing. Wrecked buildings still stand across the street, their twisted beams and shattered concrete a reminder of the bomb's force.

The site will eventually hold a memorial to bombing victims, but construction is not expected to begin for at least a year.

Two men, Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols, face federal murder and conspiracy charges in the bombing.

# Forum to air tonight

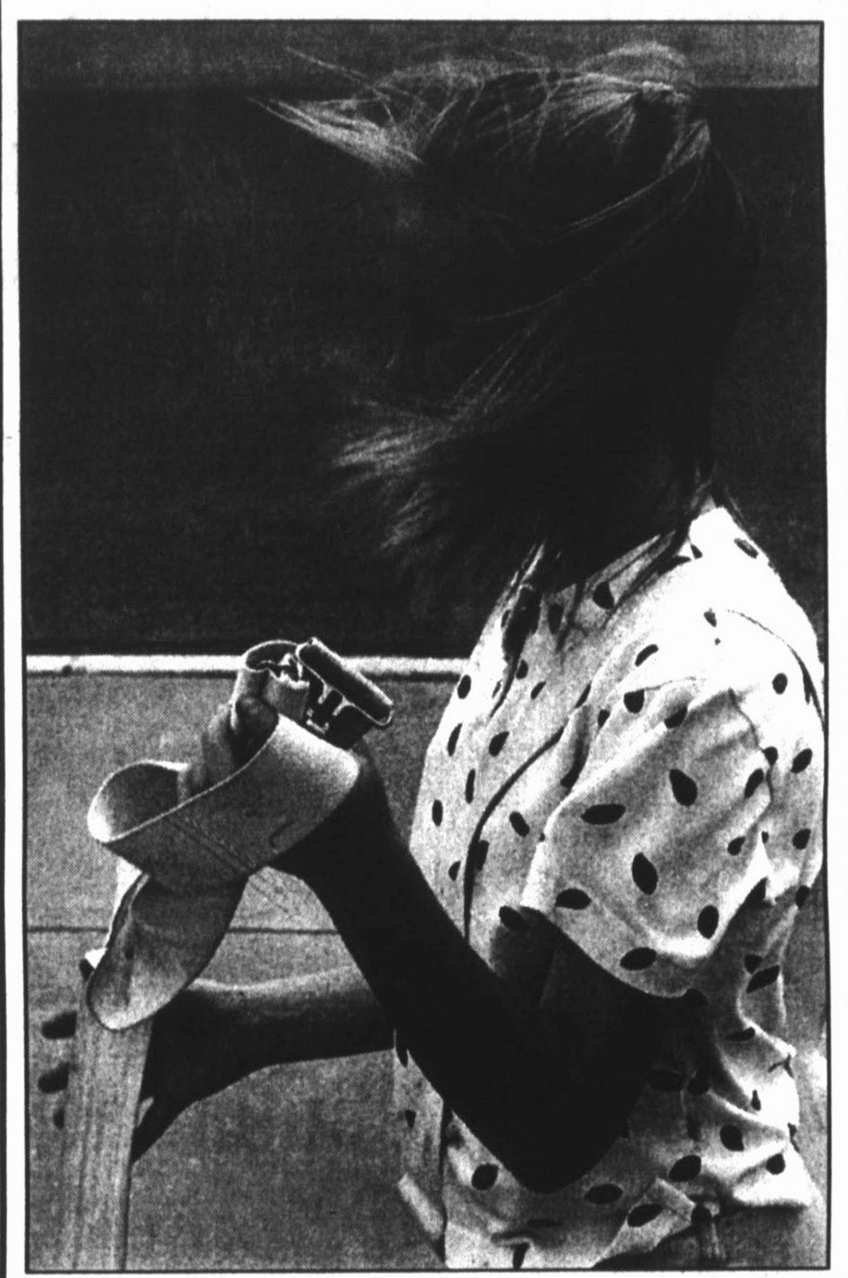
Local residents who were unable to attend last week's "Meet the Candidates Forum" -- or who want to review what they saw -- will have several opportunities to view the entire forum on local television, beginning at 7 p.m. today.

Tonight's broadcast on Hereford Cablevision is the first of six broadcasts on Cable Channel 19.

Residents will be able to hear the candidates for city commission, school board and hospital district board -- as well as county candidates in the November general election -- speak about important issues, qualifications and goals.

After tonight, the forum will be aired on April 23, 25 and 29, plus May 1 and 3.

# Blowin' in the wind



**Wind-blown look**  
Samantha Smith, a sixth-grader at Bluebonnet Intermediate School and student traffic officer, battled high winds Wednesday that kept her hair blowing across her face. Hereford has been in the grip of high winds and dry conditions for several weeks now.

# Feds, TEA focus on Wilmer-Hutchins ISD

DALLAS (AP) - Federal agents have custody today of boxes and cabinets full of records seized from the troubled Wilmer-Hutchins Independent School District, already the target of a state takeover.

Agents from the Internal Revenue Service and the FBI entered the building with a search warrant Wednesday morning and began the all-day process of hauling cabinets and boxes filled with school records from the administration building in South Dallas.

Among the records and computer files removed were purchasing receipts, payroll records and vendor contracts. District employees were told to go home.

The federal agents acted after receiving results of a state audit that criticized former Superintendent Delores Roberts-Quintyn.

The state audit said Ms. Roberts-Quintyn contributed to the district's out-of-control administration and refused to cooperate with auditors.

The audit found \$141,372 in questionable costs and the general fund about \$41,000 out of balance.

Ms. Roberts-Quintyn was in office for about a year when she was suspended in February because of persistent financial questions. Trustees decided last month not to renew her contract, which expires June 30.

Also, federal officials received reports from a former district employee about problems with Ms. Roberts-Quintyn.

"I expressed my concerns to the superintendent, and I was told to overlook it on more than one occasion. And I could not for the life of me figure why I was told to overlook some things that did not make sense," said former district bookkeeper Evelyn Smith.

FBI spokeswoman Marjorie Poche said she had no comment on the seizures Wednesday. Affidavits in support of the search warrant were not immediately made public.

Ms. Roberts-Quintyn, who did not return calls to The Associated Press, told The Dallas Morning News that she never told Ms. Smith to overlook

# Reid trial to be held this June

A new trial for Tanya Thaxton Reid, 38, convicted in 1993 of murder in the death of her eight-month-old daughter, will begin June 17 in Lubbock.

Deaf Smith County Criminal District Attorney Roland Saul said Thursday that he and Reid's counsel agreed to the site of the new trial.

A change of venue in the case was mandated in the ruling by the Seventh Court of Appeals that overturned the conviction by a Deaf Smith County jury in 222nd District Court.

A motion for a change of venue was presented to Judge David Wesley Gulley just minutes before the 1993 trial was to begin. He ruled that the motion was "not timely" offered and denied the request. The appellate court disagreed, mandating a new trial in another location.

The appellate court also disallowed the state's contention that Reid used her hands as a deadly weapon in commission of the alleged crime.

Saul took the case to a Deaf Smith County grand jury in January for a new indictment. Saul said the deadly weapon issue is not included in the latest indictment.

Reid is accused of causing the death of Morgan Reid, then eight months old, when the family lived in Hereford in 1984. She was indicted originally in March 1993 on two counts: murder and injury to a child. She was never prosecuted on the injury allegation.

A number of expert witnesses in the medical field testified in the 1993 trial about the child's problems. Much of the prosecution's case was based on a theory that the child was a victim of Munchausen by Proxy Syndrome.

The syndrome is described as a disorder in which an injury to a child is caused to attract attention to an adult.

A jury returned a guilty verdict after hearing testimony in the trial in late November and early December of 1993. A sentence of 62 years in prison was imposed.

After the appellate court's ruling, Reid was returned from the Neall unit, Texas Department of Criminal Justice, to Deaf Smith County jail. She filed an affidavit of indigency and attorneys Dean Rop and Gene Fristoe, both of Amarillo, were appointed to represent her.

Her attorneys in the 1993 trial were Charles Rittenberry of Amarillo and Esther Hayward of Dallas.

Reid has been free on bond of \$25,000 since last October.

# Clinton may be on stand up to 8 hours

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) - President Clinton should be prepared to be on the stand for eight hours April 28 when he gives his videotaped testimony in the trial of his Whitewater partners, the judge said.

U.S. District Judge George Howard Jr. said he has given the guidelines to Clinton's representatives and that he prefers the taping on that Sunday to begin at noon, instead of 2 p.m. as suggested by the White House.

"If we start at 2, we may be there until 8, 9 or 10," Howard said in court Wednesday. "We don't want to unduly burden the president."

Gov. Jim Guy Tucker and the president's former Whitewater partners, James and Susan McDougal, are on trial on charges of illegally obtaining \$3 million in loans from two federally backed lenders.

They say only Clinton can contest David Hale's assertion that Clinton, when he was Arkansas governor, pressured him to make a \$300,000 loan to Mrs. McDougal's advertising company. Hale ran a federally backed lender, Capital Management Services Inc.

Defense lawyers suggested Wednesday that the president's testimony should be a simple matter.

Court was a adjourned Wednesday after just an hour of testimony from a timber company executive who sold 810 acres to Whitewater. He said his company rep assessed the land after McDougals' lawyer said the McDougals were unwilling to put more time or money into the venture.

# Early voting moving at 'steady' pace

Early voters in city, school and hospital district elections on May 4 are moving through the Deaf Smith County clerk's office at a steady clip.

Connie Urbanczyk, deputy, reported Thursday morning that 66 persons had marked ballots for City Commission candidates in the City of Hereford election since the early voting period began Monday.

Deaf Smith County Hospital District director voting stood at 70 persons and 31 votes had been cast in the Hereford Independent School District trustee election.

Early voting will continue in the clerk's office in the Deaf Smith County courthouse weekdays, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., through April 30.

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# Local Roundup

## Same weather, new day

Hereford recorded a high temperature Wednesday of 87 degrees, with an overnight low of 51 degrees this morning, according to KPAN Radio. For tonight, look for partly cloudy and breezy, with a low in the upper 40s and west to northwest winds of 15-25 mph and gusty. For Friday, expect partly cloudy skies and windy, with a high of 75 to 80 degrees and west winds of 20-3 mph and gusty. Caution will be advised on area lakes.

# News Digest

## World/Nation

**TOKYO** - President Clinton appealed to Japan to form a "partnership for leadership" with the United States in the next century. In the first speech by an American president to Japan's parliament in 13 years, he called for a joint battle against terrorism and other post-Cold War threats.

**ORANGE, Calif.** - Of all the road trips in Rod Carew's Hall of Fame career, this one had to be the shortest: a few blocks down Main Street from Anaheim Stadium, to a motor home in the parking lot of Children's Hospital.

Carew and his wife, Marilyn, sometimes spent nights there so they could be near their 18-year-old daughter Michelle, hospitalized with leukemia. Wednesday morning, someone drove the motor home away.

A few hours later, Carew was in the hospital lobby telling reporters Michelle had died.

**BEIRUT, Lebanon** - With an eye on future peace talks with Israel, Syria has effectively told its 40,000 troops in Lebanon to hold their fire while bombs crash down around them. Apart from switching from red berets to olive battle helmets, Syrian troops around Beirut have barely responded to Israel's relentless air and artillery strikes aimed at Hezbollah guerrillas.

**WASHINGTON** - So much for the pitchfork rebellion. Pat Buchanan has decided to try peaceful persuasion instead, in a sort of twilight campaign that leaves him a candidate but not really an opponent of Sen. Bob Dole.

**LOS ANGELES** - The jury that chose life imprisonment over a death sentence for Erik and Lyle Menendez agonized over the decision during deliberations that one juror compared to the defendants weighing whether to kill their parents.

**WASHINGTON** - Even as the Senate voted overwhelmingly in favor of an anti-terrorism bill, Republicans were divided about whether the legislation would accomplish what it was supposed to.

**WASHINGTON** - Moderate House Republicans are calling for an increase in the minimum wage, aligning themselves with President Clinton and the Democrats on the issue but exposing election-year divisions within their own party.

**WASHINGTON** - Public health workers say they'll have to rework program is aiming to cut teen pregnancies because of new research showing the fathers aren't fellow classmates - they're usually adult men.

**LOS ANGELES** - He was the perfect image of the good doctor, a crisp, professional with a soothing bedside manner and a flair for storytelling. Now authorities say Gerald Barnes was a fake, a failed pharmacist who took a real doctor's name, and since the 1970s prescribed drugs and examined patients - once with deadly results.

## State

**WACO** - Valerie Stoia doesn't remember much about the 51-day standoff between federal agents and the Branch Davidians, but she knows something about its fiery end. "I just know it shouldn't have happened," the Chicago sixth-grader said after she and a cousin knelt to place purple wildflowers on a wooden cross beside the rubble of what was once the cult's compound on the prairie outside Waco.

**ALICE** - A fourth monkey may be infected with Ebola and have exposed an additional 49 primates, meaning all could be euthanized, says a U.S. Army scientist.

**CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico** - Charges are expected to be filed soon against 17 alleged gang members arrested for questioning in the slayings of 17 young women in this border city, officials say.

**AUSTIN** - Education Commissioner Mike Moses told teacher groups they can't be seen but largely not heard at meetings of a panel advising him on developing a new teacher appraisal system.

**AUSTIN** - Texas Higher Education Commissioner Kenneth Ashworth says minority enrollment in some colleges or universities could drop significantly by this fall unless a federal court halts the effect of an anti-affirmative action decision.

**AUSTIN** - Former Texas prison chief Andy Collins says a Houston company and a New Jersey company got extraordinary contracts under his watch and admits he had hoped to work for either of them after his retirement.

# City woman sees result of misquote in Chicago

A Hereford woman attending a conference in Chicago, Ill., brought her hometown to the attention of newspaper readers there, but the

article didn't come out quite the way she expected.

Angie Alonzo, executive director of Amistad Housing, a representative to the fifth National Women and Housing Conference, was interviewed by a writer for the *Chicago Tribune*.

Either the writer misunderstood the location of Hereford in Texas or mixed up her interviews, Alonzo said. The writer described Alonzo as "an example of the difference community action can make."

But then, the article states: "She (Alonzo) and her neighbors were inspired to try and improve the housing situation of migrant workers, who often owned tiny plots of land that were sold to them at exorbitant interest rates, and lived in shacks using a nearby polluted river for drinking, cooking and bathing."

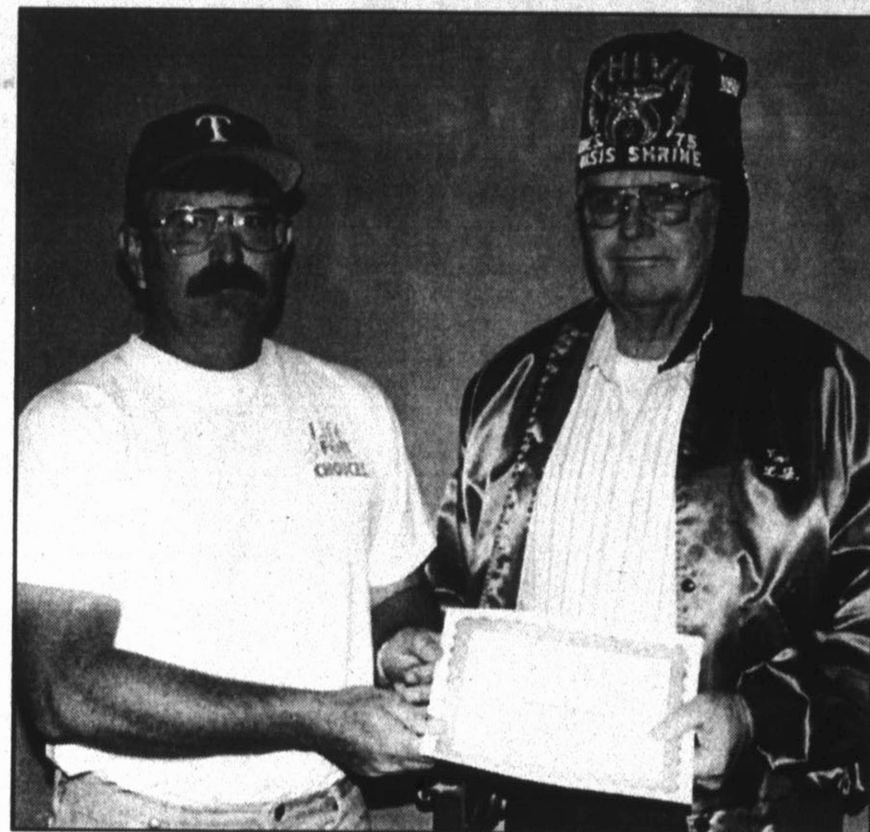
Recalling the interview, Alonzo said she believes the writer got her confused with a delegate from Laredo.

"I never said anything about a river," she laughed. "We aren't anywhere near a river."

The conference is sponsored by the McAuley Institute, a national housing development resource group. Purpose is to bring together women working in their own communities to share information and learn from housing development experts.

Alonzo said the conference was worthwhile for her and gave her an opportunity to tell about the success of Amistad apartments.

But she would just as soon be the location of Amistad hadn't been misrepresented by the writer.



## Beef winners

L.J. Clark, secretary of Oasis Shrine, awards certificates to winners of one-half beefs given away recently in a fund-raiser to benefit Shrine activities in Hereford. At left, Dwayne Davison receives his certificate, while above, Deann and Johnny Trotter are given their beef certificate. Trotter is shown donating the meat to Pat Bryant, administrator of Kings Manor Methodist Home.

# Clinton asks Japanese parliament to 'forge partnership' for leadership

By ROBERT BURNS  
AP Military Writer

**TOKYO (AP)** - President Clinton appealed to the Japanese today to "forge a partnership for leadership" with America to battle against terrorism, nuclear proliferation and other post-Cold War dangers.

Clinton, the first U.S. president in 13 years to address Japan's parliament, urged America's World War II foe to "join forces" for a larger role in global affairs.

"No nation can solve these problems alone," he told the Diet in a speech that climaxed the last day of Clinton's three-day visit. He later left for St. Petersburg, Russia, the next leg of his trip.

With a mixture of security and economic themes, Clinton's speech was a call for Japan to resist isolationism and accept its responsibilities abroad.

The question of how far Tokyo should go in relaxing military restraints imposed by American conquerors five decades ago is sensitive in Japan and other Asian nations. China in particular is concerned about a more active U.S.-Japan security alliance.

Clinton referred to a broad 21st century partnership, not only in defense but also in trade and economics, the environment and space, science and technology.

He made no proposals for specific new forms of security cooperation with Japan but cited several key threats the two nations can work together to combat: organized crime, the spread of weapons of mass destruction, drug trafficking, terrorism and environmental decay.

These are examples, he said, of how "problems that start beyond our borders can quickly penetrate our borders."

"Working together and leading together," the United States and

Japan as Pacific powers can "bring the blessings of peace and progress to other people all around the world," Clinton said to occasional bursts of polite applause.

In 1983, Ronald Reagan became the first U.S. president to address the Diet.

Clinton fleshed out the alliance theme at a luncheon with Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto. "The United States and Japan must forge a partnership for leadership in the 21st century," he said.

He and Hashimoto signed a joint security declaration Wednesday saying the United States would keep about 100,000 troops in the Asia-Pacific - including the current 47,000 in Japan - and Tokyo would for the first time consider ways its limited defense forces might operate outside national borders.

In Russia, Clinton planned a day of sightseeing in St. Petersburg before attending an eight-nation conference on nuclear security. He was meeting with President Boris Yeltsin on Sunday, then heading home to Washington. Mrs. Clinton, who kept a low profile in Tokyo, was headed home today.

In his speech today, Clinton apologized on behalf of America for the rape last September of a 12-year-old Okinawan girl by three U.S. servicemen, who were convicted and sentenced to prison last month.

"Our hearts go out to her, to her family and her loved ones, and to the entire Okinawan community," Clinton said. "We are gratified that justice has been done."

He called the incident, which triggered vigorous public protests against the large U.S. military presence in Okinawa, an example of how Washington and Tokyo can address and overcome even the most sensitive problems.

# Emergency Services

Emergency services reports for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Thursday contained the following information.

**HEREFORD POLICE**  
A 21-year-old male was arrested in the 600 block of East Sixth for violation of probation.

A 26-year-old male was arrested in the 400 block of Ross on a warrant for no seat belt and violating promise to appear.

Inhaling a volatile substance was reported in the 400 block of Avenue D.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 900 block of East Park.

Forgery was reported in the 700 block of South Texas.

Harassment was reported in the

400 block of Jack Griffin Ave and in the 300 block of Star.

Class B criminal mischief was reported in the 400 block of East Fourth.

Terroristic threat was reported in the 200 block of Brevard.

Class A theft of service was reported in the 500 block of North 25 Mile Avenue.

Officers issued 19 traffic citations. There was one minor traffic accident reported.

**DEAF SMITH SHERIFF**

A 32-year-old male was arrested for driving while license suspended.

A 21-year-old male was arrested for driving while license suspended.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
No calls.

Noting that the Pentagon agreed to give back to Okinawa 20 percent of the land it uses there, Clinton said it was "something we probably should have done some time ago."

Cautioning that "peace has its price," Clinton said Americans and Japanese alike should not think the end of the Cold War means military threats are gone.

"Consider what might happen if the United States were to withdraw entirely from this region," he said. "It could spark a costly arms race that could destabilize Northeast Asia."

It also could "weaken our power to deter states like North Korea that may still threaten the peace, and to take on urgent problems like terrorism, organized crime and drug trafficking."

Clinton's visit originally was scheduled for last fall, when acrimony over the Okinawa rape was at a peak. He put off the trip because of a budget fight with Congress that temporarily shut down the government, and some said the U.S.-Japan alliance was in trouble.

This week Clinton sought to dispel that notion.

"If we are to succeed as partners and as allies we must first be friends," the president said at the luncheon.

# Judge panel recommends higher rates on insurance

By JUAN B. ELIZONDO Jr.  
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**AUSTIN (AP)** - A panel of state judges has recommended a more than 6 percent increase in the target rate for all private auto insurance issued in Texas.

The two judges, who considered recommendations from insurance and consumer groups, presented their proposal last week. The Insurance Department, consumer groups and industry groups analyzed the proposal and released their figures Wednesday.

Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer, meanwhile, has scheduled a May 13 hearing to consider the rate. He could decide by midsummer.

"Any upward change in the benchmark rate for auto insurance does not necessarily represent an increase for Texas drivers," said Jerry Johns, president of Southwestern Insurance Information Service, another industry group.

According to the Office of Public Insurance Council, an arm of the Insurance Department, the proposal would increase the private auto insurance benchmark by 6.4 percent.

The Texas Automobile Insurance Service Office, an industry group, said the proposal, presented as a complicated mathematical formula, would amount to a 6.3 percent increase.

Insurers are allowed to adjust their rates by 30 percent above or below the benchmark, or target, rate.

"One must keep in mind that many companies offer rates below the figure set by the state," Johns said.

Rod Schneider, of the Consumers Union southwest regional office, said while an increase in the benchmark does not necessarily mean increases in individual rates, that is what normally happens.

"The pattern has been that when the benchmark is increased, insurers increase their rates," he said.

Consumer advocate groups had recommended no increase in the rates. TAIISO recommended an 11.3 percent increase.

"We're concerned that the premium generated (under the proposed increase) would not be enough to cover the rising cost of claims and still allow insurers a reasonable rate of return," said TAIISO Chairman Bill Thornton.

The largest part of the proposed increase is a 12.8 percent rise in the cost of liability insurance, according to TAIISO. OPIC put the proposed liability increase at 13 percent.

Rates for collision and comprehensive coverage - which take care of physical auto damage - would go down 9.3 percent, according to TAIISO or by 9.5 percent, by OPIC figures.

Schneider said auto insurers were among supporters of changes to state laws governing lawsuits. He said they promised that measures to restrict lawsuits would result in lower premiums.

"Instead of reduction, we're getting increases," he said. "This increase is going to make it more expensive to comply with the law," which requires Texas drivers to carry at least liability insurance.

# Obituaries

**JANE ELLZEY OWEN**  
April 15, 1996

Jane Ellzey Owen, 71, of Trinidad, died Monday at her home. She was the daughter-in-law of Mrs. G.P. Owen of Hereford.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in First Baptist Church of Malakoff with burial in Mankin Cemetery, under direction of Tomlinson Funeral Home of Malakoff.

Mrs. Owen was born in Meridian, Miss., and grew up in Cuero. She was graduated from the University of Texas at Austin in 1947 and taught home economics at Pecos and Manor. She married G.P. Owen Jr., in 1952 in Cuero. She lived in Fort Worth from 1954 until moving to Cedar Creek Lake in 1993. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Malakoff.

Survivors are her husband; a son, Steven A. Owen of Fort Worth; a daughter, Susan L. Owen of Oklahoma City, Okla., and a brother, Parker Ellzey of Alice.

**MARJORIE OLIPHANT**  
April 16

Marjorie Oliphant, 74, of Crowell, mother of Carolee Smith of Dawn, died Tuesday in Vernon.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in First Baptist Church of Crowell with the Rev. Glendall Smith of Boys Ranch, the Rev. Richard White, pastor, and the Rev. Terry Templen of Amarillo officiating.

Burial will be in Crowell Cemetery, by Womack-Manard Funeral Home.

Mrs. Oliphant was born in Foard County and was a lifelong resident of Crowell. She owned and operated Spencer-Oliphant Insurance Agency and belonged to First Baptist Church. She was a charter member of the Women's Service League and active in civic work. She and Nelson E. Oliphant were married in 1941 in Crowell. He died in 1981.

Survivors are another daughter, Ronni Sue Hillin of Victoria, four grandchildren and two great-granddaughters.

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After all is said and done, more is said than done.  
—Anon.

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# Lifestyles

## VFW Auxiliary elects 1996-97 officers



### Potential pageant contestants

Wendy Brisendine, left, and Aimee Alley were among potential pageant contestants who met with members of the 1996 Miss Hereford Scholarship Pageant Steering Committee during a Mother/Daughter Tea recently in the home of Julia Laing.

## Tea acquaints hopefuls with pageant committee

Members of the 1996 Miss Hereford Scholarship Pageant steering committee served as hostesses during a Mother/Daughter Tea recently in the home of Julia Laing.

Potential pageant contestants and their mothers became acquainted with members of the committee who answered questions pertaining to the pageant planned for 7 p.m. on June 8.

The annual event, which is sponsored by the Women's Division, is open to local women, ages 16-21.

## Sims receives Carr scholarship

David D. Sims from Hereford High School has been awarded Carr Academic Scholarships at Angelo State University for 1996-97.

As a general rule, students must rank in the top 15 percent of their high school class and present either a combined math and verbal score of 1140 on the SAT I or a composite score of 25 on the ACT.

Supported by a growing multi-million dollar trust established by the late Robert G. and Nona K. Carr of San Angelo, the undergraduate scholarships may be renewed annually by the University for students who maintain the required academic record.

## Ladybug 4-Hers make sachets

The Ladybug 4-H group met recently in the Hereford Community Center.

Leaders Micha Noland and Karla Vasek demonstrated and helped members make rose petal sachets.

Members present were Kristen McGain, Lindy Vasek, Sarah Jo Yosten, Kara Landers, Kelley Schlabs, Rhiana Noland and Amanda McElmurry.

## Presbyterians set plant sale

The First Presbyterian Church will be holding a plant exchange and bedding plant and casserole sale in the church parking lot on April 27.

The sale will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at noon.

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By the time we've made it, we've had it.  
—Malcolm Forbes

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The Ladies Auxiliary to Roy Wederbrook Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4818 elected officers for 1996-1997 during its regular business meeting recently.

Elected were Linda Dutton, president; Betty Boggs, senior vice president; Pixie Forbus, junior vice president; Anita Vardell, secretary; Marie Goheen, treasurer; Peggy Oakes, conductress; Erma Loving, chaplain; Dora Lea Howell, guard; Imogene Sweeney, 3-year trustee; Terry Rhyne, 2-year trustee and patriotic instructor; and Ruth Morris, 1-year trustee.

Preceding the business meeting, the annual Voice of Democracy banquet was held. Amber Brumley,

local winner of the annual scholarship contest, was the honoree.

Her special guests were her parents, Mike and Janice Brumley; her sister, Joanna, and her grandparents, Garland and Novelle Solomon and Ed Bezner.

Also honored during the banquet, was Danielle Cornelius, a local high school athlete, who spoke about the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Her special guests were her mother, Darlene Cornelius, and a friend, Lyndi Carlile.

Other guests at the banquet were Tom, Keith and LeeAnn Goheen.

The next VFW Convention will be May 4-5 in Dimmitt. All members are

urged to attend.

Members present for the regular meeting were Essie Martin, Carol O'Hara, Edith Richardson, Winnie Tyler, Boggs, Dutton, Forbus, Goheen, Howell, Morris, Oakes,

Rhyne, Sweeney and Vardell.

The next Auxiliary meeting will be installation of officers on May 6 at 8 p.m., preceded by supper at 7. Installing officer will be Goheen, past district president.

## Ann Landers

**DEAR ANN LANDERS:** My wife and I have been married 37 years and, for the most part, have had a good life. The reason I am writing is that we haven't had sex in over nine years.

"Emma" says she was sexually abused by a family friend when she was a child and has an aversion to sex. I have always known that she did not enjoy it much, and I often asked her for suggestions on what I could do to make it better for her. She finally said that stopping altogether would help her more than anything.

She has told me she has no problem with my finding someone else, as long as I just leave her alone. I have never followed her suggestions. I am not an attractive-looking person and feel that since she has rejected me, no one else would be interested either. Plus, I was brought up to believe that marriage vows are sacred.

Emma has told me it doesn't matter to her if we stay together and have a comfortable life or if I go my own way. She said either choice is OK with her. I have tried to persuade her to see a counselor, but she says it won't help. Do you have any suggestions for me? -- Married Man in Memphis

**DEAR MEMPHIS:** I commend you for your generosity of spirit. Most husbands would be bitter about such rejection and leap at the chance to look elsewhere.

Since Emma refuses to go with you to a counselor, I suggest that you go alone. You need guidance from a professional who will get the whole story. Get going, please.

**DEAR ANN LANDERS:** Here at the U.S. consulate general in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, we read with great interest the letter advising your readers that bringing guns into Canada would result in a stiff fine and confiscation of the weapon. In Mexico, this mistake can also result

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As millions of readers see your column every day, we would appreciate your printing this letter as a reminder to your readers of the risks of bringing firearms into Mexico. -- Larry Colbert, American consul general, Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico

**DEAR CONSUL GENERAL COLBERT:** I am pleased to print your letter informing my readers that they risk a jail term and the loss of their car should they try to bring firearms into Mexico. Thank you for this official word. Muchas gracias por su carta.

**DEAR ANN LANDERS:** I enjoyed your stories about the roosters crowing. I am a Catholic priest and my telephone is open to calls any hour of the day or night. One night I was awakened from a deep sleep by a caller who asked, "Do all roosters crow at the same time?"

Trying to come up with a stupid answer for a stupid question, I replied, "No. Only those in the same time zone." -- Sleepy in Philadelphia

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# Sports

## Sixers slow Heat's playoff drive

**By The Associated Press**  
This playoff stuff is just like driving a car. Sometimes the road is paved, sometimes it's clogged with potholes.

The Miami Heat slammed into one such obstacle Wednesday night when doughty Philadelphia rose up to dampen the Heat 90-86. The defeat left Miami with a 41-39 record, only a half-game clear of Charlotte (40-39) in the race for the Eastern Conference's eighth playoff spot.

"We were in the driver's seat and we still are," Miami coach Pat Riley said, "but we just don't have a cushion."

Vernon Maxwell scored 31 points and Philadelphia outscored Miami 28-21 in the final period.

"We've had a lot of trouble late in games," Maxwell said. "Tonight we were much more under control and made our shots. We played well down the stretch and didn't fold up for a change."

In other games, Boston beat Washington 121-106, eliminating the Bullets from the playoffs; New Jersey beat Toronto 107-95; Detroit beat Indiana 102-93; Golden State beat Minnesota 109-103; Seattle beat Portland 96-90; and Sacramento beat Phoenix 103-102.

Clarence Weatherspoon added 25 points for the 76ers, who had lost three straight and 15 of 18.

"Two guys really stepped up tonight, that's why we won,"

Philadelphia coach John Lucas said of Maxwell and Weatherspoon.

Lucas also had kind words for guard Rex Walters, who had 12 points and eight assists.

"He's getting more playing time and he's playing well," Lucas said. "The more he plays the better he plays."

Miami had a four-game winning streak snapped.

"That was a tough loss, but we just didn't make the plays when they counted," said Riley. "I thought the key part of the game was in the second period when we were up by 11 and then let them back in it."

A jumper by Rex Chapman brought Miami to 86-84 with 48 seconds left, but Maxwell hit two foul shots with 14 seconds left, and after Mourning scored at the 10-second mark, Maxwell converted two more free throws one second later.

### Celtics 121, Bullets 106

Todd Day scored 28 points, 23 in the fourth quarter, as Boston overcame a 40-point night by Juwan Howard.

Dee Brown came off the bench to score 20 points for Boston, which won three of four in the season series against the Bullets. Rick Fox added 17 points. Day hit five of his six 3-pointers in the fourth quarter as the Celtics led by as many as 17 points.

Boston scored the first eight points of the fourth quarter and consecutive

3-pointers by Day expanded the advantage to 88-78.

### Nets 107, Raptors 95

P.J. Brown scored a career-high 30 points as New Jersey snapped a seven-game losing streak.

Shawn Bradley added 11 points, 10 rebounds and a career-high 12 blocks, the top figure in the NBA this season, as the Nets broke their longest skid in three seasons and won for only the seventh time in 27 games.

Acie Earl had 28 points for the Raptors, who dressed only eight players in losing their fourth straight and ninth in 11 games.

### Pistons 102, Pacers 93

Allan Houston scored 31 points as Detroit moved into a tie with Cleveland for fifth in the Eastern Conference playoff picture.

Detroit led 50-45 at the half and increased the margin to 12 behind two of Houston's 3-pointers. Ricky Pierce had six points in a 16-6 run that pulled the Pacers to 67-65 with 3:14 left in the third.

Detroit called timeout, scored the next five points, and led 79-73 with 12 minutes to go. Indiana got as close as two, but consecutive jumpers by Joe Dumars made it 97-89 with two minutes left.

### Warriors 109, Timberwolves 103

Latrell Sprewell scored 31 points, one short of his season high, Joe Smith had 21 points and 10 rebounds and Jerome Kersey added 13 points and

14 rebounds for the Warriors, who won for the fifth time in seven games and spoiled Minnesota's final home game.

The loss was the fourth straight and eighth in 10 games for the Timberwolves, who got 23 points from Tom Gugliotta. Reserve Sam Mitchell added 20 points and 13 rebounds, and Terry Porter had 20 points and eight assists.

### Sonics 96, Blazers 90

Seattle matched a franchise record with its 63rd victory as Hersey Hawkins scored 20 points and Gary Payton added 17 points and 10 assists. Seattle has two games remaining in a bid to break the record established two years ago.

Clifford Robinson scored 21 points for Portland, which lost for only the third time in 20 games.

### Kings 103, Suns 102

Mitch Richmond had 32 points, including two free throws with two seconds left, as Sacramento reduced its magic number for the playoffs to one. The Kings, on the verge of making the playoffs for the first time in a decade, used a 25-9 third-quarter run to overcome an 18-point deficit against the injury-riddled Suns.

The Kings remained two games ahead of Golden State in the battle for the eighth and final playoff spot in the Western Conference. Sacramento and Golden State each have two games left. The Warriors play host to Portland on Friday, the Kings play Saturday at Utah and then are at home to the Warriors on Sunday.

## NCA golfers finish second

The Nazarene Christian Academy golf team played a triangular match Tuesday at Southwest Golf Center in Amarillo.

Jacob Power shot 48 over nine holes - the second-best score - to help the NCA boys total 210. That put them second, behind St. Andrews' 194 and ahead of San Jacinto's 222.

The other NCA boys were: Tyler Keeling, 53; Joe Mac Boggeman, 54; Justin Ward, 55; and Jeremy Gonzales, 60.

The NCA girls also played. They were led by Lyndzie Torbert, who shot 67 for the third-best girls' score. The others were: Lindsee Goforth, 69; Macy Hill, 69; Sloane Merrick, 70.

The NCA teams will host a tournament May 7 at Pitman Municipal Golf Course.

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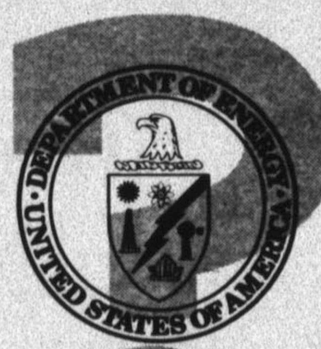
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## Irvin's drug trial set for June 24

**By JANINE ZUNIGA**  
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) - A judge has set a June 24 trial date in the drug case against Cowboys receiver Michael Irvin, but has taken no action on a request from five media organizations that a far-reaching gag order be lifted.

State District Judge Manny Alvarez set the trial date and heard pretrial motions in a brief Wednesday hearing.

Police say they found Irvin and three others with drugs at an Irving motel on March 4. Irvin, 31, and two topless dancers - Angela Beck, 22, and Jasmine Nabwangu, 21, - were indicted April 1 on felony cocaine and misdemeanor marijuana possession charges.

Irvin's business partner and former Dallas Cowboys teammate Alfredo Roberts, 31, also was in the room that night but was not indicted.

Irvin will stand trial alone. Trial dates have not been set for the two

women.

In pretrial motions, lawyers for media organizations argued that the gag order was too broad and should be lifted or modified. Dallas County Criminal Judge John Creuzot first issued the order March 26; it was to extend throughout the trial.

"That gag order suppresses anyone talking to the press about this case," said Leon Carter, who represents The New York Times and Sports Illustrated. "I want it lifted."

Carter said the burden will be on those who oppose lifting the gag order to show why it should stay in place.

Alvarez didn't immediately rule, but gave lawyers one week to try to resolve the dispute themselves.

However, Alvarez has barred cameras and recording devices from his courtroom.

Another matter Alvarez took under advisement was a request by the

lawyer for the manager of Residence Inn by Marriott to cancel a subpoena issued by Irvin's lawyer, Kevin Clancy.

Clancy had sought the motel records in an apparent move to challenge the legality of a search that led to the indictments. Clancy subpoenaed manager Mike Bailey and an employee to bring the records to Wednesday's hearing.

Bailey's lawyer, Bob Bowles, filed a motion to quash the subpoena.

Irving police have said they were summoned to the Residence Inn after Bailey complained about a loud party, possibly involving drugs and prostitution.

When police arrived, they said, they smelled a strong odor of marijuana as one of those inside answered the door.

In a search, police reported finding nearly 2 ounces of cocaine in three packages, 3 ounces of marijuana, and

assorted drug paraphernalia and sex toys.

Among the documents Clancy subpoenaed from the motel are registration records for all guests whose rooms were within 150 feet of the room where the raid took place. It also asks for the names, addresses and telephone numbers of "the individuals that complained of noise."

The subpoena requests Residence Inn's records of other allegations of prostitution in the motel between September and the last day of March, specifically those about someone named "Rochelle."

The defense also is asking for any records showing whether Irvin or Roberts stayed at the motel in the past two years and any records showing whether drugs or drug paraphernalia were found in any rooms this year.

If so, the subpoena asks for the names of the guests registered in those rooms.

## Morris pleads innocent to possession

ROCKWALL, Texas (AP) - Pittsburgh Steelers running back Bam Morris pleaded innocent today to two drug possession charges stemming from his arrest last month during a traffic stop.

Morris, wearing a mustard-colored suit, entered a written plea during a brief hearing before state District Judge Bill Lofland. Trial was set for July 15.

"I can't talk about it now," the 24-year-old player told reporters. "There will be a time."

"We're not going to win this in the press," said defense attorney Doug Mulder, who denied further comment.

Asked about the case's affect on his career, Morris replied, "It'll

handle itself."

The leading rusher in this year's Super Bowl has been free on \$50,000 bond following his March 22 arrest. He was stopped outside the Rockwall city limits for swerving and not wearing a seat belt, officials said.

An officer became suspicious after Morris and his passenger, Rodney Dwayne Reynolds, gave conflicting statements of where they'd been and what they'd been doing, authorities said.

After obtaining Morris' permission to search the car, the officer found about six pounds of marijuana in the trunk in a sports bag, authorities said. A later search of the impounded luxury car turned up one gram of

cocaine, authorities said.

"There is some evidence that, in my opinion, is very tough on Mr. Morris' case," Rockwall County District Attorney Ray Sumrow said. "It's going to be pretty hard to deny any knowledge of the dope."

Morris was indicted March 26 on two felony drug possession charges,

both of which are punishable by two to 10 years in prison and a maximum \$10,000 fine.

Reynolds, 26, pleaded innocent today to a charge of marijuana possession. A grand jury found no probable cause to link Reynolds to the cocaine, officials said. His trial also has been set for July 15.

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# Phils' Dykstra returns to form of years past

**By TOM WITHERS**  
AP Sports Writer

Nails is playing hard as ever, dude. After two straight injury-marred seasons, Lenny Dykstra is again running the bases and fielding with the wreckless abandon that made him one of the National League's most complete players.

Dykstra went 4-for-5 with two triples, a double, two runs scored and two RBIs Wednesday night to lead the Philadelphia Phillies to a 9-2 win over the Montreal Expos.

The three-time all-star center fielder, limited to 146 games the past two years because of a variety of injuries, raised his batting average to .391.

At 33, Dykstra limped into the season on bad knees. Some thought his career might be over. But so far, he has looked like the Dykstra of old.

"We all know that the only way we've got a chance is for me to play the way I'm playing," Dykstra said. "I'm going at it hard every day, trying to do what I can to help the team win."

Terry Mulholland also came into the season eager to prove he still had something in his 33-year-old left arm. Following two awful seasons with

the New York Yankees and San Francisco Giants, the Phillies signed Mulholland as a free agent. After the Phillies' pitching staff was decimated by injuries, he got a chance to resurrect his career.

Relying on a sinking fastball throughout the game, Mulholland (2-1) retired 21 batters on grounders and scattered 10 hits to improve his lifetime record to 10-2 against the Expos.

"I had the intent of going out there and saying, 'If I have a good sinking fastball I'm going to use it against these guys,'" Mulholland said. "Tonight was the first time I used it predominantly. I wanted to keep the ball down against these guys. If they're going to swing, hopefully they're going to beat it into the ground."

The Phillies blew 5-0 leads in their last two losses, but Mulholland made sure they closed this one out.

"It's satisfying in the fact that we lost two close ballgames lately," Mulholland said. "We needed to come out and win a game just for the good of the team, just to get back on a positive note. It was my turn to pitch tonight and I wanted to be the guy to go out and get a win for us."

Elsewhere in the National League it was Atlanta 4, Florida 2; St. Louis 6, Pittsburgh 1; Los Angeles 11, San Francisco 2; San Diego 11, Colorado 6; Houston 7, New York 5; and Chicago 8, Cincinnati 6 in 10 innings.

**Astros 7, Mets 5**  
At New York, Jeff Bagwell hit a three-run homer and an RBI double, and Derek Bell had a solo homer as Houston swept a two-game series.

Darryl Kile (1-2), who allowed nine hits in 6-3 innings, got the win. Todd Jones earned his third save.

Bernard Gilkey, Rico Brogna and Todd Hundley homered for the Mets. Rookie Paul Wilson (0-1) lasted only 2 1-3 innings, giving up five runs and five hits. He was hurt by four walks and two hit batters.

**Dodgers 11, Giants 2**  
At San Francisco, Delino DeShields homered leading off the game, and doubled and singled in a seven-run fourth for Los Angeles.

Dodgers starter Chan Ho Park, who struck out the side in the first and second innings, combined with three relievers on a three-hitter.

Antonio Osuna (1-2) and Joey Eischen both pitched three scoreless innings, and Todd Worrell worked the

ninth. The four combined for 14 strikeouts.

**Braves 4, Marlins 2**  
At Atlanta, Chipper Jones doubled in two runs during a four-run eighth inning to give an unusually wild Greg Maddux the win.

The Braves' rally gave the victory to Maddux (2-1), who allowed six hits, walked three and struck out five before being lifted for a pinch hitter in the eighth. The four-time Cy Young winner had walked two in his previous 20 2-3 innings this season.

John Burkett (1-2) took the loss.

**Cardinals 6, Pirates 1**  
At St. Louis, Donovan Osborne retired 16 straight batters and Ray Lankford hit a 468-foot homer.

Osborne (1-0) made his first start of the season after being sidelined with a broken rib sustained in an auto accident during spring training. He allowed two hits in 6 2-3 innings.

Cory Bailey, Rick Honeycutt and Dennis Eckersley completed the three-hitter. St. Louis, which leads the NL Central, hasn't been in first place this late in the season since 1987.

Danny Darwin (1-2) was the loser.

Park's second career start was broadcast back to his native South Korea.

**Padres 11, Rockies 6**  
At Denver, Marc Newfield had four hits and four RBIs, both career highs, to power the Padres' 17-hit attack.

Newfield's three-run homer in the fourth off Marvin Freeman (1-2) helped the Padres take an 8-2 lead. Starting all three games of the series in left field in place of the injured Rickey Henderson, Newfield went 8-for-13 with two homers and seven RBIs.

Padres reliever Bryce Florie (1-0) went three innings for the win.

**Cubs 8, Reds 6, 10 innings**  
At Chicago, Sammy Sosa, who struck out five times in a game earlier in the week, hit his second two-run homer of the game in the 10th.

Sosa's fourth homer of the season came off Johnny Ruffin (0-1), who walked Mark Grace to open the 10th.

Turk Wendell (1-0) pitched two hitless innings of relief for the win.

Jeff Branson tripled twice for the Reds, who had three errors.

# Red Sox off to worst start ever

**By The Associated Press**

After stumbling to the worst start in their 96-year history, the Boston Red Sox are wondering if the problem is supernatural.

"I can't figure it out. Someone must have a curse on us or something," Jose Canseco said after the Red Sox dropped to 2-12, losing to the Baltimore Orioles 6-5 Wednesday night.

Boston has lost seven straight, its longest losing streak since June 1994. The Red Sox trail first-place Baltimore by 9 1/2 games in the AL East.

"It's frustrating," Canseco said. "We're out there trying as hard as we can, but it seems like nothing really is falling our way."

The Red Sox previously had 2-11 starts, but never before had they lost 12 of their first 14.

"Each of us personally will have to dig down and figure out what's wrong, then fix it," said reliever Mike Stanton, who gave up the tying homer to Roberto Alomar after Boston had taken a 5-4 lead in the seventh.

In other games, Minnesota beat Cleveland 9-8, Seattle beat Detroit 8-3, California beat Toronto 5-1, Milwaukee beat New York 8-4, Chicago beat Kansas City 3-1 and Texas routed Oakland 12-1.

At Camden Yards, Alomar had four hits, including a homer, and scored the decisive run to give Baltimore its seventh win in eight games. The Orioles' 11-2 record is the best in the majors.

Alomar opened the 12th with a single off Mike Maddux (0-1). Rafael Palmeiro moved Alomar to third with a single, Bobby Bonilla received an intentional walk and Cal Ripken struck out.

B.J. Surhoff then lined Maddux's first pitch to the base of the right-field wall.

"It was just a matter of being in the right place at the right time," Surhoff said.

Arthur Rhodes (2-0) pitched three scoreless innings.

**Rangers 12, Athletics 1**  
Ken Hill (3-1) pitched a four-hitter and struck out nine, and Ivan Rodriguez hit a two-run double in a five-run second inning. Texas is 8-1 at home, the best home start in franchise history.

Dean Palmer hit a two-run homer, and Rodriguez had three hits and three RBIs for the Rangers.

Carlos Reyes (1-3) was tagged for eight runs and 11 hits in 5 1-3 innings.

**Twins 9, Indians 8**  
Pat Meares hit a three-run homer

in the sixth as the Twins overcame a 7-2 deficit and stopped visiting Cleveland's five-game winning streak.

Minnesota chased Charles Nagy in the fifth on Chuck Knoblauch's run-scoring triple, Matt Lawton's RBI groundout and Paul Molitor's run-scoring single.

Marty Cordova hit a leadoff homer off Paul Shuey (0-1) in the sixth. Roberto Kelly and Scott Stahoviak walked with one out and Meares homered for a 9-7 lead.

Greg Hansell (1-0) got his first major league victory, allowing one run in 3 2-3 innings.

**Mariners 8, Tigers 3**  
Joey Cora doubled home the go-ahead run in a five-run eighth at the Kingdome as Seattle extended its winning streak to seven.

Trailing 3-1, the Mariners tied the game in the seventh on Edgar Martinez's bases-loaded walk and Jay Buhner's sacrifice fly.

After Cora's double in the eighth, Randy Veres (0-1) forced in a run by walking Buhner, forced in another by hitting Paul Sorrento with a pitch and yielded Doug Strange's two-run single.

**Angels 5, Blue Jays 1**  
Chuck Finley (3-1) pitched a three-

hitter and struck out 10 at Anaheim Stadium in California's first complete game this year. Randy Velarde singled three times and drove in two runs as the Angels stopped a four-game losing streak.

Gary DiSarcina helped California take a 3-1 lead with a two-run single in the second off Paul Quantrill (0-3).

**Brewers 8, Yankees 4**  
Jose Valentin matched his career high with four RBIs, and Milwaukee pounded David Cone (2-1) for six runs and nine hits in five innings at County Stadium.

The Brewers took a 4-0 lead in the first on Kevin Seitzer's sacrifice fly, Valentin's double and a wild pitch with a runner on third.

Ricky Bones (1-2) scattered seven hits in 7 1-3 innings, allowing all four runs.

**White Sox 3, Royals 1**  
Dave Martinez and Harold Baines homered as Alex Fernandez (2-1) increased his record at Kansas City to 5-0. He gave up one run and eight hits in seven innings with six strikeouts. Roberto Hernandez pitched the ninth for his third save.

Martinez broke a 1-1 tie in the sixth with his homer off Kevin Appier (1-2), who gave up three runs and eight hits in 6 1-3 innings.

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# Carew's daughter loses battle with leukemia

**By LARRY GERBER**  
Associated Press Writer

ORANGE, Calif. (AP) - Rod Carew's 18-year-old daughter died of leukemia Wednesday after the Hall of Famer's appeal for a bone-marrow donor drew 70,000 responses but not one match.

"All we did was we told her that we love her, that we're all here, and I just told her to have a safe journey," Carew, tears in his eyes, said hours after Michelle's death.

Michelle died with her father, her mother, Marilyn, other family members and friends by her side at Children's Hospital of Orange County.

Her battle against the disease had been followed by people nationwide after her father issued a plea in November for bone marrow donors.

"That unprecedented response, no doubt, will save the lives of other cancer patients in the future," hospital spokesman Orman Day said.

Carew, who starred with the Minnesota Twins and California Angels and is now an Angels batting coach, said: "When this started she just wanted me to do not only for her but for the other kids."

Michelle received a transplant of fetal umbilical cord blood on March 22 in an effort to rebuild her immune system.

It was tried as an alternative after no matching marrow could be found. Michelle's two sisters and her parents were incompatible. Her father is of

West Indian and Panamanian ancestry; her mother has Russian Jewish roots.

Chemotherapy was used to kill the cancerous cells, but it left her body blistered and raw.

"The percentages weren't in her favor as far as finding a match," Carew said in the hospital lobby. "She just ran out of time. ... She just lost the battle."

The hospital received thousands of calls and letters. Many promised to be tested as donors. Some knitted snowflakes for this young woman who had never seen falling snow.

Michelle was diagnosed in September 1995 with non-lymphocytic leukemia. The transplant of the

umbilical cord is a relatively rare operation.

"We really didn't have enough time to see the fruits of that transplant," said Dr. Mitchell Cairo, director of blood and bone marrow transplants at the hospital.

She died of cardiac and respiratory failure at 6:28 a.m., the hospital said. Since the March 22 operation, she had been kept in a sterile room, family and other visitors sealed off by a window.

The family had thought Michelle was going to die in December. For seven months, the Carews had stayed in a spare hospital room or in a motor home in a rear parking lot.

Carew, a seven-time American

League batting champion who retired in 1985, has been on leave from the Angels.

"She kept our spirits up by telling jokes," he said. "We would walk in the room and she would always say something funny to make sure we were smiling."

Carew, red-eyed, mustered a smile at the recollection.

"She became more famous than her dad," he said, "and we talked about that a lot."

A private memorial service is scheduled for Friday in Santa Ana. The funeral is Sunday at Temple B'nai Emet in St. Louis Park, Minn., a Minneapolis suburb. Burial is at United Hebrew Brotherhood Cemetery in St. Louis Park.

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# Blockbuster trades could precede NFL draft

By DAVE GOLDBERG  
AP Football Writer

Only someone as daring as Bobby Beathard could get away with trading a No. 1 draft pick even up for a No. 2.

Yet the San Diego general manager did it last year, moving up in the second round by trading away this year's No. 1. He ended up with Terrell Fletcher, the running back who allowed him to dump Ronnie Harmon and his big salary. He's liable to be doing strange things in the draft again this year.

Trading choices up and down is now an accepted part of the draft. This year promises to be no different.

In fact, it started on Wednesday, when Oakland and San Francisco swapped second-round picks, the 49ers moving up from 57th to 46th by giving the Raiders their fourth-rounder, and the Raiders sending that second-rounder along to New

England for offensive lineman Pat Harlow.

And with the return of Jimmy Johnson to the NFL to join Beathard and other trade-happy general managers, it's likely to be the kind of draft when, after a long wait between picks, the announcement comes that:

"The Miami Dolphins have traded their third, fifth and seventh round picks to (pick a team) for this year's second and sixth-rounder and a third-rounder in 2002."

The machinations will start at the top this year because of the appeal that Lawrence Phillips, the Nebraska running back, has for some teams. At this point, the most likely scenario is the Baltimore Ravens, the former Cleveland Browns, trading from No. 4 to No. 2 to take Phillips with Jacksonville's pick, and the Jaguars using the fourth on Simeon Rice, the

Illinois defensive end.

But it could intensify toward the middle of the first round.

"We could go down as far as 12," said New England coach Bill Parcells, who picks seventh. "After the first two, we figure there are about 13 players who grade out about equally."

Watch Johnson enter the fray. "Any time we have an opportunity to get a special player, we're going to do it," said the man who moved up just three picks at Dallas in 1990 and managed to come up with a special player named Emmitt Smith.

Then watch Johnson's old team, the Cowboys, make moves for no other reason than to save salary cap money. They traded out of the late first round last year into the second so they wouldn't have to pay a first-round salary and came up with Sherman Williams, who proved a

useful backup at running back to Smith.

Bill Walsh loved to do it at San Francisco and had his most successful draft in 1986, when he traded out of the first round twice and ended up with seven players in Rounds 3-6 who started on two Super Bowl winners - including John Taylor, Tom Rathman, Steve Wallace and Charles Haley.

But the master is Beathard, who at both Washington and San Diego seems to get better the lower he gets in the draft. In fact, that's where he prefers to be.

In 1990, when he took over the Chargers, he found himself with the fifth overall pick after having trading away all but two of 11 first-round

picks he had in Washington.

"I don't know what to do picking this high," he said at the time.

Yes he did. Just as he used his two first-rounders in Washington on Art Monk and Darrell Green, he used this one well, too, taking Junior Seau.

Since then, he's tried to get as far away from the first round as possible. Not only did he trade away his 1996 No. 1 last year for the second-rounder to get Fletcher, but he's done it before.

In 1993, he traded a first-round choice to the Rams for San Francisco's pick in the second round and got Natrone Means, the equivalent of a first-rounder and the key to

the Chargers' Super Bowl run in 1994. That deal involved seven other draft choices and was repeated the next year, in the second round, in a mind-boggling deal involving six draft picks and three different teams.

Beathard also traded away his first-round pick in 1992 to move up in 1991's second round and get Eric Moten, a fixture on the offensive line when healthy.

But not everyone can do it. Nor is everyone willing to.

"Bobby has it down to a science," said his friend George Young, the general manager of the New York Giants. "But he keeps the rest of us just trying to keep track of what he's doing and when."

## Raiders send Bates to Falcons

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (AP) - The Oakland Raiders picked up another second round draft pick today in a trade with the Atlanta Falcons.

The Raiders sent safety Patrick Bates to Atlanta in a deal contingent on Bates passing a physical today.

A first-round pick by the Raiders in 1993, the 6-foot-3, 215-pound Bates sat out the 1995 season because of a dispute over playing time.

The Raiders got a three-day head start on the NFL draft Wednesday when they made a couple of deals to fill a need on the offensive line.

Oakland acquired tackle Pat Harlow from the New England Patriots for a second-round draft pick the Raiders had gotten hours earlier from San Francisco.

Harlow, who played right tackle and left tackle during five seasons in New England, answers a need at one of three positions the Raiders identified as the focus of their draft - the others being tight end and safety.

"I've long been impressed with Pat Harlow's playing ability," said Joe Bugel, assistant coach in charge of offense. "He is equally adept at playing both offensive tackle positions, which is rare in this league."

The deal came shortly after the Raiders traded their second-round pick in the draft, the 46th selection overall, for the 49ers' second-round (57th overall) and fourth-round (124th overall) picks.

The Raiders and Harlow agreed to a multi-year contract extension, details of which weren't released. Harlow was to be paid about \$1.4 million this year by the Patriots, and would have been eligible for unrestricted free agency at the end of the season.

Harlow was limited to a reserve role last season after missing the first six games with a stress fracture of his left leg. He made it clear he was unhappy with the Patriots.

"I think it was pretty well known that I wanted out," he said. "I think this worked out best for everybody."

Harlow, 27, was injured last summer in an exhibition game against the Raiders. The 6-foot-6, 290-pound Harlow twice has undergone surgery for a bulging disc in his back, most recently in 1992.

Harlow was the Patriots' first-round draft choice in 1991, the 11th pick overall. He is a native of Norco, in southern California, and attended USC.

"I'm ecstatic about joining the Raiders. Joining the Raiders is a dream come true," he said. "Growing up in Norco, I've always followed them, especially for their rich tradition of big, dominating offensive lines."

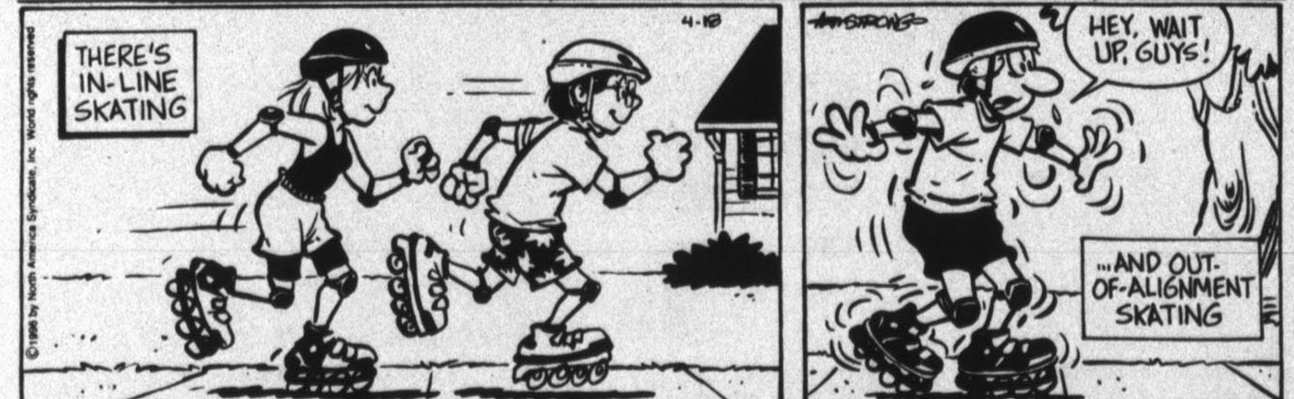
Harlow is the third high-salaried player jettisoned by the Patriots in the last month, following the release of linebacker Vincent Brown and safety Myron Guyton.

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## Texas archeology lecture series continues at Panhandle-Plains

The Panhandle Plains Historical Museum will present the last two of a series of public lectures this Sunday and April 28.

Sunday at 2 p.m. Alvin Lynn, a vocational historian, will talk about his research and field findings on the

Fort Bascomb to Adobe Walls Trail used by Kit Carson in the third of four public lectures.

The lecture will be held in the museum's Hazlewood Lecture Hall.

Born and raised in Motley County near Matador, Lynn received a Bachelor's and Master's degree in geology from West Texas State University.

"Living in Dumas allowed Lynn the privilege of studying other historic roads since the Canadian River was the lifeline for early travelers crossing the Panhandle in an east-west direction.

He is presently mapping the historic roads of this area with emphasis on the road used by Carson in 1964 from Fort Bascomb to Adobe Walls, the topic of his talk.

On April 28 a discussion of the Box Canyon and the Dark Canyon rock art sites in the Panhandle, presented by Roberta Speer, West

Texas A&M University, and Rolla Shaller and A.J. Taylor from the PPHM.

The Museum's Archeology Department offered the series in observance of Texas Archeology Awareness Month.

Archeological sites are an irreplaceable part of Texas History, and only scientific investigation can reveal the secrets that lie buried in the soil.

No admission will be charged for the lecture, although donations will be accepted to offset speakers' travel expenses. For more information, please call the Museum at (806) 656-2244.

## Red Cross offers hotline to nation

The American Red Cross is providing a free nationwide telephone hotline for people affected by the Oklahoma City bombing now through April 26.

Victims, responders and others may call the 24-hour hotline to discuss their concerns and feelings that are still unresolved or that may have resurfaced due to the bombing anniversary.

People wanting to talk with a Red Cross mental health worker may call (800) 422-7935 or (800) 522-8506 (hearing impaired). The hotline is staffed around the clock by licensed mental health professionals who provide educational information, supportive counseling and, when appropriate, referrals for more in-depth counseling.

Survivors, their families and friends, those who lost loved ones, relief workers and the millions of concerned people across the country who watched as the families waited for word may find themselves struggling to cope with a variety of emotions during this heightened period of remembrance.

It is normal for people affected by a disaster to experience anniversary-triggered emotional surges.



### Picking up entry forms

Little Miss Hereford hopefuls, from left, Elisa Nieto, Cristi Nieto, Shelby Easley and Haley Easley, pick up entry forms at the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce office. The annual Little Miss Hereford Pageant, sponsored by the Women's Division, will be held at 6 p.m. May 6 in the Hereford High School Auditorium. Completed forms and the \$10 entry fee must be turned in at the Chamber office by 5 p.m. April 26.



### Preparing for muster

Members of the Golden Spread Aggie Moms Club make final plans for the second annual Aggie Muster which will be held at 6 p.m. Sunday in K-Bob's Annex. Muster is open to fall former students and their families, parents of students and friends of Texas A&M. Moms pictured are, from left, Eileen Alley, Ginger Olson, Shirley Wilson and Terri Johnson.



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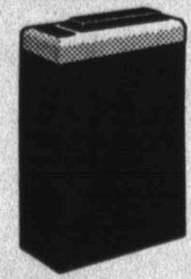
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# Parole officers like home visits, despite program pitfalls

## Concept hampered by large caseloads, lack of time to make calls

By **KELLEY SHANNON**  
Associated Press Writer  
SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Parole officer Annette Burleson arrives at the convicted drug dealer's home at the agreed time for the monthly visit. The parolee is nowhere to be found.

In another neighborhood, Ms. Burleson eyes a fence to make sure a huge barking dog can't escape. "I've been chased a few times," she notes.

Then there are the startling encounters she and other officers have with unsavory characters at rundown apartments or parolees or their relatives who answer the door half asleep and completely nude. Such are the perils of home visits, now a larger part of a state parole officer's job.

Despite the pitfalls, officers across Texas say they like the concept of home visits. But they are troubled by a new rule ordering more home contacts because large caseloads - averaging more than 80 parolees per officer - can make it impossible to complete all the visits.

As a result, some officers say, many parolees aren't being supervised closely enough and morale is low among workers within the Texas Department of Criminal Justice parole division.

"They are very frustrated - short-tempered - because at the end of the month they haven't completed everything," said Mike Lozito, a parole supervisor in San Antonio. "There is a lot of stress."

TDCJ parole division director Melinda Hoyle Bozarth in September set new requirements for officers' monthly visits with parolees,

increasing the number of field visits. For instance, medium-supervision parolees now are visited at home each month instead of reporting to a parole office once a month and getting a home visit every three months.

Home and family visits are the best ways to monitor a parolee, Ms. Bozarth said. An officer at a parolee's home may notice telltale signs of trouble, such as drug paraphernalia or a spouse's black eye, she said.

"All that results in better public safety, better protection," Ms. Bozarth said. "I'm real confident that we've done the right thing."

Some officers say they worry office visits are being de-emphasized. They contend the office still is the best place to make a parolee take a drug test or to confront him or her about bad behavior.

"Out there is on their turf," said Joe Northcutt, a San Antonio parole officer who said he won't use home visits to talk to offenders about potentially serious parole violations. "They're going to come unglued," he said.

Ms. Bozarth said she encourages officers to use the office as necessary and notes that maximum-level offenders get two visits per month with the parole officer - one at home and one that can be in the office. Minimum-level parolees visit the office once a month.

Some parolees say they like home visits.

Adolph Woods Jr., 34, who served time for a cocaine charge, keeps a tidy apartment in San Antonio with his wife, Marian, and said his home visits from Ms. Burleson help "keep you on your toes."

Another offender, 65-year-old Miguel Sanchez, who was convicted of involuntary manslaughter, agreed home visits help.

"The Hispanics, we have an old saying," Sanchez said. "Tell me who you hang around with and I'll tell you who you are - dime con quien andas y te digo quien eres."

As for complaints that there isn't enough time to make all the required visits, Ms. Bozarth said she took caseloads from Houston, Dallas, Tyler and Fort Worth and put together a sample schedule to show officers.

"I've been out telling the field about this exercise and telling them about my schedule," she said. "I'm not concerned that (requiring more home visits) was too much of an additional burden to place on them."

Even though she has spent time with officers in the field, Ms. Bozarth acknowledges she never has devoted a full day to conducting home visits with a parole officer.

"I'd love to," Ms. Bozarth said. Parole workers say a well-organized schedule is fine, but they are working in an imperfect world.

However, officers in several Texas cities interviewed by The Associated Press say their large caseloads make it difficult to fulfill the visit requirements in a 40-hour work week. Overtime is strictly discouraged, they say.

"My visits, sad to say, have leaned more from quality into quantity," said Joseph Brigman, an officer in San Antonio. "I'm doing my best."

One East Texas parole officer, who spoke only on condition of anonymity, said officers sometimes resort to counting casual chance encounters

with clients as visits. "We may see them at the grocery store and wave at them, and we count it as a contact," the officer said.

"Mainly, I focus on to protect society more than just to rehabilitate the criminal," the officer said. "To me, that concept has just been lost."

Stress also is a problem. Last fall the East Texas officer began having attacks of diarrhea on home visit days and determined with a physician it was related to job stress.

Increased paperwork also has officers frazzled. Parole violation reports have gotten longer, for example.

"A lot of my time is consumed with paperwork," said Dallas parole officer Fred Ruffner. "I can't do the quality of work now that I used to."

At the end of February there were 73,646 parolees in Texas, more than any other state. Those former inmates are supervised by 1,029 officers.

State law calls for caseloads to average 75 cases per officer. The actual average was 81 per officer, Ms. Bozarth confirmed. That figure does not take into consideration smaller, specialized caseloads for sex offenders or mentally impaired parolees.

Child molester Larry Don McQuay, who was released from prison to a San Antonio lockup recently, and other sex offenders are assigned to parole officers who are supposed to oversee no more than 45 parolees.

"If you have a spouse come in and say, 'My husband beat the hell out of me last night,' you have to take care of it," said Lozito, who chairs the

parole division caucus of the Texas State Employees Union.

Even Ms. Bozarth acknowledged morale has been low in her division, partially because of pay.

Parole officer salaries range slightly above and below \$25,000 per year, depending on experience.

Some officers contend they get second-rate treatment compared with prison employees in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Both divisions deal with the same offenders, parole officers point out.

Parole officers say they get particularly steamed when they read about questionable TDCJ spending practices.

Agency contracts are under review as a result of former executive director James A. "Andy" Collins' commitments to purchase \$33.6 million worth of the soy-based meat substitute VitaPro and \$9 million worth of security fencing, much of

which sits in a construction supply yard.

Ms. Bozarth said she realizes parole workers are upset about pay and said she is urging TDCJ executive director Wayne Scott to establish a merit raise system. Although she agreed prison division employees get some financial perks parole employees don't - such as cheap meals from prison kitchens - Ms. Bozarth said, "I don't feel like a stepchild anymore."

To improve morale, she said, career ladder steps have been established and the dress code has been relaxed for parole workers. And she is working to fill approximately 30 parole officer vacancies statewide and may add about 50 more officers if the caseload remains high.

"I know they juggle a lot of things," she said. "I'm doing everything I can to get the caseloads down."

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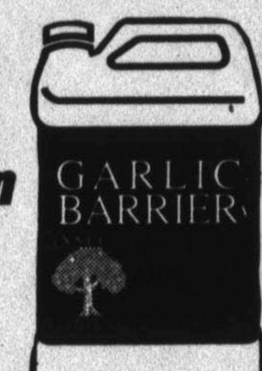
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# Former Mrs. America teaches manners to young ladies in 'Sitting Pretty' course

By **KELLY CROW**  
Edmond Evening Sun  
EDMOND, Okla. (AP) - A few months ago, 12-year-old Tiffany Conder did what most seventh-grade girls naturally do during a hurried school lunch break - plopped down in a chair, swing the legs onto the table, take a bite of sandwich and begin talking a million miles an hour.

But now, this Cimarron Middle School student said she watches how she sits, pays attention to how she eats and doesn't "throw food or anything like that."

Meanwhile, Kristin Schroeder is learning those ropes as well. The fourth-grader at Oklahoma Christian Schools said, "Some of my friends at lunch eat with their mouths open and I think it's disgusting to watch."

Although these girls sound almost too good to be true - mothers can take heart - they weren't born with impeccable manners. Tiffany and Kristin are recent graduates of former "Mrs. America" Jennifer Johnson's manners and poise instruction program, titled "Sitting Pretty."

During the four-week course, Mrs. Johnson teaches girls ages 4-14 the basics of proper etiquette, including how to make introductions, speak on the telephone, set the dinner table, walk with poise and sit with good posture.

She also requires her students to perform, 10 "random acts of kindness" each week to help them learn the value of respecting others and being thoughtful.

Linda Baker saw the "Sitting Pretty" newspaper advertisement last month and encouraged her daughter to attend, but Alex, 10, didn't need much persuasion.

"Alex thought it would be pretty 'cool' to be able to hang out with a former Mrs. America," Ms. Baker said.

"And she was glad to be with other girls her own age because she didn't feel like she was the only one who didn't know the right way to do many of things taught in the class."

As a mother, Ms. Baker saw the etiquette course as an excellent way to reinforce manners she encourages them to use at home, without taking

the fun out of learning.

"Parents can say the same things, but when someone else does - especially Mrs. America - it carries more weight and tends to stick with them," she said.

Mrs. Johnson, the 1990 "Mrs. America" pageant winner, said learning and using proper etiquette in all life situations can be an invaluable tool for promoting self confidence in children. This aspect of the class is her top priority.

She said she sees great potential in the girls and wants to show them they can overcome anything when they have confidence in themselves.

"We may not all be beautiful, but we all have strengths and need to realize that before we'll ever be happy with who we are."

Although the model seems to radiate confidence now, learning to be happy with herself was a lesson she learned the hard way.

"When I was young, I always felt very awkward and clumsy," she said. "Kids at school even called me 'Calamity Jane' and 'Skinny Jinny.'"

"It wasn't until a former model encouraged her to enter the business years later that Mrs. Johnson said she began to feel good about herself. "I have a real heart for children,

especially young girls with no confidence, because I see them and I think, 'Hey, that was me. I've realized someone believed in me, that made all the difference in my life.'"

The total program costs \$58, and classes for the girls are separated into different age groups - 4-6, 7-10 and 11-14.

But Mrs. Johnson, the mother of two young boys, said she plans to teach several week-long classes for boys beginning this summer.

The two classes will be similar, but the boys' course will include instruction on ways to behave like a gentleman and how to be a good sport.

Despite minor differences in curriculum, Mrs. Johnson feels that girls and boys in today's society are equally deprived of manners education.

She lists as reasons longer working hours by parents and fewer meal times spent as a family.

Often, it is easier for parents to clean up after their children rather than sit them down and show them how to have good manners and behavior, she said.

"But that's where I come in," she adds with a laugh. "Hand them over to me for a couple of weeks and I'll make it a lot easier on you."

## Names in the News

NEW YORK (AP) - Cybill Shepherd has fessed up to her secret affair with Elvis Presley when she was a 23-year-old Memphis model.

"He was still looking fabulous. He was a sweet man. And he smelled great," the 46-year-old star of "Cybill" says in the April 20 TV Guide.

Shepherd said she helped Presley open up romantically. "Let's put it this way," she said, "I think that before I met him, he was (sexually) conservative, trapped in a stupid macho thing."

But after a month of passion, Shepherd tired of Presley's drug dependence and left him to return to director Peter Bogdanovich.

"I couldn't handle the whole thing with the pills," she said. "Pills to go to sleep. Pills to wake up. I think that lifestyle limits you."

Nervous at the prospect of meeting

Presley for their first date, Shepherd brought her brother and two friends along. Presley was very polite and later invited her home for chicken-fried steak.

Presley, whom Shepherd described as fragile and harassed by fame, died in 1977 at age 42 of a drug overdose.

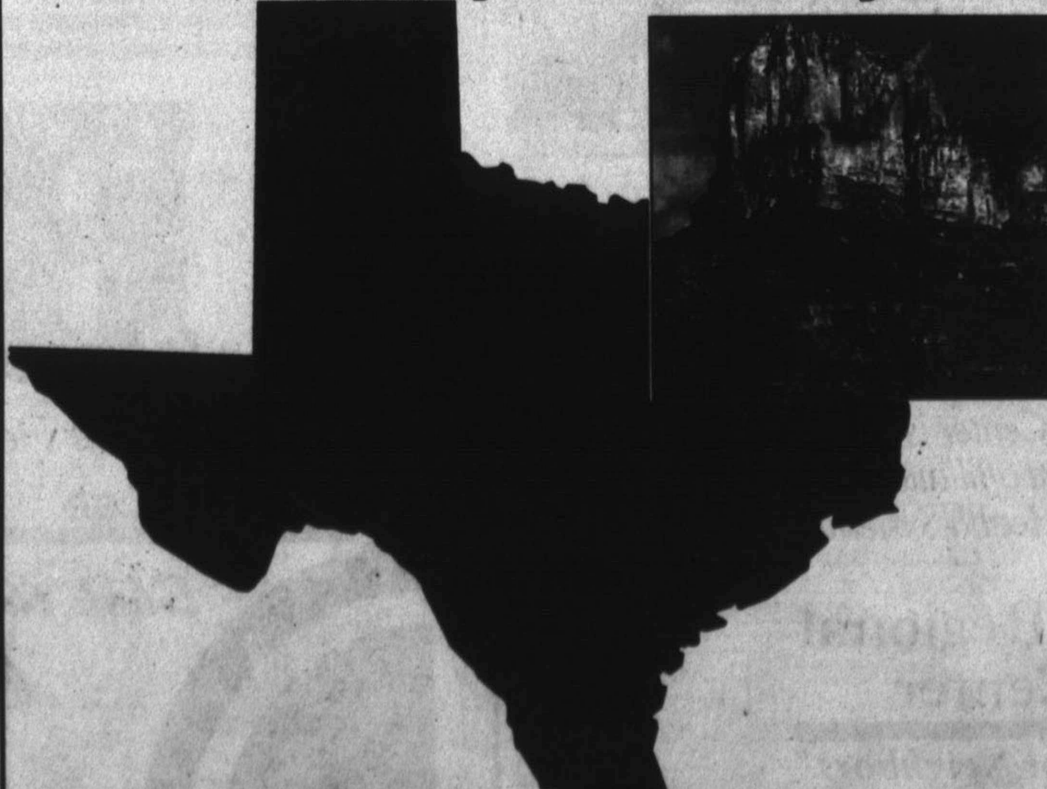
NEW YORK (AP) - "Showgirls," the critically panned stripper movie starring Elizabeth Berkley, is making a comeback of sorts.

The NC-17-rated flop about an ambitious Las Vegas dancer is being re-released on the midnight "Rocky Horror Picture Show" circuit in New York and Los Angeles.

Director Paul Verhoeven said in the April 15 issue of Newsweek that the film's evolution is like "the metamorphosis of a butterfly to a caterpillar."

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# 'Tornado Safari' will chase storms through mid-America

## Ohio man, fascinated by weather, offers 'metaphysical dimension'

By MELISSA WILLIAMS  
Associated Press Writer  
RICHARDSON, Texas (AP) - Consider the familiar spring tornado. Where some see a meteorological

event diabolic in its random power, Stephen E. Levine perceives a hypnotic, mysterious and awesome source of primal energy. "It's pure beauty and divine

passion," gushes the self-styled swami of storms, an Ohio native who describes himself as a poet, photographer and intuitional counselor.

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And: "Tornadoes, even in their wildest forms, come and go with delicateness, subtleness, grace and what looks like deepest ease. What an example for the application of that primal life force that lies deep within you and me."

Such thoughts likely would bemuse those who survived the carnage in Waco on May 11, 1953. A tornado that day killed 114 people, injured 519 and still holds the title of worst twister in Texas history.

In Lancaster, a suburb south of Dallas, an April 1994 tornado killed four people and shattered much of the town's historical heart.

Survivor Forrest Chevront sounded dubious about the life-affirming qualities of severe weather.

"Different strokes for different folks, that's all I can say," said Chevront, who huddled with his wife, Bonnie, in the bathtub as the tornado roared by just blocks from their house.

"Just hearing the tornadoes going over right over the top, and the

destruction, devastation and loss of life that took place in our community - I would not want to experience what they're planning to do."

Joe Harris, a meteorologist in the Fort Worth office of the National Weather Service, says although he enjoys the professional challenge of predicting tornadoes, he has too much respect for their raw power to seek a close-up view.

"I've never seen a tornado personally," Harris says firmly. "I have no desire to see one."

Levine, however, is convinced there's a niche for his services. And it's easy to imagine the enthusiasm he'd bring to a real storm given his passion on the subject on an unseasonably cold and rainy April evening in the cafe of a natural-foods supermarket.

Clad comfortably for the weather in a flannel shirt, black sweater, elastic-waisted pants and black sneakers, he describes his previous life as a wastewater technician, regional planner and frustrated math student. His goal now, he says, is to reveal how nature's beauty "is a mirror of the beauty inside of us."

Watching a thunderstorm or tornado from a safe distance - a point Levine stresses - can help people "move beyond fear into confidence."

"The whole focus of this is beauty, spiritual renewal and the drama of the hunt," he says.

Levine gestures broadly when describing a major storm front that

moved through North Texas last month. His brown eyes grow wide and he spreads his flannel shirt-covered arms far apart to convey the monstrous gray wall cloud that hung like a curtain over north Dallas.

When the worst of the storm had passed, leaving hail damage throughout the Dallas-Fort Worth area, Levine gave up the chase for tornadoes and went home.

"I saw a rainbow. It was exquisite," he says, closing his eyes on reflection. "Half the sky was deep crystal blue and the other half was thunderheads. There was lightning zipping around the thunderheads and the sun was shining over here ... it was beyond words."

## Worst tornadoes in Texas

By The Associated Press

Some of the worst tornado disasters in Texas, according to the Texas Almanac:

- May 18, 1902: Tornado cuts a wide swath through the town of Goliad, killing 114 people and injuring 230. Some 150 buildings were destroyed.
- May 30, 1909: Brown County twister kills 28 people.
- April 9, 1919: Tornado in Fannin County kills 20 people and injures 45. On the same day, a tornado moves through Henderson, Van Zandt, Wood, Camp and Red River counties, killing 42 people and injuring 150.
- May 14, 1923: Tornado in Howard and Mitchell counties kills 23 and injures 100.
- April 12, 1927: A twister moves through Edwards, Real and Uvalde counties, killing 74 and injuring 205. Most damage occurs in the town of Rocksprings, where 72 people die.
- May 9, 1927: Twenty-eight people die as tornado hits Collin, Hunt and Lamar counties.
- May 6, 1930: Hill, Ellis and Navarro counties are struck by tornado that kills 41 people. On the same day, 36 people die as another twister sweeps Karnes and DeWitt counties.
- April 9, 1947: One of the largest twisters on record, its path up to a mile wide, hits Carson, Hemphill and Lipscomb counties. Sixty-eight people die, and the town of Glazier was destroyed.
- May 11, 1953: Tornado hits Waco, destroying 150 homes and 185 other buildings. Nearly 600 people are injured and 114 killed in one of the most disastrous tornadoes in Texas history.
- May 11, 1970: Twister in Lubbock kills 28 and injures 500. Almost a quarter of the city suffers damage.
- April 10, 1979: Forty-two people are killed and more than 1,700 injured by a tornado in Wichita Falls. It is widely considered the worst tornado ever in Texas. More than 3,000 homes are destroyed and 20,000 people left homeless.

## New Mexicans anticipate new lottery

By BILL PINO  
Associated Press Writer  
ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) - New Mexicans who say they'll buy that new home or car if they win the state lottery will get their chance starting April 27.

That's when New Mexico's first \$1 and \$2 lottery tickets go on sale at more than 1,500 retail businesses around the state. The tickets may be purchased by anyone 18 years old or older at businesses ranging from convenience stores and gas stations to flower shops and liquor stores.

"The momentum is picking up - all the bits and pieces are coming together," said Jim Burleson, vice president of sales and marketing for the lottery.

Burleson says lottery employees are working long hours to complete last-minute preparations before the lottery's launch.

Last April, Gov. Gary Johnson signed a bill creating the New Mexico Lottery, with the profits designated for education. The bill was the only gambling-related measure to make it through the 1995 session, which turned down proposals to establish widespread gambling throughout the state.

The first tickets sold will be the instant-win "scratch" type. Players scrape off an opaque latex coating, and if three numbers match, the player wins between \$1 and \$10,000.

There will be two types of scratch

tickets for sale at the outset. They differ only in the ticket's size and how much it costs the customer.

Scratch games end as soon as someone wins the maximum amount, said Ralph Decker, chief executive officer of the New Mexico Lottery.

The lottery will have about five more scratch games ready to offer soon after the first two games sell out, he said.

Scratch games don't have the multi-million dollar jackpots which many people associate with lotteries.

But Decker said those mega-jackpots could arrive by late September when the New Mexico Lottery offers Powerball through the Multi-State Lottery Association, a group of lotteries from 21 states and the District of Columbia who combine to create a larger pool for jackpots.

Jackpots for Powerball start at \$5 million; they have reached \$111 million.

Under Powerball, five numbers are selected from a group of 45 numbers, then a sixth number is chosen from a separate group of 45 numbers.

Players may choose their numbers or opt to have a computer make random selections.

Winning numbers are determined when five white balls and one red ball - the Powerball - are drawn from drums.

Anyone who holds a ticket with all the matching numbers wins the

jackpot, which is paid out in equal yearly installments for 20 years.

New Mexico's lottery law earmarks 60 percent of the net revenue to public school districts and 40 percent to help college students pay tuition.

Despite where the money is aimed, not everyone sees the lottery as a benefit.

Guy Clark of Albuquerque, who heads the New Mexico Coalition Against Gambling, said he worries about people becoming addicted to the lottery.

"A lot of people think it's harmless and that makes it even more dangerous," Clark said. "The lottery is so accessible - that's the big problem."

Decker is warning lottery players to control themselves.

"Play responsibly," he advised. "Don't bet the farm on it - it's not a living."

The new lottery could generate \$14 million for public schools in its first full year of operation, according to estimates presented last year to the Legislative Education Study Committee.

The money will be funneled through the Public School Capital Outlay Fund, which requires school districts to have used at least 75 percent of their bonding capacity and to have passed a local, 2-mill levy.

Just over one-third of the state's 89 school districts meet the bonding-capacity requirement.

Decker stressed that the lottery isn't in the business of disbursing the money, but said he would like to see it doled out to schools differently.

"I don't think it's right. I think it's punishing the school districts that are efficient," Decker said.

Any change, however, would have to be made by the Legislature, he said.

Rep. Daniel P. Silva, D-Albuquerque, introduced a bill during the 1996 legislative session that would have used 60 percent of the lottery's net revenue to buy computers for all school districts in the state. The measure never got out of committee.

The lottery proceeds reserved for college students will be paid out in the form of scholarship grants. Any high school graduate from New Mexico will be eligible to apply for up to eight semesters of paid tuition at any public college in the state.

The students will have to be enrolled full-time and maintain a cumulative 2.5 grade point average, said Bruce Hamlett, director of the state Commission on Higher Education.

"I think it's just the perfect type of program," Hamlett said. "It allows us to say - regardless of your income level - if you graduate from high school and go on to college, you will be able to get scholarships."

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I think I can build the Nets into a championship team," Kirshner said.

Kirshner gained fame as promoter of the Monkees and for the syndicated TV show "Don Kirshner's Rock Concert," which ran from 1973 to '82.

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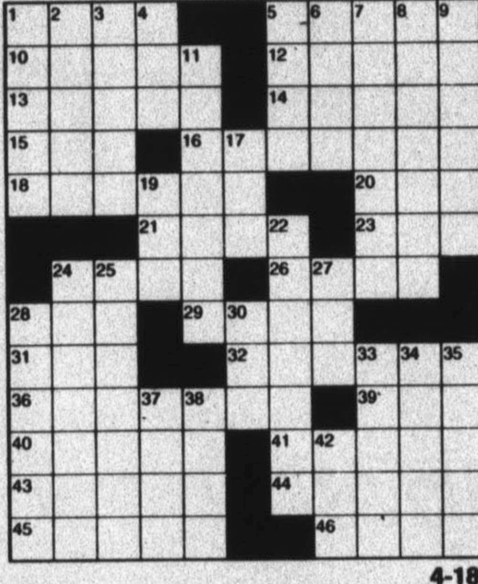
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# Teacher groups may be seen, but not heard, during meetings on appraisals, says Moses

By PEGGY FIKAC  
Associated Press Writer  
AUSTIN (AP) - Education Commissioner Mike Moses told teacher groups they can be seen but largely not heard at meetings of a panel advising him on developing a new teacher appraisal system.

Moses said Wednesday the teacher group representatives were welcome to attend meetings of the panel and to comment on the appraisal proposal to him.

But he said he didn't want a repeat of a fall meeting where "representatives of teacher organizations were more engaged in the dialogue than were the members of the committee."

"I want them to be observers until we get to a point where we're ready to ask them to critique it," Moses said.

Moses said he was maintaining his position despite a Tuesday vote by the

18-member Advisory Committee For Professional Development and Appraisal for Texas Teachers and the teacher groups be allowed to continue joining in deliberations.

He said he wanted the advisory committee to be independent "so that when their work is done, no one can say, 'Just the teacher organizations wrote that,' or 'Just the principal organizations wrote that.' If this is going to be a credible piece of work, there's going to have to be a sense of objectivity."

Under the 1995 education law, Moses is responsible for getting teacher input and adopting an appraisal process that school districts can opt to use. The advisory panel includes teachers and school administrators from around Texas.

The Texas Federation of Teachers, Texas Classroom Teachers Association and Texas State Teachers Association were taken back by

Moses' decision to limit their role in committee meetings.

"Apparently, Mike Moses doesn't like the fact that there were people in the room who did not agree with him" on the appraisal system, said TFT President John Cole.

"He's saying, 'You naughty teacher groups, if you can't say what I want to hear, then just don't speak.' It's kind of a childish attitude. ... It's just a petty little tantrum that he's throwing, and it'll pass," Cole said.

Jeri Stone, executive director of the Texas Classroom Teachers' Association, said, "In general, we're pretty disheartened that teacher input appears to be being discouraged in the process, particularly since it's a teacher appraisal system that's being developed here."

But Larry Comer of the Association of Texas Professional Educators said he believed teacher groups still would have input.

"We can still attend the meetings, and if we have a concern that's being raised that we want to discuss with the commissioner ... we can still go to him with those concerns," he said.

Teacher group representatives said they were allowed to watch but not participate in committee discussions Tuesday.

On Wednesday, Moses said everyone except committee members were asked to leave the meeting entirely while he met privately with the panel. He said the teacher group representatives and others were allowed to return after the private meeting.

"I've never talked to that committee alone" before, he said. "A little bit of this smacks of some people wanting some control over the process, and I'm perfectly willing for people to have input into the process, but not control the process."

# Affirmative action ruling may cause lower enrollment in state's colleges, universities

By PEGGY FIKAC  
Associated Press Writer  
AUSTIN (AP) - Texas Higher Education Commissioner Kenneth Ashworth says minority enrollment in some colleges or universities could drop significantly this fall unless a federal court halts the effect of an anti-affirmative action decision.

"There are projections that (there) may be as much as a 30 percent reduction in minority enrollments in some institutions just as a result of this," Ashworth said Wednesday.

"That's why we're hoping there'll

be a pretty quick decision, because the admissions process is going to go on. The schools are going to fill their fall enrollment," he said.

According to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, there were 406,466 students enrolled in Texas four-year public universities in fall 1994. Of them, 261,119 were white, 71,401 were Hispanic and 36,012 were black. The rest were members of other minority groups.

Of 400,323 students enrolled in community colleges that year, the last

for which an ethnic breakdown is available, 244,750 were white, 41,767 were black and 80,130 Hispanic.

Texas has asked the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans for a stay of the court's decision against race-based student admissions, while the state takes the legal battle over the issue to the U.S. Supreme Court.

If a stay is granted and the Supreme Court agrees to hear the case, the effect of the 5th Circuit's ruling would be suspended while the case is pending before the tribunal. If the 5th Circuit refuses to grant a stay, the state could ask the Supreme Court for one.

A three-judge 5th Circuit panel last month struck down the University of Texas law school's admissions policy. Ruling in a lawsuit filed by four white law school applicants, the court said UT had failed to justify favoring some racial groups.

In the wake of the ruling, higher education officials have stopped using race as a factor in admissions and awarding financial aid.

That includes \$1.5 million in state minority scholarship funding that would have gone to about 1,300 students for the 1996-97 school year.

Despite concerns from lawmakers and others that the agency is being "overly conservative" in interpreting the ruling, Ashworth said that he must take lawyers' advice and stick by a decision to suspend the race-based scholarship program unless a stay is granted.

"We share very much the concern of these legislators. These programs we promoted, we testified in favor of them, we think they're good," Ashworth said. "But the fact is that my attorney, based on discussions with attorneys from the universities, had come to the conclusion that we should not be involved in racial preferences on awarding of financial aid."

If a stay is granted, the state is prepared to disburse the money quickly, he said.

Various universities have minority scholarship programs larger than the state's \$1.5 million, Ashworth added.

"The reason our decision is getting the attention ... is because it's indicative of what's happening among the schools," he said.

# Viewers rarely gripe about sex, violence on favorite soaps

By JEANNINE AVERSA  
Associated Press Writer  
LAS VEGAS (AP) - Viewers will complain to their local TV stations about violence on the news or sex on talk shows, but very few gripe about soap operas, which generally are rife with sex and contain some violence, local TV executives say.

What local viewers complain about and how often they do varies widely from station to station, said executives interviewed at the National Association of Broadcasters convention here.

Viewers of KRON in San Francisco, for instance, are more likely to call the station with complaints about violence in entertainment programs and the news, than about sex.

"Violence is a real big concern," said Larry Shenosky, KRON's operations director. About the TV news, the station will get calls with people saying, "Why did you need to show that shot of the blood stain on street where two people were stabbed to death?" he said.

The station tries hard to balance such concerns with its editorial responsibilities, Shenosky said, saying decisions have to be made about what to air and not to air on a case-by-case basis.

KSPR in Springfield, Mo., is a different case.

"I've never gotten a call about violence," said Gary Whitaker, KSPR's vice president and general manager.

Instead, he said, viewers call about talk shows, especially when they are on when children could be watching and when they feature "frank discussions about sex." The station also gets calls about sitcoms that run in the early evenings - again when children might be tuning in - and the shows include sexual innuendo.

The complaints will be along the lines of "I thought it was going to be a light sitcom and then it went to a double entendre and to bathroom jokes and I couldn't get my kids away from the TV fast enough," Whitaker said.

Jerry Montgomery, general manager of KODE in Joplin, Mo., said his station "occasionally" gets complaints about sexual or violent content on individual shows, "but the complaints are pretty mild."

Montgomery said his station has a policy of not carrying "controversial talk shows." The only one KODE airs is "Live - Regis & Kathie Lee."

Jim McCormick, operations director of KHON in Honolulu, said his station never gets complaints about sex and violence. "Most of the complaints we get is when a favorite program has been pre-empted or moved" he said.

Soap operas, most executives said, drew few, if any, complaints from local viewers.

"We get no complaints. They have very, very loyal viewers," said KODE's Montgomery. KSPR's Whitaker said the same. KHON doesn't air soap operas since it became a Fox affiliate, but when it did run them the station didn't get any complaints, McCormick said. KRON's Shenosky said the station gets some complaints about soap operas.

"When there is an emergency and you have to pre-empt the soaps our switchboards will be flooded with angry calls," said an executive from a TV station in New Orleans, who asked not to be identified. "There is nothing on TV more rife with sex and violence than the soaps," the executive said.

The issue of sex and violence on TV leaped into the national spotlight earlier this year. Spurred by political and public pressure, the TV industry pledged to President Clinton in February to rate shows for sexual and violent content. The TV industry says it will have a ratings system in place by January.

Eventually that ratings system will work hand in hand with a computer chip that will be installed in new TV sets. People will be able to zap shows containing violence and other objectionable material from their TV screens, using a remote control-like device.

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