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Cents

House to vote on minimum wage

By DAVID ESPO **Associated Press Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) - Forcing a savage campaign-season struggle, the House is on track to approve a modified 90-cent increase in the minimum wage despite opposition from many Republicans.

Legislation to raise the federal wage floor from \$4.25 to \$5.15 in two steps was slated for a vote today in the House. Minority Democrats and a small group of GOP moderates have been demanding the increase - also sought by President Clinton - from a reluctant Republican leadership.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., today predicted the House would pass the increase along with provisions he said would benefit small businesses.

"What we tie it to is very straightforward," he said on CBS-TV. "We have several things that help small business and would encourage small business to hire more people. I think it's going to pass."

A 50-cent-an-hour increase would take effect on July 1, to be followed a year later by an additional 40-cent hike. It also could include several GOP provisions exempting certain small businesses and young employees during their first few months on the job.

'Democrats have refused to give up on this issue," House Democratic Leader Richard Gephardt said Tuesday. "And Newt Gingrich and Bob Dole are finally showing signs requirements.

to reduce taxes and shrink govern-

Many Democrats went along, but

Fun Breakfast

set Thursday

Deaf Smith County Chamber

of Commerce's quarterly Fun Breakfast is scheduled Thurs-

day morning, with Foster

Electronics as special sponsor.

bers, as well as all interested

residents, to join friends and

neighbors for food, prizes,

games, announcements concern-

ing upcoming community

events, and the presentation of

a.m. in Hereford Community

Center with co-emcees John

Stagner and Charlie Bell

directing the program. Tickets

The breakfast starts at 6:30

a Bull Chip Award.

are \$5.25 each.

The chamber invites mem-

Gas tax cut passes

U.S. House, 301-108

gasoline tax and promised more cuts represents cynicism and I want

he said.

GOP vote.

cents next year.

federal tax levels.

personally no part of it."

House Speaker Newt Gingrich,

"Our hope is maybe we can get

R-Ga., defended the measure today.

this first down payment on rolling

back the Clinton tax increases. We

think that's good for America," he

said on CBS-TV's "This Morning."

through Dec. 31. That represents the

amount added in 1993 by President

Clinton and Congress without a single

The measure would temporarily

return the tax to its pre-1993 level of

14 cents a gallon. Absent subsequent

action, the tax would return to 18.3

The vote came as Energy

Department forecasters predicted

retail gasoline prices would fall as

much as 6 cents a gallon by Indepen-

dence Day even with no action on

"If you drive a lot, say over the

of surrender, after desperately trying to stall and submerge and defeat the issue," he added of the House speaker and the Senate majority leader, the presumptive GOP presidential nominee.

House Majority Leader Richard Armey, R-Texas, made it clear he hasn't changed his mind about his opposition, even though it fell to him to work out the terms for floor debate.

"I think you can give all the blame in the world to the Democrats," he told reporters Tuesday, although he added that some moderate Republicans "feel very good about their

Republicans are also advancing companion legislation that includes tax breaks for small businesses designed to offset any economic damage caused by the proposed increase in the minimum wage.

The minimum wage hike itself would be attached to a separate measure. And to further mollify conservatives, the GOP leadership was hoping to add provisions that limit its effect. These include a proposal permitting an "opportunity wage" that would allow businesses to pay young, new employees the old rate of \$4.25 an hour for their first 90 days of work.

A second proposal was likely to spark stronger opposition from Democrats as well. It would exempt businesses with income of \$500,000 or less from the minimum wage



Accident scene

Hereford EMS paramedic Terry Hazlett, foreground, secures patient Kristen Smith, 23, of Hereford, to a back board following a traffic accident this morning at the corner of Third and Witherspoon. According to reports, Smith was driving the 1994 Corsica shown south on Witherspoon when she failed to yield to a 1986 Lincoln Continental traveling east on Third Street.

The two cars collided at the intersection. Smith was transported to HRMC by ambulance, while Christine Rhodes, 53, of Hereford walked across the hospital parking lot on her own. Both women were treated and released from the hospital. Smith was cited by police for failure to yield right of way. The accident occurred at 7:54 a.m.

Charest tabbed school board head

Four trustees sworn during regular meet Tuesday

By GARRY WESNER **Managing Editor**

trustees elected to the Hereford

WASHINGTON (AP) - In an others denounced the temporary roll District 5; and Jeff Torbert, District tration building to construct a motel. election-year symbol of their thirst back as an attempt to buy votes. Even 7 took the oaths of office adminisa Republican, Rep. John Edward ment, House Republicans pushed Porter of Illinois, decried political Hiltbrunner shortly after the start of through a suspension of part of the motives: "This legislation simply

the 6 p.m. meeting. With the departure of former board president Jim Marsh and vice president Ron Weishaar -- as well as involve the district granting the city Trustee Raul Valdez -- secretary

election of a board president. Arellano, with Torbert making a south edge of the motel lot, adjacent coming here as long as members of motion to close nominations. That to school property. motion passed and Charest took the

Memorial Day weekend, it's a pretty center seat and gavel. good bit for a family on the road,' The bill, adopted Tuesday evening Trustee Randy Tooley made the on a 301-108 vote, would cut the motion that nominations cease. federal gas tax by 4.3 cents per gallon

> Things got sticky after that. Tooley nominated Torbert to be board secretary, but Torbert declined. Charest then nominated Trustee Roy Dale Messer, who declined.

Arellano, who was elected as the only make major changes in the education nominee.

down to business for the seven- and improve schools. member board.

-- a plan to plat the school administra-

request for out-of-district students complete on June 1, with construction Hereford and 11 coming | from It only took 13 minutes from the and a grant application for a parenting of the Super 8 Motel to begin in July. Dimmitt. tart of the meeting for four new program on three campuses. Greenawalt said Darling reported he The motion by Arellano passed

School Board to consolidate their Charles W. Greenawalt said, came in response to a request by Paul Darling, Charlie Arellano, District 2; Dave who is buying property just north of Charest, District 4; Tracy Straughan, the 601 N. 25 Mile Avenue adminis-

Darling, Greenawalt said, tered by Executive Secretary Carolyn requested the district join him in platting a 10-acre area including the district office, the motel site and two

Doing so, Greenawalt said, would a 30-foot easement across the back Cherry McWhorter conducted the of the property for an alley. Had the district not joined the plat, he said, Charest was nominated by the alley would have to run along the

Greenawalt said Darling told him

tion building, the regular transfer the motel land purchase would be said, involves 19 students coming to The plat plan, Superintendent is pursuing a deal for another lot in unanimously. that block where a restaurant will be

The vote on Straughan's motion to under take the plat and survey -at a cost of \$600 -- passed unani-

Greenawalt said the transfer request is done every May by the board.

About six years ago, he said, the district voted to stop accepting outof-town transfer students other than from Walcott School.

However, that vote allowed students living in Dimmitt but the immediate family were in school. The transfer request, Greenawalt

that the Family PRIDE (for Principles, Responsibility, Integrity, Discipline, Education) program -funded by a \$115,000 grant from the Children's Trust Fund of Texas Council would extend parenting programs to Tierra Blanca, Shirley and Bluebonnet schools.

Tillie Boozer, counselor at Tierra

Blanca Primary School, told trustees

The program would address classes for parents to meet special needs, such as anger management and problem solving.

The grant covers a three-year attending Hereford schools to keep period and is matched by the district using regular salaries paid to

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Torbert then nominated Straughan to be board vice president, and Trustee Randy Tooley made the Bush opposes efforts to change Straughan took office when that motion passed unanimously. Things got sticky after that. 1995 state education reform law

By PEGGY FIKAC

Associated Press Writer AUSTIN (AP) - Gov. George W. Straughan then nominated Bush says he'll oppose any effort to need a stable base to be innovative session in January. The elections completed, it was

Trustees took action on three items tries to structurally change Senate changes in the law, but noted it's a Bill 1 (the 1995 reform law)," Bush common topic in election after said Tuesday. "Let us let Senate Bill election. 1 work.

> campaigning on a better method every two years, it causes confusion. And therefore people will tend to do nothing. And why should they? Because two years later something will change," he said.

year, he touted its emphasis on local control and flexibility. He said it gave Texans the tools to take hold of and reform law because Texas educators The Legislature next meets in regular

Bush didn't have any specific "I will frown on anything that examples of people campaigning for

"People ask me, 'Why is it that "I know people are out there oftentimes people in the public school arena are risk averse? Why is it that they think. But by changing the they're afraid to take chances?' Well, environment in which educators exist because the environment shifts, and what is acceptable today becomes unacceptable two years later, after the Legislature meets.

'My attitude is this is such a fundamental reform, that we need to children to reading.

When Bush signed the law last leave this in place to get people comfortable with where this state is headed," he said.

Bush said some portions of the law improve their children's education. likely will have to be "fine-tuned," such as a get-tough disciplinary policy that some say needs to be clarified.

He also says he wants to lift the limit on independent charter schools, which are free of school district control and loosed from many state regulations. The current law caps the number at 20.

Bush spoke at a screening of a public service announcement to promote reading. He appears in the TV spot with Wishbone, a Jack Russell terrier and star of a PBS television show designed to introduce

San Francisco rocks in earthquake

By WILLIAM SCHIFFMANN **Associated Press Writer**

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - China cabinets rattled, store shelves rocked and the press box at 3Com Park rolled when a moderate earthquake shook northern California from Monterey Bay to Sacramento.

No injuries were reported and there was little damage from Tuesday's temblor, although in San Jose it broke a gas line in an apartment building's water heater, starting a fire. The blaze caused \$5,000 in damage.

"It was like standing on a curb

when a bus goes by. That kind of shake," said Brian Elston, a travel agent in San Francisco.

The 4.8 quake - which struck just before 2 p,m. - was centered about 10 miles east of San Jose, the U.S. Geological Survey said. In California, a magnitude 4.5 to 5 quake can cause slight damage.

Most of the damage came in the form of inconvenience as store merchandise - from videos to soft drink bottles - bounced and sometimes scattered. There also were reports of ceiling tiles, china and pictures falling.

Bay Area rapid transit service was briefly interrupted while officials checked tracks and equipment.

The earthquake caused some commotion in the upper deck press box at 3Com Park where the San Francisco Giants were playing the Montreal Expos. But players said they hardly felt it.

'For those of us who were in the '89 quake, this one doesn't even count," said San Francisco's Stan Javier, who was playing for Oakland against the Giants in the 1989 World Series when a 7.1 quake struck the Bay Area.



Taking the oath

The four new members of the Hereford ISD board of trustees take the oath of office during Tuesday's regular board meeting. Shown from left are Tracy Straughan, District 5; Charlie Arellano, District 2; Dave Charest, District 4; and Jeff Torbert, District 7. Also Tuesday, Charest was elected president of the board for 1996-97. Straughan was elected vice president and Arellano was selected board secretary.

Local Roundup

Mercury to near century mark again

Hereford recorded a high temperature on Tuesday of 84 degrees, with an overnight low this morning of 67 degrees, according to KPAN Radio. For tonight, the forecast calls for clear skies and a low in the lower 60s with southwest winds of 15-20 mph and gusty. For Thursday, look for mostly sunny and hot, with a high of 95-100 degrees. Southwest to west winds will be at 15-25 mph and gusty.

News Digest

State

LAREDO - FBI explosives experts examining remnants of a bomb that exploded at the agency's office building have determined the device was not the work of a professional, authorities say

HOUSTON - Thousands of Houstonians have gathered near downtown to give the symbol of international goodwill a tumultuous welcome. The Olympic flame was in Houston today before the last scheduled leg of its cross-country journey.

AUSTIN - The 210 and 817 telephone area codes that together stretch from the Panhandle to the Mexican border will be split, but how and when are far from decided.

AUSTIN - Gov. George W. Bush says he'll oppose any effort to make major changes in the education reform law because Texas educators need a stable base to be innovative and improve schools.

DALLAS - A deal over a proposed rate increase for cable television service is near completion between the nation's largest cable television operator and the city.

SAN ANTONIO - Welfare recipients in Bexar and Guadalupe counties will be fingerprinted this fall under a test program to verify eligibility for state services. State Comptroller John Sharp is expected to discuss the program today, along with other innovations in welfare fraud prevention, at a daylong seminar in Austin.

UNDATED - "Mommy" on the popular comic strip, "Family Circus," is getting a new hairdo, thanks to a reader's suggestion that after 36 years

DALLAS - Executives of Tandy Corp. will close two Incredible Universe stores and eliminate about 320 jobs at their remaining stores to decrease

TOLEDO, Ohio - Ross Perot says his Reform Party will attract voters if it picks the right candidate to run for president although he says he doesn't know who it will be.

TEXARKANA, Texas - As promised, Attorney General Dan Morales has revised his civil lawsuit against tobacco companies to include the allegation of deceptive trade practice.

DALLAS - Investigators are delving into the background of a slain mayoral appointee and prominent real estate agent who friends and police say lived another life by night.

HOUSTON - A South Texas priest accused in a sexual attack on a teen-ager that also led to a lawsuit against his diocese has fled the country, but contends he is innocent.

TYLER - A Tyler man charged with capital murder after his mother's strangulation is being investigated in connection with the deaths of twelve elderly women in Richmond, Va., where he once lived.

BLEDSOE - Bledsoe isn't rich, and it looks nothing like Sherwood Forest, but Robin Hood has visited here nonetheless. The green-clad crusader for fiscal equality has come in the form of school finance laws that force "wealthy" school districts to share with others. Because this modest community's district falls into that category, it's been forced to dissolve and consolidate with Whiteface, 25 miles away.

National

WASHINGTON - Forcing a savage campaign-season struggle, the House is on track to approve a modified 90-cent increase in the minimum wage despite opposition from many Republicans.

WASHINGTON - In an election-year symbol of their thirst to cut taxes and shrink government, House Republicans pushed through a suspension of part of the federal gasoline tax and promised more later.

CHICAGO - A new report on high blood pressure challenges the U.S. government's recommendation that even healthy people should lower their salt intake.

A salt-restricted diet might help lower blood pressure in hypertension patients over age 45 but has little or no benefit for younger patients and those with normal blood pressure, according to the report published today in The Journal of the American Medical Association.

WASHINGTON - Promising a "tough love" approach to welfare reform, Bob Dole is calling for a five-year lifetime limit on benefits and says he would grant states broad new powers to deny benefits to teen-aged mothers, illegal immigrants and recipients who abuse drugs.

DAR ES SALAAM, Tanzania - Passing ships pulled a lucky few from the waters, but searchers had little hope of finding more survivors after a crowded ferry hit a rock and capsized in Africa's Lake Victoria. At least 500 people drowned.

DENVER - They were the generation of Woodstock, anti-war demonstrations and the mantra "Don't trust anyone over 30." Now they're turning 50 - old enough to join the AARP.

While it still may be a drag getting old, the impact of aging baby boomers on the American Association of Retired Persons could be huge.

Already the nation's largest advocacy group with 33 million members, it hopes to be there for 75 million people were born in the United States between 1946 and 1964. To do that, it's aiming programs specifically at graying boomers.

DALLAS - The last of the Ostermanns finally made it - graduating from the University of Dallas like 10 of his siblings in a family with 15 kids. "We just didn't take too many vacations," said Albert Ostermann, 71, whose youngest son, Louis, earned at degree in theology from the small Roman Catholic liberal arts school. "I also held down two jobs."

WASHINGTON - The United States is undertaking a second evacuation of Americans in a month from a troubled African country while trying to use its diplomatic clout to ease ethnic tensions elsewhere on the continent.

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counselors.

After telling Boozer that, "I think the initiative you take is to be commended," Mrs. McWhorter made the motion to allow the grant application.

It passed unanimously.

In other business Tuesday, Technology Director Dianna Drew presented trustees with a plan to a high-speed HP laser printer and construct an Academic Enrichment/Career Guidance Center in the Hereford High School library.

Mrs. Drew said the center -- to be currently used for computer research and occupied by several outdated units
-- will provide a place for individual

Mrs. Drew said everything for the the district.

center has been ordered using existing funds, with the exception of a color printer that will be added later.

Construction of the enclosed center will begin by district maintenance workers after school dismisses.

Total cost of the project is \$47,402, including purchase of 10 Compaq Pentium/120 multimedia workstations, computer furniture.

No action was taken on the plan by the board.

Trustees also discussed the board constructed this summer in an area status of Mrs. McWhorter, with the new trustees asking Greenawalt to submit a request to Attorney General Dan Morales for an opinion on her students and class groups to do status in regards to the new districting computer research on a number of plan adopted last year as settlement topics.



Walcott students honored

Walcott School on Tuesday handed out a number of honors at its annual honors banquet. Among the awards given were the two Hustlin' Wildcat Award, voted on by students to honor the best all-around students, and the Citizenship Award, which is selected by the teachers. All recipients are sixth-graders leaving the school this year. Recipients were, from left, Will McGowan, Citizenship; Daniel Stringham, Hustlin' Wildcat; Tanya Adams, Hustlin' Wildcat; and Kyla Coleman, Citizenship.

Survey shows big school districts short of teachers

By DEB RIECHMANN **AP Education Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) - Big city being forced to hire uncertified profession.

licenses or credentials, which is risky searching again. because you're putting unprepared teachers in the classroom," said hole," said Michael Acosta, Michael Casserly, director of the administrator of employment districts surveyed.

shortages in urban school districts, and training at the same time." but the problem is widespread and is expected to get worse because of increasing enrollment and rising teacher retirements.

"Fully one-third of America's 2.5 million K-12 public school teachers today are moving into their retirement years," says Keith Geiger, president of the National Education Association. "The student population is rising rapidly, due to the mini-baby boom and increased immigration.'

The Education Department projects the teaching force will grow

Texas Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

5-10-15-23-37 (five, ten, fifteen, twenty-three, thirty-seven)

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

0-4-3 (zero, four, three)

from 2.5 million in 1980 to 3.3 million by the year 2002.

"This should be a wake-up call to school districts have pressing needs the nation," said David Haselkorn, for special education, bilingual and president of Recruiting New Teachers minority teachers, according to a Inc., an organization working to survey that says some districts are attract people to the teaching

Demand is so keen for special Districts that responded to the education, secondary math and survey also say math, science and science and bilingual elementary elementary teachers are in demand. teachers in the Los Angeles Unified "To meet the shortage, some School District that once one is hired, districts will have to issue emergency the district immediately starts

"It's like putting water in a sand Council of the Great City Schools, operations for the district, the second which represents the 47 large city largest in the nation. "What it causes us to do is recruit people who aren't The survey addressed teacher fully credentialed - they're working

Thirty-nine school districts universities.

responded to the survey released today. Among its findings:

-77 percent of the districts hire uncertified teachers in response to

-64 percent let uncertified teachers teach with emergency licenses. -40 percent allow long-term

substitutes to be hired. -33 percent permit teachers to use provisional licenses.

-27 percent let uncertified interns or apprentices teach.

More than 90 percent of the large city school districts surveyed cite an immediate demand for minority teachers.

Some school districts are setting up special recruitment programs at colleges and universities. Sixty-nine percent of the responding districts are targeting their recruitment efforts at historically black and Hispanic

Obituaries

JOHNNY JOE GALAN May 20, 1996

Johnny Joe Galan, 43, died Monday at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

Prayer services will be at 7 p.m. today in Rix Chapel. Services will be held Thursday at 3 p.m. in San Jose Catholic Church with Deacon Jessie Guerrero officiating. Burial will be in West Park Cemetery by Rix Funeral Directors.

Mr. Galan was born May 8, 1953 in Lamesa and had been a resident of Hereford since 1953. He attended St. Anthony's Catholic School and Hereford High School. He was employed at Brandon & Clark the past three years. He was a musician and manager of the band, Siempre.

Survivors include his father and stepmother, Charlie and Lupe Galan of Hereford; his mother, Mary Bermea of Phoenix, Az.; a brother, Danny of Phoenix; and a sister, Cylbia Garcia of Hereford.

ED JOHNSON May 20, 1996

Ed Johnson, 75, of Wayside died Monday in Amarillo.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday in Wayside Community Church with Rev. Jacklyn McNeil, pastor of Wayside United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Wayside Cemetery with arrangements by Brooks Funeral Directors.

Mr. Johnson lived in Hereford for approximately 25 years, from 1945 until the early 1970s. He married Leona Rogers in Wayside in 1969. He was a resident of Wayside for 23 years, farming and ranching during

Survivors include two sons, Greg and Brad Johnson, both of Amarillo; his mother, Jane Johnson of Cherokee, Ok.; a sister, Alberta Roland of Oklahoma City; a brother, Wade Johnson of Alva, Ok.; three grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Court finds Cook guilty of threats

John Frank Cook Jr., 34, former Hereford auto dealer, was found guilty Tuesday by a Deaf Smith County Court jury of terroristic threats made against Tim Stagner in

Cook was sentenced to 75 days in jail and a \$2,000 fine on the first of two cases, while 75 days jail time and another \$2,000 fine were probated for two years on the second charge. A third charge is pending in county

The maximum sentence for the misdemeanor charge was 180 days in jail and/or \$2,000 fine. Cook was freed on appeal bond Tuesday evening.

The charges stated that Cook "did intentionally and knowingly threaten to commit an offense involving violence..namely, assault with intent to place Timothy C. Stagner in fear of imminent serious bodily injury.'

County Judge Tom Simons assessed the jury's sentence. Chris Strowd, assistant Criminal DA, represented the state. Michael Warner, Pampa, was Cook's attorney. Cook now resides in McLean.

Cook was the majority owner and president of Hereford Auto Center when he made three calls on Aug. 17, 1995, to Tim Stagner, 24, and the messages were recorded on Stagner's voice mail machine. The dealership later closed its doors.

The profanity-laced calls were introduced into evidence at the trial Monday. Cook testified that he didn't remember making the calls. His attorney said the defendant had been drinking heavily, was under stress from business losses, and blamed the problems on Stagner and others.

Emergency Services

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

HEREFORD POLICE

An attempted burglary of a building in the 1400 block of West First was thwarted when a patrolling officer saw a man attempting to open the door of the build after seeing the officer.

A 10-year-old female was bit by a dog in the 200 block of Hereford Calle. She was treated and released at Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported when a woman allegedly took her boyfriend's car, which also contained a wallet with \$250 cash. The complainant declined to file charges, saying he only wanted his car back.

Theft of \$17 from a purse was reported at a local church.

Assault charges were filed by a woman against her husband in connection with an incident on April Domestic disturbance was reported

in the 800 block of Texas, where an 18-year-old male and a 15-year-old female were arguing. Police were told the dispute was none of their business. After explaining the facts about the law to them, the dispute was settled.

A 69-year-old female was bit by a dog in the 200 block of Douglas Street. The owner of the dog was cited for allowing a dog to run loose and for no vaccination of the dog.

Two teenage males were cited for throwing rocks at ducks at the Aquatic Center Park pond. Both juveniles and their parents were taken to Municipal Court, where the pair pleaded guilty and paid the fines.

Theft of beer was reported in the 500 block of Avenue H, where a juvenile male took two 18-packs of beer. The duty clerk told police she recognized the suspect. The store will file charges.

Officers issued seven traffic citations. There was one minor traffic

accident reported. DEAF SMITH SHERIFF A 41-year-old male was arrested by DPS for possession of a controlled

substance/amphetamine. A 34-year-old male was arrested on a jail sentence from County Court. FIRE DEPARTMENT

No calls. THE HEREFORD BRAND

The Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce Hustlers welcomed G.D. and Jeanie Caison(center) back to Hereford's restaurant community Tuesday in a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Amigos Restaurant. The Caisons, owners of the new Mexican-food restaurant, bring 40 years of restaurant experience to the new operation. Located near the intersection of US-385 and

US-60, it is the site of the couple's first restaurant venture-- The Caison House.

Ribbon-cutting ceremony for Amigos

Lifestyles



Honored with bridal shower

Terri Lee DeBord, center, bride-elect of Robby Jennings, was honored with a bridal shower in the home of Sue Schroeter, right. Guests were also greeted by, from left, Dawn DeBord, sister of the bride-elect; Martha DeBord, mother of the bride-elect; and Judy Jennings, mother of the prospective bridegroom.

Ann Landers

Dear Readers: I recently received a copy of a report sent to President Clinton titled "Youth and HIV/-AIDS." The report notes that every year between 40,000 and 80,000 Americans become infected with HIV. Approximately half of those infected are under age 25. This means between two and four young people are infected with HIV every hour of every day.

The report, which was requested by President Clinton and prepared by Patricia Fleming, White House AIDS policy chief, represents a collaboration between the National AIDS Fund and the Until There's a Cure Foundation. It highlights the fact that specific groups are at greater risk. adolescents, teen-agers who have disabilities and young gay and bisexual males -- especially those of

Knowledge of one's HIV status can be an important part in preventing the spread of AIDS, but too many young people do not know they are infected until they have passed the disease along to someone else. The report further points out that although voluntary, confidential HIV testing

and counseling would encourage report can also be viewed or

this country. It concludes, however, you, it can KILL. that the government cannot resolve these problems on its own. All and private institutions must be spread of HIV among America's to sex.

Education is the key to prevention. I hope thousands of teachers around the country who read this column will knowledge is power, and we need all obvious. the power we can muster to fight this dreaded disease.

For a copy of the report, call the May appear to be intelligent. -National HIV/AIDS Hotline, Looking Fit and Trying Hard in
1-800-342-AIDS (TTY 1-800-243-Detroit 7889), or write to the Centers for Disease Control National AIDS

young people to find out if they are downloaded from the CDC National infected, there are still barriers that AIDS Clearinghouse World Wide

prevent such testing.

The report outlines a series of steps that can be taken by the federal who was a series of steps that can be taken by the federal who was an 't hurt you,' does not hold who was a series of steps that can be taken by the federal who was an 't hurt you,' does not hold who was a series of steps that can be taken by the federal who was a series of steps that can be taken b government to help increase true when it comes to AIDS awareness among young people in prevention. It not only can HURT

Your first line of defense is information. If young people were individuals, communities and public truly aware of the agony and pain of the end stages of AIDS, they would actively committed to combating the be a lot more cautious when it comes

Dear Ann Landers: Another word about handicapped parking, please.

Not all handicapped people are in wheelchairs, on crutches or using The most vulnerable are runaways send for this report. It should be canes. The problem may be multiple and out-of-school youth, illiterate discussed in the classrooms. sclerosis, lupus, asthma, bronchitis, Eighth-graders are not too young to heart trouble, emphysema or cancer. be made aware of it. Remember, These illnesses are not always

A person may appear to be fit but p.m. may require handicapped parking. Likewise, the people who yell at them

Dear Detroit: Thank you on behalf of all the folks who have

Bridal shower held for DeBord

Velta King, Helen Rose, Susan

Terri Lee DeBord, bride-elect of Sidney Kerr, Jeri Bezner, Renie Gowdy, Sara Kendall, Jessie Ann Robby Jennings, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Sue Schroeter.

Greeting guests with the honoree were Martha DeBord, her mother; Dawn DeBord, her sister; Judy Jennings, her future mother-in-law; and the hostess Schroeter.

Guests were served fresh fruit. sweet breads, cinnamon rolls and punch from a table decorated with fresh spring flowers and accented with crystal appointments.

A deacon bench, bedding and comforter were gifts from hostesses Jane Gulley, Lynn Kriegshauser, Billie Landrum, Karen Solomon,

Mason, Jane Coplen, Jan Metcalf, Davis, Dorothy Brownlow, Joanne Bone, Sue Malaman, Holly Bixler, Adams, Judy Cantrell, Twyla Jones, Jan Weishaar, Mary Dziuk, Martha The couple is planning a June 15 Betty Wilcox, Kathy Kerr, Manda Jones, Jan Betzen and Schroeter.

Mid Plains Pioneers meet set Saturday in Bull Barn

The annual associational meeting of the Mid Plains Pioneers will take place Saturday in the Bull Barn.

The welcome will be extended by Mayor Bob Josserand, with a response by former resident Alyce

Registration begins at 9 a.m. and continues until the meeting is called to order at 11:30 a.m.

A covered dish luncheon will be furnished by the association and served by 4-H members.

Special recognition will be given to the oldest man and woman in attendance and the person who traveled the farthest.

Also, the Pioneer of the Year will be announced by KPAN from nominations received from the community.

Senior Citizens

MENUS

THURSDAY-Mexican stack, pinto beans, Spanish rice, salad fixings, peaches and cookies; or chicken

FRIDAY-Salmon patties with green pea sauce, cheese grits, tomatoes and okra, cabbage and carrot slaw, meringue pie; or Polish sausage, pears.

MONDAY-Meat loaf, au gratin potatoes, buttered broccoli, tossed salad, apricots, sugar cookies; or barbecue chicken.

TUESDAY-Baked ham with raisin sauce, mashed sweet potatoes, seasoned green beans, pineapple and cottage cheese, chocolate pudding;

or stuffed bell pepper.
WEDNESDAY-Chicken strips with gravy, whipped potatoes, buttered peas, garden salad, peaches, sugar cookies; or brisket.

ACTIVITIES

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Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 6003, wanted to write about this but never Rockville, Md. 20849-6003. The got around to it. Sun worshipers slathering on lotion thanks to those recent 'Save Our Skin' campaigns

By CAROLYN POIROT Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH, Texas -- Thanks to all those "Save Our Skin" campaigns of recent summers, even the staunchest sun worshipers have begun slathering on creams and lotions designed to prevent sunburn, wrinkles and skin cancer.

To meet their demands, dozens of "new and improved" sun protection products are introduced each year that safeguard against the ultraviolet radiation that ages and otherwise damages the skin.

To help sort out any confusion and to weed out any unscrupulous claims for these largely unregulated products, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration is reviewing their active ingredients. The agency plans to issue list of approved ingredients within the next year.

In general, sunscreens fall into two classes: those that chemically absorb the sun's rays to prevent them from penetrating into the skin, and those that provide a physical barrier against radiation and are often referred to as sunblocks. For the purposes of this

Both kinds can prevent painful burning, blistering, wrinkling, sagging and discoloration of skin as well as decrease the risk of skin Houston. cancer, especially the more common forms of skin cancer: basal and squamous cell carcinomas.

Their effectiveness against melanoma, the most deadly form of skin cancer, has been questioned in recent years, but medical experts agree if you are going to be out in the sun, you should use some type of

The barrier-type sunblocks include zinc oxide and titanium dioxide that reflect or scatter ultraviolet rays before the rays can penetrate the barricade and burn the skin.

The original sunblocks were heavy and opaque. They now come in more Dr. Steven Ullrich, an associate

light, said Dr. John Wolf, chairman Baylor College of Medicine in

Barrier sunblocks are not likely to irritate sensitive skin, because unlike chemical screens, they do not bind to skin cells but rather lie on the surface, and they help protect against both UVA and UVB radiation, Wolf said.

'You probably should include protective clothing, hats and sunglasses with the barrier-type sunblocks" (because they too protect by physically blocking out sunlight), Wolf added.

Sunscreens, which are more common than sunblocks, readily bind with skin cells and chemically absorb the light in certain wavelengths, said transparent creams and lotions that professor and researcher in the

story, the second type is called contain micro particle of zinc oxide Department of Immunology at M.D. or titanium dioxide to reflect the Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

There has been some concern of the Department of Dermatology at about the false sense of security that sunscreens can give -- they stave off the sunburn that warns you of the damage radiation is doing -- but if you are going to be out in the sun, you should definitely use them, Ullrich said.

The amount of exposure to harmful radiation from the sun and the amount of damage depends on the time of day, season, altitude, cloud cover, how close you are to the

(See SUNSCREEN, Page 7)







Sports

instruction in 7 sports

The athletic department of the Hereford Independent School District will offer camps for instruction in several sports throughout the summer. The camps will be organized and instructed by coaches of the Hereford High School varsity teams. Registration forms are available at Hereford Junior High, at all elementary schools and at the athletic directors' offices

(at the field house and HJH). In addition, three weeks worth of golf camps are planned for late in the summer, organized by Dave Kaesheimer, the golf pro at Pitman Municipal Golf Course, and Herd golf coach Stacey Bixler.

Following is information for each camp: Baseball--May 29-31. Morning sessions for incoming fourth-ninth graders, from 9 a.m.-noon. The cost of the three-day camp is \$20. Registration can be done from 8:15-9 a.m. May 29 at Whiteface Field.

For more information, contact Pete Rodriguez at 363-7626. Boys' basketball--June 3-6. Morning sessions for incoming third-fifth graders, from 9 a.m.-noon; afternoon sessions for incoming sixth-ninth graders, from 1-4 p.m. The cost of the four-day camp is \$25.

For more information, contact Randy Dean at 363-7634. Tennis--June 10-14. For both boys and girls. Morning sessions for incoming first-sixth graders, from 8:30-11:30 a.m.; afternoon sessions for incoming seventh-12th graders, from 1-4 p.m. The cost of the five-day camp is \$25.

For more information, contact Ed Coplen at 364-6969. Football--June 10-12. Morning sessions for incoming fourth-sixth graders, from 9-11:30 a.m.; afternoon sessions for incoming seventh-ninth graders, from 1-3:30 p.m. The cost of the three-day camp is \$20. For more information, contact Craig Yenzer at 363-7626.

Girls' basketball--June 24-28. All-day sessions for incoming fourth-ninth graders, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The cost of the five-day camp is \$30. For more information, contact Eddie Fortenberry at 363-7634.

Volleyball--July 15-19. All-day sessions for incoming fourth-ninth graders, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The cost of the five-day camp is \$30. For more imformation, contact Brenda Reeh at 363-7633.

Golf--All the golf camps are for both boys and girls. The fees have

The first two weeks of golf camp - the junior camp - will be July 8-12 and July 15-19. Each week includes early sessions for golfers aged 8-13 (from 8 a.m.-1 p.m.) and afternoon sessions for ages 14-18 (from 2-7 p.m.). Golfers can choose to attend either week or even both weeks. The third golf camp is the Pee Wee camp, set for Aug. 5-9, for kids

aged 5-7. It includes morning sessions from 9-11:30 a.m. For information on the golf camps, call the Pitman Pro Shop at 363-7139.

Ex-Dillas GM sues T-L League

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Dochterman's attorney.

Dochterman's lawsuit.

Gregory Earls on Tuesday in the lawsuit for breach of contract in a wrongful termination and defamation

The Texas-Louisiana League is an independent minor league that owns and operates six teams. In addition to the Dillas, they are the Abilene Prairie Dogs, Rio Grande Valley

WhiteWings, Alexandria (La.) Aces, Tyler WildCatters and the Lubbock

Pierce fired Dochterman on April

18 for what Pierce said was "negotiating illegal contracts and

violating our bylaws" in signing outfielders Shawn Jeter and Dennis

Hood, the league's most valuable

from his managerial duties the day before and given the post of director of marketing, which he said Tuesday

Dochterman had been removed

Dochterman, in an hourlong press conference, denied any violation of league bylaws. He produced copies of the bylaws, revised in March 1996,

"We are looking forward to the opportunity of presenting our case in court to let 12 jurors decide the whole thing," said Patrick Mosley,

Pierce said Tuesday afternoon from the league headquarters in Abilene that he could not comment on specifics concerning

"Obviously, there are going to be some disagreement on the charges that's made in this suit from us," Pierce said. "We will have a more clear picture after we evaluate it in

Summer camps feature Bulls come back to stun Magic

By RICK GANO AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO (AP) - Trailing in the second half by 18, the Chicago Bulls didn't look at all like the super team that won 72 regular-season games and trounced Orlando in the opener of the Eastern Conference finals.

"We were lost," admitted Michael

So the Bulls turned to a full-court press and sent their double-teaming defense at Magic center Shaquille O'Neal.

What followed were bad passes, turnovers, missed shots and a total breakdown of Orlando's offense.

Suddenly the Magic's lead went poof,' disappearing more quickly than a Jordan steal, length-of-thecourt dribble and acrobatic, tonguewagging dunk.

Orlando became so discombobulated it managed only 35 second-half points Tuesday night and the Bulls pulled out a 93-88 victory that gives them a 2-0 lead in the best-of-7

"Needless to say it was a very difficult basketball game for us to lose," said Orlando coach Brian Hill, whose team lost by 38 in the opener.

"We lost our aggressiveness on offense. We began looking to pass backwards.'

The Bulls trapped ballhandlers and doubled O'Neal, forcing the huge center to pass. He'd hurt them with 26 first-half points, mostly in 1-on-1

"In the first half, they played with a lot of rhythm in the way they got the ball into Shaq," said Jordan, who had 35 points one day after winning his fourth MVP Award. "But once we were able to put that press on, they lost the fluidity. It takes a lot of energy to play the press. When we were down 18 points, we had no choice."

O'Neal, who had 36 points and 16 rebounds, hit a short hook to give the Magic a 64-46 lead with 6:17 left in the third quarter.

Then came the collapse. Orlando missed 11 of 12 shots, had five turnovers and Jordan scored nine points to spark a 26-5 Chicago run. basket, we got called for a foul, even

Orlando came back and regained the lead, but never the poise it had earlier in the game.

"We had a lot of careless turnovers," O'Neal said. "When I was doubled, I just had to give up the ball and shots weren't falling.

"Any time you have a lead like that, man, you just got to take care of the ball. ... But they (the shots) will fall at home. No need to panic now." Eleven of the Magic's 17 turnovers came in the second half.

Penny Hardaway, the Magic's other star, had 38 points in Game 1. But he was limited to 18 Tuesday night on 6-for-15 shooting and he managed to get off only one fourthquarter shot.

"I told myself I picked the wrong day, the biggest game, to not be ready to play. And it cost us the victory,' Hardaway said.

Games 3 and 4 are in Orlando on Saturday and Monday. The Magic hope to be bolstered by the return of Horace Grant, who missed Tuesday night's game with a hyperextended left elbow.

"Orlando has to be very disappointed," said Bulls coach Phil Jackson. "They played well for 2 1/2 quarters. Now they have a chance to go home and maybe get Horace back for Saturday's game. They play very well at home. We have to go to Orlando and find a way to win a

Orlando came back to take an 81-79 lead on O'Neal's layup with four minutes left, but the Bulls scored the next nine points - 15-foot jumpers by Jordan and Steve Kerr, two free throws by Randy Brown, a foul shot by Dennis Rodman and a layup by Scottie Pippen - for an 88-81 advantage with 41 seconds left.

Jordan wrapped up the win with four free throws, giving him 12-for-12 in the second half and 15 of 16 from the line for the game.

'Any time you allow Michael Jordan to go to the line 16 times, we are not going to have a chance," Hill said. "Every time he drove to the-That gave the Bulls a three-point lead. though he initiates the contact."

Pippen finished with 17 points, 10 struggle, shooting 3-for-11 and scoring rebounds and nine assists and Dennis Rodman had a season-high 15 points and 12 rebounds. Orlando's Dennis Scott, scoreless in Game 1, scored 13. But Nick Anderson, who had just two points in the opener, continued to

Once again, Orlando's 3-point shooting was off. The Magic made only 4 of 19 and in the two games are just



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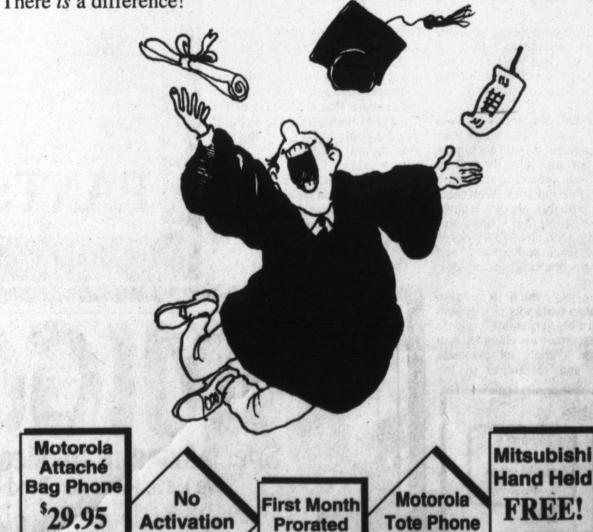
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"The Texas-Louisiana League has An attorney for Cliff Dochterman taken what we have all built, what has named the Texas-Louisiana League, been part of our hearts and our souls. league President Byron Pierce and and they've tried to make it dirty," league Chief Executive Officer

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lawsuit contend the league owes Dochterman approximately \$80,000 from bonus money and unpaid salary. But an exact damage amount sought was not specified. Dochterman said the suit was not

the next couple of days of where we are going with it. We will respond quickly."

Papers filed in the Potter County

"It's important that we get to the truth; that's what I'm after," Dochterman said. "The people of



Walker's homers rock Pirates

By The Associated Press On a record-setting night in Denver, Larry Walker had more numbers than he wanted. It turned out to be just what the Colorado Rockies

Walker came to bat in the ninth inning Tuesday needing a single for and had the tying run on second with the cycle. Instead, he hit a two-run one out against Curtis Leskanic. But homer - his second of the game - and it was the game-winner.

Walker also had a triple and double and drove in a career-high six runs, powering the Rockies to their sixth straight victory, 12-10 over the Pittsburgh Pirates.

"I was thinking about the cycle on that last at-bat and I told (home-plate umpire) Tom Hallion, 'I should lay a bunt down here," "Walker said. "I told first-base ump Jerry Crawford if it was close, he should call me safe and I could get the cycle thing over with. It just didn't happen."

In other games, it was St. Louis 8, Houston 2; San Francisco 8, Montreal 5; Chicago 4, Atlanta, 2; Florida 3, Cincinnati 2; Los Angeles 6, New York 4; Philadelphia 5, San Diego 2.

Walker, whose 13 total bases set a club record, hit a two-run homer in the first. He doubled in the fifth, hit a two-run triple in the sixth and another two-run homer in the seventh, his 11th of the season. The Rockies finished with 20 hits.

The Rockies, who also won a club record-tying eighth straight at home, drew 48,037 for their 72th consecutive sellout, a major-league

record. They also reached 1 million faster than any team for the fourth consecutive season, doing it on their 21st home date. Baltimore reached 1 million over the weekend, but needed

Pittsburgh scored three in the ninth Bruce Ruffin got the last two outs for his fourth save. Darren Holmes (1-0) earned the victory. Jason Christianson (3-3) took the loss.

performance by Shane Reynolds at

twice and scored a run. He is 6-for-9

in the series with a homer and three

doubles. He is hitting .410

Reynolds (6-3) tied a career high for strikeouts, including 11 on swinging strikes. Todd Stottlemyre

Robby Thompson's second RBI

single of the game broke a tie in the

sixth, three innings after a mild

earthquake, as the Giants won their

fourth straight game, over Montreal

A 4.8 earthquake struck 60 miles

southeast of the ballpark in the top of

the third inning, causing the press box

(43-for-105) in his last 29 games.

(4-2) got the victory.

Giants 8, Expos 5

in San Francisco.

Mabry doubled twice, singled

Houston.

Mark Dewey (3-2), the second of four pitchers, got the win in relief. Rod Beck pitched a perfect ninth inning for his 12th save. Cardinals 8, Astros 2

John Mabry went 4-for-5 as the Cubs 4, Braves 2 Cardinals overcame a 12-strikeout

starter Jeff Fassero.

interruption.

Sammy Sosa hit a two-run double with two outs in the ninth inning, giving Chicago the victory at Atlanta. Sosa was 0-for-5 in his career against Mark Wohlers (0-1) before the drive

shake. But the tremor went unnoticed

by players or umpires on the field,

and the game continued without

Thompson's two-out single came

in the sixth off Derek Aucoin (0-1),

pitching in his major league debut.

Trailing 5-1 in the fifth, the Giants

tied it when Matt Williams' three-run

homer capped a four-run rally off

into the left-center field gap.
The loss was Atlanta's first in five games and only its fifth in 22 games since April 26.

Atlanta starter Greg Maddux was not involved in the decision. He allowed eight hits and two runs in eight innings.

Marlins 3, Reds 2

The Florida Marlins moved their record above .500 for the first time in nearly two years as David Weathers homered and pitched six shutout innings at Cincinnati.

The Marlins have won 13 of 15 to improve to 24-23, their first winning record since they were 34-33 on June 17, 1994. Florida has won 13 games

in May, a record for the franchise, which is in its fourth season.

Weathers (1-0) put the Marlins ahead with a first-pitch solo homer to left field in the fifth inning off Roger Salkeld (0-1). Weathers is a .100 career hitter with only one other RBI.

Dodgers 6, Mets 4,

Mike Piazza and Eric Karros hit two-run homers and Ismael Valdes won for the fifth time in six starts at

Bernard Gilkey had all four RBIs for New York.

Karros hit his eighth homer in the sixth off Pete Harnisch (3-3) to put the Dodgers ahead 4-3, and Raul Mondesi hit his 11th homer two pitches

Valdes (5-2) allowed four runs three earned - and seven hits in seven innings before being removed for a pinch hitter. Todd Worrell got three outs for his 11th save.

Phillies 5, Padres 4

Pitcher Terry Mulholland nearly became the 13th player to homer into the second deck at San Diego's Jack Murphy Stadium, hitting a 407-foot shot. Mulholland's second career homer, off Sean Bergman (2-4), was just 21 feet short of dropping into the loge level.

Mulholland (4-3), who throws left-handed and bats right-handed, allowed three runs - one earned - and eight hits in 6 2-3 innings. Ricky Bottalico got four straight outs for his league-leading 13th save.

suspended below the upper deck to ligers lose to Royals by

By The Associated Press At least the Detroit Tigers didn't

allow any home runs. The Tigers take small accomplishments where they find them. Tuesday's 7-1 loss to the Kansas City Royals dropped them to 12-34 and left their ERA at 7.35.

'I just want to have a chance to Tigers manager Buddy Bell said after Detroit's seventh straight loss, its 27th in 31 games. "It seems like we're never in a position to do so.

Remarkably, Detroit allowed at least one homer in each of its 18 previous games at Tiger Stadium this season.

It's not just the pitching that stinks. The Tigers' team batting average is .246, the worst in the AL. "It's a combination of us not

being very close most of the time and their pitchers not having any pressure on them to make a pitch," Bell said.

In other games, Seattle beat Boston 13-7, New York beat Oakland 7-3, Cleveland beat Milwaukee 6-5, Chicago beat Toronto 2-1, California beat Baltimore 5-2 and Minnesota beat Texas 4-3.

Doug Linton (1-1) got his first victory since June 17, 1994. He allowed one run and four hits in six innings, struck out five and walked one. Julio Valera finished with hitless relief for his first save.

Linton, who had shoulder surgery in 1987, said he didn't pitch again without pain until three years later. 'Ever since, it seems I pick up a mile an hour a year on my fastball,"

Butler could

return in '97

ATLANTA (AP) - After removing a cancerous lymph node from Brett Butler's neck, his surgeon says the

Dodgers outfielder could be back in uniform next year if he recovers as

"I couldn't speak for Brett; you'd have to ask him. But medically, sure,

he could go back," Dr. William Grist

said Tuesday after the three-hour operation at Emory University

that the lymph node was enlarged to

the size of a man's thumb. Other lymph nodes from the right side of Butler's neck and the remaining

tissue at the base of his right tonsil, which was removed earlier, were also

Grist said he believes all the cancerous tissue was removed.

"He'll progress just like we planned. He'll begin swallowing as

soon as his pain permits," said Grist, who predicted Butler would leave the

hospital in about five days
In two to three weeks, Butler is to

The doctor said 70 percent of patients with cancer similar to

"Head-neck cancer doesn't generally spread beyond the primary site and regional lymph nodes," he

begin radiation treatments.

Butler's recover fully.

Grist said at a news conference

expected.

Hospital.

Mariners 13, Red Sox 7

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thrower I used to be. I just have to realize that I have good stuff when

it's down in the (strike) zone." Brian Williams (0-3) gave up three runs and nine hits in six innings.

Twins 4, Rangers 3

Rich Becker capped a two-run rally in the ninth with a sacrifice fly, stopping Minnesota's four-game losing streak and sending the visiting Rangers to their fourth loss in five

With one out in the ninth and Texas leading 3-2, Scott Stahoviak doubled off Mike Henneman (0-2), pinch-hitter Chip Hale walked and Chuck Knoblauch's RBI double tied the score. Becker then hit a fly ball to left, and Lou Frazier's throw to the

Mike Milchin (1-0) pitched the ninth for his first major league

Ken Griffey Jr., became the seventh-youngest player to hit 200 homers and Jay Buhner homered for the fifth straight game.

Griffey's three-run shot and

Linton said. "I'm not the hard six-run fourth at Fenway Park that wiped out Boston's 5-4 lead. Seattle had 19 hits, four by Edgar Martinez.

Bob Wells (3-1) allowed one run in 4 1-3 innings. Vaughn Eshelman (0-1) was tagged for six runs and five hits in two-thirds on an inning.

Yankees 7, Athletics 3

Coming off a no-hitter in his last start, Dwight Gooden gave up a hit three batters into the game but went on to win his third straight start. Gooden (3-3) allowed three runs and six hits in seven innings, struck out seven and walked one.

Tim Raines hit a leadoff homer at Yankee Stadium. Wade Boggs, out since May 15 due to a bad back, had three hits. Carlos Reyes (3-7) gave up five runs and 11 hits in four innings.

Indians 6, Brewers 5

Julio Franco's homer off Marshall Boze (0-2) with two outs in the ninth stopped Milwaukee's five-game winning streak.

Cleveland took a 5-4 lead in the seventh at Jacobs Field on Jim Thome's 10th homer, Kenny Lofton's sacrifice fly and Franco's RBI single. But Milwaukee tied it in the eighth Buhner's two-run homer came in a on consecutive doubles by Dave

Nilsson and Matt Mieske. Julian Tavarez (2-1) allowed one hit in 1 2-3 innings.

White Sox 2, Blue Jays 1

Frank Thomas hit an RBI double and Darren Lewis drove in the goahead run with a ground out at Comiskey Park as Chicago won despite getting only two hits.

Thomas doubled in the first off Jeff Ware (0-3), and Lewis doubled in the third.

Kevin Tapani (4-3), Matt Karchner and Roberto Hernandez combined on a five-hitter for Chicago.

Angels 5, Orioles 2

Rex Hudler and Don Slaught led off with consecutive home runs as visiting California won a game that began after a 2-hour, 16-minute rain

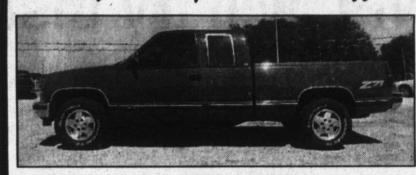
Randy Velarde drove in three runs for the Angels, whose third win in 14 games lifted them past Oakland out of last place in the AL West.

Shawn Boskie (5-1) and two relievers limited Baltimore to eight hits. Troy Percival finished and is 12-for-12 in save chances.

Rick Krivda (1-1) allowed four runs and five hits in six-plus innings.

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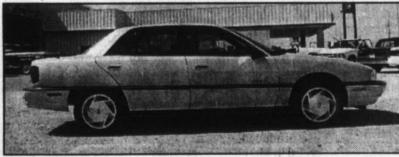
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said. "This cancer was caught early and has been treated very aggressively." A malignant tumor was discovered and removed when Butler, 38, underwent a tonsillectomy May 3 at a hospital near his home in Duluth, northeast of Atlanta. Tuesday's surgery was to remove any remaining

poses scary challenge for rookies

By STEVE HERMAN AP Sports Writer
INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - It's the

scariest moment in auto racing. The first turn of the first lap on the flat, narrow 2 1/2-mile Indianapolis

Motor Speedway oval, dangerous under normal circumstances, may be downright terrifying this year. Seventeen drivers who have never taken the green starting flag are in the

lineup. The fastest field in Indianapolis 500 history will be led in a 140 mph flying start on Sunday by a 25-year-old rookie. By the time they hit the first turn,

they'll be going 190. Then they'll start building some serious speed. It will be tense.

in first-lap crashes than have won the when six cars tangled in a first-lap

race by leading the opening lap, and the pressure and responsibility facing

Tony Stewart is huge.
"I haven't really thought about it too much," said the Rushville, Ind., rookie, who inherited the pole position when teammate Scott Brayton was killed in practice last week. "I don't know, we'll just worry about it when it comes. I'll try not to think about it too much."

By Sunday, you can be sure Stewart will have thought about the start more than a little. He'll have advice from his veteran teammates, Eddie Cheever and Danny Ongais. He'll have warnings from chief steward Keith Ward.

And if he wants it, he'll have a More drivers have been wiped out history lesson from last year's race,

crash that critically injured Stan Fox. Or from 1992, when pole-starter Roberto Guerrero never even made it to the green flag, crashing on the

Or from the 1988 race, when Guerrero, Brayton and Tony Bettenhausen wiped out on the opening lap.

In fact, in the first 79 runnings of Indy, 36 drivers failed to get through the first lap of the race. Only 16 first-lap leaders went on to win the

"This isn't the first time I've started on the pole of the race. It's just the 500, so we'll just have to be careful with it," Stewart said Tuesday. "I've run midgets, we started three-wide at the Hut Hundred every year, and I've started on the

pole in that race, so it's not that

"But I have a responsibility to bring these guys down clean, and hopefully I can bring it down at a safe enough pace to where it's comfortable for everyone."

The 33-car field, including Ongais' car that Brayton qualified for the pole at 233.718 mph, averaged a record 227.807 mph, breaking the former record of 226.912 set last year. At the start, the front row of Stewart, Davy Jones and Eliseo Salazar will begin jockeying for position going into the initial turn at about 190 mph.

"I'm going to give him the advice to keep his cool," Ward said of his talk with Stewart. "It'll be his responsibility to bring that field down to the starting line, and all he has to

do is concentrate on doing that, keeping the (front) row lined up and bringing them down at the proper speed. If that happens and the field is lined up, then we'll drop the green

flag."

If everyone makes it through, they'll be up to 230 by the end of that first lap. Then, as the field begins to string out, the drivers will be able to pick their spots to improve their positions.

Stewart, the first rookie pole starter since Teo Fabi in 1983, actually may be in a better position at the front of the pack, ahead of the traffic, away from the unsettling air turbulence.

"I would assume so, I don't know. I mean, I've never been through one of these," he said. "I would assume, from what I've heard, you either want to be clear up in the front or clear in the back of it, so I feel like we're in a good spot."

Cheever, starting his seventh Indy 500, will be right behind Stewart on the inside of the second row.

Scattered throughout the 33-car field will be 16 other rookies. Ongais, the oldest driver in the lineup at 54, will start 33rd as Brayton's substitute.

Stewart, meanwhile, is looking for

Scott was the guy that I was going to talk to about it, because I kind of relied on him, since he was going to be on the pole, to help me get through this deal. But I'm going to have to go to another source," he said. "I'm sure I'll talk to Eddie ... There's numerous people I can talk to."

Another rookie, Davey Hamilton, already has talked to the most experienced driver in Indy history, four-time winner A.J. Foyt, his car owner. What did Foyt tell him?

"Caution is the most important thing," Hamilton said. "You never know what's going to happen at the start when 33 guys come down to that small turn. It has gotten crowded and it could cause trouble, so we have to be cautious and careful and not worry about the first 400 miles, and then race the last 100 miles.'

FL will try instant repla

By JOE MACENKA **AP Sports Writer**

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) - The instant replay is making a limited comeback in the NFL in 1996. Commissioner Paul Tagliabue wants to make sure the same thing doesn't hold true for franchise-hopping.

Tagliabue used the NFL owners meeting Tuesday to outline the league's plans for a modified form of instant replay for 10 exhibition games in August.

He also told the owners he was instituting a ban on any team engaging in discussions with another city that might be looking to land an NFL franchise. Teams that violate the ban, in effect through the end of the regular season, will be subject to a fine of up to \$500,000.

Tagliabue said the ban is a direct result of all the recent franchise-

"We are actively involved in trying to develop solutions in each of those three markets. So I don't see that there's a necessity for individual clubs to be having separate discussions," he said. "It just spirals and becomes a source of negative speculation in an unduly large number of communities.'

The NFL used instant replay for six years before it was voted out by owners after the 1991 season. But it continues to generate interest: Twenty-six of the league's 30 coaches favor some type of review system, and there remains substantial support among the owners to at least study the matter.

Many complaints about the previous foray into instant replay focused on the slow method of the hopping, which has left Cleveland, reviews. Officials reviewed the plays

the field and then relayed their ruling to the referee by telephone.

This time, the decision will be made by the referee on the field. At three of the 10 games, monitors will be moved directly onto the playing surface for the referee to use. In those rulings, the referee will have 90 seconds to act on the call in question.

In the other seven games, the referee will have two minutes to make a ruling, because he will have to go to either a sideline monitor or to one mounted on a stadium wall.

Another previous sore spot was the large number of lengthy reviews that involved questions of possession on pass plays. Those types of plays will not be reviewed in this summer's experiment.

The three categories of plays that can be reviewed are:

-Whether a player crosses the goal Los Angeles and Houston looking for on a monitor in a booth high above line in a bid to score or is in his own

end zone while in possession of the

-Whether a player is in bounds as he runs with the ball, tries to make a catch, tries to intercept the ball or tries to recover a fumble.

-Whether a team has the appropriate number of players on the

"This experiment is a means for the league to determine if there are satisfactory methods to correct the rare and significant obvious error," Tagliabue said, "and at the same time eliminate many of the disadvantages of the prior system."

"I just think we've got to get past the technology questions," said Philadelphia Eagles owner Jeffrey Lurie, an instant replay proponent. "I think the league's going about it the right way. We're going to test different technologies during the preseason. I think the fans deserve

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Knicks will stick with Van Gundy

NEW YORK (AP) - The New year, \$2 million contract. He had York Knicks are faced with plenty of been operating under a nonpersonnel decisions during the guaranteed, \$1 million contract for job. offseason. But at least now they won't have to worry about a coach.

The Knicks have scheduled a news for next season.

said Tuesday night the choice was -

next season. Van Gundy, 34, took over as head

coach March 8 and guided the Knicks conference for today to announce into the second round of the playoffs. they are sticking with Jeff Van Gundy He has a seven-year association with in the playoffs than most expected. the Knicks, having worked as an While the NBA team would not assistant under Nelson, Pat Riley, confirm the appointment, a source John MacLeod and Stu Jackson.

While there was speculation the Van Gundy, who finished out the Knicks would pursue a more season after Don Nelson was fired. prominent coach in hopes of The New York Times reported recapturing some of Riley's glamour, returning the team to an ethic of hard be trying to land some of the league's

self-deprecating career assistant who Ewing and the respect of an often produced results in two months on the

Knicks president-general manager Ernie Grunfeld had said Van Gundy's performance would be evaluated after the season. The Knicks fared better

They swept Cleveland in three things tough for Chicago before season left on his contract. losing to the Bulls in five games.

today that Van Gundy signed a two-management decided to stick with its work, won the endorsement of Patrick headliners.

difficult group of players that had bickered and languished under Nelson.

Settling on a coach is the first of many decisions confronting the Knicks. Derek Harper will be a free agent this summer, as will J.R. Reid, Willie Anderson, Gary Grant and games in the first round, then made Herb Williams. Ewing has only one

New York will have about \$10 Van Gundy, instituting many of million of salary cap room to play Riley's defensive principles and with in the free agent market, and will

Becker pulls out of French Open

Boris Becker is pulling out of next withdrawn because of a stomach week's French Open because of a thigh injury.

"I have a double muscle pull in my left thigh. I am very disappointed but I am, unfortunately, seriously injured," Becker said today.

The world's fifth-ranked player and the Australian Open champion was playing in this week's World Open, the second Grand Slam event of the year. He was seeded fifth for

the clay court tournament.

muscle problem that had forced her on clay. to pull out of the Fed Cup and the Italian Open in the past four weeks. She was seeded eighth.

Becker, a three-time Wimbledon champion, said he was flying to Munich later in the day to begin his

He said he would take a 10-day Team Cup, a warm-up for the French, break from tennis and then start to German national soccer team. practice again, hoping to be fit in time for Queens, a major warm-up for Wimbledon that stars June 10.

DUESSELDORF, Germany (AP) - semifinalist at the French Open, has has won all other Grand Slam tournaments. He has never won a title

> Becker said he felt the injury Monday in his first-round defeat to before his first-round match because Marc Rosset of Switzerland at the

World Team Cup. On Tuesday, Becker attended the farewell game of soccer star Rudi Voeller in nearby Leverkusen, where he was examined by doctors of the

"They told me, 'Boris, you can't play in Paris," he said.

It's the third time since 1992 that Becker withdrew from the French

In 1994, he withdrew minutes of a pulled back muscle and a rightthigh muscle injury forced his to pull out in 1992.

Two semifinal appearances have been his best showing at Roland Garros, but the last one was in 1991.

Becker said he would continue to try to win the French Open "for a few years, until it's finally over."

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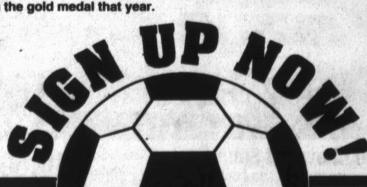
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equator, the surface around you (snow, sand and water reflect radiation like a mirror), length of time in the sun, and whichever sunscreen and protective clothing you might be

Ultraviolet rays are the sun's invisible, burning rays. The ultraviolet spectrum includes A, B and C, classified according to the length and strength of he light rays.

UVA rays maintain a relatively constant intensity throughout the year and penetrate deeper into the skin. Once thought harmless, UVA rays have been shown to break down collagen and contribute to premature aging and wrinkling of the skin. Long-term exposure is linked to skin

UVB rays, more intense in summer, are the most common cause of sunburn and skin cancer. They can contribute to premature aging and to the development of cataracts.

UVC rays are the strongest ultraviolet rays and would be the most dangerous, except that they are normally filtered out by atmospheric ozone and never reach the Earth.

Sunscreens, developed with specific sun protection factors (SPFs) to protect against UVB radiation for a specific amount of exposure (on the average, three to five hours) have been available for almost 20 years.

SPF refers to how long a person can stay out in the sun before developing the sunburn that signifies UVB damage. For example, if you begin to burn after 20 minutes with no protection, you should be able to stay out 15 times that long covered with a sunscreen that has an SPF of

Higher SPFs (18 to 35) often are recommended to buy extra protection for children who are going to spend all day outside, but no matter how high the SPF, no sunscreen or block is recommended for babies 6 months old or younger. They should be kept out of the sun altogether, doctors say.

Only in the last couple of years have manufacturers begun adding UVA protection to their recipes.

Two years ago, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the first product marketed specifically to block UVA radiation. The chemical compound avobenzone (Parsol 1789), was approved under a new drug application and is marketed under the name Shade UVA-GUARD.

In the past, the FDA has not regulated sunscreens and sunblocks as drugs or cosmetics. However, for Johnson's Baby Sunblock (\$1.69 per the last three years the FDA has been ounce).....

reviewing the many active ingredients contained in sun-protection products to develop guidelines for their safe and effective use.

Ivy Kupec, an FDA spokeswoman, said the task is complicated because most manufacturers would like to claim both UVA and UVB protection, and there is no sunburn or other immediate and visible signs of UVA damage to use in measuring how much UVA protection a particular product gives.

Experts recommend using broad-spectrum sun protection products that contain several active ingredients, because no one chemical protects against the full spectrum of UV light. Use a water-resistant sunscreen with sun protection factor (SPF) of at least 15 and use it as directed, doctors advise.

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Popular sunscreens

Consumer Reports checked out 38 popular sunscreens, ranging in price from 50 cents to \$4.43 an ounce (most sold in 4-ounce containers), testing them both in the lab and on volunteers.

They found:

Most sunscreens work well at least when you first put them on, but a few don't deliver the protection they promise, and some don't last in the

Based on amount of protection in and out of the water, cost, scent, feel, fabric staining and ease of use, Consumer Reports recommends:

Among SPF 15 to 18 products: Bain de Soleil All Day Waterproof and Vaseline Intensive Care Moisturizing, the least expensive in this category.

If you won't be in the water more than an hour or so, you can get about the same protection from Shade Sunblock Oil-Free Gel and the less expensive (under \$1 per ounce) Solace Sunblock (from Kmart), Eckerd Sunblock and Rite Aid Sunblock.

Among the children's SPF 30 products, the clear choice for kids who will be in the water a lot is Bain de Soleil All Day for Kids, which costs about \$2.20 per ounce, or

Experts suggest using sunless tanning agents

By CAROLYN POIROT Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Sunless tanning chemicals may be your best bet if you insist on tanning, skin experts say.

"They are, to the best of my knowledge now, safe. I haven't heard of any problems with them," said Dr. Steven Ullrich, a physician researcher at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

"If you think you have to have a tan, and your choices are tanning salons or spending time outside in the sun -- which we know cause skin cancer and skin damage -- sunless tanning agents are the safest alternative,"

Ullrich said. Most artificial tanning lotions contain dihydroxyacetone or DHA, a pigmenting agent that produces a reddish-brown color when it binds with amino acids in the outer layers of the skin. Some use extracts from flowers,

fruits and nuts to produce a stain. The tan lasts only until the stained surface cells slough off, usually two to three days.

Dr. John Wolf of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston warned that most sunless tanning products -- unless they specify otherwise -- contain

'You just need to remember that that color gives you no protection from the sun," Wolf said.

A natural suntan provides some protection against sunburn, even though doctors do not recommend it as protection from further radiation damage. The increased production of melanin, which creates a natural tan, helps block additional burning rays.

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Check list of ingredients

Some people are sensitive to one or more of the chemicals contained in sunscreens, and a few are actually allergic, but with the variety available, most people can find sun protection they can use, skin experts say.

PABA, one of the first and best screening agents, has now been removed from many products because so many people were reporting that it irritated their skin, said Dr. John Wolf, chairman of the Department of Dermatology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

In the June 8, 1994, Federal Register, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration published a list of active ingredients, proposed as safe and effective for use in sunscreens, for review and comment.

Until final FDA regulations are adopted, any of the chemicals listed can be included in sunscreens. Wolf suggests choosing a sunscreen with several different chemicals because none of them can totally block all wavelengths all the way through both the UVA and UVB light spectrums.

"You have to have at least two to get broad-spectrum blocking, Wolf said.

The list includes:

Aminobenzoic acid (PABA) Cinoxate

Padimate O

_ Titanium dioxide Diethanolamine

Octyl salicylate

Homosalate

Phenylbenzimidazole sulfonic acid Trolamine salicylate

These are claimed to block both UVA and UVB rays:

Dioxybenzone

Oxybenzone Octocrylene

Octyl methoxycinnamate

Menthyl anthranilate Sulisobenzone



Scouts are promoted

These young men were promoted at the Pack 55 Blue and Gold Banquet held recently. Pictured in front is James Bell, who was promoted to Bobcat. Second row from left, Teddy Leal to Weeblo and Manuel Segovia to Bear. Third row from left, Anthony Ontiveros to Bear, Kyle Higgins to Bear and Logan Kimmel to Bear. Back row, Bear Denleader Wayne Van and Cub Master Sally Walker.

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Motherhood can't stop girls from graduating at top of class

By MARO ROBBINS The Monitor (McAllen)

HIDALGO, Texas - If 19-year-old Maribel Rodriguez says she's going to be a doctor, don't bet against her.

The honors student from Valley View High School already beat the odds once. A graduating senior now, she has taken the most demanding path through high school. As she worked toward her honors diploma, she was pregnant, gave birth and raised a baby.

As she rears her daughter, Yvonne, the single mother dreams of being a

Graduation is on Friday and she ranks in the top 10 students in her

At her side is the senior class president, Rosalba Colunga, 19, who had a baby midway through high school and now intends to be a

Marriage and pregnancy pushed most female dropouts from high school, according to a 1992 U.S. Department of Education survey. School counselors say raising both a growing child and earning a stellar grade-point average calls for self-confidence, focus, determination - and help. Only a few teen-age parents can rally them all.

Sue Kaulfus, director of the state's pregnancy and parenting education programs, said not everybody can make it work.

"It takes a really strong student to stay in until graduation," she said. Robert Garcia, a counselor at

McAllen's alternative program, Options in Education High School, agreed that getting through high school is hard enough without the

also artificial silk.

added physical and emotional stresses of raising a child.

"Then you get into the elite, as far determination and drive are concerned," Garcia said.

Rosalba and Maribel could be the lucky ones to buck the national trend. Instead of parenthood causing them to put down their textbooks, it seems to have pushed them to study harder.

"I think of my baby and I want to become someone with a career. Rosalba said. "It's all for him." If their new motherhood distracted

them, their own moms and dads focused them and gave them the chance to study.

And once alone with the books, their own spunk and study habits seemed to do the rest.

Before pregnancy, both girls believed they were college bound. Then came the surprise that even these bright students were unprepared

to manage. Maribel said she threw up before

she told her parents. "I wasn't allowed to have a boyfriend - much less a baby," she

But her parents didn't turn their babysat while she went to the prom. Her mother, who works at a hotel, pleaded for a night shift so she could stay home during the day and watch baby Yvonne. Neither of Maribel's parents graduated from high school. Maribel's dropping out of school just was not considered. Her brother already had blazed a trail, graduating from high school when he was just 16 and going to college in Michigan.

He got honors all the way - I can't just settle for high school dropout," she said.

She did take off the second part of her junior year to give birth. But she missed school so much, she cried.

"It's not that it's such a wonderful place to be," she said. "It's just an important thing to finish."

Likewise, in Rosalba's home, nobody talked about quitting school when the teen-ager found out she was pregnant. Within months, Rosalba married the father and they agreed she would stay in class.

She was a promising student whose near perfect scores on the state's standardized exams already had earned her praise in her sophomore year.

The pregnancy did not interrupt schoolwork - the baby was born during summer vacation. It was a boy, and they named him Cristian.

Come fall, Rosalba was facing the dilemma of caring for a baby and cramming for classes.

Her mother, a retired secretary and a Mexican technical school graduate, agreed to watch the baby during the day. Still, Rosalba said, she considered taking a lighter course load.

"Mom convinced me to stay where backs on her. Her father, a mechanic, I was and struggle all the way to the end," she said.

Instead of taking the easy route, Rosalba added another honors English class to the list of advanced classes she had tackled before her pregnancy.

Maribel, too, chose advanced science courses, preparing for a career in medicine. She found the classes suited both her talent and her ambition.

But even with dependable day care, paying attention to both her baby and her text books were irreconcilable tasks.

Homework became almost impossible, Maribel said. Yvonne would pull the pen out of her hand, or crawl over open textbooks.

For Rosalba, studying was not the only school responsibility. For the second year in a row, she was elected class president. So between working, studying and mothering, she has been calling stores, asking for donations

to the senior graduation party. After the class bell rings, both

mothers work. Rosalba spends five-hour shifts packing purses, shoes and other crafts. Maribel is part of Americorps, a federal community service. She tutors other students on campus and supervises children at the Hidalgo Youth Center

"That sounds like such a hassled schedule," Maribel said, after hearing her own daily routine.

But Americorps is crucial to her college plans. The program will give \$2,365 toward tuition. The League of United Latin American Citizens also offered her a scholarship.

About 10 colleges accepted Rosalba's application, including St. Edward's University in Austin and Texas A&M University. Several also offered scholarships, including the University of Texas-Pan American, which she will attend in the fall.

Maribel also chose UTPA of all the schools offering scholarships. It is close to her family, and the support and child care they offer more than matches most scholarships. The baby's father works three jobs, and the couple plan to wed sometime in the future.

"There's no way I'm going to leave my baby," she said.

Both young women want degrees Press

that require years of study and would make them valued members of the community.

At the same time, they want to be at the center of their children's lives. The nearest medical and law schools are hundreds of miles away. The challenge continues.

Dalia Torres, a counselor at Valley View High School, said both young women have proven themselves capable of realizing their dreams.

"The odds are pretty good because of their determination," Torres said.

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Parents honored as 15th of 16 kids leaves Catholic university Private liberal arts school home to Ostermanns for 27 of its 40 years

By TERRY WALLACE Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) - Imagine trying to raise a family of 15 kids. Also, imagine sending up to 14 to a top-dollar private university for an

education in the family faith. "We finally made it," said Albert

and his wife, Adeline, could imagine -spokesman Alan Van Zelfden. nothing less. So when the University of Dallas presented their 22-year-old son, Louis, with his bachelor's degree in theology, it also had something for his parents - an engraved silver bowl.

Louis, the Ostermann's youngest child, is the 14th of the Ostermanns' 15 children to attend the small Roman

Catholic liberal arts school and the Dallas in 1969 as one of about 1,150 11th to graduate. And he did so with

The Ostermanns have been a fixture at the 3,000-student university for most of the past 27 of the school's

40 years.
"There have been families that have sent four or five kid (to UD), but The semiretired Windthorst grocer never anything like this," said UD

The event marked the climax of a story of hope, faith and parental sacrifice. But sacrifice was a familiar part of life for the Ostermanns, who reared 15 children, who now range in age from 22 to 44.

When their eldest daughter, Theresa, enrolled at the University of students on the suburban Irving campus, tuition, room and board ran about \$2,100 a year. By the time Louis graduated, the costs averaged

about \$14,000 a year.

"We just didn't take too many vacations," said the 71-year-old father, who now works about four hours a day at the Windthorst General Store. "I also held down two jobs."

His other job was as postmaster for the town of about 370 residents, 26 miles south of Wichita Falls. That was reasonable; the post office was in the store.

Although the Ostermanns helped pay their children's tuition and fees, the kids also sought other sources -

student loans, scholarships and grants, as well as income from jobs the students held themselves.

Educations surely would have been far less expensive at state universities, but the Ostermanns gave Theresa two fundamental criteria for selecting her university: it had to be Catholic and in Texas.

"That was our priority," said Mrs. Ostermann, 66. "This is a German Catholic community, and Catholic education is important here. Also, that was toward the end of the hippie generation, and the morals at a lot of he colleges weren't too good."

But there was an enticement, as well - The Rome Program, in which any sophomore can spend a semester

studying Western culture at a 12-acre UD campus in the Alban hills near Rome.

"Back in the '60s, it was when they were starting their Rome Program," said their father, referring to a program where UD students spend part of their sophomore years in Rome. "That was a big incentive."

Since 1969, rarely a year went by that the Ostermanns did not have a child on the UD campus in suburban Irving. So constant was an Ostermann presence that Box 263 at the campus post office remained in the family for

"I still get mail addressed to brothers and sisters who haven't been there for years," Louis said.

Theresa transferred to Benedictine College, a small Catholic school in Atchison, Kan., in 1971 after UD closed its music department. A brother and sister attended UD in the mid-1980s but did not graduate. Another sibling did not enroll at UD.

But Ann graduated in 1978, Albert Jr. in 1980, Charles in 1982, Carol in 1983, Ralph in 1985, Mary in 1986, Judith in 1987, Cathy in 1991, Thomas in 1992, Nancy in 1994 and Louis on Saturday. The majors ranged from business management in Albert's case to mathematics in Nancy's case.

"Eventually, everybody got to go to Rome," said Albert the father. "So did I and their mother."

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Roy Herrera, left, was recently recognized for 20 years of service as an employee of Hereford Janitor Supply. Company owner David McDonald presented a watch to Herrera for his service. Herrera began as a warehouse stockman for the company and is now a regional salesman.

Bomb at FBI's Laredo office not work of a professional

By KELLEY SHANNON **Associated Press Writer**

explosives experts examining remnants of a bomb that exploded at the agency's office building have determined the device was not the work of a professional, authorities

"It appears that the explosion ... was caused by a small improvised or unsophisticated explosive device," FBI spokesman Michael Appleby said Tuesday after an initial assessment by bomb team from Washington.

Appleby would not provide any details about the bomb.

The target of the blast still is LAREDO, Texas (AP) - FBI unknown, said Appleby, adding that by midday Tuesday. that slows down the investigation

"It could have been anybody housed in the building," he said. "It's tough to find a motive or a suspect involved if you don't know who the intended target was."

The FBI's Laredo office with its 12 agents is housed on the second floor of Walker Plaza on the opposite side of the building from the bomb blast. The FBI is the only federal agency in Walker Plaza.

Among the other tenants are South Texas National Bank; Merrill Lynch; It shattered windows on three a members-only dinner club; and real floors of the five-story Walker Plaza estate and law offices. A branch of building about 6:50 a.m. Monday. No the Houston-based law firm Phillips one was injured. Only two people are & Akers, which does insurance

offices to the explosion.

The building was fully reopened

FBI and other federal agents searched a grassy spot just outside the building next to a small tree and flower bed. Officials have said the explosive device was placed 3 to 5 feet from the building and that a two-foot impression was found in the

Agents are pursuing leads from phone calls, including one from a man who called a Laredo television station about 8:35 a.m. Monday claiming responsibility for the explosion. He said he belonged to an organization called "544."

Agents here are familiar with a gang that may have used those numbers in the past. We're not certain that the caller was indeed a member of this group. ... It may have been a prank caller," Appleby said.

The suspect or suspects could face several federal charges, he said. It is a federal offense to knowingly damage a building housing a federal agency or to damage a business that engages interstate commerce, such as

The blast has rattled residents of this city on the Texas-Mexico border.

"We are very concerned. I hope it doesn't happen again," said Margie Valle, as she headed into a coffee shop Tuesday morning. She described Laredo as "a very calm town."

"It's scary. A lot of people could (have been) hurt," said Rosa Felix, a clerk at a hotel a few blocks away from the blast site.

The FBI spokesman said it is fortunate no one was injured and destruction was minimal.

"I would think that based on the damage up there, had someone been inside this building in the vicinity of those windows, the likelihood was that they would have been injured," Appleby said.

Alabama fifth-grader wins national handwriting contest

AP Education Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - There are you can figure it out." no showy loops or curlicues in Jennifer Fata's penmanship, and never (gasp) an "i" dotted with a balloon. With perfect form and slant, her handwriting - described as "poetry in motion" - was judged the best of 90,000-plus elementary students in America.

"I like doing handwriting," said Jennifer, an 11-year-old right-hander who favors mechanical pencils. "I'm of ease and fluency." good at art and painting. It comes off

those genes.

The fifth-grader from Sacred Heart School in Cullman, Ala., today was named grand champion of this year's national handwriting contest. It was sponsored by Zaner-Bloser, a Columbus, Ohio, company that publishes handwriting texts, and Parker Pen, a subsidiary of The Gillette Co. Both companies have conducted research indicating that line. Now, we're going to make a sloppy script causes problems on and loop. Pick up your pencil. OK, top off the job.

Illegible handwriting stumps

mail-sorting machines at the U.S. Postal Service, meaning some federal tax refund checks never reach their destinations. And bungled longhand is a headache for pharmacists, hospital staff and office workers, says Zaner-Bloser vice president Richard

Doctors are notorious for their scribbles.

'Sometimes you can't read the name, the drug or the directions," said Jennifer Franckowiak, a

pharmacist in Myerstown, Pa. "We learn the drugs in school and usually

Contest judge Clinton Hackney of Tampa, Fla., who teaches handwriting classes, said he chose Jennifer's penmanship because it met the four keys to legibility: letter size, letter

shape, slant and spacing.
"Some kids will draw each stroke, very laboriously," Hackney said. "I remember that Jennifer's looked as if she had written with some degree

People first noticed Jennifer's fluid style when she learned cursive in second grade. It improved under the guidance of handwriting instructor Sister Tonette Sperando, who tells her students penmanship is an art. She calls Jennifer's method

poetry in motion."
In class, Sister Tonette, walking desk to desk, calls out the strokes: "We begin slightly above the top

line, slant down, loop above the mid-line ...

She said the pupils' writing offers

clues about their moods.

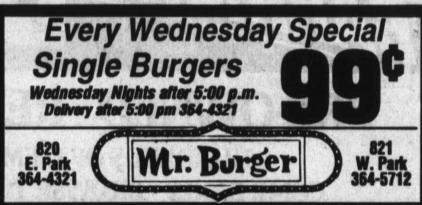
"If it's shaky, and it's not normally so, I'll say 'Are you all right?' and they'll say 'Sister, I don't feel well this morning,' or 'I had a fight with mom this morning."

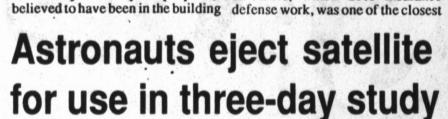
There is a declining emphasis on handwriting in schools, Hackney said. Some teachers don't know how to teach penmanship, others emphasize content over style, he said.

And Corporate America may be suffering.

"Sometimes the letters run together," said Pam Beatty, administrative assistant at AT&T Corp.'s Washington office. "If you focus on the content of the sentence, you can usually make it out."

But poor handwriting is becoming less of a problem as more people use computers to write letters and restaurants install computerized ticket ordering systems.





By MICHELLE KOIDIN **Associated Press Writer**

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) -Space shuttle Endeavour's astronauts today ejected a small satellite weighted down on one end to see if it can stabilize itself in orbit.

The craft, designed to fly erratically at first, spun and wobbled as it drifted away from Endeavour, said Astronaut Mario Runco Jr., who pushed the button that released it from a canister in the shuttle's cargo

slowly," Runco said.

Researchers expected the 80-pound, cast aluminum cylinder to orient itself with its heavy side facing forward, like a dart. The satellite appeared to stabilize itself soon after being released, astronauts said, but more tests are needed.

The six-man crew will spend about 14 hours over three days looking at the satellite's position from roughly 2,000 feet away. Between encounters, the astronauts will fly Endeavour as far as 115 miles away.

Scientists hope to show that the satellite can be controlled without the use of steering jets, the conventional

The satellite is equipped with a mechanism designed to use Earth's magnetic field to keep it pointed in the right direction.

NASA says the \$600,000 experiment could lead to future satellites that use the less complicated and less expensive method of orientation.

The astronauts and ground controllers will track the satellite with on-board and ground-based radar. Because the satellite is so small - 20 inches in diameter and 2-1/2 feet long - the shuttle crew must be extra careful to avoid a collision.

The satellite is covered with reflectors and shiny white paint like a highway sign to help the astronauts

The craft will remain in orbit forabout three months before it plunges through the atmosphere and burns up. On Tuesday, the U.S.-Canadian

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crew retrieved a satellite containing the data from an experiment with a huge inflatable antenna. The antenna was released from Endeavour on Monday, blown up to the size of a tennis court and cut loose from its platform.

Mission Control said the giant silvery balloon, having done its job, plunged through Earth's atmosphere and burned up over the Atlantic Ocean about 5:30 a.m. EDT today.

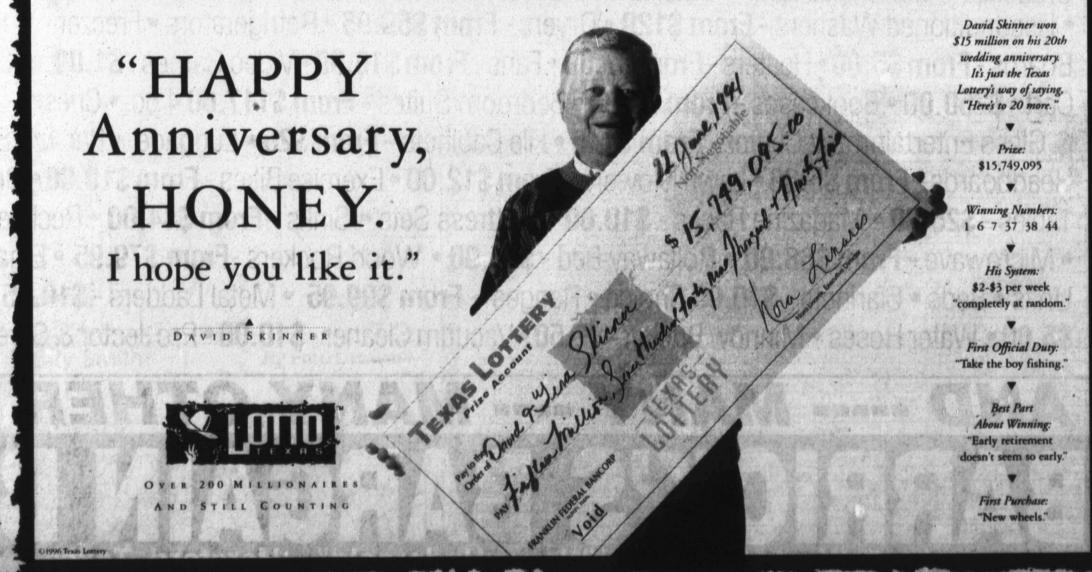
One of the few problems so far in the 10-day flight involved a new soda "It is rotating ... clockwise very dispenser. It appeared to be leaking and was providing the astronauts with and was providing the astronauts with skimpy servings of Coke and Diet

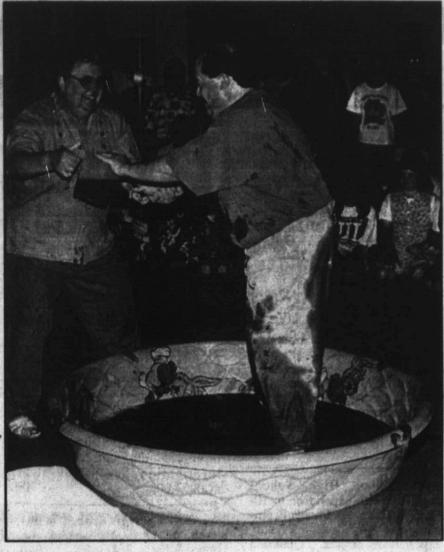
> Endeavour is scheduled to land in Florida on May 29.





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Shirley Intermediate School principal David Fanning -- standing in a pool of red Jell-O water -- fends off a Jell-O dunking by Star Lab teacher Pruda Fults on Tuesday. Fanning was ordered into the bath by students after they surpassed an Accelerated Reading goal of 6,000 for the year. This is the first year Shirley has participated in Accelerated Reading, in which students read a book, then take a comprehension test about the book. Points are accumulated for correct answers. The students earned 6,187.3 points.

Tyler man suspected in deaths of 12 women

investigating any links between a Tyler man charged with capital murder after his mother's strangulation and the deaths of twelve elderly women in Richmond, Va., where he once lived.

Karl A. Smetana, 26, was arrested Saturday in connection with the Friday death of his mother, 50-year-old Margaret Hewes Lout: Prosecutors requested Tuesday that he be examined for competency after he allegedly told police he strangled his mother to exorcise the demons from her body.

Smetana complained to a judge during a Tuesday court appearance he has been in a "daze" the past two days and did not know what he was doing when he was being interviewed.

"I've been through a real traumatizing experience. Everything was confused in my mind. I did not know what I was doing, so I just did "Her body had several gold tokens it," he told state District Judge and Old Maid playing cards on it," Cynthia Kent.

to discuss the matter with Tyler attorney Bill Wright, who was appointed to represent him. The judge also read the suspect his rights and ordered his bond to remain at \$1 million.

Ms. Lout's body was found by another son in her northwest Tyler home Friday after she failed to show up to teach her math classes at Boulter Middle School, police said.

Police said that before moving in with his mother two years ago, Smetana lived in Richmond, where six elderly women were strangled and six stabbed to death beginning in the early 1990s. All the women lived alone, according to published reports in the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Tyler police investigators said officers in Richmond contacted them

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TYLER, Texas (AP) - Police are Tuesday and requested information on Smetana.

While authorities have not named Smetana as a suspect in the Richmond slayings, Richmond City Manager Robert C. Bobb told the Tyler Morning Telegraph that all leads are being investigated.

"This is a high priority case. We are spending thousands of dollars on oment and personnel. This is a major investigation," Bobb said.

Ms. Lout was buried Tuesday afternoon in Tyler Memorial Park about the same time her son appeared in court for arraignment.

Investigators obtained a search warrant Monday for the victim's purple 1995 Nissan based on a supporting affidavit filed by police Detective Eric Liptak, who stated evidence of "ritualism" was found at the murder scene.

he wrote. "There were numerous The judge instructed the suspect other Old Maid playing cards discuss the matter with Tyler scattered around the body and in the front and back yards of the house. A Bible and an alarm clock had also been placed at her feet, which had been covered with tobacco and crossed."

Smetana was arrested Saturday in Wood County after the vehicle he was driving - his mother's - ran out of gas.

"We are cooperating with Richmond police," said Tyler Public Information Sgt. Terry Morrow. "If they need any information about our

case, we will give it to them.'

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Travel Centers closed after vague threats

AUSTIN (AP) - The Texas Department of Transportation will decide today whether to reopen two travel centers near the Oklahoma border after vague threats called in to three Dallas-area television stations a day earlier forced them to

The DOT and the Texas Department of Public Safety shut down U.S. 75 and the travel centers along U.S. 75 in Denison and U.S. 35 in Gainesville after the veiled threats were received Tuesday.

U.S. 75 was closed in both directions for about 30 minutes around noon. "The caller said something was

going to happen. There was nothing about what exactly was going to happen," said Laureen Chernow, a spokeswoman for the DPS. Mike Eppler, a spokesman for the

city of Denison, told the Sherman Democrat that the caller "was mad and unhappy with the way things are in Texas and was tired of people not listening to him."



Student officers elected

Brandon Bigham, left, outgoing president of the West Central Intermediate School Student Action Committee, presents the gavel of office to his 1996-97 successor, Russell Carr, following the swearing-in ceremony on Monday. Also elected to terms as officers next are Seth Hatley, center, vice president; Abby Horrell, secretary; and Stewart Carr, historian.

Unusually strong winds plague Texas

flapping, skirts blowing and trees bending more than usual this spring in Texas because of what the National Weather Service calls unusually strong winds.

Many days this year have seen steady winds of 20 to 30 mph, with gusts over 40 mph.

It's part of a months-long weather pattern that has kept the wind howling through the normally calmer nights and mornings and kept the seasonal rain farther to the north, the weather service says.

The normal average wind speed for January through April is about 12 mph. This year, it has been almost 2 mph faster, according to statistics provided by the weather service.

Skip Ely, forecaster in charge of the weather service in Fort Worth, said Texas' dry winds balance the Midwest's flooding rains.

Far to the east, just off the southeastern U.S. coast, is the center of a huge mound of air, a high-pressure system. Stretching from New Mexico to Illinois are the

DALLAS (AP) - Flags are meteorological equivalents of valleys, low-pressure systems.

If air were water, it would simply flow downhill, from high to low pressure, like a river down a mountain.

But airflow is affected by the rotation of the earth. So winds that start out headed west out of the Atlantic high-pressure system take a right turn, producing the hot, dry southern breezes whooshing through much of the state.

That might change over Memorial Day weekend, Ely said.

The weather service's computer models strongly predict slow-moving rain and the possibility of potentially damaging thunderstorms, Ely said.

There were numerous predictions of spring showers that didn't come about this year, but Ely says these forecasts have a better chance.

"I'm thinking of taking tomorrow off, because I may have to work the weekend," Ely said.

The dry conditions resulting from the higher winds have increased the danger of grass fires.

Last week, the Texas Forest Service classified the danger of fire as moderate in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. This week, that's been upgraded to high, with much of West Texas classified as extreme.

Some firefighters spent last week training for the wind-driven blazes

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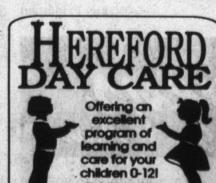
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Mystery surrounds body found in ditch in 1951 Corpse could have been Wilburn Allen, but he could have faked his death

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WICHITA FALLS, Texas - Troy Wilburn Allen is a ghost who refuses to rest, a jack-of-all-trades vagabond whose specter continues to ramble from an unmarked plot in the Wichita County cemetery.

A brutish man in life, he has become a riddle in death. A father and husband who terrorized his family while drifting from job to job and from bottle to bottle, he continues to taunt his children with a solitary question: Did Daddy really die?

That question was formed Nov. 18, 1951, the day authorities fished a decomposing body out of a Wichita County irrigation ditch. Circumstances suggested it was Allen, a drinker and drifter who moved around North Central Texas, hopping trades as a carpenter, steel worker, merchant marine and field hand.

He had been missing for nearly nothin'," he recalled. He said he was two months, last seen by Burkburnett, told by a left-handed Wichita County

But the body is Texas, cotton farmer J.W. Kanard, according to a newspaper account of the time. Allen reportedly left his claimed the body. billfold with Kanard after asking for "He said the bo an advance on his wages to buy food. the article indicates.

The news story also made mention of "a Wichita Falls man who said he saw two women attack a man near the theatre on the Sheppard Access Road, knock him down and load his body into the back of their car."

Allen's wife, Marjorie, had taken their three children and left him five years earlier, no longer able to take his alternating fits of abuse and neglect. So, authorities called Allen's brother, Doyle "Blackie" Allen, hoping he could identify the body. When Blackie arrived, the mystery

deputy named "Happy Jack" that a family from Cooper, Texas, had

"He said the body had done been claimed. There wasn't nothin' we could do about it. The deputy said, 'The best thing ya'll can do is go back your little farming community."

Somehow, though, a copy of the death certificate wound up with Marjorie Allen. The couple's oldest daughter, Anita Kissell, found it in April among her mother's papers.

The information on the certificate is vague - no cause of death, no age, no name. In the box for race, "not sure of his color" is typed. No autopsy or inquest was ordered by Justice of the Peace H.M. "Doc"

But the body is estimated to have been partially submerged in the ditch for about 60 days. The presence of certain types of bacteria in water and the surrounding soil can cause hair color to bleach out quickly, said Bill Pursley, officer in charge of forensic identification for Wichita Falls

When submerged in water, skin begins to separate from the body within about a week. If the skin had pulled away from the skull, it may have taken the hair with it, Pursley said. Turtles or fish may have eaten parts of the body away.

Finding the mysterious death certificate rekindled in Kissell the urge to resolve whether her father had died or merely faked his death.

"I've always wondered what "We didn't get to see the body or Kissell said. "Could they not at least the nerve to ask Mom," she said. "Our father had bright red hair," happened to him, and I didn't have

Her uncertainty about her father's disappearance first surfaced decades ago, when as a young girl she overheard strange phone calls that upset her mother. In those calls, Kissell said, an anonymous female

voice claimed Troy Allen was alive. Kissell recalls her mother frantically stuffing the phone in a dresser drawer and covering it with pillows to muffle the shrill ring. Her mother finally gave up answering the phone, she said.

"I can just remember her screaming, 'Leave me alone. Stop calling,' "Kissell recalled.

Wichita County officials are as

baffled as Allen's family about some aspects of the case.

Neither the Wichita County Sheriff's Office nor the police have kept a record of the incident. In fact, even the billfold and an address book found on the body have vanished, leaving only a few

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yellowed pages from burial records.

And those burial records do more to further cloud what may have happened to Allen - or at least to the body once thought to be his. There is a notation that an unknown white male was buried in the county cemetery: at block seven, lot 142, at 3:30 p.m., on Monday, Nov. 19, 1951.

At the cemetery, the modest concrete markers in block seven start at lot 139, 140, and 141.

But no marker exists for lot 142. And, even today, no closure exists for Anita Kissell.

Because neither forensics, logic, nor long-forgotten burial records can dispel the powerful phantom of a paternal dictator that time has imprinted in the mind of a 9-year-old girl who ran away from her father with her family nearly 50 years ago.

"In my mind, I want to dig him up and then put him back in his grave.'

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Lions, tigers and bears should not be kept by everyone, fancier says

By MELISSA WILLIAMS Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) - Gene von Reitnauer has three questions for people who think an \$800 tiger cub would make a fun pet.

Are you self-employed? Are you childless? Have you given up traveling?

"If they say no, I say, 'You have no business owning a cat,'" says Reitnauer, president and founder of the Texas Exotic Feline Foundation, a shelter northwest of Fort Worth and home to more than 60 big cats.

Reitnauer takes in animals that are confiscated from unauthorized settings like the ranchette near Midlothian in rural Ellis County where Robert McDonald kept five tigers and two lions.

On May 7, one of the tigers mauled a 6-year-old girl, who survived the attack. The animals were removed a few days later and the lion cub brought to the foundation.

Like Reitnauer, some state and local officials say big-cat owners like McDonald pose a growing problem in Texas, largely because unrealistic ideas about the animals' upkeep produce inadequate care and

supervision. A tiger can cost \$240 a month to feed, on top of \$1,000 in medical expenses in the first year and \$10,000 for a proper enclosure, Reitnauer

Owners must comply with state or federal regulations prescribing such things as living conditions and veterinary care, and obtain a license or permit depending on the animal's

In Texas, the legislature began requiring "restricted wild animal" permits in 1990 after several attacks on humans. The law applies to exotic animals, such as lions, tigers, bears, elephants, rhinoceros and apes, that are not covered under breeding or exhibitors' permits.

animal permits have been issued, said David Sinclair, assistant commander game warden for the state Parks and Wildlife Department.
Applications and permits granted

this year are on track to surpass totals last year, when officials received 90 applications and approved 21, an average of 7-1/2 applications and 1-3/4 permits per month. This year, the pace has averaged more than 8 applications and 2 permits per month.

"If you take the numbers, there are a lot of those out there," Sinclair said. "The potential for there being danger certainly exists."

Tom Harvey, a spokesman for the department, is less guarded in his assessment: "This is a big, big problem with people keeping exotic wild predators of this type.

A veritable menagerie of wild beasts growls, paces and lazes in approved private cages across the state. Figures show 244 animals owned by permit holders in 84 counties. That's 147 cougars; 42 lions; 42 tigers; seven leopards; two hyenas; two timber wolves; one liger (lion-tiger cross) and one chimpanzee. Most live in rural settings outside the boundaries of cities, where they

one such big-cat fancier is a Dallas lawyer who owns two cougars, a lion, a tiger and two wolf-dog hybrids in Kaufman County. He spoke on condition of anonymity because he does not want owners who are tired of their exotic cats to dump

them on his property.

The lawyer and his wife, who are childless, bought a baby cougar from a breeder four years ago after successfully raising the wolf hybrids,

The animals have been worth the sacrifices of time and money it takes to properly care for them, he said.

'A tiger is the ultimate kitty cat," the lawyer said. "They bring you so

Statewide, 165 restricted wild much joy. I would never say you comments like "bottom of lion fencing should go and capture them out of the wild, but this baby was born in captivity and she has a right to a good home and care in captivity.

"I can give that to her." The lawyer said he's thought about the potential civil and criminal liability - not to mention injury to himself - that comes with big-cat territory.

"The rewards are so great that I assume the risk," he said. "It's an enormous responsibility, but if you provide the security that you need and supervise it like you should, then things like what happened down in Midlothian shouldn't happen."

As an exhibitor, the owner of the Ellis County cats fell under federal provisions, said Cindy Eck, a spokesman in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Bethesda, Md., office. Because he apparently invited people to view the animals, he should have obtained the same USDA license Act, she said.

Records show that USDA inspectors visited the site in September, December and January, and denied a license each time because of inadequate housing facilities. Inspection reports show

needs to be secured" and "tiger box must be made structurally sound."

Ownership of the animals changed from James B. Garretson of DeSoto to McDonald sometime this year, said Regional Cmdr. Jerry McRae of the state Parks and Wildlife Department.

State officials did not pursue Garretson for lacking a state permit because he was trying to get the federal license, McRae said.

McDonald could not be reached for comment. A telephone number listed for Garretson in DeSoto had been disconnected.

Ellis County is considering a census of exotic animals by means of voluntary registration, said sheriff's deputy Capt. James Martin. The information would help firefighters or other emergency workers called to a site where dangerous animals live, he said.

Despite the problem with the Ellis County tiger, Gene von Reitnauer said those animals were luckier than most. She said she watched news footage required of zoos, circuses and nature of the cats being led away by their preserves under the Animal Welfare owner during the confiscation, and could tell they had been well-treated.

"Any man who can walk into a cage with six full-grown cats," Reitnauer said, "put them on a chain and walk them into a horse trailer that those cats have never seen - has my respect.'

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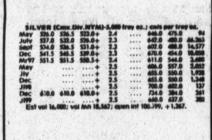
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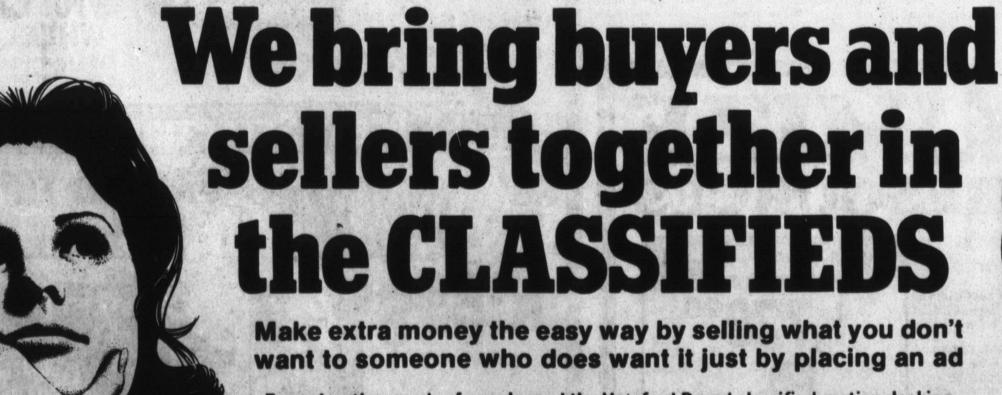
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Props used at the annual Walcott School awards banquet Tuesday may look familiar to some people -- they were borrowed by the school after being used last week for the Hereford High School Senior Banquet and Prom. The Sphinx, palm trees and standing Egyptian were part of the "Evening on the Nile" theme for the events.



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN - Gov. George W. Bush said he would not tell the state pension and endowment funds to sell the more than \$500 million they have invested in tobacco stock.

Bush's statement came after Attorney General Dan Morales urged the Permanent School Fund, Permanent University Fund, Teacher Retirement System and Employees Retirement System to sell tobacco holdings.

"Texas should not be in business with those who seek to do our children harm. Our state should repudiate its financial involvement in these unconscionable efforts to profiteer at the expense of our children's lives," he told the Dallas Morning News.

But Bush took another view. "I'm not going to tell the people in charge of generating a reasonable rate of return in the state of Texas what they ought to be doing with their money," he told the Morning

On March 31, Morales filed a federal lawsuit against the tobacco industry seeking to recover \$4 billion spent in Texas on tobaccorelated illnesses.

Political Fines Going Unpaid

Dozens of political action committees and former political candidates owe the state thousands of dollars in fines that the attorney general's office has never tried to collect, the Houston Chronicle reported last week.

The report said there are delin-

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quent fines dating back to 1992 assessed by the Texas Ethics Commission for missed deadlines for filing campaign finance reports, personal financial statements and other required documentation.

Attorney General Morales can go to court to collect the fines, but Morales' spokesman Ron Dusek said the fines, most of which are less than \$1,000, were not large enough to pay for the collection

"That's frustrating," said James Cribbs, an Arlington lawyer who serves on the eight-member Ethics Commission. "We're not going to be able to enforce the law if we can't collect these fines.'

Tom Harrison, executive director of the commission, said 42 individuals or committees with the largest unpaid fines had potential liabilities totaling \$158,000. He said he hopes the attorney general will try to collect fines of \$500 or more.

Perot Gets Enough Signatures

Dallas billionaire H. Ross Perot's Reform Party delivered 90 boxes of petitions with 255,000 signatures to the state capitol last week enough to get his name on Texas' November election ballot.

Verification of a random sampling of the signatures is expected to take three to four weeks. To be counted, the signers must be registered voters and not have voted in either the Democratic or Republican primaries or runoffs.

Perot's name is on the ballot as an independent candidate in South Dakota and Tennessee, and the Reform Party has fulfilled requirements to put his name on November ballots in California, Maine, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Ohio and Utah.

Perot continues to say he is not running for president.

Bomer Eyes Benchmark Rates

Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer heard proposals from two state judges and a panel of consumer advocates and insurance industry representatives regarding where to set auto insurance premi-

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Two state judges recommended to Bomer a more than 6 percent increase in the statewide average auto insurance premium for most drivers.

The panel recommended a steeper increase - 25 to 30 percent - for high-risk drivers, under a special

Bomer said he would decide within a couple of weeks whether to accept the proposals.

HIV Test Kits to Be Sold

Texans will be the first in the U.S. to buy home HIV test kits over the counter, following Food and Drug Administration approval last week.

In June, the \$40 test kits will be available at drug stores, clinics and student health centers, said officials with Direct Access Diagnostics.

Texas was chosen over other states because of its large, culturally diverse population and high rate of infection, said Dr. Gary Noble of Direct Access Diagnostics.

Previously, HIV tests were done in medical settings where those being tested were counseled before the blood was drawn.

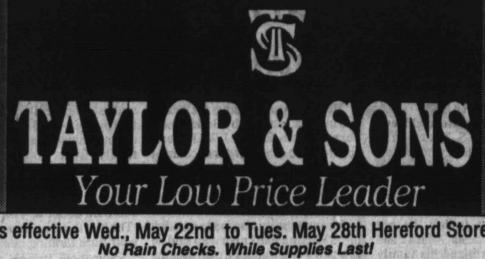
Texas residents can call 1-800-THE-TEST and obtain the kit.

Other Capital Highlights

■ The state delivered \$198.8 million in May sales tax rebates to cities and counties, a 1.4 percent increase over the same month last year. State Comptroller John Sharp said the tax collections show sales in Texas "continue to clock along at a good pace."

While the State Board of Education faces the prospect of turning down a dozen or more applications for independent charter schools, Gov. Bush wants the next Legislature to take the cap off the number of publicly funded charter schools in Texas. The Legislature's 1995 education reform bill allows up to 20 open-enrollment charter

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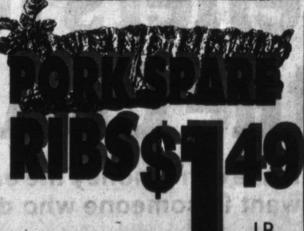
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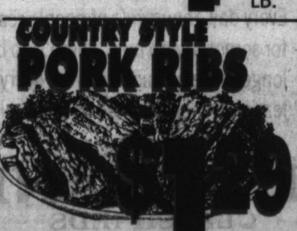
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