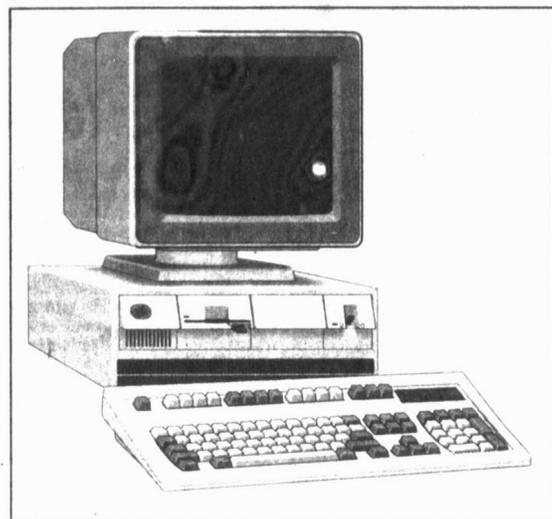


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COMPUTER GLITCH Partners set health meeting



Lawmaker: Problem remains unresolved

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Clinton administration has a long way to go to fix a potentially disruptive computer glitch set to strike at the stroke of midnight on New Year's Eve 1999, a Republican congressman says.

California Rep. Steven Horn, who runs the House subcommittee on government management, information and technology, said Wednesday that less than two-thirds of the essential computer systems at 24 departments and agencies will be upgraded by the time the year 2000 begins.

"The executive branch is still on the edge of failure," he said at a news conference. "We have a long way to go and a short time to get there."

The issue involves computer systems that identify years with two digits, such as 98 for 1998. Unless reprogrammed or replaced, the computers' inability to distinguish 2000 from 1900 could disrupt numerous government functions, such as distributing benefits, lawmakers say.

The White House Office of Management and Budget, which is overseeing the project, said officials appreciated Horn's input and are working as quickly as possible to fix the problem.

"While some agencies are making good progress, others are not," said Jack Gribben, a spokesman for the budget office. "We will continue to work with all the agencies, and with Congress, to ensure that the government's systems are ready for the year 2000."

The year 2000 computer problem also could affect administration plans to meet a congressional mandate to begin delivering most federal benefit payments electronically, beginning next January. That translates into fewer paper checks in the mail for recipients of Social Security, veterans and other benefits, although there will be some exceptions.

Most federal agencies issue their checks through the Financial Management Service, which is a division of the Treasury Department. But Horn's report gave Treasury a D grade for its efforts to upgrade its computers - which the new electronic benefits system also will depend on.

The department said it expects to have only 60 percent of its computer systems upgraded by 2001 and doesn't expect to complete the project until 2001, the report said.

Horn's report, the third in a series using agency-supplied data, gave the Social Security Administration and the Veterans Affairs department A's for their progress. The Social Security Administration scored an A-minus in Horn's report last fall.

He flunked five others: the departments of Education, Defense, Transportation, Labor and State, which don't estimate completing the conversions until well after the year 2000.

Overall, 15 of the 24 departments and agencies surveyed were behind schedule.

Ten received C's and D's, including the departments of Justice, Health and Human Services, Treasury, Energy and the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Horn also issued the first government-wide grade - a D-minus.

President Clinton created a council last month to help agencies cope with the multibillion-dollar problem, which is affecting computer systems around the globe. It could cost the U.S. government alone at least \$4 billion to fix the problem.

The General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress, also said recently that many government agencies were having trouble meeting deadlines for solving the glitch.

By DONALD M. COOPER
Brand Editor

A marathon session is on tap next week for the members of the Deaf Smith County Community Health Improvement Partnership.

The group will meet at noon March 10 in the banquet room of the Hereford Community Center and likely will spend the next 5 1/2 hours wading through raw data and narratives that have been compiled in the past few months.

The session will be led by community health organizer Pat Stone and health care consultant Paul B. McGinnis of the Oregon-based McGinnis & Associates.

CHIP has been charged with conducting a grassroots examination of health care in Deaf Smith County. The partnership will look at the needs, as well as the strengths and weakness, of the health care system in the county and develop possible solutions for the problems that have been identified.

Stone, who has been directing the project since it was launched late last summer, said the partners still are a long way from completing their task.

So far, most of the work has involved the collection of data, much of which has been sent to McGinnis for compilation.

On Feb. 9, the partners, along with members of the community, met for a "brainstorming" session. At the



Community health organizer Pat Stone will lead the Community Health Improvement Partnership through a marathon session next week.

session, the participants compiled lists of what they believed to be the strengths and weaknesses of the county's health care system. They also offered ideas on what they think is the best way to make Deaf Smith County a healthier place to live.

Stone said the 23 partners will review and discuss an inventory of health services in Deaf Smith County.

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Deaf Smith County
COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP

Involving People to create a Healthier Community

The question is: Will this tree's blooms, bursting forth because of recent spring-like weather, survive the cold front that weather forecasters predict to move through the area this weekend?

Early spring is mayhem for flowers

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - In the perfect garden, crocuses and daffodils bloom first. Then tulips, azaleas and rhododendrons come out, just in time for geraniums and marigolds to follow in mid-May.

But with temperatures already in the 50s across the country, gardeners are worried about El Nino wreaking havoc with flowers' biological clocks.

"Everything's going to be over too early. There'll be nothing left in late April," said Katie Porter, a member of the garden club in Morristown, N.J. "And if we get a heavy frost, it'll be terrible."

Green thumbs from Texas to New Jersey have the same lament: If it stays warm, there will be a

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Crews battle blazes

Firefighters were kept busy Wednesday as crews responded to calls on five fires burning in the western portion of Deaf Smith County.

The blazes, which consumed more than 550 acres of Conservation Reserve Program land, was intentionally set, according to Fire Marshal Jay Spain.

The first call was received at 8:35 p.m., with 30 acres burning at County Roads M and 10. Ten minutes later, a five-acre fire was reported about a half-mile east on CR 13 and M.

The firefighters had just received the second call when three more came in -- two at 8:50 p.m. and a third at 8:55 p.m. These blazes were at CR KK and 16 (320 acres), CR 6 and NN (100 acres), and CR J and 16 (100 acres).

Spain said the fires were set intentionally, destroying the CRP grassland and causing some damage to a box car.

Dry conditions and gusty spring-like winds make ideal conditions for arson, Spain said.

The fire marshal asks anyone with information about the fires to call the Hereford Volunteer Fire Department, 363-7114.

Spain also said residents should try to get the license plate numbers and descriptions of suspicious vehicles.

SELLING INDIAN COUNTRY: Tribes now woo European visitors

By JEFF BARNARD
Associated Press Writer

Since Columbus unleashed an onslaught of Europeans on North America 500 years ago, Indian tribes have been defeated in war, uprooted from their land, ravaged by disease and left in abject poverty.

This weekend, four American Indian tribes head to the world's biggest tourism trade show in Berlin in a reverse voyage of discovery to invite Europeans - especially Germans - to visit their reservations on vacation.

The tribes hope the tourists will spend some much-needed cash.

Oregon's Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla will be handing out posters of Cayuse Chief Sulump in a magnificent buffalo horn headdress with the slogan "Nicht Ihr Durchschnittlicher Reisefuhrer."

That's German for "Not your average tour guide."

"With all the reservation economies who are trying to develop the flow of dollars from the outside ... we need to be thinking globally," said tribe spokeswoman Bobbie Conner.

Oregon's Umatilla and Warm Springs tribes will be joined at the International Tourism Exchange by representatives of the Eastern Band of Cherokees in North Carolina and the Blackfeet in Montana.

They are all scrambling to capitalize on an apparent German fascination with all things American Indian.

There are over 300 Indian clubs in Germany with an estimated 85,000 members. They dress up in native regalia, make up names and have weekend

"Nicht Ihr Durchschnittlicher Reisefuhrer"

get-togethers. A powwow in Essen four years ago drew 6,000 of the 'Indians.'

Germany's love affair with the American Indian goes back to the late 19th century, when Karl May, a teacher who had never been to America, wrote a series of adventure novels about Old Shatterhand and his Apache sidekick, Winnetou. They sold millions of copies and remain popular today.

In the 1960s and 1970s, a movie genre known as "Indianerfilme" grew in East Germany where the Indians were the heroes, not the cowboys.

"There are few other peoples which have developed as much sympathy for Indians as the Germans," wrote German cultural historian Ekehard Koch.

He pinned the phenomenon on everything from the desire for freedom and adventure to an "anti-civilization critique of culture" and that, beginning in 1700 and especially after 1830, millions of Germans left to seek their fortunes in the "so-called Land of Endless Possibilities."

The Cherokee were the first tribe to see the possibilities of selling Indian Country overseas, going to the international tourist trade show in 1991.

With their 56,000-acre reservation next to Great Smokies National Park, the Cherokee have been in the tourism business since the 1940s. The reservation

has 450 tourist businesses, ranging from a casino to go-cart tracks. There are 44 motels, 28 campgrounds, and 30 miles of trout streams. Tourism brought in \$70 million last year, exclusive of the casino.

"The Museum of the Cherokee Indian here questioned the value of us participating in that event and tapping into the German market," said Dave Redman, director of the tribe's travel office in Cherokee, N.C.

"After the first year, the manager called me over and said, 'I want to show you something. Here's how it breaks out on visitation: Number one is the state of North Carolina. Second is the state of Florida. The third grouping is foreign, led by Germany,'" Redman said.

"The German audience is extremely mobile. They are very independent travelers. And they normally have about three weeks travel time in the country."

Terry Wellman, a member of the Blackfoot Tribe, noticed a couple years ago that a lot of foreign tourists were stopping at his Warbonnet Lodge in Browning, Mont., on their way to Glacier National Park, which was part of the Blackfeet Reservation until 1909.

"They were very interested in staying longer, but there was nothing for them to do here," Wellman said.

Far from any population base, there is no casino on the reservation though there is the Museum of the Plains Indian.

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Local Roundup

Recycling day

The regular monthly recycling day sponsored by Community Christian School Service Club and Hereford Beautification Alliance will be held from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday in the parking lot of St. Anthony's School. Bundled newspapers, aluminum and other metals, as well as car batteries, will be accepted. Glass and plastic will not be accepted.

Memorial fund established

As a memorial to the late Gary Billingsley, long-time supporter of Scouting, local Scouts are building a ceremonial cannon. A fund to defray the cost of the cannon has been established at Hereford State Bank. Anyone wishing to contribute to the fund should see HSB employee Brenda Milam.

Support group to meet

A truckers' support group meeting will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday in the Hereford Community Center.

Bluebonnet waiver day

Students at Bluebonnet Intermediate School will not be in class on Friday due to a school waiver day. Classes will resume Monday as scheduled. This is only for students at Bluebonnet. All other campuses will hold classes as usual.

Cloudy, fog

Tonight, cloudy with areas of fog and drizzle or freezing drizzle, low near 30, east to southeast wind 5-15 mph.

Friday, cloudy with areas of fog and drizzle or freezing drizzle early, then becoming mostly cloudy and breezy by afternoon, high 50 to 55, wind becoming southwest and increasing to 15-25 mph with higher gusts by afternoon. Friday night, cloudy and breezy with a 20 percent chance of light rain, low near 35.

3-DAY FORECAST

Saturday, cloudy and cold with a chance of rain or snow, high in lower 40s.

Sunday, becoming partly cloudy, low in mid-20s, high in the lower 50s.

Monday, partly cloudy, low in the upper 20s, high in the lower 60s.

WEDNESDAY RECAP

High, 74; low, 29; no precipitation.

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for March 4, 1998, include the following:

Police Department

--A 15-year-old girl was reported as a runaway in the 400 block of Avenue C.

--A boys' bicycle was stolen in the 200 block of 16th.

--A disturbance call was reported in the 300 block of Star. No assault was reported.

Sheriff's Department Arrests

A 33-year-old woman began serving time on a theft by check commitment.

Fire Department

--12:53 p.m. fire fighters responded to an out-of-control

controlled burn 10 miles north on 385 and 4 west on Road 15.

--1:12 p.m. fire fighters responded to an out-of-control trash fire, five miles south on 385.

--6:05 p.m. fire fighters responded to a grass fire six miles west and two miles north of Walcott school. An electric fence shorted the grass, burning the pasture.

--Five fires were intentionally set in the western portion of the county. See article on page 1.

Accidents

--A two vehicle accident was reported in the 400 block of East 15th. Minor injuries were reported.

--A two car vehicle accident at the intersection of East Park Avenue and Avenue D. No injuries were reported.

University executive salaries questioned

Staff demoralized by less than equal pay raises

AUSTIN (AP) Pay raises for top university executives are demoralizing to the schools' faculty and staff members, a group representing those employees said.

The Texas Faculty Association on Wednesday released a salary survey based on data it obtained through the Texas Public Information Act.

The group said the average salary for university presidents and chancellors is \$170,621 - up \$10,373, or 6.4 percent, from the previous year. For community college executives, the salary figure was \$105,593, a raise of \$4,536 or 4.5 percent.

"The salary increases for presidents and chancellors should not be out of line with those for the faculty and staff. When they are, it is tremendously demoralizing," said Jim Phaup, who chairs the faculty association's governmental relations committee.

"Low morale undermines performance. And that's not good for our students," Phaup said.

The group cited as an example University of Texas System Chancellor William Cunningham, whose salary rose \$49,000, 16.3 percent, to \$350,000.

"There's always money for top

UT officials, but there's never money for staff," said Peg Kramer, a UT-Austin student adviser and president of the University Staff Association.

She told the Austin American-Statesman her organization is exploring the possibility of unionizing to push for better wages for non-teaching university staff.

Raises averaged 4.9 percent this fiscal year, according to UT budget office data. A consultant last year found that of 6,281 UT-Austin staffers surveyed, 94 percent were paid below the market average.

"Our staff salaries are ridiculous

throughout the system," said Lowell Lebermann of Austin, one of the nine UT regents. "But I don't see that as the same thing" as Cunningham's salary.

Cunningham is the chief executive of the state's largest higher education system, with 150,000 students. Regents, who set salaries, hired a consulting firm that reported the chancellor's pay was below par when compared with those of 14 public and 12 private schools nationwide, said regent Dub Ritter of Tyler.

"We think Dr. Cunningham's salary is very fair," said regent Patrick Oxford of Houston.

Of Cunningham's salary, \$70,231 is paid with state appropriations; the remainder comes from private donations, Ritter said. He said Cunningham wasn't involved in salary discussions.

The Texas Faculty Association study said Texas Tech Chancellor John Montford's salary rose 7.5 percent, to \$290,184, making him the second-highest paid Texas university administrator. Texas A&M Chancellor Barry Thompson's salary was \$268,838, a 20.5 percent increase. He did not get a raise in 1997.

UT regent Lebermann said it is unfair to penalize academic chiefs when corporate executives are paid much more.

"If he (Cunningham) were running a corporation, with ... all of the functions he oversees, he'd be making five or six times" his salary, Lebermann said.

Cunningham, who previously was UT-Austin president, said that while he has been "well-treated by the board" of regents, he is concerned about staff and faculty pay.

"I've spent my entire professional career as a president and a chancellor trying to improve the salaries of faculty and staff, first at UT-Austin and now at the UT system. It's a significant problem systemwide," he said.

He pledged to go back to the 1999 Legislature to seek more money for employee salaries.



First to awaken

Daffodils, with their bright green leaves and even brighter yellow blossoms are always the first signs spring is on the way. These bright blossoms have bloomed in the slight shelter of a porch which protects them from the cold north winds. With a cold front on the way, even the early bright spots may decide it would have been better to wait a week.

Ethanol eases gluten production

New methods look promising, profitable

WASHINGTON (AP) - Ethanol already can make your car more environmentally friendly. Now it has the potential to significantly reduce the time, energy and water needed to make wheat gluten, the fine powder essential to many bakery products and animal feeds.

Government research on a new method of processing gluten with ethanol - a corn-based alternative fuel - shows promise. And it gives more ammunition to ethanol supporters battling to extend its special tax break.

The new method is ready for pilot testing, said George Robertson, a chemical engineer for the Agriculture Department's research service. Thus far, tests show it takes half the time of the conventional method.

"It has a lot of potential," Robertson said. "We anticipate energy savings, we anticipate less waste-disposal costs."

Wheat gluten, the natural protein

portion of the grain, helps whole-grain breads rise and strengthens hot dog buns so they can open without breaking. It adds protein to breakfast cereals and pet foods. Gluten is extracted after milling, and the remaining starch can be used as a thickener or in cosmetics or cardboard.

The gluten industry consumes about 22 million bushels at a cost of about \$100 million each year. About 2 billion tons of wheat flour yields 300 million pounds of gluten annually.

Manufacturers use 30 tons of water to recover one ton of gluten. But the new ethanol method would require much less water, and unlike the current process, nearly all the liquid could be directly reused. And the ethanol process breaks the gluten into smaller clumps that dry faster.

And research eventually could turn up a method of making a new, wheat

starch-based ethanol.

"Involved in all of this is a desire to make the processing of ethanol cheaper, and ultimately, to get to the point where the subsidy is not needed or not needed at the level it's applied currently," Robertson said.

Ethanol is now subsidized by a discount of 5.4 cents a gallon off the federal gasoline tax.

The gluten industry regards the experiments with interest, although it now concentrates on creating new products in hopes of generating greater demand for gluten.

"It's nothing we would sink additional dollars into at this point," said Ladd Seaberg, president and CEO of the nation's largest gluten manufacturer, Midwest Grain Products Inc. of Atchison, Kan. "It would make more sense if there was a higher market demand for wheat gluten in the United States."

Midwest Grain has developed environmentally friendly products

ranging from cattle feed in an edible, biodegradable tub to plastic forks, knives and spoons to teeth-cleaning dog treats.

Seaberg, who serves as president of the U.S. Wheat Gluten Industry Council, said his main concern with the research is that ethanol is highly flammable.

"Anytime you use a very flammable, explosive agent like ethanol, you have to be careful," he said. "You have to use very special equipment to dry the final product and do it safely."

Robertson said he and his colleagues at the Agricultural Research Service center in Albany, Calif., discovered that while more complex equipment would be needed to control the volatility of the ethanol vapors, drying could be done at much lower temperatures.

"At the temperatures we've applied," Robertson said, "you can't even smell it."

Feds change naturalization testing

WASHINGTON (AP) - Immigrant-service centers, religious organizations and other community groups offering citizenship testing to hundreds of thousands of prospective Americans no longer will be able to do so under changes outlined by the federal government.

Under pressure from Congress to fix a citizenship testing program rife with fraud and widespread cheating, the Immigration and Naturalization Service announced Wednesday that it will take the program in-house, ending private-sector testing as of Sept. 1.

The announcement came as Clinton administration officials readied for a day of uncomfortable scrutiny from House and Senate immigration panels meeting today to investigate problems in the naturalization program.

"We are motivated to make these (changes) both by a need to reduce fraud and to improve customer service and efficiency," said INS Commissioner Doris Meissner.

But key congressional leaders have questions about the INS plan, which is the latest in a series of major overhauls to a citizenship program that has drawn intense scrutiny for flaws that allowed 180,000 foreigners to become Americans in 1996 without complete criminal background checks.

Joe McMonigle, a spokesman for Sen. Spencer Abraham, the Michigan Republican who chairs the Senate immigration subcommittee, said the

testing plan "raises all sorts of management concerns that Sen. Abraham has about INS."

Abraham's House counterpart, Rep. Lamar Smith, likewise isn't rushing to embrace the INS plan even though Smith has introduced legislation that would require the government to retake control over the testing program.

"It's fine that INS is trying to do something, but there's no reason to have any confidence in their ability to actually carry out reform," said Allen Kay, a spokesman for the San Antonio Republican.

The INS proposal to limit testing to its 100 or so fingerprinting service centers as of Sept. 1 is worrying immigrant advocates. Would-be Americans, who currently can take the written English and civics tests at some 1,000 locations, will have far fewer places to go, they note.

"Our concern is that it will just reduce access to a lot of legal immigrants who just feel more comfortable going to a community-based organization or community college to take their test there," said Lillian Hiraes of the National Council of La Raza.

Some 240,000 of the 1.6 million people who applied last year for citizenship took their written tests through subcontractors affiliated with the five national testing organizations allowed by INS to perform outside testing. The rest took their tests through INS.

INS officials stress the customer

service aspect of the changes. "By combining testing and fingerprinting into the same visit, INS will be saving naturalization applicants time and expense while maintaining firsthand supervision of two of the essential requirements for citizenship," Meissner said.

The agency initiated the outside testing program in 1991 to make it more accessible and user-friendly to immigrants. But the program has been rocked by reports of cheating and fraud.

Wednesday, four people were indicted in Alexandria, Va. in connection with a scheme to fraudulently provide passing scores to more than 280 people. In January, 20 people were indicted in California on charges they collected more than \$3 million for promising as many as 13,000 immigrants in 22 states that they would secure passing grades.

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Obituaries

ZELMA RUTH ALLMON NOEL
March 4, 1998

CANYON - Funeral services for Zelma Ruth Allmon Noel, 68, of Canyon will be 10 a.m. Friday at the University Church of Christ in Canyon with Mr. David Lough officiating and Bob Shepherd assisting. Burial will be in Dreamland Cemetery in Canyon. Arrangements are under the direction of Holley Funeral Home of Canyon.

Mrs. Noel was born Dec. 6, 1929, in Fowler Meade County, Kan., to D.C. Allmon and Maude Chapman. She was a member of the University Church of Christ, University Study Club, and Secretaries Association. She married Gene Noel on Dec. 27, 1964 in Hereford and had worked at WT as a secretary.

Survivors include her husband, Gene Noel of Canyon, two sons, Lynn Noel of Amarillo, Michael I. Noel of Wilburton, Okla., one daughter, Debra Kay Cunningham of Casterville, Texas, two sisters, Mary Lou Aven of Hereford, and Phyllis Deaton of Houston; one brother Charles Allmon of Austin; seven grandchild-

ren. Memorials should be made to the High Plains Children's Home or St. Anthony's Hospice of Amarillo.

CARROLL MOORE

March 3, 1998

WILDORADO - Graveside services for Carroll Moore, 64, of Wildorado, will be 11 a.m. Friday at the Palo Duro Wildorado Cemetery in Wildorado with Mike Bartlett of Palo Duro Baptist Church officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of N.S. Griggs & Sons Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Moore was born Dec. 25, 1933, in Amarillo. She married Harold Dean Moore on August 14, 1954. She lived in Wildorado for 45 years.

Survivors include her husband, Harold Moore of Wildorado; two sons, Joe Moore and Al K. Moore, both of Wildorado; one daughter, Jill Moore of Sanger; one brother, Maurice Meredith of California; one sister, Judi Werner of Spokane, Wash.; six grand children and one great-grandson.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Laverne Perry.

Any ideas or suggestions?

If it's news to you, then it's news to us. If you have any ideas or suggestions for news or feature stories, just give us a call at The Brand, 384-2030.



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AUSTIN (AP) - No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

A winning ticket would have been worth an estimated \$4 million.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 10, 15, 24, 43, 44, 48. Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$8 million.

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-5-8

Lifestyles

Ann Landers

Proper instruction can remedy sexual performance problem

Dear Ann Landers: I am writing to you because I don't know where else to go and have no idea what to do about my problem, which is intensely personal.

Ever since I married in 1985, I have had a problem with premature ejaculation. My wife divorced me seven years ago, and some of her parting comments were very painful. She cited my "adolescent sexual performance" as one of the reasons she was leaving. I'm sure this was an excuse for other things that bothered her, but I also know my sexual inadequacy didn't help. It must be very frustrating to a woman.

After my divorce, the problem got worse and has remained that way. For this reason, I have shied away from serious relationships. I'm writing to you, Ann, because I now have met someone very special. We've been dating for three months and have had many terrific evenings together. I am developing some very deep feelings for her and am certain she feels the same about me. I'm sure she is also beginning to wonder why a grown man seems willing to settle for high school necking.

I want this problem corrected, but I have a very high-profile job and news travels fast in this town. There are no secrets. What can I do about it? -- Ready for a Change in D.C.

Dear D.C.: You can stop agonizing about "news traveling fast" and go immediately to a urologist and get some help. Your problem is one that can be remedied with proper instruction. Tell your girlfriend about your problem, and don't worry about how she'll take it. If she is as great as you say, she will be supportive and helpful.

Dear Ann Landers: Thirty or 40 years ago, most of the staff and students at colleges and universities smoked. Today, there might be one

or two pathetic outcasts huddled in ivy-covered doorways or terraces, getting a last pull of smoke into their lungs. In this environment, my wife and I, along with millions of others, managed to break the hold of the nicotine monster. We quit smoking.

As you know, recent reports of increased smoking by teenagers are alarming. So what can be done? I suggest that you urge schoolteachers at all levels to conduct contests in which the students develop short, powerful anti-smoking slogans. Then, they could vote on which slogan is likely to be "most effective." An example could be something like "Smokers are Losers." Winners could receive appropriate prizes, and the results could be given to local newspapers and radio and TV stations.

Also, schools could compete with each other and have their slogans judged by advertising firms. Many anti-smoking ideas could receive some publicity this way.

Go to it, Ann. The ball is in your court. -- The Old Prof in Okemos, Mich.

Dear Old Prof: You say, "Today, there might be one or two pathetic outcasts huddled in ivy-covered doorways or terraces, getting a last pull of smoke into their lungs." Your statement is picturesque, but your numbers are wrong. There are a lot more than "one or two."

On the campuses I have visited in the last few years, I have seen a great many smokers in small groups fighting up, and it saddens me because I know these young people are addicted. The strategy of the tobacco people is to "get 'em hooked young," and it certainly has worked.

Your suggestions, however, are good ones. The best slogan I can think of is "Smoking Stinks" -- because it certainly does.

What's the truth about pot, cocaine, LSD, PCP, crack, speed and downers? "The Lowdown on Dope" has up-to-the-minute information on drugs. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$3.75 (this includes postage and handling) to: Lowdown, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562.



Scout Troop 50 held its annual Blue and Gold Banquet recently with a Hawaiian theme. Included on the menu was roasted pig, pictured at right. At the conclusion of the ceremonies, members of Den 3 crossed the bridge into Boy Scouts and were welcomed by members of Troop 52, in photo above.



Scouts receive awards at banquet

Cub Scout Troop 50 held its annual Blue and Gold Banquet recently in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church.

Forty-seven boys in scouting received a total of 130 awards during the course of the evening.

The banquet, which featured an Hawaiian theme, was highlighted by a whole, roasted pig displayed complete with an apple in its mouth and surrounded by carved fruit.

Cubmaster Jeff Milam served as master of ceremonies. A "Lad and Dad" baked good auction, with Shannon Wilburn as auctioneer, raised funds for individual dens.

Leaders Lisa Blakely and Wanda

Jesko presented Wolf badges to Justin Blakely, Samuel Cantwell, Layne Cates, Danny Hamby, John Jackson, Markus Jesko, Stephan Martinez, Preston McDonald, Brock Miller, Matthew Pena, Joshua Riddle and Kaleb Schmidt.

Recipients of the Bear badge, presented by leaders Brenda Milam and Jim Brockman, were Matthew Agan, Adrian Baca, Hunter Barrett, Lee Betzen, Chris Brockman, Mitchell Cates, Seth Duggan, Matthew Gamboa, Aaron Milam, Brendan Newton, Corbin Parrack and Edward Wait.

Den leaders Shannon Wilburn and Barbara Franks presented Webelos

badges to Ryan Buchanan, Aaron Franks, Chris Jesko, Jonathan Paschel, Michael Rojas and Andrew Wilburn.

The final presentation was the Arrow of Light badge, by leaders Steve Langford and Roy Newton, to the Scouts of Den 3 who then crossed over the bridge into Boy Scouts. The young men who were welcomed by Scoutmaster Randy Laing and Troop 52 were James Duggan, Caleb Gaylor, Rob Hazlett, Eric Horton, Thomas Langford, Jody Lawrence, Brant Newton, Joshua Schroeter, Dustin Simmons and Jeremy Wilkins.

Milam also presented each of the den leaders a certificate in appreciation of their work with scouting.

Names in the News

ROME (AP) - Ex-porn star Ilona "Ciccilina" Staller says she'll fight an Italian court ruling that cost her custody of her 5-year-old son.

The court on Wednesday called her an unfit parent and "too permissive." "I love my son, I live for him," Staller said in promising she would appeal. "It's cruel."

Staller and her former husband, the pop artist Jeffrey Koons, have been fighting for years over their son, Ludwig. The latest court ruling gave Staller visiting privileges with the boy, who is supposed to go and live with his father in New York.

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Ohio resident still calls Texas home

Great-granddaughter of Sam Houston visits for anniversary

HUNTSVILLE, Texas - It's only a line on a map. But every time Ohio resident Margaret Rost crosses the Texas border, something remarkable happens. She becomes royalty.

Mrs. Rost, 75, is the great-granddaughter of the greatest Texan of all - patriot, statesman, soldier and Republic of Texas president - Sam Houston.

"In Cincinnati, it's 'Sam who?'" Mrs. Rost said. "But when I cross that border"

Mrs. Rost shifted her weight, sinking deeper into the crimson velvet sofa in the parlor of Houston's old log farmhouse on the grounds of the Sam Houston Memorial Museum. "This," she said, struggling with tears, "is home."

Mrs. Rost, accompanied by her two middle-aged sons, visited Huntsville on Monday, the 162nd anniversary of the signing of the Texas Declaration of Independence at Washington-on-the-Brazos. It was two days after that historic March 2, 1836, event that Sam Houston was named major general of the revolutionary army.

Thus escalated the conflict with Mexico that ended with Houston's victory over Santa Anna at San Jacinto on April 21, 1836.

Monday also marked Houston's 205th birthday.

"He was a very compassionate man who loved children," Mrs. Rost said, recalling her great-grandfather. "I've talked to some of the other descendants, and all of his children thought that they were the favorite. That was an accomplishment - all thought they were loved best."

Mrs. Rost, who lived in San Antonio as a child but has spent her adult life in Ohio, brought with her the last known Houston artifacts in private ownership. Among them are a jeweled brooch presented the hero of San Jacinto by Santa Anna, reportedly as a token of appreciation for sparing his life.

Also among the items to be donated to the museum, operated through Sam Houston State University, are the green felt hat Houston may have worn to the 1838 inauguration of Texas President Mirabeau B. Lamar, a beaded Indian purse, silver candlesticks and tableware, previously unpublished love letters written during Houston's early Texas years and a number of books from his library.

Mrs. Rost said the Santa Anna brooch contains a lock of Houston's hair; a smaller locket - actually a watch fob given Houston by the Marquis de Lafayette - likely holds a snippet of hair from Houston mentor Andrew Jackson.

"I'm not planning to die," Mrs. Rost said wryly, "but I'm acting like it. I'm wrapping up some loose ends."

As officials of the museum and the university waited outside to take her to a ceremony at Houston's grave, Mrs. Rost offered vignettes of life in a family dominated by the great man long after his death.

"We lived and breathed Sam Houston. I lived with the daughter of Sam Houston my first 10 years," she said, noting that her grandmother was extremely proud of her heritage. "She was very active in historic organizations. She certainly wanted to keep his memory alive. There was great devotion between my grandmother and her father. My grandmother was a righteous woman. She admired the fact that he was a man of honor, a man of his word."

Mrs. Rost's grandmother was Antoinette Houston Bringhurst, born in the Huntsville farmhouse in 1852, the fifth of Houston's eight children. By the late 1920s, the aged Mrs. Bringhurst lived with Mrs. Rost and her mother in San Antonio. The home was a virtual Houston museum, and Mrs. Rost's first exposure to Shakespeare came from reading a collection owned by her great-grandfather.

As a child, Mrs. Rost conceded, she sometimes chafed under the

celebrity surrounding the circumstances of her birth. When she was just 3, she said, she was called upon to pull the cord that released the veil from the Sam Houston equestrian statue in Houston's Hermann Park.

A series of tragic events, though, spelled the end to Mrs. Rost's life as a member of the Houston family in history-worshiping San Antonio. In December 1932, Antoinette Bringhurst was killed in an auto accident as the family traveled to Houston to visit the ailing Andrew Jackson Houston, the only other surviving Houston child. Mrs. Rost's mother died a little more than two years later of internal injuries suffered in the crash.

Mrs. Rost was sent to live with family friends in Fort Thomas, Ky.

Although she made occasional visits to Texas, Mrs. Rost spent her teenage years in Kentucky. In 1943, she married Claude John August Rost, who was to become president of a Cincinnati advertising agency.

"I got my husband down to Texas in 1944," she recalled. "But it was May and it was 90 degrees, and he was perfectly miserable. We went down the street stopping at every juice bar to get something to drink. I never did get him down here again."

The birth of her sons, the development of her career in Cincinnati, first as a schoolteacher, then as superintendent of the county school system for the retarded, effectively ensured that she never would move back to Texas.



Tickets for supper

Hereford Pilot Club will hold its annual Stack Supper fund-raiser at the Hereford Community Center from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on March 12. Elvira Enriquez, left, Stack Supper coordinator, distributes tickets to Pilot Club member Betty Taylor. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12.

Today in History

By The Associated Press
Today is Thursday, March 5, the 64th day of 1998. There are 301 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On March 5, 1963, a private plane crash near Camden, Tenn., claimed the lives of country music performers Patsy Cline, "Cowboy" Copas and "Hawkshaw" Hawkins.

On this date:
In 1766, Spanish official Don Antonio de Ulloa arrived in New Orleans to take possession of the Louisiana Territory from the French.

In 1770, the Boston Massacre took place as British soldiers who'd been taunted by a crowd of colonists opened fire, killing five people. Two British soldiers were later convicted of manslaughter.

In 1867, an abortive Fenian uprising against English rule took place in Ireland.

In 1868, the Senate was organized into a court of impeachment to decide charges against President Andrew Johnson.

In 1933, in German parliamentary elections, the Nazi Party won 44 percent of the vote, enabling it to join with Nationalists to gain a slender majority in the Reichstag.

In 1946, Winston Churchill delivered his famous "Iron Curtain" speech at Westminster College in Fulton, Mo.

In 1953, Soviet dictator Josef Stalin died at age 73 after 29 years in power.

In 1970, a nuclear non-proliferation treaty went into effect after 43 nations ratified it.

In 1976, the British pound fell below the equivalent of \$2 for the first time.

In 1977, President Carter took questions from 42 telephone callers in 26 states on a network radio call-in program moderated by Walter Cronkite.

In 1982, comedian John Belushi was found dead of a drug overdose in a rented bungalow in Hollywood; he was 33.

Ten years ago: Vice President

George Bush won the South Carolina Republican primary, with Kansas Senator Bob Dole running a distant second, followed by Pat Robertson and New York Congressman Jack Kemp.

Five years ago: The White House sought new ways to inflict what a spokesman called "real pain and real price" on Serb aggressors in Bosnia by tightening the U.N. blockade on supplies and money to the region.

One year ago: The Ohio River rose to its highest level in a generation, flooding the area near Louisville, Ky. Tommy Lasorda, Nellie Fox and Willie Wells Sr. were elected to baseball's Hall of Fame. North Korea and South Korea met for first time in 25 years to talk peace.

Today's Birthdays: Actor James Noble is 76. Actor James B. Sicking is 64. Actor Dean Stockwell is 62. Actor Fred Williamson is 60. Actor Paul Sand is 54. Actor Michael Warren is 52. Singer Eddy Grant is 50. Violinist Eugene Fodor is 48.

Memorial fund will honor Palmer

Friends of the late Kathlee Sihler Palmer have set up a memorial fund for music and music education at the Deaf Smith County Library in appreciation of all the things Mrs. Palmer contributed to the community.

A reception and memorial fund dedication will be held at 7 p.m. March 9 at the county library.

Mrs. Palmer was a voice teacher who came to Hereford from North Dakota in the early 1960s. She taught voice in Hereford, Friona and Bovina and had students from Amarillo, Farwell, Canyon, Vega and Dawn.

She was associated with the Music Study Club, Calliopean Club, Amarillo Symphony and Hereford

Community Concert Association. She was instrumental in founding the Concerts of the Community Concert Association.

Mrs. Palmer died Oct. 9, 1997. The reception and memorial fund dedication are open to all members of the community who wish to pay tribute to Mrs. Palmer.

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NBA

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Philadelphia 87, Milwaukee 90
Orlando 96, Seattle 83
Charlotte 112, Minnesota 102
Cleveland 122, Toronto 89
Utah 110, Boston 94
Sacramento 109, Detroit 89
Golden State 90, San Antonio 83
L.A. Lakers 104, Indiana 95

Thursday's Games
New York at Washington, 6 p.m.
Denver at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

NHL

Wednesday's Games
N.Y. Rangers 4, Florida 3
Colorado 5, Toronto 3
Montreal 3, Dallas 1
Edmonton 4, Tampa Bay 2
Detroit 2, Anaheim 0

Thursday's Games
Chicago at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.
Colorado at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.
Boston at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Washington at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Montreal at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m.
Calgary at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Detroit at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.
Carolina at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

MLB

Wednesday's Games
Minnesota 6, New York Yankees (ea) 4
Texas 8, Toronto 5
Tampa Bay (ea) 10, Cincinnati (ea) 2
Cleveland 10, Kansas City 7, 11 innings
Atlanta 4, Boston 3
Detroit (ea) 6, Florida 4
St. Louis 6, Baltimore (ea) 3
Philadelphia 13, Pittsburgh 2
Houston 4, Montreal 2
Los Angeles 7, New York Mets 6
Baltimore (ea) 7, Mexico City Reds 3
New York Yankees (ea) 9, Cincinnati (ea) 6

Seattle 9, Anaheim 7, 10 innings
Chicago White Sox 15, Colorado 4
Milwaukee 6, Oakland 1
San Diego 16, San Francisco 7
Arizona 9, Chicago Cubs 6
Tampa Bay (ea) 7, Detroit (ea) 6

IN BRIEF

Sutton honored

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) -- Eddie Sutton ought to know a thing or two about conference coach-of-the-year awards.

In 27 years, he has won six in three different leagues. Now, in the 28th year of a much-honored career, he's won seven in four.

A panel of 24 media representatives, noting his 21-5 record with a team most expected to finish no higher than seventh, made him an easy winner Thursday of The Associated Press Big 12 coach of the year award.

"The problem with these things is the assistant coaches and the players don't get the recognition they deserve," said Sutton, who was previously chosen top coach with Arkansas in the Southwest Conference, Kentucky in the Southeastern Conference and Oklahoma State in the Big Eight.

Teams swap goalies

PHILADELPHIA (AP) -- The Philadelphia Flyers hope they found the goalie who can take them to the Stanley Cup in Sean Burke.

The Flyers acquired Burke from the Vancouver Canucks on Wednesday in exchange for backup goaltender Garth Snow. Philadelphia has been criticized in recent years for weak goaltending in the playoffs, particularly the last two seasons.

It was the second trade in two months for Burke, 31, who was acquired by Vancouver from Carolina on Jan. 2.

"I was initially surprised, but now I'm excited," said Burke. Burke is 7-11-5 with a 2.80 goals-against average and a save percentage of .899.

Rodeo

Rodeo Money Leaders
By The Associated Press
Through March 2
TEAM ROPING (HEADING)

1. Speed Williams, Jacksonville, Fla., \$19,505. 2. Bret Bostright, Mulhall, Okla., \$15,110. 3. J.P. Wickham, Midford, Okla., \$11,466. 4. Mike Fuller, Clarkston, Wash., \$9,626. 5. Bobby Hurley, Ceres, Calif., \$8,259. 6. Todd Arthur, Waller, Texas, \$8,217. 7. Matt Tyler, Corsicana, Texas, \$8,069. 8. Charles Pogue, Ringling, Okla., \$6,215. 9. Charly Brett Crawford, Carby, Ore., \$7,066. 10. Vic Morrison, Bowie, Texas, \$7,261.

11. Kevin Stewart, Glen Rose, Texas, \$7,002. 12. Lance Brooks, Standon, Calif., \$6,672. 13. J.D. Yates, Pueblo, Colo., \$5,689. 14. Mark Simon, Socorro, N.M., \$5,641. 15. Jimmy Tanner, Tilton, Ga., \$5,625. 16. Jason Stewart, Royal City, Wash., \$5,480. 17. Larry Harris, Springer, N.M., \$5,398. 18. Tee Woolman, Llano, Texas, \$5,387. 19. Brady Wren, Kerrville, Texas, \$4,730. 20. Steve Purcella, Hereford, Texas, \$4,714.

STEER ROPING

1. Mark Freeman, Freedom, Okla., \$6,306. 2. Bucky Helmer, Chelsea, Okla., \$6,256. 3. Buster Record Jr., Buffalo, Okla., \$5,230. 4. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas, \$4,576. 5. De Lynn Jones, Hobbs, N.M., \$4,463. 6. Jim Davis, Abilene, Texas, \$3,915. 7. Grady Potter, Arkansas City, Kan., \$3,889. 8. Dan Fisher, Andrews, Texas, \$2,039. 9. Guy Allen, Lovington, N.M., \$1,974. 10. Hooby Barnett, Garden City, Kan., \$1,725. Leo Campbell, Canyon, Texas, \$1,725.

12. Tee Woolman, Llano, Texas, \$1,487. 13. Sholy Garten, Pawhuska, Okla., \$1,426. Bill Goodger, Boyd, Texas, \$1,426. 15. Mack Allizer, Dal Rio, Texas, \$1,423. 16. Vance Vest, Monahans, Texas, \$1,138. 17. Rocky Patterson, Pratt, Kan., \$1,130. 18. Cooby Goodwin, Canyon, Texas, \$833. 19. C.A. Lauer, Buffalo, Okla., \$782. J.B. Whalley, Gardendale, Texas, \$782.

McKinney girls enjoy community support

By LISA KILBORN

The Dallas Morning News MCKINNEY -- Lionettes wing Tracy Gahan was driving around McKinney last weekend when she noticed a man waving furiously at her from another car. He gave her a thumbs up sign and mouthed, "Good luck."

Point guard Jamie Critchfield heard shouts of "JAMODI" -- Just A Matter Of Doing It, the team's slogan this season -- as people approached her.

Post Kristin Tramonte got a

"People came up to the girls this weekend who they had never seen before. Little kids came up to the girls and got their autographs. We are just thrilled to get to state, and it looks like the whole town is, too."

-- Glenna Duncan

message even closer to home. The phone rang the other day, and the caller asked Tramonte's mother: "Is this the home of Kristin Tramonte of the Lionettes?" Then he inquired about tickets to the state tournament,

which is Thursday through Saturday in Austin.

"I wasn't there to talk with him," Tramonte said, "but I would have said hello."

McKinney (31-3) plays Canyon

Randall (27-6) in the Class 4A semifinals at 8:30 p.m. Thursday at the University of Texas' Erwin Center.

"People came up to the girls this weekend who they had never seen before," McKinney coach Glenna Duncan said. "Little kids came up to the girls and got their autographs. We are just thrilled to get to state, and it looks like the whole town is, too."

Residents are so excited that a volunteer set up a flyover Tuesday afternoon at the school.

"Go McKinney Lionettes," the

well-wisher wrote across the sky. The sky's the limit for the team that unseated Cedar Hill, last season's state runner-up, in the Region II final. McKinney's only other trip to the state tournament came in 1986, when it lost in the semifinals.

Students making the trip to Austin will tour the LBJ Library at 10 a.m. Friday on the Texas campus instead of going to class. That will tide them over until Saturday's final, if McKinney passes its on-court exam.

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Habs ice Dallas' 6-game streak

DALLAS (AP) -- Andy Moog frustrated his former teammates with a 24-save performance as the Montreal Canadiens ended the Dallas Stars' six-game unbeaten streak 3-1 Wednesday night.

Moog registered his 370th career victory while Montreal was ending a four-game losing streak.

Moog was the Stars' No. 1 goaltender in their first four seasons in Dallas before signing a free-agent contract with the Canadiens in the offseason.

Montreal	2	0	1-3
Dallas	0	0	1-1
First Period--1. Montreal, Bureau 8 (Poulin, Zaslavski), 13:09. 2. Montreal, Damphousse 15 (Popovic, Recho), 14:13. Penalties--Nieuwendyk, Dal (interference), 6:23; Savage, Mon (tripping), 7:58; Munt, Dal (hooking), 10:55; Harvey, Dal, major (fighting), 15:23; Quintal, Mon, major (fighting), 15:23; Eriabols, Mon, double minor (high-sticking), 15:43.			
Second Period--None. Penalties--Ludwig, Dal (hooking), 28; Slavenerson, Mon (hooking), 3:48.			
Third Period--4. Dallas, Nieuwendyk 25 (Chambers, Ludwig), 2:52. 5. Montreal, Ruchnety 19 (Kohu, Manson), 5:25. Penalties--Verbeek, Dal (tripping), 6:25; Manson, Mon (tripping), 10:29; Verbeek, Dal (slashing), 14:12; Recho, Mon (hooking), 15:27.			
Shots on goal--Montreal 9-11-3--23. Dallas 11-9-8--25. Power-play Opportunities--Montreal 0 of 5; Dallas 0 of 6. Goalies--Montreal, Moog 16-13-2 (25 shots-24 saves). Dallas, Belfour 28-9-8 (23-20). A--16,928 (16,928). Referee--Don Van Massenhoven. Lineupmen--Greg Devorski, Scott Driscoll.			

The Stars, playing their first game without recently injured defenseman Sergei Zubov and Derian Hatcher, were 5-0-1 in their last six games. Joe Nieuwendyk's 25th goal of the season 2:52 into the third period cut the Montreal lead to 2-1.

But Martin Rucinsky answered with his 19th goal of the season. Marc Bureau and Vincent Damphousse scored first-period goals for the Canadiens.

Bureau's goal was a lucky one as his pass from the side of the net banked off Stars winger Jere Lehtinen's skate and into the net at 13:09, Bureau's eighth goal.

Damphousse added his 15th from close range 1:04 later.

Moog took control of the game early, blanking the Stars despite their early 9-2 shot advantage.



Watching carefully

Hereford sophomore Michelle Bixler eyes her shot into the late-afternoon sun Wednesday on the driving range at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course. The Lady Whitefaces will play in Midland Friday and Saturday. The varsity boys team is idle until March 13-14 when they will play in San Angelo.

Nashville franchises battle for fan dollars

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) -- The Nashville Predators thought they had beaten the NFL's Oilers to Music City's pockets by a year. News that the Oilers will be in Nashville this fall couldn't come at a worse time.

The expansion franchise has only four weeks left before a NHL-imposed deadline to sell 12,000 season tickets. As of Wednesday, the Predators still hadn't reached 9,000 and were working feverishly.

The Tennessee Oilers announced Tuesday a tentative agreement to play at Vanderbilt University in September, a few miles from where the Predators are due to hit the ice in October.

Predators owner Craig Leipold, who lobbied the NHL hard to become the only expansion team for the 1998-99 season, said he had been expecting the Oilers to show up in Nashville early.

"We're not surprised or blindsided," Leipold said. "We welcome them to town. They're going to be a great sports ally of ours. I think we're going to work well together, and we don't see it as a downer whatsoever."

To spur ticket sales, the Predators planned a "Hockey-Tonk" party at the historic Ryman Auditorium Wednesday night, to be televised locally Thursday night as a ticket telethon.

Team president Jack Diller said people have been asking him what would happen if the team doesn't meet the deadline. Fines and a lower position in the entry draft are possibilities while still letting the team enter the NHL.

But the Predators want to meet the deadline to keep from entering the NHL under a cloud. Diller said they

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Martin plays well in Austin Pro-Am

By DENNE H. FREEMAN

AUSTIN -- Casey Martin rediscovered his lost golf game.

The disabled golfer, who hasn't played much because of his lawsuit against the PGA Tour, showed Wednesday in a Pro-Am for the Greater Austin Open why he's a threat to leave the Nike Tour and join the big-time.

Despite high winds on the Jack Nicklaus-designed Hills of Lakeway course, Martin drove well, hit beautiful knock-down iron shots and chipped and putted solidly.

Worried about his "rusty" game, Martin was 1-under-par for 15 holes -- but that was all he played.

His Pro-Am team was pulled off the course because it had exceeded a 4 1/2-hour limit.

Tournament official Bob Hyde made the decision just as Martin was to hit a 7-iron on the 173-yard par-3 waterfall hole, played as No. 16 in the tournament.

Martin, playing in his first event since a federal magistrate ruled Feb. 11 he could use a cart because of a damaged left leg, said: "I've already teed my ball up. Can't we play this hole?"

Hyde said no, so Martin limped

Martin at a glance

2nd on Nike Tour money list -- \$40,500 in two tournaments.
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1st in Total Driving (19 placings)
2nd in Driving Leaders -- 285.3 yards (2 measured holes per round)

around signing autographs for his playing partners and spectators.

"I'm very optimistic about my play now," Martin said. "I only hit one bad drive today."

Martin's sudden fame has brought a cascade of endorsements and appearances on national television.

"I imagine the love affair will last as long as I play well," said Martin, who won the first Nike event of the year, then missed the cut in the second one. "It will fade quickly if I don't play good. It all depends now on the scores I shoot."

"I have money now. It's not astronomical but it's great for me. Right now I'm David going against Goliath."

When play starts Thursday, Martin can use his cart under certain restrictions.

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Talking it over

Hereford seniors Amy Killingsworth (left) and Jacque Bezner practice putting on the putting green Wednesday at John Pitman Municipal Golf Course. Bezner had been sidelined with an illness and Wednesday was only her second day back. Bezner said she's limited to about 30 minutes of practice time at present. She said she hopes to be able to play in the Hereford tournament March 27-28.

PGA looks for focus at Doral Open

By RON SIRAK
AP Golf Writer

MIAMI -- Finally, Florida. Finally, the Doral -- Ryder Open where it always feels like the PGA Tour really gets started. Never was that more true than this year.

El Nino blew away parts of the West Coast swing.

Casey Martin and his cart pushed attention off the course and into the courts.

Tiger Woods, Greg Norman and Ernie Els were winning tournaments -- except none were in the United States.

The PGA Tour, which seemingly could do no wrong last year when Tiger-driven attention pushed golf to unprecedented popularity, needs to get attention back on the game.

That should happen at the Doral Resort beginning Thursday when the best field so far this year tees off for the first round of the tournament, the start of the run-up to the Masters five weeks from now.

For this first time this year, Woods, Norman, Davis Love III, Nick Price and Colin Montgomerie -- five of the top six players in the

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Dollars

are busy twisting every arm they can. "I assure you ... we have no shame," Diller said. "We fully intend to get to where we need to go."

Nashville sports fans have the biggest choice. Suddenly, they can pick between two major professional sports franchises, each with high ticket prices.

The final deposits for personal seat licenses, the rights to buy season tickets for the Oilers' new 67,000-seat stadium, are due this summer. The Oilers also will start selling season tickets within the next two months, trying to fill 41,448-seat Vanderbilt Stadium this fall.

The final payment for Predators season tickets is due in August -- if the team meets its March 31 ticket deadline.

One woman, hearing that the

Oilers would be in Nashville this fall, said she doesn't know where she will find the money for all the games she wants to watch.

Leipold realizes that there is only so much money in the Nashville market and that both teams will be struggling for that dollar.

But he said he isn't too worried, noting the Predators have sold more tickets to individuals than expected while the Oilers already have sold more than 42,000 PSLs.

The Predators now are targeting corporations.

"If we get that response like we think we will, we will make it," Leipold said. "If we don't, we're going to have some sleepless nights at the end of the month and figure out what to do."

Martin

PGA Tour official Jim Duncan said Martin "can't have a roof on his cart or be protected from the elements. He can carry anything in the cart that you normally would on the golf course like a towel or a water bottle."

Martin can drive on the fairway until such a point where the elements come into play.

"If it rains, he would have to stay on the cart path," Duncan said.

Martin, who passed on a sponsor's exemption at the Doral-Ryder Open this week, said he is eager to get his game to a point where it is ready for the regular PGA Tour.

"I do have the talent to be successful," Martin said. "But I have to get better. It's still up in the air

how good I am."

Eric Johnson, who won the last Nike event, said Martin's game is good enough for the regular tour.

"He hits it a long way, and he hits it right to left," Johnson said. "His disability helps him in a way because he keeps his lower legs quiet on the backswing. He has nice balance."

Johnson said the question of preserving energy by riding a cart is overplayed.

"It doesn't matter how you get to the golf ball," he said. "You still have to get out and hit it."

On Thursday, Martin is paired with two former members of the PGA Tour, Mike Sullivan and Robin Freeman.

Doral

World Golf rankings -- are in the same field.

Throw in David Duval, Justin Leonard, Nick Faldo and defending champion Steve Elkington, and the Doral-Ryder Open has the feel of a major championship.

Just about the only big names to pass up Doral this year were Els, Fred Couples, Phil Mickelson, Tom Lehman and Mark O'Meara, and it's likely some of those absences stemmed from dissatisfaction with the course last year.

And as much talk as there is among the players about the redesign of the redesigned Blue Monster course that was roundly criticized last year as being unfair, there is even more talk about Augusta, the first of

the four majors.

"They are the biggest tournaments," Elkington, the 1995 PGA Championship winner, said Wednesday before playing in the pro-am. "At this stage, adding majors to what I've already got would satisfy my career."

Elkington, Woods, Montgomerie and Norman all made it clear that this week was the beginning of an effort to get their games to peak that one week in April at Augusta National Golf Club.

Montgomerie, still seeking his first major championship, has changed his ball flight from a fade to a straighter ball with one thing in mind.

"I think it will (be helpful) at the Masters particularly," Montgomerie said.

Sprewell

The arbitrator upheld many of the NBA's arguments, but the bottom line was that he felt the punishment was excessive.

"The evidence indicates that there is no history of both the league and a team imposing discipline for the same violent conduct, on or off the court," Feerick wrote. "This speaks to the issue of fairness, as I see it."

He said the loss of 68 games and \$6.4 million exceeds the total of all suspensions for physical altercations during the 1995-96 and 1996-97 seasons combined -- or the 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95 seasons combined.

Stern reacted with biting comments toward the arbitrator.

"I think the fundamental point is whether you can strike your boss and still hold your job. The answer is that you cannot strike your boss and still hold your job -- unless you play in the NBA and are subject to arbitrator

Feerick's decision," Stern said.

Feerick "missed the opportunity to send a message of what sports leagues stand for. On that basis, we're a little disappointed," Stern said.

Sprewell, who was in Oakland, Calif., on Wednesday, was informed of the decision by lawyers from the players' union, but made no public comment.

The reinstatement of Sprewell's contract means he will be paid over the final two years of his contract, although he still will lose \$6.4 million in 1997-98 salary.

By being reinstated July 1, he will have the right to use team facilities over the summer and go to training camp next fall. If the one-year suspension had been upheld, Sprewell would have missed only another 12 games or so.

The Warriors are free to trade him, if they so choose, at the end of the season.

Warriors slay Spurs, 90-83

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) -- After losing the Latrell Sprewell arbitration case, the Golden State Warriors came back to the court and won.

Playing hours after an arbitrator reinstated the last two years of Sprewell's contract and reduced his one-year suspension by five months, the Warriors beat the San Antonio

Spurs 90-83 Wednesday night, snapping their four-game losing streak.

Jim Jackson led the Warriors with a season-high 26 points and Donyell Marshall and Erick Dampier had 17 apiece to help the Warriors beat the Spurs for the first time in three meetings this season.

Support

Students are being encouraged by principal Carol Hunter to bring photo identification with them so they can buy tickets to the final.

It will be difficult to get there, though, Randall beat Granbury in the regional final, and Granbury beat McKinney twice this season: 55-50 and 52-50.

The Lionettes' only other loss was to Copperas Cove, a 5A state tournament qualifier that dominated Skyline in the regional semifinals.

Still, Duncan isn't alarmed.

"I think we match up well with them," she said of Randall. "We almost beat Granbury, and Granbury could have beaten them."

The tournament appearance will be the last for seniors Gahan, Critchfield, Tramonte and Ann Dodson, a three-point threat. Junior Jennifer Ruetz, a 6-1 post, will be the only starter coming back.

Gahan, an Iowa State signee, and Critchfield have started since they were freshmen. They and Tramonte provide most of the offense for the Lionettes, who score 63 points per

game and surrender 43.

Critchfield sets up their fast-break offense and collects 5.7 assists per game, while Gahan and Tramonte supply points and rebounds. All three average double figures in scoring. Gahan averages a team-high 9.5 rebounds and Tramonte gets 8.1, both among 4A area leaders in the regular season.

"Kristin and Tracy are hard to stop," said Critchfield, who along with Dodson was among area leaders in three-pointers. "We are well-balanced."

They practice in a gym practically toppling over with trophies along its corridors. Huge displays line the hallways of much of the school, showcasing athletic and academic achievements.

With a grade-point average of 93, the Lionettes are smart enough to know they had better take precautions. Two more victories, and the gym case just might burst.

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Lady Raiders blow out Colorado, 80-49

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) -- No. 6 Texas Tech entered the Big 12 Women's Conference Tournament looking to top an eight-game winning streak against Colorado.

The Raiders had lost only one conference game and had blown-out the Buffaloes, 80-40, in Lubbock on Jan. 17.

With all that in the Lady Raiders' favor, Angie Brazziel and her teammates were not overlooking the Buffs. That was evident in Tech's 80-49 win on Wednesday afternoon at Municipal Auditorium.

"We knew they were going to come out ready to play and we had to do the same thing," said Brazziel, who had game highs with 23 points and 12 rebounds. "We had to get focused and stay that way ... I think we did."

Brazziel, teamed in with All-American candidate Alicia Thompson, dominated the Buffaloes (23-4) on offense and defense. Thompson had 21 points and five rebounds.

COLORADO (12-16): Garcia 2-7 2-2 7, Carmann 4-9 4-6 12, Vellicia 0-2 0-0, Graham 4 8 0 0 10, Felts 1-6 0-0 3, Weddle 1-4 0 2 2, Circle 1 1 0 0 2, Bryan 0-0 0-0, Dillworth 1-9 0 2, Johnson 4-6 1-2 9, Swaggar 1-3 0 1 2. Totals 19 55 7 13 49.

TEXAS TECH (23-4): Thompson 8-15 5-7 21, Brazziel 9-19 5-9 23, Hanebutt 4-11 0-0 11, Schmucker 1-2 0-0 2, Lake 3-5 0-7, Washington 0-0 0-0 0, O'Neal 1-3 4-5 6, Gibbs 1-1 1-2 3, Cockerell 0-0 0-0 0, Walker 0-0 0-0 0, Boles 0-0 0-0 0, Dickerson 2-4 3-7 7, Martinez 0-1 0-0 0, Johnson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 29 62 18 30 80.

Halftime--Texas Tech 46, Colorado 30. 3-Point goals--Colorado 4-16 (Graham 2-4, Garcia 1-3, Felts 1-5, Vellicia 0-1, Dillworth 0-1, Weddle 0-2) Texas Tech 4-14 (Hanebutt 3-9, Lake 1-1, Johnson 0-1, Schmucker 0-1, Thompson 0-2) Fouled out--None. Rebounds--Colorado 36 (Dillworth, Johnson 6) Texas Tech 42 (Brazziel 12), Assists--Colorado 13 (Graham 6), Texas Tech 20 (Lake, Dickerson 7). Total fouls--Colorado 24, Texas Tech 13. A--NA.

Colorado (12-16) led early. With the game tied at 13, the Buffaloes missed nine out of their next 10 shots and committed six turnovers as the Lady Raiders went on a 25-4 run over the next nine minutes.

Texas Tech led at halftime, 46-30.



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FALLING STARR: Counsel's 'tin ear' hurting case

By MIKE FEINSILBER
Associated Press Writer

A common view about Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr these days is that he has a "tin ear" for the subtleties of politics and that he is not helping his case by employing tactics the public dislikes.

With polls showing that seven out of eight Americans view Starr unfavorably, even his friends say his miscues feed into a White House effort to portray him as a zealot pursuing a vendetta against the president.

Former Iran-Contra special prosecutor Lawrence Walsh says "serious prosecutorial misjudgments" by Starr could undermine his ability to make a winning case against President Clinton. And former U.S. Attorney Henry Hudson, a Republican and a friend of Starr, says the prosecutor erred in issuing subpoenas to try to

find out who was spreading derogatory information about his staff.

Beyond that, the entire investigation into Clinton's relationship with Monica Lewinsky has diverted Starr from his original Whitewater inquiry, Hudson said. "I have no doubt he regrets asking the attorney general (Janet Reno) to expand his mandate," he added.

Even his friends are critical of Starr's tactics, which range from issuing subpoenas in search of leakers, bringing Ms. Lewinsky's mother before the grand jury for two days of emotional testimony and continuing to represent private clients and to hit the lecture circuit.

"Starr is politically tone deaf," is the way a persistent Clinton critic, William Bennett, has put it. "It's too bad because everybody knows the central issue here should be the president."

Another former independent

counsel, Republican Joseph diGenova, has said Starr sometimes demonstrates "a tin ear politically."

And Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., has concluded that Starr's effectiveness has suffered because "many people think he's out to get the president."

Criticism keeps coming Starr's way. This week a South Carolina lawyer, J. Kendall Few, raised new allegations to Reno and the three-judge panel that appointed Starr. Few claimed Starr had concealed perjury when he defended General Motors in a lawsuit brought by families of people killed or injured in GM trucks. The Justice Department is reviewing the complaint.

While prosecutors are not in a popularity contest, tactics that generate broad public disfavor can hurt them, Walsh said.

That would be the case especially if Starr turns his findings over to Congress for a possible impeachment

inquiry. Lawmakers are sensitive to the political nuances of what they do, and could hardly help but notice that Clinton's approval rating stands in the high 60 percent range. By contrast, a CBS News poll this week said only 12 percent of the public approves of Starr's conduct.

"Your public standing can help or hurt you in persuading witnesses to trust you and may have an effect on jurors," said Walsh. When he was investigating the Iran-Contra affair during the Reagan and Bush administrations, he said, persistent attacks by then-Senate Republican leader Bob Dole made him fearful of winding up with a jury hostile to the prosecution.

Hudson said Starr has done a good job in the face of "orchestrated criticism" from the White House, which was spreading damaging tales about his staff, but that Starr's

questioning of White House communications adviser Sidney Blumenthal about his press contacts "was a politically poor move on his part and has cost him a great deal of public support."

"You don't use grand jury subpoenas just because you're angry at somebody's perhaps unfair comments," Walsh said.

The criticism notwithstanding, Starr has won several convictions, including that of a former Arkansas

governor, and guilty pleas from a former associate attorney general and nine other Whitewater defendants.

Former associates praise his professionalism and Hudson said his questioning of Ms. Lewinsky's mother was hardly an uncommon tactic.

"If Ken Starr turns his investigation around and gets it back on track and comes up with a defensible report, he really will have rehabilitated his image both in legal and public circles," Hudson said.

Clinton urges stricter rules on imported food

WASHINGTON (AP) - Hoping to persuade a reluctant Congress, President Clinton used his bully pulpit in an effort to revive a bill aimed at halting imports of fruit and vegetables from countries that lack safe handling practices.

Clinton first announced the proposal last October, but legislation introduced in the House has languished. The president joined the main Senate sponsor, Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-Md., and other supporters in a Roosevelt Room event Wednesday intended to call new attention to improving safety of imported foods.

"While we have done a lot, more must be done, and we need the help of Congress to do more," Clinton said.

Shipments of imported foods have doubled in this country since 1991 and now make up 38 percent of the fruit and 12 percent of vegetables consumed in America. At the same time, there have been high-profile

instances of sickness caused by imported raspberries, lettuce and other products tainted with bacteria or viruses.

The bill would give the Food and Drug Administration authority to stop imports from countries that have unsafe handling, sanitation, storage, processing or shipping practices. The FDA could also halt imports from countries that refuse to allow those systems to be inspected.

The Agriculture Department already has this authority for imported meat and poultry. The FDA must attempt to inspect food as it arrives in U.S. ports and only checks about 2 percent.

"The health of American families should not be put at risk by fruits and vegetables from countries that are known to have inadequate food safety programs," said Rep. Anna Eshoo, D-Calif., the main House sponsor.

There is little hard evidence to support claims that imported foods are more hazardous than those

produced domestically. But for 57-year-old Gloria Doyle of Chevy Chase, Md., the imported raspberries contaminated with cyclospora that sickened her for three months are evidence enough.

"Nine months ago, I had never heard of it," said Doyle, who attended the ceremony, referring to the microbe. "No American should have to go through a life-threatening experience because of contaminated food."

Food safety advocates welcomed Clinton's support of the measure, which they said could help them gain enough momentum to attract some now-absent Republican support in Congress.

The food industry, however, said imported food is already held to high U.S. standards and that broad new authority may not be necessary.

"The most appropriate means of addressing the safety of imported fruits and vegetables is to provide FDA with more inspection and

enforcement resources, not an open-ended regulatory bill," said John Aguirre, vice president of the United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association.

Clinton has also asked for \$25 million to hire some 250 more FDA inspectors in the fiscal 1999 budget.

NEWS in brief

CBO: Surpluses smaller than advertised

WASHINGTON (AP) - Administration officials are defending President Clinton's 1999 budget after the Congressional Budget Office said it contains less than half the surpluses it claims and spends more than last year's budget agreement allows.

"The president's proposals are consistent with the budget agreement and they provide what a vast majority of Americans think is important," said White House budget chief Franklin Raines.

"For five years now, the deficit has gotten lower," said Gene Sperling, a Clinton economic adviser. "We have every reason to stand by our numbers and our record."

The nonpartisan CBO, Congress' official budget analyst, said Wednesday that Clinton's budget would produce surpluses over the next five years totaling \$100 billion, compared to the \$219 billion he claims.

Ford accused of profiting from WWII slave labor

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) - Elsa Iwanowa remembers German troops taking her and 2,000 other children from their Russian village during World War II and forcing them to build military trucks at a Ford plant in Germany.

Now living in Belgium, Iwanowa is seeking compensation for suffering and unpaid labor from Ford Motor Co. The class-action lawsuit says the automaker reaped "enormous profits" from the work performed for the Nazis.

Iwanowa's lawsuit, believed to be the first of its kind against a U.S.-based company, also alleges that senior Ford executives knew that thousands of workers were being abused.

The German plant "became an eager, aggressive and successful bidder for forced laborers" after a Nazi labor official encouraged German industries to use such workers to meet quotas, according to the lawsuit filed Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Newark.

Citizenship testing by groups halted

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Clinton administration is calling a halt to private citizenship testing of immigrants after complaints the system administered by religious and community groups was full of fraud and cheating.

Beginning Sept. 1, all citizenship testing will be conducted by the government, the Immigration and Naturalization Service announced Wednesday.

"We are motivated to make these (changes) both by a need to reduce fraud and to improve customer service and efficiency," said INS Commissioner Doris Meissner.

The announcement came as agency officials braced for hearings today before House and Senate immigration panels leery of the administration's handling of the program since 1996, when 180,000 foreigners become citizens without complete criminal background checks.

Immigrant advocacy groups denounced the change. Would-be Americans who currently can take the written English and civics tests at some 1,000 locations will have only 100 such facilities after Sept. 1, they complained.

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FLYING WALLENDAS

DETROIT (AP) - Thirty-six years after two members of the Flying Wallendas fell 25 feet to their deaths in a tightrope stunt, a new generation is returning to perform the same act without a net.

"I don't think the shadows of the past will hinder us," said Tino Wallenda-Zoppe, who was 11 when the accident happened Jan. 30, 1962, at the Michigan State Fairgrounds.

This week, Wallenda-Zoppe leads the family back to Detroit to re-create the seven-person Great Pyramid high-wire stunt that resulted in two deaths and three injuries as 7,000 horrified spectators watched.

The Wallendas have repeated the stunt only twice, in 1963 and 1977, and not in Detroit. But they plan no fewer than 38 Great Pyramid performances during the 17-day Shrine Circus that begins Friday.

"I really felt we needed to come back here and do it again," Wallenda-Zoppe said. "Not to exorcise any demons, but to further the legacy of the family in the circus world. After the fall, that's all the younger generation thought there was to the Wallendas."

DEMI MOORE, BRUCE WILLIS

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) - A gossip magazine apologized to Demi Moore and Bruce Willis for a story called "Demi's Bulimia Hell" that said the couple's marriage was in trouble.

The apology and retraction ran a full page in this week's issue of *New Idea*.

Willis and Ms. Moore sued the magazine last year, denying there was any truth to the July 12 story.

TIM ALLEN

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) - "Home Improvement" star Tim Allen is suing a California man for \$12 million over a tabloid account of a traffic accident.

Henry Armstrong, a 72-year-old retired film librarian, told the *National Enquirer* that he was hit by Allen's Ferrari in Studio City, Calif. He filed a suit there against Allen, who was not ticketed.

"He stood over me as I lay on the

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ground in agony," Armstrong was quoted as saying. "He was bleary-eyed and unsteady on his feet, and he never uttered a word, never mind said sorry."

Allen, who has a home in suburban Detroit, sued on Tuesday, claiming Armstrong falsely portrayed him as heartless and under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

In June, Allen was fined for driving while impaired in Michigan.

DAVID SILVERMAN

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - The former animator and director of "The Simpsons" says the secret to the show's success is not in the stars but in the moon.

"Fox would prefer we have more naked butts, please," David Silverman said before a recent appearance at the University of Nebraska.

He said whenever a character's exposed rear was shown, Fox used it to promote that week's episode.

"If it was on any other network, 'The Simpsons' would not be what it is today," he said.

Silverman directed "The Simpsons" when it began nine years ago. He left in 1996 to work for DreamWorks SKG.

Questions from the crowd of mostly college students ranged from whether the character Smithers is gay - Silverman said yes - to how long the series will run (another year and possibly longer, he said).

PAUL ALLEN

SEATTLE (AP) - Score one for the technophobes. Microsoft Corp. co-founder Paul Allen has given the Seattle Public Library \$2.5 million for an old technology he remembers fondly from childhood - books.

The Paul G. Allen Charitable Foundation announced the grant Tuesday.

The software mogul's father was a University of Washington librarian. In interviews, he has said his mother began reading to him when he was 3 months old.

The first \$500,000 of the grant is earmarked for the children's collection. The rest depends on the library's raising matching funds, which its development director is confident of doing.

PAMELA ANDERSON LEE

WESTLAKE VILLAGE, Calif. (AP) - Pamela Anderson Lee is pressing her battle against a Seattle entertainment firm that wants to market a second sex videotape of her.

Mrs. Lee and former boyfriend Bret Michaels, lead singer of the rock band Poison, have filed separate \$90 million lawsuits against Internet Entertainment Group seeking to bar release of the tapes, which IEG wants to sell on the Internet. Michaels already has a court order blocking IEG's release of the tape until the case is resolved.

It's the second sex video involving Mrs. Lee, the former "Baywatch" star. A sex video featuring her and now-estranged husband Tommy Lee made the rounds several months ago; the actress filed for divorce a week ago after having her husband arrested for alleged abuse.

Mrs. Lee was questioned Wednesday by IEG lawyers. Later, she read a statement saying the release of the tapes would be an invasion of her privacy.

"A tape was stolen from Tommy Lee and myself. IEG is now selling that tape worldwide illegally without my or Tommy Lee's consent," Mrs. Lee said of the first tape.

IEG claims Mrs. Lee struck a deal with the company allowing it to offer it via the Internet. "We feel good about our legal position," IEG attorney Alan Isaacman said.

Colleagues honor journalism pioneer

NEW YORK (AP) - Former colleagues paid tribute to Fred W. Friendly, the former CBS News president and documentary producer, as a standard-setter and standard-bearer for television news.

Friendly died Tuesday at age 82 after a series of small strokes.

Friendly teamed with Edward R. Murrow in creating some of television's most groundbreaking documentaries, among them a "See it Now" report that hastened the downfall of Sen. Joseph McCarthy in the 1950s and 1961's "Harvest of Shame," about migrant farm workers, which won Friendly one of his 10 Peabody Awards.

"When critics complain about a decline in the quality of television news, they are measuring the present against the standard of excellence set in the past by Fred Friendly," said "60 Minutes" commentator Andy Rooney. "The American people have lost a best friend

they hardly knew."

Friendly became president of CBS News in 1964, resigning abruptly two years later when the network broadcast "I Love Lucy" reruns instead of covering a Senate hearing on Vietnam.

He later helped launch public broadcasting through work at the Ford Foundation and became an instructor at Columbia University. Through 1992, he ran a series of televised seminars on ethics and the media.

President Clinton on Wednesday called Friendly the conscience of the industry.

"Through his many writings and television productions, he succeeded in his goal - to force the American public to think," Clinton said.

Friendly published numerous articles and five books, including "The Good Guys, the Bad Guys and the First Amendment" and "Due to Circumstances Beyond Our Control," an account of his 16 years at CBS.

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News	Home Imp.	Promised Land	Diagnosis Murder	48 Hours	News	(35) Late Show				
Mad-You	Simpsons	NAACP Image Awards	Earth: Final Conflict	Frasier	Cops	Real TV				
College Basketball: ACC First Round - Teams TBA	College Basketball: Big East Quarterfinal - Teams TBA	College Basketball: Big East Quarterfinal - Teams TBA	College Basketball: Big East Quarterfinal - Teams TBA	College Basketball: Big East Quarterfinal - Teams TBA	College Basketball: Big East Quarterfinal - Teams TBA	College Basketball: Big East Quarterfinal - Teams TBA	College Basketball: Big East Quarterfinal - Teams TBA	College Basketball: Big East Quarterfinal - Teams TBA	College Basketball: Big East Quarterfinal - Teams TBA	College Basketball: Big East Quarterfinal - Teams TBA
Waltons	Rescue 911	Movie: Murder in Black and White (1990) ** 1/2	700 Club	Bonanza						
Movie: Doc Hollywood	Movie: The Pest John Leguizamo. PG-13	Movie: Larger Than Life Bill Murray. PG	Stargate SG-1	Movie:						
(15) Movie: The Truth About Cats and Dogs PG-13	Movie: Mischief (1988) Kevin Dillon, Nick Mancuso.	Shock Video 3	Movie:							
Movie: The Evening Star	Movie: Tucker: The Man and His Dream Jeff Bridges.	Movie: The Godfather, Part III (1990) Al Pacino, Diane Keaton. *** R	Movie: Meet Me in Vegas	Movie: Anchors Aweigh (1945) Frank Sinatra, Gene Kelly. ***	Movie: On the Town (1949) Gene Kelly. ***					
Dallas	Championship Rodeo	Prime Time Live	Today's Country	Dallas	Dukes					
Gimme Shelter	Wild Discovery	Strange	Movie Magic	Wings Over	Justice Files	Wild Disc.				
Law & Order	Biography	New Explorers	Biography	Biography	Law & Order	Biography				
Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: Blind Witness (1989) Victoria Principal. ** 1/2	Almost	Golden Girls	Golden Girls					
Wm. Basketball	Women's College Basketball: Big 12	Sp.	College Basketball Arizona: Southern California	College Basketball Arizona: Southern California	College Basketball Arizona: Southern California	College Basketball Arizona: Southern California	College Basketball Arizona: Southern California	College Basketball Arizona: Southern California	College Basketball Arizona: Southern California	College Basketball Arizona: Southern California
Babylon 5	Movie: An Officer and a Gentleman (1982) Richard Gere. ***	Movie: Mike's Murder (1984) Debra Winger. **								
Doug	Rugrats	Alex Mack	Bewitched	Wonder Yrs.	Wonder Yrs.	Happy Days	I Love Lucy	M.T. Moore	Taxi	Newhart
Highlander: The Series	Walker, Texas Ranger	Movie: Blindfold: Acts of Obsession (1994) ** 1/2	Movie: Blindfold: Acts of Obsession (1994) ** 1/2	Movie: Blindfold: Acts of Obsession (1994) ** 1/2	Movie: Blindfold: Acts of Obsession (1994) ** 1/2	Movie: Blindfold: Acts of Obsession (1994) ** 1/2	Movie: Blindfold: Acts of Obsession (1994) ** 1/2	Movie: Blindfold: Acts of Obsession (1994) ** 1/2	Movie: Blindfold: Acts of Obsession (1994) ** 1/2	Movie: Blindfold: Acts of Obsession (1994) ** 1/2
Emeralds	Marla Isabel	Alguna Vez	Bienvenido	P. Impacto	Noticiero	Al Ritmo				
Air Combat	The Pueblo Cliffdwellers	Warrior Tradition	History Undercover	World at War	Pueblo					
College Basketball: Big East Quarterfinal - Teams TBA	College Basketball: Atlantic 10 Quarterfinal	College Basketball: Atlantic 10 Quarterfinal	College Basketball: Atlantic 10 Quarterfinal	College Basketball: Atlantic 10 Quarterfinal	College Basketball: Atlantic 10 Quarterfinal	College Basketball: Atlantic 10 Quarterfinal	College Basketball: Atlantic 10 Quarterfinal	College Basketball: Atlantic 10 Quarterfinal	College Basketball: Atlantic 10 Quarterfinal	College Basketball: Atlantic 10 Quarterfinal

FRIDAY

MARCH 6

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Goof Troop	Wonderland	Mermaid	Pooh	Bear	Katie-Orbie	Chip 'n' Dale	Madeline	Mermaid	Pooh	Jungle Cubs
Today				Leeza	Geraldo Rivera	Sunset Beach	Days-Lives			
Barney	Arthur	Sesame Street	Puzzle Place	Reading	Charlie	Mr Rogers	Arthur	Barney	Katzen	
Gilligan	3's Co.	Little House on the Prairie	Mama	Mama	Hillbillies	Hillbillies	Matlock	Movie:		
Good Morning America	ChangUm	Captain	Ahmanica	PinkyBrah	Batman	MeninBick	Griffith	Griffith	Geraldo Rivera	News
This Morning	Casper	101Dalmits	X-Men	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.
C-Bear	Casper	101Dalmits	X-Men	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.
Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter	Sportscenter
Rescue 911	Waltons	700 Club	Diagnosis Murder	Home						
(6:40) Movie: The Proposition PG-13	(20) Movie: Changing Habits Moira Kelly.	Movie: Coast to Coast Dyan Cannon. PG	(45) Movie: High-Ballin'							
Joe DiMaggio	Movie: Crossworlds Rutger Hauer. **	Movie: The Steal Alfred Molina. ** 1/2 NR	Movie: 4 Little Girls (1997) ** 1/2 NR	Movie: Born Yesterday Judy Holliday	Movie: The Thin Man (1934) ****					
Movie: (45) Movie: The Secret Garden Kate Maberly. *** G	Movie: Down Periscope Kelsey Grammer.	(15) Movie: 42nd Street (1933) Warner Baxter. ****	Movie: The Citadel (1938) Robert Donat. *** 1/2	Movie: The Thin Man (1934) ****						
(Off Air)	VideoMorning	Crook & Chase	Dallas	Aleena's Crafts	Am. Country					
Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Assignment Discovery	Home Matters	Housesmart!	Interior Mot.	Interior Mot.	Home			
McMillan and Wife	Equalizer	Quincy	Thirtysomething	Almost	HopeGlori	Light Court				
Baby Knows Kids These	Sisters	Our Home	Thirtysomething	Almost	HopeGlori	Light Court				
FOX Sports News	FOX Sports News	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.	Paired Prog.
CHIPS	CHIPS	Lonesome Dove: Outlaw	Spenser: For Hire	Movie: Mike's Murder (1984) **	Movie: Mike's Murder (1984) **	Movie: Mike's Murder (1984) **	Movie: Mike's Murder (1984) **	Movie: Mike's Murder (1984) **	Movie: Mike's Murder (1984) **	Movie: Mike's Murder (1984) **
CharlieB	Rugrats	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Muppets	Wubbulous Gullah	Little Bear	Blue's Clues	Allegra.		
Webster	Facts of Life	Gimme B.	Strangers	Wings	Wings	Major Dad	Movie: When the Dark Man Calls (1995) **			
(6:00) Despierta America	Mahe	Agujetas de Color de Rosa	Laonela							
Classroom	History Showcase	Movie: The Alamo: 13 Days to Glory (1987) James Arness, Brian Keith. ** 1/2	Waco							
Flex Appeal	Bodyshape	Crunch	Training	Perfect	Bodyshape	Fitness	Flex Appeal	Auto Racing: NASCAR Qualifying		

12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
Tale Spin	Donald	Chip 'n' Dale	Tale Spin	Goof Troop	Timon	Aladdin	Dinosaurs	Growing	Growing	Brotherly
Days-Lives	Another World	Jenny Jones	Mauri	Oprah Winfrey	News	NBC News				
Body Elec.	Painting	Time Goes	Government	Government	Perspective	Perspective	Sandiego	Science Guy	Wishbone	Bus
(12:30) Movie: Matlock: The Prisoner	Flintstones	Flintstones	Looney	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.		
Jeopardy!	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Port Charles	Pictionary	Rosie O'Donnell	ABC News				
News	Empty Nest	Empty Nest	Beauty and the Beast	Beverly Hills, 90210	Fam. Mat.	Dreams	Saved-Bell	Saved-Bell		
Bold & B.	As the World Turns	Guiding Light	Sally	Am. Journal	Edition	News	CBS News			
Judge Judy	Medicine Woman	Little House on the Prairie	Casper	Sam & Max	Rangers	Turtles	Fresh Pr.	Roseanne		
Basketball	College Basketball: ACC Tournament Quarterfinal - Teams TBA	Auto Racing: ARCA Bordo/Mar-Hyde 300	Sportsctr.							
(12:00) Home & Family	ShopDrop	Shopping	Big Valley	Bonanza-Lost	Carol Bnt.	Carol Bnt.				
(11:45) Movie: High-Ballin'	(25) Movie: The Invisible Kid * PG	Movie: The Legend of Gator Face PG	(45) Movie: Ghosts of Mississippi **							
(45) Movie: Only the Strong Mark Dacascos. * PG-13	Movie: She's Having a Baby Kevin Bacon. ** 1/2 PG-13	Lifestories	Smoke	Movie:						
(45) Movie: The Texas Rangers **	Movie: Sylvester Richard Farnsworth. PG	(45) Movie: The In Crowd Donovan Leitch. ** PG	Movie:							
Movie: Four Daughters (1939) Claude Rains. ***	Movie: One Foot in Heaven (1941) Martha Scott. *** 1/2	Movie: Test Pilot (1938)	Dukes of Hazzard							
(12:00) America's Country Hits	Crook & Chase	Club Dance	Dukes of Hazzard							
Home	Housesmart!	Interior Motives	Great Chefs	Great Chefs	Travelers	Sea Wings				
Law & Order	McMillan and Wife	Equalizer	Quincy	Northern Exposure						
Night Court	Movie: Deep Dark Secrets (1987) James Brolin. **	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Supermit	Debt				
Fit TV	Ski and Snowboard Tour This Is the PGA Tour	Perry Clark	E. Sutton	NBA Action	Miller	Big 12 Showcase				
Movie: Movie: How the West Was Won (1962) ** 1/2	In the Heat of the Night	Kung Fu: Legend	Lois & Clark-Superman							
Rupert	Muppets	Looney	CharlieB	Gadget	Tiny Toon	Garfield	You Aftaid?	Rocko's Life	Figure It Out	Tiny Toon
Movie: Cocoon: The Return (1988) Don Ameche, Wilford Brimley. ** 1/2	PGA Golf Doral Ryder Open - Second Round	Baywatch								
Laonela	Amor Mio	Cristina	Primer Impacto	Club	Noticiero					
Waco	Engineers at Remagen	Movie: The Alamo: 13 Days to Glory (1987) James Arness, Brian Keith. ** 1/2	As It Happened: Waco							
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Movie: Double, Double, Toil and Trouble	(35) Movie: Father and Scout Bob Saget.	Growing	Growing	Walt Disney Presents	Zorro					
News	Ent. Tonight	Fleayers	Dateline	Homicide: Life	News	(35) Tonight Show				
NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Wash. Week	Roy Orbison & Friends	Rolling Stones: Bridges to Babylon	NewsHour						
Griffith	Griffith	(05) Movie: Buffy the Vampire Slayer (1992) *	(15) Movie: Fast Times at Ridgemont High (1982) Sean Penn. ** 1/2	Thunder						
News	Fortune	Sabrina	Boy-World	Sabrina	Hillier-Diller	20/20	News	Seinfeld	Nightline	
Fam. Mat.	Coach	Movie: Cujo (1983) Dee Wallace, Darryl Pinnauro. ***	News	Beverly Hills, 90210	Heat					
News	Home Imp.									



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For Sale 2 - 1979 White C/O Trucks w/22 Obeco Silage beds. Call 806-790-4977 for specifications & prices. 35903

Free Puppies: Great with a 2 year old boy. Located West of town, 5 miles. Call 357-2450. (LOCAL CALL) 35913

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8 week Lhasa Apso puppies, Brown & Tan, Black Mask, \$100.00. 364-5660 after 6:00 pm. 35955

Spinet-Console Piano for Sale: Take on small payments. See locally. 1-800-343-6494. 35958

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For Rent: Alonzo's Apartments. Formerly Buena Vista, 1, 2, and 3 bedroom's under new owner. No deposit!. Call 364-8805, or 364-2729. 35730

For Rent: 2 BR house, furnished or unfurnished, clean, Couple only. No Pets. Call 364-2733. 35877

House for Rent: 3 BR, 1 1/2 Bath, \$475.00 a month plus deposit. References needed. 364-6158 after 4:30. 35965

For Sale: 91 Buick Rivera, Loaded - including a disk player and all works. White with blue leather interior. Clean, Good Tires, \$6700.00. Call Bob Sims at 364-4030 (daytime) or 364-6903 (nights). 35634

For Sale: 1979 Lincoln Town Coupe in very good condition. Call 364-1042. 35933

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1977 Cajun Bass Boat, 115 Mercury, new trolling motor, 24V, 3 new batteries, clean. Call or come by J-S Hydraulics. 364-9415. 35960

3. VEHICLES FOR SALE

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4. REAL ESTATE - CITY

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6. WANTED

Experienced CRP sowing--Rodney Hunter, 647-5539 or Richard Hunter, 276-5357. 35657

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8. HELP WANTED

Hereford Care Center needs R.N.'s, L.V.N.'s, Medication Aides, & C.N.A.'s. Come by 231 Kingwood or call 364-7113. 33472

Kings Manor Methodist Nursing Home has opening for Med-Aides, CNA's, LVN's. Opening for weekend RN. Contact Kings Manor, 400 Ranger, Hereford. 34525

The Tri-County Chapter of the American Red Cross is accepting applications for Chapter Manager. Applications can be picked up at the office at 224 South Main Street. 35888

Farmers Elevator of Dawn has job openings in the following departments: Accounting-Bookkeeping Dept., Trucking Dept., Grain and Fertilizer Dept. Applications may be picked up at our office 5 miles North of Dawn. 35925

King's Manor Methodist Home has a position available for Certified Activity Director. Apply at King's Manor Methodist Home, 400 Ranger, Hereford, Texas. 35930

Welders and Crew Chief needed at Allied Millwrights on Holly Sugar Rd. Apply in person. 35947

Need a secretary with good skills on computers, fax machine, and scanner. Call 364-4670 or come by 110 North 25 Mile Ave., Suite C with resume. 35950

1A. GARAGE SALES

Huge Garage Sale: 303 Brevard, Friday, Saturday & Sunday, 8 til 77. Baby strollers, clothing, little bit of everything. 35959

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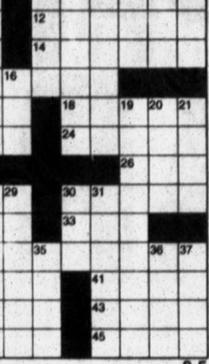
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STUMPED? For answers to today's crossword, call 1-800-454-7377 199¢ per minute, touch-tone / rotary phones. (18+ only.) A King Features service, NYC.



Help Wanted: Car Wash, detail service boy technician. Apply in person, Crofford Automotive, 600 N. 26 Mile Ave. NO PHONE CALLS. 35957

Receptionist/Telephone Operator. Must be non-smoker, neat in appearance, and willing to work 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. during the week and until 3 p.m. each Saturday. Send resume with work and salary history to BOX 673 OCS, Hereford, Texas 79045.

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FOUND: Hound Dog on FM1062. Call 578-4564. 35961

Monfort
 Monfort Meat Packing, located in Dumas, Texas, is now accepting applications for the following position:
MAINTENANCE
 Along with the above position are great benefits: quick starts, medical/dental and optical, paid life insurance, 8 paid holidays, 401-K plan, guaranteed work week, paid vacations.
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9. CHILD CARE

Experience Child Care openings for infants & toddlers under 5 years. Call Bonnie Cole at 364-6664. 35298

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10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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11. BUSINESS SERVICES

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 For more information contact Alice Hund at 364-3218, Krista Dettin at 364-7563 or Kim Leonard at 364-8760.

13. LOST & FOUND

FOUND: Hound Dog on FM1062. Call 578-4564. 35961

CLASSIFIEDS
 Call 364-2030

Writing Want Ads that really sell!

Unsure how to write a Classified Ad that will get results? Follow these pointers and you'll soon have an empty space in your storage room and cash in your pocket.

For starters, look at ads which offer the same item/products. Get a sense of going rates and ideas for how to make your ad stand out. Once you're ready to write, begin with exactly what you're selling: "Dining room set, maple, six chairs." Then, remember these hints:

- Give the price. A newspaper consultant says 70 percent of classified readers won't respond to an ad with no price.
- Use key words to describe what you're selling. The key words for a car are make, model, year, body style, color, mileage and price. If it's a house, key words are location, type of construction, number of bedrooms and baths, and condition.
- Don't use abbreviations. It's tempting to abbreviate and save money if ads are billed by the line. Brand ads are billed by the words, so spell them out so readers won't be confused trying to figure out abbreviations.
- Don't be misleading. Think accurate and factual when you write. Be sure to include a phone number and the best times to reach you.

TRIBES

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Having plenty of horses from his family's cattle ranching operations, Wellman started Two Medicine Teepee Adventures, which takes groups of 20 for a week of travel by horseback and stagecoach through a series of encampments, with nightly presentations of Indian dancing and crafts.

"I thought it was a very holistic use of the land," Wellman said. "You can control tourists, take them where you want them. They spend their money. You employ a lot of people. You also are informing the rest of the world about your culture and your people."

"I believe the European community is a lot more sympathetic to the Native American plight now than most Americans are."

"Our history is not an academic exercise for us," said Conner, the Umatilla spokeswoman. "We are still here ... We hope we are not like Columbus, haphazardly going along looking for a discovery."

PARTNERS

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taking a look at what services and facilities are available.

The group also will review the results of a survey of county physicians, which will include knowing who are the local doctors, where they are located, their specialties, patient loads and hours.

Stone said the major employers in Deaf Smith County were polled to determine what health care benefits are offered to employees. The results of that survey also will be examined by the partners.

The partners also will have to go through a considerable amount of raw data provided by Hereford Regional Medical Center, showing the demographics of the hospital's patients.

Also on the meeting agenda will be a discussion of the Hereford Emergency Medical Service, focusing on the demand and use of the ambulance service; a review of the Feb. 9 brainstorming data; and an evaluation of the interviews of area residents conducted by the partners.

Stone said members of the Deaf Smith County Hospital District board of directors have been invited to sit in on the meeting. Also, interested residents are invited to attend.

However, she warned the session will be long and perhaps tedious, considering the amount of data to be absorbed.

In election year, Congress becomes a stage

WASHINGTON (AP) - The highest-profile piece of legislation to clear Congress this session has no impact on the economy, the environment or education. It addresses no hotly debated social issue.

Instead, it renames the capital's airport in honor of Ronald Reagan. The exercise took days of contentious debate.

In this election year, the halls of Congress are but a stage for political theater. Events in the Capitol often have a distinct flavor of campaign commercials. Style prevails over substance.

That atmosphere is not unusual in a year when the entire House and one-third of the Senate face re-election. But there also are signs the current election cycle will slip seamlessly into the next with a predictably negative impact on the quality of debate between the Democratic administration and Republican-run Congress.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich was just in Iowa, an essential stop for politicians who yearn to run for president. "For this year, I'm focused on being speaker," he told reporters.

Next year? That could be another matter. "At some point, down the road, you can think about that," said Gingrich, R-Ga.

But next year is very much on the minds of Gingrich's Republican colleagues who see a strong possibility that the speaker's post will become open sometime in 1999 if Gingrich steps aside to run for president.

"Just the speculation has caused people to think about what the future leadership situation will be," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., who might have presidential ambitions of his own.

The attention focused on elections in 1998 and 2000 often defines the approach to substantive issues such as taxes, Social Security and campaign finance.

Take the moment last week that Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin appeared in the ornate Lyndon B. Johnson Room only steps from the Senate chamber.

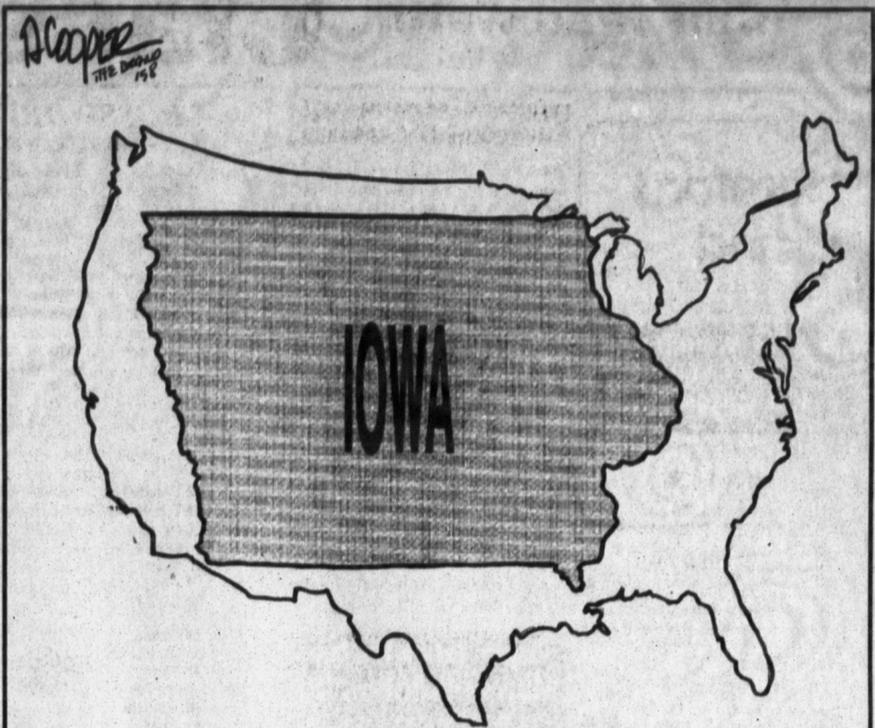
A man of substance whose portfolio rarely includes politics, Rubin did a little of both. His subject was the serious matter of the need to bolster the Social Security trust fund before it comes under pressure from the retirement of baby boomers starting early in the 21st century.

Rubin talked about the need to use any federal budget surplus to maintain the trust fund's solvency, a proposal that echoed President Clinton's State of the Union address. Congressional Republicans saw Clinton's plan as a political ploy to deflect support from their preference to use a budget surplus for tax cuts.

At the same time Rubin was making his appeal, the Senate was engaged in the last act of another piece of political theater. Within the hour, campaign finance overhaul died in partisan crossfire.

After days of desultory debate in which one side cited 1996 fund-raising abuses and the other side argued that raising political money was a First Amendment right, the measure fell victim to a Republican filibuster.

From the start, there was no chance to get a vote on the merits of the legislation. Both sides knew the 60 votes were not there to end the filibuster.



How presidential hopefuls see the U.S.A.

DONALD M. ROTHBERG

Inside Washington

They went ahead anyway in the hope that someone was listening. But as Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., a leading opponent of the bill, put it: "No one in the history of American politics has ever won or lost a campaign on this issue."

What looks like partisan gridlock often crosses party lines. For example, a major issue last year was legislation to give Clinton so-called fast-track authority to send trade agreements to Congress for an up-or-down vote without amendments. Clinton and the Republican leadership pushed for the measure, but it was strongly opposed by unions, and few Democrats were willing to buck labor and support their president.

Republicans are split on how to approach the tax issue. Many want to push for a major tax cut. Others want a moderate reduction.

When such divisions occur within a party, the result most often is nothing. Donald M. Rothberg is chief of the AP's congressional staff.

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BLOOMS

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gray gap without blooms in late April. If it's cold and snowing in March, all the flowers - from bulbs to fruit trees - will die.

"Some people plan their gardens to flower all spring," said Philadelphia gardener Stephen Maciejewski, whose orchids won seven ribbons this week at the Philadelphia Flower Show. "This year, there might be a gap between early spring and late spring - or worse."

Forecasters are toying the line - refusing to declare winter over but optimistic that spring could be here.

"It's still up in the air as to what's going to happen," said Mark Tobin, a meteorologist with Accu-Weather forecasting service in State College, Pa.

Either a cold snap or mild weather could be disastrous for fruit crops. If the warm weather is interrupted by a cold snap in late March - after the trees have blossomed - the flowers would die and all or part of the crop would be wiped out. If the spring-like weather continues, trees that flower too early produce small fruit.

"If it warms up early, then we'll probably be in trouble," said Peter Hirst, assistant professor of horticulture at Purdue University. "At the moment we're kind of at that stage where it could go either way."

The only certainty, it seems, is that flowers are confused. In West Virginia, pansies have thrived all winter and daffodils began blooming in February, several weeks early. Pussy willows are out in Michigan and even maple trees in the Northeast are budding.

California's Death Valley is having one of the most spectacular blooms of the century - filling with yellow, gold, white and wine-colored flowers, with many approaching peak bloom.

"It's been said you only see flowers like that three times in a century," said wildflower photographer and author Milt Stark of Lancaster, Calif. Joshua trees - which bloom white and turn greenish as they flower - are on schedule in Los

Keeping an eye on Texas

Warmer winter brings early spring

Statewide mean temperatures across Texas were kinder in January, averaging nearly six degrees above normal. January was also wetter for the north, central and eastern portions of the state, which may account for the early signs of spring in those areas.



Echándole el ojo a Texas

Invierno templado—primavera temprana

Durante enero, el promedio de las temperaturas por todo el estado fueron casi seis grados más calurosos de lo normal. También durante este mes, llovió más de lo normal en varias regiones del estado, incluyendo el norte, este y el área central—causando una temprana llegada de la primavera.



Names in the news

STEPHEN KING

BATH, Maine (AP) - Stephen King, who wrote about the horrors of domestic violence in the best-selling novel "Rose Madder," gave \$50,000 to open a shelter for abused women and children.

The gift by King and his wife, Tabitha, means the shelter in Bath will open sooner than expected, said Lois Reckitt, director of Family Crisis Services.

The check arrived on Christmas Eve, when the financial outlook for the shelter was bleak.

"We started dancing around and hugging each other in the office," Reckitt said Wednesday in The Times Record of Brunswick. "That's how huge a gift it was for us."

The Kings, who live in Bangor, do not comment on their charitable efforts, a spokesman said.

JOHN LEE HOOKER

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - About 100 fans braved a chill for a bluesy cause - to see John Lee Hooker and the late Janis Joplin honored with plaques on the Walk of Fame.

Guitarist Carlos Santana heaped praise on them both at Wednesday's unveiling of the bronze sidewalk plaques. He said Hooker, who won a Grammy Award last week for his collaboration "Don't Look Back" with Van Morrison, has abundant God-given talent.

"Your music is a sign to lift people's consciousness so we can truly believe we have peace, life, love and joy," Santana told dozens of fans who gathered under clear skies.

Of Joplin, he said: "When she started singing, you got goose bumps on your goose bumps."



The first known dollhouses were made in the 1600s for wealthy adults.

Angeles County, but the blooms could be bigger and more plentiful because of the winter moisture. Some Texans are getting early glimpses of the native bluebonnets that carpet the central parts of the

state every spring. But the early buds may mean visitors will be looking at daisies next month at the annual Official State of Texas Bluebonnet Festival in Chappell Hill.

NEWS

in brief

Philip Morris chief distances himself from firm's past

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) - Saying he wanted to look ahead instead of dwell on the past, the head of the country's largest cigarette maker distanced himself from the way his company operated before he took charge.

Geoffrey Bible, chairman and chief executive of Philip Morris Cos. Inc., testified Wednesday that he was embarrassed and ashamed by some of the once-secret internal papers that have surfaced in Minnesota's tobacco trial.

But Bible also said the documents about exploiting the market for underage smokers and concealing sensitive research by conducting it abroad were anomalies.

Jurors were to hear from another tobacco company head today. The plaintiffs planned to call Andrew Schindler, president and chief executive of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco; America's No. 2 cigarette maker.

The state and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota are suing the tobacco industry to recover the \$1.77 billion they say they've spent treating smoking-related illnesses. It is the first of 40 state lawsuits against cigarette makers to get beyond jury selection. Texas, Florida and Mississippi settled their cases.

Confusion in Miami as judge throws out mayoral election

MIAMI (AP) - Miami already had enough problems to keep one mayor busy. Now the challenge is to figure out just who that mayor is.

A judge on Wednesday threw out the results of November's election, citing rampant absentee vote fraud.

The apparent winner, Xavier Suarez, and defeated incumbent Joe Carollo both claimed the job after the ruling. The Miami City Commission planned to pick an interim mayor from among its members at a special meeting today.

In his ruling, Circuit Judge Thomas Wilson Jr. cited "a pattern of fraudulent, intentional and criminal conduct" in the general election Nov. 4. He said there is no evidence Suarez knew of or participated in the fraud.

"In the Nov. 4, 1997, election, the value of every honest vote was greatly diminished or devalued by this fraud," Wilson wrote.

Miami's Little Havana neighborhood, the judge said, was "the center of a massive, well-conceived and well-orchestrated absentee ballot fraud scheme."

Defense says lawyer's actions support privilege claim

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) - An attorney who used scandalous tapes of Texaco meetings to win a huge discrimination settlement wants attorney-client privilege to apply to conversations he had with the executive who gave him the recordings.

If U.S. District Court Judge Barrington Parker agrees, the government would lose much of its evidence in the separate criminal case against former Texaco personnel executive Richard Lundwall.

Lundwall is accused of conspiracy and obstruction of justice for allegedly hiding Texaco documents from the plaintiffs in the civil case.

In 1996, Lundwall, who was being downsized out of a job at Texaco, gave attorney Cyrus Mehri tape recordings he made of meetings at which he and other executives allegedly plotted to conceal or destroy documents. Mehri represented Texaco employees in a lawsuit alleging corporate race discrimination.

When transcripts of the tape recordings were made public, they created a stir, partly because the transcript included a racial slur. Experts later said the slur was not on the tape, although negative comments were made about black employees.

An embarrassed Texaco quickly settled the race case for a record \$176 million. Last year, criminal charges were brought against Lundwall, 56, of Danbury, Conn., and Robert Ulrich, 63, of White Plains, a former Texaco treasurer also heard on the tapes.

Judge awards art dealer's estranged wife \$140,000 a month

NEW YORK (AP) - Calling Alec Wildenstein "super rich," a judge ordered the art dealer to pay his estranged wife \$140,000 a month.

Jocelyn Wildenstein, known for what her husband calls "her bizarre psychological proclivity to have continuing plastic surgery," had been receiving \$50,000 a month since September.

State Supreme Court Justice Marilyn Diamond's ruling Wednesday means Wildenstein owes his wife \$540,000 in back maintenance. The judge ordered him to pay what he owes at a rate of \$20,000 a month.

The judge said that Mrs. Wildenstein, 53, also may live in the family townhouse where she caught her husband of 20 years with his teen-age lover last September.

Among the things the judge specified that Mrs. Wildenstein must pay for are her own elective plastic surgery and cosmetic procedures. She also must pay for her own vacations, luxury services, food and transportation.

Attorney: DNA test results bolsters Sheppard's innocence

CLEVELAND (AP) - In an announcement that could turn one of the nation's most notorious crimes on its head, an attorney said DNA tests suggest a third person was in Dr. Sam Sheppard's house when his wife was slain in 1954.

The tests show blood found on Sheppard's pants and in the home did not come from Sheppard or his wife, said Terry Gilbert, an attorney for Sheppard's son. He said the findings bolster the theory that an intruder killed Marilyn Sheppard in 1954.

"This really brings the case to a new level of strength. This takes Sheppard away from being the killer," Gilbert said Wednesday of the case that inspired the TV series "The Fugitive."

More details were to be released today. Sam Reese Sheppard, 50, of Oakland, Calif., is trying to clear his father's name. He believes his mother's killer is Richard Eberling, a former window washer at the Sheppard home.

Report: Oldest, youngest drivers driving up traffic deaths

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) - The oldest and youngest drivers are helping cause an increase in U.S. traffic deaths after several years of decline, according to a report by the American Traffic Safety Services Association.

Reporting in advance on the study to be released later today on Capitol Hill, USA Today cites the report as saying there were 41,907 traffic fatalities in 1996, the most recent year available. It was the second straight year the numbers have risen and represents a 7 percent increase over the 39,250 deaths reported six years ago.

The association says elderly and teen-age drivers traditionally have had higher accident rates than other motorists and now are hitting the roads in record numbers.

It says the number of drivers 65 and over has increased 47 percent since 1985 and that they are 17 times more likely to die in a crash per mile driven than other drivers.

FBI charges 14 in six companies with conspiracy

NEW YORK (AP) - In its first prosecution of sports gambling done on the World Wide Web, the U.S. government has charged 14 people with illegally using telephone lines to handle online bets.

"Such blatant and widespread efforts to evade gambling laws cannot and will not be tolerated," U.S. Attorney Mary Jo White said Wednesday.

The defendants, all U.S. citizens who own or manage six companies, include two former stockbrokers and a lawyer. Prosecutors charged them all with conspiracy, saying they allowed thousands of people to bet on professional and college sports events.

None of the companies are based in the United States, though some have U.S. offices, prosecutors said. Ms. White said 90 percent of the customers were in the United States.

The defendants, who were charged Wednesday, allegedly broke a 1961 law making it a crime to use interstate telephone lines for gambling.



Frances Folsom Cleveland was the nation's youngest First Lady, acquiring that title at 21 years when she married President Grover Cleveland.

LIVESTOCK POLLUTION: EPA has new rules

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Environmental Protection Agency said today it will place new controls on thousands of large livestock and poultry farms to reduce the flow of animal and chicken wastes into the nation's waterways.

Some farmers claimed the restrictions would lead to higher food prices, while environmentalists argued the crackdown was long overdue and only a first step to stem growing pollution from agricultural runoff.

The EPA initiative is the first installment of a broader plan to protect the nation's waterways. President Clinton last month singled out the need to protect lakes and streams from urban and agricultural pollution as one of his top environmental priorities.

EPA Administrator Carol Browner said urban and agricultural runoff accounts for half of the pollution in the nation's lakes and rivers and waste "from animal feeding operations in particular has been associated with threats to human health and the environment."

The plan, once it is formally adopted, would reflect a significant broadening of the federal government's oversight of an estimated 6,000 commercial livestock and poultry farms across the country.

The agency said the largest of these facilities would have to fully comply with new pollution controls by 2002 and the rest by 2005. Currently only about a fourth of the animal feedlots are regulated by states, according to the EPA.

The EPA strategy called for regulating large poultry and other livestock farms, or feedlots, to curb pollution into nearby waterways much as factories currently are regulated under the Clean Water Act. The controls would not apply to cattle ranches, but only to feedlots where the livestock are fattened before slaughter.

Beef or dairy cattle, hog and poultry farms would be subject to regular inspections, require pollution permits and be required to develop plans limiting release of chemicals, manure and other wastes into waterways, the agency said.

Such pollution has been blamed for excessive nutrients and toxic chemicals getting into lakes and streams, leading to a growing number of fish kills in waterways in many parts of the country.

Wastes from poultry farms on Maryland's Eastern Shore was blamed last summer for an outbreak of the microbe *pfisteria* that killed thousands of fish and forced state officials to close infected rivers along the Chesapeake

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Bay to fishing.

The flow of large amounts of nutrients from livestock into rivers and streams also has caused oxygen-choking algae blooms in waterways, creating in some cases "dead zones" where fish and other aquatic life no longer can survive.

The EPA proposal would require permits for farms with more than 1,000 cattle, 2,500 swine or 100,000 laying hens. Permits also could be required for smaller farms that were found to pose an environmental hazard to specific environmentally sensitive waterways, the sources said.

Currently cattle feedlots, large commercial hog farms and poultry farms are regulated by the state with pollution standards and permits varying from one region to another.

The new EPA initiative had been expected within the agriculture industry. Some livestock groups have been critical of increased federal controls, arguing they would put U.S. farmers at a disadvantage against farms in Mexico and other countries, and lead to higher consumer prices for chicken, beef, pork and dairy products.

Other farmers have said federal standards may be an improvement over what some consider a hodgepodge of state regulations, with farmers in some states required to meet more stringent pollution controls than competitors in a neighboring state.

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Early Childhood Education Clinic

March 12, 1998
Hereford ISD Administration Building
601 N. 25 Mile Ave.

Hereford Independent School District's Special Education Department is offering a FREE clinic for children 3, 4 and 5 years of age. This clinic is to identify children who may need early classroom experiences because they seem to have problems in...

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- Talking
- Seeing
- Playing like other children
- Learning about their world
- Using their hands

or may have a PHYSICAL HANDICAP.

Certified specialists will be working with children at the administration building on March 12th from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm. APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED and can be made by calling 363-7600.

A Parent or Legal Guardian will need to accompany the child to the screening to provide permission and needed developmental information.

If you need additional information, call Annie Mercer at 363-7600.

Clinica Interventiva Para Niños

Marzo 12, 1998 en el Edificio de Administración 601 N. 25 Mile Avenida

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- La Vista
- Jugar con otros niños
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