

Pieces make complete villages
For many collectors, the dream of a perfect "village" comes to life in recreation rooms, living
rooms and fireplace hearths every year. Shown on shelves above at Caryn's are pieces from the Department 56 company collection. Sales of the lighted villages are reported to rise about 20 percent every year.

## Dream 'village' comes to life in thousands of homes

by Lindsay radpord



## Torture of runaway

 termed 'unthinkable'

Many of the serious collectors
work toward assembling complete
work toward assembling complete
villages. You wouldn't believe the size of
some of these collections, " Davis said. "People will leave these up year
round as decoration. Some will be will be in every room. A couple of sets running through their cities and villages.
The re
18,000 merchants, has attracted
secondary secondary traders, has attracted
brokers, who and and appreciating in value, especially
discontinued pieces. I was talking to a guy the other
Iny and a church he paid $\$ 33$ for is now worth $\$ 400$," Davis said. "You
could casily sell it for that value on could easily sell it for that value on
the secondary market."
The Department 56 craze includes
The Department 56 craze includes
published price guides, news letters
and magazines. There are collect
and magazines. There are collectors
clubs. There are computer chat lines on the on-line services Delphi and
Prodigy and there are Prodigy and there are conventions.
including the National Council of including the National Council of
Department 56 Clubs. The conventions are called "village gatherings" and this
year there were 13. The company itself produces more
than 2,000 products, including Christmas tree ornaments. But maing
there are the villages and the collectors who assemble them.
"Our store sponsors the Panhandle a lot of collectors together in the area,"
Davis said. "We just recenty hosted a tour of homes where peopple displayed
their villages. Not only does the club their villages. Not only does the club
give people connections to the
secondary market, but italso creates quite a few friendships."
In early Deccember, the company
announces which pieces will be retired. announces which pieces will be reairec. The molds are broken, and the company
stops producing certain pieces, causing stops producing cen
a buying frenzy.
People will be the next morning to buy up the retired pieces,
market, Itry to buy deep enough that Ill haves some retired piecees and if $I$
know someone will want one of them, I'll pull it for them."
Davis' store, like many others, keeps a registry on who has bought what and
when, and what they would like to have as gifts.
"Lots of husbands wander in looking for a birthday or Valentines in gifts, we see what they want or have already got," Davis said. "We've got about
100 serious collectors in Hereford so 100 serious collectors in Hereford so
were working with the list all the time."
we re working with the list all the time."
published in the Dec. 2 issue of USA
Today.
How m
How much are these pieces worth?
A smail chalet for the original Snow
Village that cost $\$ 15$ in 1977 is now worth $\$ 365$. Dickens' Village Mill from 1985 originally cost $\$ 35$, but today it is worth $\$ 5.150$.
"For some people, this is a regarded as an investment, but for others, it's
an opportunity to becreative and it's
just whole lot of fing

## Clinton appeals for U.S. pilot's release

## Koreans counter with Hall's 'admission'

 after President celinton appealed for intrusion so that I may return to my,
Bobby Hall's rease, North Korea accidental and not part of a
home be with my family agaih."
spying mission. U.S. officials have countered today with an alleged
statement from the captive American stater asking forgiveness for "
pilot pilot asking forgiveness for "a
flagrant violation of international
law
law." wasn't clear whether the statement was an indication that
North Korea is ready to release Hall or an attempt to intensify pressure for a public U.S. apology.
The statement, date The statement, dated Christmas Day and purportedly signed by Hall,
was released after inconclusive talks was released after inconclusive talks
on Wednesday between North Korean on Wednessay between North Korean
offials and U.S. diplomat Thomas Hubbard.
today in Pyongyang, he North Koday in Pyon capital.
It was impossible to know whether
Hall, who was captured Dec. 17 after Hall, who was captured Dec. 17 after
his helicopter went down in North his helicopler went down in Nort
Korean territory, made the statement
voluntarily or voluntarily or under pressure-or or
whether he wrote it at all. Hall's
co-pilot was killed co-pilot was killed
helicopter went down.
Korea News Servic pro-North agency, today released a pro-North agency, today released a
photograph of the handwritten
statement it said thad North Korea. The seven-page statement is
headlined "CONFESSION." Only the first and last pages are clearly
visible. U.S. officials had
immediate comment on whether it
appeared to be Hall's handwriting. appeared to be Hall's handwriting.
There were signs that Washinglon There were signs that Washington
was rapidly losing patience with was rapidly
North Korea.
Lawmakers and Secretary of State Warren Christoper have said failure to release the pilot soon could jeopardize an agreement to provide
$\$ 4$ billion in aid to North Korea and improve relations. In exchange, the isolated communist state, suspected of building nuclear weapons, is
supposed to stop work on its nuclear supposram.
In the statement released by the North's official news agency, Hall said he was on a reconnaissance
mission when his OH-58C mission when hisOH-58Chelicopter
"deviated from the route" and deviated from the route
crossed into North Korea.
He did not admit to spying and
gave noexplanation for the deviation gave no explanation for the deviation.
but said, "I admit that his crimin. but said, "I admit that this criminal
action is inexcusable and unpardonable. However, at home my parents, able. However, at home my parents,
wife and kids are anxiously waiting
for my return to them. "I only hope, and it is my desire.
that the Korean People's Army will

## Farm group leaders praise Glickman, but offer advice

## grou Pres President Clinton's choice of Dan

 Glickman as his new agriculturesecretary they also secretary, they also have no shortage
of advice for the defeated congressof advice
man.
Glic Glickman's knowledge of
agricultural issues and experience with farm programs are seen as a
major plus, and fellow Kansan Bob Dole, the incoming majority leader in the soon-to-be GOP-controlled
Senate, expects swift confirmation Senate, expects swift confirmation.
"He's very honest and straightor ward, and he understands the
importance of agriculture importance of agriculture to the rural
economy." Chander Kes economy." Chandler Keys, senior
director of congressional relations for director of congressional relations for said of Glickman.
"But he's got a lot to do," added Chandiler, whose group rep
nation's catule producers.
And there are lots of agendas among the many varied agricultural special interests.
"We want him
"We want him to reform the Meat Inspection Act" to update the
turn-of-the-century law, Chandler Lurn-o- -the-century law, Chandler
said. "That needs o be atop priority right out of the chute, and then get on
with the farm with the farm bill and the reforms that
(outgoing Agriculture Secretary (outgoing Agricult
Mike) Espy started." The Ohio Farm Bureau Federation praised Glickman's experience with
farm issues through 18 years on the ture," $\mathrm{S} w$ ank said. "We also need a
House Agriculture Commiteee but C.
spolesesma n who will be able to William Swank, the federation's spepresent farmers on issues such as
executive vice president, said the the envil onment, food safety and executive vice president, said the the envil onment, food safety and veteran law maker's greatest con serva tion."
challenge will bechanging his focus.
The ss slection of Glickman, turned
"He will have to shake himself out of office by voters in the free of his old congressional habits
and be a true advocate for agricul(Ser: GLICKMAN, Page 6)

## CSF total endss at \$18,414

A total of $\$ 18,414.27$ was donated to Hereford's Christmas Stocking
Fund for the 1994 holiday season,
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he nc, $n$-profit charitable program. A : spokesman for the anonymous arga committee reported that the rissis $t$ all of the most ncedy case 'eported this year. The committee, cros s-section of volunteers, screen all 1 upplications for help. Naturally,
not all requests are honored.
The CSF donations were a record
$\mathbf{\$ 2}, 451$ last year. Ranking second $\$ 21,451$ last year. Ranking second
for the total was 1989 when a total of St 10,718 was received. Next was the to tal of $\$ 18,022$ in 1999 .
The last donations received:
$T$ Inalance forward: $\$ 18,264.27$
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Roomen 204, DSC Courthouse
$\$ 0.00$

## Local Roundup

## Thunderstorms, then snow?

Unseasonable weather -- a 51 -degree high Wednesday and 33-degree low Thursday morning -- may be replaced by rain and cooler temperatures over the weekend. Under paruly cloudy south to southwest winds, $5-15 \mathrm{mph}$. A 30 percent chance of afternoon showers or thunderstorms is on the menu for Friday afternoon with a high near 50. The outlook for the New Year's weekend calls for a chance of snow early Saturday, partly cloudy weekend calls for a chance of snow early Monday with lows in the teens and highs in the Sunday and Monday
$35-40$ degree range.

## News Digest

## World/Nation

SEOUL, South Korea--Hours after President Clinton 's appeal for the
release of Bobby Hall, North Korea releases an alleged statement from release of Bobby Hall, North Korea releases an alleged statement from
the captured pilot asking for forgiveness for "a flagrant violation of the captured pilot asking for forgiveness for "a flagrant violation of
intermational law.".
WASHITM WASHINGTON-Dan Glickman begins the ransition today from nincterm
congressman and frequent defender of farm programs to an agricuture secretury who may preside over cuts in crop subsidies and other politically sensitive farm supports.
WASHINGTON--President Clinton is opening a vigorous search for Wew CIANG chief to repair damage to the spy agency's image and morale
a new
resulting from nearly a decade of treason by a Russian spy. resulting from nearly a decade of treason by a Russian spy.
VVASHINGTON.-A Republican plan to revamp the welfar VVASHINGTON--A Republican plan to revamp the welfare system
would deny aid to 5 million children now on the rolls without providing wour ly enough money to care for them in orphanages and foster rovides.
neal th and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala said today. Heal th and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala said today. SL LEPTSOVSKOYE, Russia-The Kremlin presses its offensive against
breab away Chechnya despite fierce resistance, sending hundreds of tanks breab :away Chechyya despite fierce ressistance, sending hundreds of tanks
and a mored vehicles toward the capita from several directions. The Chechens and a mored vechicles toward the capital from several directions. The Chechens
claim heavy civilian casualties_ despite President Boris Yeltsin's pledge to stop bombings that risk civilian lives.
VVASHINGTON--Congress and the
VVASHINGTON--Congress and the White House may be trying to
outd o each other with offers of a middle-class tax cut, but at the Internal outd o each other with offers of a middle-class tax cut, but at the Internal
Reve nue Service its business as usual as another tax season officially
open s.

## Sitate

HOI JSTON-The horifying torture endured by a 17 -year-old runaway
He was $s$ unt 'hinkable but not altogether unusual among the packs of youths "Stu. fflil ke this happens all the time," said Tracy Brown, executive director for a a too vntown shelter for homeless young adults. AU. S1 IN--A grand jury's allegations that the Texas Department of
Insuramce fails to investigate fraud and other criminal misconduct within Insurance fails to investigate fraud and other criminal misconduct within
the indust ry have bsen referred to the State Auditor's Office. A Travis
 Bush, critice izing the insurance department as suffering fro
oversight"
FORTW IRTH--Some faculty, students and alumna of Texas Woman's
University h ave begun a legal challenge to keep the school from going Co-ed. gasoline that $\mid$ iecom es the only fuel for 50 million American
next week wil $I$ everitually cost more, dealers and refiners say

## -TEXAS- LOTTERY

By The Associ ated Press
No tickets correc
Ly matched all
jackpory for officials estimate the six numbers drawn W ednesclay night for the twice-weekl $y$ Loto Texas
game, state lotery off icials said. The game, state lotery off
jackpot was worth $\$ 3$ million.
The numbers draw $n$ Wednes will be 10 million. nighe numbers draw a in ind of $: 50$ Wedrese: 3,4 ,
$12,28,32$, and 33 .

## State auditor to get grand jury report

Insurance department allegedly fails to investigate fraud

Associated Press Writer AUSTIN (AP).-A grand jury's allegations that the Texas Department of Insurance fails $t 0$ investigate fraud

and other criminal misconduct within and other criminal misconduct within
the industry have been referred to the
State Auditor's Office. State Auditor's Office.
On Wednesday a Travis County
grand jury released a letter writuen to Gov.-elect George W. Bush,
criticizing the criticizing the insurance department oversight" and "undue influence
from the ing
Texas Insurance Commissioner
Rebecca Lightsey defended state Rebocca Lis. but siad the allegations
regulato be investigated by the State
would would be investigated by the State
Auditor's Office and insurance Auditor's Office and
department auditors.
accounting determined that a full
of Texas," Ms. Lightsto to the people of Texas," Ms. Lightsey said.
The grand jury's seter followed
"several dozen hours of testimony "several dozen hours of testimony
about specific insurance fraud
cases, said Steve McCleery, Travis
County first assistant district County
attorney.
The
The e estimony included statements
from department officials about hos from department ofticials about how
they handie fraud cases, said
McCleery, McCleery, whodeclined comment on
whether the grand jury would take any substantive action against the
insurance department. The leter drew sharp responses
from Bush and Gov. Ann Richards Bush called the allegation
"disturbing" "disturbing" and vowed "that $m y$ of any kind." Bill Cryer, spokesman fo
Richards, said Richards, said the allegations were
being taken seriously, but he
work. "They have been very active ove the past few years in filing civili cases
against bad actors and have receive against bad actors and have receive
record fines from insurance compa record fines from insurance compa-
nies that have crossed the line.

## Keeping an eye on Texas

## Texas boom town: State prison

 The population of Texas has shown a steady grownt sinco 1982 , whileTexas state p pison population has increased dramatically in the past tew years. In the on-eyear period firom Sopptember 1993 to September 1994 .
the number of prisoners increased 55 percent trom 61,400 to 95,000 . Texas poppulation
in milions



## Police Report


threshold for legal intoxication.
A proposal by Rep. Scout In the first six months of 1994, 516
Hochberg and Sen. Rodney Ellis, pecple did in alcohol-related
both Houston Democrats, would

Cryer said. "But any time an
accusation is made that the insurance
regulators aren"t regulators aren't doing their job, we want it investugaces. Industry spokesman Jerry Johns,
of the Southwestern Insurance Information Service, said, "Insurers have noted a lack of aggressive
response to fraud cases from the response to fraud cases irom the
insurance departument $\begin{aligned} & \text { To some time. } \\ & \text { "Their lack of aggressive pursuit }\end{aligned}$ of fraud cases damages everery
consumer in Texas and penalizes consumer in Texas and penalizes
them in the form of higher insurance rates," Johns said.
The grand jury interviewed
witnesses ranging from insurance witnesses ranging from insurance
department field department field examiners to
upper-level management. The panel upper-level management. The panel
also
reviewed agency records, according to the letter.
"We have determined that there
exists a significant reluctance on the
part of department personnel to
investigate and report fraudulent
occurrences in occurrences in the ins insurance
industry." the grand

## Legislative agenda of MADD is simple:

 keep drunks off roadsAUSTIN (AP)-As one of the lower the limit from .10 to .08 for
deadliest weekends for alcohol-re-- persons 21 and older and to .02 for deadiest weekends for aco Mo-rers
lated accidentsapproches, Mothinors.
Against Drunk Driving is pushing a
Too many drunken drivers are legislative agenda to drivers off the streets.

MADD is really not interested in taking away licenses and putting
a lot of people in jail," said Bill Lewis, a spokesman for she Texas
chapter of MADD. "We are chapter of MADD. "We are
interested in laws that might persuade people not to drink and drive in the
first place." The organization is backing
several bills that have been filed for several
the legislative session beginning Jan. 10, including proposals to establish
sobriety sobriety checkpoints, revise the state
open container law and lower the open container law and lower the
threshold for legal intoxication. topping MADD's agenda is a
measure to allow cities with a population of at Ieast 250,000 to
establish sobrity Under the bill by Rep. Will Hartnett, R-Dallas, bye time in which a police officer could inspect a car the time a driver must wait to pass through a the checkpoint would not exceed 10 minutes.
An officer must
An officer must have "reasonable
suspicion"to ask a driver toleave his car or to perform a sobriety test. Lewis said about 40 states have laws allowing for sobriety check-
points.
points. "This is a law that can prevent drunk driving because if persons...
know there's some chance of going know there's some chance of going home, there's a chance they may
think twice about driving home drunk," he said. Two bills would lower the
threshold for legal intoxication.
of an independent board or other
means of ensuring public accountabil-
ity, ity," the letter said. The three-member State Board of Insurance, which formerly set
department policy, was dissolved in Insurance, which, was dissolved in
department policy
December 1993 and replaced with a December 1993 and replaced with a
single commissioner appointed by the governor.
Ms. Lightsey, who Richards
appointed as commissioner after J. appointed as commissioner after J.
Robert Hunter resigned earliier this Robert Hunter resigned earier has
month, said the department has
referred 99 fraud cases to prosecutors
 "The leter implies that referrals
cases for criminal action are of cases for criminal action are
insufficient,"" Ms. Lightsey said. "If the reviews I have begun today show weaknesses, I will move swiftly to
remedy the problem." emedy the problem.
Ms. Lightsey said the insurance department has a "strong record of protecting consumers." She pointed to four recent civil cases resulting in
more than $\$ 7$ million in fines against ree Hochberg said. in who are obviously drunk and lest out at .99 ," he said. "There's definitely an impression that you can drink a bunch and not be legally
drunk, and that's true." Hochberg saida 150-p Hocchberg saida 150 -pound person
must drink a minimum of five mixed drinks an hour to reach the 10 level. The same person would
after four drinks, he said. "We're not going after the social drinker or the person who drinks with dinner," he said. "What we're going
after is the people who drink to exter is the people who drink to
car, and that's bhehind the wheel of a The 02 limit for minors would be in essence a "zero-tolerance" policy
because Breathalyzers cannot establish accurate readings below that, Hocchberg said. has proposed lowering the threshold for minors to zero.
Another propal
Another proposal would cork the
open container law. open container law.
Under the current Under the current law, a police
officer must see someone drinking from an open container in an
automobile to issue a citation automobile to issue a citation.
Rep. Fred Hill's plan wouff revise the law to prohibit open containers in an automobile outright. Alcohol is a factor in about half of all fatal auto crashes, according to
MADD. That rate increases to about MADD. Thent over the New Year's
70 holiday, Lewis said.

## Death claimed victims from all fields of life



Oct 2. Age 85. Congestive heart failure. Fred Lebow, who founded the New
York City marathon in 1970 and York City marathon in 1970 and tarnacd it into an international event
atracting thousands. Oct.9. Age 62 .
f capitalism. Nov. 28. Age 56. Hit by car.
Jefrey Dahmer, the Milwaukee nan who admitted killing an 28. Age 34. Prison beating. DECEMBER Elizabeth Glaser, the Hollywood
wife who became a tireless AIDS activistafter she and her two childrem were infected through a blood were infected through a bloo
transfusion. Dec 3. Age 47. AIDS.
Antonio Carlos Jobim, Brazilian Anansionio. Carrlos Jobim, Brazilian
composer whose blend of samba and jazz in "The Girl From Ipanema"
helped spark the 1960s bossa nova helped spark the 1960 s bossa nov
craze. Dec. 8. Age 67 . Heart failure. OveraiE. Flaubus, former Atansas to desegregate Litule Rock's Centra
High prompted President Eisenhowe tigh prompted President Esisenhower Age 84. Cancer.



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# Lifestyles 

'Christmas Legacy' is topic of Pioneer Study Club meet

Our Christmas Legacy was the
theme for the December meeting of theme for the December meeting of
the Pioneer Study Club of Hereford at it's annual Christmas tea in the
home of Mary Panciera. Catherin home of Mary Panciera. Catherine
Gripp and Fern Sigle were coGripp and
hostesses.
A brief business meeting wa presided over by Vice-Presiden
Gripp in the absence of Mary Jane Burrus, President.
The mesting opened with the
pledges to the flags of the United pledges to the flags of the United
States and Texas and the Collect for Clubwomen in unison.
Shirley Brownand Joy Dones were welcomed as new members of the
HHS student in Who's Who Michsel William Power Jr. of
Hereford has been selected for publication in the annual edition of School Students. Power is the son of Michael and
Priscilla Power. Power is a senior at HHS and participates in Key Club of Christian Athletes and the Nazarene church youth group. He is also a member of the varsity
basketball team. team.
University in the fall of 1995 . Since only five percent of students from the, nation's high schools are
recognized by the publication each recognized by the publication each
year, it is an high honor to be yelected.
Per
Power will be eligible to compete for one of $125 \$ 1,000$ scholarships,
which will be awarded to this year. honorees.

## Names in the news

NEW YORK (AP)--A last-minute addition to President Clinton's 1994 problems: He's no longer the "Perso
of the Year" in the He of the Year" in the Harris Poll. Louis Harris and Associates aske 1,250 U.S, adults this month wha their, person of the year. The top answer was a friend or relative, the polling company reporied Wednes Cling in 1993, dropped to second place. Hillary Rodham Clinton, who was
second last year, fell to third. Rush Limbaugh moved up a notch to No 4 and Ross Perot fell from fourth to

## 10th.

George Bush, Boris Yeltsin, Colin
Powell and Michael Jordan dropped out of the Top 10, which this year included Jimmy Carter, Sen. Bob Dole, Mother Teresa, Rep. New Gingrich and the Rev. Billy Graham
in that order. in hat order.
LOS ANGELES (AP)--A sentenced to six months in jail for a second charge of trespassing at the singer's Hollywood Hills home.
Robert J. Wasserburger, 28,
pleaded no contest Wednesday. He was found on Madonna's property gate 30 times and claiming to be her brother and a police officer, said Ted Goldstein, a spokesman for the City In Orney's Office sentenced to 30 days in jail for trespassing and ordered in jo keep at
leas 100 yards away least 100 yards away from Madonna's

The Federation Report was given the importance of Federation and the
accom accomplishments it has made through been feder. Pioneer Study Club has She listed challenges for the years. ahead and closed her talk wer
Rosemary Thomas reported tha this club is contributing tha
Christmas cards, 15 all Christmas cards, 15 all occeasion cards
and stamps to be used by the veterans at the VA Hospital in Amarillo. Panciera introduced the program for the day. Each member descoribat
her most memorable Christmas. hor more memorable Christmas
Some remembered receiving their first dolls, some programs at churches and schools, some traditions of their
families, and some their Christmas families, and some their Christmas
stockings. stockings.
Refreshments of red velvet punch cookies and candies brought by the
members for the tea table, and gift boxes for friends and shut-ins were served to Brown, Nell Culpepper,
Dones, Maria Escamilla. Olets Dones, Maria Escamilla, Oleta
Hoffman, Gladys Miller, Thomas Wimberley and the hostesses.
Former Hereford man graduates from

## FBI Academy

Jerry W. Kendrick of Arlington, a former Hereford resident, recently Academy Program at Ouantico Kendrick is currently serving as commander of the Criminal InvestiDepartment at Arlington Police Hereford High School in 1968 . The FBI Academy is an 11-week
school offered to selected senio school offered to selected senior
police officers. Selection for this school is considered an honor in the
law enforcement field, as the training is unequaled. The recent graduating, class
included 258 officers, men and women, from 48 states, 24 countries.
the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico he Districtor Columbia, Puerto Rico,
the U.S. Virgin Islands, four military
organizations and organizations and three federal
civilian organizations civilian organizations.
On the average, these officers have 16 years of law enforcement
experience. The awa experience. The academy includes
advanced investigative advancedinvestigative, management
and fitmess training for selected and fitness training for selected
officers.


DEAR ANN LaNDERS: My usband and I divorced LANERS: My During our marriage he was verbally wo childrend not support me or our because "Jimmy's" paycheck never holiday, Jimmy decided to take the two kids up north for a four-day vacation. They ended up at my brother's house.
My brother and his wife welcomed them with open arms. There happened
to be another house guest there at the same time. She was the wife of my mother's best friend. This was totally
unplanned, they said. When the kids came back home, they told me their dad was drunk the
entire weekend and that he and the entire weekend and that he and the
lady house guest did a lot of hugging lady house guest did a lot of hugging
and hand-holding. (Our older child made it clear that they were together day and night.)
I am outraged that my brother
permitted this to go on in his home in the presence of my children. I am also disgusted with his wife for not
intervening. intervening.
My brother
My brother does not understand why 1 am so upset. Will you explain
the facts of life to these idiots?-Mad as Hell in Chicago
DEAR CHICAGO: Apparently, since you and Jimmy are divorced,
your brother and his wife didn't feel your broter and his wirfe didn't feel
it was necessary to police the action. agree, however, that they did not use Since the femal of your brother's best friend, he should have instructed them to cool it while under his roof.
You give me
You give me no clue as to the ages are old enough boknow something was woman.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: This is for readers who get cramps in thei

## Business notes

L.D.(Steve) Stevens, Jerry Stevens
and Mitchell Receve, all of Stevens
Chevrolet-Oldsmobile in Heref recently completed trinefor Nashville, Tn., and Detroit, Mn., with Motors Co Division of General has been awarded the dealership Aurorabile's newest luxury car, the Aurora.

## Ann Landers

## legs. I used to have leg cramps at night so darned bad they almost killed me

 Several years ago, an older man toldme to breathe into a paper bag when my legs started to a cramper It worked. Once, when I didn't have a paper bag,
put the palm of my hand over my I put the palm of my hand over my
mouth fairly snugly and breathed into it fast and hard. That worked, too. The trick is in the breathing.
Remember, you have to breathe Remember, you have to breathe
rapidly to catch some of the air already exhaled. If the cramps start again. change position and repeat. The cramps usually come in six-oeight-second intervals. Keep up this outine until they stop.
This has worked for and I wanted to pass it on for others. am Herschel Bradburn, age 92 , and you can use my name if you want to.
Fresno

DEAR HERSCHEL: Thanks for bet you will hear from apter apears, 'rin and relatives in Fresno.
DEAR ANN LANDERS: The leter about the 14 -year-old lad who clocks, moved me straight to my typewriter. I had botha son and a husband who could not wake up in the morning. . et
grieves me to remember how I rieves me to remember how I used
throw ice water on my teenager to get him to school on time. Inow know hat it was not his refusal to coopperate givirg my husband and my son a glass of orange juice and then waiting 15 minutes for them to get up was the solution. Ple
colorado
DEAR COLORADO: Consider it done, and thank you. What's the truth about pot, cocaine,
SD, PCP, crack, speed and downer? "The Lowdown on Dope" has up-to-the-minute information on drugs. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size
envelopeand acheckor money order for $\$ 3.65$ (this includes postage and handling) to: Lowdown, c/o Ann
Landers, P.O. Box 11562 , Chicago, III. Landers, P.O.
$60611-5062$.

## Single Burger ${ }_{(1 / 4 \mathrm{~b})}$

 10 0 4After 5:00 PM • Starting Friday, December 16th thru January 2, 1995.

820 E. Park

Hereford
Elks Lodge


Band: Rowdy fice
Corn Bread \& Black Eyed Peas
Served at Midnight.

Local couple helps C.O.P.S. feed holiday meal to lawmen
Citizens for C.O.P.S.(Concerns for 10 th annual Memorial Service which
Police Survivors) furnished a meal honors Texas law enforcement Police Survivors) furnished a meal honors Texas law enforcement
for area law enforcement officers at officers killed in the line of duty. It Tor area law enforcement officers at officers killed in the
the Amarillo DPS office betwen will be held in May. Doon and 3 a.m. on Christmas Eve.
Don and Carolyn Waters, local
O.PS. C.O.P.S. members, helped host the Alan Mongold, a Randall County heriff's offficer, and his wife, Laurie,
liso helped on the proict also helped on the project.
Mongold is presently serving Mongold is presently serving as
president of the C.O.P.S. organizatesident of the C.O.P.S. organiza-
tiez, also a fooper Hector Dominguez, also a former Hereford resident,
was one of the officers was one of the officers who enjoyed
he Christmas Eve meal Ape Christmas Eve meal. Approximately 75 DPS, city
patrolmen and county officers
responded

Whar Điininep pictures Presents
TIMALLEN SLANTA for a meal. Preparation is underway for the Buffalo Bill starred in the firs western ever made.

Showing Dec. 28 ith thru Jan. 1st
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Herd falls in final seconds; girls dispatch Littlefield JV The Hereford boys basketball team lost the first game of the Canyon
Rotary Holiday Tournament Wednesday, falling 69-68 to Lovingion, Rotary Holiday Tournament Wednesday, falling 69-68 to Lovingion,
N.M.
-They scored with seven seconds left to take the lead, and we missed "They scored with seven seconds left to take the lead, and we mis
a shot and a tip-in at the end," Hereford coach Randy Dean said. In the Wildcat Holiday Classic in Littlefield, the Hereford girls' team won $71-16$ over the Limieneld junior varsity caam, which was in ue bracket
because another team could not te found.
Dean praised Lovington's team, but said Hereford could have won Dean praised Lovington's team, but said Herefo
with a better performance from the free throw line. and muscular--and they 've got some quickness. We kids-I mean 6-foot-5 and muscular--and they 've got some quickness. We played pretty well.
plain and simple, but the difference was free throws. We missed crucial free throws in the final minutes of the game. If we'd made those, we would have had a chance to put the game away.
Dean characterized the game as a "game of runs." Hereford led 18-9
after one quarter, Lovington came back in the second quarter to lead, then Herefford took it back with another run, he said. Hereford led 32-30 at halftime and the game was tied $49-49$ at the end of the third duarter. Hereford fell to9-6. Michael Brown led the Herd with 28 points and
Isaac Walker added 18. Benton Buckley and Todd Dudley each scored Isaac Waiker aded 18. Bienton Buckiey and Todd Dudiey each scored
seven points, Michael High had six and Michael Power scored two. Hereford had to sit and wait an hour and a half because the time of the game was changed to $4: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. from 3, and Dean was not notified
The Herd was to play Tulia, a $62-47$ loser to Clarendon at 3 p.m. Thusday. In Littlefield, the Lady Whitefaces dealt with a bad situation. "If you don't beat 'em bad, the kids are down about it, and it you beat
em too bad, you look bad," coach Eddie Fortenbery said. "We did what 'em too bad, you look bad," coach Eddie Fortenbery said. "We did what We hereford was to play Hart, a 67-34 winner over Grady, N.M., at 3:30 p.m. Thursday.
p.m. Thurscday.
Julie Rampley led Hereford with 16 points and seven steals. Danielle Comelius added 11 poinst, , Tarabect Holmes scored eight, and Catie Betzen,
Heather Hodges and Mindi, Davis each scored nine points.
Virginia shuts down TCU on muddy field

By MIKE COCHRAN Cavaliers wound up 9-3, the Associated Press Writer
 Virginia buried its demons in the rain, Frogs 7 Viginia end Mike Frederick, mud and cold of the Independence voted the outstanding defensive
Bowl, and coach George Welsh and player of the game, said the victory Bowl, and coach George Welsh and player of the game, said the victory
his 18 ht -ranked Cavaliers fare cured a world of intangible ills. delighted.
"t's great tofinally get that bowl said. "First, we werent 't beating
losing streak off our backs." Wellst losing streak off our backs," Welsh anyone, then we couldn't win in
said Wednesday night after the November, then we couldn't win a Cavaliers used their powerhouse bowember, then we couldn t win a
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Horned Frogs with the running of but also because of a seasoh-ending
$30-27$ loss to Norned Frogs with the $n$
The Atlantic Coast Conference
(See TCU, Page 5)

## OU focusing on BYU

 TUCSON, Ariz. (AP)-Okliahoma The game offers a stark contrastThese coacer Gary Gibbs, whose six-year in in quarcerbacking as well ascoand ater a Copper situations.
Bowl matchup with No. 22 Brigham
The Sooners will be playing with Bowl matchup with No. 22 Brigham The Sooners will be playing with
Young, thinks $\mathbf{t}$ (too much is being reserve quarterback Terence Brown, made of his departure.
"It's not a big deal. Our focus is
BYU," $\begin{aligned} & \text { who has completed one pass this } \\ & \text { season and has attempted nine passes }\end{aligned}$
Gibstid. "My focus is to
in his career. He's starting in place BYU"" Gibbs ssid. "My focus is to in his career. He's starting in place
try to allow these guys to go out on of Garrick McGee, recovering from try to allow these guys to go out on of Garrick McGee, recovering fro top against BYU, to have success."
Asked if Gibbs' resignation under fire was providing added incentive for On the other hand, BYU (9-3) the Sooners ( (6-5), Oklahoma receiver features an offense directed by junior Albert Hall said, "Coach has always quarterback John Walsh, who has
told us to go out and play for passed for 3,712 yards and 29
ourselves, and he will ake care of his touchdowns this season and 8,390 part." IRVING, Texas (AP)-New York IRVING, Texas (AP) - New York defense and the way we play
Giants quarterback Dave Brown took defense," said Dallas coach Barry the knee on the last two snaps of
Saturday's victory over the Dallas "Whysical, intimidatating-type defense a Saturday 's victory over the Dallas physical, intimidating-type defense. They won the NFL defensive titie by We operate more on speed."
The Cowboys were the best in the 13 yardsover the Pitusburgh Steelers. NFL at defending he pass. The 172 ,
Dallas allowed a total of 4,313 yards average beat out Pitusburgh's Dallas allowed a total of 4,313 yards average beat out
yards, which averaged out to 269.6
$\mathbf{1 7 9 . 6}$ yarrss per game. The Cowboys Dallas allowed only 248 points,
permitted 97.6 yards per game third behind Cleveland and Pitsrushing and 172 yards passing. burgh. The Browns were the
"It says something about our permitting only 204 points.


## Neck injury ends Sharpe's season

By ARNIE STAPLETON AP Sports Writer
GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) -
Opponents and teammates alike are praying for Sterling Sharpe's
recovery from a neck impairment tha precovery from aneck impairment that
has cut short his season and has cut short his season and possibly
his career. his career Sharpe needs surgery to fuse the
top two vertebrae in his neck, team physician Patrick McKenzie said Wednesday after coach Mike Holmgren, quiet and downcast, stated simply: "Sterling's season is over."
So, too might be Sharpe's magnificent but brief career that includes 595 receptions for 8,134
yards and 65 touchdowns. He had 94 yardstes for 1,119 yards and a team-record 18 touchdowns this
season. season. I consider Sterling a friend of mine. I was real sorry to hear that," said wide receiver Brett Perriman, whose Detroit Lions visit the Packers
on Saturday in the first playff on Saturday in the first playoff game
at Lambeau Field since Jan. 8,1983 . "My prayers go out to Sterling." Lions coach Wayne Fontes said.:" think he's one of the great ones in the
NFL. I'm pulling for him
Cap forces Astros to make
12-player deal with Padres

By BEN WALKER The salary shift hriter The salary shift has started.
The Houston Astros, one of many teams that needs to cut its payrol under the new cap system, and the clubs that can afford of the few budget, traded 12 players and millions of dollars Wednesday. The deal was baseball's bigges came only yive And, no surprise inposed their new financial system ncluding a salary cap. Key to the trade was Houston sending third baseman Ken Caminiti, if the strike is setuled, and center fielder Sieve Finley, scheduled to get 4.25 million, to San Diego. The Astros need to trim $\$ 1.62$
million under the new financial rules. They recently traded high-priced pitcher Pete Harnisch to the New York Mets_ who then released him
but also signed NL MVP Jeff but also signed NL MVP Jeff
Bagwell to a 4 -year, $\$ 27.5$ million contract.
The Padres had the lowest payroll
in the majors last season at $\$ 13.77$
as soon as he can."
"At least now we know what the
roblem was," Holmgren said. "We roblem was," Holmgren said. "We teel we can fix it and we' 11 see where
the after that." Sharpe's 314 receptions in the last three seasons is unmatched. He is the first player in the 75-year history o 100-reception seasons.
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A seventh -yearon proo out of South
Carolina, he is five-time Pro Bowl Carolina, he is a five-time Pro Bowl selection, and is a
year's NFC squad. Sharpe meant. so much to the
Packers that when he walke Packers that when he walked out on the eve of the season opener managder Ron Woif quickly discarded his $\$ 15.5$ million deal and restrucured it to ensure that Sharpe would the NFL's highest-paid
The 1995 through 2000. The walkout lasted half a day. Then, Sharpe caught 13 TDs in the final six games of the season. He and quarterback Brett Favre teamed to most feared offenses.
But Sharpe sustained "stinger" million. They could increase it by $\$ 20$
million and still be under their
allowed limit.
".l allowed himit.
"I think its
way," said Tom way," said Tommy Tanzer, Finley's agent.

Until each team gets as close in
to are the types of moves we're going to see," he said. "San Diego gets the players and the salaries. Houston gets rid of the salaries. That's all they
did." did."
Meanwhile, look for more teams oo make similar trades, trying, to
adjust their payrolls. Of course, it's uncertain whether the cap system will withstand a legal challenge by the
players, and whetber those major players, and wheteer chose major
leaguers will remain on srike as
spring training appres. spring training approaches.
Along with Caminiti and Finley, Cedeno and Roberto Petagine and pitcher Brian Williams, plus a minor leaguér to be named. Those players may $m$
year.
games, sinking to the urf in neck is tweaked. The condition was excruciating pain with numbness and
gradual and announced itself Dec. 18 ,
when his head snapped Trainer Pepper Burris said the was blocking Atlanta safety Brad Tnjuries resulted from unusual Edwards. looseness between the top two Sharpe must undergo surgery to
vertebrae in Sharpe's neck that move fuse the two vertebrae McKer


## OTMEA YOUTH BASKETBALL <br> ENTRY DEADLINE: Jantuary 4, 1995

THE LEAGUE: The YMCA League is designed for boys and girls ages 13 and under. All giris and boys are eligible to play regardless of athletic ability. Teams are coached by adult volunteers. Even game is supervised and referees are provided. The eague specializes in wholesome competition while teaching the fundamentals of team play and good sportsmanship. Every girl and boy plays in every game. We will have three divisions: 8 \& under, 10 \& under and 13 \& under. The teams will be drawn at the YMCA office. PLEASE DO NOT REQUEST PLAYERS TO BE ON CERTAIN TEAMS!

DATES: Teams play and practice once a week after the season starts. Practice starts the week of January 9th (depending on availability of gyms) and games begin Saturday, Jan. 21st. *Coaches will be notified of game location and date of Coaches Meeting.

LEAGUE FEE \& ELIGIBILITY: League fee will be $\$ 18$. Additional children in same family $\$ 15$ each. All participants must by YMCA members. Memberships for yourth are $\$ 25$ a year. (Partial memberships are avail able.)
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AGE DIVISIONS: • 8 \& Under • 10 \& under • 13 \& Under
Division determined by age of participant on September 1st, 1995. PROOF OF AGE REQUIRED


## Cavs' deliberate style produces 10th straight win

By The Associated Press Nobody can get very excited about Cavaliers are playing these days. On the other hand, it's easy to getexexcited
about the way the team is winning. about the way the team is winning.
With Bobby Phills scoring 22 points and Tyrone Hill adding 21 points and 15 rebounds Wednesday night, the Cavaliers cruised to their
10 h straight victory, $91-75$ over the slumping Washingion Bullets. That brought Cleveland within one win of the franchise mark of 11
straight, set last February and March. As has been the case throughout the streak, the Cavs won with a
furious, rotating defense and a

##  <br> Hogs rally past Sooners

Bring together four of the nation's best basketball programs, including
the national chamions, and you might get some terrific games. The Rainbow Classic was the place to be Wednesday night as NCAA champ Arkansas, ranked third, rallie tobeat Oklahoma $86-84$. In the other first-round game, No. 20 Cincinnati held off No .17 Georgia Tech $69-66$.
The Razorbacks $(9-1)$ trailed $51-36$ with 17:46 to play before tuming to their vaunted pressure defense to force Oklahoma ( $7-1$ ) into turnover after turnover as they chipped away at the lead.
us in every aspect of the game except going down the stretch when things

## TCU

Kevin Brooks and Charles Way. "When we hit for that touchdown, "We knew we could score on them anytime we wanted." A couple of Hormed Frogs said the
riverboat revelry may have been riverboat revelry may have been a factor.
"We did a litule too much seeing
the town," confessed defensive the town." confessed defensive
tackle Royal West. tackle Royal West.
And when asked Aifferently, TCU quarterback Max differenty, Thicu quarterback Max
Knake shrugged and said: "I'd probably stay out of the casinos
before having to get up at $8: 30$ the ext morning." Knake, the top passer in the SWC with 2,642 yards, completed only eight of 24 passes for a meager 65 yards and was interceptectonce by the
Cavaliers, who led the nation with 27 cavals.
stass, Terrible,", Knake of it is, I played have played better, there may have game."
Not likely.

Groh completed 14 of 23 passes for 199 yards and hit several cluch
The Cavaliers allowed TCU' All-SWCrunning back Andre Davis to gain 97 yards on 24 carries, but yielded only a total of 126 rushing Meanwhile, Brooks carried for 114
ards and set up one touchdown with yards and set up one touchdown with a 52 -yard run. And Charies Way hile scoring once on a 6 -yerd run Rafael Garcia opened and closed Virginia's scoring with field goals of 20 and 32 yards. He missed one and had another blocked.
TCU trailed $10-3$ at halftime and marched 48 yards in 11 plays in the final quarter and scored on a 1 -yard
pass from Knake to tight end Brian pass from Knake to tight end Brian
Collins.
trade
"We've added quite a bit of salary here, "Padres
Houston got outfielders Derek Bell and Phil Plantier, pitchers Pedro Martinez and Doug Brocail and infielders Craig Shipley and Ricky
Gutierrez. They may make around 55 million next season.
"We've increased our run production, we've improved our we have greater control over the players who are coming to us and we mproved our condition under the salary cap," said Astros president TTal The deal came less than a week fter the Padres were sold to Houston biggest trade since the Kansas City Athiletics and Cleveland made a 13-player deal on Nov. 20, 1957, that 3-pluded Billy Martin and Gus emial.
While getuing San Diego's top two ms ) hituers in Plantier ( 18 home Ast) and Beil ( 14 home runs), the Astros must count on rookies Phil Cevin and Brian Hunter to step in for Pacific Coast League in batting las scason while Nevin wasa formertop draft pick as a third baseman. 283 with 75 RBIs. Finley batted .27 in anotherwise disappointing scason.
wouldn't likely be very popular if it season low for the Bullets.
"It prosn't pretty. I don't think was one of our betuer g games." said
Mark Price, who scored 15 poin Mark Price, who scored 15 points. "th was a grind-it-out game, and in the
second half our defense was much
better." In other NBA games Wednesday night, the Chicago Bulls beat th Knicks stopped the Detroit Pistons 101-93; the Utah Jazz ripped th ndiana Pacers 117-95; and the
Seatte SuperSonics ran past the eattle SuperSonics ran past the
Philadelphia 76 ers 121-102. Washington, which has lost 10 of

Nolan Richardson said. "Our kids
found a way to win and that's what Iound a way to win and
I told them at halftime.
The Razorbacks fook the lead for good at 81-79 on a 3-pointer by Clint McDaniel with $1: 11$ to play en route
to their ninth consecutive victory to their ninth consecutive victory.
"When we left practice Tuesday we prepared to win the game, and when it started a lot of people didn think we had a chance and 1 Kelvin Sampson said. "The clock ran out on us. Another minute and we may have won it.
Corliss Williamson led Arkansas
with 19 points, 15 in the second with 19 points, 15 in the second half,
and Scoty Thurman had 16. Ryan Minor led the Sooners, wholosit thei first game under Sampson, with 3 points. In other games involving ranked
teams, it was No. 2 UCLA over North Carolina Satate 88-80; No. 10 Arizona
 79, Columbia 43; No. 16 Arizon State 65, Pacific 50 ; and No. 24 Indiana 92 , Eastern Kentucky 49. No. 20 Cincinnati 69, 66
No: 17 Georgia Tech 66 Hawaii provided the right setting or the Bearcats to get things back in rder. Sort of. Minus two starters and with their
est shooter, LaZelle Durden, still in funk, the Bears $(8-3)$ ren, still in the Yellow Jackets (7-2). Freshman Danny Fortson had 20 points and nine rebounds to lead Cincinnati (8-3),
while Darnell Burion added 16 points.
No. 2 UCLA 88,
North Carolina S
North Carolina State 80
The host Bruins put away their sixth successive win by outscoring irst half and the start of the second. EdO'Bannon had 21 points and Tyus Edney added 20 .
Czech George Zidek playing
father for the first time, opened the
game with a 6 -foot hook, a shot that game with a 6-foot hook, a shot that
made his father, Jiri, one of Europe's
best shooters in the early 1970 . best shooters in the early 1970 .
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Do. 10 Arizona 95, Richmond 68 Damon Stoudamire turned up the Vildcats followed the rest of the Arizona (8-2) ran off a $32-6$ bur in the first 10 minutes of the second haif to overwhelm Richmond (3-5) triggered the man-to-man press that clinched the victory.
The Wildcats tied a tournamen cord by shooting 64.4 percent. They nade 10 of 163 -point attempts, wit toudamire going 5 -for-8 and Corey No. 12 Georgetown 83,
No. 12 Georgetow
Grambling 66
Freshman Allen Iverson had 27 points and five steals as No. 12 Georgetown won its sixth straight ther an opening loss to Arkansas.
The Hoyas advanced to the title game of the Sacramento Holiday Classic against Fairfield, which beat hos
Sacramento Statc. The Hoyas trailed early in the
cond half, then went on a $14-2$ run. No. 14 California 79, Columbia 43 California closed with a 36-6 run over the last $9: 14$ in the first round of off to its best start since 1967-68, advanced to the championship match Christian 83-64.
Tremaine Fowikes scored 18 points or the Golden Bears, who forced olumbia (2-5) into 34 tumovers.
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Tournament MVP Roderick seven assists, leading Texas pas Washington State 86-81 in the championship of the Sun Classi
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hrough the second period. Cleveland points, Eric Montross added 18, and-Jazz 117, Pacers 95
zed the Bullets by running off the first eight points of the third quarter Washington got no closer than 15 after that.
Bulls 105, Celtics 97
Seven Chicago players, led by Toni Kukoc with 27 points, scored in doubie figures as the Bulls built an
18 -point lead, then held on for the ictory.
B.J. Ar BiJ. Armstrong, Pete Myers, and Wiil Perdue scored 13 points apiece 11 rebounds and Steve Kerr and Bill Wennington each scored 11 points as the Bulls won th.
Boston Gárden.
The Celtics dropped their fourth Traight game and 11th in their las
14. Harper's decisive 3-pointer with
Blue Edwards ied Boston widh 19 Score 20 points.

## Davis leads Tech over Penn St.

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) - Mark had 17 points, scored a layup with 62 The Nittany Lions shot 29.6 Davis scored 19 points and grabbed seconds leff. But Texas Tech's Koy percent in the first half but led 29-26 2ld shooting and gave Penn State its. a lay-in off a steal with 17 seconds
Penn State suilt tits $29-26$ halftime first loss 67-61 Wednesday night in a lay-in off a steal with 17 secting Pent for final margin. lead to 43-36 on Rahsaan Carton's the Fiesta Bowl Classic. The Red Raiders will face the jumper and 3-point basket, butDavis The Red Raiders (4-3) broke a winner of the second game between 3 -pointer capped an 8-0 Texas Tect $59-59$ tie with $2: 36$ remaining on No. 10 Arizona ( $7-2$ ) and Richmond runtogoahead by one. His layuptied layps by Jason Sasser and Davis, (3-4) in Friday'schampionship. Penn it at 46-46 after Pete Lisicky's
ho scored all but two of his points. who scored all but two of his points
in thate ( $7-1$ ) will play the loser in
3-pointer for Penn State. The team
each held the lead twise more before and
converted a free throw with 1:21 Friday s consolation game.
Sasser finished with 17 points and
each held the
the

## remaining. Penn State <br> Lance Hughes added 15, with three Glen State.



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## 'Janitor' designed to clean up space trash

## Dangerous debris could be removed by engineer's invention


envisions a fleet of a dozen or so in
rbit. The satellite could retrieve up to
30,000 pounds over two years placed in a stationary orbit, waiting in one spot in space for bits to drift by and
grabbing them with its two robot grabbing them with its two robot
arms. If it maneuvered with thrusters to chase debris, the Space Janitor
could probably last one month, he could probably last one month, he
said.
Rather than sweep up debris, NASA

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'Little bitty' frozen food firm has big dream of expansion


#### Abstract

By KEELY COGHLAN The Odessa American PECOS, Texas - Betty Greear pes to strike goid in Arkansas. Bentonvilic, , What is. Home of Walt, Sam's Warehouse and, she hopes, plenty of Greear, the new owner of Ben's Spanish Inn, is poised to expand sales of the frozen food compaty's chile rellenos and green chile, cheese and beef finger foods beyond Midland- Odessa. Firss stop, she hopes, is expansion ntoall the Wal-Mart Supercenters in into all the Wal-Mart Supercenters in Texas. exas. So she 's packing up her fryer and amples and heading for the big time. "Taste demonsstrations are bur thest marketing tools," Greear said. "If I put one of my chile rellenos in you hen, but $y$ ou will buy them eventual"The company already sells its


Woman's husband gone longer than usual; she discovers three more wives

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looking for since September, was Charmaine Whalen called potice ept him on the road, dissoid his job onger than usual.
for him.
Officers who went to Vernon Pierce's townhouse in this Phoenix suburb found a second wife knocking wife, and a fourth, and a list of "Who to Marry" with two more potential
New law attempts to remove social stigma of public breast-feeding
products in the Wal-Marts in Midland ellers in the stores' food have been top West Texas grocery stores, and in owe's. Marketplace and Fiesta But Greear wants the area market and expand into the Dallas-Fort Worth, San Antonio and Albuquerque, N.M., markets. great big dreams," Greear said. Greear cobtained control of the
black book in his wallet.
Pierce said he fantasized about
having many wives, but didn'toffer a more detailed explanation of why he was simultaneously married to
four women in Arizona, California four women
and Nevada.
That was the main question for
wife No. 1, LaDranda Pierce of wife No. 1, LaDranda Pierce of Phoenix. "Why, why? I really want
to know why," she said Wednesday, wiping away a tear. The 33-year-old legal secretary
married Pierce in Los Angeles August 1989. They separated in 1991 -he wouldn't say why--and are
getuing divorce. They have a 4 -year-old son, Jared. "Vernon has always been a really nice person, "s she said. "But te do." Pierce, who says he used to be a model, set out on his wedding spree
carlier this year. Police say he earlier this year. Police say he married Whalen, 23, of Palmdale,
Calif., on April 29; 21 -year-old Jamillah Thompson of Phoenix on
former husband in a divorce emporarily yeased moduction as part emporarily ceased production as part Grecar expects toresume production
with a full eight-person crew within he next week, she said Friday. She already has redesigned packaging for the Pecos Tidbits, a
chopped green chile, cheese and beef chopped green chile, cheese and beef
fried concoction that's popular as an appetizer. The plastic bag the tidbits what they were getting, but it was too easily damaged in shipping, Greear
New packaging, which arrived last
N week, will allow sale of the tidbits in a box with a design sillenos, Grear said.
Eventually, she also intends to rename the rellenos to distinguish them from competitors' products. Ben's Spanish Innchile rellenos have
both meat and cheese: rivals have both meat and cheese; rival. Greear is also considering adding a pickle and possibly other Mexican
food to the company product lines in the future, she said.
She plans to purchase additional automated equipment to add another production line within six months; the company would nou climinate jobs
because of increased production because of incre
volume, she said.
Locally, she also hopes to open a mini-restaurant at lunch, serving
low-fat, healthy Mexican food recines low-fat, healthy Mexican food recipes
in one section of the old Spanish Inn building.
Her success hinges on putting together an aggressive, knowledge-
able sales force that will get the abreducts into regional warehouses for distribution, Grear said. In the past, the company juggled
its small sales force between areas. its small sales force between areas.
When it tried to expand elsewhere,
previous sales areas suffered from a
lack of attention, Greear said.
"We are at the point where we have to market more aggressively, where we mustexpand to stay where
Her ex-husband will remain part
Her ex-husband will remain part sales market, Greear said. "This has been a team effort
etween me and my husband for a ong time," Greear said.
"Like everyone else in that business,
When they heard five years ago we ran out of a job. So we buil our
When hat the Ben Mata family waars ago its Spanish Inn restaurant in Pecos
after more than 4 years the after more than 40 years, the Greear
decided to buy the business.

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for others."

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percent of mothers nursed their May 11; and 27-year-oid Lo.
infants in the hospital, and 19 percent
Reed of Las Vegas on June 5 . were still nursing their infants at age Pierce said he spread his time six months in 1993, according to La between the three women, telling Leche League International, an them he was a salesman, model, or
engineer--jobs that kept him advocacy group for breast-feeding.
Ms. Baldwin said five states-New Ms. Baldwin said ifve states--New
York, Florida, Virginia, North Carolina and Michigan--have laws related to a mother's right to
breast-feed. Some exempt breast-feed. Some exempt
breast-feeding fromincriminal lawson indecent exposure. The New York law, however, goes further, saying anyone whorestricts a mother's right rights saw. Ms. Danburg's bill doesn'tcall for civil or criminal penalties, and it
wouldn'toverturn Texas' law against wouldn'toverturn Texas' law against
indecent exposure. She said she wants indecent exposure. She said sie want
the bilt to enlighten, not frighten. The bill would:
--State that a mo her in breast-feed her baby in any public or private location in which the mother is authorized to be, regardless of whether the nipple of the mother's wreast is uncovered during --Deem breast-feeding important and basic act of nurturing that should be encouraged for maternal and child health and family values. -Start a test project in Travis
County to allow employers who provide child-care services to
designate themselves as "baby designate themselves as "baby
friendly" in promotional materials. To gain this status, employers would have to offer the following services: flexible work hours to allow mothers
to breast-feed or express milk by tomp; private rooms for pump; private rooms for
breast-feeding or expressing milk;
and refrigeralors to Traveling.
The trut
The truth, he said, was altogether different: "I didn't have a job. I
didn't have time." He lived off his wives and other women he was
dating. dating.
The tan 13, when Whalen asked Glendale pociice to check Pierce's townhouse time. Police found Thompson
tnoce knocking on the door, said officer Jim The wo women teamed up with a detective to uncover reconds leading
to the other two wives, pol ica said Glendate police have notified
Glender police said. California and Nevada authorities about the marriage records they
uncovered from those states. uncovered from those states.
While searching Pierce's townhouse, police found a 3-by-5-inch index card reading "Who to Marry," Toomey said. were on the card, as well as the entries "Celeste, middle of May,"
and "K and "Kadina, end of April." Police have yet to trace the names. Pierce said that once he gets his
troubles behind him, he wants to start troubies behind him, he wants to star
over--with Reed, his newest wife.
"She's "She's the one who's really 01 To See: Jerry Shipmarn, cLu
Bo1 N. Main (eai) Mathe breast-feeding a a
beyond, she said.
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the News
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Murdoch bumped Ted Tumer from the top of a list of the 100 most powerful people in sports.
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The actor's stepfather asked him to provide a van for a program tha
provides meals and transportation for the elderly and the disabled in the Pontiac area.
The staro of "Home Improvement" and the movie "The Santa Clause" on Tuesday to the Lighthouse of Oakland County's Caregiver program,
Allen's
is Allen's stepfather, William Bones, "I heard they needed a van and have some contacts with Ford, so
made a call and they will provide made a call and they will provide i
for the first year and ${ }^{\prime}$ 'll buy it back for the first year and I'll buy it back
and take care of it after that," said Allen, an Oakland County native.

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP)-At 15 Myiesha Morris is too young to
remember Isaac Hayes from his Hot remember Isaac Hayes from his Ho
Buttered Soul period or his "Theme B Shaft" day
But she and other members of the
children's choir Watoto de Afrika (Children of Africa) recognized an opportunity when they were invid
to sing on Hayes' new album. Hayes, a 70 s icon with his shaved
head African clothes and deep voice heas, Arrican clothes and deep voice,
was the guest of honor when the choir sang at a Christmas event at the
said "A saw talent up there," Hayes said. "And I saw the spirit of the
whole thing. They were doing things whole thing. They we
with lots of energy."
The children joined Hayes on
Tuestay for 90 -minute a version of Stinsinute session on song "Fragile."

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## City judge dispenses justice with levity

## Traffic court in Houston hears defendants' side of issue

By JENNIFER LENHART what I'm doing," a defendant said in Houston Chronicle
HOUSTON-Getting ticketed for $\begin{aligned} & \text { Alfano's Municipal Court No. } 2 \text { last } \\ & \text { Tuesday as she prepared to enter a }\end{aligned}$ HOUSTON-Geting gticketed for Tuesday as she prepared to enter a
speeding or running ared light is bad no-contest plea toacharge of driving specding or running a red the the the in the without proof of insurance.
enough, but
traffic court.
The mere
The mere idea of it summons an $\begin{gathered}\text { She stood before Alfano, 54, the } \\ \text { unpleasant image: getting up early, } \\ \text { highest-rated and longest continuous- }\end{gathered}$ unpleasant image: getting up early,
making your way downtown during serving judge in the municipal making your way downown at dhe decrepit courrs. He hears cases involving
rush hour and arriving Houston Municipal Courts building, traffic and insurance violations and only to wile a
wooden bench.
The experience gets even worse when, periodically, a clerk stands at the front of the courtroom and calls
off long lists of names, 60 or 70 at a off lons
time.
At the bench sits Judge Sam Alfano, a thickly built man with dark brown hair and hands like bear paws.
In his black robe, he looks much like any other judge.
It's his disarming habit of joking with people in court that is totally unexpected. Alfano's displays of previty, his exchanges of cordiality. "I'm not the kind of face that looks comforting," Aliano reflected, "Unless I smile a lot." The effect is to make a formal
situation a litule less formal. People situation a litule less formal. People
react with relief.
you understand what you're doing."
And then he gave his civics lesson. A day in court should be something A day in court should be something to imply. No one wants to come back,
and if they grasp what happenad and if they grasp what happened to "He epitomizes what one would think the people's court should be," said Judge Sylvia Garcia, presiding
justicu of the municipal couts and a justice of the municipal cour
longtime Alfano colleague. "Everyone's hearcabout their day
in court. Certainly when you come to in court. Certainly when you come to Judge Alfano's court, that's exactly
what you get. He does a really good what you get. He does a really good part of the processeven if they aren't represented by an attorney. It makes people feel more comfortable with the
criminal justice system." criminal justice system."
Morethan 1.4 million through the city's 11 municipal courts annually. About 116,000 are placed on the dockets every month. Alfano estimated that about a third of the
defendants fail to show up for their scheduled day in his court. 165 One recent Tuesday his docket had 165 cases, 149 of which were set for 8 all.
All day long, people walk nervously up to the bench, eager to
tell their side of the story tell their side of the story, not
realizing that soon the Alfanocivics realizing that soon
lesson will begin.

Cost of cleaner gas eventually will show up at consumer pump
ELIZABETH, N.J. (AP)-It may reformulated gasoline is being sold gasoline is the most cost-effective
not cost more yet, but the cleaner-- haven't dropped as they normally do way of reducing pollution and smog. burning gasoline that becomes the in winter.
only fuel for 50 million American
Standing beside the pumps at an The EPA predicts an increase of Standing beside the pumps at an 3 cents to 5 cents a gallon. State
motorists next week will eventually Exxon station near the New Jersey
retailers believe they will have
 Wednesday to allay consumer administrator for New Jersey and increase in their costs from refiners; concerns of 11 -cent to 20 -cent per New York, said prices haven't refiners won't say.
gallon boosts by noting that the changed much, and certainly not as to 3 percent. That's on top of up
reformulated fuel has been sold for mer met as some had foreseen. reformulated fuel has been sold for much as some had foreseen.
most of December without much to 3 percent. That's on top of the
"So all the talk about hikes in the most of December without much "So all the talk about hikes in the mance in colder weather.
increase.
But they acknowledge higher of it coming from special interest
production costs will be reflected at production costs will be reflected at groups looking for the chance to gasoline be sold in urban areas with $\begin{array}{ll}\text { the pumps--eventually. } & \text { increase their profits and blame significant smog problems, including } \\ \text { And the American Automobile somebody }\end{array}$ And the American Automobile somebody else, that being the most of the Northeast and mid-At-
Association and a group of New government." Fox said.

lantic region, from parts of Virginia | Jersey station owners noted that government, The EPA, AAA and gasoline to southern Maine. |
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| prices in the 17 states where the refiners agree the reformulated $\begin{array}{l}\text { Mostof New Jerse }\end{array}$ |


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so many pask me, how can you talk had a traffic accident later that day, so many people every day for 16 but the policy was not stamped with
years?" Alfano said. "It's different the hour of purchase. A woman who in these courts. You really feel like was in another vehicle involved in the
you're doing something.'
After the first few hect
After the first few hectic hours of
a typical day, Af fano usually breaks a typical day, Alfano usually breaks
for 10 minues in his large, sparsely furnished office overlooking the Houston Police Department's supply
building and a nearby church building and a nearby church.
He opens a desk drawer, pulls ou He opens a desk drawer, pulls out
a box of chocolates. "Want one?" he asks when a visistor stops by. Then he pulls open a file cabine and produces a bag of cinnamon hard
candies. "Like one?" he asks, popping


The candy stashes in Alfano's desk are legendary around the courthouse.
"You can alwáys find chandy in "You can alwáys find candy in Sam's soffice," said Ronald Beylotte,
chief prosecutor. "Most of the lawyen chief prosecutor. Most of the lawyer
know where it is and go help themselves without even having to ask."
Alfano talks nonstop Alfano talks nonstop with
prosecutors, defense attorneys prosecutors, defense attorneys,
secretaries andclerks, or anyoneels scretaries andclerks, or anyone elise now and then consulting frayed legal books when niggling questions perplex
him. He reflects on the state of
defendant in his courtroom defendant in his courtroom.
Most people like Most people, like the woman Alfano
talked to, are agitated and nerrous, talked to, are agitated and nervous,
he said. Some are defiant. Most expect an unpleasant experience. an unpleasant experrience.
Many people don't understand what
is going on, letalone how much it will
cost them if they lose their case, cost them if they lose their case,
beginning with court fees of around beginning with court fees of around
$\$ 40$, plus fines. In some cases the
outcome affects the cost of outcome affects the cost of automobile
insurance for $y$ years in the future. Many insurance for years in the future. Many
people lose because they appear in court people lose because they appear in court
without a lawyer and try to represent themselves.
"That's the thing about being a judge
in municipal coutr," Alfano said. "The in municipal court," Alfano said. "The peopie that
crimes, but they don't know it half the crimes, but they don't know it half the
time because half the cases are traffic tickets.
"Thes
"These people are generally not
criminals," he said. "But they're criminals," he said. "But they're
trown into the criminal system and you've got to thake more time with, anem.
then You've got to talk to them. You've got to let them talk to you.:
The woman who wanted The woman who wanted to plead
no contest claimed she had purchased an insurance policy one moming and

Prince's drive-in, and he knew almo verybody there," said Pratorius, 56 Food Markets. "He was young and Food Markets. "He was young and
handsome, a nice-looking man, We vent to a lot of parties." Atabout this sime, Alfano's father became a bail bondsman. The young
Alfano, who hadn't seuted on a carcer path, was exposed to the courthou and a whole new range of care ossibilities.
He decided to become an attorne
and enrolled in South Texas Colle of Law. After receiving his law degree in 1966, Alfano worked in private practice for 13 years.
In 1979, then-Mayor Jim McCon appointed Alfano to, the municipal
courts. He has been relained by every mayor and City Council since. Along the way, he and his wife, Jere Sue, a school teacher, raised two
children: Victor, now 32, and Kelley
Alfano developed his distinctive courtroo style and has become ees.
"Listen to him." Houston police officer Randall Cedeno said while waiting to testify on a recen
November day. "He gets right on November day, "He gets right on them but he always gets on their level."
Most
Most people at the municipal courthouse cannot imagine what the an weventult when Alfanoretires considering at the he is not even "He's ang at the moment. "He's an absolutely irreplaceable Larry Milher said. "I şhudder to even think of his retirement.
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