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## Midland Muslim urges unity to purge terrorism

By Ed Todd  
Staff Writer

*God in Heaven, have mercy on your children.  
Help us to see eye-to-eye as brethren.  
... Love, not hatred, be caring and kind  
... Love each other.*

— A.M. Faizullah

By their faith, Muslims are commanded by God, whom they call "Allah," to be a peaceful people and to resist the world's evil.

"The Muslims do not and cannot condone any kind of violence according to their Scripture," said Dr. A.M. Faizullah, a 51-year-old Bangladesh-born Midland physician. "Any kind of violence committed anywhere in the world, we as Muslims have a duty to protest it."

Faizullah, who has lived in Midland for 18 years, noted there is "a dark cloud" over humanity, "no question about it," in wake of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on New York City and at the Pentagon.

"The law abiding and peace loving U.S. citizens of West Texas, who happen to be from the Muslim countries or from different parts of the Islamic world, do condemn, without reservation, the cowardly acts of terrorism perpetrated on innocent civilians of this country," Faizullah said.

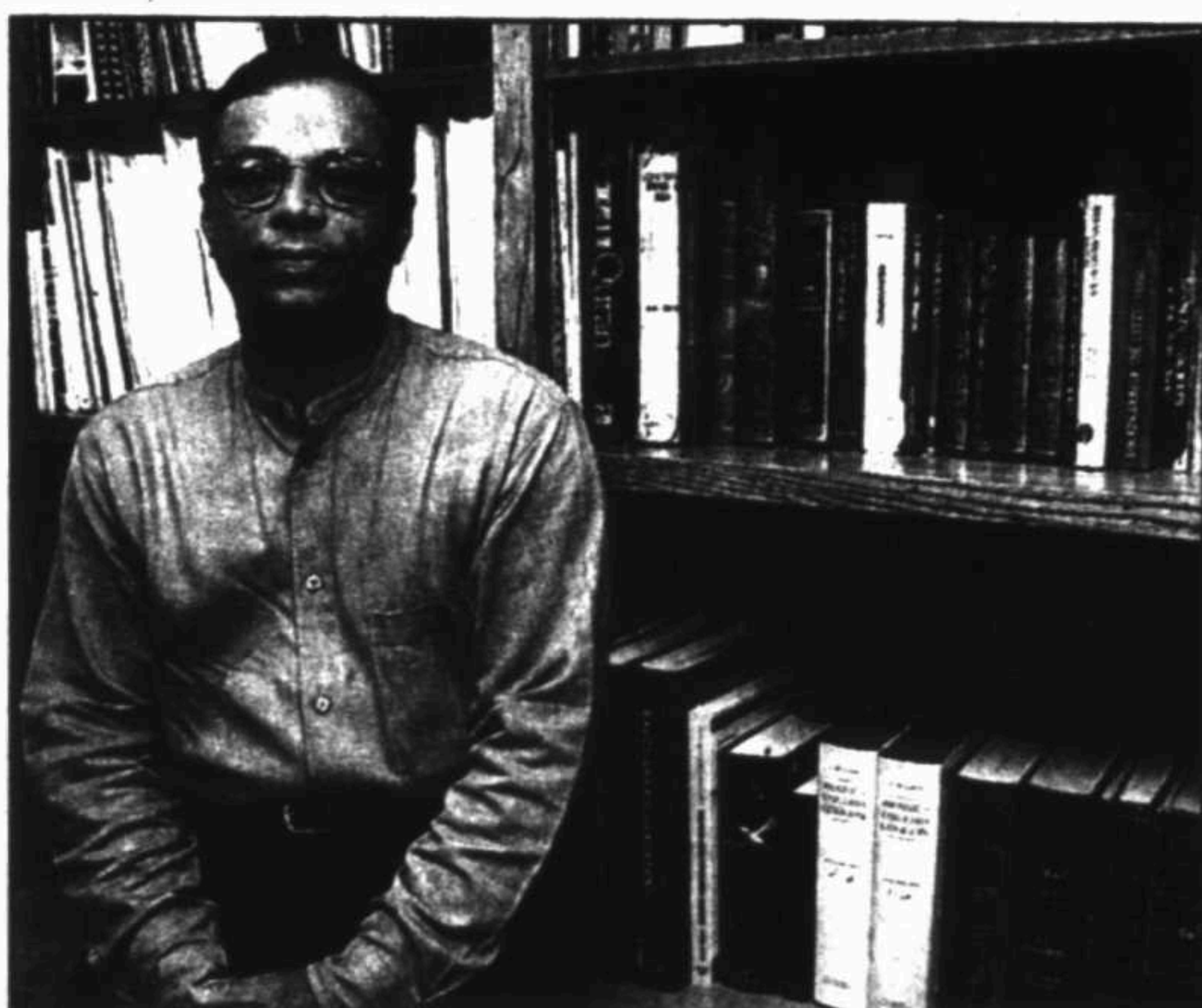
Of "the designers of terrorism and their henchmen," Faizullah said the "Muslims have a responsibility to root them out."

"One nation will not be able to do it" — expunge terrorism from the world, he said. There must be a coming together of nations to conquer terrorism.

"The whole humanity should come together on some common ground, to know each other, to understand each other."

Muslims are to "co-exist (with the people of the world) in a civilized and peaceful world," said Faizullah, who said the Arabic word for Muslim means "one who submits (to God)."

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A.M. Faizullah, M.D. and a comparative religion scholar, has lived in Midland 18 years. He says the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington D.C. have cast a 'dark cloud' over humanity.

Tim Fischer  
Reporter-Telegram



## Bush consults with Putin about terrorist attacks

By Calvin Woodward  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush consulted at length with Russian President Vladimir Putin on Saturday as the United States mustered a military assault on terrorism. Americans returned to their weekend games in a semblance of normalcy, but now their stadiums were no-fly zones.

It was the last day that Americans flew their flags at half-staff. Bush planned to raise the flag high at Camp David on Sunday, symbolically ending a period of national mourning that no ceremony could hope to set aside.

More pieces fell into place for the war planning and coalition building, with America's Middle East allies stepping up in measured ways to support the gathering operation to uproot Osama bin Laden and his terrorist network. The United Arab Emirates cut ties with the Taliban, and NATO ally Turkey said it would let American warplanes use its air space and airports.

But Bush also had to contend with fears that pieces of the U.S. economy are coming apart from the shock waves of the Sept. 11 terror attacks. Emphasizing the bright side, he declared in his radio address that the economy is strong at its core. "They brought down a symbol of American prosperity," Bush said of the terrorists, "but they could not touch its source."

Congress voted \$15 billion for the horsewhipped airline industry late Friday. Many analysts predict the country will not escape recession.

Still, said Bush, "No terrorist will ever be able to decide our fate."

The sports-starved public took advantage of the first full menu of weekend baseball and football since the attacks. But it was not quite the same — authorities banned all aircraft from flying within 3 miles of major sporting events and spectators were barred from taking backpacks or containers to the games.

In New York, the air traffic control tower was closed.

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## Manhunt for bin Laden beginning

By John F. Burns  
N.Y. Times News Service

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Now the manhunt begins, on an epic scale, in a vast and forbidding landscape, and for a man whose cunning is internationally renowned.

The United States has demanded the handover of Osama bin Laden under threat of American military might, and the Muslim clerics who rule Afghanistan, after days of vacillation and obfuscation, have finally refused.

More than that, the Taliban, heedless of the risk to themselves and their government, seemingly unknowing and even uncaring about the scale of outrage across the United States, continue to disavow any knowledge of bin Laden's whereabouts and have challenged America to a fight.

"Our guest has gone," was their message this week.

Even as droves of residents were reported to be fleeing the Afghan capital, Kabul, in anticipation of an American strike, the Taliban, who boasted this week of their country's long history of thwarting more powerful invaders, claimed Saturday to have shot down an aircraft over northern Afghanistan, perhaps an opposition helicopter or an unmanned American reconnaissance drone.

For his part, bin Laden is where he has so often been since he proclaimed his holy war in the mid-1990s and set out to kill as many Americans as he could — everywhere, and nowhere, the subject of countless rumors and speculations. The only thing certain is that each passing day gives the world's most wanted fugitive more opportunity to move and to hide.

As of Saturday, 24 hours after the Taliban...

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ABOVE: Nick Gatlin, 8, of Sulphur Springs, Ala., joins thousands in prayer for victims of the terrorist attacks before the start of the Arkansas-Alabama game at Bryant-Denny Stadium in Tuscaloosa, Ala., on Saturday. RIGHT: Even Naval Academy members were subject to searches and metal detectors prior to the Navy-Boston College game, Saturday at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium in Annapolis, Md.

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### Gary Ott



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### Off the wire

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## Cornyn's decision could clear up GOP confusion

By Stewart Doreen  
Staff Writer

Attorney General John Cornyn's decision to run for the U.S. Senate not only gives the Republicans high profile name in the race to replace Sen. Phil Gramm, but starts to piece together the GOP's 2002 lineup.

There is still uncertainty out there, in particular with the future of David Dewhurst, the party's wild card, but this past week is providing some answers. First, Cornyn, as expected, announced he will run for Senate.

Second, former Texas Supreme Court Justice Greg Abbott decided Friday he will run for Cornyn's current position — attorney general. Abbott had previously thrown his hat in the race for lieutenant governor.

Now the attention will be on Dewhurst, Texas' land commissioner, and whether he will continue his campaign to become the next lieutenant governor and not join Cornyn in what would be a high stakes race to be the Republican nominee to replace Gramm.

The problem is Dewhurst, who could bankroll a large portion of just

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### Inside today

Special reprinted edition of Reporter-Telegram covers from week of Sept. 11.

### Coming Monday

Special page for kids answers questions about the attacks and offers ways for them to help.

### Coming next Sunday

Midlanders "Send a Message" to White House, relief workers in New York City and the Pentagon to let them know our hearts are with them.



# Number of bereft youngsters likely to reach into thousands

By Amy Waldman  
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — From the Cantor Fitzgerald bond trading firm alone, the estimate is staggering: 1,500. Not the number of victims.

The children they left behind. No list has been compiled of children who lost a father or mother at the World Trade Center or the Pentagon, or on the four planes terrorists took to fiery ends. But the number of bereft youngsters will probably stretch well into the thousands.

As families finally lay hope aside, accepting those missing are gone, communities face an unprecedented challenge: how to comfort, and raise, all the children who lost a parent — in some cases their only parent — in an event of epic dimension.

The task is complicated by postwar social trends — from high divorce rates to single motherhood — that mean many of the families were already fragmented. And it is colored by the demographics of those lost. Thousands were in their 20s, 30s or 40s. While many had not yet started families, many others already had brought a new generation into the world.

It is a generation in its infancy, with possibly thousands of children under 12. Many are so young they will have no memory of their mothers or fathers, let alone how they died.

The death notices in New York newspapers hint at the scale of loss. "Loving father of Brian, Claire and Elizabeth." "Devoted father of Meryl, Kara, Alex and Jason." "Beloved father of Kevin, Kaitlyn, Brian, Brendan and Terence."

Many of the hundreds of lost bond traders and firefighters had already produced large families. That now means large broods left fatherless. Some of the almost 350 firefighters who died left behind five or more children apiece. Two brothers in Westchester County who worked at Cantor Fitzgerald left seven children, from seven months to 14 years in age, between them.

As if their husbands had gone off to war, not work, vast numbers of young widows are faced with raising children alone. For some fathers left behind, it will mean reaching for female relatives to handle a daughter's first period, or first date. And if the attacks have created thousands of newly single parents, they also took many single mothers, leaving some children essentially

orphaned.

Even seasoned grief counselors say they have no sense of how these children will cope with their loss and their upended lives. While the AIDS epidemic, for example, stole thousands of parents prematurely, it took years to do it, as did wars. This time, in one day, often in one neighborhood, scores of children are suddenly missing parents.

"We've never been faced with anything of this magnitude simultaneously," said Ruth Kreitzman, a clinical social worker who counsels bereaved children with the Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services, the country's largest mental health agency.

"Even people who have dealt with bereaved kids a lot are struggling to understand now how this will be interpreted by children."

Already, families are refiguring care-taking, and in some cases undertaking delicate custody negotiations. At the same time, relatives are struggling with how, and when, to explain to children that parents are no longer missing, but dead. And they are trying to tell young children what death means.

Father Jim Cunningham was at Good Shepherd Roman Catholic Church in Brooklyn when Tara Stackpole told her five children that the body of their father, Fire Capt. Timothy Stackpole, had been found. "They look at that as a gift," he said, "because so many people don't have that."

Luis Espinoza, whose wife, Fanny, is missing, said his 11-year-old son is still hoping. The boy tells his father he is trying to concentrate in school but cannot stop thinking about the twin towers. He asks Espinoza questions like, "Why didn't those buildings have parachutes?" Or: "Why didn't you tell her to quit? She wanted to quit before."

"I said I didn't know this was going to happen," said Espinoza, who lives in Teaneck, N.J. "Nobody knew this was going to happen."

Espinoza says his children — he also has a 9-year-old daughter — are the only thing that keep him holding on. "Sometimes you want to commit suicide," he said. "The reason I'm not doing it is my kids."

It appears many more men than women were lost in the attacks. New widows like Minerva Men-



AP Photo  
Juan Carlos Ortega, 13, waits for the school bus at his home in Jonacatepec, Mexico, next to a photo of his father, Juan Ortega Thursday. Ortega, who worked at the Fine & Schapiro deli delivering London broil and tiramisu to busy executives in the World Trade Center, has been missing since the terrorist attack on the towers on Sept. 11.

tor-Portillo are just beginning to grapple with how they will raise children alone. Mentor-Portillo has two sons, 5 and 7, and has been working toward a graduate degree in social psychology. She must now figure out on her own everything from the family's financial future to child care.

Single mothers were also lost. Among them was Rosa Julia Gonzalez, 32, who used her last phone call from the World Trade Center to ask her sister to care for her 12-year-old daughter, Elizabeth Darling's 2-year-old son will go live with his father, according to Earl Darling, Ms. Darling's father.

Hector Tirado Jr., a firefighter, left five children, ranging in age from 6 to 11. "Their sense of loss is palpable," said Tirado's uncle, Robert Tirado. "You can just be with them and they're all sad. We try to make them play with each other and other kids, like normal kids, but you can't avoid it." Hector Tirado had separated from his wife three years ago. With his death, "that's losing their father twice," his uncle said.

Gene Springer had raised his stepdaughter, Samantha Fishman, as his own; she generally saw her father every other weekend. But her mother, Lucy Fishman, 36, died in the World Trade Center. So in a week, 11-year-old

Samantha will leave her home, school and friends in Brooklyn, and move to Long Island to live with her father. She will leave behind her 3-year-old half brother, Jason Springer, who will stay in Brooklyn with his father.

"That day is going to be horrible," said Springer, 33, who had been a stay-at-home dad while his wife worked as an executive secretary at Aon Research. "Half my family is gone."

Jason, meanwhile, has not asked once for his mother, Springer said, although he was very close to her. Instead, he clings to his father. Springer said in some ways he is grateful his son is so small. "At this age he's Winnie the Pooh and Blues Clues. He's fortunate. Ignorance is bliss."

The older the child, the less ignorant. "How kids understand death depends very much on their age," said Kreitzman, of the Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services. So schools,

religious institutions and counseling centers are scrambling to prepare for unprecedented numbers of bereaved children.

At the Willard Elementary School in Ridgewood, N.J., six children from three families lost their fathers in the attack. Teachers at their school coached other students on how to approach grieving peers. Expressing sorrow and offering help were acceptable, the students were told; asking "pointed, specific questions," like whether a body had been recovered, was not.

For the most part, said Marianne Williams, the principal, children with lost parents have been making it through the school day. "I think fragile is probably the best word," she said of their state of mind.

School officials and counselors know many signs of trauma and mourning may take months to manifest themselves, and then they may not look like mourning at all. Children may begin to struggle in school, or pick fights. And counselors believe the protracted nature of the rescue operation will complicate the grieving of young children, who already cannot comprehend the finality of death. The idea that their parents

were "missing," that there was hope they would be found, may make it harder to grasp that they will not be returning.

Grief counselors do not yet know whether the usual methods for working with bereaved children will apply. Ordinarily, for example, children do not like to talk about the loss of a parent because it makes them feel different from their peers. But the widespread nature of this trauma and its graphic documentation may change that, Kreitzman said.

"There are hundreds and hundreds and hundreds. Does that create a collective identity for children, knowing there are others? Or does it make it harder, because it is so collective, and in some ways anonymous?"

The nature of the loss also poses challenges for counselors, as does the fact that the adults who need to help children through grief are themselves so traumatized.

And then there is the question of what comes next. The counseling of bereft children usually focuses on normalizing lives, restoring routines. It is much harder when fear and anger are in the air, and the country seems on the edge of war.

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By Lawrence  
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## Businesses feel ripple effect from attacks

By Robert Tanner  
Associated Press

The flowers never showed in Davie, Fla., and neither did the dinner rush at a seafood restaurant in San Francisco. Factory workers in Frankfort, Ky., went home for a weeklong layoff, while halibut fishermen in Alaska put their unsold catch in the freezer.

In ways big and small, the economic aftershocks of the terrorist attacks are spreading across the country. Some already feel the pain; for others, business is no worse or even better.

Economists say a recession is at hand and wider fallout is on its way. The worrisome picture was illustrated in interviews Friday and Saturday with business owners, workers, store managers and economists by reporters for The Associated Press in all 50 states.

"We're a ripple effect," said Monica Clark, spokeswoman at Montplast, the

Frankfort car parts manufacturer that laid off 100 workers. The attacks disrupted shipping, which left the company unable to make intake manifolds. It hopes to be back at full staff in a week, Clark said.

Some companies, like Wal-Mart and many other retail stores, said business was solid. "People are getting back to normal," said manager Mike Ealy at Skatell's Manufacturing Jewelers in Charlotte, N.C.

In Florida, tourism spending is off by a third, down \$20 million a day, analysts estimate.

And that means jobs: The mermaids at Weeki Watchee Springs — women in costume who perform in an underwater theater — now report to work only three days a week, not seven. Walt Disney World workers won't get overtime.

Each cutback connects with another — or will.

"You cut 20,000 jobs at Delta, you better

believe the guy who sells shoes is going to feel that," said Roy Bahl, an economics professor and dean at the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies at Georgia State University. "He just hasn't felt it yet."

Fisherman in Homer, Alaska, felt it. Transportation delays and a drop in restaurant demand cut prices at the dock by 15 percent or more.

"People just aren't as anxious to buy an expensive fish now," said fisherman Jon Kinsey.

The economic wave hit a Florida flower shop, where delays in a shipment from Holland meant their seasonal bouquet sale was postponed a few days. Field of Flowers manager Jessyca Maldonado said.

A popular San Francisco seafood restaurant let go four employees, the first layoffs in its 18-year history. "It's like business has just dropped off a cliff," said Claudia Valentine, manager at The Pier Market.



AP Photo  
Adam Carr, door manager at Tavern on the Green in New York, checks his watch as he waits for customers Wednesday. On a typical weekday evening the restaurant will serve 350 meals, but in the aftermath of the World Trade Center attack, business has declined sharply.

## Bush: Economy sound despite terrorist attacks

By Lawrence Knutson  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The American economy remains sound despite the shock of a major terrorist attack and will recover with the help of a determined people and a united Congress, President Bush said Saturday.

"No terrorist will ever be able to decide our fate," Bush said in his weekly radio address.

"They brought down a symbol of American prosperity, but they could not touch its source," he said of the Sept. 11 attack on the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York.

"Our country's wealth is not contained in glass and steel. It is found in the skill and hard work and entrepreneurship of our people, and those are as strong today as they were two weeks ago."

The president acknowledged, however, that the damage to the economy has been severe, with thousands of workers laid off in the airline, tourism and hotel industries and many companies struggling to stay afloat.

"The economy has had a shock," he said.

Bush also noted that over the past week many Americans have seen the value of their stocks decline. The wave of selling that hit Wall Street this week caused the Dow industrial index to register its biggest one-week point decline in history.

"Yet for all these challenges, the American economy is fundamentally strong," Bush said. "We have the best-educated, most productive work force in the world. Our factories produce more goods, and a broader variety of goods, than any country in the world."

Tax relief and action by the Federal Reserve Board to cut interest rates have bolstered economic prospects, Bush asserted, adding that energy prices have remained steady and are now lower than they were last spring.

"And members of Congress are working together, regardless of party, in the best American spirit, to help get our economy moving again," he said.

"Both parties in both houses of Congress are united in our determination to use the fundamental strength of our economy to meet our immediate economic challenges," the president said.

Delivering the Democratic radio address, House minority leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri pledged his party's best efforts to provide economic relief in the aftermath of the attack and to mount an effective military campaign "to bring our enemies to justice."

"There is no room for partisanship here," Gephardt said. "As Americans we will work together to do what needs to be done."

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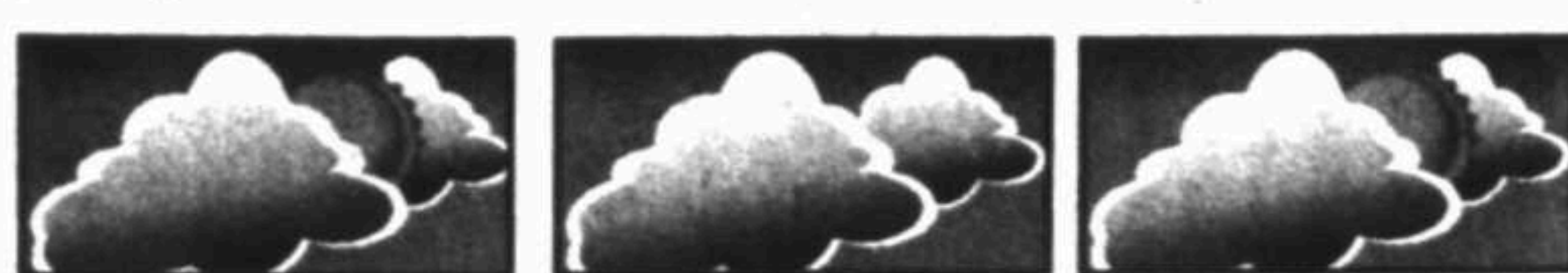
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# WEATHER

## Midland forecast

### 3-day forecast



| Today         | Monday        | Tuesday       |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Partly cloudy | Mostly cloudy | Partly cloudy |
| High 82       | High 78       | High 77       |
| Low 55        | Low 55        | Low 43        |

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms with highs in the lower 80s and northeast winds from 10 to 20 mph. For Sunday night, expect mostly cloudy skies and lows from 55 to 60.

For Monday's forecast, expect mostly cloudy skies and cooler temperatures with highs in the upper 70s.

On Tuesday, expect decreasing clouds with lows from 55 to 60 and highs in the upper 70s.

The high on Saturday reached 83, while the low dropped to 64. The record high for Sept. 22 is 100 set in 1977. The record low is 42 set in 1995.

### Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Friday ..... trace  
Rainfall Saturday ..... 0.66 in.  
Total for month ..... 0.97 in.  
Total for year ..... 8.03 in.  
Normal total  
(year to date) ..... 11.18 in.

### Yesterday's temperatures

High ..... 83  
Low ..... 64  
Normal high ..... 83  
Normal low ..... 59  
Sunrise ..... 7:37 a.m.  
Sunset ..... 7:44 p.m.

### United States temperatures

| Temperatures indicate Saturday's high and overnight low to 8 p.m. Eastern Time | Lo  | Prc | Otk      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|----------|
| Atlanta                                                                        | 87  | 61  | cdy      |
| Baltimore                                                                      | 81  | 63  | cdy      |
| Baton Rouge                                                                    | 89  | 71  | cdy      |
| Boston                                                                         | 80  | 63  | cdy      |
| Casper                                                                         | 73  | 45  | cdy      |
| Chicago                                                                        | 74  | 51  | m        |
| Cincinnati                                                                     | 74  | 56  | cdy      |
| Cleveland                                                                      | 70  | 53  | cdy      |
| Dallas-Ft. Worth                                                               | 85  | 65  | cdy      |
| Denver                                                                         | 83  | 59  | cdy      |
| Fargo                                                                          | 65  | 49  | cdy      |
| Flint                                                                          | 72  | 48  | m        |
| Green Bay                                                                      | 69  | 51  | m        |
| Honolulu                                                                       | 88  | 75  | cdy      |
| Houston                                                                        | 85  | 68  | 1.59 m   |
| Indianapolis                                                                   | 75  | 51  | cdy      |
| Jacksonville                                                                   | 86  | 74  | 44 cdy   |
| Kansas City                                                                    | 77  | 54  | 02 cdy   |
| Las Vegas                                                                      | 99  | 71  | cdy      |
| Los Angeles                                                                    | 80  | 62  | cdy      |
| Memphis                                                                        | 87  | 71  | cdy      |
| Midwaukee                                                                      | 74  | 55  | m        |
| Mpls-St. Paul                                                                  | 58  | 49  | 1.13 cdy |
| Nashville                                                                      | 84  | 63  | cdy      |
| New Orleans                                                                    | 88  | 72  | cdy      |
| New York City                                                                  | 79  | 67  | cdy      |
| Oklahoma City                                                                  | 85  | 64  | cdy      |
| Omaha                                                                          | 80  | 54  | 04 cdy   |
| Orlando                                                                        | 88  | 74  | 83 cdy   |
| Philadelphia                                                                   | 83  | 65  | cdy      |
| Phoenix                                                                        | 107 | 77  | cdy      |
| Sacramento                                                                     | 87  | 58  | cdy      |
| St. Louis                                                                      | 79  | 56  | m        |
| Salt Lake City                                                                 | 84  | 53  | cdy      |
| San Francisco                                                                  | 68  | 51  | cdy      |
| Seattle                                                                        | 77  | 54  | cdy      |
| Tulpeo                                                                         | 88  | 64  | cdy      |
| Waco                                                                           | 84  | 68  | cdy      |
| Washington D.C.                                                                | 84  | 67  | cdy      |
| Yakima                                                                         | 82  | 49  | cdy      |

## MANHUNT: Bin Laden might try to make his way to another country

(From 1A)

bin announced their "final decision" to refuse his handover, this much was known publicly about bin Laden's whereabouts: virtually nothing.

All week, a raft of stories trickled out of Afghanistan, where no Western reporter remains after an expulsion order from the Taliban on Wednesday. These accounts, some said to be from Taliban sources, some from newspapers in Pakistan that have a strong record of reporting on bin Laden, vary widely. But all seem to agree that the Saudi-born terrorist leader disappeared from his most common hideouts around Kandahar and Kabul sometime after the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

Beyond that, nothing is even remotely sure. One report, in The Dawn, an Islamabad-based newspaper that is among the most respected in Pakistan, reported earlier this week that bin Laden had last been seen at one of his training camps outside Kabul, at a village called Chahar-i-Ansari, last Sunday.

There, this report said, he took an oath of allegiance from 500 fedayeen fighters — Arabs sworn to die for their cause — then rode out of the camp on horseback. "They left behind the vehicles, and left on horses," the paper quoted a source in Kabul as saying. "He must have gone to some place which is not motorable."

Another report in The Dawn Saturday gave a different account. It said that bin Laden had left a heavily protected house in the "air force colony" on the outskirts of Kandahar, near the airport, and taken his three wives and many children to the province of Uruzgan, in a mountainous region north of Kandahar that lies on the southern side of the Hindu Kush mountains that are the home region of the Taliban leader, Mullah Mohammed Omar. The paper quoted "highly competent sources in Afghanistan," but did not say they were with the Taliban.

In the same account, the paper listed what it said were some of bin Laden's habitual hideouts in nine Afghan provinces, stretching nearly 700 miles from Nimroz, in the southwest, through Uruzgan, Helmand, Uruzgan, Kandahar, Nangahar, Logar, Khost and Kabul in the east, and at points as far as 200 miles north and west of the Pakistan border — a region about half the size of Texas.

Describing bin Laden as "a security-conscious man who does not stay at one place for more than two nights," the paper said that since the Sept. 11 bombings bin Laden had been moving around Helmand and Uruzgan, in the southwest.

Beyond these accounts, reports of where America's quarry might be have assumed a speculative and almost fantastic quality. Bin Laden, according to an array of pro-Taliban newspapers and other accounts, could have fled Afghanistan altogether — to Pakistan, most credibly, since the

two countries share a 1,400-mile border of mountains and deserts that has long been porous to fugitives, smugglers and refugees.

But he might possibly also try to make his way to any one of a dozen Muslim countries and regions, including, among others that have featured in the speculation — Chechnya or Dagestan in southern Russia, western China, Lebanon or even non-Muslim Paraguay.

Experts who have studied international terrorism say that Lebanon, for one, is an unlikely destination. Hezbollah, an Iranian-backed terrorist group that has been a scourge of Israel, has provided refuge in the past for other wanted terrorists, including members of Japan's Red Army Faction.

But Magnus Ransdorp, deputy director of the Center for the Study of Terrorism and Political Violence at St. Andrew's University in Scotland, said that ideological and religious differences — the Hezbollah adhere to the Shiite sect of Islam, while bin Laden and his followers are mostly Sunni Muslims — would complicate matters for bin Laden.

"Any connections would be at arm's length," he said, because of Iran's loathing for the Taliban.

Other destinations outside Afghanistan, other than Pakistan, seem similarly improbable. After the terrorist attacks in the United States, if not before, the watch for bin Laden would have been intense at the frontiers of every country bordering Afghanistan.

One theory has been that he might have shaved his beard — an expedient that an al-Qaeda training manual found by investigators after attacks in Europe urged on the group's conspirators as a means of escaping detection.

Another possibility floated in Pakistan has been that bin Laden might have flown out of Afghanistan on an aircraft that al-Qaeda members are believed to have bought in the United States before the bombings of two American embassies in East Africa in 1998.

At a trial in Manhattan earlier this year in which three al-Qaeda members were convicted in the bombings, one of the defendants told of helping to buy the plane, and said the purpose was to ship American-made Stinger missiles from Kandahar to Kharot, the capital of Sudan.

But the most likely hideouts for bin Laden, in the view of Bush administration officials, and also of the officials in Pakistan's military intelligence wing, remain in the remoter regions of Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Earlier this week, Secretary of State Colin Powell said the United States had "reason to believe" that bin Laden was still in Afghanistan, but refused to discuss any specifics. A Western diplomat in Islamabad said on Friday that Western officials did not know where the terrorist leader might be. "I don't know; I honestly don't know," the diplomat said.

## GOP: Dewhurst is 'unpredictable at this point'

(From 1A)

about any campaign he enters, is reportedly moving back and forth on the issue, and not even those inside the Republican Party are getting a grasp on his intentions.

Another potential problem for Republicans at this time is who would run for lieutenant governor should Dewhurst make a bid for the U.S. Senate.

This is the race most are calling the Republicans' toughest test in 2002. Former Comptroller John Sharp is expected to give the Democrats a formidable foe here.

Abbott appears to be out. Agricultural Commissioner Susan Combs said she will seek reelection.

Railroad Commissioner Tony Garza could then be a top candidate.

"Dewhurst is unpredictable at this point," said Ted Royer, communications director for the Republican Party of Texas.

Cornyn, though, certainly didn't help out the process. By announcing first, he gets his name out and forces Dewhurst to make the tough

decision.

"Strategically, there is an advantage to get out there first," said Midland's Chad Weaver, a member of State Republican Executive Committee.

In addition to his ability to personally bankroll a big portion of what is expected to be an expensive race, another reason Dewhurst is eyeing a possible bid for the Senate nomination is that opportunities to run for an open Senate seat don't come around that often.

"I think Dewhurst probably will also announce for U.S. Senate," State Rep. Tom Craddock of Midland said last week. "Somebody said in the last 40 years we have had only three shots at running at an open seat. If you want to run, this is your opportunity."

There will be others faced with the same decision. One is U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla (R-San Antonio). Earlier this month Bonilla, whose representative area includes a portion of Midland County, said he was "seriously considering" a run.

However, those supporting Bonilla might have been hoping for a Gramm early retirement

and a Bonilla appointment to take place. That scenario now appears to be wishful thinking, and now Bonilla may not like the prospect of running against Cornyn and possibly Dewhurst.

Also, state Republicans are sure to remind Bonilla that his exit into another race could hurt the party. Most redistricting plans have Bonilla's future district favoring Democrats should Bonilla opt for a senatorial campaign.

And currently, Republicans occupy 13 of Texas' 30 House seats, one of the few areas where Texas Democrats still can claim an advantage.

"Take the incumbent (Bonilla) out of it and they (the Republicans) can't hold on to that seat," said Midland Democrat David Weaver.

In addition to Cornyn, Dewhurst and Bonilla, another Republican said to be considering a run for the Senate nomination is U.S. Rep. Joe Barton of Ennis.

The Democrats' top prospects appear to Dallas mayor Ron Kirk, former Attorney General Dan Morales and U.S. Rep. Kent Bentsen.

## Dems say Akins move makes ticket stronger

By Stewart Doreen

Staff Writer

Some Midland Democrats are suggesting that Marty Akins' decision last week to not seek the party's nomination for governor will strengthen the Democratic Party across the board.

Overly optimistic? Hardly, says Steve Buck, president of the Midland Federation of Teachers and union leader. Buck, like David Weaver (one of Midland's more outspoken Democrats) had hoped for an Akins' gubernatorial candidacy. But those hopes were dashed Thursday when Akins announced he would bow out of a possible high-dollar battle with Laredo businessman and now frontrunner Tony Sanchez.

However, Buck said this week Akins' decision to seek the comptroller nomination and eventually run against incumbent Carole Keeton Rylander adds depth to the Democratic ticket.

"It is a very, very strong lineup," Buck said.

And while Republicans might scoff at Buck's statement, it does deserve some thought.

Democrats believe with Sanchez as the nominee to challenge Gov. Rick Perry, a huge turnout of Hispanic voters is likely.

In the lieutenant governor's race, former Comptroller John Sharp is the Democrat to beat, and might be the biggest worry to Republicans of all major statewide offices.

Austin Mayor Kirk Watson will run for the soon-to-be-deserted attorney general's seat. Attorney General John Cornyn has announced he will seek the Republican nomination for U.S. Senate.

The final piece of the puzzle comes in the U.S. Senate race, which could feature lawyer Ed Cunningham (who has entered the race), Dallas Mayor Ron Kirk and former Attorney General Dan Morales.

"I will end up supporting Kirk, because Morales has baggage," Weaver said.

Kirk would offer another intriguing possibility for state Democrats, because he might be able to attract African-American voters statewide.

"(Democrats) are going to have a strong ticket from top to bottom," Texas Democratic Party Chair Molly Beth Malcolm told the Associated Press.

Should Sanchez and Kirk receive the nod for Democrats, it would place minorities front and

center in the state's two highest profile races.

Akins could be in store for a fight with one of those women — Ms. Rylander. It was said the comptroller race was the one he preferred after staring down Sanchez and coming to the realization, he couldn't match him dollar for dollar.

There was also talk that top state Democrats favored Sanchez, and Akins was saving the party from what was going to be a messy primary. However, Midlanders, who supported Akins, said it all came down to money.

"There are three things (which made Akins switch races)," Buck said. "In my opinion, they are money, money and money. At this point and time, he was not doing as well in his fundraising and Sanchez has so much money. It is unbelievable what he will put into it. He put \$322,000 in George Bush's campaign. Anyone who would put a quarter of a million in someone else's race, what do you think he will put into this?"

Weaver said, "It came down to Tony Sanchez indicating he is willing to spend \$30 million. It is hard to raise funds when you are running against a guy who has that kind of pockets."

## MUSLIMS: There are 56 Islamic families in Midland-Odessa

(From 1A)

Worldwide, there are more than 1 billion Muslims, followers of Islam, a monotheistic religion that Mohammed, hailed by Muslims as the last messenger from God and the "Prophet of Islam," founded in the 600s. Mohammad is Arabic for "Praised One."

Faizullah said rebellious Muslims are suspected as the forces behind the terrorist attacks on the United States.

"We cannot allow a few to cause the human sufferings, (the few) who are wearing the garb of Islam," Faizullah said. "The Muslims of this region (in West Texas) stand shoulder-to-shoulder with those who lost their loved ones, share their grief, to be there in their difficult moments."

Faizullah said "the Muslims of this part of the country, their heart goes out and they extend sympathy to the bereaved families."

"Islam teaches us to be non-violent," Faizullah said. "Killing is not sanctioned in Islam at all. A soul is a sacred thing. We must respect it."

President Bush called the terrorists "traitors to their own faith."

Faizullah, who was licensed to

practice medicine in Texas in 1982 and who earned his medical degree from Dacca Medical College in Bangladesh (formerly, East Pakistan) in the early 1970s, said that he also had medical training in New York. He is a naturalized U.S. citizen.

The Islamic clerics and leaders in Afghanistan have urged Osama Bin Laden to exit their country for fear of U.S. retaliation due to suspicions the multi-millionaire may have financed and masterminded the Sept. 11 attacks on America.

Faizullah, a student of comparative religions and whose library includes the Christians' Bible, the Muslims' Quran, and Orthodox Judaism's Talmud, said, "Quran says we, as Muslims, have to encourage and join the doing of good things ... and to forbid that somebody does bad things. So, we have a responsibility to stand up and prevent people to do bad things. It is our responsibility."

Quran is the sacred text of Islam that Muslims say contains the revelations of God to Muhammad.

Worldwide, there are more than 1 billion followers of Islam, an estimated 5 million or more in the United States and, Faizullah said, about 56 Muslim families in

the Midland-Odessa area.

Faizullah said the terrorists "are causing a tremendous disservice to the peace-loving Muslims of the world."

"A few terrorists cannot represent the true and peace-loving nature of Islam and Muslims."

Dr. Jerry Franks, instructor in philosophy and government at Midland College, said that "if Muslims want the Western world to think of their religion as a religion of peace and not of violence, ... the burden is on them now."

Muslim clerics and leaders would "show the rest of the world that they don't approve of terrorist activities."

"There's a heavy burden on them now to demonstrate to the rest of the world that they mean what they say about peace," Franks said.

Even before Bush's Thursday

speech, Franks predicted the president would "distinguish between radical Islamic fundamentalists-terrorists on the one hand and hundreds of millions of ordinary Muslims who are not a threat and who are peaceful."

"Under these circumstances, there is a lot of burden on Muslim religious leaders of goodwill to disassociate themselves" from the terrorist faction, Franks said.

"And President Bush has said one

Money also is a force that could make Akins formidable in the comptroller's race.

"There will not be a primary opponent who can spend \$10 million (like Akins)," Weaver said.

Akins, a relative newcomer to political candidacies, will also get needed experience should another gubernatorial opportunity come later. Of course, his move to potentially face Rylander, offers one question, "Can he beat her?"

Democrats think so. Weaver stated Rylander is certainly beatable, because she has no distinguishing accomplishments she can point to during her tenure as comptroller.

"I think she is very vulnerable," Weaver said. "(In 1998) Paul Hobby ran essentially a terrible race. He did not campaign, only bought television time and came within 3,000 votes of beating her (Rylander) with a bad campaign."

Buck said, "She has got some definite baggage. She has tremendous enemies. I mean they are hard core. Even within the Republican Party, she has difficult mountains to overcome. She will be an extremely easy person to beat."

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## Investigation draws hot leads, dead ends, breakthroughs

By Calvin Woodward  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The terrorist hunt turns up more by the day. More hot leads. Many mirages. Fugitives wanted abroad. Arabic names that ring alarms here but are as common in the Middle East as Smith and Jones in America.

Confusion, yes. Evidence, too. Through the haze of the most massive criminal investigation in U.S. history, a body of knowledge is building.

The picture is emerging of a conspiracy or series of conspiracies hatched with the placement of experienced terrorists in the United States as far back as the mid-1990s to get the lay of the land, hone skills and insinuate themselves into American life.

It has become clearer their aims were, and likely still are, broader than the four airliners they commandeered to such devastating effect.

Investigators now think five or six teams of hijackers might have meant to deploy Sept. 11, and that the events that day were to be just the opening round of death dealt in a variety of ways, over a period of time.

In apparent breakthroughs overseas at week's end:

■ French authorities arrested seven people for an alleged plot to harm U.S. sites in France.

■ German officials sought two fugitives facing more than 5,000 counts of murder each in the U.S. attacks — a Yemeni national and a German of Moroccan origin, both suspected of aiding three of the hijackers and forming a terrorist group.

■ British police questioned three men and a woman arrested Friday under an anti-terrorism law that allows police to hold suspects for seven days without charges.

Still, despite a dragnet that has rounded up scores of people,

including at least four who might have vital knowledge of the plot, no one on U.S. soil has been charged directly in the terror attacks. Huge gaps remain in the case.

Even the real identities of all the suicidal hijackers are not known for sure.

Investigators do believe they know a few things of transcendent importance:

■ That evidence of Osama bin Laden's involvement is growing and should be persuasive to U.S. allies and other third countries when American armed forces move against him and his al-Qaida network.

■ That more highly coordinated terror attacks were planned, and still might be.

■ That not everyone involved in the United States has been caught.

Two urgent goals are being pursued: Head off a second wave of terrorism on U.S. soil. Nail down the leads necessary for the military to go on the offensive, in a way that leaves little doubt to Americans and other countries that the right people are under attack.

And, of course, bring perpetrators to court.

Dead or alive will do at least when it comes to bin Laden, President Bush has said. "Whether we bring our enemies to justice, or bring justice to our enemies, justice will be done," he said.

Some 7,000 FBI agents and their support personnel are on the case, as are the U.S. intelligence apparatus and untold others in law enforcement and related fields, not counting U.S. forces amassing overseas.

A few people key to the day of terror may be among those in custody. Authorities have arrested at least four people as material witnesses, meaning they may have critical information.

Eighty people have been detained using immigration laws that offer latitude to scoop up suspects and hold them indefinitely.

Among the arrests, detentions or material witnesses described as being of particular interest to authorities:

■ Ayub Ali Khan, 51, and Mohammed Jaweed Azmath, 47, two men who left the Newark, N.J., airport aboard a flight for Texas about the same time as the hijackings. They were apprehended on a train in Texas after their plane was grounded in St. Louis. Officials said they had box cutters like those used in the hijackings.

■ Zacarias Moussaoui, a French-Algerian man detained last month after his bid for flight training in Minnesota aroused suspicions at the school. Agents, tracing his earlier efforts to get

flight training in Oklahoma, said he was only interested in mid-flight techniques, not takeoffs or landings. Moussaoui's mother in France said he had been "brainwashed" by Islamic extremists.

■ Three men arrested in Detroit for identity fraud and misuse of visas, the first criminal charges in the case. Authorities said they had false IDs and information on airports and a U.S. military base.

Some under suspicion had fit smoothly into the mainstream. "They cultivated friends and blended into American society to further their ability to strike," one investigator said.

Others were believed to have come to the United States from the Middle East only around the time of the hijackings.

One man in detention had recently obtained a license to transport hazardous cargo.

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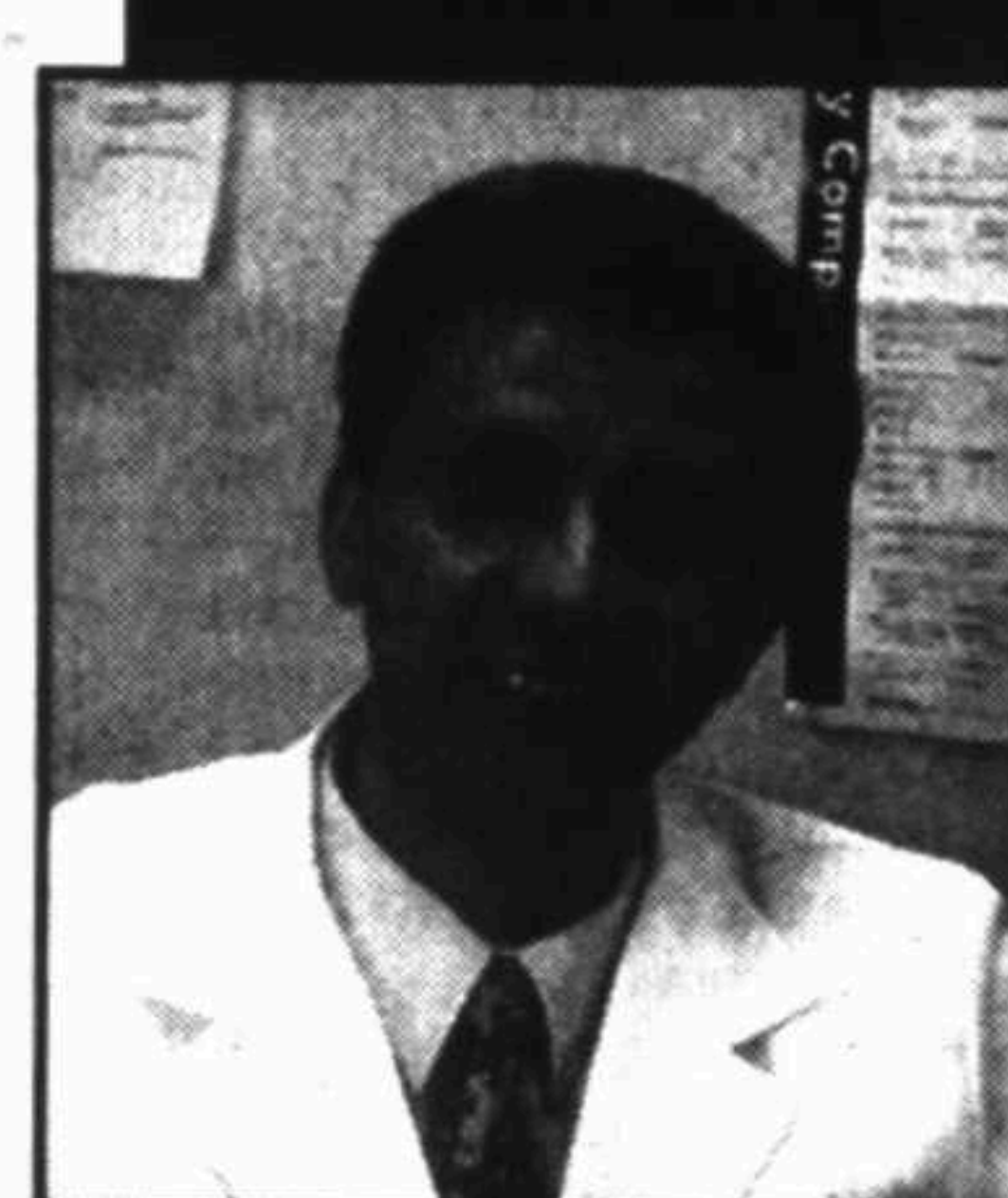
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## Survey uncovers evidence of many unprepared cities

WASHINGTON (AP) — A spot check of America's cities provides evidence of a widespread lack of local plans to prevent or deal with terrorist attacks, especially in smaller- and medium-size towns.

The National League of Cities faxed short questionnaires about local plans for dealing with terrorism to 1,800 cities and towns after four hijacked airliners crashed on Sept. 11.

About one-third of the 456 communities that responded in the following week said they have no plans in place for averting or reacting to terrorist attacks. About one in eight are still developing plans. Just over half said their terrorism response blueprints are in place.

Larger cities appear to be more prepared, with more than eight in 10 towns of more than 100,000 people saying they have outlined how they would handle a terrorist threat. Only six in 10 medium-size cities and 4 in 10 small towns said had such plans.

A little more than half of the local governments responding to the survey expressed a need to reassess their readiness in light of the Sept. 11 attacks.

Specific measures being considered include: updating emergency and communications equipment, improving coordination with local military bases and permanently closing some streets near government buildings. Some cities said they also were monitoring their water supplies more closely and considering training in responses to biological and chemical warfare.

The survey found cities reacted in a variety of ways on the day of the attacks in New York and Washington. About a quarter of those responding declared emergencies or issued alerts; one in 12 evacuated at least one building; one in 17 closed schools, and one in 50 closed some streets.

Large cities were much more likely to take all of those actions, the survey found.

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TOO, WE ARE deeply sobered by the realization that this new generation has today, just as we were many years ago, been rudely thrust into the maelstrom of a perilous new era.

WE ARE CONFIDENT, however, that God will provide the wisdom and strength we must have in order to meet the challenges which lie ahead. And it is in this spirit that we today symbolically pass the torch of freedom and mutual sacrifice.

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## U.S. military has large arsenal from which to choose

By Matt Kelley  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — When the United States strikes at an enemy, the world's mightiest military has a large arsenal from which to choose.

F-16 Fighting Falcons and F-15 Eagles — fighter jets that can streak through the sky at twice the speed of sound — were among the first planes ordered deployed to the Persian Gulf region.

The F-16, a single-engine fighter with one pilot and a crew of one or two, is a small and speedy plane with a sharp nose and a single tail fin. It can cruise at 1,500 mph — twice the speed of sound, or Mach 2 — and maneuver quickly enough to put nine times the force of gravity on plane and pilot. The \$34 million planes can fight other aircraft or launch missiles against targets on the ground.

The F-15, a twin-engine fighter with twin tail fins, has one pilot and a crew of one or two. Larger than the F-16, the F-15 can cruise at more than 1,800 mph — Mach 2.5. F-15s are made to control the sky, and shoot down enemy aircraft. Some models can bomb targets, as well. The \$34 million planes are used to patrol the no-fly zones in Iraq.

With two aircraft carriers in the region and two others possibly on the way, the Navy could bring to the fight F-14 Tomcats and F/A-18 Hornets, which launch from the carriers.

The Tomcats, first used in 1970, are two-engine, two-man fighter jets that can dogfight and attack ground targets. The \$38 million planes can carry up to 13,000 pounds of weapons and exceed Mach 2.

Hornets are two-engine fighters that can be flown with a one- or two-person crew. The \$29 million planes can fly faster than



AP Photo  
A United States Air Force F-16 pulls through a turn during a training exercise in this file photo. The F-16 is one of a number of aircraft the United States has in its arsenal to use against an enemy.

Mach 1.7 and can carry cruise missiles, rockets and bombs to attack ground targets.

Also going to the Middle East are B-52 Stratofortress bombers, the Air Force's workhorse bomber for more than four decades. Each \$74 million B-52 can carry up to 70,000 pounds of bombs and missiles and can fly 8,000 miles without refueling.

Two of the aircraft carriers that might be called into duty — the USS Carl Vinson and the USS Theodore Roosevelt — are the latest, Nimitz-class vessels, the largest warships in the world. Powered by nuclear reactors, they carry a crew of nearly 6,000 and can carry up to 85 aircraft. Each one costs about \$4.5 billion.

One bomber that might be

used is the B-1B, a long-range bomber first built to carry Cold War nuclear weapons. Its first combat use was in 1998 in support of operations against Iraq during Operation Desert Fox. The \$200 million planes can carry up to 80 conventional bombs, 30 cluster bombs or 24 guided "smart" bombs.

The United States also could use B-2 Spirit stealth bombers and F-117A Nighthawk stealth fighters, although those units have not said they are being sent to battle.

Their radar-evading characteristics would serve limited purpose in Afghanistan, which, unlike Yugoslavia and Iraq, does not have the sort of high-tech air defenses they were built to overcome.

## Pentagon pushes on with more deployments as Bush, advisers plot campaign against terrorism

By Pauline Jellinek  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon rolled out workhorse B-52 bombers and moved more troops and equipment into place in the Persian Gulf for the first military strikes in the new U.S. campaign against terrorism.

Military officials declined to comment on reports that Taliban forces shot down an unmanned spy plane in northern Afghanistan on Saturday. But they welcomed word that Turkey would join the ranks of nations that will help U.S. armed forces in the fight against prime suspect Osama bin Laden. He is believed to be hiding in Afghanistan.

"We appreciate all the support we're enjoying in the region and around the world," said Pentagon spokesman Bryan G. Whitman.

Air Force B-52 bombers capable of dropping or firing long-range cruise missiles and an array of other weapons were en route to an undisclosed location after leaving overnight from Barksdale Air Force Base in Louisiana.

Lt. Gen. Charles Wald, commander of U.S. Central Command's air component, early in the week shifted operations to Prince Sultan Air Base in Saudi Arabia, where he could plan and direct air attacks against bin Laden, Afghan supporters and other possible targets in the region, officials said.

The United States has "a command and control center with Saudi Arabia. It's up and running and it's operational," a senior U.S. official said Saturday.

The Air Force is sending 100 to 130 aircraft to the Gulf region — the B-52s as well as B-1s and fighters, officials have said. Tanker aircraft for refueling the fighters and bombers as they cross the Atlantic had already left U.S. bases to position themselves as an "air bridge" Thursday.

Meanwhile, Afghanistan's ruling Taliban said its fighters shot down an unmanned reconnaissance plane Saturday in northern Afghanistan and were trying to determine what country launched it.

The plane was reported downed in an area where Taliban opposition reported heavy fighting with forces of the hardline Islamic leadership.

Pentagon officials refused to say whether the plane was American, one adding that they were happy to keep the Taliban guessing.

Turkey will allow Air Force transport aircraft to use its airspace and airports for a possible retaliation to the Sept. 11 attacks on New York and Washington, Turkish Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit said in a letter to Bush.

Turkey, base for the U.S. and British "no-fly" zone flights over Iraq, is also willing to share intelligence on Afghanistan with the United States.

On Friday in Japan, the USS Kitty Hawk, the only U.S. aircraft carrier stationed in the western Pacific, left its port in Yokosuka for an undisclosed location. Two carriers are already in the Persian Gulf or Indian Ocean, and a third, the Theodore Roosevelt, left Norfolk, Va., during the week for the Mediterranean Sea and possibly points east.

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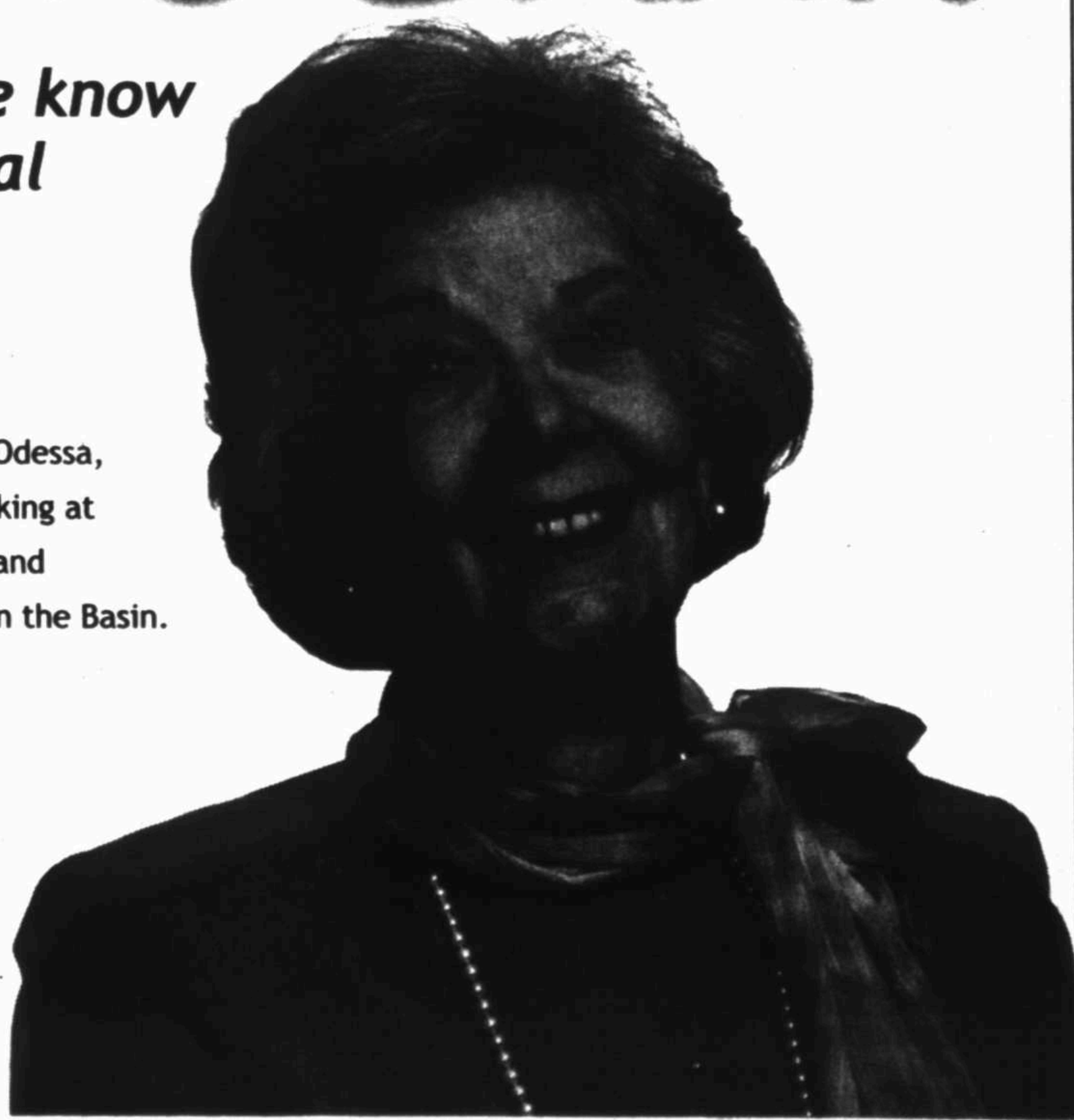
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## Friends, family, strangers memorialize victims at tiny park

By Helen O'Neill  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — There were no miracles for Mya Braker at Union Square today.

A scribbled note, pinned to her poster, says "miracles are happening ... a new day is beginning." But miracles are hard to find in the crumpled photo of a 6-year-old child, her angelic face peering from beneath a sign that says "MISSING: last seen with mother on the 107th floor of the World Trade Center."

Miracles are hard to find, but people keep coming here to search for them.

They come for Mya and all the others lost in the rubble just 30 blocks away. They flock here by the thousands to pour out their souls in this tiny city park.

The artists come with their creations: poems and paintings and songs.

The peddlers come with their wares: American flags, and postcards of a time when the world was different and two steel towers glistened over the Hudson River.

Strangers bring candles and flowers — roses and sunflowers and carnations — huge bouquets that are strewn beneath the giant bronze statue of George Washington, pinned onto wire fences, heaped next to the subway entrance.

Families bring tears.

Gazing down from every lamp-post, every tree-trunk, every wall, the smiling faces of loved ones they may never see again.

MISSING: Lorraine Aitigua. 104th Floor. Last seen wearing a long gray dress and small, gold hoop earrings.

MISSING: Craig Staub. Age 30. 89th Floor. Expecting first child this week.

MISSING: Ann Marie Riccoboli. Last seen on 85th floor. Bronze nail and toe polish. Thyroid surgery scar on throat.

MISSING: My sister Mayra. Brown Hair and a Florida tan. She has a 12-year-old son named Elias.



AP Photo  
Photographs of people missing in the attack on the World Trade Center hang from a makeshift memorial in Union Square in New York.

For some, the park has become an altar, one that sprang up spontaneously because it was one of the closest public gathering points to Ground Zero. In the days after the attack, police barricades prevented people from traveling south of 14th Street, where the park is located.

So families came with pictures and pleas and lingering hopes. Have you seen my mother, my brother, my friend? Please help me find my sister, my husband, my cousin.

Students laid huge sheets of white cardboard paper on the ground. People began scribbling — poems, messages to their loved ones, to the rescuers, to the world. God Bless America. We love you, New York.

And even though "walls of tears" rose up elsewhere — at the Armory, and St. Vincent's Hospital, and the Chelsea Piers — Union Square seemed different. There has been singing and dancing, with people camped in the park all night. Chains of white origami birds dangled from trees. "Peace" and "Love" signs were

daubed all over Washington's bronze horse. A guy with long blonde hair strummed guitar.

"It was just a joyous feeling, even in the middle of such sadness, to feel such a massive display of unity and hope," said Martha Jablonka, an 18-year-old student from Queens. "It was a sense of communion with all those people buried a few blocks away."

Then the rains came Thursday and washed much of it away. The city tidied up the park, and removed many of the mementos and photographs for safekeeping.

With the sun, the pictures reappeared, but not hope. No one has been pulled from the wreckage in more than a week. The numbers of the dead keep rising. The smell of death drifts up from downtown.

"The park feels more like a graveyard now," Jablonka said, as she laid a wreath of purple flowers by a fence. "A graveyard for people who might never have their own proper graves."

That is why she and thousands of others continue to be drawn to this place, to light candles and burn incense, to cry as they read aloud the poems.

At an entrance to the park a lone Buddhist nun keeps an all-day vigil before a sea of candles.

She chants her mournful prayer and beats her mournful drum, over and over, like a heartbeat.

Her name is Sister Ichikawa. She belongs to a small Japanese sect that dedicates its life to praying for peace in places of horror. A few years ago, she chanted the same prayer at Auschwitz.

A short distance away, youths from the Life East Bible College in Christiansburg, Va., beat their drums and lift their voices in thunderous praise. "We want to see Jesus lifted high," they sing. They are full of vigor and promise and smiles. They talk of hope and peace. They talk of the miracle of this place, how this simple city park has become sacred.

On a tree behind them, someone has posted the serenity prayer: "God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference."

But there are many here who wonder: How can you find serenity in such sadness? How can you find hope in such despair?

How can you find a miracle for little Mya's father, who just wants his wife and daughter to come home?

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## Americans are ready to defend our great nation

Americans are asking, "What is expected of us?"

I ask you to live your lives and hug your children.

I know many citizens have fears tonight, and I ask you to be calm and resolute, even in the face of a continuing threat.

I ask you to uphold the values of America and remember why so many have come here.

— President George W. Bush  
 in an address to joint session of Congress, Sept. 20, 2001

The battle lines have now been drawn. The stage has been set. On Thursday night, President George W. Bush laid out for the nation exactly what our mission will be and what is expected of us.

For decades, we have looked to the "Greatest Generation" for our inspiration. Those were the heroes of World War II who fought for — and preserved — democracy. That generation included the military ranks who bravely served overseas as well as the men and women on the homefront who helped manufacture the machinery of war and, on a day-to-day basis, kept up the American way of life.

So often, George W. Bush has been compared to his father, a World War II aviator and hero and the nation's commander-in-chief who bravely led our nation through the Persian Gulf War a decade ago.

So many times it has been asked, "Can he measure up to his father?"

All of the children and grandchildren who have followed in the footsteps of the "Greatest Generation" have asked themselves the same thing. Can we measure up?

So many times through the years, the enemies of the United States have underestimated the American people.

Those enemies have seen us as too wealthy, too lazy, too uncaring to fight. They have been wrong.

Now it is time for the men of women of the Baby Boom generation, the Gen-Xers and Generation Y to step to the plate. Many silently wonder if those Americans are up to the task.

We are.

On Sept. 11, Americans were horrified and surprised to witness attacks on innocent people, simply going about their everyday lives.

It can truthfully be said that prior to Sept. 11, Americans were preoccupied with their investment portfolios, their cars, their clothes, their music, their movies and their toys. In the wake of the attack on American soil, all those things are suddenly insignificant.

Now, many Americans have reached within themselves to find the feelings of patriotism and strong conviction many were not even aware they had.

Our enemy believes in oppression, whereas we defend freedom. Our enemy hides in the shadows, whereas we wave our flag proudly.

We have the strength and the resolve to face the difficult tasks which are ahead of us.

And, as we venture into uncharted waters, we are proud of the leadership at the helm.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, Sept. 23, the 266th day of 2001. There are 99 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On Sept. 23, 1779, during the Revolutionary War, the American warship Bon Homme Richard defeated the HMS Serapis after the American commander, John Paul Jones, is said to have declared: "I have not yet begun to fight!"

On this date:

In 63 B.C., Caesar Augustus was born in Rome.

In 1642, Harvard College in Cambridge, Mass., held its first commencement.

In 1780, British spy John Andre was captured along with papers revealing Benedict Arnold's plot to surrender West Point to the British.

In 1806, the Lewis and Clark expedition returned to St. Louis from the Pacific Northwest.

In 1846, the planet Neptune was discovered by German astronomer Johann Gottfried Galle.

In 1939, Sigmund Freud, the founder of psychoanalysis, died in London.

In 1957, nine black students who had entered Little Rock Central High School in Arkansas were forced to withdraw because of a white mob outside.

In 1962, New York's Philharmonic Hall (since renamed Avery Fisher Hall) formally opened as the first unit of the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts.

## JACK ANDERSON &amp; DOUGLAS COHN

## Leaders must respond with more than anger

WASHINGTON — Legislation is being rushed through the Congress to expand the FBI's wiretapping authority and to overturn a CIA rule against the recruitment of informers who have committed human-rights abuses. In the climate of panic that has gripped the country, legislators yearn to take steps that will reassure the public that the government has the tools it needs to combat terrorism. There is little argument that the laws governing wiretapping need to be updated and that the CIA, by definition, operates in a world of rogues and thugs. But there is danger in the midst of a crisis that policy-makers will use the nation's vulnerability to go farther than necessary and give away too many powers to the FBI and the CIA.

Many of the expanded powers Attorney General John Ashcroft is seeking have been under discussion for years, but they lacked a sense of urgency and were easily stalled by civil libertarians. The horrific attacks on New York and Washington altered everything. Two nights after that awful Tuesday, the U.S. Senate passed by voice vote an amendment granting the FBI substantial new latitude in gaining access to suspected ter-

rorists via phone and computer taps.

Nervous lawmakers also swept away the so-called "dirty assets" guidelines of the CIA, which discourage case agents from putting people guilty of a crime or a human-rights violation on the CIA payroll to spy on foreign governments. "It's pretty hard to infiltrate a terrorist organization with a Boy Scout," said Arizona Republican Sen. Jon Kyl, a co-sponsor of the amendment.

With few exceptions, the senators who shouted a rousing "yea" to pass the measures had not read the amendment and understood only in general terms what they were supporting. With the country on a war footing, that was enough information for all but the staunchest civil libertarians. Vermont Democratic Senator Patrick Leahy warned against such hasty lawmaking in the sensitive area of civil freedoms. As chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, he seemed to object less to the actual provisions than to the way his colleagues had stampeded them through at such a vulnerable moment. "What is going to happen when we get down to the really difficult questions?" Leahy implored his colleagues.

The voices of those who fear that a war-fevered Congress will trample civil liberties are muted, though not silenced. Given the enormity of the assault against the U.S., allowing the FBI "roving authority" to tap a person's communications — as opposed to securing separate court orders for every phone, computer and service-provider connection — strikes most lawmakers as a recog-

nition of cyber-age reality. Leahy himself is sympathetic to the changing needs of law enforcement, but believes Congress has a responsibility to fully debate proposals that infringe on civil liberties.

The notion that the CIA has been handcuffed by a rule denying the agency access to unsavory characters is more myth than reality. In 1995, responding to the revelation that a CIA informant, a Guatemalan colonel, was implicated in the murder of an American and subsequent cover-up, then-director of the CIA, John Deutch, ordered case agents to get approval from headquarters before they put people with known criminal and/or human-rights abuse records on the payroll. Deutch's successor, current CIA director George Tenet, says that he has never turned down the services of somebody with a less-than-sterling background who could assist in counter-terrorism. Critics of the rule contend it has had a chilling effect and may have prevented U.S. access to valuable intelligence.

In the search for answers, every government agency must be held accountable. If there were bureaucratic reasons that the U.S. has been left so vulnerable, they should be corrected. But Congress owes it to future generations to think things through and not respond wholly in anger.

Jack Anderson's and Douglas Cohn's column is distributed by United Feature Syndicate.



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## WILLIAM SAFIRE

## America needs to get truthful message to Afghans

WASHINGTON — The primary source of information for the average Afghan is the radio, often a transistor model 30 years ago. The 20 transmitting towers of the Taliban's Radio Shariat (meaning "Islamic law") are spewing out hatred of America all the time.

Why is there no Radio Free Afghanistan broadcasting the truth about the consequences of harboring the headquarters of terrorism?

Why are Afghans not told that their rulers' decision to hide Osama bin Laden is the direct cause of the withdrawal of U.N. relief and the starvation that they now face?

Why are the voices of revered, mainstream Muslim clerics not broadcast denouncing the perversion of Islam by the terrorists, and reminding the faithful that murder by suicide will lead not to heaven but to eternal damnation?

Before a single bomb is dropped on a suspected training camp, the U.S. should be doing what it knows best how to do: using psychological warfare to weaken the grip of the terrorists on the local population.

We are failing to make life more difficult for the terrorists in their caves because the Bush war planners have not thought of it yet. The chairman of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, overseer of our several official overseas broadcasters, is an amiable Gore fund-raiser long awaiting replacement. The Voice of America leadership is even more vacant.

Which U.S. government broadcaster should be charged with stirring anger among Afghans at rulers eager to bring further devastation to their country? That mission of countering Radio Shariat's propaganda should go to RFE/RL, the "radio free" outfit experienced in acting as a surrogate free press in repressive nations like Iran, Iraq and China.

But evenhanded journalists at the VOA, backed by political holdovers on the Broadcasting Board, don't want those hard-sell types invading their turf. The VOA broadcasts to Afghanistan with fine impartiality in the Dari, Pashto, Urdu and Arabic languages, and on Wednesday stepped up its time on the air; RFE/RL broadcasts only in Turkmen and Uzbek, understood in Afghanistan's north, where our problem is not.



Safire

In the squabble over a measly \$15 million in expansion money, here is why the VOA is the wrong voice in this area in wartime:

On the day after the twin towers catastrophe, a VOA reporter in London broadcast an account of two interviews. One was with a cleric who "warns that no accusations against Islamists or Arab groups should be made before knowing the full truth." This was "balanced" by an interview with Yasser al Serri, identified only as "a leader of Egypt's largest Islamist group, the Gama'a Islamiyya, which has worked to overthrow the Egyptian government."

Listeners were not informed that this terrorist group killed 58 foreign tourists and four Egyptians four years ago. The reporter said that al Serri "warns that retaliation by Washington will only lead to more violence. He lays the blame for the unprecedented assault on the U.S. financial and military policy in the Middle East."

Stung by criticism of this broadcast, Andre de Nesnera, the VOA's news director, admitted that the extremist was improperly identified, but argued that for the agency to remain "a credible news organization," such interviews with terrorists "will be part of our balanced, accurate, objective and comprehensive reporting, providing our listeners with both sides of the story."

After a call from Jesse Helms' office protesting "equal time for Hitler," the bureaucrat warning the vacant VOA director's seat issued a belated guideline that "we will not give a platform to terrorists or extremist groups."

The nation is on a kind of war footing. Even in peacetime, news credibility does not flow from splitting the moral difference between good and evil. In the climate of today's undeclared war, private media in democracies are free to take either or neither side, but U.S. taxpayer-supported broadcasting is supposed to be on our side.

That's why we need an American signal in Afghanistan's five languages with a clear, truthful message: Bin Laden and his gang are the cause of present and future misery, and the suicides who murder innocents are eternally punished by Allah.

And for the Pentagon's choosers of "targets of value": Consider, in the first strike, the score of towers and mobile transmitters of Radio Shariat.

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU

## BILL O'REILLY

## Every American has role to play in terrorism war

Like it or not, all of us have been drafted into the war against terrorists. We are all soldiers, and we have a job to do. The primary weapon of the terrorist is fear. Instilling fear in people is how the terrorist wins. You can see it all throughout history. Hitler had the Gestapo, Stalin had the KGB, the Mafia has paid assassins and leg breakers. All tyrannical movements use fear to gain and keep control.

Right now, millions of Americans are frightened. That is normal. The sudden terror inflicted on America by unknown forces was devastating and horrifying. The illusion that we, the citizens of the strongest nation in the world, are safe from murderous fanatics has been shattered. The images of everyday Americans jumping to their deaths from the World Trade Center are indelible. It could have been any of us. The violence was definite and bloodcurdling. Fear is entirely appropriate in this case.

The question then becomes, what do we do with our fear? Do we sell our stocks? Do we cancel our travel plans? Do we change our work and leisure habits? Now safety should be a priority for everyone, but giving into fear and altering our lives in a way that damages our country is surely a victory for the terrorists.

So we must fight hard and conquer our fear. Take that plane ride. Buy some stocks. Work harder at your job. All these things will help America. I have interviewed people who say this is nonsense, that everyone should be looking out for themselves. They say there's nothing wrong with shorting the stock market or canceling vacation plans. I say this is unpatriotic. This is not a time to be playing it safe — this is a time to be sending a message to those who want to frighten us into giving up on our social and financial system. The terrorists knew that the stock market would be adversely affected. They knew some Americans would panic, and, of course, that is part of their plan. They want panic in America; they want economic chaos and paranoia.

All of us as soldiers in this war cannot give the terrorists that victory. Take all the precautions you want, but don't bail out of the American way of life. Don't scare your kids — show them your strength. Even if other terrorist incidents happen, don't break down and let fear control you. In order to win this war, Americans must adopt the fatalistic attitude of the warrior: Do everything you can to survive, but never back down. Meet this brutal enemy head-on, and give the terrorists no victory whatsoever.

The world is watching America right now because if terror wins, the world changes drastically. We all have a stake in this. None of us can hide in our homes hoping calamity will pass us by. We all have to summon courage to ward off the forces of evil and destruction that were not a reality in our lives until a few days ago. For most of us this will not be an easy thing. Images of pain and devastation will flash in our minds. Worry about our children will be constant. The terrorists know this and are counting on Americans folding under this kind of psychological pressure in the same way that the Germans folded, the Russians folded, and the Chinese packed in their quest for freedom. If fear can rule those countries, it can rule America, too. But it will not rule if we all become soldiers in this war. And if we all do our duty to win it.

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I am red. I turned red the moment I heard. Red like a man who has witnessed a great injustice and whose blood is brought to boil. I am red like the blood of those lost, the blood that has been stolen from them. Red like the unending line of blinking emergency beacons reminding us with each flash a crisis has shaken our land. The evil released on our nation released a wave of red through me.

I am white. I turned white the moment I heard. The news shook me and the blood drained from my face leaving only a pale layer of skin to cover the thoughts racing through my head. White, like fresh snow that had beautifully dusted the earth only to be evaporated into the reality that nothing lasts forever. White, like the majestic top of an ominous storm cloud whose churning dark depths prepare to release a deluge. The evil released on our nation released a wave of white through me.

I am blue. I turned blue the moment I heard. Blue bruises appear on my heart from the beating it takes with every report of yet another senseless and tragic loss of life. Deep blue, like the last bit of daylight losing its struggle to hold back the darkness that chases it to the west. Blue like the look of a distant column of smoke pouring from an unknown source. The evil released on our nation released a wave of blue through me.

I am red, white and blue. All of these emotions are sewn together into a banner that has been unfurled and is now blowing in the winds of God's grace. Red, white and blue like the relentless rows of beautiful flags that now adorn our homes, our businesses, our churches; all raised to rally the patriotism and allegiance we hold in our hearts.

I am red, white and blue!  
Steve Pruitt

## Media turning to God during crisis

It is so refreshing to see evidence the mainstream press has a soul. God's name has been invoked with reverence and for solace countless times throughout the last week. I have heard commentators say over and over again the events of Sept. 11 have "created a resurgence of faith in God across America."

Personally, I believe we are seeing a religious conversion of our journalistic icons. They are experiencing a revelation as to the need for God in their own lives. They, like many of the rest of us, have experienced a great awakening. The priorities of God, country and family are shining brightly.

It is only God who could take the smoldering flames of the carnage in New York City and turn them into the glowing fire of love we see all around America today.

Certainly, those who stood below the crucified body of Jesus 2,000 years ago also must have experienced the same battle between love and hatred in their hearts.

God bless America. America is blessed with God.

Terry M. Duffey

## Pitts' remarks don't belong in paper

In reference to John Paul Pitts' inflammatory remarks concerning Islam, I am aware of enough to know to seek information concerning Islam somewhere other than the Oil and Gas section of the Reporter-Telegram.

George Davis

## Midland lost 'great' benefactor, friend

Midland and Odessa lost a loyal friend and great benefactor with the passing of Helen Greathouse earlier this month.

Helen and Barney Greathouse were life-long Permian Basin residents. Through foresight and hard work they built up their interest in oil exploration/production and retailing. Helen was a "straight shooter" who loved retailing as much as she loved to hunt deer.

Helen and Barney built the failing Midland drugstore they bought during the depression into the largest drugstore in Texas, which we purchased in 1967 along with their Odessa store. The customer loyalty we've enjoyed in our Permian Basin stores for almost 35 years is a tribute to the savvy, personality and community involvement that were the hallmarks of how the Greathouses ran their amazing stores. Barney passed away shortly after we came on the scene, but Helen kept in close contact with Walgreens Co. She came to our office near Chicago to talk to our executives and to "watch over her investment" in Walgreens. And she was a regular and welcome visitor in her/our stores until quite recently.

Helen was a tremendously interested and interesting lady, one whose good fortune made her community a better place for so many. A list of the charities that benefited from Helen's generous philanthropy would read like several pages of the phone book. A few of her special and long-supported Midland causes were the First Methodist Church, Association of Retarded Citizens, the Cerebral Palsy Center and the Alzheimer's Association.

This fine woman, with the bounce in her step and a twinkle in her eye, will long be remembered by her friends at Walgreens.

Daniel Jorndt  
Walgreens Co.  
Deerfield, Illinois

## Attacks had strong flavor of religion

In the Sept. 16 paper, John Paul Pitts had an article on the front page of the Oil & Gas Report for which I would like to commend him and thank the Reporter-Telegram for publishing. This article emphasized the attack as having a "strong flavor of religion."

It is gratifying to witness the emphasis on prayer at each place that experienced this tragedy.

William Goree

## Thanks to volunteers helping with crisis

I would like to thank all the firefighters, police, EMS workers and volunteers who have been working night and day to save and counsel the people of New York City, Washington, D.C. and Pennsylvania. My eyes have been opened to the undying love Americans have for one another. You give me strength.

Thank you to all of the other countries around the world for your caring support. I have a new found faith in others. You fill me with hope.

Thank you President Bush and your team. Your steadfastness and faith in God gives me a sense of security in this deplorable time. I stand with you in this war between good and evil having faith good always prevails. Our country will grow stronger and wiser as we march through this trial.

Thank you Heavenly Father for pouring out your spirit of love. You have shown me what it

means to be saved. You have laid your loving hands upon humans everywhere and we have felt your power. You give me comfort.

Paula R. Smith

## Answer to terrorism seems fleeting

Papers and other media are full of reports of the pending war on terrorists. Nineteen men commandeered four planes and hit three out of four targets. They were trained and directed by a few hundred other terrorists. Hopefully we can identify and eliminate those immediately involved. But after that, what? For every terrorist who is killed there will be a thousand others willing and able to take their places. Several generations have been taught with fundamental religious fervor to hate Americans. Study of terrorism in Israel, Ireland or anywhere in the world shows there can never be a military solution. Military responses make us feel good, but eventually only cause escalation of the war. The solution has to be primarily a matter of foreign policy.

The hate we are dealing with comes from many sources, but the most obvious is the continuing Israeli-Palestinian conflict. As the first major step against terrorism this conflict has to be resolved and ended peacefully. To do this the United States will have to back away from its pro-Israel position, take a long-overdue neutral stance and force both sides to develop a proper solution of their problems. As the mightiest country in the world, certainly we have the power to cause this to happen. Further, each side should then ensure the peace by policing their own fanatics.

We will not be free from terrorist activities for many years. This will be a long battle for people's minds. We can only identify the sources of hate and deal with them one at a time. I pray we have the leadership in place to produce and implement the proper foreign policy.

Donald P. McGookay

## Writing to leaders helps with emotion

The events of Sept. 11 have left only sorrow, anger and frustration for me. I have concluded the best way to deal with these emotions is to write my congressman and senators and tell them what I want them to do. This includes formal declaration of war on all terrorists and their supporters throughout the world. This will require patience and intestinal fortitude on our part and our leaders' part, but that is what is required during a time of war. The time has come for proactive open and covert operations against all known terrorists and their supporters. These operations may cost us additional lives and we may take "innocent" lives in the process, but that is what happens in wars.

If terrorists are discovered amongst our citizens, we should deal with them with the due process that is guaranteed under our Constitution. If terrorists are discovered in our country and they are not citizens they should be treated as spies and incarcerated. Terrorists who are operating abroad, against our country or our allies, should be attacked in a systematic and complete manner.

In the past we have made the mistake of thinking we can get everyone to like us as Americans. We have also made the mistake of thinking our Constitution applies to all the world. We can not make everyone like us. Our enemies are not protected by our Constitution.

I recommend we all take the time to write or call our leaders during this very pivotal time for

our nation.

God Bless America.

Leo Gallegos

## Tragedy calls for intimacy with God

How tragic the New York destruction of innocent lives is! There is even a greater tragedy that has taken place in our beloved America. I would trust each of us would think on this one.

Isn't it tragic our leaders who have allowed laws to be passed for abortion, homosexuality, prayerless schools, removal of the Ten Commandments from public buildings and so many other immoralities that are an abomination to God our Creator are now crying out to the God they have denied, to heal our country?

Isn't it tragic those who have declared God to be dead are now blaming him for their tragedies? Isn't it tragic instead of repentance and obedience the majority will continue to curse or deny the God who now is and always will be in control of this universe?

How much more can God do? He made the ultimate sacrifice because of his love for mankind, when he died for us more than 2000 years ago. Then he left us a love letter to instruct us on how to live an abundant, joyful, prosperous and healthy life. It is sad to say most of us have never bothered to read his instructions. How tragic.

I would like to share this one instruction out of his love letter with you today. Its found in II Chronicles 7:14: "If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and heal their land."

If you are one of his, these are your instructions for every tragedy in time in your life and in your homeland.

Winona Fincher

## Pitts' remarks out of context about Islam

In the Reporter-Telegram Sept. 16, we were amazed at the charges in the Oil Section by Oil Editor, John Paul Pitts, that "Islam is fundamentally a harsh and violent religion...fundamentalists have a zero tolerance of other religious views and do not hesitate to use violence to enforce that intolerance," and he said much more.

In the same issue, there was an article tucked away in the sports section quoting Hakeem Olajuwon, "...Please don't put us all together with them. Not only is it unfair, but it would be incorrect. Look at the bombing in Oklahoma City. It was committed by someone who would represent himself to be a Christian. But we do not blame that act on Christianity. These people (the World Trade Center attackers) are not fundamentalists. They are extremists. Islam is not a threat. It is a value system that teaches a higher level in character and dignity. It does not make you an animal, a barbarian."

We ask all readers to go to those articles and to read them in their total context. After that, sit back and honestly ask yourself, "What does my own heart and mind say to me?"

We are appalled Pitts, who often speaks eloquently about how oil and gas from the Middle East is so vital to the U.S. economy, would stray from his area of expertise to make such scathing and basically untrue statements about the dominant faith system in that area.

There are any number of adherents of the Islamic faith living, working and contributing to the

well-being of our own community and some of them in the oil business. We have known a few of these people personally, and at no time have ever seen in them the characteristics Pitts gives to Islam.

Garner Wilde

## People should read Pitts Sept. 16 article

I have always enjoyed John Paul Pitts down to earth, incisive reporting. His report in the Sept. 16 edition of the Reporter-Telegram is no exception. His assessment of Islam's war on America is right on target! Anyone who has not already read it should do so! There are probably some starry eyed liberals who will disagree but I say thank you John Paul and keep up the good work.

James E. Stark

## Pitts' article was not true of all Muslims

I was troubled to read the Sept. 16 opinion piece written by John Paul Pitts. He argues "the war is not with a handful of Islamic radicals...but the fundamental core values of Islam" Unfortunately, this can be interpreted as a call for the persecution of all Muslim people, not merely those extremists who are responsible for this tragedy.

In Pitts' view, the Islamic faith's intolerance of other religions is evident from the traditional tenet: "There is no God but Allah." To a narrow mind, the literal interpretation of that phrase may be enough to conclude the Islamic faith is intolerant. However, I ask Pitts to consider how much tolerance resonates from this line of the Apostle's Creed: "I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty." And how tolerant are our own Protestant and Christian religions given the violence in Northern Ireland where both Catholics and Protestants resort to terrorism in the name of religion?

Pitts is correct in only one thought: history is a witness. Tragically, interwoven in the history of all religions is the belief religions moral righteousness religion justifies the use of force to proselytize its beliefs. This is true from the days of the First Crusade to the present persecution of Buddhist Monks in Tibet.

Shame on you Pitts, at a time when our nation labors to rebuild from the destruction caused by the flames of ignorance, cowardice and hatred, you should fan those flames with inflammatory depictions of the Islamic faith and Muslim people. Shame on you.

The Bible says "Let he who is without sin cast the first stone." I hope Midlanders reject the belief all Muslims share the views of Islamic extremists and we take to heart the words of President Bush, "The face of terror is not the true faith of Islam."

Jason Luong

## Midlander remains in prayer for America

I'm probably one of many Midlanders, whose employers have not spoken one word of encouragement, hope or sympathy on this day of mourning. I guess he just didn't watch the news and hear President Bush ask employers to encourage their employees to take time to join the nation in prayer and mourning. At our office it is business as usual. I guarantee my thoughts are with the nation, as I sit here in tears and pray with everyone else, only silently.

Perhaps there are those in Midland who feel so far removed from New York they fail to see how this affects every person in the United States and every coun-

try in the world that is free. I pity that kind of narrow mindedness, but know they are the minority.

I know most Midlanders I have spoken with are saddened and frightened, but also angry and ready for our nation to take action against world terrorism. I, like others, am glued to the television each evening, dreading, but expecting our enemy to be named and war declared. I am mourning not only the lives already lost, but the lives that may yet be lost in the line of duty because we as a nation have not been given any other choice.

May God bless and guide us all in the days to come.

Christy Rogers

## Character of 'mean' people questionable

After last week's horrible tragedy one might think our world has seen enough meanness to last awhile. Well, apparently not. Friday afternoon, while I was working, someone chose to "key" my car at my office parking lot. I do not believe this person chose me, but they chose my car. Why? Who knows. It is unfortunate the people who choose to vandalize property do not make better choices of how to use their energy. What makes these people so mean? Will the meanness ever end?

Christi Turner

## ED tax will help build Midland's future

Midland is an evolving city. Over the past several years several of the major oil companies have moved their offices to Houston and have focused their attention on international opportunities. Midland's economic future changes as companies view the Permian Basin as being in a harvest mode. We need to be thinking about the future and where we will be in 10 to 15 years. Midland needs to expand its economic base beyond oil and gas. Changes do not happen overnight, but they will happen. We need to reinvest in our future now, by passing the economic development tax. By building on what we have we can be prepared for the future. Remember to vote yes on Nov. 6.

Christy Dupriest

## More flags should be flying around town

Recently my husband and I were in Europe for approximately six weeks.

When asked, "where are you from," we gladly responded, "Midland, Texas."

This was always followed by, "where is that?" Our proud response was, "it is the hometown of President George Bush." We are saddened to say we are disappointed in Midland.

The day after the tragedy, while driving across town, we noticed few flags flying. In the days following, a few more flags were displayed. We are very discouraged the local businesses along Loop 250 and in town are not displaying flags.

We sit back and ask ourselves how often we see homes displaying their children's varsity letter and other signs in support of the local school, football teams and cheer leading squads. How many times during our local elections, we see signs posted on our poles and asked to display them on our lawns. But we ask, during this time of national tragedy, the need to show support for our president and the men and women who will soon be sent to defend our country, where are the flags?

Muriel and Alex Skinnider

## SPEAKING OUT

## Sept. 11 calls attention to our firefighting needs

By Vernon J. McNew

As a United States citizen, my thoughts of the events of Sept. 11 are heartbreaking. As a retired Midland firefighter, I was especially sad to realize the sacrifices made by the Fire Department of New York and this underscored my continuing concern for our firefighters in Midland. I can testify to the unintentional "indifference" every firefighter is aware of; they are often "out of sight, out of mind" until the moment an ordinary citizen dials 911. The fire fighting brotherhood is distressed to know it took



McNew

such horrible events as occurred in New York and Washington, D.C. to focus the spotlight on what they face every day.

And yet I doubt few citizens of Midland are aware of the passage into law of Senate Bill 382. That bill, sponsored by state Rep. Mario Gallegos, encompasses sweeping changes in fire fighting operations with the intent to improve firefighter safety. These are recognized industry standards Texas is long overdue in addressing. The law was signed by Gov. Rick Perry on June 15 and went into effect Sept. 1. Although the Texas Commission on Fire Protection (TCFP), the agency charged with enforcing the law, has not yet adopted the rules for implementing it, an overwhelming majority of departments in the state have already developed standard operating procedures so they would be in compliance by Sept. 1. Regrettably, as report-

ed by the local CBS station, the city management of Midland chose to find out what rules the TCFP may establish before taking any action. The Midland Fire Department has been directed not to make changes to its operations pending such action by the TCFP.

If the Midland Fire Department, virtually alone in the state, does not make changes to its operations are they in conflict with state law? Can they comply with the standards of the law without making changes to their operations? If they are in conflict with the law, a not unimaginable scenario considering the date of enactment, who is to be held liable and accountable for failure to comply? Is the city liable or does the directive to the fire department absolve them of accountability? In which case is it reasonable to hold the department liable for following the will of city management?

I am ashamed to imagine we would hold the firefighters, who are merely striving to protect us at the risk of their own and their crew's lives, accountable.

Senate Bill 382 does contain some staffing issues and hence may imply budgetary impacts. While not mandating a particular staffing, it accepts OSHA's 2-in/2-out rule that does require an initial crew of four fire fighters to be assembled (two "inside," 2 "outside") before any may enter a burning structure. When I retired, MFD had just managed to reach a staffing level of three fire fighters per engine. I am not aware this has changed. Currently MFD's budget falls just below 10 percent of the total city budget; using the average household taxable amount from the Reporter-Telegram, the average taxpayer spends \$36 a year for their fire department. I cannot imagine money more well spent.

Our great country and its fire departments were thrust into a totally unimaginable horror on Tuesday, Sept. 11. Beyond the outpouring of unity and patriotism the only other small advancement that was made, at an inconceivable and unconscionable cost, was recognition for the New York City Fire Department and all our nation's firefighters and the nature of their jobs. Ultimately, it is up to the citizens of Midland to decide upon the level of fire protection they desire and to make that decision based upon their safety and the safety of our firefighters. I feel it is time to address, respect and understand the issues facing our fire department and they may well be our "first line of defense" in this era of terrorism. I hope the good people of Midland will continue to support our firefighters and the issues they face daily.

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## Rescuers look for survivors after chemical plant explosion

By Pamela Sampson  
Associated Press

TOULOUSE, France — Rescue workers with search dogs scoured the ruins of a chemical fertilizer plant Saturday, looking for survivors of an explosion that toppled houses, killed 29 people and left at least 650 in the hospital.

With many houses damaged or destroyed for nearly a 1 1/2-mile radius around the leveled AZF chemical plant after Friday's apparently accidental blast, some 150 families were moving into gymnasiums-turned-shelters or homes volunteered by other residents.

"We're salvaging what we can, this house is wrecked. We're going to have to raze it with a bulldozer, there's no way we're going to be able to live here again," said Gilles Bosc, 40, whose home is about 200 yards from the plant.

The death toll rose to 29, according to regional Prefect Hubert Fournier. At least 650 people were hospitalized with injuries — including about 30 whom Toulouse Mayor Philippe Douste-Blazy described as "between life and death."

An unknown number of people were still missing by late afternoon Saturday, presumably buried amid tons of rubble by the explosion, which experts said had the strength of a 3.2 magnitude earthquake.

Rescue workers used search dogs to sniff through the debris for survivors. Much of the plant just outside Toulouse was in ruins, with only jagged, dust-covered beams still standing in some places. The blast carved a 150-foot-wide crater into the ground.

Marie-Therese Berthault, 78, was in bed with a fever on Friday morning when a huge boom shook her two-story house, causing ceilings, windows and walls to cave in. She narrowly escaped down the stairs, her face and feet badly cut by shards of glass.

"The ceiling fell on me, and I could see the sky from my bed," she said. "I was terrified."

The force of the blast ripped walls and roofs off nearby homes, blew cars off the road and left a brown, acrid haze hanging over this city of nearly a million people.



AP Photo  
Rescue workers pick through piles of twisted steel searching for survivors after Friday's explosion in a chemical fertilizer plant in Toulouse, southwestern France, Saturday.

ple and home to the country's aeronautics industry.

The cause remained unclear, but officials increasingly talked of an industrial accident.

"The cause is probably of an accidental nature," Douste-Blazy said at a press conference Saturday. "But only the investigation can confirm this hypothesis."

The company said the blast was an accident, as did French President Jacques Chirac, who visited the site on Friday.

Philippe Vesseron, director of industrial risk for the French Environment Ministry, told France-Info radio an increase in the temperature of nitrates stored at the factory could have provoked the explosion.

Coming just 10 days after a catastrophic terrorist attack against the United States, many in Toulouse who heard the explosion first thought they, too, were being targeted.

"At first we believed it was an attack," said Bosc. "Now we know it was not. We're lucky that this has nothing to do with what happened in New York."

AZF is the brand name under which Grande Paroisse, France's largest fertilizer manufacturer, sells its products. Grande Paroisse is owned by Atofina, the chemicals unit of TotalFinaElf — the world's fourth-biggest oil group.

The AZF plant, where 460 people work, is among 372 sites in France classified under a European Union directive as high-risk, meaning extra security precautions must be taken.

The high-risk designation, officially named "Seveso," was put in place after a 1976 chemical disaster in the Italian village of Seveso, where a pharmaceutical factory malfunctioned, producing a toxic cloud containing dioxin.

Environment Minister Yves Cocher said Saturday he hoped the disaster would put French lawmakers on notice they need to address the dangers of having residential areas located near industrial sites.

Toulouse is home to Airbus, the European aircraft-making consortium, as well as Arianespace, the European Space Agency's commercial arm.

## Libyan court postpones verdict in AIDS case

By Mariam Fam  
Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt — Libyan judges put off a verdict in the case of seven foreigners accused of injecting 393 children with the AIDS virus, saying Saturday they needed more time to study defense arguments.

The six Bulgarians and one Palestinian — all doctors and nurses — face the death penalty if convicted of murder and conspiracy. They are accused of injecting the children with HIV-contaminated blood, but it was unclear if all those allegedly infected had died.

"The court decided to continue studying the rebuttals presented by the defense lawyers due to the size and importance of the case," the head of the three-judge panel said, according to Othman el-Bezanti, the lawyer defending the Bulgarians.

A verdict is expected at the next hearing, set for Dec. 22, el-Bezanti told the Associated Press by telephone from Libya's capital, Tripoli.

The delay "shows that there is no firm evidence about the guilt of our citizens," said Elene Poptodorova, spokeswoman for the Bulgarian Foreign Ministry in Sofia.

"The postponement gives hope that the time until Dec. 22 will be used to review all the facts," Poptodorova said.

Held since February 1999, the defendants have pleaded innocent. Some have complained their interrogators forced false confessions from them using torture.

The high-profile case has prompted protests from human rights groups, with Amnesty International saying "there have

been serious irregularities in pretrial proceedings."

Bulgaria has accused Libya of holding a political trial against its nationals and has repeatedly called for an independent team of international experts to study the case and testify.

The court has refused to allow expert opinion from Switzerland and France.

El-Bezanti said in explaining the reasons to postpone the verdict, the judges said "the court is keen on making sure defendants get all the guarantees Libyan laws ensure."

Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi has claimed the CIA or the Mossad, Israel's intelligence agency, were ultimately behind the children's illnesses.

Critics charge Libya could be trying to divert attention from horrendous medical conditions at

some of its state-run hospitals where, they say, disposable instruments are repeatedly reused and basic rules of hygiene are not observed.

Libya could also be trying to make Bulgaria forgive its debts, estimated at \$300 million, some say.

The case of the allegedly infected children was first brought to light in 1998 by the Libyan magazine La in the coastal city of Benghazi, where the Al-Fateh children's hospital is located. The government closed La a few weeks after the reports were published.

Besides the murder and conspiracy counts, the Bulgarians are charged with drinking in public — alcohol is banned in Libya — and engaging in extramarital sex.

Nine Libyans charged in the same case are out on bail.

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## Many

By Laura King  
Associated Press

CHAMAN CRISTIAN-Afghanistan. Fenced out of Pakistan by rusty barbed wire, Afghan refugees stare at the barren ground against a scorching, starling bleakly at the border crossing.

Some had been on the border crossing for days, desperate from what they saw on their homeland. They have refused to leave until the demands to surrender to the Taliban are met.

On Saturday, about 1,000 refugees, some women and sick and old — were on the border crossing outside the city of Chaman, at the bidding of 7,500-farmers in the mountains.

With Pakistani standing watch, a few threw quick, fumes to journalists on the barbed wire. They were afraid their homes in Afghanistan they did not know could bear to wait conditions, hoping safety.

Most of these homes in and around city of Kandahar, to the northwest. The base of the Taliban Islamic movement of Afghanistan.

President Bush must hand over bin Laden, Saudi exile suspect, minding the catastrophic terror attacks on the Center and the Pentagon. He considered a prime get, and many of it terrified.

Umar Gulab, carpenter, 30 years ago with his 20-year-old son, Farzana, and his 1-year-old daughter, Raza. They managed their way across the border to Quetta, the provincial capital.



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# Many Afghan refugees fearing U.S. attack are turned away at border

By Laura King  
Associated Press

CHAMAN CROSSING, Pakistan-Afghanistan Border — Fenced out of Pakistan by a roll of rusty barbed wire, hundreds of Afghan refugees crouched on the barren ground, unprotected against a scorching desert sun, staring bleakly ahead of them.

Some had been here at this desolate border crossing for up to five days, desperate to find shelter from what they believe are inevitable American airstrikes on their homeland, whose leaders have refused to bow to U.S. demands to surrender Osama bin Laden.

On Saturday, a long line of about 1,000 refugees — most of them women and children, the sick and old — waited in a dusty no-man's land at the border crossing outside the Pakistani city of Chaman, at the foot of the forbidding 7,500-foot Kozak Mountains.

With Pakistani frontier guards standing watchfully nearby, a few threw quick, furtive responses to journalists on the other side of the barbed-wire barrier: Yes, they were afraid to go back to their homes in Afghanistan. No, they did not know how long they could bear to wait here in these conditions, hoping to cross to safety.

Most of these refugees fled homes in and around the Afghan city of Kandahar, about 70 miles to the northwest. It is the home base of the Taliban, the purist Islamic movement that rules most of Afghanistan.

President Bush says the Taliban must hand over bin Laden — the Saudi exile suspected of masterminding the catastrophic Sept. 11 terror attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon — or share in his fate. So Kandahar is considered a prime potential target, and many of its citizens are terrified.

Umar Gulah, a 23-year-old carpenter, said he left Kandahar six days ago with his 10-year-old wife, Farzana, and his 1-year-old son, Raza. They managed to make their way across the border and on to Quetta, the provincial capital



AP Photo  
A Pakistani truck drives past an Afghan family waiting in no man's land at the Chaman border crossing with Pakistan, 100 kilometers (60 miles) southeast of the Afghan city of Kandahar, Saturday.

of Pakistan's southwestern Baluchistan province, about 500 miles southwest of Islamabad.

In the week before Monday night, when the border closed, an estimated 15,000 people crossed over into Pakistan at the Chaman crossing, United Nations and Pakistani officials say. Unaccounted others have slipped through since, along nearby ungarded desert frontier.

But several thousand of the new arrivals — no reliable figures are available — have been rounded up by Pakistani police and returned to Chaman to be sent home, including the Gulahmed family.

Farzana Gulahmed, swathed in a long, enveloping black veil, knelt in the shade of a shed on the Pakistani side of the border, brushing away flies that clustered at sores on baby Raza's face, while her husband spoke of their expulsion.

"We are afraid of attacks, and I tried to get my family to safety," he said. "I'm angry, but I'm a poor man — I can't fight these forces."

Pushing his way up, a Pakistani policeman gruffly instructed Gulahmed in the border area's Pashtun language: "Tell them you

are going back to Afghanistan voluntarily."

With 2 million Afghan refugees already crowded within

its borders — the result of two decades of unrelenting warfare that left Afghanistan poor, in ruins, and under the Taliban's repressive rule — Pakistan already feels overwhelmed. The country simply cannot cope, it says, with what could become a new tidal wave of Afghans fleeing feared or actual fighting.

"We already have so many refugees now," said Mohammed Shafi Kakar, the Pakistani district coordination officer at the Chaman crossing. If fighting comes, he said, "People may rush across the border in a mass, and that will be a big, big problem for us."

The border was closed to all but those with valid travel documents after the United States asked Pakistan to shut down the flow of supplies to the Taliban. But international agencies, including the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, have urged Afghanistan's neighbors to reopen their borders to those trying to flee.

The UNHCR last week called for a "humanitarian coalition" to

share the burden and expense of looking after the refugees. Amnesty International, the London-based human rights organization, warned of an "unfolding humanitarian crisis" both inside Afghanistan and in those countries bordering it unless the international community steps in quickly with pledges to help.

Regional officials in Pakistan

say they have devised a plan to build 100 new border camps to house one million additional Afghan refugees in the event of a U.S. assault on Afghanistan.

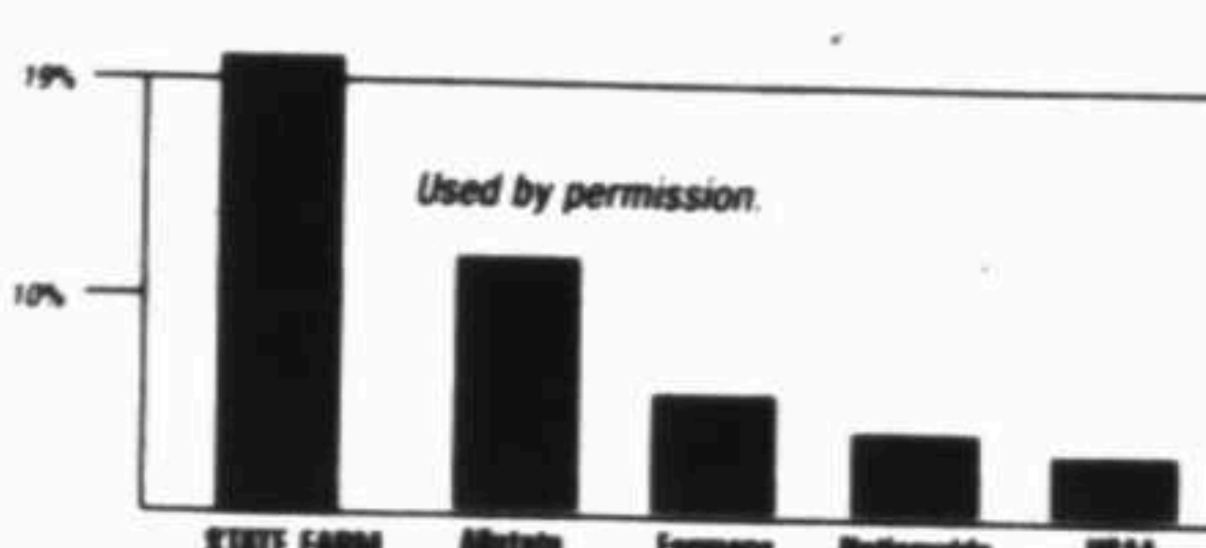
At Chaman, authorities have spread barbed wire about 35 miles in either direction from the crossing point, to keep refugees from simply walking around the border post.

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Pope John Paul II blesses the faithful as he visits the monument for the victims of Soviet repression in Kazakhstan's capital Astana, Saturday.

## Pope visits Kazakhstan, expresses good wishes

By Victor Simpson  
Associated Press

ASTANA, Kazakhstan — Protected by massive security, Pope John Paul II arrived Saturday in this mostly Muslim nation and was welcomed as a voice of reason in the tense climate in Central Asia following the terrorist attacks in the United States.

John Paul made no specific mention of the Sept. 11 attacks or of the U.S. military buildup to strike back — most likely in nearby Afghanistan — but he expressed "my good wishes ... to all people of good will" who promote peace.

In a speech at the airport, the pope also stressed political controversies should be settled through dialogue, not force of arms.

President Nursultan Nazarbayev thanked the pope for going ahead with the visit despite the "troubled situation in the world" and praised him for stressing religion should not be blamed for the attacks, "thus protecting the world from Islamophobia."

"The tragedy that happened in the United States presents a threat of division and confrontation between civilizations and religions," he said.

Thousands of black-bereted riot police and security agents lined the main streets of Astana, with agents standing every 50 feet along the route of the pope's motorcade.

Hours before John Paul arrived, an armored personnel carrier fitted with a small cannon and carrying snipers in black balaclava masks pulled up to a memorial he planned to visit — a sign of the "unprecedented" security measures. Kazak officials promised to take in this sleepy Central Asian capital.

Authorities in the former Soviet republics that lie between Russia and Afghanistan have expressed concerns about militant Islam. Nazarbayev predicted last year Afghanistan's hard-line Taliban rulers and Osama bin Laden, now the prime suspect in the U.S. terrorist attacks, would target Kazakhstan and the Central Asian region in the coming years.

Kazakhstan does not border Afghanistan.

The Vatican denied reports it had asked for or received assurances from Washington that U.S. forces would hold off in an attack during John Paul's six-day stay in Kazakhstan and Armenia.

Papal spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls told reporters aboard the plane the Vatican had taken no special security precautions for the trip and there had been "no direct or indirect" threats against the pope.

The frail 81-year-old pontiff was severely stooped as he descended from his plane, with aides close by to assist him. He blessed a basket of Kazak soil presented by two women in traditional embroidered costumes.

The pope's hands trembled and his voice was slurred, symptoms of Parkinson's disease. A small podium placed on his lap toppled, and Nazarbayev bent down and retrieved the pages of John Paul's speech.

"I greet the Islamic leaders and faithful, who boast a long religious tradition in this region," the pope said. Kazakhstan's top Islamic leader, the grand mufti, was among the dignitaries.

Roman Catholics make up just 2 to 3 percent of the population of 15 million in Kazakhstan, a country four times the size of Texas.

## United Arab Emirates cuts diplomatic relations with Afghanistan

By Tarek Al-Issawi  
Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — The United Arab Emirates cut diplomatic relations with Afghanistan's Taliban rulers Saturday for refusing to surrender suspected terrorist Osama bin Laden, the state news agency reported.

The move leaves only two countries that recognize the Taliban as Afghanistan's government — Pakistan and Saudi Arabia.

The Emirates severed ties after failing to persuade the Taliban to hand over bin Laden, the prime suspect in the Sept. 11 terror attacks against the United States, for prosecution abroad, the official Emirates News Agency quoted an unidentified Foreign Ministry official as saying.

"The United Arab Emirates does not believe that it is possible to continue to maintain diplomatic relations with a government that refuses to respond to the clear will of the international community," the official said.

The decision to sever relations took effect immediately, and Afghan diplomats were ordered to leave the Persian Gulf nation within 24 hours, the agency reported.

The hard-line Islamic Taliban militia has controlled most of Afghanistan since 1996. The Emirates followed its large neighbor Saudi Arabia in recognizing the Taliban as its government in 1997. Most other countries recognize the government-in-exile of President Burhanuddin

Rabbani.

An official at the Saudi Foreign Ministry declined comment Saturday when asked if his government would sever relations. Three years ago, Saudi Arabia announced without explanation that it was expelling the Afghan charge d'affaires in Riyadh and recalling its representative from Kabul.

Pakistan tried to use its relationship with Afghanistan, sending officials to warn the Taliban to deliver or risk attack by the West. That intervention failed, and Pakistan's leader, Gen. Pervez Musharraf has backed U.S. efforts to apprehend bin Laden.

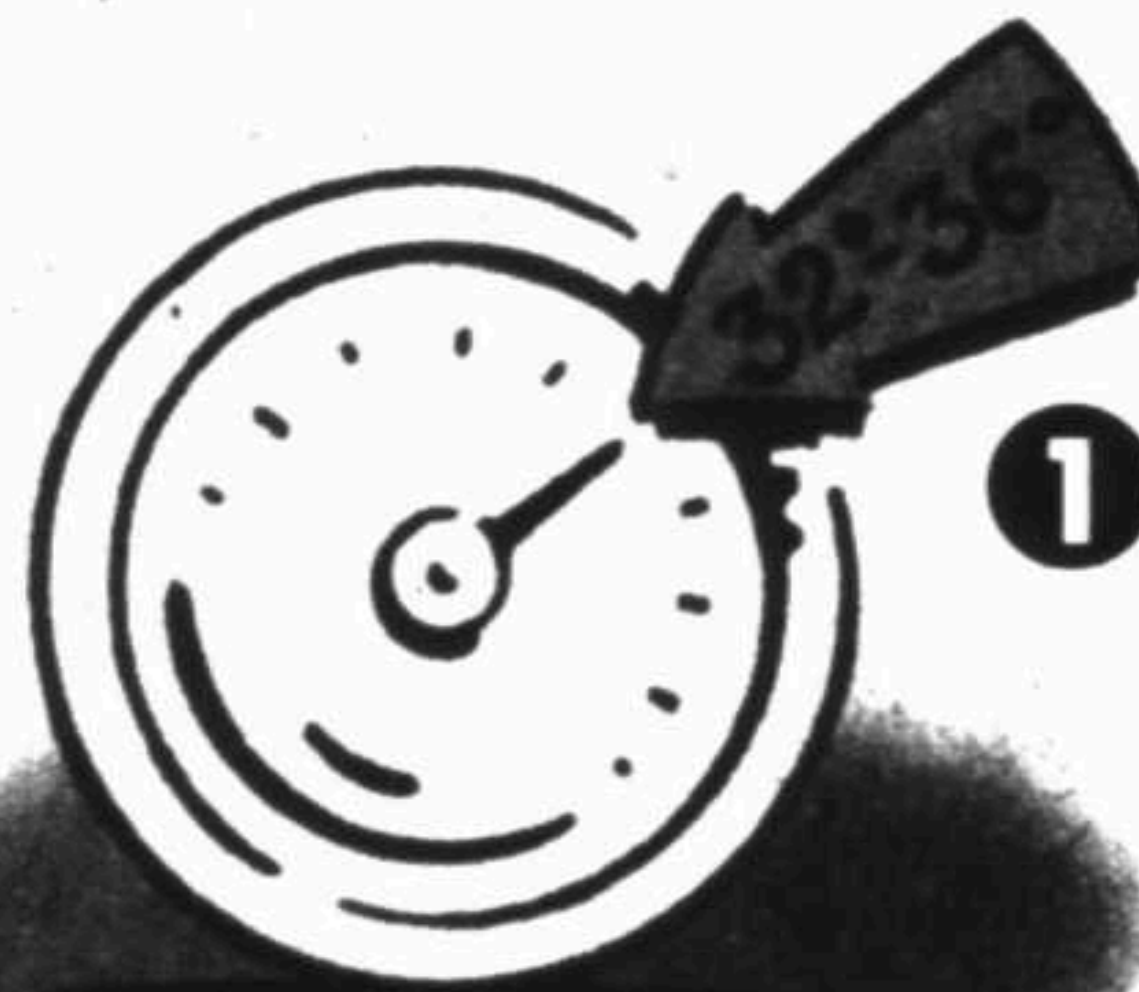
Musharraf's government pledged its "full support" to U.S. demands for use of its airspace and help in intelligence gathering and logistics for a possible attack on Afghanistan. That official stance sparked protests Friday by Pakistanis who see bin Laden as a Muslim hero.

The Emirates, which has no diplomatic representation in Kabul, downgraded its relations with the Taliban in 1999, when the U.N. Security Council imposed sanctions on Afghanistan for refusing to surrender bin Laden, who had been indicted for the deadly 1998 bombings of U.S. embassies in east Africa.

The Emirates has strongly condemned last week's attacks against the World Trade Center and the Pentagon and said it would support Washington's fight against terrorism.

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Storing foods promptly and safely is the easy part of eating well and staying healthy. Look for more Good Rules for Good Eating and enjoy good health.



ABOVE: D. Lane  
fried steak  
chuck wagon  
Cowboy R.  
LEFT: J.R.  
while making  
his booth S.



## Youth escapees back in custody

By D. Lance Lunsford  
Staff Writer

MONAHANS — Nine "students" are back in custody after they escaped from a Texas Youth Commission facility at about 2 a.m. Saturday in Pyote.

The nine escapees ducked out of the detention center, located approximately 15 miles west of Monahans. They were reported missing at 2:19 a.m.

Officials with the Ward County Sheriff's Office, Monahans Police Department, Texas Parks and Wildlife, and Texas Department of Public Safety aided in the apprehension of the escapees.

Currently, four of the individuals are being held in the Ward County jail on charges of escape. The other five were returned to the Texas Youth Commission facility in Pyote.

According to the Ward County Sheriff's office, the lengthy search was conducted just west of Monahans.

Please see CUSTODY/2B



## Superintendent goes back to school

By Hillary S. Condon  
Staff Writer

To the untrained eye, it would appear that Midland Independent School District Superintendent

Robert Nicks was keenly studying maps of Midland at a recent redistricting hearing. He was making marks in a leather bound notebook and mouthing words to himself.

Tengku Bahar  
Reporter-Telegram

To the untrained eye.

If you were closer, you would have heard the new superintendent whispering the words, "Uno, dos, tres, cuatro, cinco, seis ..."

It's not your imagination. Nicks, who holds a doctorate in educational administration and has worked in schools since 1975, and his wife, Debbie, who holds a masters degree in reading and school administration, are proving you are never too educated to go back to

Please see SCHOOL/3B

## X STYLE



ABOVE: Dick Sparks prepares chicken fried steak over an open fire during a chuck wagon cook-off at the West Texas Cowboy Rodeo Saturday afternoon. AT LEFT: J.R. Riddle works with a steel saw while making a custom branding iron at his booth Saturday.

STORY BY  
EMILY BAKER

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## Traditions kept alive at rodeo

Cowboys of the days of yore had a deadline to make. They had to get their cattle to the train depot by a certain time. A little rain — or a lot of rain — certainly couldn't stop them.

The West Texas Cowboy Rodeo and Celebration, which strives to preserve the ways of the cattle drive cowboy, wasn't stopped completely by a little rain either.

The celebration took place Friday and Saturday and will continue today at the Midland County Exhibit Building. Although Saturday's rain caused the cancellation of the county team roping competition, the cowboy rodeo, also called a ranch rodeo, took place Saturday when the sun came out and dried the grounds. Also, the chuck wagons still served chicken fried steak until they ran out, and the bit, spur and collectible show still went on inside the building.

The bit, spur and collectible show featured just that. Regenia Freasier of Barnhart was on hand to sell tack.

"I'm a stay-at-home mom," the mother of three said. "I can't work and pay for a babysitter, so this is how I make a living. This is something I can take my kids to."

Ms. Freasier shared a booth with Jessie Ledesma of Hamlin, a metal smith who was selling lamps, wall crosses and other metal decor items.

He participates in such trade shows to ease his longing for his former days at rodeos.

"I rodeoed for 27 years," the former bull rider said. "I missed bull riding, and this is my answer to it."

Ledesma said rodeo competitors are much like a family. They all stick together and work together. Ledesma likened the trade show "family" to that of a rodeo.

"We are all one big family," he said. "Once you start going to a few of these (shows), you start to get to know people, and you start to travel together and help each other out."

He said on Friday, he was away from his booth, and a lady from a neighboring booth came over to help a customer. She sold a lamp to the customer and gave all of the money to Ledesma.

"We help each other like that," he said. "We all stick together."

Live cowboy music, some provided by Ricky Boen, entertained shoppers at the show.

During the lunch hour, a chuck wagon cook-off was under way. Several wagons dueling in out over chicken fried steak, bread, beans, mashed potatoes and cobbler.

For cook Jerry Slaton, it all started in 1983 when he broke his ankle.

"I was on crutches for a couple of years, and I decided to learn to make sourdough biscuits," he said.

Please see RANCH/4B

GARY OTT

## OK, folks, it is time to get back to normal...or is it?

People keep saying, "It's time to get back to normal." Then they say, "We can't let the cowards who did this know they are altering the way we live in America."

Then they say, "Yes, we took a sucker punch to the gut. We even fell to one knee. But then we got back up."

Maybe these people are right, maybe we do need to show fanatics around the world we can indeed take their best shot and then return to a normal life, one that has us going to the office every morning just like we did before, one that has us pumping gas in our cars just like we did before, one that has us laughing with friends just like we did before and one that even has us attending week-end football games just like we did before.

So take that, you two-bit thugs. You can hurt us — even kill some of us — but America will remain the land of the free and the home of the brave. We will not let you fundamentally change us or the way we choose to live in this country. What we have is far too important — even

sacred — to allow that to happen. So, yes, if "getting back to normal" is our way of showing our resolve in this matter, then by all means, let's get back to normal, and let's do it right now.

That's what I was thinking the other day.

"Gary," I said to myself, "it's time to get back to normal. You must do it for the good of the country."

So I tried.

I watched a baseball game on TV. But before the game could begin, players from both teams unfurled a giant American flag while everyone sang "God Bless America." One of the team managers, who had that marvelous crusty look so common to men who have spent decades in and around major league baseball, was wiping a tear from his eye.

This is not normal, I said to myself.

So I switched channels.

Before long, the "Late Show with David Letterman" came on.

Now, we're getting back to normal, I said to myself. But instead of telling sarcastic jokes, Letterman, a true cynic's cynic, was near tears himself as he repeatedly praised the heroic policemen and firefighters who served as rescue workers at the site of what used to be the World Trade Center. He vowed to never take those pub-

lic servants for granted again. And this time, there was no punch line. Because David Letterman wasn't making one of his delightful smartypants jokes for which he is so famous. He was serious. And you knew it. You could see it in his eyes and hear it in his voice.

This is not normal, I said to myself.

But I kept watching just the same. Soon, Letterman introduced his first guest, veteran newsman Dan Rather, who immediately started describing the ghastly events that took place on that fateful Sept. 11. He discussed the carnage he had personally witnessed in New York City. He sounded wise and worldly, a man who had seen it all and lived to tell about it. Then without warning, Dan Rather did something very strange. He broke down and cried.

This is not normal, I said to myself.

So I turned off the TV and went to bed.

But the next morning, I was back at it, trying to find some semblance of normalcy.

And as before, I returned to the television set, a trusty companion.

This time it was Jay Ceno's turn. Just his appearance brought a smile to my face. Yeah, this ought to be normal. But then he announced who his guests would be that night: U.S. Sen. John McCain, a former prisoner of war, and Crosby, Stills and Nash, three of the most out-

spoken and eloquent critics of the Vietnam War, back at a time when, ironically enough, Sen. McCain was a POW. But before the night was over, all four men were hugging and trading compliments.

This, I said to myself, is definitely not normal. So it was back to the remote control.

I tried one of those all-news programs. Maybe some good old-fashioned political bickering will bring back some normalcy, I thought. After all, politicians are always good for a few laughs and, frankly, laughter is one of the best parts of normalcy. But I couldn't find any bickering. Instead, there seemed to be one big lovefest going on. Democrats were praising Republicans, who in turn were gushing over the Democrats. Not an unkind word was spoken against anyone of the opposing political party.

I stared in disbelief.

This is not normal, I said to myself, and, to be perfectly honest, a part of me quietly hoped the country would not return to normalcy ... not just yet, anyway.

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## OBITUARIES



## Erva Crawford Kinser

Funeral services are scheduled for 9:00 a.m. Monday, September 24, 2001 in Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Bill Skaggs of Kelview Baptist Church officiating. Graveside services are scheduled for 2:00 p.m. Monday in Sherwood, Texas. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Erva Jane Crawford Pickett Kinser was born on February 23, 1901 in Burnet County, Texas to Joseph Crawford and Lorana Didway Crawford. She was the third oldest of 9 children. She married Laurel Archie Kinser on September 26, 1926 in Spicewood. They moved to Sherwood where they lived for 46 years. While in Sherwood, Erva was a member of the Baptist Church there. She was currently a member of the Sherwood Community Association and Sherwood Cemetery Fund. She had six children, Watson Pickett, Jim Pickett, Roy Kinser, Troy D. Kinser, Jerry Kinser and Nina Mae Mills. Also in the family were three stepchildren, Horace Kinser, Ernestine Lowery and Alfreda Allen. In 1972, Archie and Erva moved to Midland. Erva immediately joined Kelview Heights Baptist Church where she remained a member.

On December 4, 1980, Erva gave up her home and moved into Hillcrest Manor. She reluctantly moved into Trinity Haven Health Care Center on June 13, 2000 because of health reasons.

Mrs. Kinser passed away Thursday, September 20, 2001.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Archie, sons, Troy D. Kinser, Roy Kinser and Watson Pickett, daughter, Nina Mae Mills, step-son, Horace Kinser, brothers, Willie and Ralph Crawford, sisters Mary Crooks, Ruedell Hunnicutt and Stella Haydon, granddaughter, Linda Crawford and grandson, Donnie Kinser.

She is survived by sons, Jerry D. Kinser and Jim Pickett; stepchildren, Ernestine Lowery and Alfreda Allen; 15 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren.



## Lynwood Watts

Lynwood Watts, 66, went to be with the Lord on September 20, 2001 after a lengthy illness.

Memorial services will be at 2:00 p.m. Monday September 24, 2001 at the First Church of Nazarene, 1208 W. Wall. Arrangements are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel.

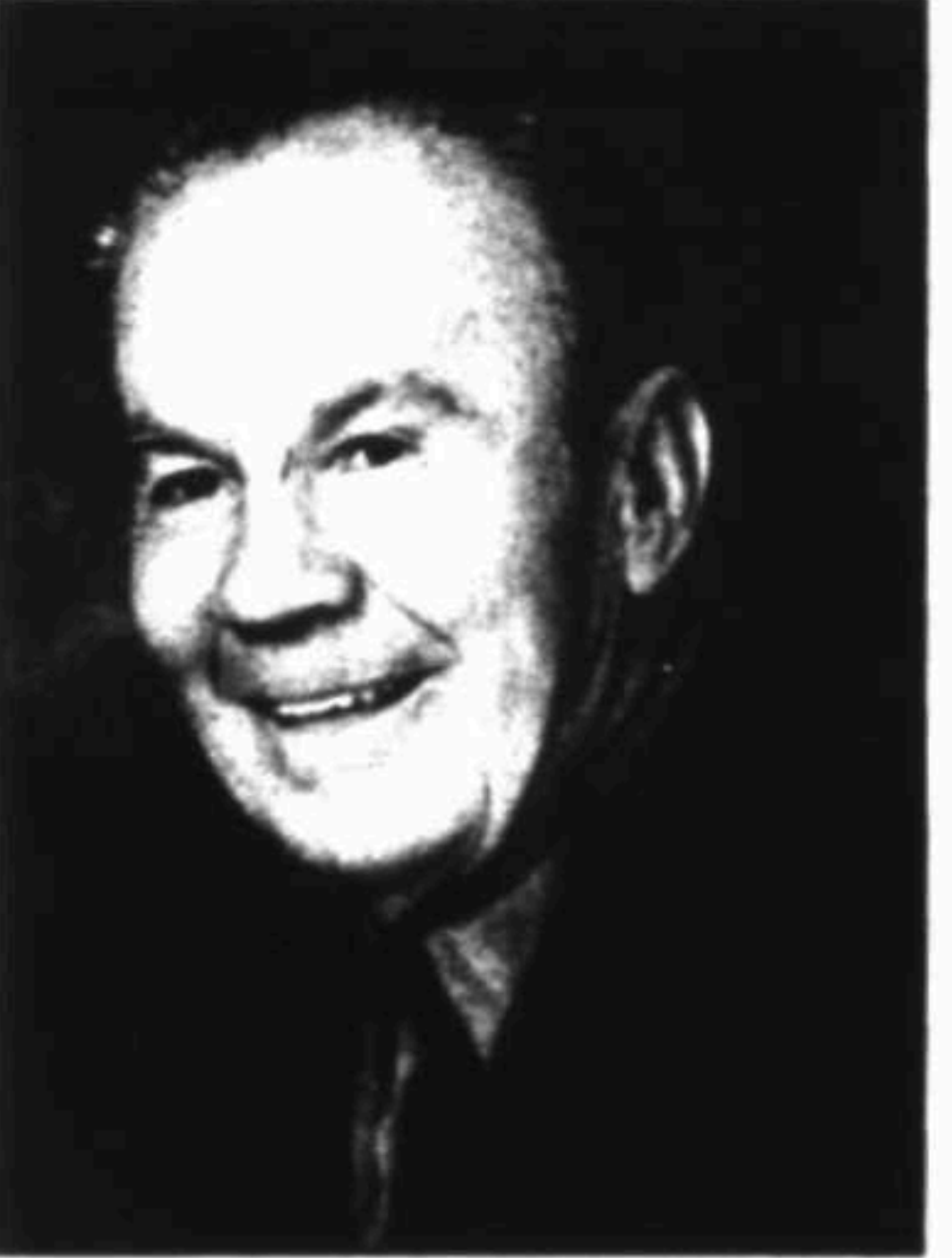
Lynwood was born on October 19, 1934 in Coahoma, Texas to Slat and Annie Watts. He lived there until 1956 when he moved to Midland and married Shirley Green. He was an electrician for Midwest Electric for 25 years. He then went to work for himself.

Mr. Watts was preceded in death by his parents, Slat and Annie Watts and his brother, Jimmy Watts.

Lynwood is survived by his wife, Shirley; his son, Lane Watts and his wife, Maureen; a daughter, Lyn Flores and her husband, Doro; sister, Beverly Chapman; eight grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Lynwood was a loving man, friendly and helpful to all who knew him. He will be sorely missed.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Hospice of Midland, POB 2621, Midland, Texas 79702.



## Raymond Terry

Raymond Bradford Terry, 87, passed away, Thursday, September 20, 2001.

ber 20, 2001.

Memorial services will be 10:00 a.m., Monday, September 24, at the Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel. Arrangements are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel.

Raymond was born October 28, 1913 in Grand Prairie, Texas to Lave and Locke Terry. He had been a barber in Midland from 1946 to 1999.

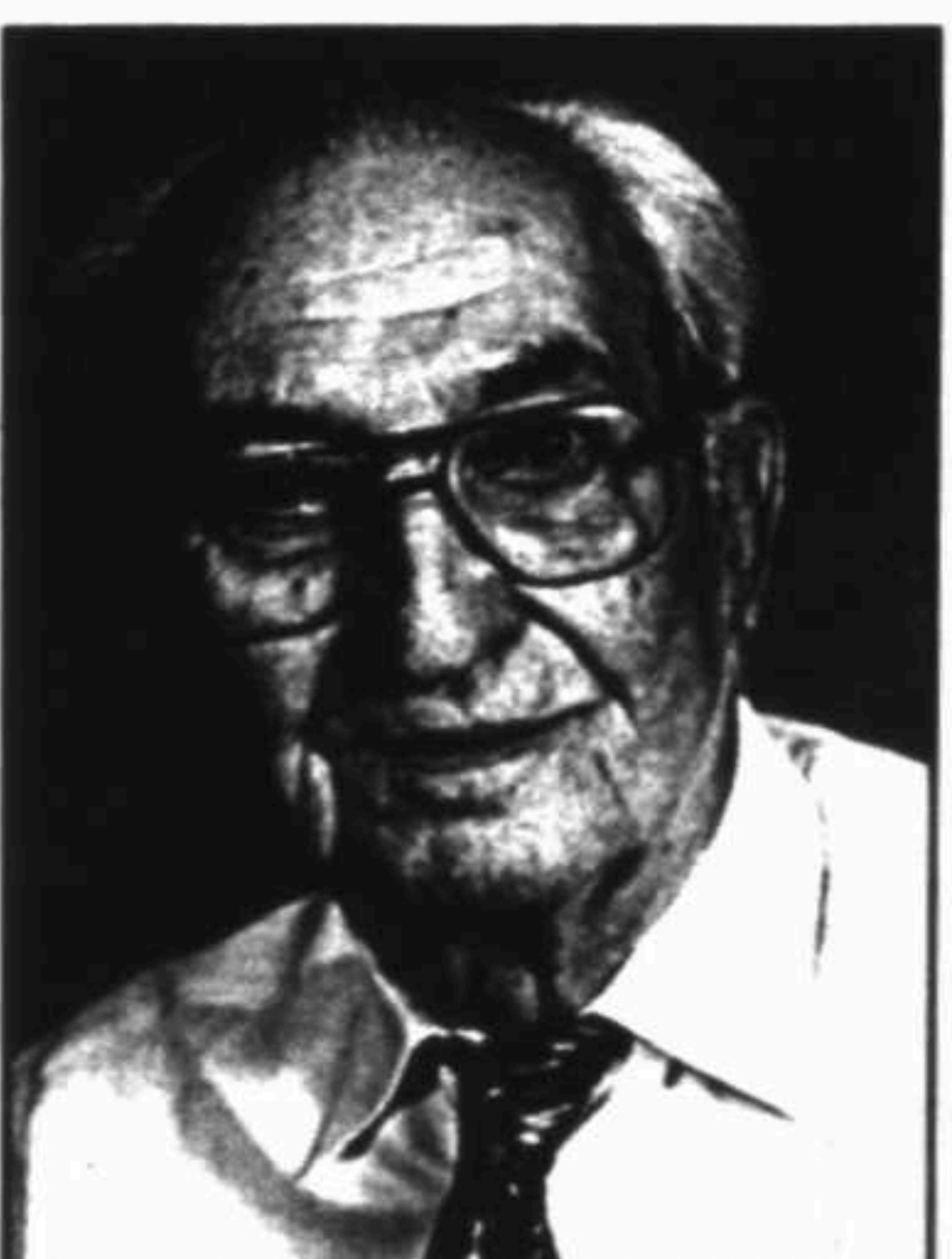
Mr. Terry was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers, Elmer, Frank, Charles, Jess and Leo, as well as, one sister, Ruth Norris.

Survivors include his wife, Gladys; three sons, Marvin of Lubbock, Jack of the Dallas area, William F. of Midland; two daughters, Loretta McCarty and her husband, Andy Macha of Dallas and Angela Vinson and her husband, Wayne of Midland; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Raymond was a quiet, gentle man and had been a friend to all. He had a smile and a joke for everyone. He was loved by many and will be deeply missed.

Honorary pallbearers will be Dr. Charles Gaines, Billy "Willie" Williams, DeWayne Freshour, Howard Shelton, Hugh Looney and grandsons, Jason Terry of San Antonio and Ryan Vinson of Midland.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Hospice of Midland, POB 2621, Midland, Texas 79702.



## John Johnson

John Johnson Jr. died Wednesday, September 19, 2001, in the hospital.

Entombment will be held at the Resthaven Memorial Park Mausoleum. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. at Glass Chapel of the First United Methodist Church on Monday Sept. 24, 2001. Reverend C. Lane Boyd will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He was born on March 17, 1917 in Dallas, Texas. He married Nell Sikes in Wayland, Texas, February 11, 1940. She preceded

him in death.

He served in the U.S. Army Air Forces from August 1942 through May 1945. He was a bombardier instructor stationed in Midland during World War II.

In 1945 he went to work for Floyd West and Company and was headquartered in Dallas and Houston. In August 1949 the company moved him to Midland to open an office. In May 1954 he went to work for Glass and Myrick Insurance Agency, which became Johnny Johnson Insurance in January 1963.

Soon after Nell and Johnny moved to Midland, he began a short career as Little League coach and umpire. He was a long-time member of the First United Methodist Church. He was a member of the Midland Masonic Lodge 623, a 32nd degree Scottish Rite, and a member of the Shrine. He was a member of the Lions Club. After retiring from the insurance business in January 1987, he spent much of his time playing golf at Hogan Park Golf Course.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Sikes and Marion Johnson of Midland; daughter and son-in-law, Vicki and Gene Miller of Huntington Beach, CA; daughter Teresa Johnson of Houston; and three grandchildren, John Sikes, Stephen and Allison Johnson of Dallas, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to High Sky Children's Ranch and Hospice of Midland.



## Ann Adler

Ann Adler was born January 26, 1928 in Chodeau, Czechoslovakia to Josef Peter and Amelia Oyl Peter. She married Henry Adler September 15, 1956 in Germany; he preceded her in death February 4, 1968. She was a member of Cornerstone Christian Fellowship in Midland.

She was preceded in death by brothers, Edward Peter, Otto Peter, Rudi Peter and Manfred Peter. Survivors include a daughter, Carol Adler of Midland; son and daughter-in-law, Kenneth and Kristi Adler of Midland, son

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and daughter-in-law, David and Pat Adler and their children, Derek and Naomi of McCombs; son and daughter-in-law, Ronnie and Holly Thomas and their children Ryan and Reed of Rankin; her sister, Elfrieda Loosen, and brothers, Franz Peter, Helmut Peter, Walter, Peter, Siegfried Peter and Eric Tieves.

Mrs. Adler passed away Friday, September 21, 2001 at Midland Memorial Hospital.

Visitation with the family will be 5:30-7:30 p.m. Monday, September 24, 2001 in Ellis Funeral Home. Funeral services are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 25, 2001 at Cornerstone Christian Fellowship at 1610 West Wall Street, Midland, Texas with Pastor Dick Spencer officiating. Burial will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be Greg Nieman, Sean Rahatti, Sam Santana, Chip Barker, Bud Golden and Charles Gibson. Honorary pallbearers are Brett Clark, John Fisher, Johnny Brown and T.J. Kendrick.

The family requests memorials be directed to the Cornerstone Christian Fellowship or Fatherhood Ministries.



## Jack Frederick Pope

Jack Frederick Pope died Wednesday, September 19th, 2001, of unknown causes.

Jack was born September 30, 1962 in Midland, Texas. He was

an independent contractor, chef and lover of music and animals, especially bunny rabbits. Jack loved the Lord and fought with all his might to overcome the demons that followed him most of his life. His laughter, sweetness and generosity will remain his legacy through out eternity.

Jack was preceded in death by his nephew, Christopher Duwayne Hodges; maternal grandparents, Cecil and Isabel Hopper Hill of DeKalb Ms; paternal grandparents John and Data Pope of Midland, Texas and a very special great-aunt, Modess Hill Snodgrass of Odessa, Texas.

There are so many survivors: his daughter, Diane Marie Polewarzyk of Clinton, Ma.; mother, Persia Hill Pope (formerly of Midland); sister, Cheryl Pope Hodges (mother of Christopher) and brother and sister-in-law and their children, Rodney and Liza Pope, Steve Nicole and Hunter Little, all of Dallas and his maternal uncle, Cecil Hill and family of Clarksville, Tn. He is also survived by a special ex-stepmother, Ginnie Burdine of Grand Prairie, Texas and half brothers, Klye and Tom Ronald and half-sisters Kelly & Tracey and their families. Jack's father and stepmother, Ronald Lee and Shirley Pope of Arlington, Texas are also left to remember this wonderful, loving man. There are so many special aunts, uncles, cousins and friends to whom he would want to say goodbye, especially Uncle Tom Canton of Midland; Uncle Benny Snodgrass of Odessa, Texas; Jon Pope III, of Dallas; Jay Low and Kenny of Austin and a very special friend, Micheal Pickens of Dallas who literally spent hours with Jack studying and discussing the Bible and I will be forever grateful to him for the spiritual love and time he gave Jack.

Memorial service will be held at 2:00 pm, Monday, September 24, 2001 at the Eastgate Funeral Home, 1910 Eastgate Drive, Garland, Tx.

My "Jackpot" is gone from my life, but he will live forever in my heart. Instead of flowers, please make donations to any Suicide Crisis Hotline in your area.

Please see OBITUARIES/3B

## Regularly scheduled MISD board meeting canceled

## From Staff Reports

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Midland Independent School District board of trustees for Tuesday evening has been canceled, and officials say it is due to a lack of items.

"We didn't even have enough items on the agenda to even make it worth the board to come," said school attorney Ellen House. "We wouldn't have even had an hour's worth."

Since the board already had a special meeting last week to adopt the new redistricting plan, there simply wasn't anything else to do. The only items that would have been on this week's agenda were small consent items, like accepting of gifts on behalf of the district.

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— Ellen House  
school attorney

"Since the board already had two meetings this month, there was just no reason to make them come in for 30 minutes of routine things that could wait until the first meeting in October," Ms. House said.

She also said this cancellation will not affect the new opportunity of a public forum. This new addition is for the first meeting of each month, and 15 minutes is allotted for members of the community to

address the board.

"But when we asked the board if they wanted to do this, the plan was then, and still is, that we would only do those once a month at the first board meeting of the month," Ms. House said. "So we wouldn't have a public forum section at this meeting anyway. There will be one on the ninth."



## Health News

## Integrated Medicine for Memory Loss

by John L. Davis, RPh, IACP

Nontraditional techniques combined with mainstream methods may prevent - and even reverse - Alzheimer's disease and other less serious forms of memory loss. In addition to age and genetics, Dharma Singh Khalsa, M.D. of the Alzheimer's Prevention Foundation in Tucson, AZ believes that a high-fat diet, chronic unbalanced stress, and the presence of cardiovascular disease are associated with memory loss. Dr. Khalsa recommends a low-fat, low-cholesterol diet and nutrient-rich "brain-boosting foods" like leafy greens, fruits, and vegetables. Various vitamins, herbs, and nutrients are also part of his program, including ginkgo biloba, B vitamins, antioxidants, acetyl-L-carnitine, and phosphatidylserine. Studies show that aerobic conditioning increases blood flow to the brain. Keeping the brain intellectually stimulated is also important. A key part of Dr. Khalsa's program involves meditation, yoga, and deep breathing. In addition, antiaging drugs like L-deprenyl citrate and hormones may be prescribed. Many of his methods are now being used at other medical centers.

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Last week we assisted 19 families with rent and utilities at a cost of \$2,522. We helped an additional 48 families (37 men, 48 women, 53 children) with 2,427 pounds of food, \$130 in clothing, \$155 in furniture and \$15 in miscellaneous.

## CUSTODY: DPS assists in finding youths

## (From 1B)

A Department of Public Safety helicopter from Pecos was also involved in the pursuit. DPS Sgt. Richard Jacobs said Ward County Sheriff's deputies conducted the search with the aid of the other agencies involved in the hunt.

"All we did was assist Ward County and use our helicopter," Jacobs said.

Jacobs said tracking dogs finally located the last seven escapees at about 1:20 p.m. Saturday, less

than 12 hours after the escape.

Jacobs said they were found just south of Interstate 20, west of Monahans. Although Jacobs was not sure of how many law enforcement officials were involved in the chase, four of Jacobs' troopers helped the other three agencies find the escapees.

According to the Ward County Sheriff's department, the investigation is still under way, although officials did not say how the students escaped.



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## Area briefs

## Service

St. Ann's Christian Women's Community, in association with St. Ann's Catholic School, will be hosting a service for the "Blessing of the Animals" in honor of St. Francis of Assisi's Feast Day at 7 p.m. on Oct. 3 at 1908 W. Texas Ave.

They welcome you to bring your domestic pets to be blessed. Pictures of larger animals or those that may be anxious in crowds are encouraged.

Donations for local animal shelters are welcomed. Suggested donations: cat food, cat litter, cat toys, dog treats, dog food, dog toys, dog treats, dog collars (new or gently used), dog leashes (new or gently used), old towels, baking soda and bleach.

## Tournament

Permian Basin Charity Golf Tournament benefiting the Taylor family of Greenwood will take place at 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27, at Mission Dorado Country Club.

They are in need of anyone wishing to sponsor a hole. Hole sponsorship is \$200. Anyone interested can call Anita McKee at 684-4700, Frankie Keller at 559-6364 or Craig Yates at 682-4188.

## Seminar

The Water Wise Xeriscape Demonstration Garden is planned for 9 a.m. or 7 p.m. Oct. 4 at the Confederate Air Force museum.

Master Gardeners, the extension Agent and irrigation representatives will be on hand to give tips on a water-

efficient home landscape. For more information call the Texas Cooperative Extension Service at 498-4071.

## Rescheduling

Scott Russell Sanders was scheduled to read at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26, at the Texas Tech University library. This has been canceled and will be rescheduled for November.

## Parade

Due to construction, Lee High has changed the school's usual homecoming parade route. The Rebels Go West Homecoming Parade is planned for Oct. 4. This year, the parade will line up on Sunburst Dr. (the street west of Bush Elementary). The parade will begin at 5:30 p.m. and will proceed east on Wadley Ave. and turn south of Midland Drive. At Neely Ave., the parade will turn east and proceed to Lee High School.

## Seminar

The Human Resource Professionals of the Permian Basin (HRPPB) will present the Society for Human Resource Management's Eighth Annual Employment Law Seminar from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 9 at UTPB's Center for Energy and Economic Diversification located at 1400 FM 1788 (Highway 191 and FM 1788). Cost for the seminar is \$55 for HRPPB members, \$75 for pre-registered non-members and \$85 at the door. For more information call Lee Wallace at 694-3000 or Beth Mosley at 685-7247.

## Today's Agenda

For information on checking out books, library hours and how to get a library card, call the Midland County Library at 688-8991.

11th Step Study group for people in recovery, 10:30 a.m., 2103 W. Louisiana Ave., 697-4751 or 682-1646.

Greater Permian Basin Duplicate Bridge & Novice Duplicate Bridge, 1:30 p.m., Allison Bridge Center.

Overeaters Anonymous, 4 p.m., Midland Memorial Hospital, Room E-14 (basement), 520-4418.

Tall City VFW 7208 Auxiliary Bingo, 7 p.m., 1904 Rankin Highway, (lic.: 1-51-0171588-4).

Alpha/Omega Group, 11 a.m. 311 S. Pecos St. Study group, "A Search for God," 7 p.m., 689-9331.

## POLICE REPORTS

Compiled from staff reports.

## Aggravated assault:

Rene Hinojos, 34, of Midland was arrested by Midland Police officers Friday at 1 p.m. in the 5500 block of Polo Club on charges of aggravated assault causing bodily injury, indecency with a child, sexual assault, and violation of parole. No bond.

## Violation of probation:

Crystal Trolinder, 22, of Midland was arrested by Midland Police officers Friday at 2:40 p.m. in the 600 block of North Dallas on a charge of violation of probation. No bond.

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## DEATH NOTICES

## Rosalie Harris

Graveside services for Rosalie Harris, 80, were held on Saturday, Sept. 22, in Palomyra, Mo.

She was born Oct. 2, 1920 in Philadelphia, Mo., and she died Sept. 19, in Midland at Mabee Health Care Center.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Dan Harris, a son, Loars Lyon Harris, and one sister, Loretta Rice.

She is survived by her son, Gary Harris of Midland; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Other survivors include her sisters, Elma Huff of Independence, Mo. and Ruth O'Bryan of Quincy, Ill., as well as several nieces and nephews.

## Frank Jacobs

BIG SPRING — Frank Jacobs, 96, died on Saturday, Sept. 22, in a Big Spring hospital.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 24, at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel in Rising Star, with the Rev. Lynn Starnes, Methodist minister, officiating. Interment will follow at Rising Star Cemetery with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

He was born on Sept. 7, 1905 in Rising Star, and married Sylvia "Tony" Lee on June 7, 1931 in Rising Star. She preceded in him death in June of 1993.

He had lived in Big Spring for the past 20 years. Jacobs worked for Conoco Oil Com-

pany for many years until retiring in 1967. He was a Methodist.

He was preceded in death by his parents, eight brother and one sister.

Survivors include: one daughter, Carole Lawson of Big Spring; two granddaughters; two great-grandsons and many nieces and nephews.

## Virginia Howard

BIG SPRING — Virginia Howard, 74, died Saturday, Sept. 22, in a Big Spring hospital. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

## Juan Lopez

ODESSA — Juan Lopez, 58, died Saturday, Sept. 22.

Arrangements are under the direction of Odessa Funeral Home Angeles Memorial Chapel.

## Robert Webb

Robert Webb, 70, died Saturday, Sept. 22 in a Lubbock hospital.

Arrangements are pending with Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel.

## Anatalie Dvorak

Services for Anatalie Dvorak are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Friday, Sept. 21, in a local hos-

pital.

## Carl Staten

Funeral services for Carl Staten, 60 of Albuquerque, N.M. are pending at Jackie Warren Funeral Home.

He died Monday, Sept. 17, in Albuquerque, N.M.

## Robert Ford

Services for Robert Ford, 81, are pending with Jackie Warren Funeral Home. He died Sept. 21 at his residence.

## Frances Stuteville

BIG SPRING — Frances Stuteville, 76, died Saturday, Sept. 22, in Big Spring. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home, Big Spring.

## Nannie Jo Carlile

BIG SPRING — Nannie Jo Carlile, 75, died Saturday, Sept. 22, in Arlington.

Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

## Syble Glass

BIG SPRING — Syble Glass, 81, died Saturday, Sept. 22, in Big Spring.

Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

## SCHOOL: Spanish class will be 'great asset' to Nicks

(From 1B)

school, by taking a conversational Spanish class at Midland College.

"Debbie and I have talked about taking a Spanish class for years," Nicks said. "But there always seem to be too many obstacles, too many activities that our kids were involved in. So we made a pledge when we discovered that we were moving to Midland, that before we committed ourselves to activities every night of the week, we would commit ourselves to a conversational Spanish class."

The instructor, Mary Jo Ellison, is a bilingual counselor in the Ector County Independent School District, and the evening class is full of non-traditional students. She said although there is no grading system in the class, she would definitely give the Nicks's a "satisfactory" grade.

"I haven't had to put his name on the board," she joked.

In their class Wednesday

night, Ms. Ellison told the 13 middle-aged students they would have a pop quiz.

"You're going to feel like you're in school," she said.

Of course, school is not a strange concept to Nicks, who has been an educator and a superintendent for decades, and Mrs. Nicks, who now works at the Region 18 Educational Service Center and conducts part of the alternative certification program. She described how being bilingual will be a great asset to her job as well.

"Being able to communicate when I go to schools," she said. "To interpret the light in their eyes and the smiles on their faces."

The class was given a number of verbs and nouns to practice, and allowed time to construct sentences from them. Then Ms. Ellison asked the students what they had come up with.

"Donde esta la escuela?" Nicks said proudly.

He also said his belief in the benefits of bilingual fluency

started long before he got to Midland. As superintendent of the Hamshire-Fannett Independent School District in Southeast Texas in the late 1980s, Nicks broke new ground by requiring the district's elementary schools to teach Spanish.

"They were the only school district in Southeast Texas to require that," Mrs. Nicks said. Nicks's boss, MISD board President Dale Strauss, said he was impressed the superintendent was continuing his education — even though the ideal time for learning a new language has passed.

"I think it is terrific," he said.

"I think it shows his dedication to try to become part of our entire community. Of course, the chances of attaining fluency are difficult, for people our age, but it's quite a complement to the community he's willing to take his time and take this course."

Even the Nicks children, both in college at Texas A&M University, are proud of their parents.

"They think it's great that Dad is doing the same thing they are," Nicks said. "But I did tell them that our tuition was much cheaper than theirs."

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## Rusk starts new era as 'accelerated school'

By Hillary S. Condon  
Staff Writer

Rusk Elementary is the only school in the Midland Independent School District, and one of only a few in West Texas selected for the Accelerated Schools project.

Since Rusk was MISD's only low-performing school last year, Principal Carl Pirkle has tried several methods of raising test scores and student attendance. When Rusk was designated as a recipient of the state's Competitive School Reform grant this year, Pirkle said the accelerated schools project was an easy choice.

"It had to be a program with a proven track record," he said. "With this program, the kids are learning better... they feel better, they want to go to school and they want their parents to get involved."

The accelerated schools project is designed for hands-on learning and building on the individual strengths of each child. The program entails technical assistance for the school, targeted professional development for faculty and a three-year commitment.

In the individual classroom, teachers say the changes mean more excitement.

"You're going to see highly motivated students in the classroom," said Louise Walker, a third grade teacher at Rusk. "It's really hands-on, minds-on here. There are no stagnant learners."

The program also includes ways for parents to get more involved in the school and their child's education by providing everything from child care for younger siblings to school officials making

parents feel welcome at the school.

"Parents are the child's first teacher," Pirkle said. "We want the parents to feel comfortable, and we want them to feel like they're welcome, and they're valued on campus."

Rusk was designated as an acceptable school in 2001, due to a rise in overall test scores and student attendance. The only MISD school to be classified as low-performing this year was Washington Elementary, which began its first year this fall as a magnet school.

Pirkle said the project was also enacted at a high school in Odessa and two other schools in Stanton, and it has already improved their attendance and test scores.

Despite some of the programs successes, MISD Executive Director of Elementary Education Dorsey Rushing said it has not attracted the attention of other schools yet. But the school district was also careful to make sure the money for the grant went to Rusk — where many felt it was needed the most.

"We were looking for ways in which we could provide additional financial resources to help do some things, and almost out of the clear blue sky, here comes this opportunity," he said. "We really didn't ask other principals if they were interested. It wasn't a secret... but we figured if we got anything at all, it might be to one school, or if we were fortunate enough to get more than one school, they might reduce the money, and then no one would have enough money to do anything worthwhile."

## RANCH: All chuck wagon food cooked in Dutch ovens

(From 1B)

Slaton, of Afton, has been influenced by the ranches he has been surrounded by and made a trade out of his cooking. He competes at cook-offs, and he cooks for weddings, family reunions and other events and for ranches.

All chuck wagon food is made from scratch, and "it is

made in old-timey Dutch ovens like cowboys did 100 years ago," Slaton said.

Afton had an authentic chuck wagon he bought at an antique store in Garden City, Kan.

Midlanders Nancy and Jerry Lee split the duties of chuck wagon cooking.

"I do the bread, and he does the cobbler," Ms. Lee said. "We both work on the steak. For

the beans and potatoes, it is kind of like whatever. But I don't mess with his cobbler, and he doesn't touch my bread."

Ms. Lee said her father-in-law got them started in chuck wagon cooking.

"He competed at these things, and we took it up to continue it when he died," she said.

"It is fun, and you can cook anything in a Dutch oven that

you can cook in your house."

The celebration will continue today with a cowboy church service at 10:30 a.m. and a team penning competition all morning starting at 9. An omelet breakfast will be served by the Midland County 4-H club from 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Cost is \$5 per plate.

## Texas authors descend on Abilene for book festival

By Angela K. Brown  
Associated Press

ABILENE — More than 100 Texas authors — from literary giants to an 11-year-old word-smith and from historians to cookbook writers — gathered here Saturday for the first West Texas Book & Author Festival.

The writers led seminars, read portions of their works and signed autographs for nearly 1,000 attendees.

Organizers said it likely was the state's second-largest literary gathering, behind the annual Texas Book Festival in Austin.

"It's a great opportunity to see the broad spectrum of talent in the state," said Susan Mouser, an Abilene teacher. "I was surprised by the number of authors from here."

A discussion of Texas writing was led by two of the state's legendary authors: A.C. Greene, a former newspaper editor and television host who wrote "Personal Country" and 30 other books, and John Graves, whose "Goodbye to a River" is among his notable works.

Elmer Kelton, a longtime agricultural journalist whose books include "The Time It Never

Rained," was scheduled to attend but canceled due to a relative's illness.

Greene, 77, grew up reading books in the library where his grandmother worked. He still remembers the first book he read and believes every book had an impact on him. Despite the public's growing reliance on computers for information instead of the printed page, books will survive forever, he said.

"The trouble is that people who don't read and don't buy books don't think anybody else does," Greene said. "There's nothing that can take the place of a book."

One of the career highlights for Graves, 81, was "finding my own voice, which took me forever." He was almost 40 when "Goodbye" was published.

"What I used to tell kids in writing class was, 'It's a hard go,' but if you have to write, you'll keep going," Graves said after the session.

Among those signing books Saturday was Travis Braun, 11, who lives in Ovalo and has written two children's books, "Burt Bishop" and "Snow, the Kitten." He started writing poems at age 3 and short stories at age 5.

"I started writing little stories

for school, and it just grew from there," Braun said.

His mother, Diane Braun, said she recognized her son's talent years ago but realized he was serious about a writing career after his second book, which the family had published.

She attended some seminars Saturday in hopes of learning how Travis' books can be professionally published and distributed.

"We're used to schooling and go-carts, so this is a whole new learning process for the whole family," she said.

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## Irving native called 'hero' for rescuing Pentagon victims

By Tiana M. Ellis  
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — When Navy Seaman 1st Class Sean Whitmarsh arrived at work the morning of Sept. 11, he had no reason to think the sunny Tuesday would be different from any other.

Within hours, he was caught in a swirl of flame and smoke. His actions that day made him a hero; he's credited with helping save as many as a dozen of his Pentagon co-workers.

Nine days later, he sat in the House gallery on Capitol Hill as a guest of his commander-in-chief.

That fateful Tuesday morning, a captain instructed him about evacuation procedures should they come under attack.

"As he turned around and walked away, the plane actually hit," said Petty Officer Whitmarsh, who hadn't seen the hijacked jet.

The building shook. Windows blew out. The ceiling fell in on him and his co-workers.

"I pretty much knew in my heart what had happened," Petty Officer Whitmarsh said. "They hit the World Trade Center, and they hit the Pentagon."

His office was on the fourth floor of "B-Ring," the second of the five concentric buildings that form the Pentagon. The jet had slammed into the outer wall, the "E-Ring," and plowed through three rings, stopping before his building.

After evacuating fellow workers, Petty Officer Whitmarsh rushed to an alley and looked through a fence, toward "C-Ring," where a gaping hole exposed the rocks and fire where offices once stood.

He and about two dozen others cut through the fence and began pulling people to safety.

"There was a lieutenant," Petty Officer Whitmarsh said. "I didn't catch his name. And he came out and he was on fire, and I took my shirt off and put him out."

The lieutenant, whose name was not released, is in critical but stable condition and is expected to survive.

Petty Officer Whitmarsh said he didn't think he'd done anything extraordinary.

"I don't think I was doing anything that anybody else wouldn't do," he said.

The Navy and White House recognized the seaman for his heroism.

Before his speech Thursday night, President Bush greeted Petty Officer Whitmarsh and thanked him.

From his perch in the Capitol gallery, Petty Officer Whitmarsh heard the commander-in-chief tell him and other soldiers to prepare.

"I'm ready, sir," he told a reporter.

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## More buyers, sellers turning to auctions

By Kevin Garcia  
The Brownsville Herald

BROWNSVILLE — Garage sales, flea markets and pawnshops are often the places people look when searching for great deals on some amazing merchandise. Sometimes a search turns up a hidden gem, and other times a buy that seemed too good to be true is just that.

An increasingly popular alternative is auctions. Licensed auction houses offer guarantees, and laws are in place to ensure a truthful deal.

With good deals and the rush that comes with fast-paced bidding and fast-talking auctioneers, this kind of sale can become a thrill for many buyers.

People with merchandise to sell are also turning to auctions. With traditional sales methods, a seller could wait an indefinite amount of time to liquidate items, but at auction, sales are most often immediate.

Robert Haywood has been involved with auctions for many years, and 11 years ago began auctioning antiques and collectibles in the Rio Grande Valley. Haywood got into the auction business as a way to help

other businesses liquidate their excess inventory. He attended an auctioneers school, where he learned the many tricks of the auctioning trade.

He said many sellers are trying to liquidate excess merchandise, but others need money. The advantage of auctions is that you get immediate cash, he explained. It brings whatever it makes that day at the auction.

To sell items by auction, a person needs to sign a consignment agreement with the auctioneer.

"It gives us the right to sell, as well as protecting the seller and the auction company," Haywood said. Next, the seller, now a consignor, merely needs to bring in the items for sale, which the auctioneer then sells at the highest bid.

The bid money then goes into an neutral, third-party escrow account, and from there it goes to the consignor, with the auctioneer keeping a pre-determined commission.

Bid prices can vary as all items are different, and on any given day bidders might be more eager to buy than other days. Haywood says that on average most items have between three and five bids.

"Typically we sell everything, but if it gets completely ridiculous, like if I'm asking \$1,000 for something and I get \$200 bids, I will take it out of the auction," he added.

"The most expensive piece of jewelry I sold was a platinum bracelet," Haywood said. "It brought \$24,500, and that was here in Brownsville."

He said there are two main types of bidders: those who buy to own items, and those who buy to resell them for a profit later. Bidders buying for resale often have ideal prices in mind, but will bid higher if they see others are interested in an item as well.

Online auction houses like eBay are another outlet for people wishing to sell their inventory. Haywood said the Internet is a good place to auction items, but it is not as immediate as a live auction. There it may take a while and shipping may or may not be a problem, Haywood said.

He also noted that at a live auction, a bidder has the chance to inspect the merchandise firsthand.

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## Seeding program targets dark clouds

ABILENE (AP) — If into each life a little rain must fall, Chad Hahn wants to make sure it's a downpour.

A meteorologist for the West Central Texas Weather Modification Association, Hahn had his busiest span yet one recent week with the fledgling cloud-seeding program, overseeing about a dozen flights to inject silver iodide into lingering clouds.

Through Aug. 17, his pilots had flown seven of the previous nine days. The chronicled results are more anecdotal than scientific thus far; the association doesn't yet have a network of rain gauges in its eight counties.

Nonetheless, association officials say the program is achieving its aim: fueling heavier and more prolonged showers from existing storm systems.

Hahn's pilots report that the clouds they are seeding yield rain immediately. From the ground, his weather radar has detected jumps in the thunderstorms' intensity.

Earlier this year, local governments in seven counties — Runnels, Callahan, Comanche, Nolan, Eastland, Coleman and Taylor — committed the money necessary to form the association. Also, AEP/West Texas Utilities paid to include the portion of Coke County that drains into the utility's Oak Creek Lake.

The association contracted with a weather modification company to operate the project and provide pilots, meteorologists, planes, weather radar and other equipment.

From his office at Elmdale Airport, Hahn directs pilots to clouds that are likely to yield rainfall. The first flight took off June 30. Through the end of July, the program recorded 13 flights — 10 for seeding and three for reconnaissance and more than 31 flying hours.

Most of the work focused on isolated storm cells outside the

counties that Hahn said need help the most: Callahan, Eastland, Nolan and Taylor.

That changed when a rare August cool front pushed through the area, causing the relatively higher humidity to condense into clouds. KTXS-TV meteorologist LeAnn Allison said the barometric pressure weakened after the cool front blew through the Big Country, allowing an upper-level jet stream to dip and create more opportunities for rain. Cloud-seeding pilots flew about a dozen missions during the week.

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## Exhibit a sensory experience

DALLAS (AP) — Dutch abstractionist painter Piet Mondrian felt that art was not something merely to be hung in a frame and viewed passively. It was an experience to be lived, heard and felt.

A new exhibit at the Dallas Museum of Art aims to take viewers into that world Mondrian called "neoplasticism," with a colorful assault on the senses.

As part of the museum's four-part exhibition on Mondrian, organizers have duplicated a room designed by the artist's colleagues in 1923 to illustrate the aesthetic environment promoted by De Stijl, a publication cofounded by Mondrian before he left his native Netherlands.

DMA patrons hear the room before they see it. While pondering Mondrian's most recognizable paintings of flat black lines separating blocks of primary colors, lively notes of boogie-woogie jazz beckon them to a room of walls covered with huge blocks of red, yellow and blue paint. Visitors are urged to sit in Z-shaped wooden chairs or a blue and red armchair made of tinker toy-like construc-

tion.

Mondrian, who died in 1944, believed that the traditional artist's picture would someday disappear by transferring its "plastic beauty into the space around us."

Neoplasticism is the belief that art should express the absolutes of life using vertical and horizontal lines and primary colors. Mondrian and De Stijl co-founder Theo van Doesburg brought about the movement in the 1910s.

But it was after Mondrian moved to the United States during World War II that the artist found true integration of sight and sound.

Inspired by the energy of New York and the popularity of boogie woogie, he abandoned his rigid techniques, allowing color to touch white without the intercession of black, opening up his stringent grids for an optical buzz of unobstructed color.

Mondrian tried to show that energy could be bound in a single painting, or even a single stroke, said Harry Cooper, the Fogg Art Museum's associate curator of modern art.

The free exhibit continues through Nov. 25.

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## ADVENTURES IN TEACHING

## Insider lifts veil of secrecy: Practical jokes revealed

By R. Eric Setzler

Editors note: This is the first in a series of three columns about practical jokes.

While it has been said that there is a time for work and a time to play, sometimes the two intersect in the form of practical jokes.



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This is even true in education where a great deal of time and effort is spent in projecting a "starched and proper" appearance to the rest of the world. Believe it or not, teachers and administrators need to blow off steam occasionally, just like their students.

Humor provides the outlet. Most educators cannot resist a good practical joke from time to time unless it is played on them. One cannot help but wonder how their students would react, but they won't know unless an "insider" writes a newspaper column

about it.

What are the chances of this happening? In two words — very good! The three pranks in this first installment concentrates on a rash of practical jokes that helped relieve the stress on some overwhelmed educators.

Before school starts, teachers frequently attend training sessions called "in-services," which provides required educational training.

Of course, teachers are eager to get to their classrooms and get ready for the upcoming school year. The thought of students crowding into your classroom on the FIRST DAY of school and not being prepared is very intimidating. Of course, there is a natural nervousness or anticipation about the upcoming school year even for those who are prepared. Often, we find ourselves in staff meetings and in-services. To compensate, there is a great deal of good-natured joking around among the staff to help build morale.

A few years ago, TJ Jefferson, a new teacher at my school sat in the back of the library with me and moaned, "I've had this training before! Word for word —

this is exactly what we heard at my former school. In fact, the presenter is the same person. This is ridiculous. I probably won't even get credit for it and they won't let me go to another school for a different training session."

As a former coach, TJ Jefferson was used to action. In protest, he finally leaned back in his chair and read a book about Teddy Roosevelt. His actions did not go unnoticed. After the first break, my new friend and I returned to our chairs and found that his book was gone. Only after the training began again, we discovered that his book had been placed carefully on top of the presenter's materials in front of the room and in full view of the entire staff. Puzzled, we looked around for a clue to explain how it got there. Suddenly, our attention was drawn to the sound of snickering from another table of female teachers. They burst into laughter as the truth slowly dawned on us. As the "new guy" at school, TJ was being subjected to a little good-natured hazing. With as much dignity as he could muster, Mr. Jefferson stood up and walked to the front of the room to retrieve his book. After

nodding politely to the presenter, he returned to his chair and resumed reading. His tormenters nearly fell out of their chairs from lack of oxygen caused by fits of uncontrollable, hysterical laughing.

Looking very frustrated, TJ growled, "I will get them back even if it takes all year."

Actually, it only took about an hour to "return the favor" to his tormentors. Using one of the school secretary's phone message pads, "someone" sent a false message to Janet Wellman, the leader of the "Get TJ Jefferson League" who secretly was a good friend of TJ. In a panic, she rushed home to see if her large harmless pet iguana "Curtis" really had gotten loose and "terrorized" her neighbors. Of course, it hadn't! In fact, the lizard was actually spending a two-week vacation at her son's house. This caused even greater embarrassment for Mrs. Wellman. TJ felt that the scores were now

even. Foolishly, he let his guards down.

Practical jokes are like Lays potato chips — it's hard to stop at just one. After watching TJ Jefferson and Janet Wellman match wits in their Battle of the Practical Jokes, a third party named Coach Alka wanted to stir things up a little (as if the situation needed it.) That's why the coach switched the mice on their computers during a training session in the computer lab later that day. In other words, when TJ Jefferson tried to use his mouse to select a task on his computer monitor, nothing happened as expected. However, the little arrow moved up and down on the monitor of the computer next to TJ's, which happened to belong to Janet Wellman. In turn, when Janet moved her mouse, the little arrow would move up and down on TJ's screen. Chaos reigned for about two minutes with a lot of loud complaining. Finally I explained the situation to the trainer, Haley

Jones, who quickly fixed the computers and then chewed out the entire class. With heads hung low, the guilty parties sat in uncomfortable silence. The rest of the group glared at culprits or looked around in embarrassed confusion. Fortunately, Haley Jones was able to continue the in-service without any more interruptions.

Subdued, we all just hoped that these incidents wouldn't go on our permanent records!

These practical jokes served their purpose of relieving stress and establishing alliances for the school year. However, I could not help but wonder what students would think if they could have seen their teachers today. In fact, it would not hurt teachers to keep this in mind when students are in a joking mood and need to relieve a little stress too.

Eric Setzler is the science department liaison for Abell Junior High.

## Midland Reporter-Telegram

## One On The Aisle

By Pamela C. Allen

## TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD

The second half of the Midland Community Theatre's 2001 season opened Friday night with Christopher Sergel's play based on the Harper Lee novel TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD. This production, directed by guest director James Carver, was beautifully done.

From the opening with its delicate lighting by Eddie Taylor to the Paul Fiorella set that works so well for that period of American history, it was a pleasure to watch. I expected to begin to feel the humidity and taste the heady summer smells of the deep South — 1935 Maycomb, Ala. Quickly I put my notebook away and just watched the play.

Kudos to the casting committee. You nailed the characters. The kids playing Scout and Jem Finch, Ashley Collier and Hudson Rhotenberry, and the young boy who plays Dill Harris, Joseph Little, were well suited for their roles. Watching children actors in an adult play can sometimes make you crazy, but these three didn't try to be cute, they just played kids, and they did it well.

Carl Beery Moore as Atticus Finch was believable and strong. Moore gave Finch fatherly humanity, a down-to-earth, harried, quality. Even though I will forever love Gregory Peck in the role, I always thought of him as aristocratic, as if he should have lived some place else. As Atticus, I believed in Carl and I could see him living in this little town, taking hickory nuts as payment and being a good man.

The only note that I wrote dealt with Bob

Ewell, played by Andrew Franks. He was so good in his characterization that I truly HATED HIM! Sarah Pilgrim playing Mayella Ewell, his daughter, was excellent.

In an ensemble cast such as this one, you watch everyone, and there were many sparks of excellence. Greg Alexander, for one, plays Heck Tate the sheriff. Without his beard, I almost didn't recognize him. Alexander is a wonderful character actor. Michael Trost is always strong and particularly as Mr. Gilmer, the prosecutor. Marcellus Roberts plays Tom Robinson, the young man on trial. A quiet, touching performance.

Another outstanding performance was given by David Theobald as Judge Taylor. Pat Caldwell plays Calpurnia, the housekeeper for the Finch family. She is what I call an honest actor, she plays her characters as is. You don't see acting, you see Calpurnia.

I would say that is just about the sum total of this whole cast; you see the town's people. That is what it is all about people!

The one disconcerting note was the adult Jean Louise Finch played by Cassie Dresel. I wouldn't have minded hearing her but seeing her walk in and out of scenes distracted me.

This is a strong, tight production, well worth the price of a ticket. The play's timely message, according to the director Carver, is "...respect for human life and respect for each other." In light of the events of the week — Amen! The evening ended with the audience, cast and crew singing "God Bless America."

TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD will play for the next few weekends at MCT. If you're quick, you can still get tickets. The good Box Office people will be happy to help you. Call 682-4111 or metro 570-4011.

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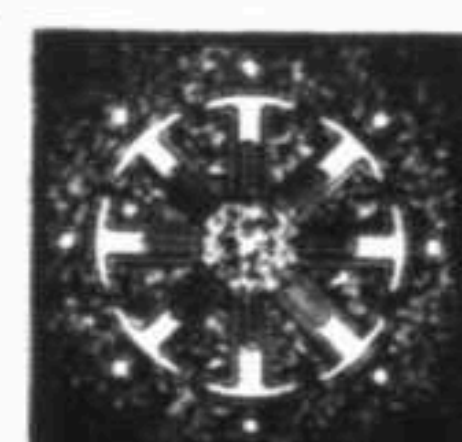
The following Organizations have already planned to make a difference this year during Make a Difference Week.



On October 27th, Keep Midland Beautiful will be cleaning up many spots around Midland. If you or your group want to be a part call 688-4190.

RSVP will be collecting items to be distributed as Crisis Care Packages. Items like travel-size shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, body wash and ziplock bags. Packages will be given to Rape Crisis Center and SafePlace. Drop off donations or cash at 3301 Sinclair Community and Senior Services. Or call 689-6693 for more information.

Casa de amigos will be hosting a Halloween Safe Evening at Casa de Amigos from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, October 26th at 1101 E. Garsden Lane. All children are invited that are accompanied by a parent.



Habitat for Humanity is currently constructing two houses. Volunteers needed for October 27th. Volunteers must be 14 years or older.



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Any other organizations planning an event for the Make a Difference Day or need volunteers please call IandR Midland 682-HELP (4357).

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By Doug Sh Associated Pr

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# Officials say remote port, nation's link to Gulf oil and gas, vulnerable to flooding

By Doug Simpson  
Associated Press

PORT FOURCHON, La. — Every day, about a thousand 18-wheelers rumble south on a two-lane road through the marshes of south Louisiana on their way to a town where nobody lives.

The trucks arrive at Port Fourchon, La., and workers unload the cargo: food, water, pipeline, chains, anchors, ropes and everything else that keeps Gulf of Mexico oil rigs pumping. The trucks then turn around and head north on Louisiana Highway 1, the only way in and out of Port Fourchon.

Few Americans know it, but they depend on that narrow road. Oil companies need La. 1 to keep their rigs pumping. And if a hurricane left La. 1 underwater, energy analysts say, gasoline and natural gas prices could easily shoot out of control.

Port officials estimate that about 16 percent of the nation's crude oil comes from rigs and platforms that get their supplies from Port Fourchon. They say about 17 percent of the nation's natural gas comes from rigs that require access to the port.

The officials say they need federal money to turn La. 1 into an elevated, four-lane highway to protect it from the hurricanes that periodically tear apart Louisiana's Gulf coast.

"The next hurricane that comes through here is going to convince a lot of people that we need a better highway," said Ted Falgout, executive director of the Greater LaFourche Port Commission.

Oil services industry officials said the more than 200 Fourchon-based vessels would be diverted to other ports where loading and unloading could take twice as long and cost significantly more.

"There would be a big impact, not only statewide but nationally, should that highway be cut off," said Roger White, senior vice president at Galliano, La.-based Edison Chouest Offshore, which supplies and transports materials and supplies to and from offshore oil rigs. "You'd see a dramatic increase in cost."

Port Fourchon became a critical energy link in 1981, with the opening of the Louisiana Offshore Oil Platform, or LOOP. The country's only deep water offshore port, LOOP is big enough to unload foreign crude from 750,000-ton supertankers. In 2000, LOOP moved more than 1.3 million barrels of crude a day.

Port Fourchon has no residents; it exists as the connection to food, water and all other supplies for the roughly 12,000 people who work on the hundreds of rigs in the Gulf. The port's cavernous buildings, like airplane hangars, are always full of activity as workers load supplies onto ships. The ships then move the supplies to the rigs.

Energy analysts consider those rigs crucial to the country's energy supply. If La. 1 were under water for several days following a storm, the rigs couldn't get their supplies. The oil and gas would stop flowing.

The U.S. government doesn't keep detailed statistics on how much oil and natural gas comes into each of the country's ports. But analysts say losing access to Fourchon could easily choke supply and send gas prices well over \$3 per gallon.

"If supply is tight in the U.S. and demand is clipping along and you lose Louisiana, then you have a recipe for disaster," said Phil Flynn, senior energy analyst for Alaron Trading Corp. in Chicago.

The port's vulnerability to flooding actually is relatively new and caused by the steady erosion of Louisiana's Gulf coast. Louisiana loses 25 square miles of its coast annually and will lose 1,000 square miles of marshland by 2050, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

That disappearing land is the state's protection against hurricanes and subsequent floods. When Hurricane Andrew hit the Louisiana coast in 1992, most of the area surrounding Port Fourchon and La. 1 was land. Today, much of the highway is surrounded by water, with no protection from flood waters.

To make the highway secure, Falgout said the port needs about \$350 million in federal money to turn La. 1 into a four-lane, elevated highway. U.S. Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-Louisiana, said the entire country depends on access to Fourchon, making it the federal government's responsibility.

"This is a national port with a national security significance," Tauzin said. "Just as you wouldn't have a dangerous, crowded, two-lane road to a military base, you shouldn't have a road like that serving a port like Port Fourchon."

It's unlikely that road will

improve anytime soon — especially considering the political squabble over whether Fourchon will be the site of the state's modern "millennium port." Rep. Juba Diez, chairman of the state House Transportation Committee, said improvements to La. 1 are a long way off unless the state can get federal money and regulatory approval.

"We don't have the money," Diez said. But "if we had it right now, there must still be environmental impact studies made."

Congress hasn't shown any desire to put money into La. 1. The House last year passed a bill that would give Louisiana \$319 million, part of which could go toward a new La. 1. But the Senate killed the bill and is expect-

ed to again this year.

For now, the trucks keep rolling in and out of Fourchon, and the oil keeps flowing — as long as the hurricanes stay away.

"And it's not a matter of if a hurricane hits — it's a matter of when," Falgout said. "When it does happen, we're going to have a serious problem."

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# Employers push workers to stay home in bid to cut costs

By Adam Geller  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Employees at DiamondCluster International knew business was bad when senior executives agreed to a 15 percent salary cut and CEO Mel Bergstein said he would slice his own pay to zero.

But when the Chicago consulting firm told rank-and-file employees they'd have to swallow some of the bitter medicine, too, it administered it in novel form — by furloughing 200 workers for six months with partial pay and mandating two weeks of unpaid vacation for everyone else.

"We were faced with a question of how we were going to reduce our costs and, of course, laying off people is always an alternative," said Bruce Quade, DiamondCluster's top personnel executive. "But ... from a business standpoint, we believe the economy will come back."

The moves by DiamondCluster put it in league with a growing number of companies announcing forced vacations and leaves, both mandated and voluntary, often as part of broader attempts to trim costs.

The moves began early this year with firms like discount broker Charles Schwab, which told workers to stay home for three Fridays. It spread to Silicon Valley this summer when Adobe Systems and other technology companies told workers not to bother coming in for a week.

With the economy continuing to gasp, some firms have broadened the policies and extended them into the fall. Many of those companies also have announced broad layoffs but say forced vacations, leaves and related moves help forestall further job cuts and help them keep workers who were expensive to recruit.

"When the market turns up again and the factories are loading orders one more time, we're going to need everybody we can get," said Jeff Hahn, a spokesman for Motorola's semiconductor division. "It takes a lot to train people, in terms of money, and you don't want to let that just walk out the door without giving it some significant thought."

Forced time-off policies vary by company:

■ At Motorola Semiconductor, which cut 4,000 jobs early this year, employees were told to take a week off in each of the first three quarters of this year. The Austin, Texas-based division is considering a similar move in the fourth quarter, which starts Oct. 1. Workers can draw on their vacation days, but those without enough holidays in reserve must take the days without pay.

The move was combined with an offer to all workers of unpaid leave for the summer with full benefits and a guarantee that jobs would be waiting when they returned. Workers were also

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offered the choice of switching to part-time schedules.

■ Tektronix Inc. of Beaverton, Ore., shut down for six consecutive Fridays this summer, as well as the entire week around the Fourth of July. Workers were told to use 10 of their vacation days to cover the time, but those without enough earned time off were urged to "borrow" against future vacation days.

The company has also frozen pay and top executives have taken 10 percent pay cuts.

■ Hewlett-Packard announced a "voluntary payroll savings program," asking workers to take a 10 percent pay cut, eight days of paid leave by Oct. 31 or a combination of the two. The decision was left up to workers, the com-

pany says, but 80,000 signed up, saving the company about \$130 million. The computer maker has also cut 6,000 jobs this year.

■ When energy costs soared and copper prices softened, mining giant Phelps-Dodge Corp. scaled back operations at mines in New Mexico and Arizona through a combination of layoffs and by requiring workers to take all their earned vacation time. Employees who remained on the job were rescheduled to night shifts, when energy costs were lower.

Such moves coincide with aggressive layoffs across most industries. But forced vacations reflect a corporate reluctance to

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Karen Mappin, a Motorola employee who took an extended vacation as a cost-saving measure for her company, is shown with her dog, Hunter, Sept. 9, in Austin. Mappin took August off from her job as a departmental manager at a chip plant in Austin, rented a Winnebago and traveled 4,000 miles to the East Coast and back with her dog.

AP Photo

## BAYCOL RECALL

On August 8, 2001 the Bayer Corporation withdrew from the market its cholesterol-lowering drug called Baycol. This drug has been linked to more than 50 deaths worldwide.

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The Baycol recall came as a result of reports to the Federal Food and Drug Administration of the deaths of patients taking this drug and of reports of patients experiencing severe side effects, including rhabdomyolysis. This is a condition that causes the breakdown of muscle cells, resulting in severe muscle pain. Some patients may develop serious, even fatal, kidney disease. In addition to muscle pain, symptoms of rhabdomyolysis include weakness, tenderness, fever, dark urine and vomiting. According to the FDA Press Office, fatal rhabdomyolysis reports with Baycol have been reported most frequently when used at higher doses, when used in elderly patients, and particularly, when used in combination with another lipid lowering drug.

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## HOME: Time-off policies vary by company

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cut too far, said Ken Goldstein, an economist with The Conference Board, a private research group. Companies remember the difficulties of drawing back workers they cut in the last downturn, and they are wary of an employment market projected to tighten in the long term, he said.

"Companies are a little bit shy about pulling the trigger on some layoffs because they think there's a good chance those folks won't be (available) 6 or 12 or 18 months down the road," Goldstein said.

The savings from enforcing time off depends on the specifics of the policy, said Dan Noll, director of accounting standards at the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in New York.

Requiring salaried workers to take the paid vacation time they're entitled to eliminates a liability companies carry on their books, but not the expense itself. However, requiring workers to

take time off without pay clearly saves money, as does being able to shut down unproductive plants and offices, he said.

Employers say most workers accept the reasoning behind the time-off policies, and that many are enthusiastic.

They point to people like Karen Mappin, one of 600 Motorola employees who took part of the summer off without pay. Mappin took August off from her job as a departmental manager at a chip plant in Austin, rented a Winnebago and traveled 4,000 miles to the East Coast and back with her dog, Hunter.

"I didn't have an alarm clock. I didn't have an agenda. I didn't have to be somewhere at a certain time," Mappin said of the tradeoff she made for \$4,000 in vacation costs and four weeks of lost pay. "That, for me, was really refreshing."

A co-worker, Rick Kaven, used nine weeks off under the same program to complete home projects, train for a triathlon and other pursuits. Kaven said some employees were uncertain about

the program, feeling that taking a leave might undermine their job status. But the arrangement made sense for him and for the company, he said.

"We probably saved a few people from getting laid off and that's a good idea," he said.

A Tektronix employee, Lisa Aubin, said most workers at her company understood the reasoning behind forced vacation days.

"People really embraced it," she said. "Everyone likes this better than being laid off, having to take some vacation time, rather than having a bunch of people be gone."

But DiamondCluster's Quade said he knows not everybody is content with the approach. Some workers, sent home for the six months at 35 percent pay with a chance for 35 percent in restricted stock when they return, undoubtedly would have preferred to be laid off since that would've meant a larger severance check, he said.

"There's probably a mixed bag of feelings out there," he said.

## Military looks to private sector to solve housing problem

By Bill Baskerville  
Associated Press

FORT CARSON, Colo. — The sounds of construction echo about Fort Carson as new houses rise in a project the Army hopes is the answer to the 200-year-old problem of providing decent family housing to those who defend the nation.

The post named for frontier scout Kit Carson is the centerpiece of a Pentagon plan under which private companies use their own capital to develop, operate and maintain family housing — and make a profit.

It seems to be working at Fort Carson, the first military installation to turn over all of its family housing to a private developer.

Free of government bureaucracy, J.A. Jones Inc. of Charlotte, N.C., is moving quickly compared to the pace of traditional military construction.

"This thing is really moving out fast," said Col. Peter A. Topp, director of public works at Fort Carson.

In two years, J.A. Jones has put up 204 new townhouses and renovated 276 existing homes, most built in the 1950s.

Under the agreement, the company will build, own, manage and maintain townhomes and single-family houses for the life of the 50-year contract, after which the Army becomes owner of the homes. The company takes the business risk, arranges financing and hires and manages contractors. The Army in turn leases the land to J.A. Jones and provides the company an assured ten-

ant base and predictable income from housing allowances provided by the Army. The monthly allowance ranges from \$681 for a private to \$1,230 for a general at Fort Carson.

"Everybody gets something out of the deal," said Ronald J. Hansen, director of the Fort Carson project for J.A. Jones. "The soldiers get better housing. J.A. Jones gets this great project."

Hansen said the advantages are many for privately run housing.

"I can raise debt. I can go out and borrow money," he said. "The government would never allow a housing director to do that."

Over the first five years of the contract signed in 1999, J.A. Jones will spend \$229 million to build 840 units — 729 townhouses and 111 single-family homes — renovate 1,823 units, and build a community center, all at no cost to the Army. Eventually all of the renovated units will be replaced with new homes over the life of the contract, Hansen said.

Hansen declined to provide J.A. Jones' precise profit margin, but said it was less than 10 percent and well below the 15 to 20 percent profit on a comparable civilian project.

The only risk to the company is if Fort Carson is closed. But in that event, under the contract the Pentagon would have to pay 80 percent of the company's debt, Hansen said.

Congress authorized privatization in 1996. So far, a dozen contracts totaling 19,374 homes have been let at four Army posts, four Air Force bases, three Navy bases and one Marine base.

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## BOOKS IN BRIEF

### Best sellers

Rankings reflect sales for the week ending Sept. 8 at almost 4,000 bookstores plus wholesalers serving 50,000 other retailers (gift shops, department stores, newsstands, supermarkets), statistically weighted to represent all such outlets nationwide.  
All lists are from the New York Times News Service.

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3. **Suzanne's Diary for Nicholas**  
James Patterson
4. **The Smoke Jumper**  
Nicholas Evans
5. **The Corrections**  
Jonathan Franzen
6. **Cane River**  
Laila Tademy
7. **Shock**  
Robin Cook
8. **Lake Wobegon Summer**  
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6. **Tuesdays With Morrie**  
Mitch Albom
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Margaret Atwood
6. **Touching Evil**  
Kay Hooper
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Tom Clancy
8. **Wish You Well**  
David Baldacci
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Joseph Slate
5. **A Fine, Fine School**  
Sharon Creech
6. **Meet The Barkers**  
Tomie dePaola
7. **Olivia**  
Ian Falconer
8. **The Quiltmaker's Gift**  
Jeff Brumbeau
9. **Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type**  
Doreen Cronin
10. **The Kissing Hand**  
Audrey Penn

## Newest Good Housekeeping Cook Book is better, and cheaper, than a five-star meal

**The All New Good Housekeeping Cook Book**  
Edited by Susan Westmoreland  
(Hearst Books, 2001, \$30, 832 pages)

**Review by Emily Baker**  
MRT Correspondent

Remember the Swedish Chef on the Muppets? I can't recall him ever cooking a thing. He just kind of threw things around and supposedly said things in

Swedish. For the beginning cook, kitchen experiences may be similar. The beginner may not know what to do with anything other than how to throw it and utter silly nothings.

Enter "The All New Good Housekeeping Cookbook," which will be available to the public next month.

This book is perfect for the beginner. It explains everything from what part of the animal a cut of meat comes from,

to how to set a table properly, to how to pour wine, to how to chop an onion.

If you are an expert chef, this may sound like "Cooking For Dummies." But it may be worth your while. The 1,500 recipes range from a plain-old omelette to swordfish. In fact, the recipes are so varied, this may be the only cookbook you will ever need.

Because I was a Girl Scout and because I have a mom who loves to cook and who allowed me to be her apprentice, I already knew all of the "tips" and instructions such as those listed above. But they are great for the beginner.

The recipes are easy to follow. And are not so off-the-wall that they require shopping at specialty stores.

For the purposes of this review, I decided to try a recipe. Because of the triple-digit heat, I searched for a nice

dessert that did not require an oven. I chose the Melt Away Chocolate Mints. The book states the preparation time is 25 minutes and cooking time is eight minutes. I did the preparing and the cooking in 22 minutes. The one-two-three steps made the process simple and enjoyable.

My coworkers served as critics, and each who tasted the chocolate approved with high marks.

Recipes for old-fashioned country meals to recipes for elegant dinners are covered. All sorts of ethnicities are represented. Italian foods, different varieties of Asian foods, Mexican foods and Southern foods are covered in detail. The recipes also include variations, substitutions and nutritional information. Some also include symbols indicating heart-healthy recipes.

The lack of photos is a down point to the book. Though 600 recipes are coupled with photos, 900 are not. Those that do have accompanying photos are enhanced because of it. However, simply reading the names of the recipes and the ingredient lists will make your mouth water.

How does this sound? Glazed rosemary lamb chops, rabbit braised in red wine, ziti with roasted asparagus, linguine with mushroom sauce, spinach and bacon salad, lemon ricotta cheesecake, maple walnut pie.

The 24 chapters include basics; appetizers; soups; meat; poultry; fish and shellfish; eggs; cheese; pasta and pasta sauces;

beans, rice and other grains; vegetables; fruits; salads and salad dressings; sauces, salsas and condiments; quick breads; yeast breads; sandwiches; desserts; cakes and cake frostings; pies and tarts; cookies and confections; frozen desserts; beverages; and canning and freezing. This is the 13th cookbook put out by Good Housekeeping. Others were released in 1903, 1909, 1920, 1922, 1933, 1943, 1955, 1963, 1973, 1980, 1986 and 1987.

### Melt Away Chocolate Mints

16 squares (16 ounces) semisweet chocolate, chopped  
2 tablespoons vegetable shortening  
1/2 cup heavy or whipping cream  
1 tablespoon peppermint extract  
2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa

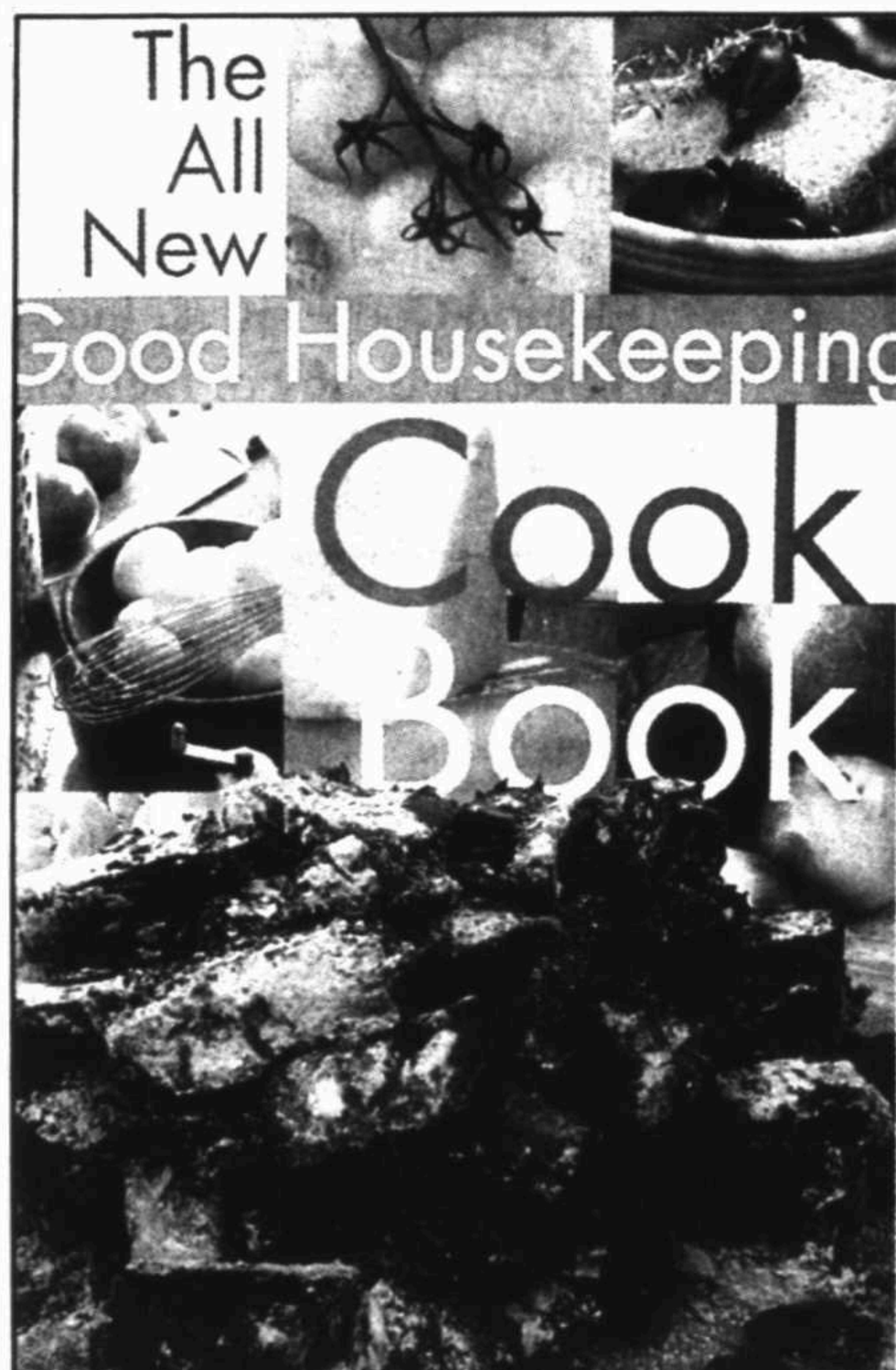
1. Line bottom of an 8-inch square baking pan with waxed paper. In heavy 3-quart saucepan, melt chocolate and shortening over low heat, stirring frequently, until smooth. Remove from heat.

2. Meanwhile, in small saucepan, heat cream to simmering over medium heat. Immediately add hot cream and peppermint extract to chocolate mixture; with wire whisk, mix until blended and smooth.

3. Pour mixture into prepared pan, tilting pan to spread mixture evenly. Refrigerate until firm, about 1 1/2 hours.

4. With small metal spatula, loosen chocolate mixture from sides of pan. Lightly dust cutting board with cocoa; invert pan onto board. Remove pan and discard waxed paper. Let candy stand 10 minutes at room temperature to soften slightly. With sharp knife, cut chocolate mixture into 8 strips, then cut each strip crosswise into 8 pieces. Layer between waxed paper in airtight container. Refrigerate up to 1 week. Makes 64 mints.

Each mint: About 45 calories, 0g protein, 5g carbohydrate, 3g total fat (2g saturated), 3mg cholesterol, 2mg sodium.



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Melt Away Chocolate Mints are pictured next to "The All New Good Housekeeping Cook Book."

## Death doesn't end, but marks beginning in novel

**"Life After Death"**  
by Carol Muske-Dukes  
(Random House, 276 pages, \$23.95)

**By Leyla Strotkamp**  
Associated Press

Boyd Schaeffer is starting a new job. Exploring a cave. Inviting the undertaker to dinner.

"Life After Death" is a startling treatment of grief that challenges the reader who expects demonstrative sorrow from its newly widowed protagonist. Instead, it offers a veritable pageant of human response to death, both as an idea and as a practical matter.

This novel about a woman whose husband dies in the prime of his life is also about the lives of all who are touched by the death.

Her 4-year-old daughter passes from hibernation to distracted imagination; the dead man's mother hoards her knowledge of his last moments; the undertaker tries to woo the widow through some vague connection to his long-dead sister; and the embalmer lectures about the dignity of the dead as he vacuums blood from their corpses.

And the widow? A hostile conversation shortly before her husband, Russell, dies is but a thumbnail sketch of their troubled relationship, which doesn't end after his heart stops beating.

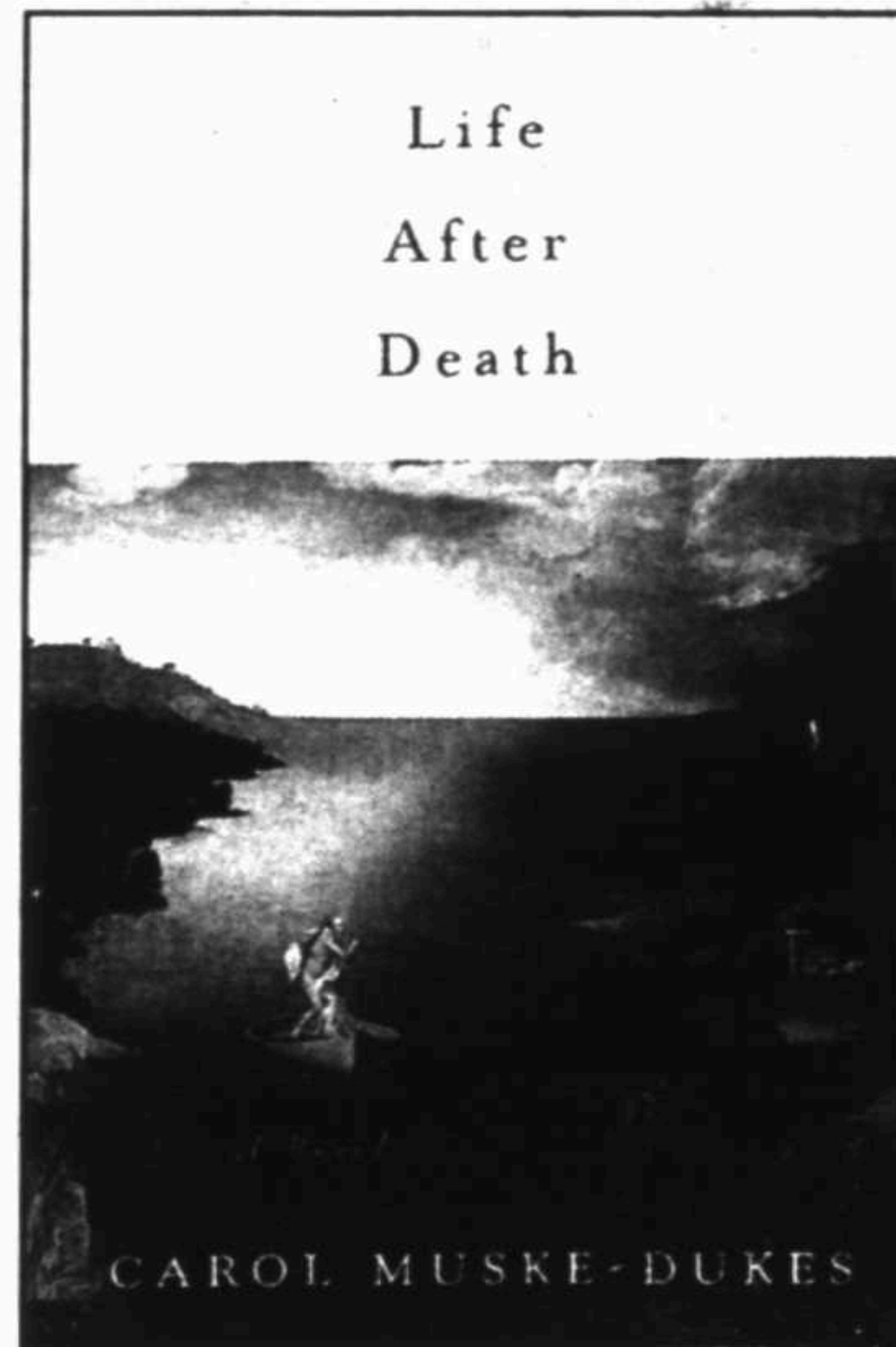
"Why did I stay with him? Because of something so

obvious as the stupid hope that passion — that eternal awkward potential — represents? A rush of disgust. She touches her mouth again. Death's implacable presentation of the body has brought back the limitations of her own capacity for ... hope? Potential: a kind of terrible smooth erotic mechanism, then shame. ... That she could grasp her own suffering only through the intellect, only through a steady refusal of the flesh, of its possibilities of healing, has been clear to her from some time."

Muske-Dukes uses letters, poems, memories, hallucination and dreams to jolt the reader out of simply receiving the wisdom of one character's point of view. At the same time, she attempts to pull together her carefully wrought perspectives with mixed results.

Occasionally, these attempts defy belief. At the funeral, Boyd not only telepathically experiences a memory of her husband through his mother, but also is conscious of it. "She believes, irrationally, that Gerda's memories of Russell, secret images never shared with another, have somehow bled into her brain." The book does not establish itself as a fantasy, and this moment seems an awkward attempt at narrative flow.

Largely, though, Muske-Dukes draws haunting connections among people and events, creating little moments of insight while depicting the random nature of life. Her description of Boyd's daughter learning to read is tangible, and also illustrative of the girl's grief process as she finally comprehends her father's death.



## 'Italian Affair's jaunt through Europe is mostly a pleasant one

**"An Italian Affair"**  
by Laura Fraser  
(Pantheon, 226 pages, \$22)

**By Grechen Schwartz**  
Associated Press

The profile for Laura Fraser's travelogue-memoir has all the trappings of fiction.

Nursing a broken heart after her husband leaves her, a magazine writer from California travels to an Italian island and begins an affair with a married French art professor. They continue the tryst intermittently in exotic locales, partaking of gorgeous landscapes, gourmet meals and frequent sex.

But Laura Fraser insists it's all true (and quite possibly still going on) and that only the names and characteristics have been changed, to protect identities.

However, this tourist's diary gains grit with Fraser's heavy heart and the characters' realistic traits. (It would be hard to count the number of references and inferences to the narrator's "large bottom.") She also displays an ego so shattered that insults and disappointments just quietly seep in, arousing little reaction from her.

Her story is dotted with Italian expressions. "Raccatami tutto," Fraser's friends and lovers say. "The Italians have that wonderful verb, raccontare, that means to tell a story. Tell me the story about everything."

You have broken my heart, she says to herself repeatedly, the theme of her narrative and European escapades. "Mi hai spaccato il cuore. ... You have broken

my heart. ... You have cloven it in two."

Only in Italian does she use "I" to talk about herself. Narrating in English, she mostly uses "you." At times, the narrative voice sounds more like a reflection of the male characters. In the end the reader knows little about the author — other than that she loves wine, olive oil, cappuccino, traveling, and speaking Italian. And that she's unlucky in love.

A scene in Morocco: "You have pigeon pastille, so delicate and savory, then a tender piece of lamb with lemons — you are glad, after enough time with the professor, that you decided being a vegetarian was too boring."

Fraser, in her mid-30s, draws from a seemingly endless (but unexplained) bank account and free time, staying in exotic resorts and hideaways throughout Florence, London, Stromboli,

Milan, the Aeolian Islands, Morocco and even California. It's a little odd for a free-lance journalist to not mention deadline or budget even once.

Some descriptions seem hastily recycled. "The word 'Casablanca' brings to mind intrigue and romance, a place where ceiling fans spin slowly over steamy bars, elegant former lovers toss off heart-breaking remarks, and sex and danger smolder just beneath the surface."

But the romance for this one is better left to the Humphrey Bogart film. Fraser's descriptions are most vivid when conveying the stings of romance.

"You just don't ring my chimes," writes one man in an e-mail. "I don't think I could live with you, but you are perfect for vacation," says her French lover. Another boyfriend disappears for weeks. When he returns he abruptly breaks up with

Fraser, saying he really just doesn't love her at all. An Italian man refuses to call an American "Laura," insisting the name is strictly for Italian women (from Petrarch's "mysterious, beautiful muse") and proceeds to call her Molly (pronounced "Moley").

These scenes are colorful in their particularities, whereas the beautiful places are described as "magical," "authentic," "shimmering" and "charming." Not surprising, it's the insults that stick.

Despite its heavy-hearted narrator, the book has the lightness and flippancy of a magazine piece.

"Italian lovers, you realize, are as easy to pick up on Ischia as ceramic ashtrays painted with lemons," she says.

The story never gets below a superficial emotional level, but (just like Fraser describes her European affair) it's nice for what it is.

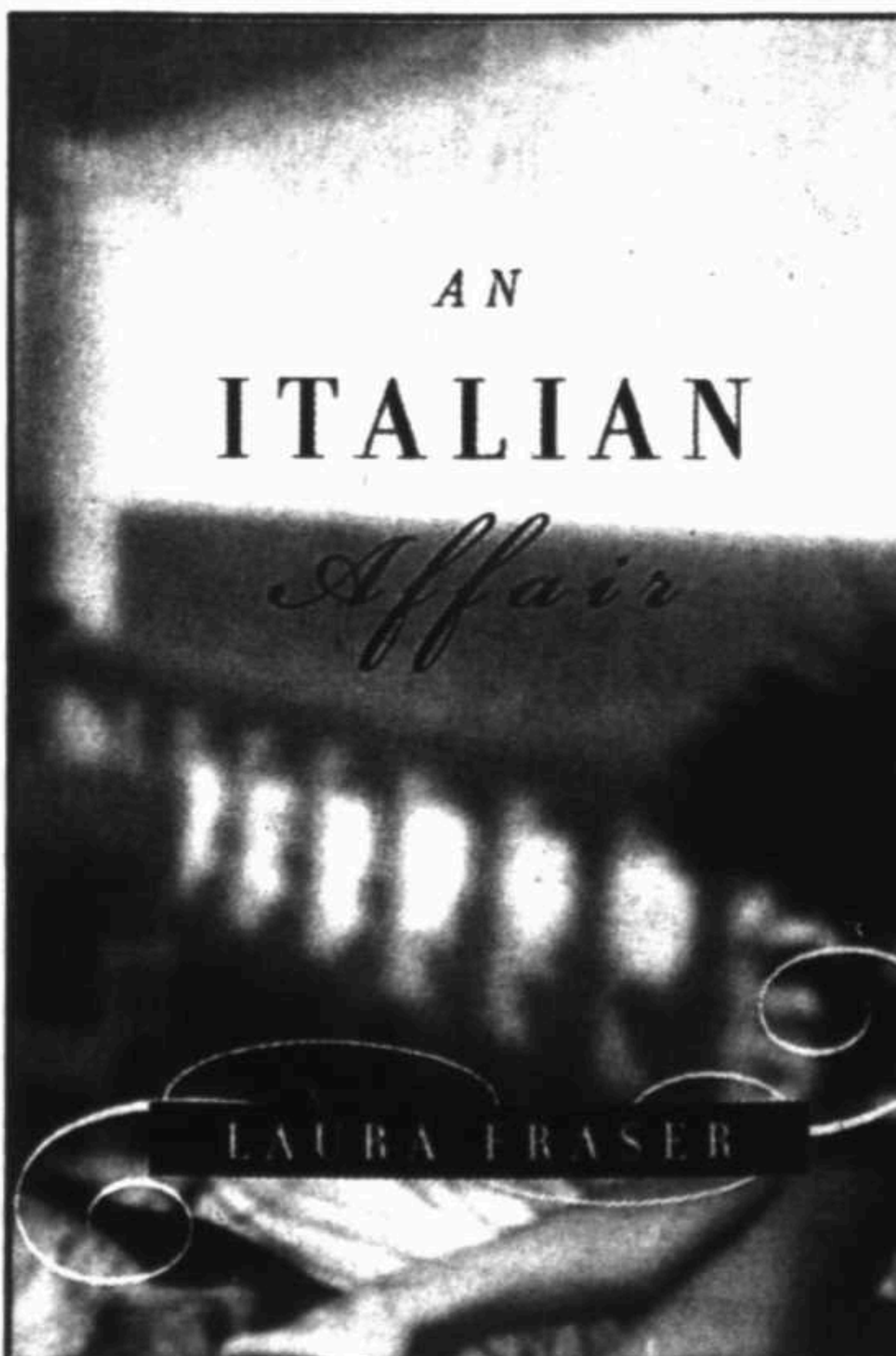
### Book Notes

**Teacher book**  
Dallas author Dorothy McConachie is planning a book to honor the state's teachers.

To write "Top Texas Teachers," Ms. McConachie, a former teacher, is asking people across the state to nominate educators.

Persons interested in nominating a teacher should provide the teacher's name; subject or grade; school name and address; and specific examples of the teacher's excellence. Also, nominators should provide their names and how they know the teacher.

This information should be mailed to Ms. McConachie at lifelimbo@aol.com; P.O. Box 600745, Dallas, Texas 75360.





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# Records show budgets, ticket prices vary among Texas zoos

By Angela K. Brown  
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — Zoo patrons here pay nearly twice the state average to watch snakes slither, ferrets frolic and cheetahs chase each other, according to an Associated Press study of Texas' accredited zoos.

Fort Worth Zoo officials, citing a growing budget and a lack of city funding, raised admission prices last year to \$8.50 per adult, the highest in the state. The average adult ticket price for the 11 American Zoo and Aquarium Association-accredited zoos in Texas is \$4.27.

Fort Worth's zoo had a \$17 million budget — the second-largest among AZA-accredited Texas zoos — less than 19 percent of which came from the city in 2000-01. The city funded 19.4 percent of the zoo's budget the previous year and 22.3 percent in 1998-99, according to records.

Some visitors say the rising ticket prices won't keep them from coming to see the animals.

"We don't mind paying more as long as it's a good zoo and the kids enjoy it," said Jeff Rosso of Dallas, who visited the Fort Worth Zoo recently with his wife and two children. "This is a nice one, so it's worth it."

Most zoos charging admission less than the state average — Abilene, El Paso, Lufkin's Ellen Trout, Houston and Waco's Cameron Park — get more than half of their budgets from the city, which own those zoos.

The exception is the 95-acre city-owned Dallas Zoo, which charges \$7 per adult. The city funded nearly 82 percent of the Dallas Zoo's \$11 million budget for 2000-01, records show.

"We're operating a big facility with a relatively small operating budget," said Dallas Zoo Director Rich Buickerood, who compares his prices to admission rates of area museums, attractions and sporting events and large zoos outside Texas.

"We're still darn near the cheapest in Dallas, and as a public entity, we're held accountable."

Other Texas zoos with above-average ticket prices are run by nonprofit zoo societies and get a small percentage of their budgets from government sources.

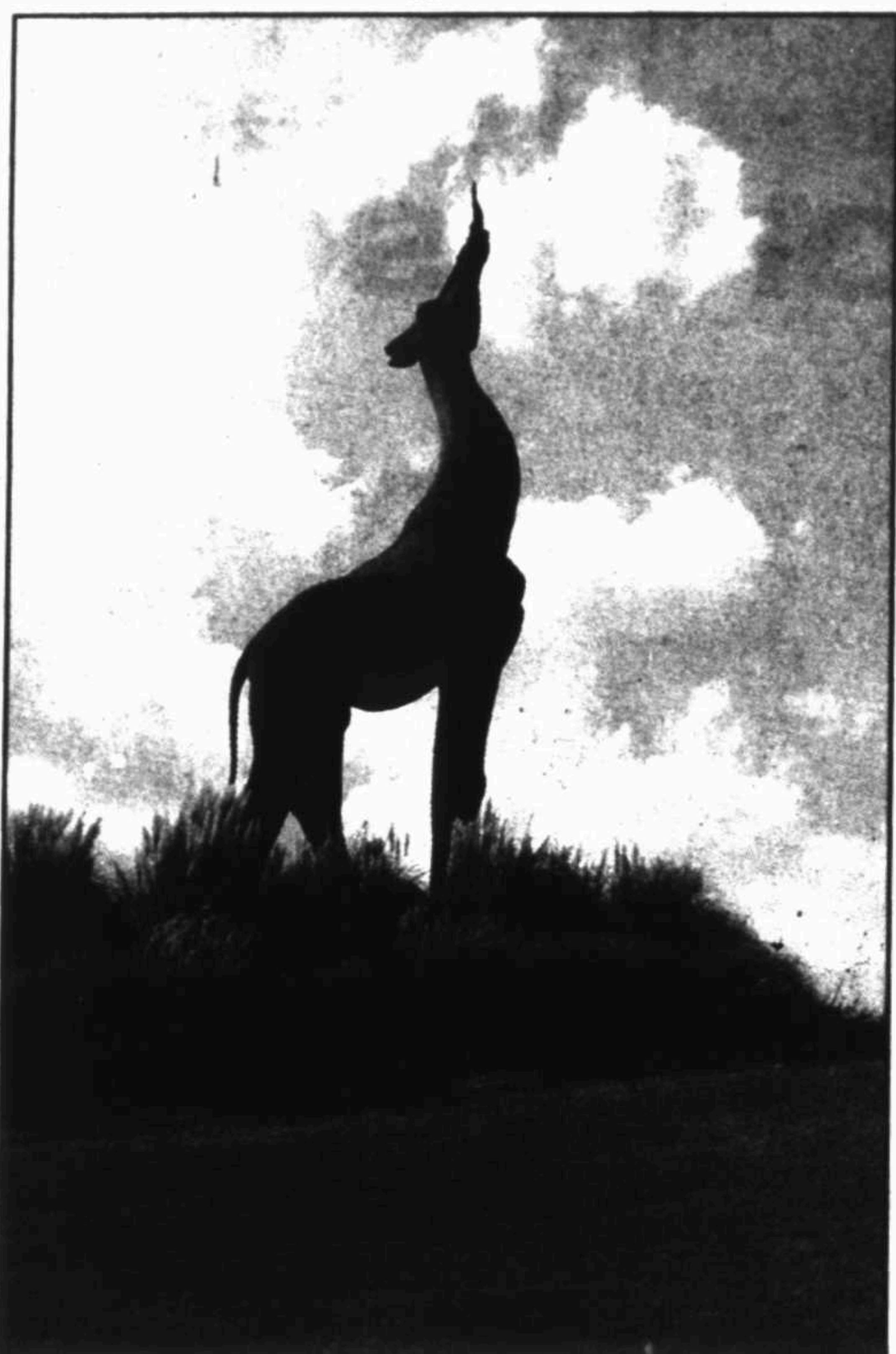
The San Antonio Zoo received only 7 percent of its \$9 million budget from the city in 2000-01. The zoo raised its adult rate in 1999 to \$7, the second-costliest zoo ticket in the state.

Brownsville's Gladys Porter Zoo, charging \$6.50 per adult after a rate increase in 2000, received nearly 8 percent of its \$3.5 million budget from the city last year.

Tyler's Caldwell Zoo offers free admission but gets no city money to operate. The zoo is owned, operated and funded entirely by the nonprofit Caldwell Family Foundation.

Ticket prices are among the lowest in the state at Victoria's Texas Zoo, although it received 33.7 percent of its \$341,000 budget from the city last year.

"We're not fat and happy," said Texas Zoo's acting director Bill Farnsworth. "It's a constant challenge to raise the money we need to operate. But with about a third from the city, it's a good start."



AP Photos  
ABOVE: A 67 1/2 foot giraffe marks the entrance to the Dallas Zoo, Tuesday. The Dallas Zoo has the third most expensive zoo tickets in the state, charging \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. TOP RIGHT: Ty Landrum, 4, and his father, Scott, watch the African elephants as they have a snack at the Caldwell Zoo in Tyler, Thursday. The Landrums were visiting the zoo with the Henderson First Baptist Church Preschool.



Most zoos across the country charge from \$8 to \$10 per adult ticket, and larger zoos charge much more, said AZA spokeswoman Jane Ballentine. Zoo Atlanta charges \$15; San Diego Zoo, \$18; San Diego Wild Animal Park, \$23.95; and Tampa, Fla.'s Busch Gardens, which includes an amusement park, \$56.95. Fifteen U.S. zoos are free.

"The zoo ticket prices in Fort Worth and other cities in Texas don't seem outrageous," Ballentine said.

Caring for animals isn't cheap. For example, the Fort Worth Zoo has four or five different species of eucalyptus plants flown in daily for koala bears, which refuse to eat the same thing every day.

Some cities fund all operating and maintenance costs for their zoos, which are run like city departments. One city pays only zoo employees' salaries and benefits.

Other zoos are public-private partnerships, where a city owns buildings and grounds, and a zoo society owns assets, raise money for capital projects, operate gift shops and, in some cases, actually run the zoos.

Officials at zoos across the country say city funding usually decreases every year. That's why some zoos, including Houston's, are looking into being run by a private nonprofit corporation.

"Zoos are always at the end of the alphabet when it comes to public funding," says Rick Barongi, general manager of the Houston Zoological Gardens, which received more than half its \$17.5 million budget from the

city last year and has almost the lowest admission rates.

The American Zoo and Aquarium Association, founded in 1924, represents 201 zoos and aquariums in North America that apply for accreditation. The agency ensures that zoos are financially stable, have education programs and provide quality care and living environments for animals.

Other AZA-accredited facilities in Texas are the Fossil Rim Wildlife Center in Glen Rose; Dallas Aquarium at Fair Park; Dallas World Aquarium; Rainforest at Moody Gardens in Galveston; SeaWorld San Antonio; and Texas State Aquarium in Corpus Christi.

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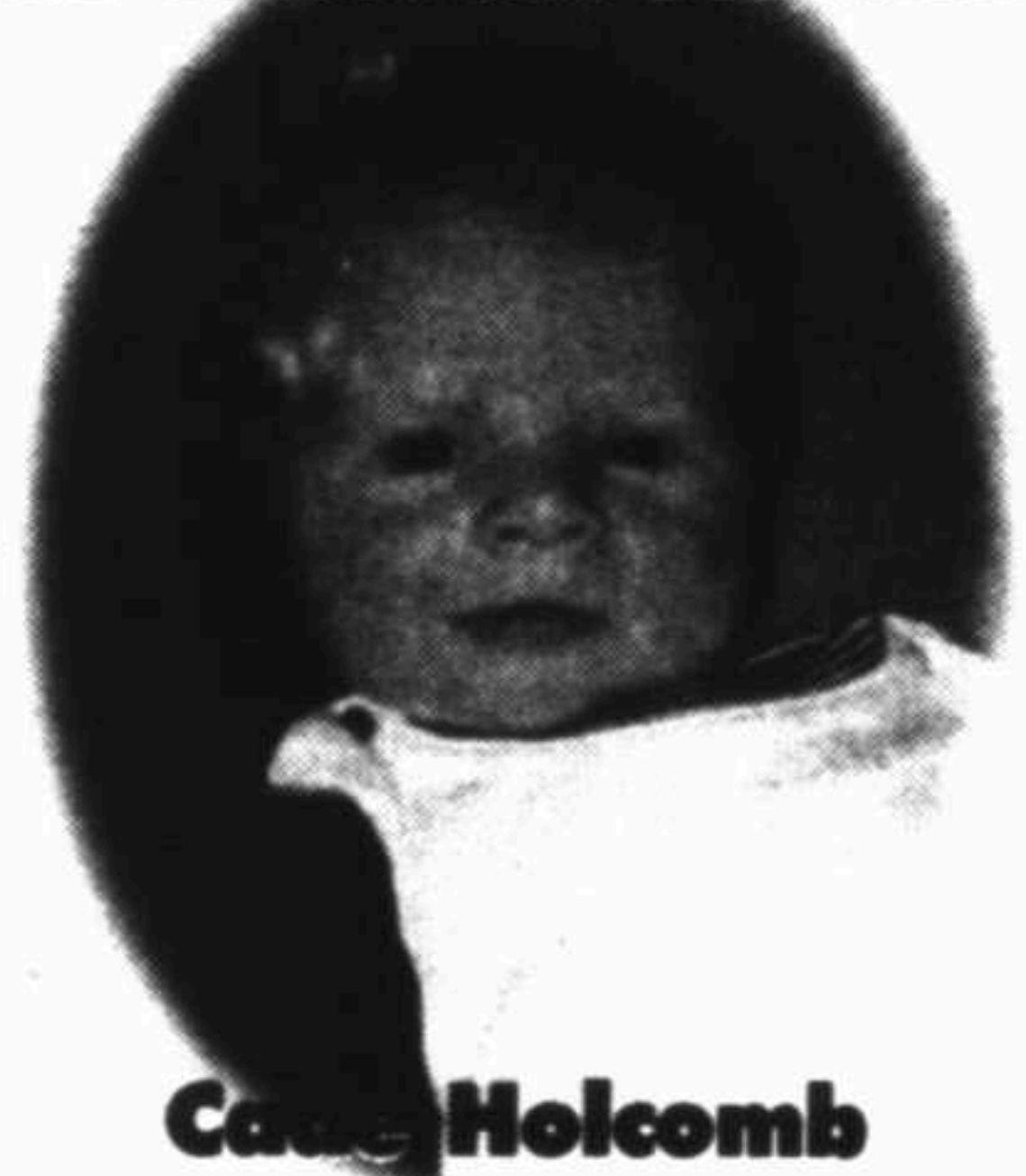
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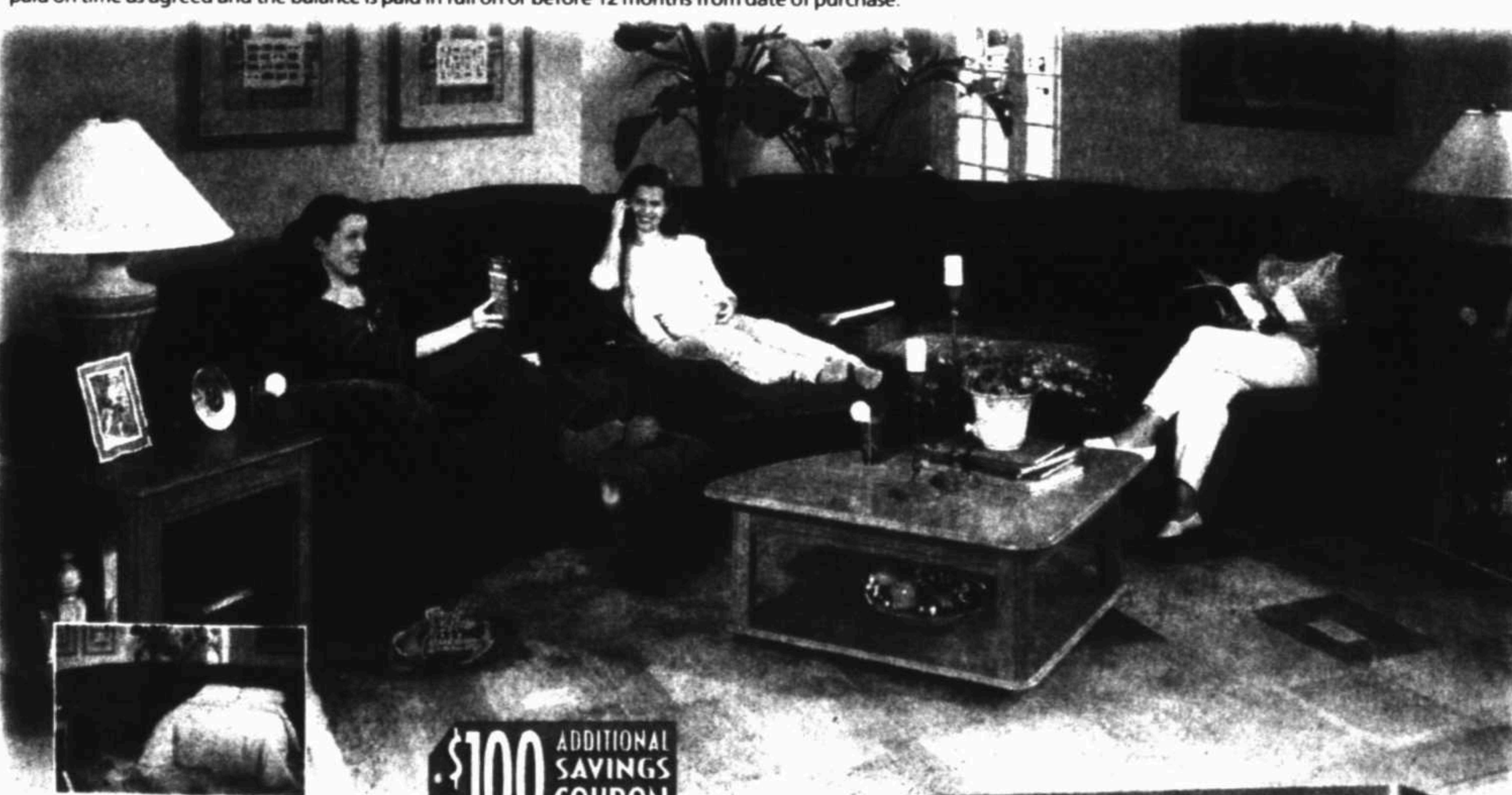
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## 4-5A Volleyball

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|----------------|-----------|---|----|----|------------------|---|---|---|
|                | W         | L | W  | L  | W                | L | W | L |
| Abilene High   | 4         | 0 | 17 | 2  |                  |   |   |   |
| Midland High   | 3         | 1 | 20 | 6  |                  |   |   |   |
| SA Central     | 2         | 1 | 10 | 12 |                  |   |   |   |
| Abilene Cooper | 2         | 2 | 7  | 17 |                  |   |   |   |
| Odessa Permian | 2         | 2 | 11 | 8  |                  |   |   |   |
| Midland Lee    | 1         | 3 | 15 | 10 |                  |   |   |   |
| Odessa High    | 0         | 5 | 13 | 13 |                  |   |   |   |

**Saturday's Results**  
Midland High def. San Angelo Central, 15-8, 15-7; Abilene High def. Odessa High, 15-3, 15-7; Odessa Permian def. Abilene Cooper, 17-15, 15-13. Non-district: Wink def. Midland Lee, 15-2, 15-12.

**Tuesday's Matchups**  
Odessa Permian at Midland Lee; Midland High at Odessa High; Abilene High at San Angelo Central; Amarillo-Tascosa at Abilene Cooper (non-district). All games start at approximately 7:15 p.m.

## Lady Bulldogs take out frustration on Central

By Jay Peden  
Sports Writer

On Tuesday, the Midland High volleyball team, one of the favorites in the District 4-5A race, went to Abilene and lost to Abilene Cooper, a team that entered the match with a 6-16 record.

The Lady Bulldogs had the long bus ride home to think about the loss, plus two days of intense workouts. On Saturday in the MHS gym, they took out their frustration on San Angelo Central, beating the Lady Bobcats, 15-9, 15-7.

"We knew we had to work a whole lot harder," said Midland High's Jessi Hollums, who led the way Saturday with 12 kills despite a sore shoulder. "We've got to win all the games from here on out. We got our focus back."

Midland High climbed back into second place in District 4-5A, improving its district record to 3-1. The win was MHS' 20th overall against six losses.

Central fell to 2-1 in district and 10-11 overall. There were many differences between the Lady Bulldogs' performances on Tuesday and Saturday.

"We did not show up to play on Tuesday," MHS coach Terri McColloch said. "We were not ready, and Cooper played out of its head. We had hard practices both Wednesday and Thursday. We were much more focused (Saturday). Tuesday was a wake up call."

"They blocked us Tuesday," she said. "We did better (Saturday). We mixed our offense up. And we didn't block well Tuesday. (On Saturday) we had double and triple blocks on their middle hitter every time. That's something that we worked on hard."

While Saturday's score wasn't close, the match

wasn't a walkover for Midland High. There were many sideouts, and both teams had to work for their points. MHS led 13-5 in the first game, but Central came back to close within 13-9 before falling. In the second game, MHS led only 7-5 before slowly pulling away.

Central got most of its kills from middle hitter Nicole Ayana, who had eight, and setter/outside hitter Lindsay Huling, who had seven. For MHS, Ashley Burns and Katie Decker backed up Hollums with six kills each. Even 5-foot-3 Sheramie Ward got into the act with two kills, one of which ended the first game.

Central, under coach Nita Vannoy, seems to be improved over recent years. Central last made the UIL playoffs in 1997, when it finished second in 4-5A at 9-3. In the three years after that, though, Central went 9-27 in district matches.

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## MIDLAND CHRISTIAN VERSUS AUSTIN HYDE PARK

# Mustangs gallop away with win

## Midland Christian beats Austin Hyde Park, 40-0

By Oscar LeRoy  
Sports Writer

The Midland Christian Mustangs are on a quest to go 13-0 this season. There's no doubt about that noticing the intensity exhibited by head coach Greg McClendon on the sidelines and the look of desire in the players' eyes.



Joseph

So beating Austin Hyde Park for the first time in three tries on their home field might end up being a sidenote to what the Mustangs hope is another banner season.

On the other hand, it was still nice to beat Hyde Park on homecoming Saturday. Using a suffocating defense and an opportunistic offense, the Mustangs rolled over Hyde Park, 40-0, in a contest that many thought was going to be much closer.

McClendon said finally beating Hyde Park on his team's home field wasn't a big deal for him.

"Our big deal is 13-0 and winning another state championship," he said. "I have a lot respect for Hyde Park. There wasn't a grudge there. It's just another notch in getting to where we set our goals to be."



Beeghly

The Mustangs (5-0) admit there are still holes to plug, but by beating a perennial play-off team in TAPPS 4A they sent a strong message to the rest of the state.

"They beat us two years in a row (in 1998 and 1999) and knocked us out of the play-offs on our home field," said Midland Christian junior linebacker Cody Crossland. "We wanted to send a message by finally beating them here on our home field. We don't feel like we've faced anybody yet, but today we felt like we played a good team and we got the job done."

The defense set the tone early by pinning the Panther offense deep in its own territory. Hyde Park (2-1) was forced to punt from its own 1-yard line.

Midland Christian took over at the Panthers' 29 and the Mustangs never had to worry about bad field position the entire game.

"If we get what we want every week, we're going to desire to go on defense first and let them set the tempo," McClendon said. "Our defense is just playing outstanding. Our coaches are doing a



Midland Christian Mustang Josh Wilson breaks free from Austin Hyde Park's James Faulkner during Saturday's game at Mustang Field.

great job with them. They just play hard and I'm very proud of them."

The Mustangs didn't waste much time, as four plays later Tony Joseph rumbled in from six yards out for the first of his three touchdowns on the day.

"(Hyde Park) was a real good team but we were ready for them," said Joseph, a senior who rushed for 134 yards on 16 carries. "We had never beaten them here, but we got up for this game and played hard."

Joseph later added touchdown runs of 7 and 20 yards to give Midland Christian a 20-0 lead.

The Midland Christian defense was relentless all afternoon in trying to shut down Hyde Park's running game, primarily stand-out back Zach Henke. Also, the Mustangs continuously put pressure on quarterback Brandon Shultz.

The constant pressure on the Panther backfield in the second quarter caused Shultz to force a bad pitch which resulted in a 15-yard

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## Aggies defeat Cowboys, 21-7

By Michael Graczyk  
Associated Press Writer

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Eric Crutchfield recovered a blocked punt in the end zone as Texas A&M overcame a sluggish offense performance to beat Oklahoma State 21-7 on Saturday.

The crowd of 82,601, the fourth-largest in Texas A&M history, remembered the victims of the terrorist attacks by buying and wearing red, white and blue T-shirts that turned Kyle Field into a giant patriotic rainbow, the upper deck red, middle level white and lower deck blue. More than \$150,000 raised from the shirt sales was being donated to New York Fire Department charities.

Oklahoma State punter Scott

Elder, standing in his own end zone with less than two minutes to go in the third quarter, had his kick blocked by defensive back Wes Bau-tovich and Crutchfield pounced on the ball for the score.

The touchdown broke open a 14-7 game that was taken over in the second half by the defense of Texas A&M (3-0, 1-0 Big 12), which wound up sacking Cowboys quarterbacks six times and allowing Oklahoma State (1-2, 0-1) to convert on only two of 16 third-down plays.

Neither team showed a

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Oklahoma State wide receiver Chris Wright (6) and Texas A&M defensive back Sean Weston leap for the pass Saturday during the second quarter.

## McClendon returns fumble, interception for Tech touchdowns

By Betsy Blaney  
Associated Press Writer

IRVING — Senior defensive back Paul McClendon became Texas Tech's leading scorer for this season Saturday night.

McClendon returned a fumble and an interception for touchdowns as Texas Tech (2-0) beat North Texas 42-14 at Texas Stadium. He now has three TDs for this season. He returned a fumble 54 yards for a touchdown in Tech's season-opening 42-30 victory against New Mexico two weeks ago.

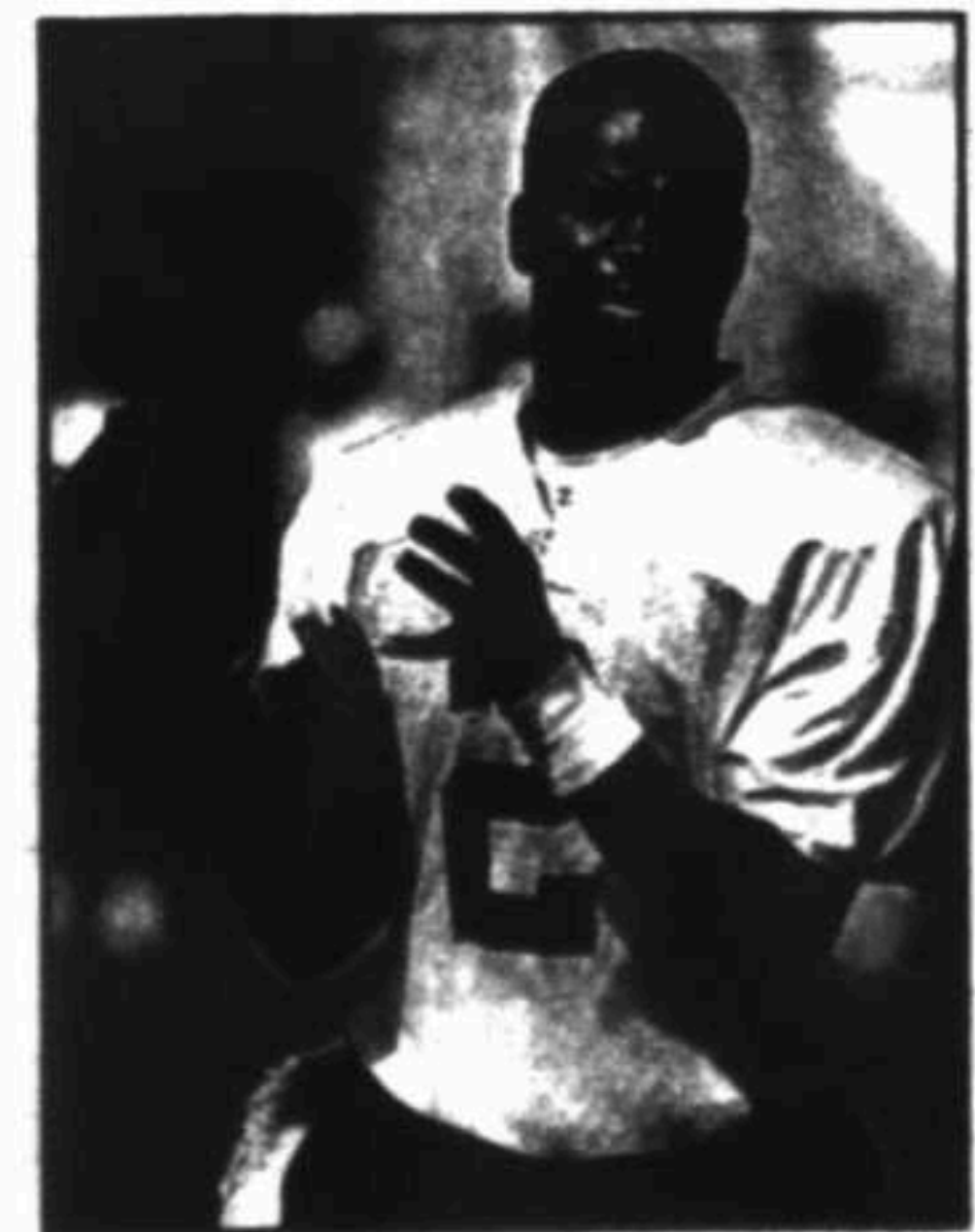
McClendon intercepted Richard Bridges' pass and returned it 50 yards for a touchdown that increased the Red Raiders' lead to 28-0 in the third quarter. North Texas (0-

3) had just picked up first downs on three consecutive plays, matching the Mean Green's first-half total.

In the first quarter, McClendon had grabbed Kevin Galbreath's fumble and run 6 yards for a touchdown. That came just two plays after Tech's opening 19-play drive stalled when Williams was stopped on fourth-and-goal from the 3.

"I was just blessed. I really didn't have to do a whole lot," McClendon said. "I just went down (on the fumble) and

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Dallas Cowboys quarterback Anthony Wright warms up before practice.

## Tomlinson ready to come back home to Texas

By Jaime Aron  
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — LaDainian Tomlinson started playing football while growing up in Waco, then went to college in Fort Worth. He spent part of a summer working on his game in Denton at a camp run by Emmitt Smith.

Yet for all his Dallas-area experiences, Tomlinson has never played at Texas Stadium, Smith's home turf the last 12 years. That will change Sunday when Tomlinson's first road game for the San Diego Chargers turns into a personal homecoming against the Dallas Cowboys.

"It'll be a dream come true," he said. "Growing up and watching Dallas play there, then going to the games and watching them play, I could never imagine I'd be playing at Texas Stadium."

The Dallas defense is planning on crashing his party after a surprisingly stingy performance against Warrick Dunn in the opener, holding him to 56 yards — 154 less than last season — in a 10-6 loss to Tampa Bay.

"He may be the hometown boy, but we're the Dallas Cowboys and we're the home team," defensive end Greg Ellis said. "We're going to make sure everyone in Texas is on our side. I can be nice to him

after the game. As long as we win, I'll take him out to dinner."

Tomlinson, the fifth overall pick in the draft, is letting his mother take care of the celebration. His job still is to learn the offense after missing most of training camp while his contract was being negotiated.

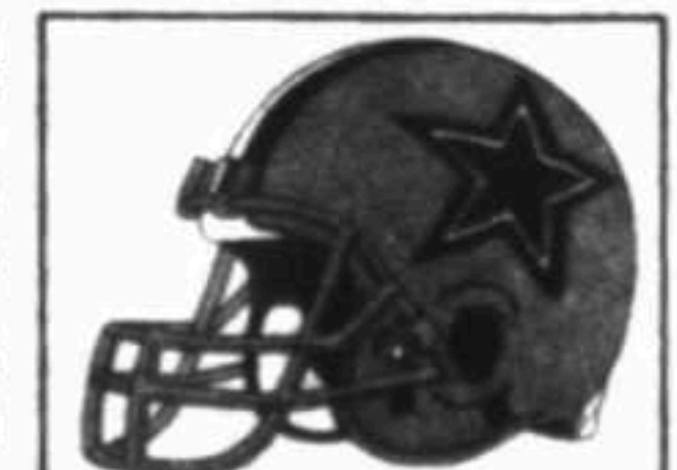
He seems a quick study. After playing only the final preseason game, he ran 36 times for 113 yards and two touchdowns in a 30-3 victory over Washington. He became only the 20th player to crack 100

in his debut since the 1970 AFL-NFL merger.

The 5-foot-10, 221-pound Tomlinson is built like Smith and has a similar running style. And, calling plays for the Chargers is Norv Turner, who was the offensive coordinator in Dallas when Smith blossomed into a superstar.

Judging by the way he used Tomlinson in the opener, Turner is going to give Tomlinson every chance to break Natrone Means' team record of 1,350 yards in 1994, San Diego's Super Bowl season. The Chargers haven't had a 1,000-yard runner since.

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## LOCAL SPORTS

## Trinity 15, Marfa 7

**MARFA** — The Trinity Chargers used their ground game led by Clint Adcox to beat Marfa, 15-7. Adcox rushed for 221 yards on 43 carries and scored on runs of 1 and 5 yards to lead the Chargers (3-2).

The Chargers also had a safety in the third quarter to seal the game.

| Trinity            | Marfa  |
|--------------------|--------|
| 15                 | 7      |
| First Downs        | 13     |
| Yards Rushing      | 248    |
| Yards Passing      | 59     |
| Att. Comp. Int.    | 10-31  |
| Fumbles Lost       | 2-1    |
| Punts-Avg.         | 2-25.8 |
| Penalties-Yds.     | 5-35   |
| Time of Possession | 30:00  |
| Red Zone           | 0-0    |
| Third Quarter      | 0-0    |
| Fourth Quarter     | 0-0    |
| Final Score        | 15-7   |

## MCHS wins district opener

The Midland Christian volleyball team shook off a bad first game to win its district opener, downing Denton Liberty Christian, 10-15, 15-7, 15-9, Saturday.

While Hayley Whiteside led the Lady Mustangs with 15 kills, Amy Lowery's nine kills, as well as improved passing, were the key to MCHS' ability to come back from the loss in the first game, coach Penny Wasmel said.

The Lady Mustangs improved to 16-8 overall and 1-0 in District 1-4A in the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools. They'll try to stay undefeated when they host Lubbock Trinity Christian at 6 p.m. on Tuesday.

| Midland Christian Statistics                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Kills: Hayley Whiteside 15, Amy Lowery 9, Haley McClenn 6, Colleen Corner 5, Jenn Riley 4, Assists: Lauren Lary 17, Melissa Patton 13, Lowery 3, Blocks: Whiteside 3, Riley 1, Digs: Lowery 15, Whiteside 9, Corner 9, Kendyl Washburn 7, Riley 5, Aces: Lary 7, Corner 3, Lowery 3, Riley 2, Whiteside 1. |

## Greenwood falls to Water Valley

**WATER VALLEY** — Greenwood's volleyball team lost to a strong Class A school from Water Valley on the road Saturday, losing 15-5, 15-17, 15-10.

Alicia Scott had 13 service points for Greenwood while Ashley Richards had seven. The Rangerettes are now 18-13 on season, and on Tuesday they'll host Colorado City at 5 p.m.

## Frazier tabbed for JC all-stars

Former Midland Lee baseball player Joe Frazier has been selected to play in Junior College All-Star Games at Baylor Oct. 5-6.

Frazier, who is now a sophomore catcher at Odessa College, batted .374 with 10 home runs and 42 RBIs last season as a freshman

at OC. Along with Frazier, outfielder Anthony Bennett was also selected to the games from OC.

## Johnson scores for Texas A&amp;M

**SEATTLE** — Linsey Johnson, a graduate of Midland Lee, scored the only goal for the Texas A&M's women's soccer team Friday, but it wasn't enough as the Lady Aggies fell to Portland, 2-1.

Johnson scored her fourth goal of the season only seven minutes into the game for the No. 10 Aggies, but no one else could put the ball into the net for A&M. Portland, ranked No. 5 in the nation, scored the final two goals.

## SWOTT Results

Here are the final results from the Southwest Oilman's Tennis Tournament Saturday at The Racquet Club in Midland.

| Championship Bracket                                                                       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Doubles</b>                                                                             |
| Finals — R. Flumerfelt/R. Fuller def. M. Hinson/L. Morrow, 6-3, 6-2                        |
| <b>Consolation Finals</b> — R. Barne/L. Gates def. S. Cobb/C. Shaw, default                |
| <b>Mixed Doubles</b>                                                                       |
| Finals — V. Overreiter/D. Christian def. S. Grandt/L. Mills, 6-3, 7-6                      |
| <b>Consolation Finals</b> — L. Cobb/M. Hinson def. T. Niehus/L. Gates, 6-1, 7-5            |
| <b>A Bracket</b>                                                                           |
| <b>Doubles</b>                                                                             |
| Finals — R. Shannon/D. Sparks def. B. Patterson/J. Honeck, 6-3, 6-1                        |
| <b>Consolation Finals</b> — P. Hopson/K. Hopson def. G. Cockenham/G. Harris, 6-3, 6-3      |
| <b>Mixed Doubles</b>                                                                       |
| Finals — K. Burkes/J. Honeck def. C. Sparks/D. Sparks, 6-4, 7-5                            |
| <b>Consolation Finals</b> — D. Vasick/D. Alcom def. T. Spencer/J. Spencer, 6-2, 6-0        |
| <b>Scrambles</b>                                                                           |
| Finals — K. Hopson/L. Liedeker def. D. Jones/D. Howell, 6-1, 6-2                           |
| <b>Consolation Finals</b> — A. Beren/K. Hammet def. T. Ragdale/S. Thompson, 6-1, 3-1, def. |
| <b>B Bracket</b>                                                                           |
| <b>Doubles</b>                                                                             |
| Semifinals — M. Hicks/D. Jarrett def. D. Duncan/J. Jordan, 4-6, 9-7                        |
| Finals — Hicks/Jarrett def. H. Bradford/B. McDonnell, default                              |
| <b>Consolation Semifinals</b> — J. Echols/J. Weant def. S. Turnbull/D. Bledsoe, 6-1, 6-1   |
| <b>Consolation Finals</b> — A. Harshap/A. Rainey def. J. Echols/J. Weant, 6-2, 6-0         |
| <b>Mixed Doubles</b>                                                                       |
| Finals — M. Howell/T. Engelman def. C. Moore/G. Hillman, 6-4, 6-7, 6-3                     |
| <b>Consolation Finals</b> — J. Shatzer/H. Bradford def. A. Melton/D. Melton, 6-1, 6-3      |
| <b>Scrambles</b>                                                                           |
| Finals — H. Crabbs/A. Rainey def. J. DeCompegne/K. Anderson, 6-1, 2-3, def.                |
| <b>Consolation Finals</b> — W. Green/D. Bledsoe def. C. Taylor/L. Gripton, 6-0, 7-5        |
| <b>C Bracket</b>                                                                           |
| Finals — B. Moore/M. Eugenio def. B. Botes/R. Williamson, 6-2, 6-0                         |
| <b>Consolation Finals</b> — H. Crabbs/M. Wallace def. T. Moore/J. Benfatti, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4  |

| Junior Varsity                                  |
|-------------------------------------------------|
| Midland Lee 17, Odessa Permian 14, For Lee 2-0. |

## Fiesta del Ranchero

Here are first-round results of the Fiesta del Ranchero golf tournament, which is being played at Ranchland Hills Country Club:

| First Round                                                                                                                                                         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| First flight: 1. Dennis and Janet Snyder, 58; 2. Roger and Penny David, 62; 3. (tie) Bill Averett and Leif Guelker, 64; and John Castillo and Stephanie Holmes, 64. |
| Second flight: 1. (tie) Craig and Donna Wincom, 59; and Bill and Nelda Johnson, 59; 3. Eddie and Yolanda Guelker, 60.                                               |
| Third flight: 1. Larry and Audrey Foster, 58; 2. Ken and Dee Burns, 59; 3. Ode and Kathy Collins, 61.                                                               |
| Fourth flight: 1. Bob and Pebble Corbell, 62; 2. Jonny and Elaine Hicks, 63; 3. Larry and Terry Logan, 64.                                                          |

## Football

Midland Lee 17, Odessa Permian 14, For Lee 2-0.

(3-0). Roderick Conally, TD; Cameron Phillips, TD; Cody Gilem, 2 extra-point kick, 22-yard field goal.

**Midland Lee 19, Odessa Permian 8, For Lee 2-0.** Bill Bedford, 38-yard TD run, 1 PAT kick; Anthony Magana, 15-yard TD pass from Ryan DuPriest; DuPriest 1-yard TD run.

**Trinity 35, Marfa 7.** For Trinity: Matt Roam had two TDs; Anthony Sam had a TD; John Speight had a TD. Defensively, Gerrit Patterson had a fumble recovery; Will Grella had a fumble recovery; Chris Compton had an interception. Record is 2-0.

**Seventh Grade**

**Aline 24, Goodland 8.** For Aline (4-0): Trent Hines, 5 carries, 94 yards, 3 TDs; Tyrone Huggins, 8 carries, 82 yards; Charles Griffin 25-yard TD pass from Steven Bagwell; Sam Hall, 5 tackles; Josh Brown, 6 tackles; 1 sack; Angel Trevino, 5 tackles, 1 sack.

**Abell 42, Hood 7.** For Abell (4-0): Leslie Ray, 306 yards rushing, 9 TDs; Aaron Eshahi, 6 extra-point kicks; Jonathan Torres, interception; Joseph Castillo, interception; Neftali Luna, interception; Josh Groner, five tackles.

**Goodard Red 36, San Jacinto White 14.** For Goodard: Craig Taylor, 2 TDs; T.J. London, TD, 2-point conversion; Javarian Nix, TD, 2-point conversion; Michael Flores, TD pass from Joseph Robertson; Robertson, 2-point conversion; For San Jacinto: Strambler, TD; William Porter, TD; Matt Labriola, 2-point conversion pass from Porter.

**Alamo Maroon 22, Abell Blue 8.** For Alamo: Gabriel Garcia, 120 yards rushing, 1 TD, 12 tackles; Devon Patterson, 2 TDs, 2-point conversions; Andy Garcia, TD; Edgardo Montoya, 5 tackles; Antwan Partile, interception.

**Alamo Gray 22, Abell White 12.** For Alamo: Daniel Garmirel, 143 yards rushing, 2 TDs, 2-point conversion; interception; Matthews Gualdies, 19 yards rushing, 1 TD; Eric Baker, sack; Joseph Payan, interception; For Abell: Brandon Edgerton, 2 TDs.

**Goodard White 12, San Jacinto Green 0.** For Goodard (3-0): Heath Pogue, TD run; Eddie Chavez, TD run; James Coan, 11 tackles.

**Volleyball**

**Junior Varsity**

**Midland High def. San Angelo Central, 15-3, 15-6.** For MHS (15-1, 4-0): Claire Williamson, 15 kills; Ashley Truitt, 5 digs, 10 service points; Kendal Pavis, 5 digs, 7 service points; Hillary Hollums, 6 digs; 7 service points.

**Greenwood def. Water Valley 15-7, 15-7.** For Greenwood: Jaymie Flowers 13 service points, ace; Karah Northcutt 8 service points.

**Midland High def. San Angelo Central, 15-12, 15-11.** For MHS (17-1, 5-0): Tessa Turand, 4 kills; Jana Brooks, 4 kills; Laura Copeland, 2 blocks, 1 ace; Porche Greer, 1 ace.

**Lee def. Wink, 15-11, 15-9.** For Lee (12-5): Kim Roberts, 7 service points; Jennifer Grant, 6 service points; Jayla Hicks, 5 kills, 2 blocks; Keri McKenzie, 4 kills, 10 set.

**Freshmen**

**Midland Purple def. Ector, 13-15, 15-12, 15-12.** For Purple: Megan Haynes, 11 service points; Leah Gonzalez, 11 service points; Laura Hamrick, 13 service points; Jennifer Kreuz, 10 kills; Kim Edwards, 10 kills.

**Water Valley def. Greenwood 15-13, 7-15, 15-9.** For Water Valley: Erin Scott 9 service points, 6 kills; Mallory Hermann 5 service points; Katie Howard 5 service points.

**Pecos Tournament**

**Midland Christian White def. Pecos White, 15-4, 11-15, 16-14.**

**Presidio def. MC White, 15-4, 15-4.**

**For MC White:** Sarah Sevcik, 16 service points; Susie Shelton, 13 service points; Amy Snelson, 10 service points, 3 aces, 2 kills.

**UTPB sweeps v-ball matches**

**WINFIELD, Kans.** — The University of Texas at Permian Basin swept a pair of matches Saturday to complete a trip to a tournament in Kansas.

UTPB defeated Bacone College 30-12, 30-21, 33-31 to open the day, then needed five games to finally dispatch of Dakota Wesleyan 30-26, 30-17, 25-30, 28-30, 15-10. The Lady Falcons will play at a tournament at Lubbock Christian University next weekend.

**Clarification**

The witnesses to the hole-in-one by Melinda Brown at Ranchland Hills Country Club as reported in Friday's editions were Mark and Kathy Terry, Codi White, Mary Robinson and Ken Livingston.

## Astros, Rangers pick up wins

## Associated Press

**HOUSTON** — Orlando Merced hit a three-run triple, and Jeff Bagwell had a two-run double in a six-run fifth inning as the Houston Astros rallied for an 8-4 victory over the Chicago Cubs on Saturday night.

The comeback kept the Astros 3 1/2 games ahead of second-place St. Louis in the NL Central and gave Shane Reynolds (12-10) his eighth victory in his last nine starts against the Cubs.

Chicago's four-game winning streak came to an end, and the Cubs dropped 3 1/2 games behind the Cardinals in the wild card race.

Trailing 3-0 in the fifth, the Astros loaded the bases against Kevin Tapani (9-13) on singles by Moises Alou and Vinny Castilla, and a walk to Richard Hidalgo.

After Tony Eusebio struck out, Merced pinch-hit for Reynolds and tripled to center field to tie it at 3. Merced has set a club record with 15 RBIs as a pinch-hitter this season.

Craig Biggio hit a hard grounder to third baseman Bill Mueller, who threw home too late to get Merced with the go-ahead run.

Julio Lugo doubled, chasing Tapani, and Bagwell followed with a two-run double off Todd Van Poppel that made it 6-3.

Reynolds hasn't lost to the Cubs since Aug. 14, 1998. He

allowed three runs and six hits in five innings.

Tapani gave up six runs and five hits in 4 1-3 innings, striking out seven.

Octavio Dotel struck out five in two innings of relief, and Billy Wagner completed the seven-hitter.

Fred McGriff homered in his third straight game, and Todd Hundley hit the first of two homers to give the Cubs a 3-0 lead in the fourth inning.

Hundley added another solo homer in the sixth, cutting Houston's lead to 6-4. It was Hundley's third multihome game this season and the 15th of his career.

The Astros added two insurance runs in the eighth on pinch-hitter Daryle Ward's RBI double and a wild pitch by Courtney Duncan.

**Rangers 5, Angels 4**

**ARLINGTON** — Rafael Palmeiro isn't quite ready to settle into a permanent designated hitter role, not yet.

Palmeiro hit two homers, including a tiebreaking drive in the eighth inning, to lead the Texas Rangers over the Anaheim Angels 5-4 Saturday night.

Rangers manager Jerry Narro will make extensive use of Palmeiro as a designated hitter during the rest of the season rather than play him at first base.

Palmeiro's regular position.

ron wants to take a good look at rookie first baseman Carlos Pena.

"I think I'm good enough defensively to be a complete player and not just a DH," said Palmeiro, who has 16 homers in his last 31 games. "But I understand that right now they want to see Carlos Pena. I don't have a problem with that."

Next season, however, Palmeiro would prefer to be back at first base on an everyday basis, and that creates a problem for Narro.

Palmeiro turns 37 on Sept. 24; Pena is 23 and the most promising rookie hitter in the organization, going 5-for-7 in his last two games.

"Raffy had a great game," Narro said. "Nothing surprises me about Raffy. He's a great, great hitter. Carlos is going to be a major league player. It's great having a guy come out of the minor leagues who you have confidence in."

Palmeiro hit a two-run homer in the third off Matt Wise and broke a 4-all tie in the eighth against Mike Holtz (1-2) with his 44th homer this season. Palmeiro, who had been tied with Dave Kingman for 25th on the career list, has 444 homers, eight shy of Carl Yastrzemski.

It was the 29th multihome game of Palmeiro's career, his sixth this season.

## MHS: 'Dogs climb back to second place

(From 1C)

Vannoy, who coached Central to three state tournament appearances in the early 1980s then left the school, is in the third year of her second tenure there.

"Central was a good match for

us," McColloch said. "They have tough hitters, and they're much improved. They gave us some competition, and they gave me a chance to see how we'd respond after Tuesday."

Looks like they responded well.

## Midland High Statistics

Kills: Jessi Hollums 12, Katie Decker 6, Ashley Burns 6, Aubrey Pavis 5, Landry Hollifield 3, Sherame Ward 2, Assists: Ward 14, Leah Robinson 9, Amber Zant 1, Toni Perkins 1, Burns 1, Blocks: Burns 7, Hollums 3, Decker 2, Hollifield 2, Pavis 2, Digs: Pavis 17, Hollums 11, Courtney Meyers 9, Ward 8, Erin Welles 5, Robinson 5, Burns 4, Decker 3, Zant 3, Perkins 2, Hollifield 1, Service reception (good passes): Pavis 12, Meyers 8, Welles 6, Hollums 5, Decker 3, Service points: Ward 10, Robinson 7, Pavis 5, Burns 4, Hollums 3, Meyers 1, Aces: Ward 1, Robinson 1.

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## Maddux leaves game with elbow injury

## Associated Press

**NEW YORK** — Greg Maddux left Saturday night's game against the New York Mets after two batters with a hyperextended right elbow.

"I'm not too concerned right now," Maddux said after Atlanta's 7-3 loss. "I'm supposed to make my next start. I think my arm should calm down in a day or two and be ready to go."

Maddux is expected to pitch

## MUSTANGS: Defense gets shutout

(From 1C)

fumble recovery for a touchdown by T.J. Midkiff to give Midland Christian a 27-0 lead.

While Shultz kept picking himself off the ground, Henke found himself searching for any daylight possible. All Henke found was Mustangs in blue jerseys keying on him.

"Our defense was explosive," Crossland said. "We worked all week on shutting down No. 22 (Henke). He's a good running back and he ran hard today. But when you have 11 guys coming at you, it's kind of hard to do anything."

"We've got the best defense in the state. I don't think anybody can do anything against us right now."

Henke finished with just 33 yards rushing and 27 yards receiving. As a team, Hyde Park was held to 39 yards of total offense, including minus-13 yards rushing.

Senior Mustang quarterback Jamie Beeghley also got into the action with touchdown passes to Bryan Joseph and Josh Wilson. Beeghley finished 13-for-21 passing with 122 yards, two TDs and one interception.

The final score may not have been much as a surprise to McClendon, knowing what his team is capable of when it is clicking on both sides of the ball.

this can happen," McClendon said. "We plan on playing a war every time."

**MUSTANG GALLOPS:** This is the second straight win over Hyde Park. Last season, Midland Christian beat the Panthers, 29-14, in Austin... Midland Christian is 2-2 in the last four meetings with Hyde Park... Midland Christian has now outscored its opponents 235-38 this season... Amy Lowery was crowned 2001 homecoming queen during halftime ceremonies. Football player Coy Riley was homecoming king.

**Midland Christian 40, Austin Hyde Park 0**

Hyde Park 0, Mid. Christian 40

| Hyde Park     | Mid. Christian |
|---------------|----------------|
| First Downs   | 21             |
| Yards Rushing | 232            |
| Yards Passing | 126            |

16-4-0 Att. Comp. Int. 23-14-1  
3-15-1 Fumbles-Lost 0-0  
6-31-5 Punts-Avg 0-00  
7-37 Penalties-Yds 8-62  
Austin Hyde Park 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Midland Christian 14 19 7 0 -40

**First Quarter**

MC - Tony Joseph 6 run (Greg Ross kick), 7:55.

MC - Joseph 7 run (Ross kick), 1:58.

**Second Quarter**

MC - Joseph 28 run (pass failed), 9:55.

MC - T.J. Midkiff 15 fumble recovery (Ross kick), 9:34.

MC - Bryan Joseph 4 pass from Beeghley (kick failed), 2:13.

**Third Quarter**

MC - Josh Wilson 3 pass from Beeghley (Ross kick), 4:25.

**Individual Statistical Leaders**

Rushing — Hyde Park, Zach Henke 12-33, Scott Elbrecht 3-26, Midland Christian, Tony Joseph 16-134, T.J. Midkiff 5-55, Blake Morpheus 5-29.

Passing — Hyde Park, Brandon Shultz 16-4-0, 52, Midland Christian, Jamie Beeghley 21-13-1, 122, J.W. Wilson 2-1-0-4.

Receiving — Hyde Park, Henke 2-27, Jeff Rogers 1-18, Midland Christian, David Guerrero 3-37, Bryan Joseph 3-23, Garrett Hellums 1-18, Midkiff 1-18, Josh Wilson 1-13, T. Joseph 2-13.

Interceptions — Hyde Park, Henke 1-0.

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## Like father, like son? Five 'Canes following in dad's footsteps

Associated Press

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — Kellen Winslow II remembers being draped around his father's leg in the San Diego Chargers' locker room, eyeing Charlie Joiner's every move.

Jarrett Payton recalls going to games, too, and seeing his dad's face everywhere — on TV, billboards and T-shirts.

As youngsters, that was as close as Winslow and Payton got to football.

Derrick Crudup, Quadtrine Hill and Buck Ortega were even less influenced by their NFL fathers.

None of the five players was pushed to play football. Their dads urged them to pursue other interests.

Nonetheless, they found their way onto the field. Now all five are trying to establish their own football identity with the top-ranked Miami Hurricanes, who are idle this weekend and play at Pittsburgh on Thursday.

"It's strange, but a lot of NFL guys have sons who aren't athletes — they can't walk and chew gum at the same time," said Derrick Crudup Sr., drafted by the Oakland Raiders in the seventh round in 1988. "These guys at UM are following in their fathers' footsteps and for all of them, the apple didn't fall very far from the tree."

Winslow was 4 when his father, Hall of Fame receiver Kellen Winslow, retired after nine seasons in the NFL. Kellen Winslow II didn't realize how good his dad was until several years later.

But he had watched his father play enough to know one thing: "I wanted to be just like him," Winslow said.

Winslow begged his dad to let him play football but to no avail. "He knew I had a lot of football ahead of me," Winslow said. "Sometimes kids play at a really young age and they get injured and they're all banged up by the time they get to high school or college."

Winslow was finally allowed to play as a freshman at Scripps Ranch High in San Diego. With dad always eager to offer advice, Winslow found himself pressing to be better than everyone else in his first two seasons.

He found himself trying to be as good as his father.

"It was hard because I had to live up to my expectations of what I wanted to do and what everyone wanted me to be. I thought I had to be the greatest," Winslow said.

Payton could have played football growing up, but preferred soccer. That was fine with his father, Hall of Fame running back Walter Payton, who liked that Jarrett was playing a sport with less risk of injury. But as a junior at St. Viator High in Chicago, Payton decided he wanted to score touchdowns instead of goals.

Although the fathers of Crudup, Hill and Ortega kept their sons away from football early on, they got really involved with their on-field development once they started playing.

They began coaching. Crudup wasn't allowed to play football until he was 12. Hill's father, former Rams and Miami Dolphins running back Eddie Hill, kept his son out of organized ball until eighth grade. Ortega's dad, former Atlanta Falcons and Dolphins linebacker Ralph Ortega, set 14 as the football age limit.

Ortega was so adamant about not leading his son into football that he refused to display jerseys, game balls or trophies at home.

But once Crudup, Hill and Ortega could play, their dads joined in.

They made sure their sons were given proper instruction, such as tackling techniques and strength, speed and agility drills. They also were able to help supervise workout programs.

There were disadvantages, too. The fathers had to make sure they treated their sons and other players equally. They also didn't want their relationships to revolve around football or change depending on success or failure.

"There's always a downside to having your dad as your coach," said Quadtrine Hill, a running back. "Whenever I do something wrong, he's going to see it and recognize it."

No matter what they do, though, they realize they probably will always be compared to their fathers.

"That's so fine. Being in the shadow of someone so great, you can never ask for anything else," Payton said.

minute right now." Tech led 21-0 at halftime. Anthony Terrell ended the second quarter with an interception. Bridges was held to 5-for-11 for 46 yards.

The Mean Green didn't score until Scott Hall — the normal starter who's been hampered by a calf injury — replaced Bridges in the third quarter.

Hall threw a 10-yard touchdown pass to George Marshall to cap a 15-play, 74-yard drive. The sophomore quarterback scored on a 2-yard run in the fourth quarter to cut the lead to 35-14.

Things for him to be able to play," Rangers general manager Glen Sather said Saturday. "We've had ongoing conversations with him."

Berard, who has already undergone seven eye surgeries, also would need to have a special contact lens inserted in his right eye to improve his vision.

His current 20/600 vision — seeing something in his right eye at 20 feet that someone with normal vision would see at 600 feet — falls below the league bylaw requiring all players to have eye-

## TECH: Red Raiders total 407 yards

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picked it up. They had run that route several times. I followed the route and the ball came right to me."

Tech coach Mike Leach, known for his love of high-scoring offense, was asked whether he should move McClendon to offense.

"We maybe ought to leave him where he is so we don't jinx it or anything," Leach said. "It looks like he's already playing offense so we ought to leave him alone."

Ricky Williams had 94 yards

on a 3-yard touchdown reception by Grover Thompson, who pulled in a wobbling pass tipped by Texas' Ahmad Brooks. The drive was set up by Stanford Routt's interception.

The Texas offense, which showed a brief spark in the first quarter when Simms hit Johnson in stride at midfield for the 92-yard score, the sixth-longest offensive play in Longhorns history, reawakened late in the second.

Simms shook off a crushing sack by Jason Parker and two late hits to deliver a 17-yard TD pass to Tony Jeffery with 8 seconds left in the half.

Houston mishandled the ensuing ground-ball kickoff, which was recovered by Texas' Brett

Williams got Texas down to the Houston 1 again at the end of the third quarter, and Simms began the next period by faking a hand-off to his big back and finding Brock Edwards for the score.

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Luke Morrow hits a return during a doubles match Saturday against Rusty Fuller and Ray Flumerfelt. For results please see local sports on page 2C.

## Simms leads Texas to victory

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Chris Simms threw for 311 yards and three touchdowns, including a 92-yarder to B.J. Johnson, as No. 5 Texas beat Houston 53-26 on Saturday night.

Despite showing some second-quarter rust that helped Houston take a brief lead, Simms rebounded to go 20-for-35 with one interception. Ivan Williams ran for 103 yards and two touchdowns for the Longhorns, 3-0 for the first time since 1994.

Texas scored 30 straight points before a sympathetic road crowd of 31,784, a much larger audience than the typical Houston game.

The Cougars (2-0) took a 14-10 lead late in the second quar-

ter on a 3-yard touchdown reception by Grover Thompson, who pulled in a wobbling pass tipped by Texas' Ahmad Brooks. The drive was set up by Stanford Routt's interception.

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## Rangers interested in Berard

Associated Press

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — If Bryan Berard's impaired vision can pass an NHL physical, the New York Rangers are interested in him.

The 24-year-old Toronto defenseman's career was thought to be finished after he sustained severe damage to his right eye when accidentally struck by Marian Hossa's stick in a 2000 game in Ottawa.

"He has to overcome a lot of

things for him to be able to play," Rangers general manager Glen Sather said Saturday. "We've had ongoing conversations with him."

Berard, who has already undergone seven eye surgeries, also would need to have a special contact lens inserted in his right eye to improve his vision.

His current 20/600 vision — seeing something in his right eye at 20 feet that someone with normal vision would see at 600 feet — falls below the league bylaw requiring all players to have eye-

sight of 20/400 or better.

"Of course, he has to pass a league physical," Sather said. "He was approved to play at the U.S. Olympic camps, and he had to get medical clearance there, right?"

Sather would like to get an answer as soon as possible.

"At this stage, I'm still willing to give it a chance," he said. "But if the season starts, and he comes up to me after that and asks for a tryout, sure, I'd give him one."

## De Ferran takes Rockingham 500

Associated Press

ROCKINGHAM, England — A race that almost wasn't run turned into one of CART's most dramatic of the season.

Coming out of the final turn Saturday in the shortened Rockingham 500, defending CART series champion Gil De Ferran surged by Kenny Brack for his first victory of the year.

The race — CART's second in Europe — was originally set for 311 miles and 210 laps but was shortened to 249 miles and 168 laps. However, after 100 laps and dusk settling, CART shortened the final distance to 140 laps.

The changes stemmed from water seepage on the new 1.5-mile oval, which opened a few months ago. The trouble wiped out two days of practice and qualifying and delayed the start by more than an hour.

The riveting finish before 38,000 fans at Rockingham Motor Speedway in central England came a week after Alex Zanardi crashed in Germany during CART's European debut and lost both his legs.

The German race also was disrupted by rain and run in the wake of terrorist attacks in the United States.

Drivers managed only 90 minutes of practice Saturday — their first practice of any kind on the

track. The grid — absent qualifying — was set according to season points. Brack was on the pole, followed by De Ferran and Michael Andretti.

Most drivers seemed willing to go along with CART's decision to run on the untested oval, which has remained wet in places despite two days without rain.

"There has been a little cloud over this trip with Alex's accident in Germany," De Ferran said. "However, it's largely been a success. Here it was reasonably well attended and in Germany it was a very well-attended race."

"Of course, we had to contend with rain and all that. And if I had to give any advice to CART — they shouldn't come back in September."

Since Thursday, workers have been drilling holes into the track to relieve underground pressure and speed drying.

De Ferran was overtaken by Brack with two laps remaining but the Brazilian came back on the final lap for his sixth career victory.

Brack of Team Rahal kept the season points lead with 147 to 141 for De Ferran of Team Penske. Andretti has 125 followed by Helio Castroneves (123) and Cristiano da Matta (92). Four races remain.

Castroneves dropped from third to fourth place after he was penalized for accelerating too soon coming out of the pits. Da Matta moved up to third.

De Ferran won by 0.634 seconds over Brack. De Ferran is CART's 11th different winner this season, tying a record set a year ago.

De Ferran, whose previous victory came in Portland, Ore., last season, took the lead with a quick pit stop under the third yellow flag after 100 laps.

Two laps from the end, Brack passed De Ferran as the Brazilian got caught in traffic behind Max Papis, Brack's teammate.

"I certainly wasn't about to give up," De Ferran said. "I just tried to stay with him as much as I could and see if I could turn nothing into something. It worked out OK because Kenny had exactly the same problem I had. He couldn't get by the traffic."

De Ferran likened the first two turns on the new oval to Indianapolis and Brack called it "extremely fast."

Brack has won all four of his races this season on ovals. He was going for his second victory in a week after capturing the American Memorial 500 in Germany, winning under a yellow flag following Zanardi's nearly fatal crash.

## AGGIES: Farris, Taylor connect for touchdown

(From 1C)

potent offense but the Aggies grabbed a 14-7 lead early in the second half when Mark Farris connected with Jamaar Taylor with a pass on the left side and Taylor ran 19 yards down the sideline for the touchdown. Farris had TD passes in six straight games, equaling a 33-year-old A&M record.

The Aggies had scored first, taking advantage of a failed fake punt late in the first quarter.

Elder, back to kick on fourth-and-14 from his own 25, took off running but gained only 6 yards, giving the Aggies a first down at Oklahoma State 31. Six plays later, Keith Joseph scored on a 2-yard run up the middle to put Texas A&M ahead 7-0.

The Cowboys' defense set up Oklahoma State's only score when Terrence Robinson intercepted a tipped pass from Farris and returned it 16 yards to the A&M 10.

On the next play, Tatum Bell took a handoff and scooted down the left sideline untouched to pull the Cowboys even at 7 midway through the second period.

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## PROFESSIONAL GOLF SCORES

| PGA                            |              | Seniors                     |           | PGA                         |           |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Pennsylvania Classic Scores    |              | SAS Championship Series     |           | Asahi Ryokuken Scores       |           |
| Play suspended due to darkness |              | Saturday                    |           | Saturday                    |           |
| At Laurel Valley Golf Club     |              | At Prestonwood Country Club |           | At Mount Vintage Plantation |           |
| Ligonier, Pa.                  |              | Cary, N.C.                  |           | North Augusta, S.C.         |           |
| Yardage: 7,261; Par 72         |              | Yardage: 7,137; Par 72      |           | Yardage: 6,321; Par 72      |           |
| Purse: \$3.3 million           |              | Purse: \$1.6 million        |           | Purse: \$1.2 million        |           |
| Partial Third Round            |              | Second Round                |           | Second Round                |           |
| Kevin Sutherland               | 76-65-64-205 | Bruce Lietzke               | 69-66-135 | Kris Tschetter              | 66-66-134 |
| Camron Beckman                 | 70-71-65-206 | Bobby Wadkins               | 68-67-135 | Tracy Hanson                | 70-66-136 |
| Jay Haas                       | 70-71-65-206 | Jay Overton                 | 66-69-135 | Tina Fischer                | 70-66-136 |
| Larry Mize                     | 73-67-67-207 | Larry Nelson                | 65-71-136 | Nancy Scanlon               | 68-68-136 |
| Charles Howell III             | 68-64-66-208 | Bruce Fleisher              | 67-70-137 | Laura Diaz                  | 67-69-136 |
| Chris DiMarco                  | 69-70-69-208 | John Schroeder              | 72-65-137 | Heather Bowie               | 69-68-137 |
| Jeff Hart                      | 70-71-68-209 | Gary McCord                 | 69-68-137 | Emilee Klein                | 69-68-137 |
| Jay Williamson                 | 74-68-67-209 | Doug Tewell                 | 66-72-138 | Sherry Steinhilber          | 72-66-138 |
| Glen Hnatuk                    | 70-73-66-209 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Meg Mallon                  | 70-68-138 |
| Matt Gogel                     | 70-73-66-209 | Allen Doyle                 | 69-69-138 | Carin Koch                  | 69-68-138 |
| David Frost                    | 70-69-70-210 | Isao Aoki                   | 71-67-138 | Rose Jones                  | 68-71-139 |
| Tim Herron                     | 72-68-70-210 | Gil Morgan                  | 70-68-138 | Grace Park                  | 68-71-139 |
| Marco Dawson                   | 69-74-67-211 | David McDermott             | 69-71-139 | Marianne Morris             | 67-72-139 |
| Jeff Sluman                    | 72-67-71-210 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Lilla Linder                | 73-67-140 |
| Per-Ulrik Johansson            | 67-73-71-211 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Annika Sorenstam            | 70-70-140 |
| Willie Wood                    | 70-70-71-211 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Julie Piers                 | 73-71-141 |
| Paul Starkowski                | 70-72-70-212 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Michelle Estill             | 72-70-140 |
| Tom Byrum                      | 69-73-70-212 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Wendy Doonan                | 72-70-140 |
| Andrew McDardy                 | 74-68-70-212 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Janice Moodie               | 74-70-141 |
| Chris Smith                    | 72-69-71-212 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Cindy Flom                  | 74-70-141 |
| Jerry Smith                    | 68-71-72-212 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Alicia Dobe                 | 73-71-141 |
| Olin Browne                    | 68-71-72-212 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Wendy Doonan                | 72-70-140 |
| Greg Kraft                     | 72-68-72-212 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Angie Ridgeway              | 72-72-141 |
| Jerry Kelly                    | 71-68-73-212 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Donna Wilkins               | 75-79-154 |
| John Cook                      | 74-70-72-213 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Karen Weiss                 | 75-79-154 |
| John Huston                    | 71-71-71-213 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Vicki Ferguson              | 75-79-154 |
| Michael Clark II               | 69-73-71-213 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Fiona Piel                  | 73-80-157 |
| Jonathan Kaye                  | 70-72-71-213 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Denise Killean              | 73-72-145 |
| Brian Watts                    | 70-72-71-213 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Beth Daniel                 | 73-72-145 |
| Shigeki Maruyama               | 72-69-72-213 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Kristina Bouch              | 76-76-140 |
| Brian Gay                      | 70-72-71-213 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 | Chris Johnson               | 88-80-150 |
| Shawn Appleby                  | 70-72-71-213 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Billy Andrade                  | 70-72-71-213 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Briny Baird                    | 69-71-73-213 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Jeff Brubaker                  | 72-72-69-213 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Duffy Wadford                  | 75-69-69-213 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Lan Matlack                    | 71-71-72-214 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Heath Slocum                   | 71-71-72-214 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Bob Way                        | 70-73-71-214 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| John Riegger                   | 74-70-72-214 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Dan Forsman                    | 71-71-73-215 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Edward Fryatt                  | 71-71-73-215 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Kelly Grunwald                 | 73-69-73-215 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Kevin Johnson                  | 72-72-72-215 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Andrew Magee                   | 72-72-71-215 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Steve Lowery                   | 71-68-76-215 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| J.L. Lewis                     | 71-68-76-215 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Lee Porter                     | 71-70-75-216 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Robert Garmez                  | 70-73-73-216 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Lan Janzen                     | 72-72-72-216 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Scott Venzler                  | 74-70-72-216 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Paul Azinger                   | 70-74-72-216 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| David Peoples                  | 75-69-73-217 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Mike Reid                      | 70-76-78-218 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Brian Clair                    | 73-69-78-218 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Carl Pavoni                    | 70-74-75-219 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Mark Calacavachia              | 69-73-78-220 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| John Restino                   | 71-71-78-221 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| John Daly                      | 71-71-82-224 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |
| Ryan Dillon                    | 70-72-81-224 | Tom Kile                    | 69-69-138 |                             |           |

## Aussie takes lead at Pennsylvania Classic

## Associated Press

LIGONIER, Pa. — The only thing that finally stopped Robert Allenby was darkness Saturday in the Pennsylvania Classic.

Allenby made the most of his long day at Laurel Valley, making four birdies in the morning to finish the second round in the lead, then picking up the pace to build a two-stroke advantage over hometown favorite Rocco Mediate when play was suspended.

The 30-year-old Aussie was at 14-under par through 15 holes, making 10 birdies in the 24 holes he played Saturday.

The tournament has been delayed by rain and fog every day, but those conditions have left Laurel Valley soft and vulnerable. Allenby wasn't the only one who took advantage.

Kevin Sutherland had a course-record 64, an amazing revival considering he was 6-over par after his first 14 holes on Thursday.

"After the first day, I wasn't really seeing any light at the end of the tunnel," Sutherland said. "I'm just making everything I look at right now. For some reason, I just started playing a whole lot better. I can't explain it."

Sutherland was the clubhouse leader, finishing at 205 about an hour before it was too dark for Allenby, Mediate and 10 other players to continue. They will return at 9 a.m. Sunday to finish the third round.

Another stroke back at 10-under 206 was Jay Haas (66) and Cameron Beckman, who made 10 birdies but had to settle for a 65

because of a triple bogey on the par-3 14th. Nick Price and Steve Elkington also were 10-under par with two holes to play.

Beckman has made it through qualifying school the past three years, the longest active streak on the PGA Tour. Such resiliency paid off when he chunked an 8-iron into the water on No. 14 and then three-putted from about 10 feet.

He had been 8 under through 13 holes, but looked at the bright side.

"It's easy to forget a triple bogey when you're 8 under," he said. "I told my caddy I'm going to make two birdies coming in, and that's what I did."

If only John Daly could have followed that script.

Laurel Valley proved to be the perfect setting for Daly. He was up-and-down all day, flirting with the cut, zooming into contention and then skidding to the bottom of the pack. When his wild ride was over, he had an 82, his first score in the 80s this year.

Daly was headed for an early exit, at 2-over par, when he hit a 334-yard drive with no roll that left him only a 7-iron to the 524-yard sixth hole. He hit it into 4 feet for eagle, then birdied his last three holes to complete his second round just six off the lead.

He unraveled in two holes.

He four-putted for double bogey on No. 13, then hit two balls in the water on the par-3 14th and three-putted for an 8.

Allenby had no such adventures. He returned to Laurel Valley in the morning to finish off nine holes of his second round, and finished with a 65 that could have been much lower. He hit all 18 greens in regulation, and the longest of his seven birdies was 8 feet.

"I don't recall hitting a bad shot," he said. He picked up the pace quickly — a birdie from 5 feet on No. 1, a wedge that spun back to 4 inches for birdie on No. 3 and an approach into 2 feet on the next hole. Mediate turned around and smiled at him in disbelief.

Mediate, who grew up 20 miles away and had the gallery on his side, did his part just to keep up. He holed birdie putts of 18 feet and 12 feet, and closed to within one stroke with a birdie on No. 11 as Allenby took bogey.

Another two-shot swing turned in the Aussie's favor on No. 12 to restore the cushion.

With soft conditions, it could be anyone's tournament on Sunday. There were eight players within five shots of the lead, and Sutherland and Beckman proved that kind of margin can be erased with one round.

Divots: Vijay Singh made three bogeys on his final five holes Friday and wound up missing the cut by one stroke. It was the first time in six years that Singh has missed the cut in back-to-back PGA Tour events, dating to the Masters and Hilton Head in 1995. ... Beckman and Sutherland played in the same group and combined for 19 birdies in the third round.

## Vargas stops Flores to win title once again

## Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Fernando Vargas helped rescue the career of Jose "Shibata" Flores by putting him on his undercards and making him a sparring partner. On Saturday night, however, his generosity went only so far.

Vargas became a champion once again, wearing down Flores with a punishing assault on his body before finally stopping his former sparring partner to win the vacant WBA 154-pound title.

"It was crazy. All the time in the ring I was thinking I can't believe I'm fighting him," Vargas said. "All the time he was sparring with me and now I'm fighting him. He's a great guy."

Vargas had to overcome a

shaky start to regain a portion of the junior middleweight title that he lost when he was stopped by Felix Trinidad last December.

He did it by using a relentless inside attack that wore Flores down as the fight wore on. It was only a matter of time before it was over, and that time came at the end of the seventh round.

Vargas had hurt Flores with a series of body shots midway through the round and was pummeling him with both hands on the ropes when Flores went down in self defense.

He sat on the canvas as referee Joe Cortez counted him out at 2:59 of the seventh round, then smiled as he got up and congratulated the fighter who revitalized his career.

"He knew a lot of my moves so

I had to stay a step ahead of him," Vargas said.

Vargas, fighting for only the second time since losing to Trinidad, was hit frequently in the early rounds and appeared to be hurt by a looping right hook from the left-hander midway through the second round.

Flores (42-9) said he may retire after getting his first shot at a title and his biggest payday, \$315,000. His career had been going nowhere when Vargas hired him as a sparring partner in 1999 and began putting him on the undercard of his fights.

It got him the No. 1 ranking by the WBA and a shot at the title vacated by Trinidad when he moved up in weight, but Vargas was simply too strong and too active.

rounded by healthy bodies and a better attitude this time.

At halftime, the Cowboys will make former receiving star "Bul-let" Bob Hayes the 11th inductee into their Ring of Honor.

Hayes revolutionized his position in 1965 by bringing the speed that carried him to the gold medal in the 100 meters at the 1964 Olympics. Zone defenses were created to try stopping him after a rookie season in which he averaged 21.8 yards per catch and scored 12 touchdowns. He made All-Pro four times in his 10-year career.

His reputation was tarnished by a drug-trafficking conviction in 1979 and later stays in rehabilitation centers. Now 58, he's facing a variety of ailments and the Cowboys are hoping this honor could help lead to his induction into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

## Three Seniors rookies move into tie for lead

## Associated Press

CARY, N.C. — Senior PGA Tour rookies Bruce Lietzke, Bobby Wadkins and Jay Overton capitalized on ideal conditions Saturday and shared the lead after two rounds of the SAS Championship.

Lietzke, Wadkins and Overton were each at 9-under-par 135, one stroke better than first-round leader Larry Nelson, whose round included a 10.

Lietzke, competing in his sixth senior event, had seven birdies and one bogey in his round for a 66.

"There were lots of opportunities out there and I took advantage of some of them," said Lietzke, who won the 3M Championship in early August. "I think I hit all but one green."

Wadkins offset bogeys on his first two holes with an eagle and five birdies en route to a 67.

"I'm hitting a lot of greens and a lot of fairways," Wadkins said. "The eagle on No. 4 got my round turned around."

Overton, a Monday qualifier who was one stroke off the lead after Friday's opening round, shot a 69 in a round that included an eagle, two birdies and a bogey.

"I got away with a poor driving round," Overton said. "I had a bad round today. I'll just go out and play the golf course tomorrow."

Nelson followed an opening 65 with a 71 in a round that includ-

ed a 10 on the par-4 13th hole and eight birdies.

Nelson, at 12 under and leading by four strokes, hit his tee shot on No. 10 into the rough. He pushed his second shot well right and a marshal indicated that the ball landed out of bounds.

Nelson hit another ball from the spot of his second shot, but failed to tell his playing partners, Overton and Doug Tewell, that it was a provisional.

Nelson's original second shot was found inbounds, but was no longer in play because Nelson failed to indicate that the second ball was a provisional.

By failing to declare his second shot from the fairway a provisional, Nelson was required to play the second ball. He finished the hole with a double-bogey six, but four penalty strokes pushed the score to a 10.

Nelson dropped to 6 under on the hole. He finished his round with four pars and two birdies.

"I don't know who to be mad at," Nelson said. "I thought I had made six, then was informed of the penalties. After making four straight birdies, then a 10, it takes a lot out of you."

John Schroeder matched the low round of the day with a 65 and was tied with Gary McCord (68) at 137.

Gil Morgan and Tom Kite were among a group of five at 138.

A total of 31 players are within six shots of the leaders.

## Tschetter takes lead

## Associated Press

NORTH AUGUSTA, S.C. — Kris Tschetter knew her hip wasn't right, no matter how many doctors and MRI tests said differently.

"Probably the most frustrating was when they kept telling me nothing was wrong and I knew all along," said Tschetter, who had surgery to repair damage to her hip and cartilage 15 months ago.

Finally, Tschetter feels fit. She showed it Saturday by shooting a 66 for a 10-under 134 and a two-stroke lead after two rounds of the rain-shortened Asahi Ryokuken International.

Tschetter birdied three of her last four holes to lead Laura Diaz (69), Tracy Hanson (66), Nancy Scanlon (68) and Tina Fischer (66).

The 36-year-old Tschetter felt discomfort in her left hip in 1998, but played through the pain. Doctors and tests failed to find the cause of the pain, and Tschetter's game suffered as she fell from 27th on the money list in 1997 to 117th last year.

Tschetter received a newspaper article detailing her condition from a woman she did not know. She immediately called her doctor.

"I was grasping at straws, anyway," she said.

Surgery revealed cartilage damage along with a tear of the hip's labrum.

"My recovery went from 6-to-8 weeks to 6-to-8 months," Tschetter said. "But I'll tell you what, it's amazing how much better it feels. I mean, it's just night and day different."

Tschetter's game has improved. She shot a 63 at the Standard Register Ping, but lost a day later when Annika Sorenstam carded the first 59 on the LPGA Tour. Tschetter had three straight top 10 finishes in July, including a third at the Big Apple Classic.

She showed that form Saturday at Mount Vintage Plantation.

After opening with a bogey, Tschetter had birdie putts of 10 feet on Nos. 12 and 14. She left

an approach shot hanging on the lip for an easy birdie on the 16th, and assumed the lead for the first time with a 12-foot putt on No. 2.

Tschetter reached the par-5 sixth hole in two and made birdie. She rolled in a 12-footer for a birdie on the seventh, and pitched within 18 inches on No. 9 for her lowest round since an opening 63 at the Standard Register Ping in March.

"I'm really feeling good this month," Tschetter said. "It's just too bad it's the end of the year."

Tschetter was among 72 golfers who finished their opening round Thursday, took Friday off and returned for the second round. The LPGA cut the 72-hole tournament to 54 because of bad weather.

Those forced to finish round one and play a second-round Friday worried they would get left behind by players ready to batter smooth greens and milder conditions.

Sorenstam, who was off Saturday, is six shots behind at 4 under. The Swedish star was one of the players most opposed to a shortened event. The \$1.2 million tournament is in its first year.

"I want to play 72 holes," she said. "It's a truer test of golf."

The four tied for second, Diaz, Hanson, Scanlon and Fischer, all played Saturday.

Emilee Klein, tied at 7 under with Heather Bowie, was the only one who played Friday among the top seven.

"We get to see the course with the least amount of people on it," said Diaz, a runner-up four times this season but without a victory. "That's definitely an advantage. It's unfortunate that it happened that way, but it happens to us all at some point in the year."

Meg Mallon, four shots behind at 6 under, left the course Friday one shot in back.

"Ten's the number, but there are a lot of people between too," said Mallon, moving from the practice range to the putting green on her off day. "Hopefully, there can be some good rounds Sunday too."

## 'BOYS: Ekuban out after back surgery

(From 1C)

"We've tried quite a few guys the last few years, but we drafted LaDainian as the guy to build the foundation around," San Diego coach Mike Riley said.

While Tomlinson will get the early focus, Sunday's game could end up being more meaningful to Smith, who needs 64 yards to pass Barry Sanders for No. 2 on the career rushing list. He gained 40 yards against Tampa Bay.

The Chargers were the NFL's best run-stoppers in Week 1, limiting Washington to 44 yards. It helped, though, that San Diego led 10-0 after one quarter and 20-0 at halftime, forcing the Redskins to pass.

"What we want to do is turn them into a one-dimensional team," Chargers linebacker Junior Seau said. "Once we take away the running game, which is

Emmitt Smith and their offensive line, then we can put pressure on the quarterback and (receiver) Joey Galloway."

Dallas threw for only 34 yards in the opener with rookie Quincy Carter at quarterback. A thumb injury has kept him out of more than a week of practice, making it likely Anthony Wright will get the third start of his career.

The Cowboys also will be without defensive end Ebenezer Ekuban, who had back surgery this week. The Chargers will be missing DE Marcellus Wiley and cornerback Alex Molden, both of whom might return next week.

Wright started and lost the final two games last season, both against top-rated defenses. He was 5-for-20 for 35 yards with two interceptions in a 31-0 loss to Tennessee in an uninspired finale for a Dallas team wracked by injuries. He's looking forward to being sur-

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P255/70R-16 OWL All-Season  
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Front License Plate Bracket  
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# HOMES & CLASSIFIED

## 2206 WHITNEY DRIVE

Try as I will to come up with fancy words to describe the feel of this MaMar home, the truth is, it simply makes you feel good! A good deal of it has to do with the imaginative design of the builder, who started out in the front yard with a walkway alongside the drive way, by arranging huge concrete stepping stones so that they overlap and lead you to the large open entry way, where the formal living room is visible, and beyond that, a gorgeous east-facing covered patio and back yard that is shade-dappled and lovely no matter what time of day it is.



Another home-feel plus here is the "great room" arrangement of large breakfast area-kitchen-den that are clearly defined yet open enough that conversation is easy—a good reason that entertaining is so easy here. The formal dining room opens off the den/kitchen area and continues that functional flow from one living space to another.

The den, which is the only room in the house without large, wide windows, is one of those rooms where you can take refuge, with a large fireplace and brick surrounds, just perfect for traditional holiday decorating in the winter, and a perfect private spot for intimate family moments.

But it's the extras that make this house so truly functional—such as the built-in china hutch in the formal dining room, a niche opposite the extra bedrooms and bath that is perfect for a pocket-size office, yet with plenty of room for the computer and file storage, plantation shutters and wood shutters, extra-wide thoroughways in the bathrooms, and a powder room off the great room.

The present owners said what they love the most about this house is the neighborhood, the sheltering trees, "and the resident squirrels."

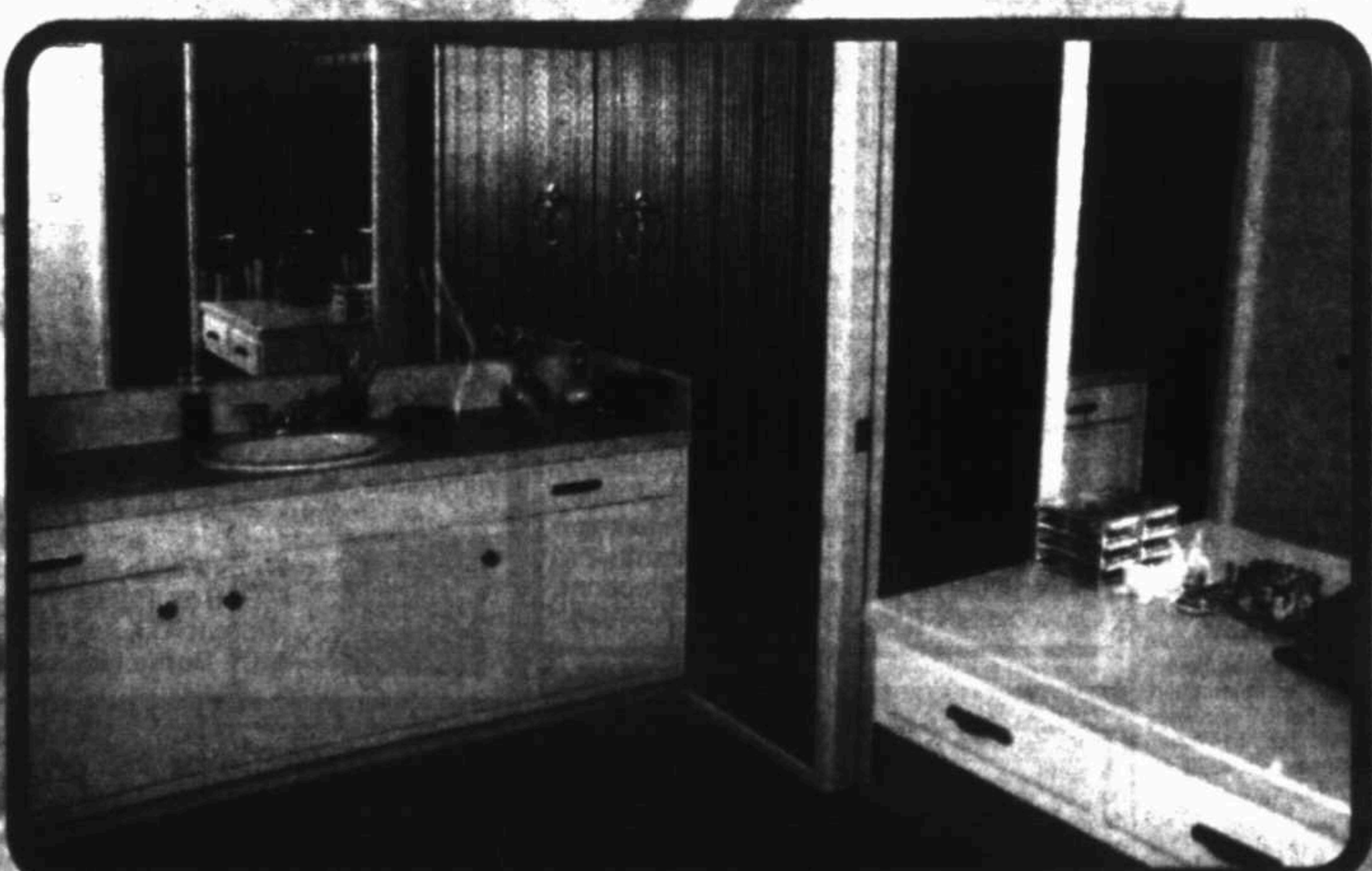
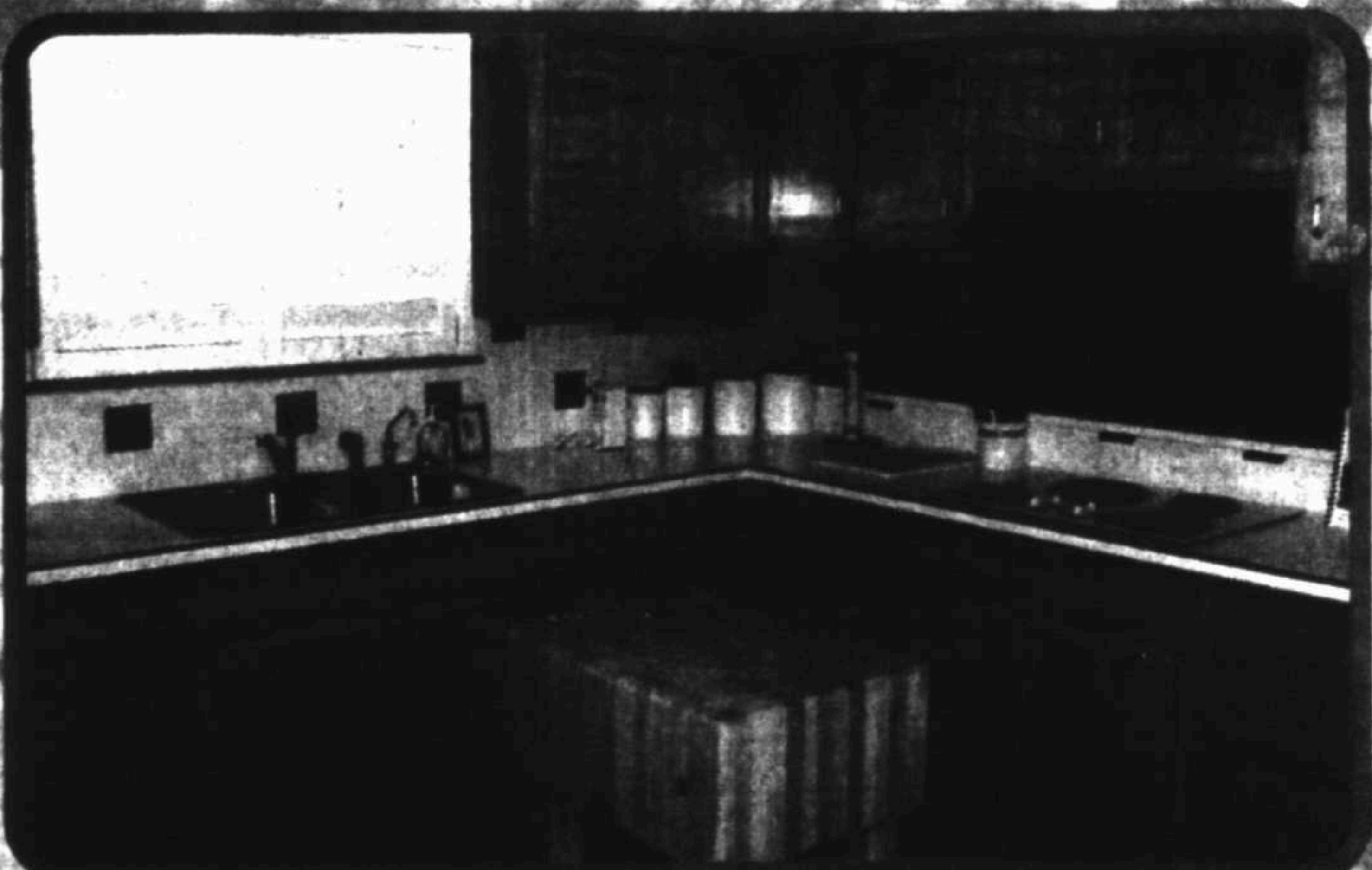
**Statistics:**  
Square feet livable: 2513  
Bedrooms: 3  
Baths: 2-1/2  
Dining areas: 2  
Living areas: 2  
Fireplace: 1  
2-car garage



This home lists for \$124,500, and will be open today from 2:30 to 4, or for a private showing, call Cindy Kellough, Realtor with Real Estate One at 682-1111 or 556-4044.

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

**PRE-QUALIFIED VS. PRE-APPROVED:  
KNOW BEFORE YOU BUY**

Most people know it's important to have their proverbial financial house in order before taking steps to purchase a home. Besides paying off loans and holding off on large purchases, some people may also decide to get preliminary loan approvals before they start looking. While that's a great idea, consumers need to be aware of the differences between getting pre-qualified and getting pre-approved for a loan - because they are not the same.

Though either scenario puts the consumer in a stronger position as a buyer when shopping for a home, getting pre-approved carries much more weight in the eyes of a seller.

"Pre-qualified means that you may be eligible to borrow a certain amount," said Gordon Robinson, a Realtor with The House Company in Galveston. "But pre-approved means your financial documentation has been checked out and the amount you can borrow has already been established by a lender."

Getting pre-approved tells you how much money you can borrow from a particular lender, and makes the next step - applying for a loan - relatively fast and easy.

What does it mean to get pre-qualified?

When you get pre-qualified for a home loan, you include approximate income, current debts, and any meaningful details from your credit history. Then a lender calculates how much money you will be eligible to borrow prior to application for a loan. All information submitted during pre-qualification is subject to verification at application. Because it's information that hasn't yet been verified, there's still a question in the mind of the lender and the seller.

Also, the amount you might be eligible to borrow is often much higher than the amount you can actually borrow, so it's wise to get pre-approved so you know exactly what you can afford.

"Don't be misled into believing you can afford what you're pre-qualified for," advises Robinson. "It's not always realistic. Stick to what you can afford."

What does it mean to get pre-approved?

When you get pre-approved for a loan, you actually apply for the loan before you know which home you will purchase. After checking credit and verifying your income, the lender will commit, in writing, to funding your loan, pending a successful appraisal of the home and a few other conditions. There's no commitment

on your part to follow through with the loan, but it's solid documentation that puts you well ahead of those who are only pre-qualified.

In fact, getting pre-approved can literally put you in the driver's seat when it comes time to make an offer on the house you want. Being pre-approved shows the seller you're a serious buyer who is ready and able to make a deal. Get your finances in order before you buy.

If you don't know how much of your money you want to devote toward housing, it's difficult to know what you can and can't afford. If you haven't done so already, just thinking about buying a home is a great excuse to get your finances in order.

First, check your credit history and report for any errors. It's a good idea, even if you're not quite ready to buy. If your credit report has mistakes or other blemishes, your credit rating will suffer. As a result, you could pay higher interest rates, or possibly not be able to secure financing.

Robinson recalls the case of one couple preparing to get married. The woman's poor credit was affecting the whole financing process. While the situation worked itself out, those are issues to iron out before you get that far.

"Get any credit glitches cleared up well in advance," he recommends. "Most lenders can help with minor problems such as slow pays or skipped payments. But in the end, the burden of proof is on you."

Be smart, take steps to secure your finances, and get pre-approved. Soon you'll be in the home you've always dreamed about - with the peace of mind you deserve.

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## Refinancing Advice

"Two years and two points..." This is the response Kay Sutton, owner of Century 21 Kay Sutton, Realtors gave the person asking her what are the first two items to think about if you are considering refinancing your existing mortgage.

Interest rates are lower than they've been in years and many homeowners are wondering if now is the time to refinance their higher-interest mortgage loans.

Is the time right for you to refinance? It depends.

A standard rule of thumb is to refinance if the current mortgage rate is at least 2 percent points below your existing mortgage rate because you need a considerable rate reduction to compensate for the refinancing expense. Costs associated with refinancing can include points charged by the lender and fees for appraisal, title and other related services.

Another major factor tied into the interest rate is how long you plan to live in your house. Figure out how long it would

take to recover the refinancing costs through the monthly savings from the lower interest rate. Divide the annual payment savings into the total refinancing costs to determine the break-even point.

If this point is at least a few years before you think you will move, you could be in a good position to refinance.

Finally, it is important to determine what your financial goals are. There are several reasons homeowners choose to refinance.

Some homeowners want to pay off the mortgage earlier and usually choose to refinance to a shorter term mortgage. Some owners simply want to lower the monthly payments.

Now is certainly an attractive time to refinance, but each owner's case is unique and it is a matter you should talk about thoroughly with a mortgage lender of your choice.

Story submitted by Kay Sutton, broker/owner of CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton, Realtors and currently serving on the Texas Real Estate Commission.

## RELOCATION TIPS - AN ACTION PLAN FOR ESTABLISHING RELATIONSHIPS IN YOUR NEW COMMUNITY

- Start your day with a positive attitude. "I will accomplish something today!"
- Look your best everyday. How you look affects how you feel. Good grooming is essential to success in any field.
- Be organized. At night make a list of things to do the following day. Put the things you enjoy LEAST first on the list. Worrying about or dreading a task will drain your energy and tend to pay havoc with your attitude. Check off items as you accomplish them. At the end of the day you will get satisfaction in seeing how much you have achieved.
- Exert yourself when you don't feel like it.
- Use "thank-you" notes as an appreciation of another's gracious treatment, to remind someone of your past

- meeting or to bring up an additional point.
- Use criticism sparingly and only in a positive way.
- Get adequate rest, nourishment and exercise so that you will have the personal stamina to accomplish what you set out to do.
- Be enthusiastic. It's contagious!
- Seek out activities which you have enjoyed in the past. It will give your life a feeling of continuity.
- Communicate with your spouse. Compare facts and feelings regarding your move.
- Send a brief profile of yourself, see if the local newspaper has a column for "New Faces in Town"
- Smile Often!

Fifth of six articles on Tips for the Relocating Spouse, Partner and/or Family submitted by Marilyn Jo Smith, Relocation Director, Langston Realtors.

## TREES AND MONEY

**QUESTION:** Is it true that planting trees on a vacant house lot can increase the value of that property?

**ANSWER:** A study on this very subject indicated that, while planting trees on an average-sized lot can add between 7% and 15% to the land value, you can risk reducing the value by overdoing it.

The study shows that land value increases at about \$300 per tree of six-inch diameter or more, up to a total of sixteen trees. The next ten trees increases the land value by only \$200 apiece, and the 30th tree is considered "worthless." Any trees beyond the thirty may actually REDUCE the land value according to the study.

This article submitted by Victoria Printz, of RE/MAX of Midland.

## HOW DO YOU FIND A GOOD BROKER OR AGENT?

Just like finding a doctor or an attorney, many people are referred to a broker by friends or family who have had a good experience with that agent. Although many people prefer an experienced agent, a newer agent may prove to be willing to go the extra mile to build their business. Regardless of experience you should find someone who suits your personality - if you are an early bird, don't choose one who is always running behind; if you are really organized, don't choose one who is always losing keys. These little quirks may seem minor but can drive you crazy after a while. If you have a relative who is a broker you may still do better to find a broker who has a proven track record of selling homes quickly in your neighborhood. It is also important to work

with someone who won't push you into making a decision or accepting an offer before you are totally ready. You want a broker who will take the time to tell you the facts, compare various options but not scare you into taking a bad offer. At the same time your chosen broker should also be strong enough to tell you when you have overpriced your home and work to help you price it right for the market you are currently in. Should you ever have a problem with your agent you should contact that agent's managing broker. One of the managing broker's most important jobs is to smooth out any problems between agents and sellers. Your listing agreement is with the brokerage firm, not just an individual agent.

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This story was submitted by Norma Pine, Broker-Associate, ABR, CRS, RE/MAX of Midland.

## MEANINGFUL COMMITMENT!

Last week your "For Sale By Owner" ad appeared for the first time. A family just called you back saying they want the house. Hoorah! They've asked you to hold the house until next Friday and will be "in touch" soon. What do you do now?

As a rule, agreements for the sale of real estate must be in writing to be enforceable. The agreement states the purchase price, details of financing, closing date, possession date, and other information. Buyers should also offer a substantial earnest money deposit as evidence of their serious intent.

As long as both buyer and seller are in perfect agreement, a verbal agreement could be consummated. If either buyers or sellers disagree on any point, however, the

transaction would not be enforceable.

Consider this. Sincere buyers, who truly intend to keep their end of the bargain, have no qualms about signing a written agreement or offering earnest money. If they hesitate, you might ask whether they are really serious buyers.

A real estate agent can represent your interests by qualifying buyers and preparing an agreement of sale. Marketing your home at the best possible price and terms is important too. Your agent understands the local real estate market and is able to provide buyers qualified to purchase your home. Take no shortcuts. To sell your home, be represented by an agent!

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**IST NATIONAL BANK**  
 Growing established (1903) N. M. Based financial institution is

**Seeking:**  
**COMMERCIAL/AGRICULTURAL LENDER**

Qualifications include:  
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Resume, references and salary requirement may be mailed to:  
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 PO Box 460  
 Hobbs, N.M. 88240

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**LOGISTICS COORDINATOR**

Clicklogistics, Inc. is seeking highly motivated candidates to fill the position of Logistics Coordinator in Midland, TX. This position will be coordinating the movement of shipments of oil and gas field equipment, monitoring shipment status and carrier performance, auditing and submitting freight bills for payment, and providing outstanding customer service for a major oil and gas company. The candidates must have a minimum of three years of oil and gas field experience and knowledge of the transportation industry. A Bachelor's degree in Business, Engineering, or Liberal Arts is preferred. Candidates must have strong analytical and computer skills that can be utilized to produce creative ideas. Clicklogistics, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

If you are interested in this position please send your resume by mail, fax or e-mail to the Human Resources Department at the following:

Job Code: 5-512-81-003  
 Clicklogistics, Inc.  
 5333 Davidson Hwy.  
 Concord, NC 28027  
 (704) 789-2017 (fax)  
 kmcmilla@carollog.com

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**DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT**  
**CONFEDERATE AIR FORCE**

The Confederate Air Force seeks a creative, well organized, energetic, individual as the Director of Development to enhance the financial stability of the CAF, the American Airpower Heritage Museum, and the American Airpower Heritage Foundation through a variety of fund raising methods such as special events, grant writing, membership drives, direct mail, and donor solicitations to support general operating expenses, capital campaigns, an endowment campaign and a planned giving program.

Ideal candidates for this position will have a college degree and knowledge of the local community. Candidate should have at least 2 years of proven ability to meet fund raising objectives with other nonprofit organizations, and experience in organizing special events, grant writing and volunteer management. Advanced database and word processing skills are beneficial. Excellent verbal and written communication skills are required.

Applicants should submit a resume to:  
 Confederate Air Force  
 P.O. Box 62000  
 Midland, TX 79711-2000  
 Please no telephone inquiries  
 The CAF is an equal opportunity employer.

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**Administrative Assistant**

Professional position with heavy Word, Excel & Powerpoint. Call

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Immediate opening for an experienced bank bookkeeper. Call

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**AUDITOR CLERK**

Midland MISD is accepting applications for the position of

Other things being equal, preference will be given to applicants possessing the following qualifications:

- High School Diploma or GED
- Have or be eligible for secretarial certification
- Type 60 wpm
- 10 Key calculation by touch
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- Two years secretarial experience

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 Complete job description available upon request

Interest in this position may be expressed by submitting an application, a letter of interest describing your qualifications for the position to the Office of Auxiliary Personnel, 615 W. Missouri, Suite 201 no later than 5:00pm, Wednesday, September 26, 2001.

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**Human Resources Assistant**

**Western Container Corporation**, the premier manufacturer of plastic bottles for the Coca-Cola bottling system, is looking for a career-minded team member to provide assistance in our Corporate Human Resources Department.

Primary duties will include providing administrative support by preparing reports, coordinating insurance billing, interacting with benefit programs, and distributing processing department mail.

We are looking for excellent organizational skills and proficiency in words processing and spreadsheet software. Good interpersonal skills required. Human Resources and/or payroll related experience would be a plus.

Excellent benefit package includes 401(k) plan with dollar for dollar matching up to 6%, paid holidays, vacation leave, medical/dental insurance, disability insurance, and education reimbursement.

Send resume with salary requirements to Tammy Chaney, FAX (915) 684-3240, or mail to Western Container Corp., 15 Smith Rd., Midland, TX 79705, or email to jsaidenbarger@yahoo.com.

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Oil & Gas legal exp. Excellent opportunity with a professional firm. Salary to \$6K (+) DOE + Benefits.

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**NEW TODAY**  
**Insurance Clerk**

Full time. Good benefits. Needs insurance desk. Medicare/medicaid exp necessary \$9/hr. No fee.

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**Sales Associate**

Spa company needs sales people \$5.50 + commission 30-40 hrs/week. No fee.

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**Tellers**

Experienced tellers needed \$8.50/hr. No fee.

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**Accounting Clerk**

Oil & Gas company need exp acct. Exp. with Oracle Financials and Flarenet helpful. To \$9/hr. No fee.

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At Nextel Partners, we've mastered the concept of wireless and built the most extensive all-digital wireless network in the US. This is why we're the nation's fastest-growing wireless communications provider. High demand, superior products, plus excellent customer support make us second to none. We're seeking a sales professional with drive and ambition for the following position in the Midland area.

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You'll earn high visibility and outstanding performance pay, while selling our unique products and services. Candidates must be self-motivated, have effective negotiations and superior communications skills outside business-to-business selling experience, an impressive sales performance record and solid work history.

If you're ready to experience the energy of Nextel, Please forward your resume to:

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Down-to-earth, outgoing SWF, 20, 5'2", long light brown hair, hazel eyes, loves dancing, singing, swimming, movies, quiet times, the outdoors, sports. Seeking caring, loving, outgoing SWM, 20-25, who likes kids and is interested in a possible LTR. Ad# 1492

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Happy SWF, 36, loves sports, softball, music, nature, animals, working out, seeking honest, outgoing, fun, SWM, 36-44, with grown or no children, for casual relationship. Ad# 1499

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SWF, 45, full-figured, loves to read, enjoys the outdoors, family times, and crafts, seeks kind-hearted, humorous SWM, 40-55, who enjoys life. Ad# 1479

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## THREE LITTLE WORDS

That make this active, medium-built WF, 58, happy, love to have fun! ISO clean, decent, with humorous, outgoing, like-loving SWM, 57-68, Ad# 1294

## FAMILY VALUES

Caring, loving SWF, 34, 5'11", 150lbs., blonde hair, enjoys family-oriented, church, enjoys shopping, walks, seeks educated, family-oriented SWM, 26-30, who is a Christian, sincere and honest. Ad# 1401

## NO GAME PLAYERS

Outgoing, sociable, fun-loving SWF, 41, 5'7", average weight, blonde hair, enjoys cooking, dining out, and movies. Looking for a SWM, 30-40, who is a good sense of humor, is spontaneous, and likes good times. Ad# 1390

## NEED TO KNOW

SWF, 27, 5'7", blonde hair, blonde hair, full-figured, people person, enjoys movies and outdoor sports, seeks SWM, 25-40, single, bald, and honest, for a LTR. Ad# 1512

## LET'S HAVE FUN

SWF, 18, 5'10", 150lbs., with light brown hair, enjoys movies, clubbing and having fun, looking for a tall, SWM, 18-21, who likes to have fun. Ad# 1367

## LET'S DANCE

SWF, 41, 5'5", 95lbs., humorous, outgoing, enjoys cultural events, dining out, cooking and swimming. Looking for a SWM, 41-45, who enjoys family, art museums, concerts, movies, dining out, nature, good conversation, children. Ad# 1374

## GIVE ME A RING

SBF, 27, 5'2", 195lbs., spontaneous and outgoing, enjoys long walks, shopping, dining out, and movies. Looking for a fun-loving SWM, 25-40, for friendship. Ad# 1378

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## FUN & EXCITING

Free, talented, SWF, 32, looking to meet a SWM, 30-40, who is fun, intelligent, and fun. Ad# 1361

## VERY YOUTHFUL

Fun-loving, happy SWF, 22, enjoys reading, walking and good conversation. Looking for a good-looking, mature SWM, 21-25, who enjoys traveling, fun, and who is trustworthy. Ad# 1339

## SEASONAL GREETINGS

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Cute SWF, 32, medium build, loves going out, country dancing, fishing, camping, and movies. Looking for an honest SWM, 32-40, who is a fun-loving, intelligent, and fun. Ad# 1334

## SPARKLING BLUE EYES

SWF, 32, petite, blonde hair, loves to read, enjoys the outdoors, family times, and crafts, seeks kind-hearted, humorous SWM, 40-55, who enjoys life. Ad# 1479

## WHO CAN TALK TO

Bubbly SWF, 18, down-to-earth, student, loves music, dancing, singing, and having a good time. Looking for a SWM, 18-20, with similar interests. Ad# 1341

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Emotionally and baggage-free SWF, 22, intelligent, caring, outgoing, fun-loving, and fun. Looking for a good SWM, 25-32, who is important, who knows how to treat a lady. Ad# 1350

## FRIENDS FIRST

SWF, 21, 5'4", 110lbs., blonde hair, good personality, likes having fun, reading, and movies. I'm seeking a fun-loving SWM, 19-31, for friendship. Ad# 1327

## FUNTIMES AHEAD

Outgoing SWF, 20, 5'2", 129lbs., with blonde hair, blonde hair, enjoys hanging out, ISO SWM, 20-29, who knows what he wants out of life. Ad# 1461

## FAITHFUL

Humorous, laid-back SWF, 22, 5'6", 125lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, enjoys hanging out, ISO SWM, 21-35, for a possible LTR. Ad# 1462

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Romantic SWF, 22, likes clubbing, movies, walks, working out. Looking for outgoing, fun-loving, adventurous SWM, 22-32, to share good times with, for possible LTR. Ad# 1460

## PARTNER AND FRIEND

WF, 21, 5'2", 150lbs., blonde hair, enjoys movies, dancing, singing, and family time. Seeking a fun-loving SWM, 25-35, family-oriented, friendship, companionship, monogamous relationship. Ad# 1449

## GIVE ME A CALL

SWF, 21, 5'8", 110lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, college student. Looking for SWM, 20-25, who likes the outdoors, trucks, animals, and country music. Ad# 1305

## IT COULD BE YOU

Humorous SWF, 33, 155lbs., dark brown hair, enjoys cooking, cleaning, walks in the park, romantic dinners. ISO SWM, 35-45, with similar interests and the arts. Ad# 1308

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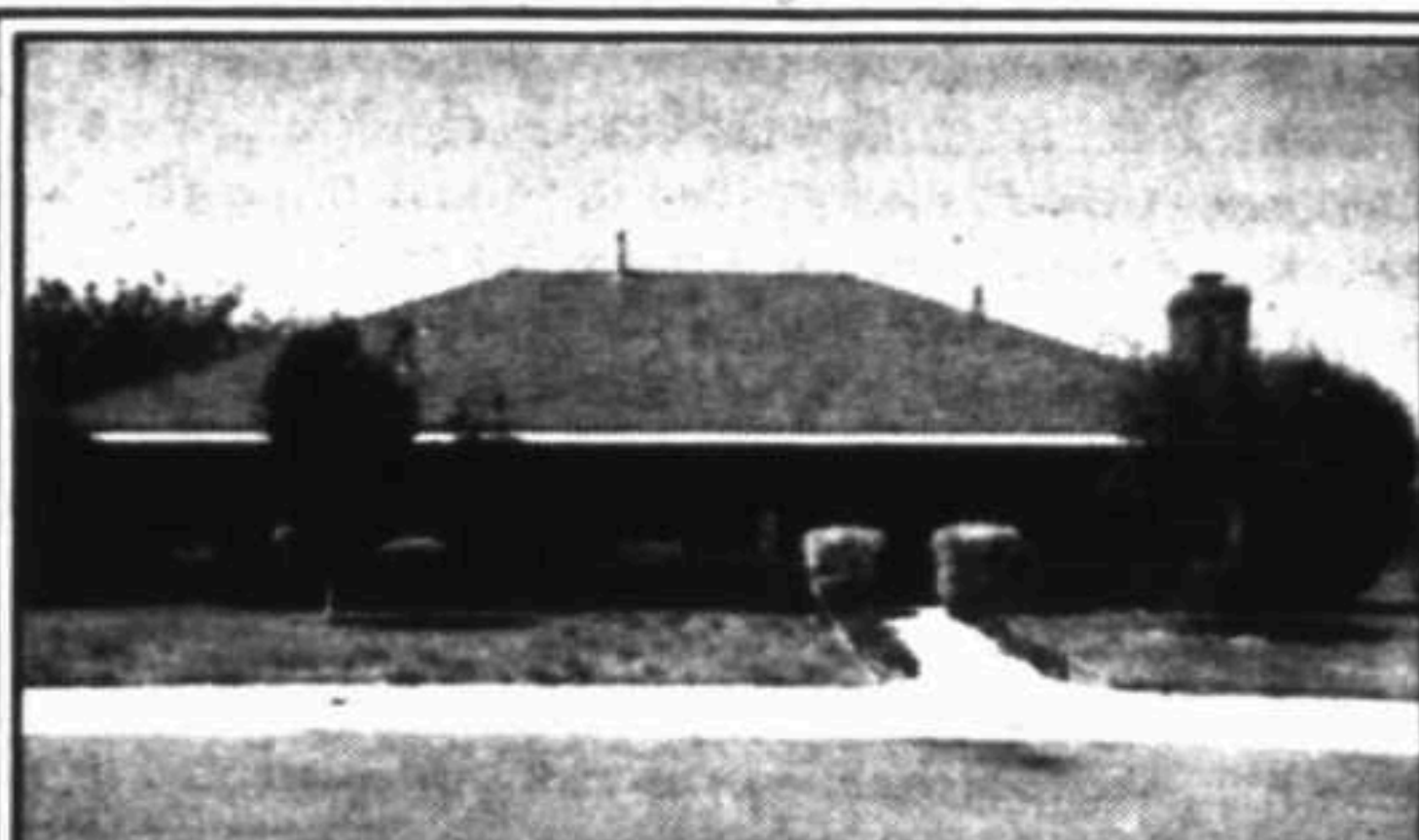
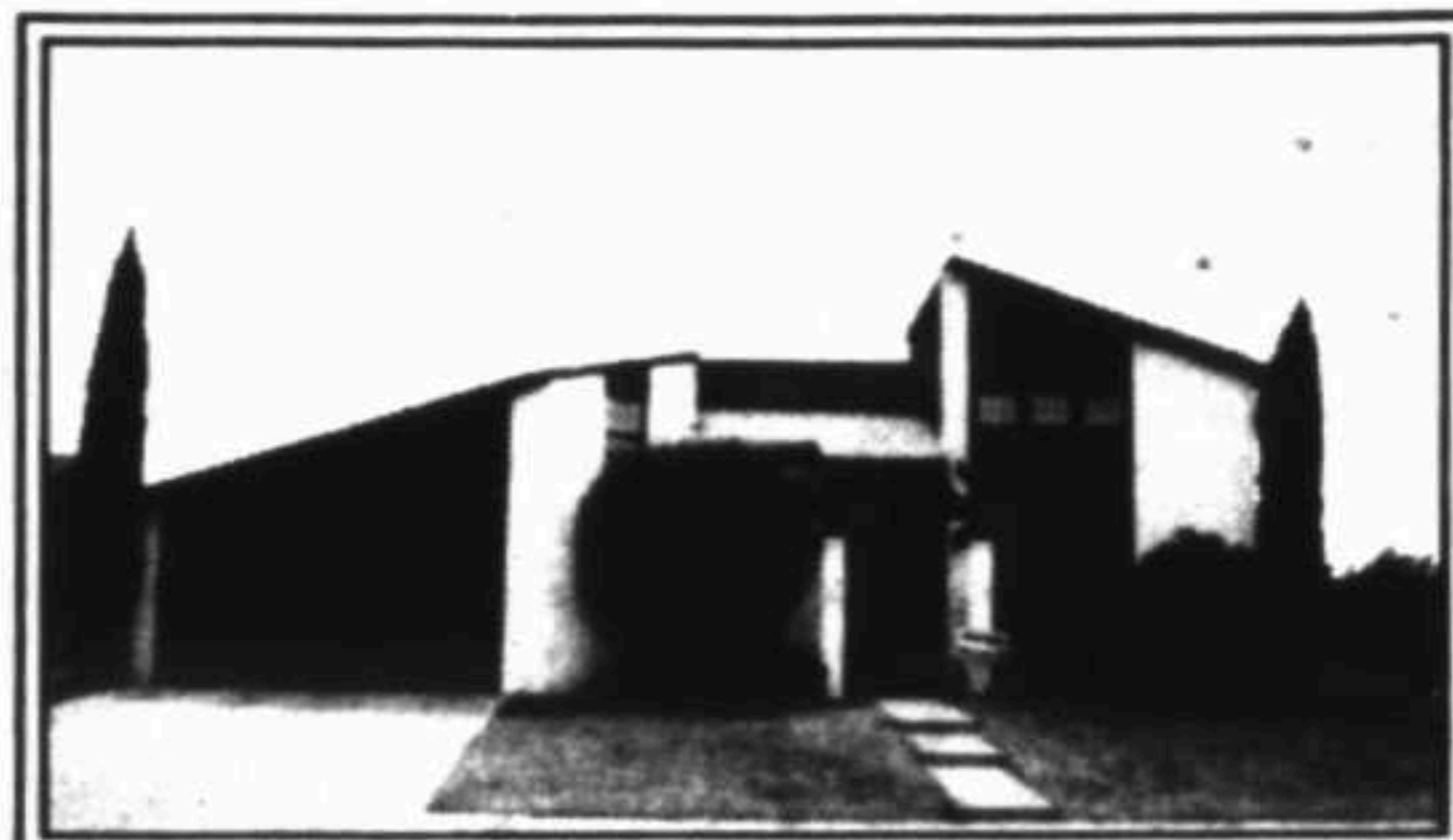
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## Farm survives in booming Poconos, teaching about past

By Marc Levy  
Associated Press

**S**TROUDSBURG, Pa. — A few miles from the hubbub of the Poconos resort area is a farm where people wear the clothing of 18th-century German immigrants while performing their anachronistic chores.

They are paid to do so, and evidently have done a good job, since the nonprofit Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm is in its 38th year in a region becoming more and more crowded with new homes and chain stores.

"Kids come today that don't know what a cow is," said Sue Oiler, who runs the 115-acre farm with her husband Gary. "We try to convey what is in the past, and how we got here."

The farm began in the late 1700s under the hands and tools of a German-immigrant family. Six generations of the family worked the farm before selling out to another family in 1913.

That family sold the land to Sue Oiler's parents in 1958, and five years later, they created the living historical farm. To keep it solvent, in 1974, the Oilers turned it into a nonprofit corporation and became its full-time managers.

Now, it employs 25 mostly seasonal workers and runs several tours a day, six days a week, not to mention a range of craft demonstrations and special events. The nonprofit status helps attract volunteers — 500 of them.

The workers, decked out in straw hats, suspenders or checkered full-length dresses, live elsewhere, but seem at ease on the farm in their out-of-date clothing.

There are some compromises: The Oilers live just up a path in a modern, ranch-style home, a stone's throw from a barn built in 1850.

The pigs, horses, cows, goats, sheep, chickens, geese, guinea fowl, rabbits and Gus, the retired mule, remain in the barn or on the surrounding acres of grazing fields.

Inside the large, fenced-in garden, a number of crops grow, including lettuce, beans and flax, which the workers process and weave into ropes.

But the work doesn't end there. The Oilers and the workers churn butter, smoke meats, dehydrate corn and beans, harvest and split wood, shear and spin wool, cut and flail grain, bake bread on a brick hearth and fashion candles out of animal fat. Occasionally, Gary Oiler slaughters one of the animals.

Most of the farm produce, including meat, goes to feed the workers and volunteers. A lucky few get to take things home, like eggs or loaves of bread baked on the brick hearth.

The draw of Quiet Valley is such that some of the volunteers have given up their careers for it.

Thirty years ago, Barbara Lord quit her art teacher's job to volunteer full-time at Quiet Valley.

Now, she and her husband Bill spend a few days a year at the farm showing off skills they learned there. Bill, a retired mechanical engineer, is an amateur tinsmith, which he calls a disappearing art. And Barbara spins and weaves wool and flax.

Visitors to Quiet Valley see workers in period costumes using period methods of farming, including real 1800s contraptions at work, like a corn-sheller or a dog treadmill that churns butter.

Structures that date to the 1800s include the family home, which features a kitchen that was remodeled in 1892, a hay barn, a smokehouse and a one-room log cabin.

Oiler tries to impress on the visitors how the original farmers lived daily.

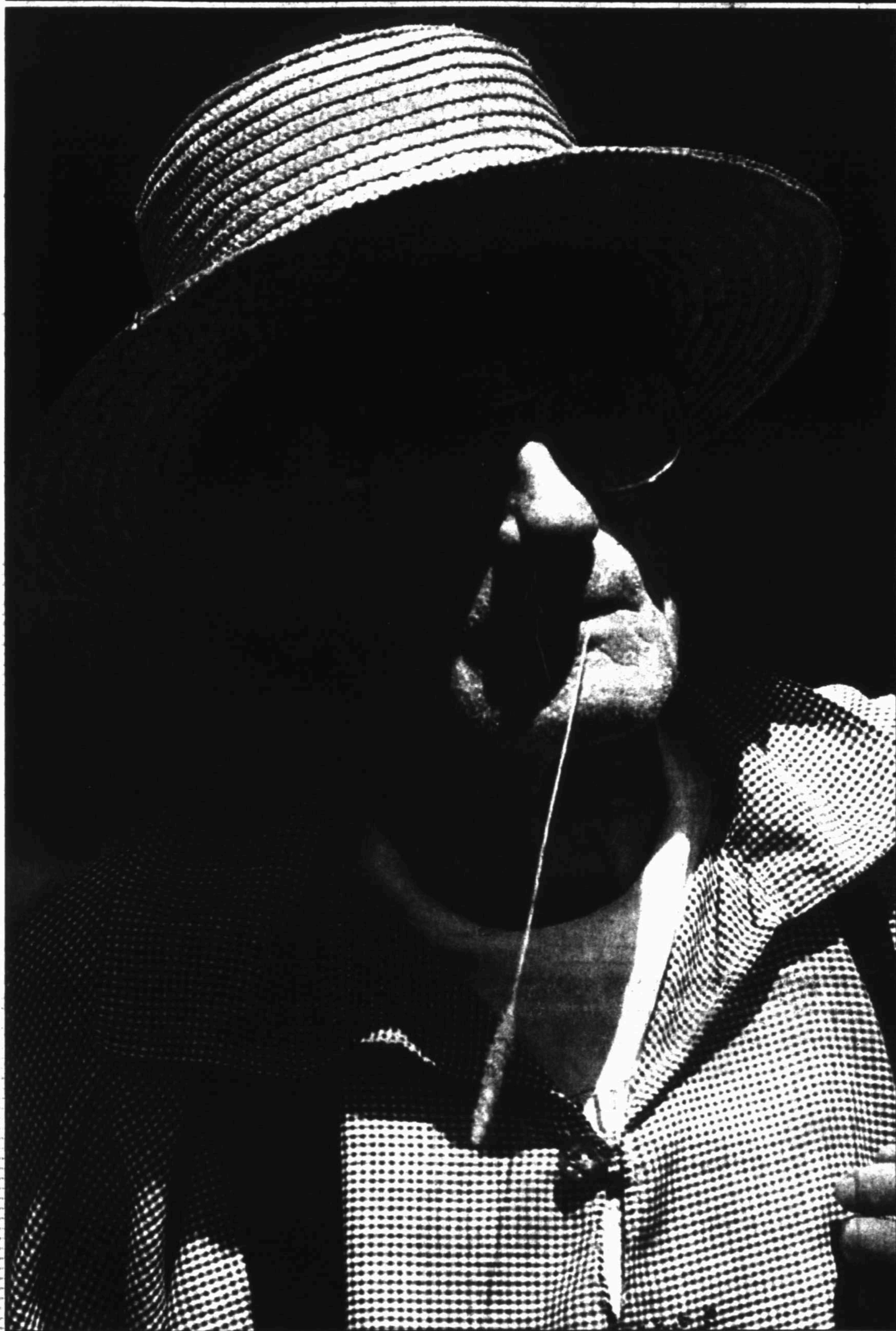
Family members worked together, midwives aided in home childbirth, and, at Christmas, children received simple, handmade toys, like a makeshift dart — goose feathers stuck into the end of a stripped corn cob.

And Oiler tries not to shield visitors from some of the realities that may be considered gruesome now.

For instance, workers tell visitors that geese were plucked alive. Or, when visitors enter the cellar kitchen, one of the girls will often toss them a light, papery globe. Then she tells the visitor they just caught a "bladder ball" — that is, a dried pig's bladder.

Even waste was useful. For instance, excess fabric was woven into towels or hats. Corn husks were lashed together to make a floor mat. And a pig's stomach was made into a kind of plastic wrap that could seal a jug to preserve food inside.

"It gives you a much different perspective on life," Oiler said, "doesn't it?"



# Quiet Valley

AT TOP: Vince Weisenberger of Tannersville, Pa., a volunteer re-enactor, is dressed as a 18th-century German immigrant farmer on July 7, at the Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm in Stroudsburg, Pa. AT RIGHT: Historical Farm founder Alice Wicks, 85, prepares lunch for the farm workers while dressed as an 18th century German immigrant at Quiet Valley.

AT FAR RIGHT ABOVE: Vince Weisenberger, left, and Wally Potts, 14, of Taylorsburg, Pa., are dressed as 18th century German immigrants returning from raking wheat fields.

AT FAR RIGHT BELOW: Potts, left, Alex Wisniewski, back, 15, from Kunkletown, Pa., and Gary Oiler, manager of the Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm, harvest wheat by hand at the farm in Stroudsburg, Pa.

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## HAVE YOU HEARD?

By Marilyn McKnight Harrison

Pat Paxton, reference chairman for the Midland Panhellenic Association, has provided he results of 2001 new member recruitment.

The results are as follows:

**Midwestern State University** — Chi Omega: Katherine Curry, daughter of Audrey and Mike Curry.

**Tarleton State University** — Zeta Tau Alpha: Ashley Moore, daughter of Lynda and Patrick Moore.

**Texas Christian University** — Chi Omega: Morgan Merritt, daughter of Eddie Ray and Wayne Merritt; Delta Delta Delta: Kacey Gragg, daughter of Michelle and Greg Mauzy; Kaitlin Parker, daughter of Ann and Mark Parker; Quincy Smith, daughter of Kelly and Tracy Elms; Kristen Stoltz, daughter of Patty and Mark Stoltz; Alexis Strickling, daughter of Roxane and Ben Strickling; Kappa Kappa Gamma: Shelley Sledge, daughter of Sandy and David Sledge.

**Texas A&M University** — Chi Omega: Risa Holland, daughter of Nancy and David Holland; Delta Gamma: Courtney Robnett, daughter of Amy and Steve Robnett; Kappa Alpha Theta: Anna Hilgemeier, daughter of Lisa and Greg Hilgemeier; Page Price, daughter of Carolyn and Willis Price; Zeta Tau Alpha: Sarah Williams, daughter of Margaret and Ronnie Williams.

**Texas Tech University** — Alpha Chi Omega: Sarah Hobby, daughter of Carolyn and David Hobby; Alpha Delta Pi: Ashley Mueller, daughter of Brooke and William Mueller; Reagan Richmond, daughter of Karla and Neil Richmond; Alpha Phi: Linsey Robertson, daughter of Sue and Mike Robertson; Delta Delta Delta: Brenna Belew, daughter of Janie and David Belew; Courtnee Dickerson, daughter of Karen and Scott Dickerson; Lindsey Dickerson, daughter of Karen and Scott Dickerson; Kappa Alpha Theta: Gillian Danley, daughter of Lynne and Floyd Danley; Kappa Delta: Sarah Tinslar, daughter of Tanya and Craig Tinslar; Anne Wiggins, daughter of Joan and Dane Wiggins; Kappa Kappa Gamma: Emily Alvarado, daughter of Beth and Frank Alvarado; Kristen Brown, daughter of former Midlanders Brenda and Christopher Brown of Flower Mound; Emily Kelly, daughter of Jane Kelly and Thomas Kelly; Elizabeth Majors, daughter of Mary Ann and Lee Majors; Leslie Turner, daughter of Debbie and Randy Turner; Erin Wheeler, daughter of Alexis and Gene Wheeler; Pi Beta Phi: Jessica McCaslin, daughter of Jeri and Reginald McCaslin.

**University of North Texas** — Alpha Phi: Kristen Sockwell, daughter of Deborah and Lynn Sockwell; Chi Omega: Jennifer deSocarras, daughter of Christine deSocarras; Laura Hooper, daughter of Carolyn Hooper; Rachel Schneider, daughter of Karen and Marvis Schneider; Kappa Kappa Gamma: Sarah Clinch, daughter of Rebecca and Patrick Clinch; Lauren Schneider, daughter of Terry Wells and Stephen Schneider.

**University of Texas-Austin** — Chi Omega: Amanda Stubbs, daughter of Vicki and Robert Stubbs; Delta Delta Delta: Laura Koch, daughter of Barbara and David Koch; Kappa Alpha Theta: Kelly Duffey, daughter of Susan and Terry Duffey; Kappa Kappa Gamma: Ellen Brown, daughter of Laura and James Brown; Diana Prieto, daughter of Lynn Pace; Chelsea Wilson, daughter of Celia and Word Wilson.

**West Texas A&M University** — Chi Omega: Erin Drummond, daughter of Beverly and Gene Drummond; Megan Hand, daughter of Margaret and Robert Hand.

**University of Alabama** — Chi Omega: Veronica Hood, daughter of Tina and Jack Hood.

**University of Florida** — Delta Delta Delta: Abby Ritchie, daughter of Ann and James Ritchie.

**University of Oklahoma** — Alpha Chi Omega: Suzan Lam-billotte, daughter of Vickie and Gregg Ryan; Chi Omega: Joana Lilley, daughter of Linda and Ken Lilley; Delta Gamma: Anne Billingsley, daughter of Fran and Grant Billingsley; Dawn Dickson, daughter of Janis and Ken Dickson; Kappa Alpha Theta: Drew Branum, daughter of Pam and Mark Branum; Leslie Smith, daughter of Cheryl and Armando Morales; Kappa Kappa Gamma: Anya Baker, daughter of Gena Baker; Zeta Tau Alpha: Sally Reese, daughter of Debbie and Richard Reese.

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Prenuptial festivities continue in Midland for Amy Williamson, daughter of Karen and Roy Williamson. She will become the bride of Scott Martinez in Dallas on Oct. 6.

Sarilyn Black's home was the setting for a lovely Saturday morning coffee. Co-hostesses with Sarilyn were Susie Burnett, Diane Claiborne, Amy Davenport, Eloise Davenport, Donna Ferguson, Cherry Hill, Glenda Pearce, Janet Pollard, Cindy Walton and Sally Wood.

Special guests were Amy's mother and her sister, Jana Smith of Dallas. Among others seen at the party were Anne Johnson, Cindy Olson, Terry Atkin, Ibbey Hardie, Mary Alice Knox, Vangie Lindsey, Emily Gifford, Linnie Donnelly and Mary Kennedy.

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Congratulations to well-known local musician Mike Sherrod, who is the second inductee into the Summer Mummies Mule Train Gallery! The honor is given to a volunteer, who has devoted 25 (or more) years to the organization.

His photo now hangs in the side lobby of the Yucca Theatre with one of longtime Mummies card girl, Gloria Eng, who had the distinction of being the first honoree. Mike, who has been a member of the Summer Mummies Band for 25 years and as now its official piano player, was honored at the final performance of the season. When called on stage, he was presented with 25 red roses by 25 of the female volunteers.

A party at the home of Diane and Sandy Faulkner after the show not only honored Mike, but the four individuals, Charlotte Wornell, Gralin Coffin, Jerry Tilley and Laura Abbott, who were selected as the 2001 Mummies of the Year. In addition, numerous "Skimpy" awards were given, all in the spirit of fun. Popcorn chairman Lail Grant "knighted" his crew for going "above and beyond."



Harrison

## CLUB NEWS

**Laureate Nu chapter of Beta Sigma Phi** met following a dinner served by Marilyn Butler. Ms. Butler, president, presided over the business meeting. Caroline Holmes called the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting. Martha McNair gave the treasurer's report. Joann Gardner reported that the next meeting, Sept. 20 at Mrs. McNair's house, is to be a sack supper and the members will set up items of the garage sale.

Johnnie Moritz read an article concerning the need of "Mom's Cancer Care" and the members voted to add this as a service project along with the Midland Soup Kitchen. Tomina Clark announced that the city-wide meeting of all Midland Beta Sigma Phi's will be Oct. 15. Ms. Butler gave a program on "Survival Kit for Reducing Stress."

Also attending were Dixie Billingslea, who won the hostess gift, Marlene Byrd and Helen Tinnin.

**Permian Basin Chapter of the Poetry Society of Texas** met Sept. 8, at the Presidential Museum in Odessa. Ten members were present.

President Pat Peek presided over the business meeting. Fliers about the PST student Poetry Contests were offered to encourage area students to enter. Plans were finalized for the Oct. 6 Writers' Workshop to be held at the CEED building. Volunteers signed up for various duties on that day. It was announced that Barnes and Noble will provide gift certificates to the winners of the general contest.

Poetry Contest Chair Doris Duncan announced that 118 poems in the general contest and 17 in the Members' Only Contest have been mailed to James Hoggard in Wichita Falls for judging. She reported that 52 area poets and five members have entered the two contests.

Several members announced activities: Karen Pape is teaching creative writing this semester at Midland College. She said that one of her poems will be included in the New Texas Anthology soon to be published. Eileen Wilks has three books coming out in November and December and will be doing a book signing at Waldens at that time. She also has several books included in the Midland writers library at the White House. Beverly Roberts announced that she will have three of her poems published in a coming issue of *Riversedge*. The first four places of poems entered in the Marjorie Morris Contest of PST sponsored by PBPS were read by Ms. Pape and Ms. Wilks.

The program, presented by Doris Duncan, was about Stanley Kunitz, poet laureate of the United States; 11 of his poems were read and discussed.

**En Amie Book Review Club** met for lunch and program at Green Tree Country

Club Sept. 12. Gary Ott spoke on newspaper coverage of newsbreaking events such as those which occurred in New York and Washington, D.C. Guests were Ruth Aldridge, Debbie Wallace, Harriet Barnes and Maxine Winegeart. Hostesses were Faye Casey, Isabel Angevine, Jane De Nyse and Betty McMullan. President Dolly Ballenger presided.

**Altrusa International Inc. of Midland** met Sept. 13, at the Hilton Hotel and Towers, with Carol Kullman presiding. Dovie St. Peters led a moment of silence for the nation's tragedy, the Pledge of Allegiance, the Altrusa Grace and Accent.

The president introduced two guests, Connie Negri and Randy Roberts. Ms. Kullman announced that Altrusa District Nine Governor Mary Osentowski will be the guest at the next meeting. Penny Parker, treasurer, presented the proposed budget for 2001-2002, which was accepted by the membership. The meeting was adjourned with the Altrusa benediction, led by Ms. St. Peters.

**Midland Musicians Club** met Sept. 12 for the first meeting of the 2001-2002 season. The luncheon at the Women's Club was also Federation Day, a time of recognition of the goals and purposes of the Federated Music Clubs all over the nation.

The guest speaker was Betty Morris, a long-time faculty member of the music department at Midland College. She outlined the scope of the facilities and courses available to students and members of the community who wish to broaden their knowledge of music. There are now courses available over the Internet for those who would like to work on their own at home, Ms. Morris said.

**The Tuesday Evening Chapter of the Midland Quilters Guild** met Sept. 11 at Golf Course Road Church of Christ for their regular meeting. Sally Henson presided. Minutes were read by Kay Coffey. Tammy Morgan was introduced as a new member. Quilt show progress reports were given by Pam Simmons, Virginia Manusos, Linda Johnson and Liz Danecker. Patty Swan recognized Nancy Barnes as having sold the most raffle tickets in September.

Midland Community Theatre has asked the guild to display quilts during December. Becky Holley distributed new guild business cards. Permian Basin Fair winners were Nita Rice, Mona Lagan and Linda Cranfill. The door prize was won by Gina Hickman. Show and Tell projects were shown by Kathryn Burch, Dolly Calhoun, Ms. Swan, Ms. Morgan, Ruthie Jones, Terry Kelly and Denise Johnson. Jean Dean directed the pricing and labeling of Quilt Show Boutique items.

**Lt. William Brewer Chapter of the**

**National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution** met at the Midland Woman's Club on Sept. 5. The program was presented by Regent Doris Williams and hosted by the chapter executive board.

Plans were finalized for the chapter's second "Antique Fair & Silent Auction" to be held Oct. 27.

**Preceptor Eta Upsilon Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi** met Sept. 10 for its first regular meeting of this term. Members met in the home of Genell Emerson. President Peggy Brown called the meeting to order. Secretary Beverly Acker read minutes from a previous meeting. Ms. Emerson, treasurer, gave a report on the status of the budget. Vice president, Beverly Bristow, gave a report regarding a possible new member to the chapter. Virginia Earhart reported on the plans for a fund-raising garage sale scheduled for Sept. 28-29. Lynda Lane, service chair, presented information regarding a possible shared service project with the Altrusa Club.

The chapter approved its participation in the event if the Altrusa Club is able to finalize their plans. The chapter finalized plans for a social later on in the month. Ms. Emerson then gave a program regarding making ceramics and showed several pieces that she and Ms. Brown had made.

**Xi Epsilon Epsilon chapter of Beta Sigma Phi** met Sept. 10 at the home of Terrie Kelly with co-hostesses Janet Cox. President Terrie Kelly called the meeting to order with members Ms. Cox, Marsha Howton, Ginger Stallings, Teresa Moore and Peggy Finch present.

The program was a "vacation auction," and members bid on each others unknown item purchased while on vacation. A garage sale was planned for Sept. 22 at Ms. Moore's home. Book were donated to Friends of the Library. Plans were made to attend the production of "To Kill a Mockingbird." Ms. Moore won the door prize.

**Seven Brothers Theus Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy**, met recently at the Haley Library. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. D.L. McClurg, president, and the pledges to the flags were presented.

Mrs. James Cobb presented the program on the "The Raising of the H.L. Hunley," the first Navy submarine to be used in battle, that sank in 1864 off the coast of South Carolina. Martha Preston was presented with her membership certificate to the United Daughters of the Confederacy and welcomed into the chapter.

Delegates to the Texas Division UDC Convention, San Antonio, were elected — Mrs. Frank Driskill and Mrs. Charles Welch.

## 'Dusters' make comeback on fall fashion scene

By Barbara De Witt

N.Y. Times News Service

Dusters are divine. They make you look taller and thinner and keep you warm in chilly cubicles.

After a long hiatus from the fashion scene, dusters have returned for a fall lineup with Anne Robinson, host of NBC's "Weakest Link," leading the parade.

"Dusters are dramatic, and I like the look of the duster as it spins on the podium of the

"Weakest Link" set," said Ms. Robinson, who has a preference for dusters by Armani, Max Mara and Jasper Conran.

Others call dusters the new jacket or blazer.

"They freshen up a career wardrobe as we're stepping away from business casual. And it looks good with pants or skirts," observes Kate Rice, spokeswoman for Mervyn's stores. She adds that dusters also work well with knee-length shift dresses, as long as they're the same length or slightly

longer than the dress.

And while the younger generation (under 30) are the primary fans of dusters, Charlotte Russe fashion director Harriet Sustarsic said everybody's wearing them.

"We saw them first in Europe a couple of years ago ... and I think they're catching on in Southern California so well because of our mild winters and cold offices."

Worn as a lengthy sweater with a hood, fringe or fur, dusters can create a casually chic

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## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**SAN ANGELO** — San Angelo Writer's Club meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, 3355 West Beauregard.

**ODESSA** — West Texas Singles Association invites all singles to take country western dance lessons and line dancing from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday nights at YMCA, 3001 E. University in Odessa. For planned activities call 550-6960.

**The New Nashville Nights**, 4300 Andrews Highway in Odessa, will present country and western music in an alcohol- and smoke-free environment at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays for Senior Night, Fridays Youth Night and Saturdays, ages 17 and up are welcome. For information call 915-366-3240 or 915-559-3574.

**45 Plus Dance Club** will host a country western dance with live music every Tuesday at the Knights of Columbus Building, 4601 Farm to Market 1788, non-smoking and non-alcoholic environment, from 7:30 p.m. to 10 a.m. Admission is \$4 for members and \$5 for guests. Guests do not need to be accompanied by a member and singles are welcome.

For information call 699-5202 or 694-8442.

**AARP Chapter 256** will meet at 7 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at Memorial Christian Church Library, 1001 Andrews Highway. For information call 694-2439.

**AARP Chapter 4816** will meet at noon the third Thursday of each month at the Southeast Senior Center, 1803 E. Indiana. Interested persons are invited. Call 682-3655 for information.

**AARP Chapter 5271** will meet at noon on the last Monday of each month at Casa de Amigos, 1107 E. Garden Lane. For information call 682-9701.

**VAN-Visually Impaired Men's Support Group** meets from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. each Tuesday. **The Women's Support Group** meets 10 a.m. to noon each Wednesday. Please bring a sack lunch. Both groups meet at VAN House, 2908 W. Ohio. Call 694-2648 for information.

**The Children's Department at Midland County Public Library** holds Storytime 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. each Tuesday and Wednesday in the Kaleidoscope Room.

**Seniors Over 50 Dance**

**Club** meets 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesdays at 501 Airpark Road. Admission is \$4. Potluck dinner will precede dance at 6:45 p.m. first week only; participants should bring favorite dish. For more information call 694-3236, 687-1633 or 697-0679.

**Grief support groups** — **Remembering Our Children**, for parents, meets the first Monday of each month (or the second Monday if the first is a holiday). The group meets at 7:30 p.m. at Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas Ave. For more information call 682-2855.

**The Compassionate**

**Friends**, for parents, grandparents and siblings, meets the first Monday of the month (or the second Monday if the first is a holiday).

The group meets 7:30 p.m. at 2700 Wyndwood. For more information call 694-4157, 684-8356 or 520-6461.

**ODESSA** — **Actor's Gym**, an ongoing acting class taught by resident artist/educator Kathryn Graybill, meets from 10 a.m. to noon Saturdays at the Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Rd. on the Odessa College campus. Contact the Globe office at 580-3177 for details. A fee is charged.

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2. Sandra Rea- Aggie

Anguish

3. Mary Renton- Ken Hill

4. Helen South- Charlie

Grimes

Strat "B"

1. Mary Renton- Ken Hill

2. Charlie Grimes- Helen

South

3. Dorothy Breneman- Bob

Stuart

4. Sue Conner- Bob Bennett

Tuesday: Open Pairs

1. Betsy Loewenstein- Cor-

rinne Recker

2. Jane Myers- Sandra Rea

3. Kathryn Locke- Bob Stuart

4. Glenda Simmons- Joyce

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Wednesday: ACBL Instant

Matchpoint Pairs

N-S Strat "A"

1. Ruth Fahrig- James Simp-

son

2. Linda Jerman- Sandra

Rea

3. Leonora Slusher- Becky

Kinsey

N-S Strat "B"

1. James Simpson- Ruth

Fahrig

2. Helen South - Charlie

Grimes

3. Jan Hover- Kathryn Gesell

E-W Strat "A"

1. Jimmie Penn- Mary Ham-

mond

2. Terri Tedford- Wayne Rec-

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3. Marsha Swanson- Wyoma

Whitlow

E-W Strat "B"

1. Terri Tedford- Wayne Rec-

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2. Wyoma Whitlow - Marsha

Swanson

3. Betty Fernandez- Betty

Baxter

Friday: Open Pairs

Strat "A"

1. Elle Kerr-Gloria Crites

2. Marsha Swanson - Nancy

Liberty

3. Kathryn Locke- Bob Stuart

Strat "B"

1. Nancy Liberty- Marsha

Swanson

2. Kathryn Locke- Bob Stuart

3. Helen Wise- Sarah White

Saturday: Open Pairs

1. Leonora Slusher- Charlie

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2. Babe Griffin- Bob Bennett

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4. Kathryn Gesell- Joyce

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## Brides c border to wedding

By Emily Spic  
Hearst News Se

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## AROUND TOWN

■ A special storytime is being held at Barnes & Noble from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. through Sept. 30. Parents and their children are invited to join in as the store will present a selection of children's stories and give families the opportunity to create thank you letters to send to local police, fire, emergency and medical personnel.

■ Aaron Estes Chapter, Daughters of the Republic of Texas will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the home of Mrs. David Grimes. Mrs. James Cobb will present the program on the Texas State Cemetery in Austin. For more information call 683-3229.

■ Midland County Young Republicans will meet at 11:45 a.m. Thursday at the Petroleum Club. Guest speaker will be Susan Howard who played Donna Krebs on the television series "Dallas." She is currently serving on the board of the National Rifle Association, the Texas Water Foundation and the Operation Game Thief Committee of the Texas Game Wardens' Association. Cost of the luncheon is \$12 and reservations are required. RSVP by Tuesday at 684-6149.

■ Midland Need to Read is offering a daytime training session for volunteer tutors from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday. For more information call Patti Groce at 682-9693.

■ Ladies of the Petroleum Club will meet at 11:30 a.m. Oct. 2 for lunch and a Fashion Show by Robbie Casey's. Guest designer Frank Agostino, Philadelphia's "Emperor of High Style," will present his latest fashions. Ready to wear by U.S. and European designers will also be featured. Call 682-2557 for reservations.

■ Lt. William Brewer Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution's "Antique Fair & Silent Auction" is scheduled for 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 27 at the Scharbauer Student Center Roadrunner Room at Midland College. Admission fee is \$5, which allows for evaluation of two heirlooms/treasures. Additional items may be evaluated at \$2 per item. The event is open to the public.

■ First Baptist Church, 2104 W. Louisiana, is again offering art lessons taught by Virginia Whitten of Big Spring. The lessons are being held in the activities building at 1 p.m. Wednesdays. The classes are open to beginners through advanced and the course offers lessons in oil, water color and mixed-media. For more information, call the activities building at 683-0647 or Ms. Whitten at 263-4245.

To have your event included in this column, mail the information to Around Town, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas, 79702; fax it to 570-7650; or e-mail it to: [dpulliam@mri.com](mailto:dpulliam@mri.com).

## Brides cross border to buy wedding gowns

By Emily Spicer  
Hearst News Service

NUEVO LAREDO, Mexico — It is well known that shoppers flock to this northern city for Mexican handicrafts, bargains and discount prescription drugs.

But every Saturday, women from the United States cross the border and come here for something else. They fill the streets looking for a possession that, for some, rates second in importance only to an engagement ring: the wedding dress. And not just any dress. The one with the magic affordable price tag.

Most are Hispanic women

## Kitchens come long way since 'The Honeymooners'

By Beverly Bundy  
N.Y. Times News Service

Television sound stages have come a long way since Ralph Kramden threatened to send Alice to the moon.

Ralph's bus-driver salary meant that he and Alice had little money. But surely they could have afforded more than a gingham tablecloth and a few lonely appliances in their grimy kitchen.

Certainly one of today's TV set-designers could have worked some magic with the Kramden kitchen.

As the new TV season kicks off, we once again have the chance to be voyeurs into the homes of America's imaginary TV families. More than simple props, set designs often offer subtle clues to the characters.

"I'm the lucky guy who gets to read the script and be the alchemist who makes the ideas turn into reality," said John Shaffner, who with his partner, Joe Stewart, has won three Emmys for set designs. The pair helped turn James Burrows' vision of six friends' adventures in New York City into must-see TV, including designing that cool Monica/Rachel/Chandler apartment and kitchen.

They're not wealthy, these "Friends," just a bunch of crazy kids trying to cope in New York City. Shaffner used his own New York City experience when going for the main apartment's kitchen look.

"I thought about the homemade shelves I made in my New York apartment with lumber I hauled up the stairs from the street. So we made open shelves and added mismatched chairs and mismatched china because they don't have a lot of money," Shaffner said. "And if you'll look by the refrigerator, you can see exposed two-by-fours where the wall was torn out between the kitchen and the dining room. It's a make-do look."

Designing for TV isn't all glamour. There are quirky space considerations that architects and designers creating real kitchens don't have to worry about. The entire kitchen, for instance, must be fitted onto three walls instead of four, allowing for multiple camera shots.

The timing can be as tricky as a three-minute egg. Set designer Dwight Jackson had just two weeks to totally outfit 15 sets for the pilot of "Three Sisters" (for which he has won an Emmy nomination).

And then there are, always, The Suits.

For "Emeril," a sitcom in which real-

life TV chef Emeril Lagasse plays a TV chef named, yes, Emeril, the set designer was directed to use all GE Monogram appliances. GE, after all, is the parent company of NBC. It's that synergy thing.

And there's more.

The glass in those pretty cabinet doors is nonexistent — to prevent glare. And there are also color issues — hot, bright colors are a no-no, as is white, which produces a glare.

"I did the set for 'Hearts Afire,'" said Jackson, "and people would write in to find out about the wallpaper. It was a beautiful Van Luit print and we'd respond by sending samples of the wallpaper to viewers. But they'd complain that it wasn't the same wallpaper. It was, but we had to paint over it to mute the colors for the camera."

Suzuki Ingerslev also considered color when designing the 1960s sets for Fox Family's "State of Grace." That show is an exploration of the friendship between a Jewish girl newly transplanted to North Carolina and her quirky, wealthy friend.

"We studied a lot of home magazines from the time and sort of straddled the decades. The wealthy family has a bigger kitchen, with more traditional appliances. The new family, the Rayburns, has a very modern kitchen, a lot like the one the writer of the show had growing up in that part of the country. We painted the appliances in period colors because a lot of the other sets in the show are very beige."

The kitchen on the "Drew Carey Show" was also built largely upon someone's memories. Carey brought snapshots of the kitchen he grew up with to show the set's designer.

The resulting set is one of the most realistic on TV — the washer-dryer connections are visible, as is the home's hot water heater.

"We designed that kitchen to look aged down, and the pieces just get more and more worn-out every year," said designer Shaffner. "In the beginning, the cushions on those chairs were new, and now they're all frayed. But it goes with the look of that kitchen, which is a single guy's kitchen."

And sets do evolve.

"When we first did the pilot for 'Friends,' the characters weren't fully evolved. Monica wasn't a neatnik yet, or a crazed chef. But now we've added the professional stove, thinking it would have been one nice thing that Monica would have saved up for."

Now there's an idea Ralph and Alice might have considered.



ABOVE: A technician feeds a panda cub milk at the Panda Research and Breeding Center in Chengdu, southwest China's Sichuan Province, last week. This fall has seen an increase in panda cubs born at the center.



RIGHT: A pregnant female panda, nicknamed 'A Younger Girl,' strolls on a lawn at the center.

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## HELL ON WHEELS

### Words' meanings aren't always what they seem

By Jean Starnes

My Webster's dictionary defines the word "free" as "without cost or payment" and "having no control."

In my moderate apartment there are five containers with "FREE" printed in large, bold letters. The containers hold shampoo, salad dressing, laundry soap, drink and hand lotion. I see the word and think, I'm sure I paid for that.

Much of the time one needs a magnifying glass to determine to what the word refers. On the shampoo bottle, it reads, "You get 4 ounces free in this bottle."

In the bottom corner of the box of laundry soap is printed in small letters: "This product is free of perfumes." I had to turn the bottle of salad dressing over four times before I found it to be "fat free." This message was the most difficult to find because it was tiny and in pale pink on a beige background. The drink was alleged to be caffeine-free and the lotion without perfumes. I had my doubts about both of those.

Most of the time I buy with convenience in mind, rather than bargains. I bought the shampoo because of the size of the bottle. I've used the same brand of laundry soap for the last 20 years because I can manage

the box and for drinks and lotions I prefer plastic bottles over glass.

The other day at the grocery store I saw a giant bag of dog food with the message, "Four pounds FREE," prominently displayed. I wondered what recourse the manager would have if someone took just the "free" four pounds.

I understand why foreigners get so confused by the English language.



Starnes

## DEAR ABBY

### Leaving straying husband may be new beginning, not sad end

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to "Robbie" for 25 years. He has had numerous affairs during most of our marriage. His most recent one has devastated me.

Robbie tells me he is in love with another woman — but that he also loves me. Robbie is a good provider. I have everything I want or need. We are set financially. I have considered leaving him and starting over, but frankly, it scares me. I feel that he is staying because he doesn't want to "lose everything." I know in my heart he wants to be with the other woman.

We have been through counseling. I thought things were OK, but they weren't. I saw the signs again.

Now my other dilemma: I'm not sure I'm in love with Robbie anymore. I'm not sure if the reason I don't leave is because of him — or the financial security. If I stay, I'm not sure I can forgive or forget again. I know if it's not this woman, there will always be another and another.

Should I stay, or hold my head

up high and go my separate way? — HANGING ON IN INDIANA

DEAR HANGING: You are asking intelligent questions. However, no one can answer them but you. Since marriage counseling couldn't resolve the problems in your marriage, it's time to talk to an accountant and an attorney to determine the financial reality of what separating from your husband would be. Armed with that information, you can then ask yourself whether your life would be better with or without him and arrive at a logical conclusion. This may be a new beginning instead of a sad ending. I wish you the best of luck.

DEAR ABBY: I was going through my dear mother's Bible recently looking for my aunt's date of birth. As I opened it, I discovered one of your columns — a "recipe" submitted by Maxine D. Mother had clipped it without the date, but I believe it was from May 1961. The recipe was for happiness. That recipe is as time-



Pauline and Jeanne Phillips

ly today as it was 40 years ago. Perhaps you might reprint it for those who missed it before.

Interestingly, on the back of the recipe is an ad that advertises submarine sandwiches made with three meats, four sandwiches for \$1. Can you

believe it?

In April 1961, Mother was 48 years old. I have been without her for 20 years this year. — JAN ROLLINS, CARROLLTON, TEXAS

DEAR JAN: Thank you for reminding me of the recipe for happiness. You're right — it's due for a repeat. As for the ad offering four submarine sandwiches for a dollar — my, how times have changed! They cost \$4 to \$6 per sandwich today. I wonder how much they'll cost in

another 40 years. Read on:

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Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips, aka Abigail Van Buren, and daughter Jeanne Phillips. Their column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate, 4520 Main St., Kansas City, Mo. 64111.

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## ANNIVERSARIES

## Jacksons celebrate 40th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Don Jackson celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Aug. 4 by renewing their vows at Golf Course Road Church of Christ.

Jackson and the former Jeanne Getts were married Aug. 12, 1961, at Lake Worth Baptist Church in Fort Worth.

They have two daughters — Donna Ragsdale and Karren Roland — five grandsons and two granddaughters.

Before moving to Midland the couple lived in San Angelo.

Jackson retired from Coca Cola after serving in management for 25 years. Mrs. Jackson is a nurse with Hospice.



Jeanne and Don Jackson

## Vanovers celebrate 25th anniversary

Jim and Pat Vanover of Midland recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a cruise to Cozumel and Cancun.

The couple was married on Sept. 10, 1976, in Odessa.

They have three children, the late Jimmy Vanover Jr., Belle McCullum of Midland and Jim McCullum of Midland. They have six grandchildren.

Vanover works for the Thrifty Nickel in Odessa. Ms. McCullum is employed with Westwood Medical Center in Midland.



Jim and Pat Vanover

## Hineses celebrate 50th anniversary

Vern and Dee Hines celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 1 with a reception at Ranchland Hills Country Club and a trip to Scottsdale, Ariz.

Hines and the former Dee Glasgow were married on Aug. 27, 1951 at Hanscom Park Methodist Church in Omaha, Neb.



Vern and Dee Hines

## WEDDINGS

## KNIGHT-FARMER

Desiree Suzette Knight and Jayme Scot Farmer, both of Midland, were married at 7 p.m., Sept. 1 at the home of the bride's parents in Midland. Justice of the Peace Joe Matlock officiated.

Parents of the bride are Michael and Deborah Franklin of Midland and Alan and Mitzi Knight of Big Spring. Grandparents of the bride are Jim and Doris Woods of Odessa, Orvel Knight of Odessa, Eunice Knight of Austin and Pete and Peggy Sanderson of Big Spring.

Parents of the groom are Charlotte Farmer of Houston and Paul Farmer of Midland. Leona McCall of Louisiana is the grandmother of the groom.

Lacey Knight served as maid of honor for her sister, Demi Suzette Knight, daughter of the bride, was flower girl.

Jeremy Knight, brother of the bride, served as best man.

The bride graduated from Lee High School in 1996 and from Midland College in 1998. She is attending the University of Texas of the Permian Basin and is working toward a bachelor's of humanities and a teaching certificate.

The groom graduated from Lee High School in 1993. He served in the U.S. Navy after graduation. He is employed with the Midland Fire Department.

The couple is planning a winter honeymoon and resides in Midland.



Mrs. Jayme Scot Farmer

## CARPENTER-LANN

WICHITA, Kan. — Amber Marie Carpenter and Colton Blaine Lann, both of Wichita, Kan., were married 2 p.m. Aug. 11 at St. Mary's Cathedral in Wichita. The Rev. Monsignor William M. Carr officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Carpenter of Wichita. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burris, also of Wichita.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Lann of Midland. He is the grandson of Ludy Davis of Midland.

Matron of honor was Jennifer Ryan. The bride was also attended by Anna Sommerhauser, Monica Sommerhauser, Paula Carpenter, Karen Schauf, Jordan Gray, Gina Lann and Nicole Sommerhauser. Flower girl was Morgan Gray.

Best man was Preston Lann. The groom was also attended by Nathan Lann, Jeremy Carpenter, Derek Carpenter, Michael Rusert and Tanner Carpenter. Ring bearer was Jacob Carpenter and ushers were Michael Ryan, Kenneth Carbonell and Jeremy Kronmiller.

After a wedding trip to San Antonio, the couple will live in Wichita.



Mr. and Mrs. Colton Blaine Lann

## RODRIGUEZ-GONZALES

ODESSA — Dianna Urias Rodriguez of Odessa and Louis C. Gonzales Jr. of Midland were married at 7 p.m. Aug. 11 in Odessa. Judge Lange officiated.

Parents of the bride are Edward G. Rodriguez and Josefina Rodriguez, both of Odessa. Grandparents of the bride are Pablo and Socorro Urias of Fort Stockton and George and Maggie Rodriguez of Fort Davis.

Parents of the groom are Louis C. Gonzales and Diana Gonzales, both of Midland. He is the grandson of Dolores Coronado of San Antonio and Caroline Gonzales of Midland.

The bride graduated from Odessa High School in 1997. She is employed with Sears, Roebuck Co.

The groom graduated from Lee High School in 1998. He is a student at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin and is employed with Sams.

After a wedding trip to Ruidoso, N.M., the couple will live in Odessa.



Mr. and Mrs. Louis C. Gonzales Jr.

## BRIDES: Mexican gowns are cheaper

(From 3E)

who can't find the style of dress they want within their price range, according to Lupita Roy Mendoza of Regio Novias, one of the largest bridal stores in Nuevo Laredo, a city just across the Rio Grande from Laredo.

"They like (the dress) shiny and puffy and low-cut with a long train. More traditional. That's what the majority want," Ms. Mendoza said, adding that many stores in the United States offer plainer styles.

Everyone wants the good deal.

And that can mean more than just the dress, said store manager Alma Lopez.

"For example, here, for \$699 you get the dress, free alterations, the bouquet, veil, garter, petticoat, practically everything for the wedding. In a Texas store, \$699 is just the dress, maybe, and everything else is extra," she said.

Dresses can be bought directly off the rack, and most stores offer free alterations. Dresses also can be ordered from a catalog, or made from a photo. The latter takes anywhere from one to two months.



Mr. and Mrs. Warren Dill

## LESTER-DILL

Barbara B. Lester and Warren R. Dill were married 10:30 a.m. Aug. 14 at Ocho Rios Jamaica Couples Resort in Jamaica.

The bride has a bachelor's degree in physical therapy. She works at Southwest Orthopaedics and Spine Center in Midland.

The groom is a respiratory therapist at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa. He is attending Odessa College of Nursing.

After a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple will live in Midland.



Mrs. Russell Adam Perry

## RODGERS-PERRY

Susan Claire Rodgers of North Richland Hills and Russell Adam Perry of Franklin were married at 6 p.m. Sept. 15 in Fort Worth. Richard Howard officiated.

Parents of the bride are former Midlanders John and Carol Rodgers of North Richland Hills.

Parents of the groom are Lester and Sandra Perry of Franklin.

Sherre Mayberry was maid of honor. Also attending the bride were Kendra Albus, Claire Harvey, Lauren Kelley, Sarah Bittner, Jennifer Haggard, Amanda Weller, Elizabeth Bittner and Rachel Bittner.

Wayne Perry was best man for his brother. Also attending the groom were David Rodgers, brother of the bride, Greg Funston and Chase McCarty.

Ushers were Jackson Welter, Jarrod Beal and Dennis Popisil Jr. After a wedding trip to Ambergris Caye Island, Belize, the couple will live in Fort Worth.

## ENGAGEMENTS

## THOMAS-BARKER

Joni Lynn Thomas and Dustin Scott Barker, both of Frisco, are planning to be married at 6 p.m. Oct. 27 at Swinging 'D Ranch in Parker.

Parents of the bride-elect are Scott and Rhonda Ingram of Midland and John Thomas of Dallas. Grandparents of the bride-elect are Robert and Dorothy Roberts of Hobbs, N.M.

Parents of the groom-elect are Dusty and Dee Barker of Shiner. Grandparents of the groom-elect are Otis and Jo Stevens Barker of Midland and Otto and Helen Zimmerman of Shiner.

The bride-elect is a 1994 graduate of Midland Lee High School and a graduate of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School with a bachelor of science in clinical dietetics. She is a registered dietician and is employed as a pharmaceutical sales specialist for AstraZeneca in Dallas.

The groom-elect is a 1990 graduate of Shiner High School. He is a former U.S. Marine, a graduate of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School Paramedicine Program as well as The Dallas Fire Department Training Academy. He is a firefighter and paramedic for the city of Garland.



Joni Lynn Thomas and Dustin Scott Barker

## WIMBERLY-JONES

Anna Christine Wimberly and Andrew Douglas Jones, both of Dallas, plan to be married 7:30 p.m. Oct. 6 at St. Ann's Catholic Church.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Wimberly of Midland.

The groom-elect is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert V. Wales, also of Midland.

The bride-elect graduated from Midland High School in 1998 and is working toward an education degree at the University of North Texas.

The groom-elect graduated from Midland High School in 1995. He is working toward a degree in telecommunication management at DeVry Institute of Technology in Irving.



Anna Christine Wimberly and Andrew Douglas Jones

## LIFESTYLE GUIDELINES

Deadline to have an announcement published in the Reporter-Telegram Sunday edition is Friday 10 days before the requested publication date. All items will be published free of charge, although beginning Oct. 7, paid engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements will be available for those who want to include more information. (See Page 5E)

## MILESTONE EVENTS

**Engagement announcements:** There is no limit as to how early in advance of the wedding an engagement can be announced. However, free engagements must be published no later than two weeks before the wedding date.

**Wedding announcements:** Free wedding announcements can be published up to six weeks after the event.

**Anniversary announcements:** Free anniversary announcements — 25th or higher — can be published up to six weeks after the anniversary date or celebration.

**Quinceanera announcements:** Quinceaneras can be published up to six weeks after the celebration.

Forms for weddings, engagements, anniversaries and quinceaneras are available at the Lifestyle office. Photographs may be submitted but are not required and can be picked up at the Lifestyle office after publication, or they will be mailed if a self-addressed, stamped envelope is provided.

**Around Town:** The Around Town column is published Wednesdays, Fridays

and Sundays. Items are published on a first-come/first-serve basis and may appear more than once.

**Club news, luncheons, or fashion shows:** These items will be published on Sundays only.

**Pageants:** Announcements of pageant winners are published for teen-age and adult winners only. Photographs are published of winners, not runners-up or contestants.

## EDUCATION

**Making the Grade**  
Making the Grade section honors high school and college students' academic achievements.

Items that are not accepted:

■ Announcements of students applying or being accepted to colleges.

■ Students' places of employment or hobbies.

■ United States Achievement Academy winners because USAA will not verify honorees.

Use of photographs:

■ Photographs will NOT be used with scholarship announcements or college graduations.

Photographs will NOT be

published with "Top Dawg" and "Top Rebs" that are submitted for each six-week period.

■ Photographs WILL be published for students of the week presented by Midland Lions Clubs and Rotary Club.

## Junior high school honor roll

For junior high school students, the six-week honor roll is the ONLY academic honor that is published.

## Education in Brief

Included in Education in Brief will be:

■ Announcements of all upcoming school and education-related events.

■ Announcements of teacher academic honors.

## University Interscholastic League winners:

■ Lists will be published of UIL winners in all categories — speech, debate, writing,

math, vocational technology, etc. — for students winning first through third places in all divisions — district, regional, state.

■ Photos will be taken of students who win first place at state or who place in state categories that make them eligible for national competitions.

## Cheerleader honors:

■ Cheerleader awards from summer camps and competitions — including sweepstakes awards — are announced with education news.

■ Squad photos will be published for first place in the state competition awards.

■ Squad photos will be taken of cheerleaders leaving to perform at Rose Bowl, Orange Bowl and other prestigious events.

■ Photos will not be taken of squads for just receiving invitations to attend such events.

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By Emi Koll  
Austin America

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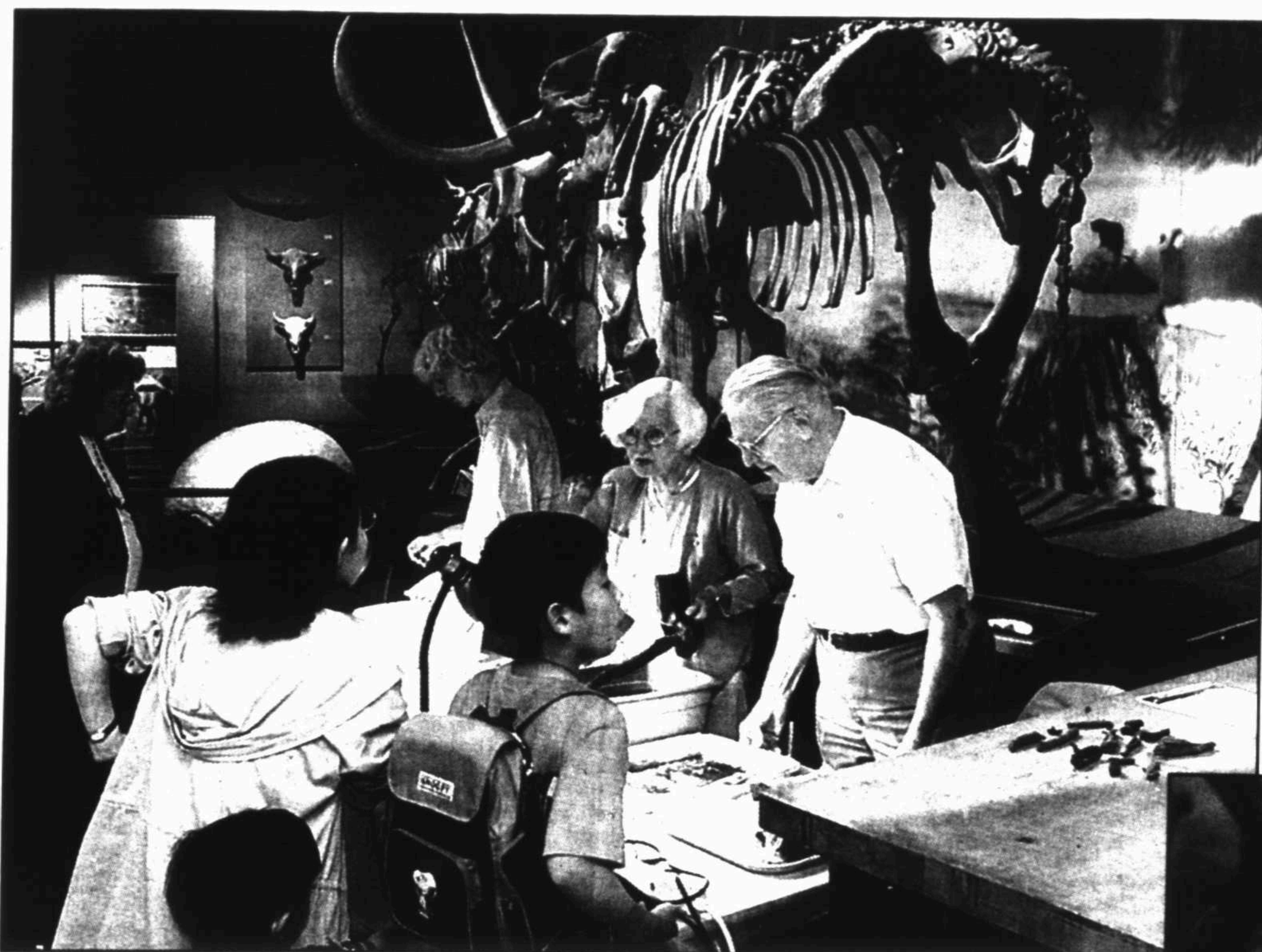
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## Mastodon research

TOP: Volunteers Luane Lasky and Joseph Somosi, right, talk with visitors to the Cleveland Museum of Natural History while cleaning bones of a young mastodon last week. The bones, estimated to be between 10,000 and 13,000 years old, were discovered near Salem, Ohio, earlier in the year and museum visitors are being given the opportunity to see them in their original condition before research begins. The skeleton of the large male seen in the background was discovered in 1926 near Johnstown, Ohio. RIGHT: Tom Grove of Canton, Ohio, cleans the upper jaw of a young mastodon. ABOVE: Volunteer Jack Abbott uses a toothbrush to clean a pelvic bone.

AP Photos



## Online dating service hosts 5-Minute Date for Austin singles

By Emi Kojima

Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN — Two margaritas down, Suzanne Hendrix is feeling fun, chatty and ready to go. She's wearing a light-blue blouse that brings out the rich green color of her large eyes. She has a guy friend as backup waiting for her at the bar, prepared to console her in case her evening falls flat.

That's good, Suzanne. Because she's about to meet her seven dates for the evening. Not too shabby for a Wednesday night.

The 5-Minute Date has arrived in Austin. It's personals without the anonymity and blind dates without the tedium. And there's no question it's time-efficient.

The promise is 35 minutes of nonstop dating: seven dates at five minutes each. When the buzzer sounds, the date starts and ends, sort of a grown-up version of musical chairs. Set up seven men and women at a long table. At the end of the date, the man moves to the seat to his left — until he's dated all the women at his table, and every woman has dated every man. Singles indicate if they want to see their date again on cards where they either mark "Yes" or "No." Their numbers are exchanged by the event sponsor only if both daters want to see each other again.

Already practiced on both coasts and abroad and popularized by shows such as "Sex and the City," the speed dating craze has been spreading across the country. It was created in 1999 when Los Angeles Orthodox Rabbi Yaacov Deyo tried to find a fun way to play matchmaker. He trademarked the name Speed-Dating, which is now imitated everywhere, from bars to coffee shops to bakeries, for secular and

Jewish groups alike.

It finally came here under the name "5-Minute Date," brought as a promotional event for Kiss.com, an online dating service with just over 3 million members worldwide.

"I see it as a fun opportunity — and not desperate — to meet new friends," said April Grefthen, Kiss.com's events manager. She decided to host a speed dating type of event after trying it herself. Kiss.com has held the event in San Diego and Portland, Ore. It came to Austin because the city is one of Kiss.com's top markets for singles — no surprise, given the number of techies in the area.

Ninety-eight very eligible Austinites gathered recently at the north Iron Cactus bar and restaurant to try their hands at Ms. Grefthen's modified version of speed dating.

(In Deyo's original version, revealing professions or asking for a date during the interview is verboten. Also, his dates are longer, at seven minutes.) Most of these singles heard about the event on the radio. The Mix 94.7's Carrie Benjamin was host of the event.

One man came on a dare. Many recent transplants wanted to get to know some people. Stefanie Kern, 25, a state employee, said she's normally too busy to meet anyone. This was a whim. Anyway, the event gave her the occasion to buy a new outfit at Old Navy.

Suzanne, 34, came when a co-worker egged her on, advising her that it would help her get over her ex.

"I'm a single mom, really busy and run a business. It's a big way to go out and meet people," Suzanne said. "When you get out of a breakup, it's easier to focus your energy on something else —



Suzanne Hendrix, right, talks to Joe Collins at the Iron Cactus bar in north Austin last month. The two were among 100 participants who took part in the 5-Minute Date sponsored by Kiss.com and Mix 94.7.

and not necessarily picking up men. At least I'm not sitting around eating. I'm out doing my own thing, getting on with my life."

### Trying their luck

When the buzzer rings, Suzanne is off with a round of rapid-fire questions.

"I have a question for you," she asks Date No. 1 in a loud voice, trying to talk over the buzz of a loud restaurant that's even more crowded this evening because curious spectators and daters' cheering support crews are

packed in the bar area. "If you had a 6-inch hole and could only see one part of my body, what would you choose?"

Her eyes. Date No. 1 is a keeper.

Not a bad answer for the first date out of seven, but when she hears it for the third time, she

groans and says, "That's what everyone says!"

"OK," she continues on Date No. 2, speaking crisply and asking her questions in a steady rhythm. "What's the last time you raised your voice at someone? If you saw a man drunk standing at a bar who had dropped a \$20 bill,

do you pick it up and give it to him or keep it?"

### Finding chemistry

Date No. 4 gets randy after Suzanne asks him how many good girlfriends he has whom he hasn't slept with. "When was the last time you had sex?" he counters. Possible chemistry? Maybe. Suzanne is up two out of three.

"Dating is all a game," Joe Collins, 33, comments during Date No. 6 with Suzanne. (He also admits during his date that he recently bought the book "Dating for Dummies" because he's been off the market for so long.) "We're just a bunch of players playing this game ... I need a shot of tequila."

"Tequila? That's gross," Suzanne says. "Well, I have a question for you. Do men play as many games as women do?"

"We do play as many games," Joe says without missing a beat. "If you call me, I'm not going to call you for three weeks."

"I play the same game!" Suzanne says. "What's your sign?"

"I'm Pisces," he says.

"I'm Pisces, too," she says. "We'll work."

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## NASA using satellite images to map Lewis and Clark's trek

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — The Lewis and Clark expedition was a two-year journey into a new frontier that helped put the West on the map. Now NASA is trying to do the same for the historic trek.

Scientists are using high-resolution satellite images to help pinpoint and map possible camp sites along the trail of the expedition, which is approaching its 200th anniversary.

NASA has conducted such space archaeology in the past, locating roads built by Pueblo Indians in New Mexico and Arizona more than 1,000 years ago. "Conducting archaeology from space is an exciting concept," said Lewis and Clark archaeologist Ken Karsmizki, a curator at the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center in The Dalles, Ore. "Our efforts to uncover Lewis and Clark outposts are enhanced using this technology."

Meriwether Lewis and William Clark started from St. Louis in May 1804 and eventually reached the mouth of the Columbia Riv-

er in what is now Washington state. Their 3,700-mile odyssey ran into several snags along the way, including bears, harsh winters and choppy waters that made navigation nearly impossible.

Karsmizki, who has examined sites along the expedition in Montana, Oregon, North and South Dakota, Idaho and elsewhere, said many of the duo's journal entries were written after long, grueling days on the trail and contain geographical inaccuracies.

NASA is combining precision satellite imagery with detailed historic maps to help Karsmizki locate camp sites. In some cases, the technology can reduce a potential dig site from several square miles to a matter of acres.

"By comparing data from the expedition archives to NASA imagery, we improve our probability of finding an outpost location dramatically," Karsmizki said.

The project, which will continue until at least 2004, the journey's bicentennial.



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Will you be celebrating your anniversary?

Beginning Sunday, Oct. 7, the Midland Reporter-Telegram will offer paid announcements of these milestone events.

Free announcements will still be available, but effective Oct. 7, the free engagement and wedding announcements will no longer include education and employment information. All of the other information remains the same.

Our paid announcements will allow couples to include more information and have larger photos.

INFORMATION that you may want to include in the paid announcements:

Engagements: Education and employment information, club and sports involvement, names of family members other than parents and grandparents.

Weddings: Description of the bride's dress and flowers; description of the ceremony, reception, honeymoon and any parties given in honor of the couple; names of other attendants such as candle lighters or scripture readers; attendants' places of residence; bride's and groom's education and employment information.

Anniversaries: Names of grandchildren and sons- and daughters-in-law; description of their celebration; couple's hobbies. Couples may announce anniversaries under 25 years (the free announcements are 25 years and higher.) In addition to a current photo, the couple's wedding photo may be included in the anniversary announcement.

### DEADLINES:

Publication deadline: Free announcements: Engagement can be announced two or more weeks before the wedding; wedding can be announced up to six weeks after the wedding; anniversary can be announced up to six weeks after the anniversary date or celebration.

Paid announcements: There is no time limit when they may be published.

Submission deadline for both free and paid announcements is two Fridays before the Sunday that the announcement is to be published.

### FEES:

Announcement fee is \$10 per inch.

Sample picture sizes for the paid announcements and announcement fees are: 1 column-by-3 inch photo: \$30 for the photo, plus \$10 for every inch of text

2 column-by-4 inch photo: \$80 for the photo, plus \$10 for every inch of text

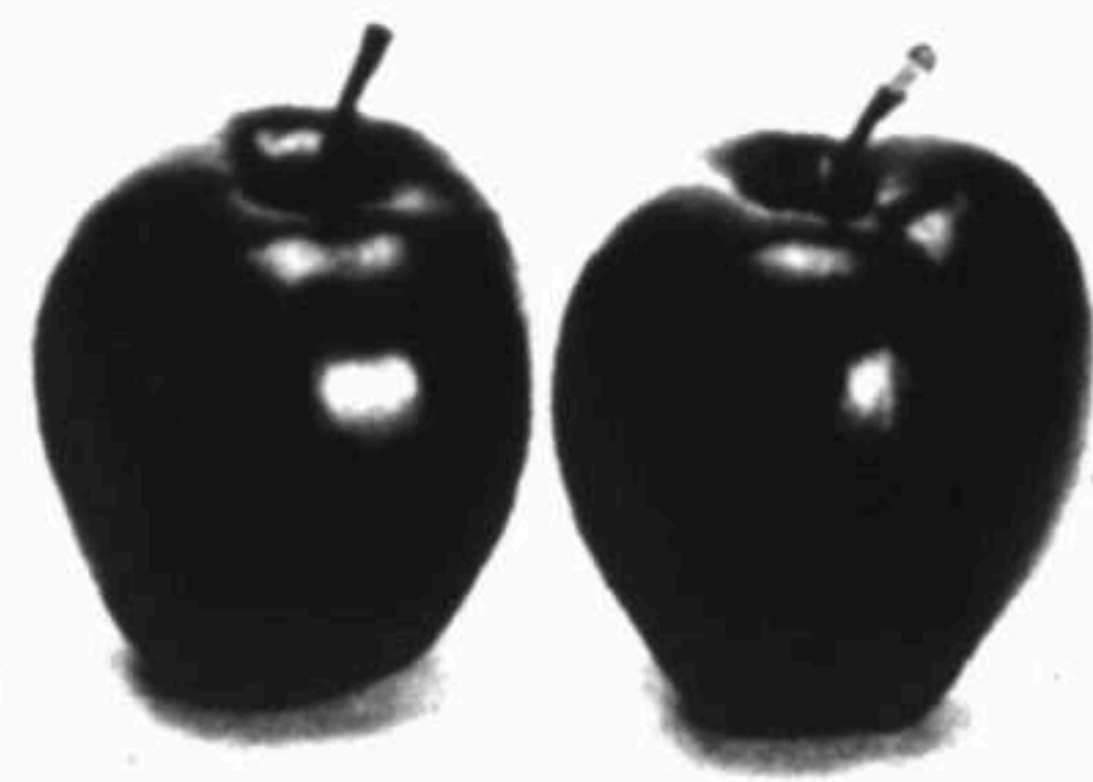
3 column-by-6 inch photo: \$180 for the photo, plus \$10 for every inch of text

Sample announcements may be viewed 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Lifestyle office. Someone will be required to check the announcement for errors before the announcement is published. The copy can be checked via e-mail, fax or in person.

For more information, call Summer Creech at 687-9038 between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday

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# Education

## MAKING THE GRADE

**Brandon South**, son of Jan and Susan South of Midland, was named the Midland Downtown Lion's Club student of the week.

South, a student at Midland High School, is a member of the National Honor Society, PALS, choir, D-Fy-It, the 2001 Texas State Championship baseball team. He is also senior class secretary and a Texas Scholar.

South is a member of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Young Life. He volunteers with Midland Junior Baseball Association, Keep Midland Beautiful and Meals on Wheels.

South has received the U.S. National Leadership Merit Award, has been recognized in who's Who Among American High School Students and is a three year academic letterman. He is also a Distinguished Achievement graduate and has received the Presidential Academic Award.

He plans on attending Texas A&M, Rice or Texas Christian University and majoring on engineering or computer science.

**Catherine Domingo**, a student at Lee High School, was named Student of the Week by Midland West Rotary Club. She is the daughter of Dr. Ramon and Minda Domingo.

She is involved with Spanish Honor Society, is president of National Honor Society, is a team captain of the Dixie Doll drill team. She is a member of the Origin and Chorale choir and is a choir officer.

She is a member of St. Stephen's Church and a member of St. Ann's youth group. She is a DARE role model.

She has been named to Who's Who Among American High School students and



South

was nominated for the national student leadership conference. She received the PTSA academic achievement award 1999-2001. She plans to attend the University of Dallas.

**SAN MARCOS** — **Jillian Cook** was named to the Dean's List at Southwest Texas State University for the spring 2001 semester.

**OKLAHOMA CITY** — **Beau Bailey** of Midland is among a group of students from Oklahoma Christian University to travel and study in Europe. Bailey, a sophomore, is the son of Steve and Keitha Bailey.

He is among a group of 33 students that left Oklahoma City on Aug. 29 for a semester of study in Europe as part of the Vienne Studies program. The trip will take them to England, France, Switzerland and finally to Vienna where students will spend more than six weeks studying.

The international studies groups will return to Oklahoma City on Dec. 10.

**STEPHENVILLE** — A Midlander is among the August 2001 graduating class at Tarleton State University.

**Jodie Ann Rose** received a master's of science in agriculture.

**Doug Segulja**, son of Tom and Diane Segulja, was named the Midland Downtown Lion's Club student of the week.

Segulja is the office historian of the Lee High School Orchestra and Strictee Strings chamber group. He is a member of the National Honor Society and is a Texas Scholar. He is a two-year academic letterman.

Segulja is a candidate for the Eagle Scout award and a Rotary Youth Leadership Participant.

He received all-region orchestra, Math and

Science Achievement Award, National History and Government Award, National English Merit Award and is a three-time recipient of the Outstanding Academic Achievement Certificate.

Segulja has been mentioned in Who's Who Among American High School Students. He is planning on attending either Clemson University or Texas A&M and earn a degree in architecture.

Seventeen Midland Independent School District students from Lee High School, Lee Freshman High School, Goddard and Alamo Junior High Schools are receiving cash awards totalling more than \$350 for their projects judged at the Permian Basin Fair's Industrial Technology Show.

The students competed against other students from Andrews and Crane. The MISD students include:

**Jarrod Scott**, LHS, High School 1A; **Marcella Oropez**, LFHS, Junior High School Best of Show; **Chance Copeland**, Goddard, JHS Reserve of Show; **Hunter Ripley**, Goddard, JHS 1A Wood; **John Edwards**, Goddard, JHS 1A Wood; **Jordan Ingram**, Alamo, JHS 1B Wood; **Clayton Armstrong**, Goddard, JHS 1B Wood; **Miss Oropeza**, Lee Freshman, JHS 1C Woodturning; **Derrick Almagar**, Goddard, JHS 2A Communication; **Jorje Ramos**, Goddard, JHS 2A Communication; **Tabby Heredia**, Goddard, JHS 2A Communication; **Aaron Mason**, Goddard, JHS 2B Communication; **Greg Anderson**, Goddard, JHS 2B Communication; **Justin Armstrong**, Goddard, JHS 2B Communication; **Cameron Yonts**, Goddard, JHS 3 Energy; **Alberto Garcia**, Goddard, JHS 3 Energy; and **Saxon Scarcelli**, Goddard, JHS 3 Energy.

In addition to the individual awards, the Goddard team received three cash awards for its wood projects.

## SCHOOL MENUS

Week of Sept. 24-28

### Midland ISD

**Monday:** BREAKFAST: peanut butter bar

**LUNCH:** corn dog or chicken spaghetti, whole kernel corn, raw veggies and dip, fruit cocktail, breadstick, fortified fruit drink, milk

**Tuesday:** BREAKFAST: ham and cheese foldover

**LUNCH:** chicken nuggets or baked turkey, steamed rice and gravy, green beans, sliced peaches, whole wheat roll, fortified fruit drink, milk

**Wednesday:** BREAKFAST: cinnamon roll

**LUNCH:** combo nachos or crispy tacos, Spanish rice, refried beans, lettuce and tomatoes, cornbread, fortified fruit drink, milk

**Thursday:** BREAKFAST: jumbo muffin

**LUNCH:** pizza or steak fingers, mixed vegetables, mashed potatoes and gravy, green salad, french bread, fortified fruit drink, milk

**Friday:** BREAKFAST: breakfast pinwheel

**LUNCH:** hamburger or toast-

ed cheese sandwich, homemade soup, french fries, lettuce and tomato, fortified fruit drink, milk

### Greenwood ISD

**Monday:** BREAKFAST: waffles and syrup, sausage, juice

**LUNCH:** steak fingers, potatoes and gravy, green beans, hot rolls, chilled fruit, milk

**Tuesday:** BREAKFAST: bacon, eggs, biscuits, juice

**LUNCH:** hot dogs w/ chili, tator tots, veggie beans, chilled fruit, milk

**Wednesday:** BREAKFAST: french toast sticks and syrup, juice

**LUNCH:** chicken quesadillas, pinto beans, lettuce and tomato salad, salsa, chilled fruit, milk

**Thursday:** BREAKFAST: pancakes and syrup, sausage, juice

**LUNCH:** toasted ham and cheese sandwich, garden salad, low fat dressing, potato chips, fresh apple, milk

**Friday:** BREAKFAST: cereal, granola crackers, juice

**LUNCH:** hamburger, french fries, hamburger salad with pickles, chilled fruit, milk

## 54-year-old author chronicles return to high school

■ 'Another Planet: A Year in the Life of a Suburban High School,' is the resut of Elinor Burkett's time with Minnesota students.

**Samantha Critchell**  
Associated Press Writer

**NEW YORK** — When Elinor Burkett went back to school, she was a little older than her fellow students. But that didn't stop her from becoming the favorite confidante of her classmates and, eventually, their loudest advocate.

"The harsh images of tough teens that I brought into school were from the media," said Ms. Burkett, a 54-year-old author and former reporter. "I also expected teen-agers to be mean and cliquy like they were when I was in high school."

"In reality, it's way better than that."

In a telephone interview, she described the students she spent a year with at Prior Lake High School in a Minneapolis suburb as "really nice." That experience is chronicled in the upcoming book "Another Planet: A Year in the Life of a Suburban High School" (HarperCollins).

Ms. Burkett, who lives in Hobart, N.Y., said she chose Prior Lake because she saw it as a "typical high school but was above average in every way, including income and test scores."

What surprised her most was that her teen-age "peers" immediately accepted her.

"I was told kids would never talk. I thought I'd have to crack them with a nutcracker, but that didn't happen. They were babbling within 15 minutes."

Ms. Burkett, who actually graduated 35 years ago from Harrison High School in Rosemont, Pa., said she was invited to all the parties, even the ones where the teens did drugs and tossed toilet paper. The kids liked being asked their opinions, she said, especially by someone who had no authority over them.

Ms. Burkett's advice to parents: Kids do pick up on the values and lessons observed in the home so set a good example instead of giving hypocritical lectures.

It seems like a contradiction, but parents who are obsessed with top academic and athletic performances that will help score college admission letters also underestimate their children.

"We adults treat kids as if they can't do better and they can't be held accountable. Parents are trying to be protective of their kids, which is understandable but detrimental."

"High school is the point when we have to start moving kids to reality. If parents set higher standards, the kids will rise to them," Ms. Burkett said.

Teen-agers actually know that parents doubt their abilities and their intelligence — and the students take advantage of it. Kids are running "a scam," said Ms. Burkett, citing one girl whose

mother wouldn't buy her a "ridiculously expensive" dress for the winter dance. The girl then refused to go to the dance at all as a ploy to ensure her mother would feel guilty enough to buy her an even more expensive prom gown.

At the same time, these seemingly savvy kids are not graduating with realistic assessments or views of adulthood and they struggle in these colleges that their parents have worked so hard to get them into, Ms. Burkett observes.

"Parents are so caught up in the moment, they don't look down

the road." This also is happening with teachers who are caught between bringing up standardized test scores in their classrooms and providing a safety net for students who are falling behind.

Because of her firsthand experience, Ms. Burkett now is critical of school policies, including the academic tracking, mandatory reporting of suspected abuse and "zero tolerance" for drugs, that she had supported as an observer.

Mandatory reporting laws leave many students without an adult who can advise them

because the kids are now afraid to approach teachers, fearing the ramifications, said Ms. Burkett.

As for the "zero tolerance" policy that states and drugs and illegal substances are absolutely prohibited at school grounds makes so much sense on paper but seems a little ridiculous when a minor with a cigarette gets the same punishment as someone pushing heroin.

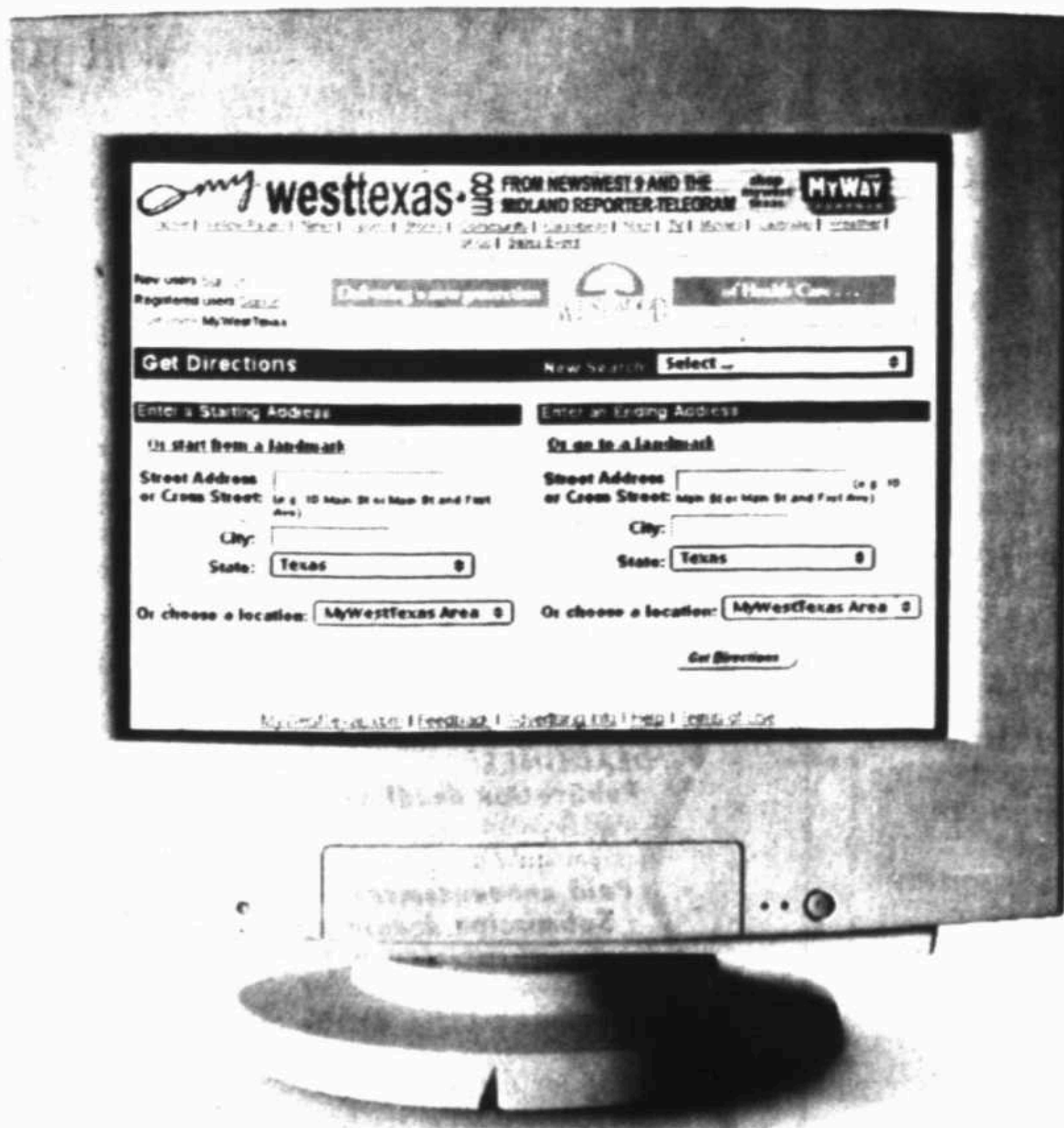
The solution, said Ms. Burkett, is to trust these teens.

"Kids today are tougher than you think. They can do it — whatever 'it' is."

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## With arrival of fall: 'mum is the word'

By George Bria

POUND RIDGE, N.Y. — With fall nearing, mum's the word.

Pots of budding chrysanthemums line sidewalks outside supermarkets, enticing customers. Thanks to this ancient Chinese and Japanese flower, gardens end their year in a blaze of color rivaling the autumn glory of the leaves above.

The show, however spectacular, also conveys the melancholy of a dying season, and thus chrysanthemums are regarded in some places as the proper flower for funerals and cemeteries. But some of the many chrysanthemum varieties flower also from midsummer on.

There are wide differences in the shapes of the flowers and the way the petals turn. Their forms get the names of pompon, spider, spoon, semidouble and daisy.

Chrysanthemum comes from the Greek "chrysos" (gold) and "anthos" (flower.) Garlands were made of it in Roman times to ward off demons. In Japan, a 16-petaled chrysanthemum that looked like the Rising Sun became a symbol of the Mikado.

The Japanese link is evoked also in the French novel "Madame Chrysanthème" by Pierre Loti that is regarded as having strongly influenced Puccini's creation of Madame Butterfly. Artists like Renoir and Degas did celebrated paintings featuring chrysanthemums.

Mums, as they are generally called, are grown primarily as cut flowers for the florist trade. Bouquets of large in-curved petals make dramatic arrangements whatever the setting.

Bought as plants in pots and transplanted, mums may be propagated in the garden for season after season. They like full sun

and rich soil. Plants that survive the winter profit from division each spring, giving you more and stronger plants. It's a good idea to mulch them the year around and to fertilize in early spring. A chrysanthemum grown indoors can be given new life outdoors, but be sure to shade it gradually from the sun to "harden" it.

American horticulturist Luther Burbank crossed ox-eye daisies with a Japanese daisy and obtained the famous Shasta daisy, named for Mount Shasta near his home in northern California.

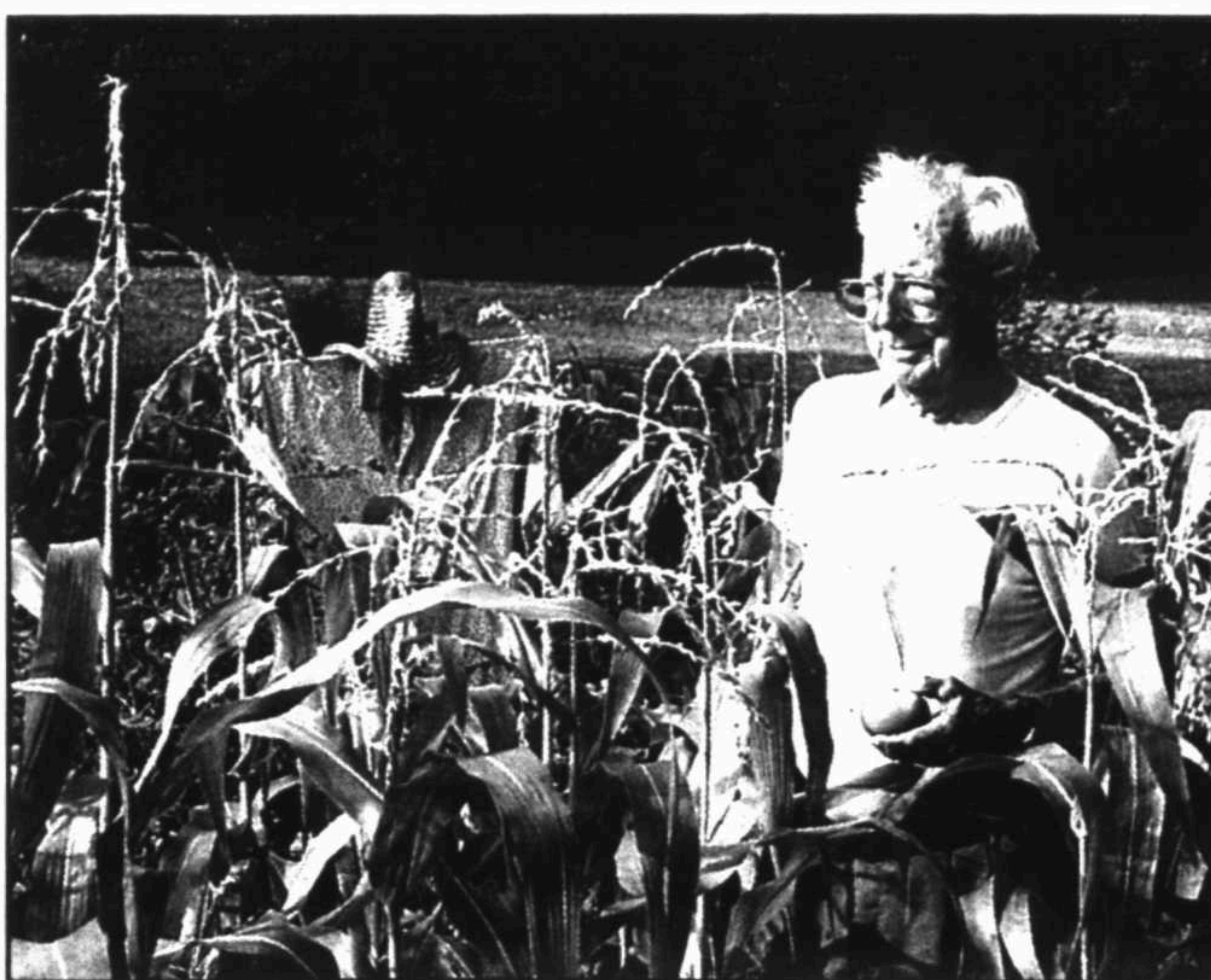
Different cultivars of shastas continue to beguile gardeners. White Flower Farm in Litchfield, Conn. is offering a double shasta called Christine Hagemann, which it found in Germany. This plant, growing 36 inches tall and 30 inches wide, features 3 1/2-inch-wide flowers packed with white petals.

Another white shasta called Becky offered by White Flower Farm originated in Georgia and is promoted as the best shasta for the South, but it also does well in New England. Blooming from July to September, it stands up to 4 feet tall and has huge 4-inch-wide flowers.

Among the many cultivars, an old-time chrysanthemum called Clara Curtis still performs proudly. Offered by Wayside Gardens Of Hodges, S.C., this plant is promoted as "long-blooming, heavy-flowering and so cold-hardy that it survives astonishing winters without losing a root." Sporting masses of golden-eyed, powder-pink daisies, the plants reach 18 inches in height and spread 2 feet wide.

### On the Net

■ White Flower Farm  
www.whiteflowerfarm.com  
■ Wayside Gardens Of Hodges  
www.waysidegardens.com



William Laubenstein holds a tomato spoiled by a crow as he walks through a patch of corn in his garden in Moorestown, N.J., last month. When Laubenstein moved to Moorestown in 1938, he was granted permission from the mayor and council to farm an empty patch of township-owned land near his home.

AP Photo

## Centenarian's garden appears on township's map

■ Man grows fruits and vegetables on plot of land owned by the city.

By Brendan Schurr  
Associated Press Writer

MOORESTOWN, N.J. — When William Laubenstein lived in Philadelphia, he got his corn, tomatoes and broccoli from a garden he farmed in the middle of the city. When he moved across the river to Moorestown in 1938, he asked the mayor and council to let him farm an empty patch of township-owned land near his home.

"They said yes and it's been on the township maps as a garden ever since," Laubenstein said one morning while checking the 22 rows of crops.

Warm orange blossoms rise from zucchini plants, new heads of broccoli push from thick green stalks and deep maroon beets rest on the ground in the 60-by-90-foot plot tucked

between a school playground and a row of houses. Behind them, lima beans, turnips, tomatoes, string beans, cucumbers, peas and zinnias grow.

In the middle of the garden, a scarecrow — wearing diamond-patterned pajamas and a straw hat — lives up to its name, keeping the crows away.

"I had the darndest trouble with crows here (last year)," Laubenstein said. "I started three rows of lima beans and the next day I came and all that was left were holes where they ate the seeds."

The garden is a few blocks down the street from Laubenstein's home, but too far for the 88-year-old to carry buckets of water. Since there is no water line to hook up a hose, Laubenstein depends on nature to moisten his flowers and vegetables.

"I have no way of watering," he said. "It's only the man up top that sends the rain."

This summer has been so dry the ground crumbles in Laubenstein's fingers when he

picks up a handful of soil. The zinnias had wilted in the sun and his 18 Supersonic tomato plants had yielded only two small tomatoes by early August. But other plants seemed to be doing fine.

Laubenstein, who retired in February after selling wholesale building materials for 60 years, starts his first crop — corn — in March. He then staggers the planting of other seeds over the next few months. Once they mature, some of the bounty goes to elderly township residents; 87-year-old Rena, his wife of 65 years, cans the rest.

"Nothing goes to waste if you have your own garden," said Laubenstein, who attributes the couple's good health to their love of vegetables.

"We live off this in the summertime," he said, adding that just-picked vegetables are a world apart from store-bought.

"If you would eat two ears of corn I grew and take it home and cook it," he said proudly, "you'd never eat corn from a store again."

## FALL: Dusters originated in 1880s as man's coat

(From 2E)

look, while those in tweed or leather create a more classic stance. Either way, they play a key role in fall wardrobes that reflect the menswear trend that translates to crisp white shirts, pinstriped pantsuits, equestrian details and elegant tuxedo dressing.

Dusters actually originated from menswear. Called summer overcoats, men during the late 1800s wore them in lightweight fabrics such as silk.

Then, when America went car-crazy, the summer overcoat was called a driving coat before eventually becoming known as the "duster," said Maggie Murray, costume curator for the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising in Los Angeles.

"In those days cars didn't have windshields and people drove on unpaved roads in giant clouds of dust, so they protected themselves with hats and veils and these all-enveloping coats that were close to the ankle — hence the name," Ms. Murray said.

Dusters disappeared for several years and made a comeback as a staple of the hippie chick wardrobe in the late 1960s and early '70s, and then by the mid-'80s they returned as elegant wrappers for evening in luxe silk prints.

But long jackets and sweaters aren't a fashion cure-all. They can get caught in car doors and in the wheels of desk chairs and knit types can easily lose their shape.

Luckily, there are plenty of other options for fall.

Designers have once again spun the dial-a-decade wheel, stopping this year at the Pearl Harbor-era to bring back tweed suits with 1940s two-tone pumps with perforated detailing as well as the decadent styles of the '80s that included sheer ruffled blouses and hefty costume jewelry with large logos a la Chanel or Gucci and snakeskin shoes. And we're not finished with the novelty shirts and navel-baring pants of the Sonny and Cher era.

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### Geotech courses

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**PetroWorks** will be 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Thursday, Oct. 1-4. This course is an introduction to workflows in PetroWorks, Landmark's interactive petrophysical interpretation software. Hands-on exercises are incorporated into the short daily lectures, giving participants the opportunity to immediately apply what has just been discussed. Fees and registration are handled directly through Landmark Graphics Corporation. To enroll please contact Rhonda Burd at 281-649-4000. The instructor is Garvin Powers.

**MJ SYSTEMS/DIGIRULE/PTTC—Cross Section Workshop** will be 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 3, or Thursday, Oct. 4.

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For information about about PGTC classes, call 686-4242 or log on to [www.midland.cc.tx.us/pgtc](http://www.midland.cc.tx.us/pgtc).

### Math Mentoring

An on-going tutoring program at the Midland College Math Lab is helping algebra and geometry students, in grades 9-12, with their math homework.

The next session of Math Mentoring begins in mid-September. Students in the eighth through 12th grades who are enrolled in Algebra I, Algebra II, or Geometry are eligible for the program.

These sessions meet Monday/Wednesday at 4 and 5 p.m. and Tuesday/Thursday at 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. The cost for eight, one-hour sessions is \$100.

The sessions are homework-driven and do not introduce new material.

To make sure students get the attention they need from the tutor, each session is limited to four students.

Tutors for the sessions are Brian Miller and Jorge Hernandez. The tutors work with students to reinforce and review concepts and problems unique to each student's own math class.

For more information call Debra Vandergriff at 685-5522.

### College Classics

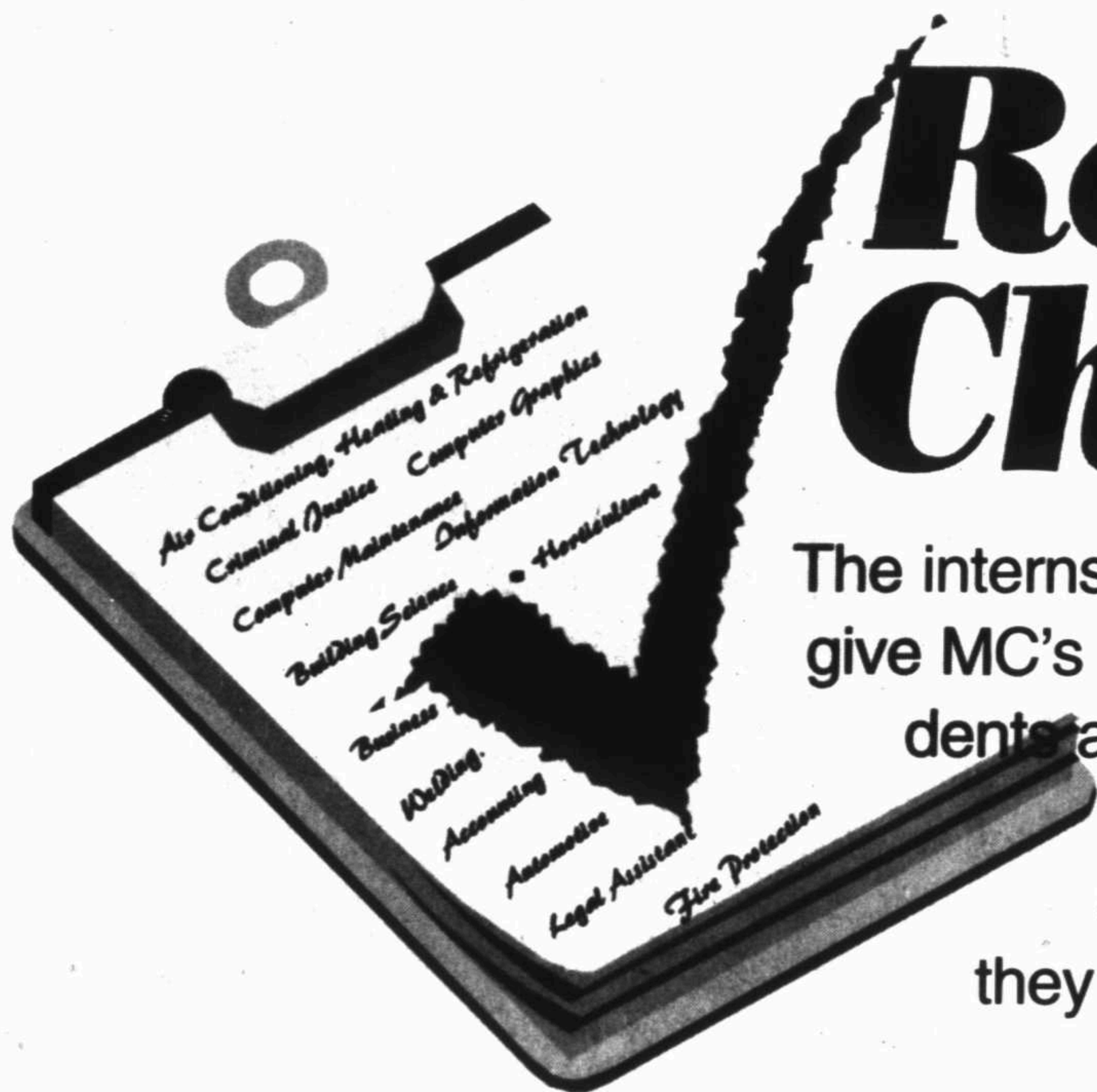
College Classics, an ongoing continuing education program at Midland College for persons 50 years of age or older, returns this fall with interesting and fun classes for senior citizens.

College Classics offers two, month-long sessions of classes—Sept. 24-Oct. 19 and Oct. 22-Nov. 16—specifically designed for "seniors."

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## Reality Check

The internship program was developed to give MC's occupational-technical students a direct connection between the courses they are taking and the technical workforce they plan to enter.

## MC internships give students work experience, college credit

*Reality 101: The Ultimate Guide to Life After College*: That's the name of the textbook for Midland College's internship program and also program's focus.

The co-operative internship program was developed to give MC's occupational-technical students a connection between the courses they are taking and the technical workforce they plan to enter, according to Nancy Hart, Business Studies Division Chair.

This means the students have networking opportunities with business and industry while earning course credit.

Participating programs include: Legal Assistant; Business; Information Technology/Business Applications; Information Technology/Computer Maintenance; Information Technology/Other Emphasis; Criminal Justice; Accounting; Air Conditioning, Heating & Refrigeration Technology; Automotive; Building Science; Computer Graphics; Fire Protection; Horticulture; and Welding.

"We would love to have more internships available for our students," Hart said.

"We are always looking for businesses willing to have students work with them, either in paid or unpaid internships," she said.

A dose of *Reality 101* is what she hopes students will take from the program, Hart said.

"The text is really an excellent tool for this class and I appreciate the



Legal Assistant Instructor Andree Rosen holds the textbook for MC's Cooperative Internship class, *Reality 101: The Ultimate Guide to Life After College*. Last year, all the Legal Assistant graduates had an internship with local firms.

title," Hart said, adding that getting to know the people and the work requirements of a specific field is a great asset when graduates start job hunting.

Some of the businesses participating in the internship program include West Texas Legal Services, 238th District Court, Mary Glenn, CPA, Midland Fire Department and Chili's.

One of the most successful programs in placing interns is the Legal Assistant program headed by Andree Rosen.

"Andree's done a really, really good

job drumming up internships," Hart said. "Every one of her 2001 graduating students had an internship."

The internship program is flexible and built around two main components: the internship and classroom work.

The association begins when students serve either a paid or unpaid internship in their field.

Teachers supervise the internships and students get credit for a portion of the class. The class can also be beneficial for those already in the workplace who want to grow in their job.

In this case the instructor meets with the student and his or her supervisor to come up with appropriate requirements.

The internship classes are structured around four modules:

#### Module #1, Career Choices—

The first module deals with career choices and other aspects of the workplace including employment testing. Speakers from the community give either presentations or speak from a panel.

**Module #2, Job-Search Skills**—The second module examines job-search skills, including resume writing, interviewing and where jobs can be found.

**Module #3, On-the-Job Issues**—The third module looks at on-the-job issues such as employment contracts, benefits, Roth and regular IRAs.

**Module #4, Ethical Dilemmas**—The fourth module deals with ethical dilemmas. This module was suggested by the occupational-technical advisory boards made up of members of the industry that work with each campus program. Internship classes are listed in the MC catalog under each department under cooperative education in each section. The classes can be taken two times, and students may enroll for the classes at any time during the semester.

Classes meet once a week, either at noon on Mondays or at 6 p.m. on Tuesdays. Classroom work consists of four modules with four weeks of work for each module.

## Midland College Events

## Comedian Newhart performs at Chaparral Center

The Phyllis and Bob Cowan Performing Arts Series presents Comedian Bob Newhart performing at Al G. Langford Chaparral Center 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 27. The performance is free, but a ticket is required.



Call 685-4526 for ticket information.

When Billboard published its 100 Most Popular Albums of the past 40 years, Newhart came in at #20, the only comedian on the list, and beating out many great recording

talents such as the Beatles and Elvis Presley.

Newhart's record success prompted television to approach him with offers. His first show was a variety show, which won a Peabody Award and an Emmy.

His first comedy series, "The Bob Newhart Show," debuted on CBS in 1972. The show's extraordinary cast of feature players was applauded by many critics and show business historians. After six years Bob chose to move on to other projects.

These projects included motion pictures. Newhart was cast in several films including "Hell Is For Heroes," "On A Clear Day You Can See Forever," and "Catch 22."

During this time Newhart continued live, stand-up performances. After his first television show ended he toured for nearly four years before he returned to television in a new series with a new format.

"Newhart," which debuted in 1982 on CBS, cast Bob as a New York do-it-yourself book author who moved to Vermont to run an inn. Again, the series was cast with quirky characters. After eight successful seasons, Bob ended the show to finish still on the top.

The final episode of "Newhart" is regarded by fans and critics as one of the all time best and most surprising episodes in television comedy history.

This episode showed Bob waking up in the bedroom from "The Bob Newhart Show," next to Suzanne Pleshette who played his wife in that show. Upon awakening Bob tells her that he had the strangest dream and relates the story from "Newhart."

One of Bob's favorite honors was his selection as Grand Marshall of the 102nd Tournament of Roses Parade. He was inducted into the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Hall of Fame. Newhart lives in Bel Air, California with his wife, Virginia, and spends time with their four children.

He enjoys golfing as much as possible while continuing his show business career by doing concert dates and an occasional film.

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### **Moderator: Ms. Anne Taylor Fleming**

Ms. Fleming is a nationally-recognized writer and television commentator whose work has appeared in many magazines including *Newsweek*, *The New Yorker*, *The New York Times Magazine* and many others. She has been a regular contributor to CBS Radio and the NBC *Nightly News* as well as an on-camera essayist for PBS' *The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*. Putnam published her book, *"Motherhood Deferred, A Woman's Journey,"* in 1994.

### **Mr. Gary Bauer**

A 2000 Republican presidential candidate and former Domestic Policy Advisor to President Ronald Reagan, Mr. Bauer serves as Chairman of America's second largest political action committee, The Campaign for Working Families, and served as president of the Family Research Council. He also served as Under Secretary of Education in 1985, during which time he wrote the report "The Family: Preserving America's Future." He has written or co-written three books on family issues.

### **Ms. Stephanie Coontz**

Author, lecturer and educator, Ms. Coontz teaches family studies at The Evergreen State College in Olympia, Wash. A former Woodrow Wilson fellow, she has received the Dale Richmond Award for the American Academy of Pediatrics for outstanding contributions to the field of child development. Ms. Coontz has published six books on family history, gender roles, and contemporary family issues.

### **Dr. David Elkind**

Author of *The Hurried Child: Growing Up Too Fast Too Soon*, *All Grown Up and No Place to Go*, *Miseducation*, and *The Ties That Stress: The New Family Imbalance*, Dr. Elkind is professor of child study at Tufts University in Massachusetts. His newest book *Reinventing Childhood: Raising and Educating Children in a Changing World* offers detailed suggestions for dealing with the complex issues children, parents and teachers now face.

### **Dr. Alvin Poussaint**

Dr. Poussaint, author, psychiatrist, educator and respected social critic, is known for his work on changing family patterns and other issues in our communities. His articles and books show how to create positive solutions for the future. Dr. Poussaint serves as Director of the Media Center of the Judge Baker Children's Center in Boston and is professor of psychiatry and faculty associate dean for student affairs at Harvard Medical School. He has served as a script consultant for television programs such as *The Cosby Show* and *Little Bill* (Nickelodeon).

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# HOME & Garden



Fallingwater, one of the two Frank Lloyd Wright-designed houses in Western Pennsylvania, has a living room described as "cave like," offering a sense of security and an opening into the light.

Photos by STEVE MELLON  
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

By Gretchen McKay  
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

It's hard to tour Fallingwater and not be amazed by the sheer ingenuity of architect Frank Lloyd Wright.

Constructed over a swift waterfall along Bear Run in Ohiopyle, Penn., in the 1930s, the multilevel house is an architectural wonder. Many consider it the quintessential example of organic architecture, promoting harmony between man and nature. It's also one of the most famous private residences ever built, visited by nearly 3 million people since it opened its doors in 1964.

But when it comes to a home, pedigree is one thing, comfort another. Would you actually want to live in Fallingwater? It would depend on your lifestyle.

Anyone with small children would cringe at the jagged stone ledges and corners. Likewise with the steep, dark stone stairway leading into a 53-inch-deep plunge pool beneath the east terrace of the living room. What baby gate could attach to those craggy walls?

Then there are the bathrooms. The cork walls and floors boast a certain earthy charm while sunflower-sized showerheads in the step-down showers hint at a luxurious bathing experience.

But it's tough to imagine using the bizarrely low toilets, especially if you have weak knees. Sunken into deep hollows in the concrete floor slabs, they're a mere 10 1/2 inches above the floor. Most wastebaskets are taller.

Just a few miles south of Bear Run is another Wright-designed home. Fallingwater would be a great place to while away a lazy, sunny summer weekend and a spectacularly cool house to entertain guests in—a cocktail party on one of the terraces overlooking the waterfall would surely impress. But Kentuck Knob is a house you can actually imagine yourself cooking breakfast in or folding laundry while you watch TV.

There are many similarities, of course. In addition to their natural building materials, both houses make great use of windows and skylights and feature open floor plans and built-in furniture. The contrast between the rough stone and smooth wood also makes them both very tactile houses. You can't help but want to touch what you see.

In addition, both homes cost a lot more than their owners had anticipated. Liliane and Edgar Kaufmann Sr. originally budgeted \$45,000 for the 5,300-square-foot home but ended up spending \$155,000 on Fallingwater. The Hagans planned on spending about \$60,000 on 2,300-square-foot Kentuck Knob instead of the nearly \$100,000 it actually cost.

The difference, of course, is that Fallingwater was never meant to be lived in year-round. And because the Kaufmanns were wealthy and had a staff (cook, butler, chauffeur), most of the attention was lavished on the more public spaces, like the oversized living room.

"It was designed primarily as a weekend retreat, where the Kaufmanns could get a quick fix of nature," says Lynda Waggoner, director of Fallingwater and vice president of the West-

## Wright at home

Kentuck Knob edges out Fallingwater as more livable home

ern Pennsylvania Conservancy, which has maintained the house since it was entrusted to the group by Edgar Kaufmann Jr. in 1963.

Fallingwater's kitchen, though perfectly functional for the '30s, with its AGA cooker, Cherokee-red linoleum floors and pale-yellow St. Charles metal cabinetry, looks almost drab when compared to the cook-friendly, hexagonal kitchen at Kentuck Knob. There, chic stainless steel countertops, foot-loving cork floors and a 14-foot ceiling topped with a great hexagonal skylight reflect the Hagans' love of cooking and entertaining.

To truly appreciate Fallingwater as a home, you have to picture it with all the windows open so the transition between the outdoors and indoors is "seamless," she says. Sit in one of the built-in couches under the windows in the living room or walk out onto any of the terraces and, in addition to the fabulous view, you can hear Bear Run gurgling and birds chirping.

"The house was meant for quiet reflection," Waggoner says. "The Kaufmanns wanted it to be a total sensory experience."

They also wanted guests to feel a sense of shelter, which helps explain the 6-foot ceilings and highly polished sandstone floors. (Wright wanted them to look "wet" like a stream bottom.)

"It's like being in a cave almost," Waggoner notes. "There's a blurring between the man-made and what's part of creation."

Waggoner says Fallingwater was clearly an "adult" home meant for outdoor types.

"Anyone who says they couldn't live here has to not love nature," she says.

Kentuck Knob, of course, also was meant for nature lovers. But the Hagans also desired a house that was suitable for everyday use. To that end, they insisted Wright make several changes in his design.

For instance, because their son stood 6 foot 2, they asked for 6-foot, 5-inch ceilings instead of the usual 6 feet. Those extra 5 inch-

es, coupled with the glass wall on one side of the living room and clerestory windows above the room-length, built-in couch, add to the spacious feel of the house. Bernardine Hagan also insisted on having a basement, something Wright as a rule refused, along with attics, to put in his houses.

"I told him, 'Mr. Wright, we're 15 miles from the nearest grocery store and weather here can be drastic,'" she recalls with a laugh. "So he agreed to 'let' me have a small basement." The two small basement rooms house an extra freezer, larder and laundry room.

The most appealing room in the house is the sun-drenched dining room. Though part of the living room terrace, the Hagans had it enclosed in glass, creating an intimate, serene space for gathering.

The master bedroom, which is tiny compared with today's oversized master suites, was a particularly wonderful room, says Hagan, especially in the winter.

"Snow would slide off the roof and pile up outside the window, and rabbits would make a tunnel and sleep in a little cove," she says.

So comfortable and cozy was the house, Hagan says, that they loved every minute of it. "We were there 30 years and truly expected to live there all our lives," she says.

The Kaufmanns, too, enjoyed Fallingwater for a long time. Edgar Jr. continued to use the house at Bear Run for several years after his father's death in 1955. In 1963, he gave the house and 1,543 acres surrounding it to the conservancy.

Which brings us back to the house's floor-hugging toilet bowls. According to Waggoner, Edgar Sr. always was trying to incorporate the latest ideas on technology into everyday life. After he read an article that suggested lower bowls were more natural, they became part of Fallingwater's design.

"He thought they'd be healthier," says Waggoner.



Light flows into the dining room at Kentuck Knob.

Though not as famous as Fallingwater, Kentuck Knob is much cozier. Finished in 1956 for ice cream makers I.N. and Bernardine Hagan, the one-story custom house is built mostly of stone and wood and radiates the same organic feeling as Fallingwater.

Perched high atop a bluff overlooking the Youghiogheny River, it seems to grow out of its surroundings. The native fieldstone walls and floors, however, seem less harsh than the ubiquitous rocky ledges in the more famous house at Bear Run. And the Tidewater red cypress woodwork, which spans the living room ceilings and bedroom walls, adds to the house's warmth.

"It's hard to explain how very delightful it



Tours of Kentuck Knob and Fallingwater (above) are offered from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays and selected holiday Mondays. Admission is \$10 at each house during the week, \$15 on weekends and holidays. Reservations are suggested. Kentuck Knob, 724-329-1901  
www.kentuckknob.com  
Fallingwater, 724-329-8501  
www.wponline.org/fallingwaterhome.htm



## Art world seeks to provide PATRIOTISM and ESCAPISM

By Georgia Temple  
Entertainment Editor

**T**he tragic images broadcast live over all television networks since Sept. 11 have become indelibly burned into the consciousness of Americans and the world.

As the tragedy unfolded, New Yorkers and people from other cities and towns rushed to provide aid. The images have shown a nation that has grown closer through this disaster and countless Americans turning to their faith for comfort. They also have shown the call to war issued by the nation's leaders and private citizens.

Nationwide, those in the artistic community have already responded with changes in programming and benefit performances. Funds are earmarked for relief.

Closer to home, the Big Spring Symphony has changed the program for the 8 p.m. Oct. 6 concert at the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium. (Tickets at the door are \$10.) Conducting the performance is John Giordano, who recently retired as the conductor of the Fort Worth Symphony.

"I received a phone call from Mr. Giordano," said Keith Graumann, director of the Midland-Odessa Symphony Chorale and a member of the Big Spring Symphony board of directors. "He wanted to change the programming to reflect the recent events. The first half was the Dvorak 9th Symphony, called coincidentally, the 'New World Symphony.' So it goes along with changing the second half into a patriotic theme."

The Big Spring Symphony will now be performing "Memories of America," a medley of American tunes arranged by Carmen Dragon for Giordano and the Fort Worth Symphony and an arrangement of "America the Beautiful."

This arrangement of "America the Beautiful" is the most popular arrangement in the Carmen Dragon Music Library catalog, Graumann said, adding Mr. Giordano told him, "The audience is surely to all have tears because the arrangement is so beautiful."

The program in place for the upcoming Midland-Odessa Symphony Pops concerts set for 8 p.m. Sept. 29 at Midland's Holiday Inn and 7 p.m. Sept. 30 at Odessa's Holiday Inn already reflected an American theme.

"A lot of our pops was already very American-oriented," said Jeannine Donnelly, executive director of the MOSC. "The Big Band is a throw back to the Second World War when we were attacked before, and Americans had the same sort of feeling. And we're featuring music from the '30s and '40s prior to and leading into and following the World War II attack. It's kind of an eerie coincidence."

The first half of the program will be a Pops performance by Randy Sandke, as conductor and on trumpet, and clarinetist Ken Peplowski with the MOS Big Band saluting the music of history's great trumpet players including Louis Armstrong, Cootie Williams, Roy Eldridge and Harry James. The second half of the program offers the audience the opportunity to dance to the classic tunes of the Benny Goodman era.

"Music, especially jazz, has since the Second World War been one of our most powerful good-will ambassadors," said Sandke, who lives in Brooklyn and does a great deal of traveling and performing in other countries, particularly throughout Europe and in Japan. "It's something I've noticed when I am there and feel proud of, especially with Benny Goodman."

"That's the music of the greatest generation. It's very joyous and uplifting music, and they were able to produce that in probably the time of the greatest crises this country has been through."

Tickets range in price from \$35 for the Conductor's Circle to \$15 for general admission. Sponsors are Marathon Oil Company, Wagner & Brown LTD., Berg Motor Company, Sivalls, Inc., BP America and the Texas Commission on the Arts. Call 563-0921 for reservations.

The programming for the MasterWorks concerts will "probably remain the same based on the fact that we are having the guest conductors in, and they are really showing us their programming ideas for the long term," Mrs. Donnelly said.

Before their performances with the MOS, Sandke and Peplowski will join Lynn Seaton, Droi Monklak and Brian Piper on Friday for an 8 p.m. performance at the Odessa Country Club. Presented by the West Texas Jazz Society, admission is free to members, \$15 for non-members and an additional \$10 for reserved seating. For reservations, call 682-4124 or 915-366-7130.

"Ken and I will just conference and come up with some things," Sandke said of the program for the WTJS. "It will be a lot looser than the other concerts that we are doing."

The weekend following the terrorist attacks was the opening weekend for the Midland Community Theatre's production of "To Kill a Mockingbird," which continues through Sept. 30 (Call 682-4111 for reservations).

"We never considered not performing," said Tim Jebson, executive director. "We knew it was important for us to do that. We certainly would have understood if somebody did not want to come. We did not have anybody that I'm aware of that did not want to come to our show, so I think people wanted to do something that was more normal."

The theater had "sold-out crowds both nights (Sept. 14 and 15)," Jebson said. "'To Kill a Mockingbird' obviously deals with intolerance. It deals with different races interacting with each other, and it deals with death."

"And those are the things that we have been dealing with as a nation and will continue to deal with in the aftermath of the terrorists' attacks. I think that also points out the importance of us continuing to produce 'To Kill a Mockingbird.'"

As for the remainder of this season and MCT's 2002 season, Jebson said, "It's very difficult, if not impossible, to make wholesale changes say by trying to produce more patriotic shows. We pick our season so far in advance."

The theater does present specials during the year, Jebson said. "Who knows. There are certainly still slots open. I'm not saying the events wouldn't potentially change our focus. They certainly can and will. I don't know in what way that will happen yet."

"I certainly think the community theater plays an important role in bringing people together, unlike television, which we all do in isolation, and, although we may watch the same images, we don't share it as much together. And the arts, whether they be visual or performing arts, play a role in sharing experiences as a group and bringing people together to understand those experiences and share a greater understanding of each other."

In New York City, when the Metropolitan Museum of Art reopened on Sept. 13, 8,200 visitors came through the facility, demonstrating the importance of the visual arts to a community in times of stress.

Here, the Museum of the Southwest has seen just about the same attendance it would have at this time of year, said Tom Jones, executive director, adding the week of the attack was also the week of cleanup at the museum following Septemberfest.

"I think it was pretty much business as usual," said Jones, who commented on the importance of the arts in times of crises.

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Among the sculptures on the grounds of the Museum of the Southwest are Allan Houser's "Offering the Sacred Pipe," at top right, which is symbolic of peace and is from an edition of three, one is located in Santa Fe, N.M., and the other was given by the artist to the United Nations Building in New York City; Rosie Sandifer's "Freedom of Youth," at left, in which the artist focuses on the carefree days of childhood by portraying her daughter, Jamie, swinging on a rope; and Doug Hyde's "The Naming," at far left, which depicts a Hopi christening ceremony involving the child, its mother and three aunts.

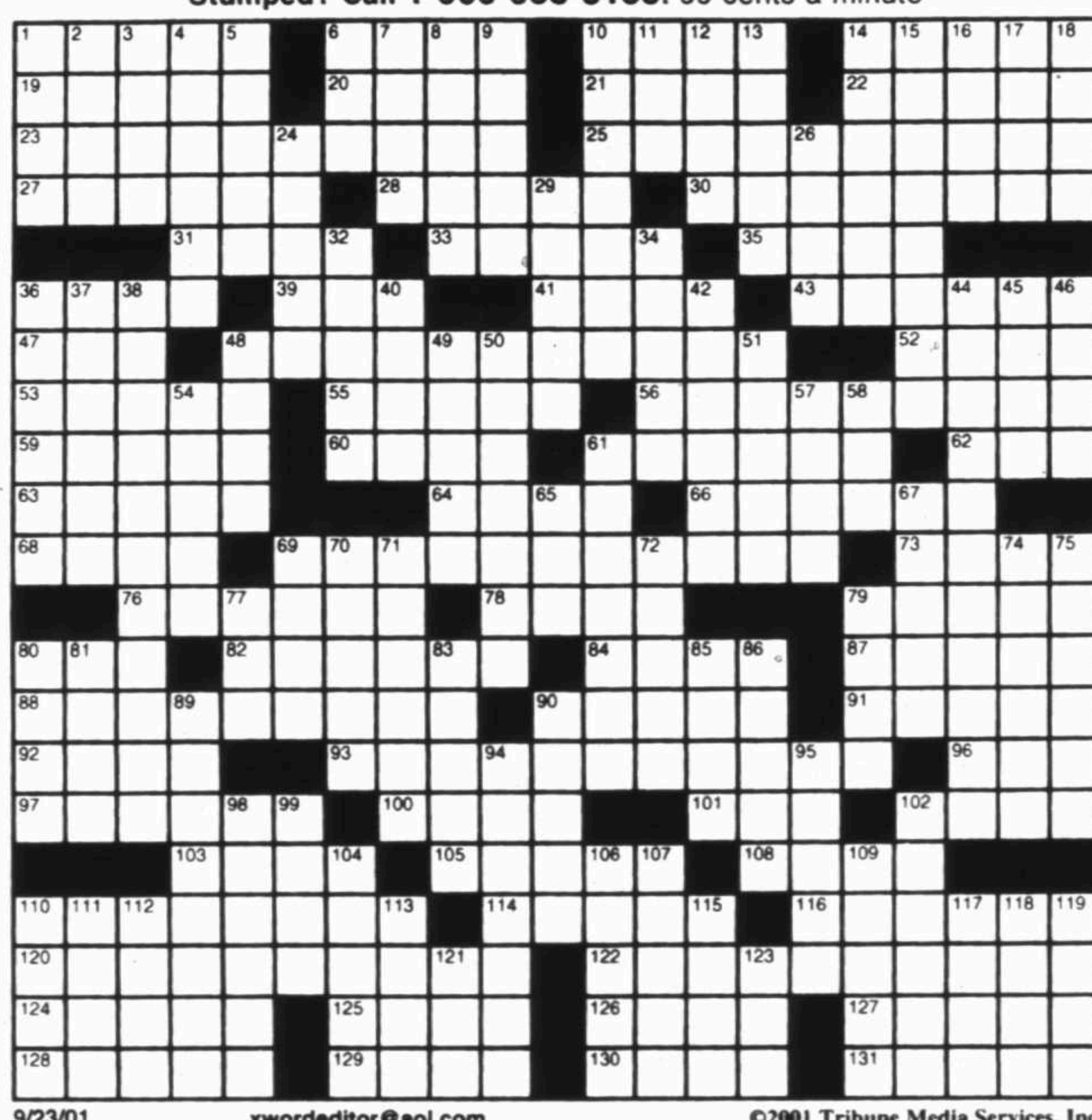


# Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

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## JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Sunday, Sept. 23, 2001: Opportunities seek you out this year. Your friendly ways and unusual charisma open up others. They count on your dynamic energy and feedback. The world is your oyster, so think in terms of increased public influence and impact. Your career gains as a result. If you are single, your romances will charge your life with excitement but also with necessary stability. If you are attached, you will stir up the pot and bring some of the old spice back — whether your sweetie wants it or not. Talk to SAGITTARIUS.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): A midday call or visit reminds you that a big world is out there. Consider exploration, or start planning a trip. A partner loves talking about what you two "could" do. Make more room for fantasy, and start creating your dreams. Tonight: A lively dinner.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): In your take-charge manner, you carry the banner from Monday on. Wednesday holds a bit of a surprise. You hear news that puts a different slant on life.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): A parent or older relative means well but still displays a strong need for attention. Invite a loved one or partner to join in on plans. You also might opt to bring others together at your place. Remember, perfection isn't the goal — companionship is. Tonight: Special time with a partner.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): This week: Keep your head high and don't get into trivial matters on Monday and Tuesday. After some reflection, you reverse a financial stance involving work.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Others knock on your door. Don't let anyone set you back with complications. Be more playful when dealing with a child or loved one. Your humor naturally cheers others up. Invite a friend to join you at the movies. Tonight: Let go of constraints!

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): This week: Take off with an associate Monday and Tuesday. Talk turkey. Recognize how much responsibility you carry on your shoulders on Wednesday. You can do it.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): This week: Family, investments and real estate demand your attention. Yet surprising news from someone at a distance or a legal matter tosses your thoughts into another arena.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Suppose you opt to defend. You win the king of hearts and continue with the queen. Should East overtake with the ace and give you a heart ruff, declarer will win any return, draw trumps, get to dummy with a high club and discard the diamond loser on a long heart.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Suppose you opt to declare, consider a stronger defense by West. Suppose that, after winning two heart tricks, you shift to the queen of diamonds! South is left without resource. 16.

Let others make suggestions. A friend or partner might have surprise plans. Use the moment to talk about your feelings and share more of what is going on. A purchase for your home or family delights everyone. Tonight: Let someone else worry about entertaining you!

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): This week: Others seek you out. It is always fun to sit back and not do much. Somehow, your hand is forced on Wednesday. Don't let "things" get to you.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Jump to another's beat. Try seeing life through this person's ideas. Catch up on a sibling's news or reach out for a neighbor. Accept an invitation for munchies and a drink after a workout or ballgame. Tonight: Keep it light and easy. Forget tomorrow.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): Plunge 100 percent into your work. Wednesday, you renew a commitment. Others remain unpredictable. You can't change them, either.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19): Your enthusiasm might wane before you know it. You seem to be subject to energy swings. As a result, you might opt to stay close to home. Whether you hop on the computer or decide to play a game with a family member, you relax. Tonight: Early to bed.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): Creativity sparks your work and your life, yet a boss could become almost a tyrant by the end of the week. Understand, or change jobs. Your call.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): Be quiet with a loved one. Do speak, but express your centering and tranquility, especially as another might be frenetic and nervous. Present your point of view, and help this person relax. Remember that life is simply a question of perspective. Tonight: Out for dinner at a favorite spot.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): Family, investments and real estate demand your attention. Yet surprising news from someone at a distance or a legal matter tosses your thoughts into another arena.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Impulse rules you far more than you realize. You're likely to ignore even your own sage advice right now! Perhaps in some way, you like living on the edge. Is that a possibility? Only you know.

Listen to a trusted adviser, even if it might be too late! Tonight: Allow another to treat.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Others flood through your door. Your phone doesn't know the word "quiet." By Wednesday, an associate or partner points out your lack of attention to detail. Oh, dear.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your lively personality gets everyone moving this morning. Whatever you have in your mind inspires others to come along and join you. How you visualize your day could change considerably — and happily — as a result. Friends surround you. Remember this moment. Tonight: It is your call.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can be the wizard of finance, creating and spending. Yet what happens with someone on Wednesday stops you dead in your tracks.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You have a project in mind that might save you some funds. You'll get into this project, which might involve browsing through some favorite spots or a flea market or two. Don't forget someone who loves to do this type of shopping. Tonight: Visit with a parent or older relative.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your power times are Monday through Wednesday at 2:05 p.m. EST. Go to it, my dear Goat.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): The Aquarian loves to people-watch. Plan on an outing at which you can do just that. Friends will happily join in, so don't even consider leaving early. You're the centerpiece, so to speak. Catch up on another's news. Tonight: Return an important call.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19): You sense that something is amiss, and by Thursday you might have a strong idea what's cooking.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): Bring others together. The good news is that your home doesn't need to be the focal point. You might opt for lunch and movies with family and friends. Some Pisceans might decide to go for a picnic and enjoy a favorite outdoor sport with others. Tonight: Be available to a loved one.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): Zero in on what you want Monday and Tuesday. Events toward Friday might have you floored.

WITH OMAR SHARIF & TANNAH HIRSCH

## GOREN BRIDGE

### PLAY OR DEFEND?

East-West vulnerable. South deals.

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| <b>NORTH</b>   |              | <b>EAST</b> |         |
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| ♥ 8 6 4 3 2    | ♥ J 9 6      | ♦ 9 7 5 4 3 | ♦ 2     |
| ♦ A K          | ♦ 8 7        | ♣ 9 7 5 4 3 | ♣ 2     |
| <b>WEST</b>    | <b>EAST</b>  |             |         |
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| ♥ K Q          | ♥ A 10 9     |             |         |
| ♦ Q 10 7 3 2   | ♦ K 8 5      |             |         |
| ♣ Q 10 8 6     | ♣ 9 7 5 4 3  |             |         |
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| ♥ J 7 5        | ♥ 8 6 4 3 2  |             |         |
| ♦ A 4          | ♦ 9 7 5 4 3  |             |         |
| ♣ J 2          | ♣ 8 7        |             |         |

The bidding:  
SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST  
1♠ Pass INT Pass  
3♠ Pass 4♠ Pass  
Pass Pass

Opening lead: King of ♣

Study the diagram above, then decide: Would you rather play or defend four spades after the lead of the king of hearts, followed by the queen?

While it might seem that a jump to

three spades, showing a high-quality suit and a better-than-minimum opening bid, is the normal rebid with the South hand, we would opt for two no trump. The hand is, essentially, balanced (no singleton) and will deliver seven tricks on its own. As you can see, nine tricks are there for the taking. What about 10?

Suppose you opt to defend. You win the king of hearts and continue with the queen. Should East overtake with the ace and give you a heart ruff, declarer will win any return, draw trumps, get to dummy with a high club and discard the diamond loser on a long heart.

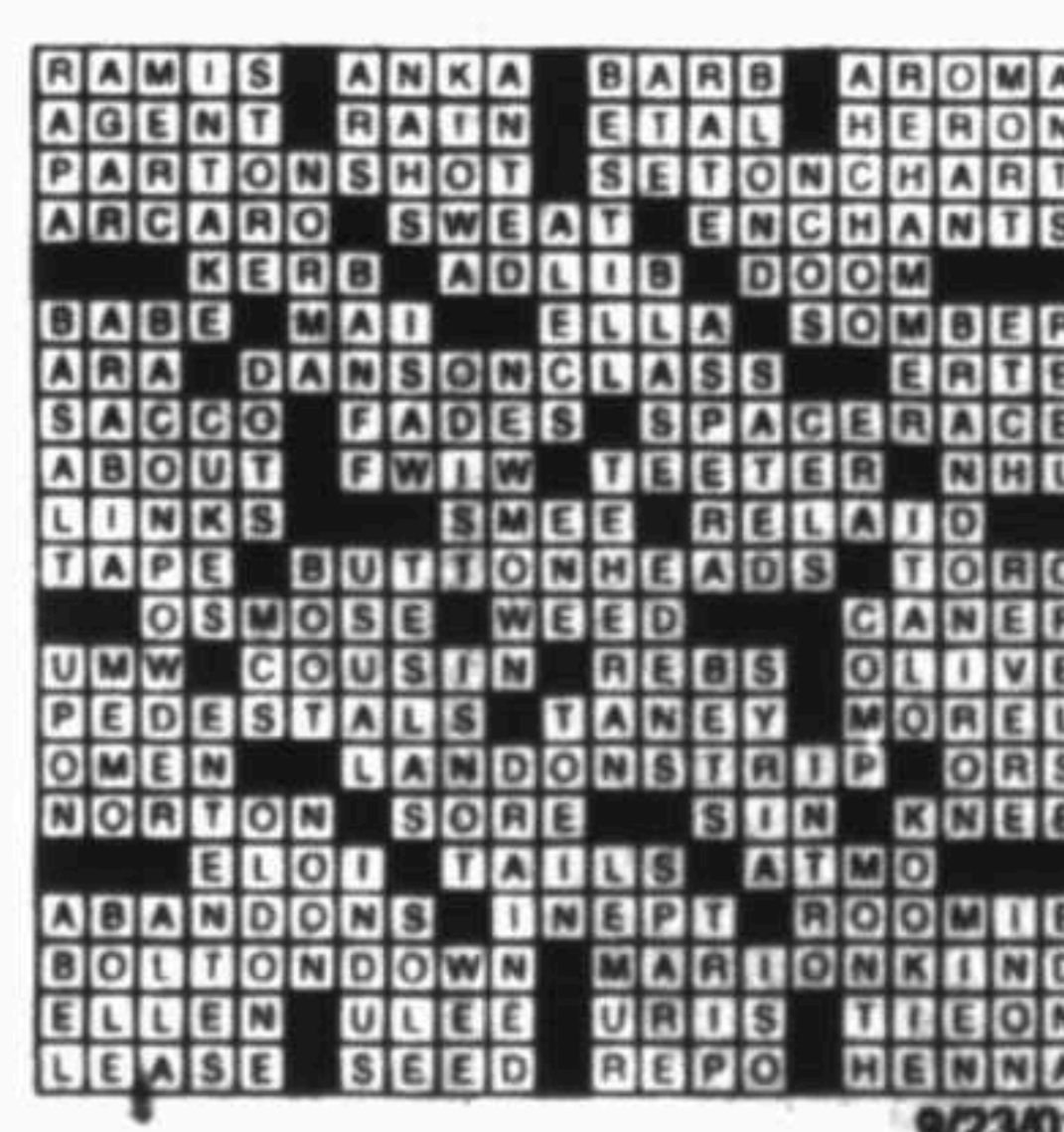
The defense can do better. East allows your queen of hearts to win the second trick, and you shift to a low diamond. South can counter that by inserting dummy's nine and capturing partner's king with the ace. After drawing trumps, declarer leads a low diamond toward the jack. You win with the queen, but now declarer will get rid of the losing heart on the jack of diamonds.

Before you opt to declare, consider a stronger defense by West. Suppose that, after winning two heart tricks, you shift to the queen of diamonds! South is left without resource. 16.

declarer allows the queen to win, you can exit safely and, in the fullness of time, declarer will have to concede a heart. Winning with the ace is no better, for now East's king of diamonds is the entry to cash a third heart for a one-trick set.

Well at least declarer had 150 honors.

### ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE



**THE ARTS CALENDAR OF EVENTS**  
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### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

**American Airpower Heritage Museum:** EXHIBITION: Internationally recognized collection of authentic World War II artifacts and memorabilia. 9600 Wright Dr., Midland International Airport, Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 12-5 p.m. Call 563-1000. Admission charged. Group and student discounts available with prior reservation.

**Arts Assembly of Midland:** EXHIBIT: The fourth annual Art in the Park, featuring four sculptures at Windlands Park, 1000 W. Dengar, will be unveiled September 25. EXHIBIT: Toy Truck by Jim Robertson, and Milestone 1995 by Tim Glover, sculptures on display in Centennial Plaza, 687-1149. Free.

**The Ellen Noël Art Museum of the Permian Basin:** Museum gallery hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. 4909 E. University, Odessa, 550-3811. Free admission.

**Gallery 1114:** EXHIBIT: "From Chair to Z," an exclusive members show, including painting, photography, and mixed-media, through Nov. 4. Modern and contemporary art are featured. Regular gallery hours are 1-5 p.m. Thurs.-Sun. or by appointment, 1114 N. Big Spring, 685-9944. Free.

**Thomas Kinkade Signature Galleries:** EXHIBIT: 2101 W. Wadley, Suite 12, 682-9911. Hours are 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 12-5 p.m. Sunday. No admission charged.

**Midland College:** "Mystery of Pata-physics," by John Vinklarek, through Sept. 27. McCormick Gallery, Allison Fine Arts Bldg., 3600 N. Garfield. Call 685-4770 for information. Gallery hours are Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 1-5 p.m. Free.

**Midland Community Theatre:** DRAMA: "To Kill a Mockingbird," reach out performance at 2 p.m., Davis Theatre I, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

**Midland County Historical Museum:** EXHIBITS: Permanent exhibits: Indian artifacts; early Midland photos and relics; replica of Midland Man discovery; early obituary files available for research, 301 W. Missouri. Open Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Call 682-2931 or 688-8947. Free.

**Midland County Historical Society:** HISTORIC HOME: Z. Taylor Brown-Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland, 213 N. Weatherford. Guided tours give fine capsule of Midland County history. Open by appointment; available for rental for weddings and other special occasions. Call 682-2931. Free tours.

**Midland Gallery:** EXHIBIT: An eclectic collection of art from around the world. New location in Colonnade Shopping Center, 4610 N. Garfield, Suite A-2. Hours are Mon.-Sat. 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m. or by appointment. Call 694-8761.

**Museum of the Southwest:** EXHIBIT: Marc Sijan: Ultra Realist Sculpture, through Nov. 4. EXHIBIT: David Palmer: Painting, 2001 Contemporary Artist Series: Points of Departure, through Oct. 28. EXHIBIT: In the Third Dimension, sculpture selections. EXHIBIT: John James and John Woodhouse Audubon, Hogan Gallery, 1705 W. Missouri. Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., 683-2882. Free.

**Odessa College LRC:** 201 W. University. Call 915 335-6646 for Options Gallery schedule. Free.

**The Permian Basin Petroleum Museum:** Museum hours are Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., 1500 I-20 West, 683-4403. Admission charged.

**The Presidential Museum:** EXHIBIT: The Great Communicator: Reagan in Review, featuring works of Odessa High School graduate Don Adair, through October 27. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Tues.-Sat., 622 N. Lee, Odessa, 915 332-7123. Admission charged adults.

**Scarborough-Lineberry House:** HISTORIC HOME: 802 S. Main St., 685-7368. Open by appointment; available for rental for weddings and other special occasions.

**University of Texas of the Permian Basin:** EXHIBIT: Landscapes, by David Poindexter, through October 16. Gallery

hours are Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 1-5 p.m., Sun. 1-5 p.m., 4901 E. University, Odessa. Call 552-2806. Free.

**White-Pool House Museum:** Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 112 E. Murphy St., Odessa, 915 333-4072. Free.

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

**The Haley Library and History Center:** EXHIBITS: Permanent collections including paintings, bronzes, firearms and artifacts that exhibit pioneer settlement of the Great Southwest, spur collections, saddles from ranching pioneer families, and archival collections including photographs of turn of the century ranch life. The library houses 30,000 volumes on settlement of the region and the cattle industry. 1805 W. Indiana. Open Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., 682-5785. Free.

**Midland Arts Association:** EXHIBIT: Paintings by Don McSparran, through September, Monday-Friday, banking hours, Bank United lobby, 401 W. Texas.

**Midland Palette Club:** EXHIBIT: Painting of the month of September, by Doris Burkhart, Monday-Friday, banking hours, Bank One lobby, 2301 W. Wall.

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

**Arts Assembly of Midland:** ANNUAL MEETING: Events for members and guests include the announcing of 2001-2002 subgrants, introduction of the board of trustees, and honoring arts volunteers, 6:30-8 p.m., Midland Racquet Club, 3009 Racquet Club Drive, 687-1149. Free. EXHIBIT: The fourth annual Art in the Park opens, featuring four sculptures at Windlands Park, 1000 W. Dengar, 687-1149. Free.

**First Presbyterian Church:** CLASSES: Fine Arts School fall semester, through January 11, 800 W. Texas, 684-7821. Tuition required.

**Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum:** Museum hours are Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Free.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

**The Ellen Noël Art Museum of the Permian Basin:** BROWN BAG LUNCH: Brown Bag Educational Series, held each Wednesday at noon in the classroom. Today's topic is Monsieur René Magritte, conversations with surrealist René Magritte, captured on archival film. 4909 E. University, Odessa, 550-9696. Free admission.

**Parker House Ranching Museum:** Permanent collection of Tom Lea and his work, also featuring area local history exhibits. Currently on display, Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys memorabilia. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Wed.-Sat., 1118 Maple, Odessa, 1-915-335-9918. Free.

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

**Cowan Performing Arts Series:** PERFORMANCE: Bob Newhart, actor-comedian, 7 p.m., Chaparral Center, Midland College campus, 3600 N. Garfield. Call 685-4526 for information about free tickets.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

**Blakemore Planetarium:** SKY SHOW: No show tonight. New show "Mars, the Next Frontier," begins October 12.

**Midland Community Theatre:** DRAMA: "To Kill a Mockingbird," 8 p.m., Davis Theatre I, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

**Midland Community Theatre:** DRAMA: "To Kill a Mockingbird," 8 p.m., Davis Theatre I, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

**Midland Memorial Hospital:** CONSUMER SHOW: Baby Expo 2001 presents seminars, contests, entertainment, prizes and products for new and expectant parents, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Midland Center, 105 N. Main, 687-8809. Free.

**Midland-Odessa Symphony & Choral:** POPS SERIES CONCERT: "Swing Into Fall," with guest artists Ken Peplowski, clarinet, and Randy Sandke, conductor, 8 p.m., Midland Holiday Inn, 4300 Business 20, 563-0921. Admission charged.

**The Arts Assembly of Midland** maintains a calendar of all arts-related activities. To avoid conflicts with other organizations, please call 687-1149, P.O. Box 3494, Midland, TX 79702; email karen@artsassembly.net or linda@artsassembly.net; http://www.artsassembly.net.

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## ✓ The Week Ahead

Arts and Entertainment opportunities in the Permian Basin Sept. 23-29

### Sunday, Sept. 23

#### Art display

Doris Brumbe is displaying her most recent art at Midland Community Theatre through Sept. 30.

Her work, consisting of watercolor, pastels and pencils will be in the theater during the play "To Kill a Mockingbird." Ms. Brumbe has studied with art instructors at Midland College, as well as with other artists in Midland, Santa Fe, N.M., Ruidoso, N.M. and Taos, N.M. She is a member of the Midland Art Association, Midland Palette Club and the National Museum of the Women of the Arts.

#### Play reading

ODESSA — "Arcadia" by Tom Stoppard will be read and discussed at 6:30 p.m. Sunday at the Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Rd. There is no admission charge. For more information call Kathryn Graybill at 580-3177.

#### Exhibits

ODESSA — "Terry Rodgers: Humanscapes" is on display at the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 University, until Nov. 11. The exhibit features a series of paintings that represent modern daily urban life. Also on display is the exhibition "Phil Joanou: Art of the Apocalypse." This exhibit, a collection of satirical paintings of modern urban life, closes Oct. 28. The museum is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. There is no admission charge.

### Thursday, Sept. 27

#### Play

SAN ANGELO — "My Fair Lady" will be presented at Angelo Civic Theater through Oct. 6. Tickets are \$14 for adults, \$10 for children 12 and younger and \$12 for seniors, students and military. Call 915-949-4400.

### Friday, Sept. 28

#### Collage workshop

The Midland Arts Association and the Midland College Department of Fine Art are offering a Mary Wilbanks Collage Workshop Friday and Saturday in the Allison Fine Arts Building at Midland College.

This workshop is for students at all levels of experience who are interested in water media collage on paper. There will be demonstrations of various techniques and materials along with plenty of work time. A \$75 fee is charged, and space is limited. Call 685-4653 for further information.

#### State fair

DALLAS — The State Fair of Texas will take place Friday through Oct. 21 at Fair Park. A new attraction for this year is "The White House in Miniature," which is a 20-foot by 60-foot replica of the president's home. The tiny television sets work, the clocks tick and the phones ring. The "I Love Lucy" 50th Anniversary Experience offers fans an exhibit filled with original props, costumes and replicas of the set of the show. Fairgoers will have a chance to participate in three favorite episodes: "Lucy & Ethel in the candy factory," "grape-stomping" and the "Vitamavogem" commercial. There is a \$3 charge for this attraction.

This year's lineup of free concerts includes Lucinda Williams,

Lil' Romeo, Kirk Franklin and Family, Billy Gilman, Jessica Andrews, Trisha Yearwood, Lifehouse, LeAnn Rimes, Kumbia Kings and Jaci Velasquez.

For more information call 214-421-8715.

### Saturday, Sept. 29

#### Harmony show

West Texas Harmony will present "Rock Around the Clock" at 7:29 p.m. Saturday at the Yucca Theater at Deaderick Auditorium at Odessa College. The group will spotlight music from the 50s. Tickets are \$6 in advance and \$8 at the door. For more information, contact Rita Dewey at 682-6543.

#### Hay rides

BIG SPRING — Two hay rides will take place in Big Spring on Saturday. Hay Ride No. 1 will take place at 3 p.m. Hay Ride No. 2 will take place at 4:30 p.m. Meet at the upper picnic pavilion at the Big Spring State Park. Hay ride participants will ride on the park road which follows the edge of a 200-foot bluff at the northern limit of the Edwards Plateau. Cost is \$2 for adults, \$1 for seniors and free for children 12 and younger. For more information call 915-263-4931.

### Upcoming In Midland-Odessa

#### Keyboard event

Keyboard Extravaganza will be held at 5 p.m. Sept. 30 in the sanctuary of St. Luke's United Methodist Church. The concert will include a variety of music from classical to gospel. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors older than 60. Tickets are available from the church office at 3011 W. Kansas.

#### Performing arts

Actor-comedian Bob Newhart will perform at 7 p.m. Sept. 27 at Midland College's Chaparral Center as part of the Phyllis and Bob Cowan Performing Arts Series.

Actor-playwright Anna Deaver Smith will speak as part of the college's Davidson Distinguished Lecture Series at 7 p.m. Oct. 18.

Call 685-4526 for information about free tickets to either performance.

#### Play auditions

Midland Community Theatre will hold auditions for "Oliver!" which will be presented Nov. 30 to Dec. 16.

Auditions for open youth parts will be held at 2 p.m. Oct. 6. Youth must be between the ages of 8 and 14 and must be accompanied by a parent. Auditions for adult roles, ages 15 and older, will be held at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 7-8.

Scripts are available at the MCT business office located at 2000 W. Wadley. For more

information call 682-2544.

### Auditions and Contests

#### Battle of bands

SAN ANGELO — Santa Fe Junction and Soft Gravity Ventures is hosting a Battle of the Texas Bands Oct. 18 through Nov. 29 with the finals in December. Large cash prizes will be awarded to the top three bands plus the change to open for a major act going to the first place winner.

Bands will be judged on originality, presentation, ability and charisma. There will be a panel of judges and audience vote. Four bands per night will compete and perform 30 minute sets.

All interested bands must submit an entry form, an 8x10 photo and a tape or CD with at least three original songs. Selected bands must submit an entry fee by Sept. 30. Bands interested in registering can get information by calling Gary or Judy at 915-224-0606 or 915-224-0707. The fax number is 915-947-0131. The e-mail address is texasbands@hotmail.com.

#### Art exhibition

Entry day for the Midland Arts Association/Midland College Fall Juried Art Exhibition is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 29.

Entries are limited to three per artist and must be brought to McCormick Gallery, Fine Arts Building, Midland College during this time. The entry fee is \$7.50 per piece for MAA members and \$10 per piece for non-members. Cash awards totaling \$2,500 will be presented at the juror's designation. Presentation will take place at the opening reception, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 5 in McCormick Gallery.

This year's juror is Mary Wilbanks of Houston. She is a signature member of the National Watercolor Society and Watercolor U.S.A. Honor Society. Ms. Wilbanks has 26 years of teaching experience including five at the Phoenix Art Museum and three at the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center. She has won more than 30 awards in national exhibitions. Her specialty is collages/assemblages.

For more information, call Karen Lanier at 685-5597 or Virginia Hanley at 694-0076.

#### Talent search

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Embassy Music of Nashville is conducting its New Artist and Song Search. Now in its seventh year, the Ultimate Talent Search and Seminars will offer finalists the opportunity to perform live off Nashville's Music Row in front of a panel of industry professionals comprised of producers, publishers, managers and record labels.

Entry forms are now available. All entries must be received no later than Oct. 24. To receive entry information, visit www.embassymusic.com or call the Ultimate Helpline at 615-846-1700.

## People around nation singing 'God Bless America'

By Celestine Bohlen  
N.Y. Times News Service

The simple melody of "God Bless America," written by Irving Berlin in 1918 as a Broadway show tune, has been outperforming the national anthem this week, wherever citizens and untrained singers gather to express their patriotic feelings.

From the steps of the Capitol to the stages of Broadway, from the National Cathedral and even the balcony of the New York Stock Exchange, Americans have chosen a song many learned as toddlers and still remember the best.

Not that "The Star-Spangled Banner," the densely written, vocal-chord-stretching ballad whose words were written by Francis Scott Key as British ships bombarded Fort McHenry in Baltimore Harbor on Sept. 13, 1814, has not been heard in these anxious days. It was sung with passion in New York at the vigil held by Lincoln Center Sept. 14 and at the opening matinee of "The Flying Dutchman" at the City Opera on Sept. 13, where the audiences were led by professional singers who could climb the octaves with ease to "the rocket's red glare."

The national anthem also has made an emotional comeback on the airwaves, as radio stations resurrect a version recorded by Whitney Houston during the Gulf War.

Another Gulf War-era hit, "God Bless the U.S.A.," sung by the country singer Lee Greenwood, got the most increased airplay of any song tracked this week by Broadcast Data Systems, the music industry's top radio monitoring company, based in White Plains, N.Y. According to a sampling of 1,100 radio stations, that song had 4,267 spins, or one-time playing, last week, up from 54 spins the previous week.

Ray Charles' version of "God Bless America" could also be heard with some frequency on radio stations, the same song that was chosen by the White House to be played at last Friday's memorial service at the National Cathedral in Washington.

The Irving Berlin song, which was first recorded by Kate Smith for CBS radio in 1938 as the clouds of war hovered over Europe, was also sung

Tuesday at the reopening of the New York Stock Exchange, where Rose-Ann Sgrignoli, a 39-year-old major in the Marine Corps, found herself, to her surprise, leading a chorus of Wall Street traders, corporate executives and politicians.

"It was quite an experience when they started singing along," she said afterward. "The NYSE is a pretty tough crowd, but when they did that, I really felt we are all in this together."

With its slow and mournful melody, "America the Beautiful," written by Katharine Lee Bates in 1893 and then in a final version in 1913, has been a favorite at candlelight vigils. But it was the song's lyrics that Tuesday night brought Dan Rather to tears during an appearance on the David Letterman Show.

Those words, rarely sung, had an eerie and solemn resonance:

*"O beautiful for patriot dream  
That sees beyond the years  
Thine alabaster cities gleam  
Undimmed by human tears!"*

The national anthem, with its resounding chorus extolling the "land of the free and the home of the brave," is also capable of moving people to tears. But this week, after the horrifying images of the hijacked planes striking the World Trade Center and the collapse of both towers, its lyrics about "bombs bursting in air," about "the havoc of war and the battle's confusion" were too evocative for some.

At the Cathedral of St. John the Divine last Sunday the congregation joined in singing a verse of "America the Beautiful." Although he did not choose the music himself, the Rt. Rev. Mark S. Sisk, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of New York, said he could understand why the national anthem was bypassed.

"As much as we love our national anthem, it has the lines about the blazing fires in the sky, which is an image so vivid in all of our minds and not the image we wanted to pull up at that moment."

Besides, as everyone knows, the anthem is not an easy song to sing, and in times like these, people tend to want to sing their hearts out, without having to stretch to reach the high notes.

## Late night comedies return without the laughs

By Don Aucoin  
N.Y. Times News Service

For two decades, David Letterman has personified an ironic detachment from the passions that roil the rest of us.

But Letterman was simply another shaken American on Monday night, as he made an emotion-drenched return to the airwaves that underscored how profoundly the pop-culture landscape has changed since the terrorist attack last week.

As two more late-night comedy shows returned Tuesday night — NBC's "Tonight Show with Jay Leno" and "Late Night with Conan O'Brien" — they confronted a dicey question: When will it be appropriate to once again try to tickle the national funny bone?

The answer matters because, as TV historian Steven D. Stark observed, late-night programs are "among the best barometers of the national mood that there are." Many younger viewers take political and cultural cues from Leno and Letterman, and viewers of any age will hunger at some point for the catharsis of humor — for, in effect, permission to laugh.

Nonetheless, it appears in the short term at least, late-night humor will take on a more muted tone. Cutting jokes about President Bush's intelligence and tendency toward malapropisms

— a staple of Letterman's, Leno's and O'Brien's monologues since Bush was elected — probably won't be heard for a while.

On cable, Comedy Central has yanked reruns of "That's My Bush!," a sitcom that lampoons the president. The channel has also temporarily suspended production of "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart," a parody newscast.

"This story is so consuming everything in the news that there's nothing left to talk about, and certainly nothing to make fun of," a Comedy Central spokesman, Tony Fox, said Tuesday. "That is the challenge. . . . There's nothing left to work with. At what point does that change? It's hard to say."

There was certainly nothing normal about Letterman's show on Monday night. On the verge of tears throughout opening remarks that lasted nearly 10 minutes, Letterman ranged across emotional terrain that included a tribute to New York, the city from which he has broadcast for 20 years, first on NBC, and since 1993 on CBS, from the Ed Sullivan Theater in midtown Manhattan.

"We lost 5,000 New Yorkers," said Letterman, adding: "It's terribly sad." He lamented the "obscene chaos" that was left in the terrorists' wake, and told

viewers "there is only one requirement for any of us, and that is to be courageous because courage, as you might know, defines all other human behavior."

CBS News anchor Dan Rather, Letterman's first guest, struggled with his own emotions and clasped Letterman's hand while describing the heroism of New York firefighters.

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# 'The "Austin" Guy' to perform in Odessa

By Emily Baker  
MRT Correspondent

Singer Blake Shelton is known for his song rather than his name. His debut single "Austin" has been at No. 1 for six consecutive weeks (before moving down to No. 5 this week) a feat accomplished by only a few including such big names as Clay Walker and Trisha Yearwood.



Shelton

Shelton, who plays Odessa's Dos Amigos on Sept. 27, took some time out this week to talk about his life and career. After a cordial and casual greeting, the conversation went like this:

Baker: Everyone knows you as the "Austin" guy.

Shelton: Yep, I'm the "Austin" guy.

Baker: The artists I can think of who hit No. 1 with their first single are still big acts.

Shelton: Is that so? That's great.

Baker: So, what does that mean for you?

Shelton: The pressure's on, I guess. Hopefully we can keep some momentum going. That is my main concern right now.

Baker: Will you become one of those acts?

Shelton: I don't know if I'm capable of that, but it is my goal. I hope I can stay on top. George Strait is the king of that. He has had a 20-year career, and he is still on top. I'm going to give it all I've got.

Baker: But, you don't think you'll ever be as big as George Strait?

Shelton: I'm not expecting that to happen. My ego hasn't grown

to that point yet. Hopefully, it never will. To be honest, even speaking to you right now, I'm nervous about getting another single out and hoping that it is as big as "Austin" is. We'll just keep our fingers crossed and hope for the best.

Baker: Even though "Austin" has hit No. 1 — and stayed there for a good amount of time — I have heard a lot of speculation that you are the newest one-hit wonder.

Shelton: I certainly hope that's not true. If that's true, then I'm thankful to have ever had a hit at all. I'm lucky to do this thing that a lot of people never do. I'm excited just to have the chance.

Baker: I mentioned earlier you are the "Austin" guy. More people know the song than your name.

Shelton: Mainly because I'm brand new. It will be three or four songs away before people start recognizing my name. That's OK. I never got into this because I want to be a star. I did it because I love to make music.

Baker: So you would be happy if you never did more than just sing in bars?

Shelton: Sure. It's what I've done my whole life anyway, and I've been happy.

Baker: Can you give us a hint of your next single?

Shelton: Of course. The next single will be released at the first of October. It is a song I wrote with my all-time hero of song writing, Earl Thomas Conley. I'm really excited about it because I wrote it with my hero. Just knowing that I got to meet him and work with him is something I will be proud of for a long time. The song is called "All Over Me."

Baker: Why is he a hero to you?

Shelton: He always sang with so much emotion and seemed to capture that on tape. He had so much energy live.

Baker: There is a song called

"Old Red" that has been described as having a "cleverly-twisted plot that deserves its own movie."

Shelton: Yeah, that is one of the first songs I heard when I first moved to Nashville. It is a love song about a prison dog. At live shows, I probably get almost as many requests for that song as I do for "Austin." I hope we can release that one to radio.

Baker: I understand it all started with an embarrassing talent show.

Shelton: (laughs) Yes, I was about 7 years old and my mom entered me in a local talent show. I was the only boy out of about 20 or 30 little girls. I remember telling Mom I didn't want to sing if that's what I had to do, sing with a bunch of girls. So, my mom found some other venues for me to sing at.

Baker: And you write many of your own songs, right?

Shelton: Yeah, I wrote four on the album. I'm real proud of that. I've been writing songs since I was 17. I had to teach myself how to do it. It was hard for me to get inside myself and write about emotions I'm going through. It is something I have learned how to do, and I enjoy it now.

Baker: Tell us about your CD.

Shelton: It was my goal when I made the CD to find different songs and different song matter that you don't normally hear about in country radio. I sing about reality. That is why I think "Austin" is doing so well. It is about a regular guy who got left and is still in love with this girl enough not to let go. Hopefully, that is what we accomplish with the entire CD.

Baker: What should we expect at your live show?

Shelton: Anybody who comes to see me live is going to see a country show. I'm not trying to be anything but country. I'm proud of that. Even the covers we do are by country artists. We

don't do anything previously recorded by pop or rock artists.

Baker: Are you married?

Shelton: Nope, I'm 25 and single.

Baker: Single and available, or single and attached?

Shelton: Single and attached to my career at the moment. I don't really have a lot of time. I'm still trying to figure out who I am as a person and who I am as an artist. I don't think it would be fair to that person to get involved. How big is Odessa, anyway?

Baker: About 100,000 people.

Shelton: Wow.

Baker: Where are you from?

Shelton: A little town in Southeast Oklahoma called Ada. We have about 12,000 to 15,000 people.

Baker: You said, "Wow," when I said 100,000 people. Are you not used to playing large venues?

Shelton: No, I just didn't think Odessa was that big. I pictured Odessa as a town about the size of Ada. People who come from there seem to be country people. They seem to be true Texans and not city people.

Baker: Well, it is like a small town, sort of, just more spread out.

Shelton: I'll go for that.

Editor's Note: Tickets for the show at Dos Amigos are available at Dollar Western Wear in Midland and Odessa, Endless Horizons in Odessa and at Dos Amigos. To charge by phone call 915-368-7556.

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## ART: Art offers opportunities to step out of this world (From 1F)

"It's an escape mechanism just like movies or theater," Jones said. "One of the important characteristics of the arts is their ability to take you, I guess, out of this world. It does for people what literature does or the movies."

In addition to the exhibitions inside the museum, the sculptures on the grounds offer opportunities to step out of this world, Jones said. "What we are trying to do is create a type of environment out here where people can walk and be reflective and be inspired and celebrate life and art."

Included in the work on the grounds are Allan Houser's "Offering the Sacred Pipe," which is symbolic of peace and is from an edition of three, one is located in Santa Fe, N.M. and the other was given by the artist to the United Nations Building in New York City; Rosie Sandifer's "Freedom of Youth," which portrays her daughter, Jamie, swinging on a rope; and Doug Hyde's "The Naming," which depicts a Hopi christening ceremony involving the child, its mother and three aunts.

"If one were to sit and reflect on any of those pieces and bring their own experience to bear, I think they would mean different things to different people," Jones said. "Yet, there is a commonality there. All of the works celebrate life."

As for the upcoming programming at the museum, Jones said, "We haven't had time to digest and reflect upon the current events and how that would affect our programming one way or the other at this point. The whole thing has given us pause. Once we recover, we'll probably be thinking about the arts' role in peace and war."

On Sept. 11, few visitors came to the Ellen Noel Art Museum in Odessa, said director Marilyn Bassinger, noting that the facility had an "eerie quiet."

Traffic through the museum picked up during the week, said Mrs. Bassinger, who remembers being a child during World War II. "I heard parents talking about people who had died or were killed."

"Now children see it on TV. Those are visual images that are in front of them. It's even more important that their educational enrichment be a major priority for our communities...."

"It's not just looking at pretty pictures on the wall. The ideas in the art work are universal, and it's important that we look at ourselves, look at our society, look at other cultures, look at the continuum of history as we go through these times."

Exhibitions at the museum are booked "two years, at least, in advance, so that we don't have the choice to change at this point," Mrs. Bassinger said. "But we probably wouldn't anyway because our exhibits reflect the

diversity of our nation and universal themes."

The work Midland artist Charlotte Seay will be creating has already been affected by this tragedy, and she is considering what art she will hang for two showings in November.

"It's difficult for me to think about creating anything beautiful, and I keep thinking I can't put horror up on the walls, so I may do shows that are entirely patriotic," Mrs. Seay paused before

adding, "I think I can do that."

As for other artists and their work, Mrs. Seay said, "I think you're going to see an unbelievable amount of art coming from this. Art has always been a mirror of society. Whatever society

feels, artists are often in the forefront of the expression of those feelings."

### World Renowned Artist

Judy Larson

to appear at Folger Galleries

Event, Sept. 30, 2001, to feature "The Survivors" - Larson's newest work, an inspiring tribute to hope and renewed life.

Midland, Texas- World-renowned artist, Judy Larson, will join Folger Galleries on Sept. 30, 3:30-6:30. The show will feature "The Survivors," Larson's newest work, a tribute to hope and renewed life for the bison that are featured, and also for the land bringing forth new growth after a fire. "The Survivors" is one of Larson's many works paying tribute to wildlife and our Native American heritage.

According to Larson, "Few people know that by 1902, the last wild herd of bison numbered on 23 animals. Native Americans had been deprived of a deep spiritual connection with the bison, on whom their culture depended. I am grateful to know that concerted efforts are being made to reintroduce bison on tribal lands."

Larson's unique artistic signature is her meticulous scratchboard technique. With her dedication to the natural environment and aptitude for explicit detail, it's not surprising that Larson would choose an art process that has deep roots and demands exacting skill.

Scratchboard is the most direct engraving medium. Larson starts with a heavy, clay-coated paper-based art board. To create an original drawing, she paints the subject solidly with black India ink to create a silhouette. Larson then scratches away the dried ink, using hundreds of X-Acto blades, resulting in a magnificent, lifelike white image on a black background. Rich layers of color are then applied, bringing realism to her subjects. Finally, a thin coat of sealant is washed over the engraved art piece.

"People are looking for art that evokes an emotional response," said Larson. "Today, selection of art is more for personal, rather than investment, motivation. I attack my work on three levels - the scratchboard technique; the wildlife themes; and the hidden messages. By providing a visual story, collectors often relate to the underlying theme, and find my work to bring greater meaning to their personally. This is particularly gratifying."

"We're very excited to have Judy join us here at Folger Galleries," said Therese Sitzman, manager. "Her works are insightful and beautiful, and offer an array of secrets within the images. Additionally, her scratchboard art process combines the best of two worlds - the beauty of a color painting and the detail and texture of engraving. With 'The Survivors' in particular, we are transported back in time to 1902, just as a new bison calf enters the world and the land around brings forth new growth after being scorched by fire. Concealed in the trees above the bison is a Native American wearing a headdress of the sacred bison. It's a splendid work with a wonderful message of hope and renewal."

Larson has been working the past 15 years as a wildlife artist. In addition to limited edition fine art prints, her work has been published in two books, "Hidden Spirits: Search-and-Find Scenes from the American West," and "The Spirit Within." In June of 2000, Larson joined Greenwich Workshop, the exclusive publisher of her limited edition art. Greenwich Workshop is the leading publisher of limited edition fine art in North America.

#### About Judy Larson

Judy Larson received a Bachelor of Science degree in Commercial Art from Pacific Union College in Northern California, then spent the next 17 years as a commercial artist, illustrator and art director. In 1988, influenced by her love of nature and animals, Judy devoted her time to wildlife art. Her primary focus in each of her paintings is the animal, with the horse as a recurring subject.

Larson is extremely passionate about her love of wildlife and supports a number of environmental endeavors including the International Wolf Center. She lives and works in California. For more information, visit [www.judy Larson.net](http://www.judy Larson.net).

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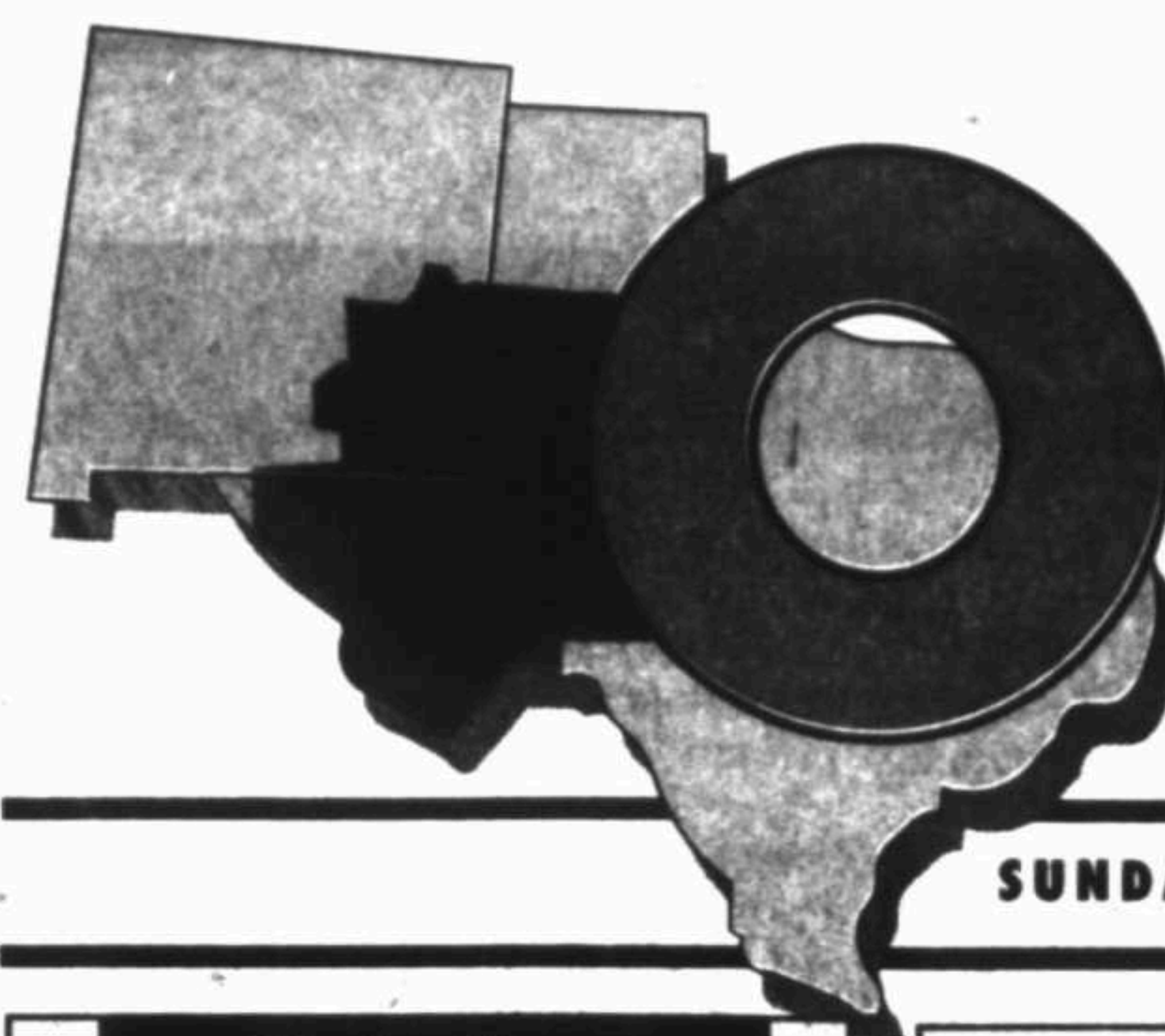
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### Texaco team marks 40 injury-free years

**PYOTE** — Employees of Texaco's Kermit Field Management Team recently celebrated 40 years without a single lost time accident, a rare and significant safety milestone. The achievement represents over 2 million work hours of operation with no accidents that resulted in an employee missing regularly scheduled work.

The team is comprised of 14 team members who operate and maintain 157 producing locations in a 15,000 square mile area in West Texas.

Rick Schneider, vice president of Texaco's Permian Basin Producing Operations Business Unit, commented, "Safety is of critical importance and a core value for Texaco and we congratulate all Kermit employees on this exemplary commitment to safety. To handle the vast geographic area this team covers and all the associated miles of driving without a lost time accident since 1961 is truly a remarkable accomplishment."

Marcos "Mo" Prieto, the facility's safety committee chairman for over 25 years, added, "While the company has made the commitment to safety and the resources available to us, it is the dedication, professionalism and involvement of our team over the years that enable us to reach this lofty goal."

### RRC schedules open house

**AUSTIN** — Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Michael Williams and Commissioners Charles Matthews and Tony Garza have announced the second annual Regulatory Expo and Commissioner's Open House for October 24-25 in the William B. Travis Building, 1701 N. Congress.

The event will offer participants a better understanding of Railroad Commission forms and procedures and an overview of essential information as well as an opportunity to meet and interact with commission staff.

Early registration is available through October 15. A registration fee of \$50 per day covers individual seminars and classes, a continental breakfast, refreshments and lunch. A late registration fee of \$60 will be available the day of the expo.

### PTTC to sponsor classes

The Petroleum Technology Transfer Council and Midland College Petroleum Geotechnology Training Center will sponsor two one-day classes in cross section generating using MJ System's raster log data and DigiRule's CrossLog Suite of Software. The seminars will cost \$100 and will be Oct. 3-4 at the Petroleum Geotechnology Training Center. Students will learn how to construct basic cross sections, including adding lithology patterns and drawing complex geologic events. For information contact: Butch Butler, instructor, at 800 344-4785.

### Key Energy confirms earnings

**MIDLAND** — Key Energy Services has confirmed the prior earnings guidance provided by the company on August 21.

Key said it is comfortable with its guidance of \$74 million to \$76 million in EBITDA and earnings per fully diluted share of approximately \$0.26 to \$0.27. EBITDA for the quarter ended June 30, 2001 was approximately \$72.6 million and earnings before extraordinary items was approximately \$0.25 per fully diluted share. These estimates do not include any extraordinary items or the effects of adopting FASB 142, which would add approximately \$0.01 per fully diluted share to the company's earnings.

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## Chinese executives visit training sites

By John Paul Pitts  
Oil Editor

A delegation of Chinese oil executives, visiting Midland this weekend and Monday, could be the beginning of a program to make Midland the world training center for applied petroleum technology.

The eight-man delegation from the Shengli oilfield in China included the managers of five production facilities, the director of the Exploration and Development Institute and the Director of the Joint Venture and Cooperation Dept.

"The primary reason for the visit," said Bob Kiker, a member of the steering committee seeking to establish the training academy, "was for them to get a look at us and to see what we can offer in the way of instruction and technology. If they are pleased it could be the beginning of a new era in oilfield training for the Permian Basin."

The three-day visit included instructional presentations in low permeability carbonate reservoirs, environmental technology and plunger lift and

beam compressors at the Advanced Technology Training Center and CEED. Instructors were Bob Trentham, Bob Kiker and Charles McCoy. Also included was a field trip to a Pioneer Resources CO2 flood in the Spraberry.

*"The Permian Basin is recognized worldwide as a leader in technology and expertise, and we can capitalize on that reputation."*

Jim Henry, chairman, training academy steering committee

Kiker said the delegation will make a determination whether or not to send additional workers to Midland for training. He said the plan was first to establish a program and relationship with China, then to look to South America and other petroleum producing regions for training recruits.

Said Jim Henry, CEO Henry Petroleum and head of the Academy steering committee: "We would like to see Midland-Odessa become a research and training center for the oil and gas industry worldwide."

Added Henry, "The Permian Basin is recognized worldwide as a leader in technology and expertise, and we can capitalize upon that reputation."

Members of the steering committee include local oil companies and service companies as well as Midland College, Northwest Texas International Trade Center at Lubbock, the Midland division of the Petroleum Technology Transfer Council, Midland Chamber of Commerce and the office of Congressman Larry Combest.

## Midland firm continues aggressive acquisitions

By John Paul Pitts  
Oil Editor

Pursuing an aggressive acquisition program, Midland-based Basic Energy Services is continuing to gain new markets and reinforce its position as one of the top three well service companies in America.

Since June, the company has completed five transactions which added 49 rigs to the company's well servicing fleet and 32 trucks and related equipment to its fluid services fleet. It brings to 154 the total number of rigs operated by the company and 177 fluid service trucks at 25 locations in Texas, Oklahoma, north Louisiana and eastern New Mexico.

In June the company gained a strong position in the upper Gulf Coast market and expanded its ArkLaTex division's coverage of the east Texas market with the acquisition of 21 rigs and related assets of Golden Rule Well Service with operations in Bellville, Liberty and Talco, Texas.

Also in June, Basic acquired the stock of Turn Around Trucking Inc. of Kingsville. At the time of the acquisition, Turn Around operated 32 vacuum/transport trucks and related assets in the south Texas market. Ken Huseman, President and CEO of Basic, said that business has been combined with Basic's workover rig business in south Texas to provide the company with the ability to offer a wider range of services in its south Texas market.

Tom Best, president and owner of Turn Around, is now vice president of Basic's South Texas division with headquarters in Kingsville.

In July, Basic acquired the 14 rigs and three hot oil units of Tommy's Well Service in Midland. All but one of those rigs were operational at the time of closing and those employees and assets were combined with Basic's existing Permian Basin operations.

The assets of Fish Oil Well Servicing of Beeville were purchased in September. Assets acquired included 11 workover rigs, six of which were active at closing. Basic also acquired and will continue to operate from Fish's existing facility in Beeville. The addition of this operation to Basic's South Texas division complements the company's existing nine-rig well servicing fleet in south Texas and will substantially increase the company's coverage of the entire southern Texas market.

Basic plans to activate two stacked deep workover rigs acquired in the Fish purchase in the near future in response to increased demand in the deeper 24-hour workover rig market.

Basic also purchased three inactive shallow drilling rigs and related equipment from Grey Wolf Drilling Co. in September. Those rigs and equipment, along with the inactive rigs acquired in the other transactions will be refurbished and redeployed in various markets to expand the company's workover capabilities and meet the requirements of the company's existing customer base.

Huseman said each of the companies acquired was targeted due to the strength of their local organization, reputation in their market and the quality of their equipment. With the

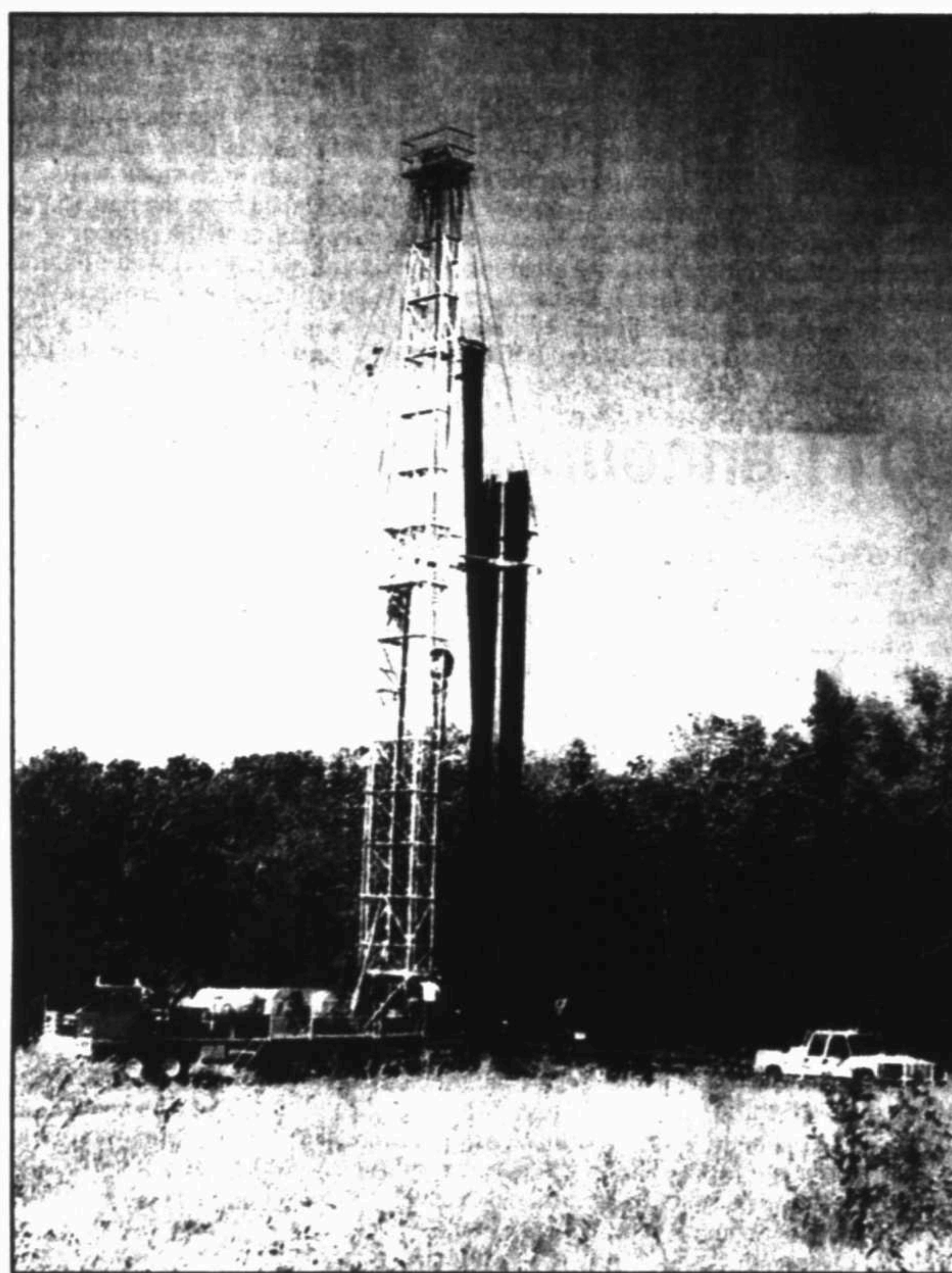


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exception of the owners of three of the acquisitions, virtually all of the employees of the acquired companies

stayed on with Basic and are continuing in the same jobs they performed prior to the acquisitions.

## Software lets businesses track, manage energy costs

By John Paul Pitts  
Oil Editor

When electric deregulation finally comes to the oilpatch, a new energy management system will help oil and gas operators keep track of energy consumption and costs.

Developed by Reliant Energy Solutions of Houston, the new Internet-based system, called Energy Commander, will be applicable not only for large commercial and industrial users but also oil and gas producers. "It will allow customers to view energy use in real-time via the internet," said Will Symmes, director of energy information services for Reliant.

By being able to view their load profile and consumption, Symmes said it would enable producers,

big and small, to determine how to buy and use electricity in their operations.

"If you're going to run a compressor and you know you're going to run it 16 hours, you may decide to run it overnight" instead of during the day," said Symmes. He noted that operators may want to install the system in advance of January 1 deregulation in order to better understand their load profile and negotiate the best price for electricity.

Symmes noted that Reliant will soon develop specific versions of the Energy Commander systems for oilfield use.

Jim Ajello, president and COO of Reliant Energy Solutions said Energy Commander is an integrated set of Web-delivered tools that collect and analyze energy consumption and facility information. Using

electronic devices, it relays detailed information about a customer's energy usage to the Energy Commander system, which analyzes and displays the data using charts and tables.

At a nominal cost, customers are able to view that information 24 hours a day by going to the Reliant Energy Solutions Internet portal. The system is compatible with customer equipment and does not alter operations. The system can also monitor and record events such as outages, voltage sags and other power quality problems, and notify customers in the form of pager messages, e-mails or faxes.

Reliant Resources is a majority-owned subsidiary of Reliant Energy, but is not the same company as Reliant Energy HL&P and is not regulated by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

## John Paul Pitts

## Direction crude prices will take is still uncertain

Following a week of trading after terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon, the oil and gas industry is still wondering which way oil prices will go.



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Crude oil futures tumbled Monday at the New York Mercantile Exchange as OPEC officials, turned away fears of a spike, with reassuring promises of stability. Oil producers in Midland, shortly after the attacks, predicted prices would spike in the aftermath of the hijackings.

"Unless there is some war that would hit a producing country, the market fundamentals are negative," Ed Silliere, an analyst at Energy Merchant

in New York told reporters. "We're sliding into recession, demand for products is down, and supplies are plentiful."

Added to these negative economic factors were concerns over a potential disruption in Persian Gulf oil supplies, that terrorists would continue attacks. This caused traders to launch a profit-taking sell-off as crude oil futures for October dropped 72 cents.

That was followed Tuesday, the second day of trading, with a \$1.11, or 3.9 percent drop to, to \$27.70 a barrel.

Wednesday, crude oil futures dropped, for the third straight day from \$27.70 to \$26.70.

And, on Thursday, they were down again from \$26.70 to \$26.59, reflecting a move toward stability.

Analysts say crude fell on the speculation that demand will slow and OPEC may lower its price target. OPEC will meet in Vienna on Septem-

ber 26, and is expected to modify production cuts. Including its latest cut, which began at the start of this month, the group's members have agreed this year to trim daily production by 3.5 million barrels, or about 4.5 percent of world demand.

In the meantime, however, the cartel continues to keep a lid on prices with reassurances that supply will be maintained. Saudi Arabia, the largest oil producer, said OPEC, which accounts for approximately 40 percent of the world's oil supply, will maintain its \$22 to \$28 a barrel price target and will ensure oil supply despite terrorist attacks that could lead to a disruption in shipments from the Middle East. Some analysts, however, has suggested that OPEC may not be able to keep a \$28 cap on oil prices.

"Those who are concerned that the recent World Trade Center attack would disrupt supplies should be

assured that OPEC will not allow that to happen," Ali al-Naimi, the Saudi oil minister, said in an interview. "We will make up shortages in supplies wherever they happen and for whatever reason."

Whichever way oil prices go in the days to come will depend largely on how long it takes the market to shake the jitters, whether or not there are additional terrorist acts, and how quickly the economy recovers.

The economy appears to be the prime factor. Americans are sticking close to home. They are not traveling. They are not flying, and they are not buying. Layoffs in the airline industry are running into the tens of thousands. Combined, all the factors could lead to a recession, and that would have a negative impact on petroleum demand and price.

John Paul Pitts is oil editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

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## BP names managers for Permian unit

MIDLAND — Terry Privratsky has been named regional manager for BP's Permian Basin oil and gas production performance unit.

Privratsky previously held the position of Manager, Government and Partner Relations, for the BP operated Azerbaijan International Operating Company in Baku, Azerbaijan, and takes over a newly created role for BP operations in West Texas and Southeastern New Mexico.

"We created this position in Midland to provide better coordination of all our business interests in the Permian Basin," said Marshall Gile, Permian performance leader. "Terry will concentrate on many external issues, including making BP even more visible to businesses that support our industry, as well as enhancing BP's involvement in communities where we operate."

Privratsky has already found a

home in Midland with his wife, Mary Kaye and their children, Nick, Anna, Catherine, and Anthony, and is excited about his opportunity.

"Terry brings a strong background of public/governmental affairs and operations experience to Permian," Gile said. "He has over 20 years of experience and has held a variety of assignments, both domestic and international, with BP."

"I am excited about taking a leadership role for BP in the Permian Basin," Privratsky said. "It will be fun to look after BP's business interests and to become



Privratsky



Gelbs

Gelbs to the new role as Business Development Manager in addition to her duties as an Asset Manager, and Ann Goulet as the Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) Manager. Gelbs and Goulet will be based in Houston.

Gelbs previously served as HSE and Functional Assurance Manager.

Goulet was previously the HSE Manager for BP's Nitriles Business Unit, in Naperville, Ill. which is part of the Chemicals stream.

involved personally in the local communities. We're very happy that Midland will be our home."

In addition, BP has also appointed

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"The new business development role will allow me to pursue a much broader range of opportunities and build on the success I experienced when I served as Southeast New Mexico Asset Manager from 1993 through early 2000," said Gelbs. "I look forward to again working with other energy companies and independent prospect generators in the Permian Basin."

BP operates 1,800 wells in West Texas and southeast New Mexico with a barrel-of-oil equivalent of 80,000 barrels per day, along with gas processing plants and a pipeline network.

BP is an international company involved in the exploration and production of crude oil and natural gas; refining, marketing, supply and transportation of hydrocarbons; manufacturing and marketing of petrochemicals, and solar and gas-fired power generation.

## Marginal wells, production increased 2000

OKLAHOMA CITY — Reversing what was a long-term decline, the number of marginal oil wells and production from marginal oil wells increased in 2000, according to figures released by the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission.

Last year the number of marginal or "stripper" oil wells in the U.S. increased to 411,793 from 410,680 in 1999. Production in 2000 increased to 326.2 million barrels from 315.5 million barrels in 1999. This is the first annual increase in production since 1984, according to the IOGCC National Stripper Oil Well survey of 28 oil producing states.

"This is good news for America. The states have demonstrated incentives and other legislation designed to encourage domestic oil and gas production are effective," said Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee, IOGCC

chairman-elect, representing the nation's petroleum producing states. "At a time when everyone is concerned about our dependence on foreign oil, this shows we can meet more of our energy needs domestically."

The IOGCC has produced an annual survey of stripper oil wells since the 1940s. Although the wells individually produce small amounts of crude — 2.16 barrels per day for the year 2000 — cumulatively, stripper wells produce 29 percent of U.S. domestic oil. The United States is the only country that produces oil from such small wells.

IOGCC data from the past 15 years shows a steady decline in the number of stripper oil wells and stripper oil well production.

"Since the 'oil bust' around 1986, we have seen these numbers decrease steadily, until 2000," said Charles Bowlin, the IOGCC con-

sultant who conducts the stripper well survey.

After the oil price collapse of the late 1990s, many states enacted legislation designed to keep domestic oil and gas producers from plugging what were at the time unprofitable wells. State regulatory agencies also modified oil and gas regulations to give relief to producers. These measures, combined with the price rebound of 1999-2000, helped ensure that marginal wells would continue to produce.

"The IOGCC and its member states have worked for many years to call attention to the continuing value of stripper oil and gas wells," said Alaska Gov. Tony Knowles, IOGCC chairman. "I think the states should be commended for their attention to this important energy security issue."

## EOTT announces recapitalization plan

HOUSTON — EOTT Energy Partners, L.P. has announced a recapitalization plan which includes the conversion of all outstanding subordinated units and additional partnership interests (APIs) into common units and the implementation of a refinancing plan. Upon successful completion of the plan, the board of directors of its general partner, EOTT Energy Corp., intends to increase the annual cash distribution on common units from \$1.90 to \$1.95. Elements of the plan require unanimous approval, which will be sought later this year.

"We believe that the plan enhances the value of EOTT's common units and places our common unitholders in a position to realize immediate benefit from increases in the partnership's available cash," said Stan Horton, chairman and CEO of EOTT.

Conversion of Subordinated Units into Common Units

A key component of the plan is the conversion of all subordinated units to common units. Enron Corp. (NYSE: ENE) and Koch Petroleum Group, L.P.

(Koch) have agreed to convert all 9.0 million outstanding subordinated units and \$9.3 million of APIs into approximately 4.3 million common units. These changes in capital structure are expected to enhance EOTT's ability to increase cash distributions to its common unitholders. An amendment to the partnership agreement will be required to affect this conversion.

Financings

As part of its recapitalization plan, EOTT intends to affect equity and long-term debt offerings to refinance short-term debt incurred in connection with its \$117 million asset acquisition completed in June 2001. It also intends to replace its existing working capital credit facility with a new facility with lending institutions. An amendment to the partnership agreement is not required for the financings, which are anticipated to be completed by year-end.

Unitholder Approval and Proxy

The amendment to the partnership agreement must be approved by a favorable vote of

holders of at least two-thirds of each of the outstanding common units and subordinated units. Additional details regarding the recapitalization will be included in proxy materials to be mailed to unitholders this fall. Lehman Brothers acted as sole financial advisor to EOTT on the recapitalization.

EOTT Energy Partners, L.P. is a major independent marketer and transporter of crude oil in North America. EOTT transports most of the lease crude oil it purchases via pipeline, which includes 8,200 miles of EOTT's intrastate and interstate pipeline and gathering systems, and a fleet of 285 owned or leased trucks. In addition, EOTT owns and operates a hydrocarbon processing plant; a natural gas liquids storage facility; and a liquid pipeline grid system. EOTT Energy Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Enron Corp., is the general partner of EOTT Energy Partners, L.P. with headquarters in Houston, Texas.

## Williams announces plans to expand pipeline capacity in Tulsa area

TULSA — A unit of Williams announced plans for a \$2.2 million pipeline expansion that will increase by 6 million barrels annually the company's capacity to ship refined petroleum products out of its petroleum terminal and pump station facilities in the Tulsa area.

Williams expects the construction to be complete by May 2002.

The expansion is designed to relieve a bottleneck on the Williams system caused by growth in demand for gasoline, fuel oil and jet fuel particularly during the peak demand months of April to October.

"The expansion is an important step in Williams' strategy to expand our transportation, storage, and distribution systems for refined products originating from Oklahoma refineries and the Texas/Louisiana Gulf Coast," said Mike Mears, vice president of transportation and terminals for Williams.

The project will involve the addition of new pumping capacity at Williams' west Tulsa petroleum products terminal facility. In addition, workers will bore under the Arkansas River near the Cimarron Turnpike to replace the existing 8-inch pipeline with a 12-inch

pipeline. Williams will maintain the existing pump and motor at its Tulsa terminal as a backup for this critical transportation segment within the company's refined products pipeline system.

Anticipating the possibility of even more demand for throughput capacity, Williams has plans to evaluate a project to increase the pipeline capacity by another 18 million barrels annually.

Williams, through its subsidiaries, connects businesses to energy, delivering innovative, reliable products and services.

## Devon to sell bonds to pay acquisitions

New York (Bloomberg) — Devon Energy Corp. said it plans to sell up to \$3 billion in bonds to help pay for the \$7.6 billion in acquisitions it has announced in the past month.

Devon, aiming to become North America's largest independent producer of oil and gas, earlier this month agreed to pay \$4.6 billion for Canada's Anderson Exploration Ltd. and last month said it planned to buy Mitchell Energy & Development Corp., a Houston oil company, in a purchase now worth about \$3 billion.

The Oklahoma City-based company said in a news release confirmed by a company spokesman that it would sell the senior notes privately and close the offering later this month or early next month. The sale will be managed by Banc of America and UBS Warburg LLC. Those banks also are arranging a \$6 billion, five-year loan for the company.

According to Bloomberg data, Devon, which is rated "A-" by Standard & Poor's, already has about \$2.4 billion in bonds outstanding. The acquisitions of Anderson and Mitchell will increase Devon's North American gas production by 38 percent.

Devon expects the purchases to close in the fourth quarter. The expanded company will then hold proven reserves equal to 2 billion barrels of oil, 87 percent of which lie in North America, the world's biggest energy market.

Shares of Devon have fallen about 40 percent this year.

## Namedropping

DON LUTTRELL has joined Safety Instrumentation Inc. as customer service representative. He will be responsible for business development, customer service, product sales and implementation of the company's recent entry into the e-commerce marketing scene.

Luttrell comes to Safety Instrumentation with over 20 years experience in the energy industry, primarily in the natural gas field.

EL PASO — ARMANDO GARCIA has joined the AMEC Earth & Environmental office in El Paso as project engineer.

He brings six years of experience as an engineering consultant to AMEC, an international engineering and environmental services firm. The El Paso office serves west Texas, southern New Mexico and northern Mexico. Most recently Garcia was a project engineer for Structural Engineering Associates of San Antonio.

Also joining the AMEC Earth & Environmental office in El Paso is OLUSHOLA "SHOLA" MOROHUNFOLA, who brings diverse geotechnical and hydrology skills and 18 years research and engineering experience.

Morohunfola will serve as technical leader of the El Paso office's geotechnical group while offering his expertise to AMEC initiatives worldwide. His background includes work on projects in Connecticut, Delaware, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Texas and West Virginia.

HOUSTON — DAN O. DINGES has joined Cabot Oil & Gas Corp. as President, Chief Operating Officer and as a member of the Board of Directors.

Dinges comes to Cabot after a 20-year career with Samedan Oil Corp., a subsidiary of Noble Affiliates Inc. The last three years Dinges served as Samedan's Senior Vice President and Division General Manager for the Offshore Division.

The company also announced that MICHAEL B. WALEN has been elected Senior Vice President, Exploration and Production. In this role Walen has direct responsibility for all of the company's regional operations including the expanding exploration activities in each area.

HOUSTON — Williams' gas pipeline unit has announced two management positions.

ALLISON G. BRIDGE has been named senior vice president of strategic marketing. She will continue to have responsibility for customer relations and business development for national accounts, service delivery and e-business initiatives for Williams' gas pipeline unit. Bridges most recently served as vice president of strategic marketing.

JAMES C. MOORE has been named senior vice president of group planning and development.

As senior vice president of group planning and development, Moore will continue to have responsibility for acquisitions and strategic planning for Williams' gas pipeline unit. Over the past 24 years, he has held various positions of increasing responsibility, first at Transco and later Williams, in areas including accounting, gas transportation, gas analysis and business development. Moore served as director of business development for the gas pipeline unit from 1995 until 2000 at which time he was promoted to vice president of group planning and development.

Both will report to Cuba Wadlington Jr., Williams' executive vice president and president and chief executive officer of Williams' gas pipeline unit.

HOUSTON — JAMES C. DAY has been appointed to the board of directors of Noble Affiliates Inc., expanding the number of directors to seven.

Day is chairman and chief executive officer of Noble Drilling Corp. He also serves as director for Global Industries, Ltd. and has previously served on the Noble Affiliates Board.

## Meetings

### Electronic rig monitoring topic for SPE

Internet-enabled rig monitoring will be the topic of Wednesday's meeting of the Permian Basin section, Society of Petroleum Engineers. The meeting will be at the Midland Center beginning at 11:30 a.m.

David Close and Ben Thomas of Pason Systems USA will speak on "Internet-enabled Computer Rig Monitoring: Allowing New Efficiencies in Drilling Through Data Collection, Information Integration and Distributed Management."

Reservations should be made by Tuesday by calling 688-4212.

### SPE group to discuss chlorides project

The Environmental Study Group of the Society of Petroleum Engineers will meet Thursday in the Roadrunner Room at the Scharbauer Student Center at Midland College beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Carolyn Haynes with Rice Operating will discuss a chlorides project Rice is performing that will have a significant impact on how such sites are regulated by the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division.

Cost is \$12. Reservations should be made by Tuesday by calling 683-1573.

## PBGC Continuing Education

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### Carbonate Petrophysics

Instructor: George Asquith, Ph.D., Texas Tech University  
Date & Time: September 27-28, Thursday-Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm  
Fee: \$275

Petrophysical logs are often difficult to evaluate in carbonates because of the existence of several porosity types that include intergranular, intercrystalline, vuggy, moldic, fracture, and microporosity. These porosity types may cause a distorted perception about a reservoir. On logs, a carbonate reservoir may appear productive when in fact, it is not. The reverse can happen when a reservoir is condemned as "dry" when it is capable of producing substantial quantities of hydrocarbon. Designed to help you make more accurate judgments, by deepening your understanding of special features in carbonates. Also, a variety of petrophysical techniques are presented that enable you to more precisely decide the productive nature of a carbonate reservoir. Finally, a series of case studies serve as models against which you can relate future data and decision making. There will be several problems to work. 11 RLP/CPL recertification credits.

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## Parallel updates exploration activity at Signal Hill well

MIDLAND, — Parallel Petroleum Corp. announced that the Signal Hill 1, located in Jackson County, Texas, has reached an intermediate depth of approximately 13,500 feet. Open-hole logs have been run and intermediate casing will be set through total depth.

Based on interpretations of the open-hole logs, preliminary indications are that the well has Yegua sand at approximately 10,350 feet that may contain hydrocarbons. The sand is approximately 15 feet thick with up to 25 ohms of resistivity and up to 33% porosity. The well will continue to be drilled through its Wilcox objectives to a planned total depth of approximately

18,000 feet, which should be reached within thirty days. Larry C. Oldham, Parallel's President, stated, "Although it is still too early to reach any final conclusions about the production capabilities of the well, we are encouraged by these preliminary developments."

Parallel owns a 27.0% working interest in the well. Beta Oil & Gas, Inc. has a 12.5% working interest in the well and Republic Resources, Inc. has a 3.125% working interest. The remaining interest is owned by private industry partners. Allegro Investments, Inc., Victoria, Texas, is the operator.

The Signal Hill 1 well is the first of three exploratory Wilcox

wells that the company intends to drill within the next six months in its Jackson County, Texas Wilcox project.

Parallel is an independent ener-

gy company engaged in the exploration for and the acquisition, development and production of oil and gas using 3-D seismic technology.

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## Industry Briefing

### Pangea begins gas sales from Duval well

HOUSTON — Pangea Petroleum Corp. has commenced the sale of gas from its Wilcox Well in Duval County, Texas.

"We are very pleased to be generating revenues from this well. These revenues confirm the promise that was created by the 4-Point test results," stated Charles B. Pollock, Chairman and CEO of Pangea Petroleum. "Additionally, we had a milestone in June when we started generating revenue from our first successful well in Jackson County, Texas. These successes are further evidence that we have moved from a development-stage energy company to a commercial one."

### Pioneer tests Stirrup discovery in Gulf

DALLAS — Pioneer Natural Resources Co. announced test results on the Stirrup discovery located on Mustang Island block 861 in Texas state waters of the Gulf of Mexico. Pioneer has a 25% working interest (WI) in the prospect which is operated by Spinnaker Exploration Co. with a 42% WI. Dominion Exploration and Production, Inc., a subsidiary of Dominion, has a 33% WI.

The Mustang Island 861 No. 1 (MU 861 No. 1) well was drilled to a depth of 17,123 feet, tested middle Frio sands and established the geologically oldest production on the Gulf of Mexico shelf west of the Mississippi River. The discovery is located 25 miles south of Corpus Christi, Texas in approximately 54 feet of water.

The MU 861 No. 1 well found gas-bearing sands in four major sequences. Three of those sequences have tested gas and the fourth was not tested. The S-3 sand is currently being tested at approximately 21 million cubic feet of gas per day with 130 barrels of condensate at flowing pressures exceeding 11,000 pounds per square inch following stimulation. The well will be shut in pending design and fabrication of a production platform, related facilities and flow line.

The discovery well is on a large faulted anticline and additional drilling will be required to fully delineate its size. Additional drilling will commence immediately following the temporary abandonment of the MU 861 No. 1 well.

### Pioneer plugs unsuccessful explorer

DALLAS — Pioneer announced that it has completed drilling on the Argo prospect in Alaminos Canyon 13. The well was drilled to a total depth of 7,873 feet. The test was unsuccessful and has been plugged and abandoned. Plans for the independent development of the Falcon discovery in East Breaks 579 are proceeding with detailed geologic, reservoir and economic evaluations required for project sanction expected to be completed during the third quarter.

### Swift releases results of Kauri-A2 well

HOUSTON — Swift Energy Co. reported that the Kauri-A2 well in New Zealand encountered hydrocarbons in the targeted Manutahi sand over an approximate 33-foot (10-meter) interval beginning at a depth of 3,739 feet (1,140 meters). Operations are currently underway to set production casing.

The Kauri-A2 well exhibited strong fluorescence and good mud log shows while drilling. Electric logs indicate excellent porosities and sidewall cores were taken for further analysis. The well came in approximately 23 feet structurally high to the same sands as the Kauri-A1 well. The well will be completed and tested over the next several weeks. Based on its test results, we plan to drill one or more wells next year to more fully develop the Manutahi sand. Mapping of this sand indicates an areal extent of up to 3,000 acres in this and an adjoining fault block.

Testing of the Kauri-A1 well, which was drilled earlier this year, will begin immediately after the testing of the Kauri-A2 well is completed. Initially, the Upper Taniki sand beginning at a depth of 11,126 feet (3,392 meters) will be tested. Following this, three separate intervals will be tested in the Kauri sand, which has a gross thickness of 872 feet beginning at a depth of 9,473 feet (2,888 meters).

Additionally, the company is currently drilling the Rimu-B3 well to continue the delineation of the Rimu area and prepare for the commencement of the Rimu-B4 well.

Testing continues on the other wells in the Rimu area. In early August, the Rimu-A1 well was shut-in for early next year.

### Nuevo shuts field for pipeline repairs

HOUSTON — Nuevo Energy Co. has voluntarily suspended productions at its Point Pedernales Field in order to replace five flanges on its twenty-inch pipeline that transports crude oil from Platform Irene, offshore California, to an onshore processing plant. Platform Irene is located 4.5 miles off the coast of Vandenberg Air Force Base in North Santa Barbara County, California.

Nuevo conducts annual ultrasonic and magnetic particle subsea pipeline inspections as part of its commitment to protecting the environment in which it operates. Based on a recent inspection, small cracks in certain flanges were detected. There were no leaks; however, as a precaution, the company voluntarily made the decision to shutdown operations and replace five flanges in the twenty-inch crude oil pipeline.

Year-to-date, daily production from the Point Pedernales Field has been approximately 5,000 barrels of oil equivalent net to Nuevo. It is anticipated that regulatory approvals will be received and flange replacements will be completed by year-end 2001.

### Abraxas owns 94 percent of Grey Wolf

SAN ANTONIO — Abraxas Petroleum Corp. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Abraxas Acquisition Corp. announced the exchange offer for Grey Wolf Exploration Inc. shares that Abraxas and its wholly owned Canadian subsidiary, Canadian Abraxas Petroleum Limited, did not already own has been extended for ten days, until 5:00 pm, Calgary time, Friday, September 28, 2001.

A total of 5.9 million shares of Grey Wolf, representing 88% of what Abraxas and Canaxas did not own, have now been tendered and taken up. Abraxas and Canaxas now own 94% of the common outstanding shares of Grey Wolf. AcquisitionCo intends to effect a subsequent transaction to acquire the remaining Grey Wolf shares that are not tendered pursuant to the offer.

### Conoco to develop UK gas discovery

ABERDEEN, Scotland — Conoco will seek government consent for the fast track development of its recent natural gas discovery in block 49/16, some 80 miles east of the coast of Lincolnshire, England.

The discovery, in what is known as the Vanguard Extensions (VE) prospect, is another success for Conoco's policy of snuggle exploration and development — the pursuit of gas and oil prospects with close proximity to existing processing and transportation facilities, making them commercially attractive and capable of rapid development.

"This is yet more evidence that the snuggle concept works for Conoco, our partners and the country," said John Williams, Conoco's general manager for exploration in the company's British exploration and production affiliate. "The VE discovery is our seventh successful snuggle exploration and appraisal well in the U.K. since the beginning of 1998. It's an important addition to our existing interests in Britain, where we are a significant gas operator, and in Continental Europe, which is a growing market."

Discovery well 49/16-13 was drilled in 109 feet of water by the Ensco 92 jack-up drilling rig during the summer of 2001. The well was drilled to a depth of 9,456 feet, and encountered a gross Rotliegendes sandstone section of 700 feet, of which 242 feet was gas bearing.

Conoco anticipates aggressive development of the VE discovery, leading to first gas production in the third or fourth quarter of 2002. In the meantime, additional drilling is planned to delineate the discovery and determine its size.

Development options for the VE discovery are being evaluated, but it will be produced through the Lincolnshire Offshore Gas Gathering System (LOGGS), which carries natural gas to the Conoco-operated terminal at Theddlethorpe St. Helen in Lincolnshire, England.

Co-venturers in the development are Conoco (U.K.) Limited (operator), 50 percent and BP, 50 percent.

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## ODS-Petrodata indicates fall in offshore day rates

HOUSTON — ODS-Petrodata Group announced its Offshore Rig Day Rate Indices show a continuing decline in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico Competitive Jackup Day Rate Index, reflecting a significant decline in Gulf of Mexico rig demand. The day rate indices charts are updated monthly at [www.ods-petrodata.com](http://www.ods-petrodata.com).

According to Thomas E. Marsh, ODS-Petrodata Group associate publisher, declining rig demand is having a dramatic impact on the GOM region.

"The resulting downward pressure on day rates is evidenced by the ODS-Petrodata Group U.S. Gulf of Mexico 250'-300' Competitive Jackup Day Rate Index, which stands at 168 this month. At the end of the second quarter, the index was at 216. The decline is due to the recent drop in domestic natural gas prices."

The ODS-Petrodata Group North Sea Competitive Jackup (Non-Harsh Environ-

ment) Day Rate Index has changed little over the past three months, and stands this month at 284. However, Marsh notes that North Sea rig fleet utilization has softened in the last month, a trend that is expected to continue.

This month's ODS-Petrodata Group Day Rate Indices indicate continued demand worldwide for deepwater drilling rigs.

Marsh says the deepwater drilling fleet's utilization rate has remained above 94 percent for the entire year, but day rates for some deepwater drilling rigs have fallen slightly in recent months. "Day rates have softened a little as operators rationalize their deepwater drilling programs and seek to farm out rig time to other companies," Marsh said.

ODS-Petrodata Group issues the monthly day rate indices on or about the second Friday of each month. They can be accessed via the company's Web site: [www.ods-petrodata.com](http://www.ods-petrodata.com). The Offshore Rig Day Rate Indices show the movement of competitive mobile

offshore drilling fleet day rates and utilization for four rig categories: Worldwide Competitive 5,001+-foot floating rigs; U.S. Gulf of Mexico 250-foot to 300-foot competitive jackups; Worldwide Competitive 2,001-foot to 5,000-foot semi-submersibles; and North Sea competitive jackups (non-harsh environment). Day rates are charted as an index with the average market day rate in January 1994 equal to 100. Utilization is the percentage of contracted rigs out of the total competitive fleet supply.

Houston-based ODS-Petrodata Group, a OneOffshore company, is the leading specialist in offshore information and intelligence, delivers decision-critical news and insight into the offshore industry to a broad spectrum of customers around the world. ODS-Petrodata Group offers specialized print and electronic publications, online resources, skilled research and industry-experienced consultants to the offshore oil and gas business.

## Schlumberger agrees to acquire UK's Sensa Ltd.

HOUSTON — Schlumberger Oilfield Services, a business segment of Schlumberger Limited, announced an agreement in principle to acquire Sensor Highway Limited (trading as Sensa), a provider of fiber optic sensing technologies and their applications in oil and gas wells.

Peter Goode, president of Schlumberger Well Completions and Productivity commented, "This acquisition will complement our developing capability to monitor and control, in real time, the key processes in wells and production systems that optimize the revenue stream, and increase ultimate reservoir recovery. Sensa has already demonstrated that fiber optic sensing technologies will play a key role in ways that are only just beginning to be appreciated. Combining their best-in-class measurement capability, with the depth of

our reservoir expertise and interpretation software, will provide the industry with new capabilities."

Sensa CEO, Glynn Williams added, "Sensa and Schlumberger are an ideal match. The Schlumberger advanced completion offerings, and strengths in geoscience, data and information technologies are exactly what are required to rapidly progress fiber optic sensing from where Sensa has established it to date. The acquisition will provide Sensa's personnel a significant opportunity to contribute and develop within the broad technology communities of Schlumberger."

Based in Chandlers Ford, near Southampton, United Kingdom, and with offices in the major oil producing areas of the world, Sensa designs, manufactures and deploys a new generation of fiber optic sensors.

## Varco International buys Elmar Services

HOUSTON & ORANGE, Calif. — Varco International has acquired, through a subsidiary, the capital stock of Elmar Services Limited. Elmar, based in Aberdeen, is a leading designer and manufacturer of wireline pressure control equipment for servicing oil and gas wells, and a major supplier of perforating gun carriers and tubular services. Elmar is expected to complement Varco's leading market positions in coiled tubing and wireline equipment. Elmar generated \$36 million in revenues in its fiscal year ended July 31, 2001. Terms of the sale were not announced.

"Varco's acquisition of Elmar significantly strengthens its leading position in the provision of highly-engineered equipment to the world's oil and gas well servicing industry," remarked George Boyadjieff, chairman and CEO of Varco. "We are pleased to welcome Elmar's team to our group, and to offer its pressure control technologies to our customers. Additionally, Elmar's perforating gun business will expand Varco's own perforating gun sales." Elmar conducts design, manufacturing, service and rental operations from Aberdeen, Scotland; Perth, Australia; Houston and Victoria, Texas; Edmonton, Alberta; and Dubai. The company employs 257 people.

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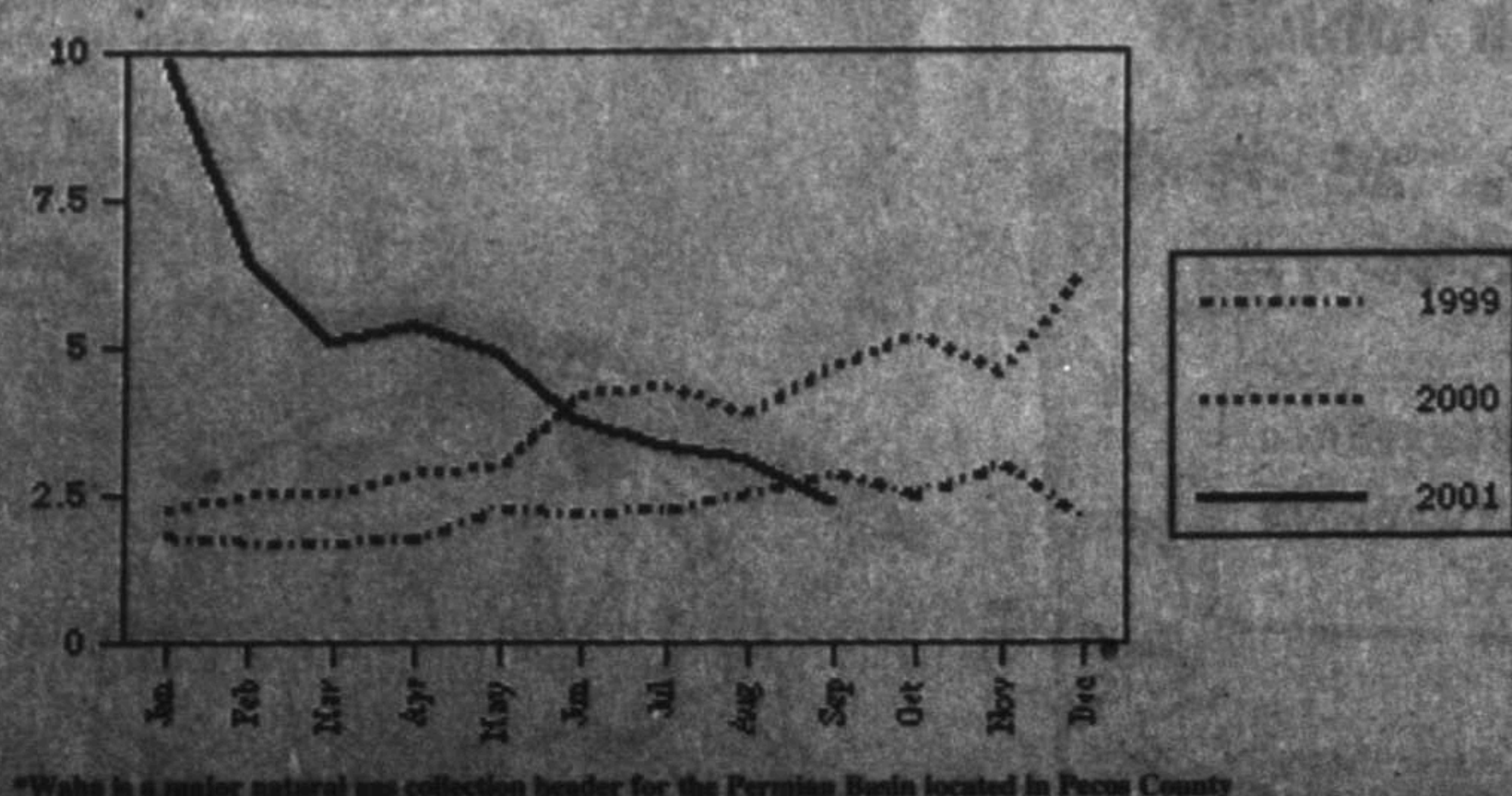
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## Spot Gas Price Comparison

### Waha Price Profile



\*Waha is a major natural gas collection center for the Permian Basin located in Permian County.

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### Waha Averages

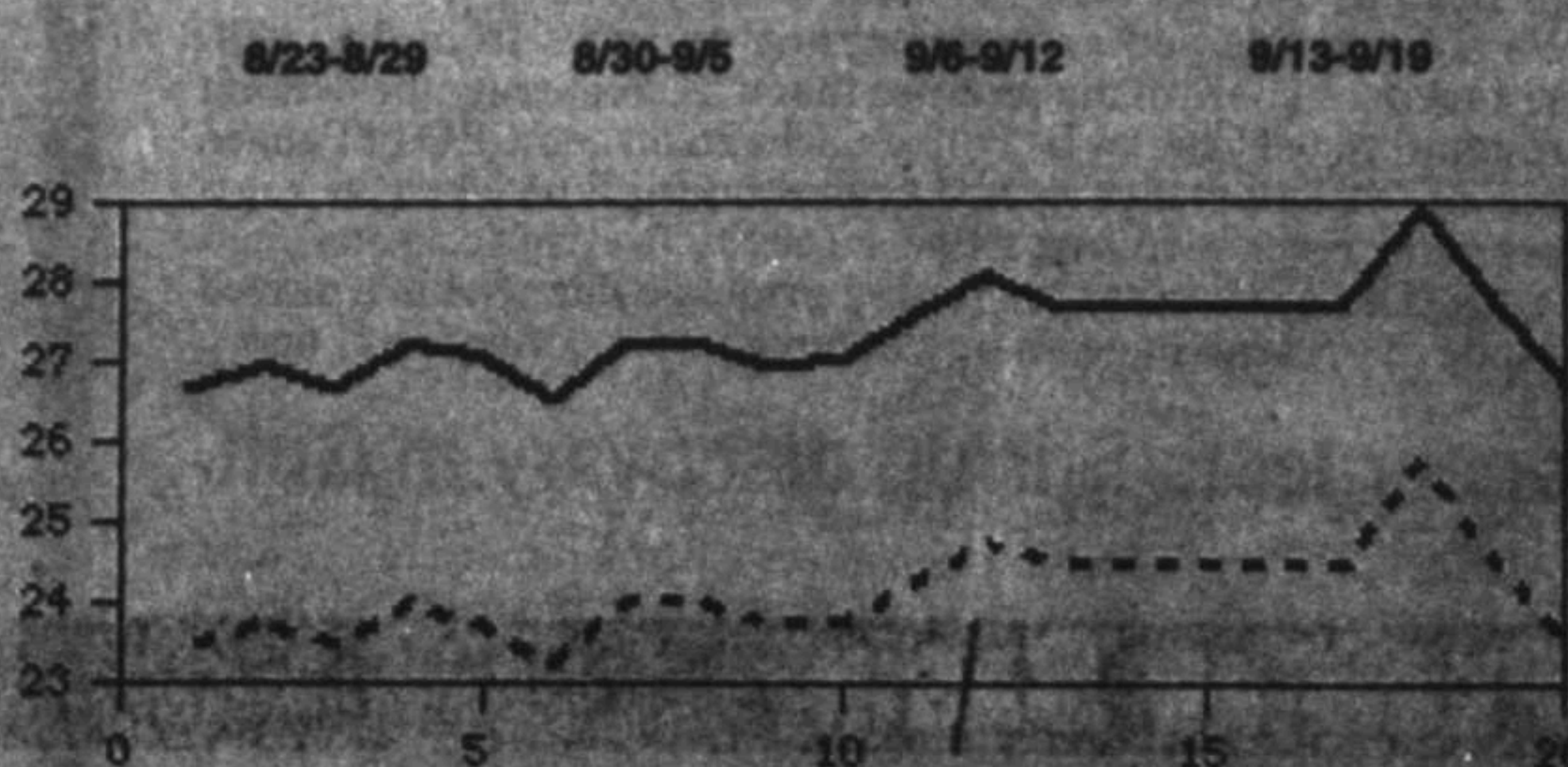
This month ● Last Month  
\$2.32 ● \$3.08

### Current Spot Prices

■ Mid Continent (Arkoma) \$2.09  
■ Gulf Coast (Louisiana) \$2.34  
■ Rocky Mountain (Wyoming) \$1.98

## Crude Oil Prices

This Week's  
Average:



### Current WTI Posted Prices

|          |         |            |         |          |         |
|----------|---------|------------|---------|----------|---------|
| BP Amoco | \$27.00 | ExxonMobil | \$25.75 | Phillips | \$23.50 |
| Chevron  | 26.80   | Koch       | 23.50   | Plains   | 23.50   |
| E.O.T.T. | 23.50   | Navajo WTI | 23.50   | Sun      | 23.50   |
| Equiva   | 23.50   | Navajo NMI | 25.75   |          |         |

\* Net Price without transportation charge

## Development Wells

### Texas RRCD 7C

#### Crockett County

RME Pet. Co.  
Bean, Vada #5  
Ozona (Canyon Sand)-D; GC & SF  
RR Co./J. Mitchell; A-4534, Blk M, Sec  
28; 1900 FSL 1800 FWL of lse; 1900  
FSL 1800 FWL of survey; 14.40  
miles SW of Ozona; obj: 7500; permit  
#512194; API #105-38737

RME Pet. Co.  
Bean, B' #6  
Ozona (Canyon Sand)-D; GC & SF  
RR Co.; A-2413, Blk M, Sec 33; 1819  
FNL 1037 FWL of lse; 1819 FNL 1037  
FWL of survey; 14.40 miles SW of  
Ozona; obj: 7500; permit #512193;  
API #105-38736

RME Pet. Co.  
Clegg, Bill A' #5518  
Ozona (Canyon Sand)-D; Runnels  
C.S.L., LGE, 55; A-2831, Blk N/A, Sec  
N/A; 293 FNL 2450 FWL of lse; 293  
FNL 6310 FWL of survey; 28.20 miles  
SW of Ozona; obj: 7500; permit  
#509889; API #105-38676

RME Pet. Co.  
Davidson #3506  
Davidson Ranch (Penn. 7890) &  
Ozona, NE. (Canyon Sand)-D; TC RR  
Co.; A-4006, Blk KL, Sec 33; 660 FSL  
1900 FWL of lse; 660 FSL 1900 FWL  
of survey; 7.30 miles SSE of Ozona;  
obj: 8500; permit #507292; API #105-  
38617

RME Pet. Co.  
Davidson #17" #18  
Davidson Ranch (Penn. 7890) &  
Ozona, NE. (Canyon Sand)-D; GC &  
SF RR Co.; A-3124, Blk KL, Sec 17;  
2100 FSL 3620 FWL of lse; 1680 FSL  
2100 FWL of survey; 7.20 miles SSE  
of Ozona; obj: 8500; permit #506962;  
API #105-38607

RME Pet. Co.  
Davidson #17" #17  
Davidson Ranch (Penn. 7890) &  
Ozona, NE. (Canyon Sand)-D; GC &  
SF RR Co.; A-3124, Blk KL, Sec 17;  
2173 FWL 2754 FWL of lse; 2546 FSL  
2173 FWL of survey; 7.20 miles SSE  
of Ozona; obj: 8500; permit #506961;  
API #105-38606

#### McCulloch County

Cooper Oil & Gas, Inc.  
Holubec West #5  
Needle Creek (Strawn)-D; H & TC  
RR Co.; A-618, Blk 60, Sec 33; 205  
FNL 1200 FWL of lse; 3 FNL 1200  
FWL of survey; 7 miles SSE of  
Melvin; obj: 1500; permit #512234; API  
#307-31107

#### Menard County

Quintx Exploration, Inc.  
Whitehead #122  
Branch, South (Tannehill)-D; A. B.  
& M./Clay Tipton #34; A-1607, Blk N/A,  
Sec N/A; 6905 FSL 8060 FSL of lse;  
1785 FSL 2650 FWL of survey; 8 miles  
N of Menard; obj: 1200; permit  
#512354; API #327-30916

Quintx Exploration, Inc.  
Whitehead #116  
Branch, South (Tannehill)-Re-  
Enter; A. B. & M./Clay Tipton #34; A-  
1607, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 8720 FSL  
5510 FWL of lse; 1990 FNL 380 FWL  
of survey; 8 miles N of Menard; obj:  
1492; permit #512353; API #327-  
30909

Quintx Exploration, Inc.  
Whitehead #109  
Branch, South (Tannehill)-Re-  
Enter; A. B. & M.; A-36, Blk 2, Sec 31;  
4250 FSL 3250 FWL of lse; 1100 FNL  
3250 FWL of survey; 8 miles N of  
Menard; obj: 1779; permit #512352;  
API #327-30895

Quintx Exploration, Inc.  
Whitehead #121  
Branch, South (Tannehill)-D; BS &  
F #101; A-179, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 3370  
FSL 4760 FWL of lse; 1980 FNL 370  
FWL of survey; 8 miles N of Menard;  
obj: 1200; permit #510026; API #327-  
30915

### Sutton County

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.  
Thomson "D" #9  
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sonora  
(Canyon Upper)-D; HE & WT RR Co.;  
A-281, Blk A, Sec 33; 560 FSL 1980  
FNL of lse; 560 FSL 1980 FSL of survey;  
8 miles NE of Sonora; obj: 6250;  
permit #512278; API #435-35602

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.  
Shurley 98 #10  
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer  
(Canyon)-D; HE & WT RR Co./M. B.  
Atkinson; A-893, Blk B, Sec 98; 525  
FEL 1975 FNL of lse; 525 FEL 1975  
FNL of survey; 3 miles SW of Sono-  
ra; obj: 6300; permit #512277; API  
#435-35601

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.  
Kelly 102 #8  
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer  
(Canyon)-D; HE & WT RR Co./L. M.  
Watters; A-1249, Blk C, Sec 102; 500  
FWL 500 FNL of lse; 500 FWL 500  
FNL of survey; 11 miles S of Sonora;  
obj: 6550; permit #512276; API #435-  
35600

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.  
Fields 17 #17  
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer  
(Canyon)-D; HE & WT RR Co.; A-353,  
Blk B, Sec 17; 1290 FSL 1985 FSL of  
lse; 1290 FSL 1985 FSL of survey; 5  
miles SSE of Sonora; obj: 6125; per-  
mit #512275; API #435-35599

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.  
Askew 18 #3  
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer  
(Canyon)-D; HE & WT RR Co./D. R.  
Holland; A-1006, Blk C, Sec 18; 500  
FEL 1910 FSL of lse; 500 FEL 1910  
FSL of survey; 13 miles SE of Sono-  
ra; obj: 5650; permit #512274; API  
#435-35598

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.  
Thomson "A" #9  
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sonora  
(Canyon Upper)-D; TW NG RR Co.;  
A-721, Blk 9, Sec 35; 2000 FNL 2400  
FWL of lse; 2000 FNL 2400 FWL of  
survey; 9 miles NE of Sonora; obj:  
6350; permit #512168; API #435-  
35596

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.  
Thomson "D" #10  
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sonora  
(Canyon Upper)-D; HE & WT RR Co.;  
A-281, Blk A, Sec 33; 1980 FEL 1980  
FSL of lse; 1980 FEL 1980 FSL of survey;  
8 miles NE of Sonora; obj: 6350;  
permit #512167; API #435-35597

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.  
Thomson "A" #8  
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sonora  
(Canyon Upper)-D; TW NG RR Co.;  
A-721, Blk 9, Sec 35; 800 FSL 2600  
FWL of lse; 800 FSL 2600 FWL of survey;  
9 miles NE of Sonora; obj: 6350;  
permit #512166; API #435-35595

### Terrell County

Fasken Oil & Ranch, LTD.  
Geaslin SW "205" #19  
Geaslin (Wolfcamp)-D; Mrs. T.  
Bumbarner; A-43, Blk Y, Sec 205; 800  
FSL 660 FWL of lse; 800 FSL 660  
FWL of survey; 23 miles NE of Dry-  
den; obj: 7500; permit #512208; API  
#443-30893

Fasken Oil & Ranch, LTD.  
Geaslin SE "205" #20  
Geaslin (Wolfcamp)-D; Mrs. T.  
Bumbarner; A-43, Blk Y, Sec 205; 900  
FSL 1040 FWL of lse; 900 FSL 1600  
FWL of survey; 23 miles NE of Dryden;

obj: 7500; permit #512207; API #443-  
30892

### Upton County

Texaco E & P Inc.  
Upton "Z" Fee #16W  
Concho Bluff, North (Queen)-D; T  
& P RR Co.; A-781, Blk 42, T4S, Sec  
21; 63 FSL 1643 FWL of lse; 63 FSL  
1643 FWL of survey; 28 miles NW of  
Midkiff; obj: 4650; permit #512158; API  
#461-34215

Texaco E & P Inc.  
Upton "Z" Fee #17W  
Concho Bluff, North (Queen)-D; T  
& P RR Co.; A-781, Blk 42, T4S, Sec  
21; 1288 FSL 1837 FWL of lse; 1288  
FSL 1837 FWL of survey; 28 miles  
NW of Midkiff; obj: 4650; permit  
#512157; API #461-34214

### Texas RRCD 8

#### Andrews County

Burleson, Lewis B. Inc.  
Embar University #5  
Embar (Permian)&(5600) & Tenac-  
ity (Glorieta)-D; UL; A-00000, Blk 10,  
Sec 31; 780 FWL 785 FSL of lse; 1855  
FNL 1860 FWL of survey; 21 miles SW  
of Andrews; obj: 6500; permit  
#512222; API #003-38852

#### Crane County

Western Reserves Oil Co. Inc.  
Cordona "A" #1  
Abell (Permian-General)-D; Juan  
Cordona; A-1, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 660  
FWL 806 FNL of lse; 660 FWL 1834  
FSL of survey; 15 miles SW of Crane;  
obj: 4200; permit #512175; API #103-  
34862

#### Ector County

Phillips Pet. Co.  
South Fault Block Unit #462  
Andector (Ellenburger)-Recomple-  
tion-Horizontal Well-Sidetrack; T & P  
RR Co.; A-260, Blk 44, T1N, Sec 17;  
1522 FNL 4381 FWL of lse; 200 FNL  
2401 FWL of survey; 4.50 miles NNW  
of Goldsmith; obj: 7790; permit  
#512332; API #135-35951

#### Howard County

Westport Oil & Gas Co. Inc.  
Chalk, Otis #28W  
Howard Glasscock & Howard-  
Glasscock (Glorieta)-D; W & NW RR  
Co.; A-471, Blk 29, Sec 125; 150 FSL  
600 FWL of lse; 150 FSL 2040 FWL  
of survey; 2 miles E of Forsan; obj:  
3400; permit #512229; API #227-  
35738

Westport Oil & Gas Co. Inc.  
Chalk, Otis #27W  
Howard Glasscock & Howard-  
Glasscock (Glorieta)-D; W & NW RR  
Co.; A-471, Blk 29, Sec 125; 150 FSL  
1245 FWL of lse; 150 FSL 1245 FWL  
of survey; 2 miles E of Forsan; obj:  
3400; permit #512228; API #227-  
35737

Westport Oil & Gas Co. Inc.  
Chalk, Otis #26W  
Howard Glasscock & Howard-  
Glasscock (Glorieta)-D; W & NW RR  
Co.; A-471, Blk 29, Sec 125; 630 FWL  
185 FSL of lse; 630 FWL 185 FSL of  
survey; 2 miles E of Forsan; obj: 3400;  
permit #512227; API #227-35736

Westport Oil & Gas Co. Inc.  
Chalk, Otis #29W  
Howard Glasscock & Howard-  
Glasscock (Glorieta)-D; W & NW RR  
Co.; A-471, Blk 29, Sec 125; 50 FSL

565 FSL of lse; 565 FSL 2590 FWL  
of survey; 2 miles E of Forsan; obj:  
3400; permit #512226; API #227-  
35735

Westport Oil & Gas Co. Inc.  
Chalk, Otis #32W  
Howard Glasscock & Howard-  
Glasscock (Glorieta)-D; W & NW RR  
Co.; A-471, Blk 29, Sec 125; 49 FNL  
860 FWL of lse; 1765 FSL 1780 FWL  
of survey; 2 miles E of Forsan; obj:  
3400; permit #512225; API #227-  
35734

Westport Oil & Gas Co. Inc.  
Chalk, Otis #30W  
Howard Glasscock & Howard-  
Glasscock (Glorieta)-D; W & NW RR  
Co.; A-471, Blk 29, Sec 125; 225 FWL  
714 FNL of lse; 225 FWL 1100 FSL  
of survey; 2 miles E of Forsan; obj:  
3400; permit #512224; API #227-  
35733

Westport Oil & Gas Co. Inc.  
Chalk, Otis #31W  
Howard Glasscock & Howard-  
Glasscock (Glorieta)-D; W & NW RR  
Co.; A-471, Blk 29, Sec 125; 49 FNL  
600 FWL of lse; 600 FWL 1765 FSL  
of survey; 2 miles E of Forsan; obj:  
3400; permit #512223; API #227-  
35732

#### Martin County

Endeavor Energy Res. L.P.  
Holt Ranch "320" #8  
Lacaff (Wolfcamp) & Spraberry  
(Trend Area)-D; Garza CSL, LGE,  
320, LAB, 11; A-999, Blk N/A, Sec  
N/A; 6200 FNL 1980 FWL of lse; 660  
FNL 660 FWL of survey; 15 miles NW  
of Stanton; obj: 10000; permit  
#512298; API #317-34360

Endeavor Energy Res. L.P.  
Holt Ranch "320" #9  
Lacaff (Wolfcamp) & Spraberry  
(Trend Area)-D; Garza CSL, LGE,  
320, LAB, 20; A-999, Blk N/A, Sec  
N/A; 4940 FSL 1900 FWL of lse; 660  
FNL 660 FWL of survey; 15 miles NW  
of Stanton; obj: 10000; permit  
#512297; API #317-34361

#### Midland County

Endeavor Energy Res. L.P.  
Max "40" #2  
Azalea, East (Strawn)-D; T & P RR  
Co./H. Boatner; A-851, Blk 36, T2S,  
Sec 40; 467 FSL 2173 FWL of lse; 5  
miles SE of Greenwood; obj: 10500;  
permit #512296; API #329-34635

Texaco E & P Inc.  
Scharbauer, C. Jr. #8  
Bryant -G- (Strawn) & Parks, N.  
(Penn.)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-272, Blk  
40, T2S, Sec 41; 660 FSL 2050 FWL  
of lse; 660 FSL 650 FWL of survey; 10  
miles SW of Midland; obj: 10900; per-  
mit #512163; API #329-34633

#### Pecos County

Pure Res., L.P.  
Neely 75 #5  
Coyanosa (Cherry Canyon)-D; H &  
GN RR Co.; A-231, Blk 8, Sec 75; 660  
FSL 1100 FWL of lse; 660 FSL 1100  
FWL of survey; 8 miles ESE of Coy-  
anosa; obj: 6500; permit #512378; API  
#371-37103

Pure Res., L.P.  
ACU #3402  
Porter Ranch (Devonian)-D-Horiz-  
ontal Well; J. H. Gibson/W. H. Mans-  
field; A-5897, Blk 102, Sec 34; 2480  
FNL 585 FWL of lse; 2480 FNL 585  
FWL of survey; 20 miles S of Bakers-

field; obj: 18000; permit #512283; API  
#371-37102

### Forest Oil Corp.

Dunlap, Ophal 18 #1  
Gomez (Wolfcamp Detrital)-  
Recompletion-Directional Well; TC  
RR Co./A. H. Dunlap; A-8405, Blk OW,  
Sec 18; 1980 FNL 1980 FWL of lse;  
1980 FNL 1980 FWL of survey; 14  
miles NW of Fort Stockton; obj:  
16000; permit #511376; API #371-  
30151

### Winkler County

Two Black Bears Oil, Inc.  
Hendrick, Campbell B #8  
Hendrick & Kermit (Yates)-D;  
PSL/Mrs. I. Hendrick; A-1548, Blk 26,  
Sec 39; 990 FSL 1650 FWL of lse; 990  
FSL 1650 FWL of survey; 3.50 miles  
SW of Kermit; obj: 3200; permit  
#512330; API #495-32884

### Texas RRCD 8A

#### Cochran County

Union Royalty, Inc.  
Dean "B" Unit #16  
Slaughter-Recompletion-Horiz-  
ontal Well; Lipscomb CSL, LGE 91; A-  
80, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 2880 FNL 3566  
FWL of lse; 2880 FNL 6485 FWL of  
survey; 13 miles SW of Whiteface; obj:  
5150; permit #512266; API #079-  
01068

#### Dickens County

Woods Oper. Co., Inc.  
Linsley #1  
Spur, South (Croton Lime)-D; H &  
GN RR Co./J. Carlisle; A-1060, Blk  
1, Sec 152; 467 FWL 487 FNL of lse;  
467 FWL 487 FNL of survey; 5 miles  
SE of Spur; obj: 7400; permit  
#512339; API #125-30756

Woods Oper. Co., Inc.  
Arnold C #1  
Spur, South (Croton Lime)-D; H &  
GN RR Co./J. Fitz; A-636, Blk 1, Sec  
170; 660 FWL 660 FWL of lse; 660  
FWL 1988 FNL of survey; 4 miles SE  
of Spur; obj: 7400; permit #512338;  
API #125-30755

#### Gaines County

Amerada Hess Corp.  
Adair San Andres Unit #2008H  
Adair-Recompletion-Horizontal  
Well-Sidetrack; PSL/A. E. Dickens; A-  
2072, Blk C-31, Sec 8; 5458 FSL 4937  
FWL of lse; 178 FSL 2297 FWL of sur-  
vey; 15 miles S of Brownfield; obj:  
4850; permit #512358; API #165-  
35647

#### Hale County

Devon SFS Oper., Inc.  
Hufstetler #1  
Anton-Irish (Wolfcamp)-D; H.E. &  
W.T. Co./H. O. Pettit; A-2433, Blk DT,  
Sec 16; 509 FNL 467 FWL of lse; 509  
FNL 467 FWL of survey; 7 miles ENE  
of Anton; obj: 7500; permit #511082;  
API #189-30438

### Devon SFS Oper., Inc.

Myatt #1  
Anton-Irish (Wolfcamp)-D; H.E. &  
W.T. RR Co.; A-265, Blk DT, Sec 15;  
467 FSL 467 FWL of lse; 467 FSL 467  
FWL of survey; 7 miles ENE of Anton;  
obj: 7500; permit #511081; API #189-  
30437

### Hockley County

Tamarack Pet. Co., Inc.  
SE Whiteface Unit #2005  
Levelland-D; Midland CSL, LGE,  
64, LAB, 30; A-173, Blk N/A, Sec N/A;  
1233 FSL 2389 FWL of lse; 1233 FSL  
440 FWL of survey; 11 miles W of  
Levelland; obj: 5000; permit #512364;  
API #219-36619

Tamarack Pet. Co., Inc.  
SE Whiteface Unit #2006  
Levelland-D; Midland CSL, LGE,  
64, LAB, 20; A-173, Blk N/A, Sec N/A;  
440 FSL 1416 FWL of lse; 440 FSL  
1416 FWL of survey; 11 miles W of  
Levelland; obj: 5000; permit #512363;  
API #219-36620

### New Mexico

#### Eddy County

Chi Oper. Inc.  
Spruce Fed #1  
T16S, R30E, Sec 30; 1980 FSL 660  
FWL of lse; 1980 FSL 660 FWL of  
survey; 11 miles NW of Loco Hills; Rot  
11,000 Morrow; API #30-015-31902

Marbob Energy Corp.  
BR-549 State #4-Y  
T17S, R29E, Sec 27; 2310 FNL 355  
FWL of lse; 2310 FNL 355 FWL of  
survey; 4 miles SW of Loco Hills; Rot  
5000 Yesso; API #30-015-31900

Yates Pet. Corp.  
Runnin AZH Com #1  
T18S, R25E, Sec 21; 1090 FSL 660  
FWL of lse; 1090 FSL 660 FWL of  
survey; 9.5 miles NW of Lake-  
wood; Rot 9000 Miss; API #30-015-  
31914

Yates Pet. Corp.  
Metropolis AZL St Com #1  
T18S, R25E, Sec 36; 1650 FSL  
1650 FWL of lse; 1650 FWL of survey;  
6 miles NW of Lakewood; Rot 9350  
Chester; API #30-015-31905

Yates Pet. Corp.  
Suburb AZS St Com #1  
T18S, R25E, Sec 36; 1650 FNL  
1650 FWL of lse; 1650 FWL of survey;  
6 miles NW of Lakewood; Rot 9300  
Chester; API #30-015-31906

Stephens & Johnson Oper. Co.  
East Millman Pool Unit Tr 7 #15  
T19S, R28E, Sec 13; 1659 FSL  
2607 FWL of lse; 2607 FWL of survey;  
14 miles NE of Lakewood; Rot 2700  
Qu/Gb/SA; API #30-015-31915

Chi Oper. Inc.  
Land Rush 12 Fed Com #2  
T19S, R30E, Sec 12; 660 FNL 660  
FWL of lse; 660 FNL 660 FWL of  
survey; 13 miles NW of Highway; Rot  
12,400 Morrow; API #30-015-31903











## Oil Earnings

### Ultramar raises earnings guidance

SAN ANTONIO — Ultramar Diamond Shamrock Corp. announced that based on current market conditions, it expects earnings for the third quarter to be in the range of \$1.25 to \$1.50 per share. Earnings for the 2001 fiscal year are expected to be between \$7.25 to \$7.50 per share on the same basis.

"Despite recent events, demand for refined products during similar periods of uncertainty has tended to stay within historical ranges. Historical data also shows that refined product demand is, to a large extent, independent of changes in overall GDP," said Jean Gaulin, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

Gaulin also noted that UDS still believes that refining fundamentals point to continued strong margins over the cycle. Not only should demand stay within normal ranges but market fragmentation, limited expansion of capacity and constrained logistics systems all continue to be positives for the sector.

### Beta announces stock repurchase plans

TULSA, — Beta Oil & Gas, Inc. announced that its Board of Directors has authorized a stock repurchase program for up to an aggregate of \$1,000,000 of the company's common stock over the next four months. The repurchase program is effective immediately.

The authorization to repurchase shares was facilitated in part by an Order issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission last Friday. The Order temporarily increased the flexibility with respect to certain SEC rules pertaining to issuer stock repurchases. The timing and amount of shares actually purchased, if any, will be determined by Beta management's discretion, based on market conditions and other factors.

### Maverick Tube provides guidance

ST. LOUIS — Maverick Tube Corp. reported that it has received a number of inquiries from analysts and investors in light of both last week's terrorist attacks and published reports of declining oil country tubular goods (OCTG) purchasing activity. In response to these inquiries, Maverick confirms that distributor purchases slowed significantly in the week after the terrorist attacks, but have been picking back up near the levels experienced prior to the attacks.

Anticipated revenues from Maverick's U.S. energy related products sales during the third quarter should be in a range of \$68 to \$70 million, as compared to the \$76 million level achieved in the second quarter, and up from the \$62 million level experienced during the third quarter of last year. Earnings, prior to the one-time charges (approximately \$0.03 per diluted share) in connection with the previously disclosed unsuccessful acquisition efforts, should be in a range of \$0.33 to \$0.38 per diluted share, depending on shipping levels achieved during the last two weeks of the quarter.

Gregg Eisenberg, Maverick's Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer commented, "Our segment of the OCTG market in both the U.S. and Canada was near expectations prior to the terrorist attack. In fact, U.S. shipments were in line with second quarter levels, until dipping sharply last week. However, our U.S. shipments have since picked up and our customers' inventory positions appear to be very much in line with current consumption levels."

Maverick Tube Corporation is a St. Louis, Missouri, based manufacturer of tubular products used in the energy industry in drilling, production and surface transportation applications as well as industrial tubing products (HSS, standard pipe and pipe products) used in various industrial applications.

### Wiser Oil announces quarterly earnings

DALLAS — The Wiser Oil Co. reported net earnings for the second quarter of 2001 of \$1.3 million (excluding a one-time non-cash gain of \$8.3 million on the sale of oil and gas assets), or \$0.14 per share, compared with a net loss of \$1.4 million, or \$0.16 per share, in the second quarter of 2000.

Including the one-time gain, net earnings for the second quarter were \$9.6 million, or \$1.05 per share (\$0.75 per diluted share). For the first half of 2001, net earnings before the one-time gain were \$7.1 million, or \$0.78 per share (\$0.61 per diluted share) versus a loss of \$1.7 million, or \$0.19 per share, in the first half of 2000. Including the one-time gain, net earnings for the first half of 2001 were \$15.4 million, or \$1.69 per share (\$1.23 per diluted share).

Discretionary cash flow (cash flow from operations before exploration expense and changes in working capital) for the second quarter of 2001 was \$7.6 million, or \$0.83 per share (\$0.55 per diluted share), up \$3.3 million from second quarter 2000 discretionary cash flow of \$4.3 million, an increase of 77%. For the first half of 2001, discretionary cash flow was \$20.3 million, or \$2.22 per share (\$1.53 per diluted share), compared to \$9.4 million or \$1.06 per share in the first half of 2000, an increase of 116%.

EBITDAX for the second quarter of 2001 was \$11.7 million, or \$1.28 per share (\$0.85 per diluted share), up \$4.5 million from second

quarter 2000 EBITDAX of \$7.2 million, an increase of 63%. For the first half of 2001, EBITDAX was \$27.4 million or \$3.00 per share (\$2.07 per diluted share) compared to \$15.4 million or \$1.72 per share in the first half of 2000, an increase of 78%.

### Record production fuels Prize earnings

DALLAS — Prize Energy Corp. announced that net income for the second quarter of 2001 was \$11.2 million (\$0.81 per diluted share) on total revenues of \$48.5 million, more than 47 percent greater than the net income in the second quarter of 2000, which was \$7.6 million (\$0.54 per diluted share) on total revenues of \$37.3 million.

During the second quarter of 2001, cash flow from operations before working capital changes increased 112 percent to \$30.7 million (\$2.23 per diluted share) compared to \$14.5 million (\$1.02 per diluted share) for the same period in 2000. In addition, EBITDA increased 35 percent to \$31.5 million (\$2.29 per diluted share) compared to \$23.3 million (\$1.65 per diluted share) for the second quarter of 2000.

In the second quarter, the company incurred \$22.2 million in capital expenditures on oil and gas properties. A total of \$21.3 million was spent on development activities by participating in the drilling of 26 wells and performing 19 recompletions. The development activities achieved an overall success rate of 93 percent. Currently, the Company is participating in the drilling of 6 wells.

As a result of excess cash flow of \$14.3 million and the sale of non-strategic oil and gas properties of \$12.2 million, Prize was able to reduce long-term debt \$26.5 million to \$254.8 million in the second quarter compared to \$281.3 million in the first quarter 2001. As of June 30, 2001, the company had working capital of \$31.3 million. As of August 8, 2001, long-term debt was \$250.8 million.

In the second quarter of 2001, the daily oil and gas production levels achieved were historical highs for the company. In total, the Company's daily oil and gas production, on a barrel oil equivalent basis, increased 16 percent to 24,780 barrels compared to 21,345 barrels for the same period in 2000. Separately, Prize's daily crude oil and liquids production increased 4.7 percent to 10,870 barrels compared to 10,378 barrels for the second quarter 2000. Prize's daily natural gas production increased 26.4 percent to 83.2 million cubic feet compared to 65.8 million cubic feet for the same period in 2000.

### Plains Resources earnings beat estimates

HOUSTON — Plains Resources Inc. reported net income of \$100.1 million, or \$3.83 per common share (\$2.68 per diluted share) for the second quarter of 2001.

"The company has enjoyed several significant events this quarter," said James C. Flores, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. Some of the noteworthy events include:

The company ended the second quarter with \$38 million of cash and full availability on its \$225 million revolving credit facility.

Excluding nonrecurring items, the company reported net income of \$17.8 million, or \$0.82 per common share (\$0.62 per diluted share) for the second quarter of 2001. This compares with net income of \$5.4 million, or \$0.09 per common and diluted share for the second quarter of 2000. Upstream EBITDA for the second quarter of 2001 quarter increased 93% to \$39.2 million as compared to \$20.3 million for the comparable period of 2000 as a result of higher realized oil and gas prices. Upstream cash flow increased by 145% to \$30.3 million in the second quarter of 2001 as compared to \$12.4 million last year.

### Denbury announces strong quarter

DALLAS — Denbury Resources Inc. announced record production levels and reduced expenses, resulting in another quarter of strong financial and operating results.

The company posted a 43% increase in year-over-year production and a 5% increase over the prior quarter's production. This production growth, coupled with generally lower costs on a BOE basis, resulted in \$20.1 million of net income and \$45.2 million of cash flow for the quarter, despite a 21% drop in commodity prices on a BOE basis from prices in the first quarter of 2001. Key second quarter 2001 figures as compared to the second quarter of 2000: revenues of \$66.8 million, up 78%; cash flow of \$45.2 million, up 112%; pre-tax income of \$31.9 million, up 134%; and net income of \$20.1 million, up 48% (up 47% on a basic per-share basis).

Even though commodity prices on a BOE basis declined from record first quarter of 2001 levels, the increased production levels and overall reductions in expenses on a per BOE basis partially offset the effects of lower natural gas prices. Denbury posted a second quarter 2001 pre-tax profit of \$31.9 million, a 134% increase over the \$13.6 million reported for the second quarter of 2000. Due to the reversal of the income tax valuation allowance on the company's deferred tax asset recorded in the fourth quarter of 2000, the Company booked a 37% tax provision in the second quarter of 2001, resulting in net

income of \$20.1 million, or \$0.44 per common share, still 48% higher than the prior year's quarterly profit of \$13.6 million or \$0.30 per common share.

Correspondingly, the company's cash flow from operations, before net changes in other assets and liabilities, increased 112% quarter-over-quarter, to \$45.2 million, or \$0.98 per common share, for the second quarter of 2001, up from \$21.3 million, or \$0.47 per common share, for the second quarter of 2000. Included in the second quarter of 2001 cash flow is a \$400,000 current tax provision, a 20-fold increase over the \$20,000 current tax provision for the comparable quarter in 2000.

### Tesoro doubles prior-year earnings

SAN ANTONIO — Tesoro Petroleum Corp. reported net earnings for the 2001 second quarter of \$30 million, or \$0.70 per diluted share, which is double the \$0.35 recorded for the second quarter 2000.

Operating profit for the Refining and Marketing segment increased by 60 percent to \$65 million, compared to the 2000 second quarter. Tesoro's refinery spread of \$7.74 per barrel for the 2001 second quarter was 23 percent above the prior year quarter, primarily driven by higher gasoline and diesel fuel margins. Margins benefited from concerns that supply would be inadequate to meet seasonal gasoline demand. Partially offsetting these benefits were increased operating expenses for fuel and utility costs and marketing-related employee costs.

Operating profit for the Marine Services segment was a record \$3 million, an increase of 65 percent compared to the second quarter of 2000. The increase in operating profit was due to increased service revenues as a result of significantly higher drilling activity in the Gulf of Mexico compared to the prior year.

### Edge income up sharply over year ago

HOUSTON — Edge Petroleum Corp. reported second quarter net income of \$3,055,992, or basic earnings per share of \$0.33 and diluted earnings per share of \$0.31. Pro forma net income, excluding the impact of the reversal of non-cash deferred compensation expense related to repriced options (FIN 44) costs net of taxes, was \$2,967,883 or basic earnings per share of \$0.32 and diluted earnings per share of \$0.30. This compares to net income for the same period a year ago of \$208,591, or basic and diluted earnings per share of \$0.02. Operating income for the second quarter of 2001 was \$2,834,887 and pro forma was \$2,739,534 compared to \$596,286 for the same period in 2000.

### Pioneer earnings rise in quarter

DALLAS — Pioneer Natural Resources Co. announced financial and operating results for the second quarter of 2001.

Pioneer reported net income of \$28.3 million, or \$0.28 per share on a diluted basis, for the second quarter of 2001. Second quarter net income included a \$1.5 million gain on the disposition of assets and a \$9.3 million mark-to-market gain primarily related to derivatives not treated as hedges. Earnings as adjusted for the above items were \$17.6 million or \$0.18 per share. For the same period last year, Pioneer reported a net loss of \$16.1 million or \$0.16 per share. Cash flow from operations for the second quarter of 2001 was \$135.3 million compared to \$122.2 million for the second quarter of 2000.

### Noble Drilling reports net income

SUGAR LAND, Texas — Noble Drilling Corp. reported net income increased 57 percent for the second quarter of 2001 to \$68.0 million, or \$0.50 per diluted share, on operating revenues of \$246.6 million, compared to net income of \$43.4 million, or \$0.32 per diluted share, on operating revenues of \$230.7 million for the second quarter of 2000. Net income for the six months ended June 30, 2001 increased 78 percent to \$122.5 million, or \$0.90 per diluted share, on operating revenues of \$469.0 million, compared to net income of \$68.9 million, or \$0.51 per diluted share, on operating revenues of \$415.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2000.

James C. Day, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said, "While there has been some near term uncertainty in product pricing precipitated by the economic slowdown, our operations continue to improve."

The company repurchased 1,157,000 shares of its common stock at a total cost of \$44,481,000 during the second quarter of 2001. Since June 30, 2001, the Company has repurchased an additional 925,000 shares at a total cost of \$26,307,000. At June 30, 2001, the Company's consolidated balance sheet reflected \$1.673 billion in shareholders' equity, \$218.6 million in cash and cash equivalents, and \$673.2 million in total debt.

## Cheniere buys out partner in proprietary database

HOUSTON — Cheniere Energy Inc. has acquired all rights held by Zydec Energy Inc. to the proprietary data set the two companies developed together in an area covering 230 sq. miles in West Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

Walter Williams, Cheniere's vice chairman, said, "Zydec has elected to redirect its efforts outside the energy business. Under the circumstances, we felt it would be beneficial to both parties for Cheniere to acquire Zydec's remaining interest in the venture."

Cheniere also announced that

it has entered into an agreement to sell its West Cameron Transition Zone 3D Survey to Seismic Exchange Inc. (SEI), a privately owned, full service 2D and 3D seismic data marketing firm. Under the terms of the agreement, SEI will market licenses of the 3D Survey to other exploration companies and Cheniere will receive a share of the net proceeds from such licenses. Cheniere will also retain a license to the data. Williams said, "We will continue to generate prospects on the data set. Our next prospect on the data set, Venus, is currently

being marketed to industry. At the same time, our venture with SEI, a premiere seismic marketing and data management firm, will allow us to recover some of our original data acquisition costs."

Cheniere conducts its exploration activities through Cheniere Exploration Group. It has 4 bcf of proved oil and gas reserves, nine prospects of which six are drill ready, developed on a 7,000 sq. mile 3D seismic database offshore Texas and Louisiana. It will now begin to market its 230 sq. mile proprietary database through the arrangement

with SEI.

Cheniere also owns a 24 percent interest in Gryphon Exploration Company. The remaining 76 percent is owned by Warburg, Pincus Equity Partners, L.P., which to date has provided Gryphon with \$45 million in funding.

Cheniere's third venture, Cheniere LNG Partners, announced recently that it acquired lease options on two sites in Freeport and Brownsville, Texas, for the purpose of building LNG receiving terminals.

## Denbury says drilling activity adds to its reserves

DALLAS — Denbury Resources Inc. reported reserve additions as a result of third quarter drilling activity at West Cameron 639 Field in the offshore Gulf of Mexico, Thornwell Field in southwestern Louisiana and South Chauvin Field in southeastern Louisiana.

Based on preliminary company estimates, these three wells are expected to add at least 16 Bcf net to Denbury's proved reserves. As a result of these successes, during the next 12 months the Company plans to drill two additional wells at West Cameron 639, three wells at Thornwell and one additional well at South Chauvin.

As a result of the recent decline in natural gas prices, the company plans to reduce its fourth quarter offshore Gulf of Mexico development and exploration budget by \$2.5 to \$5.0 million, a 1.4% to 2.8% reduction from the company's previously announced 2001 CAPEX budget of \$180 million. Although approximately 90% of the Company's existing natural gas production is protected with price floors, any new or incremental natural gas production would be sold at current prices. The company believes it

is in the interest of its shareholders to unlock the value of its assets when industry economics are warranted. The Company's existing natural gas price floors have an average price of approximately \$3.50 per MMBtu. The company anticipates that its 2002 CAPEX budget will be approximately \$150 million in keeping with its goal to spend less than cash flow from operations on development and exploration activities. More details will be announced regarding 2002 in the coming weeks, after completion of the budget.

As a result of the successes at West Cameron that require further drilling, Tropical Storm Barry and other weather conditions that temporarily shut-in production in the Gulf of Mexico and delayed the commencement of other operations, the company expects that its third quarter 2001 production volumes will be approximately 4% less than previous estimates, or approximately 34,500 BOE/d. Based on Denbury's current forecast, it appears that the exit rate for the third quarter will be approximately 36,000 BOE/d. Depending on the timing of production from new wells offshore,

Denbury estimates fourth quarter average daily production will be between 35,500 and 36,500 BOE/d. Even with the lower production levels, the Company

expects to meet or exceed the current consensus earnings per share forecast for the third quarter of \$0.20 per share.



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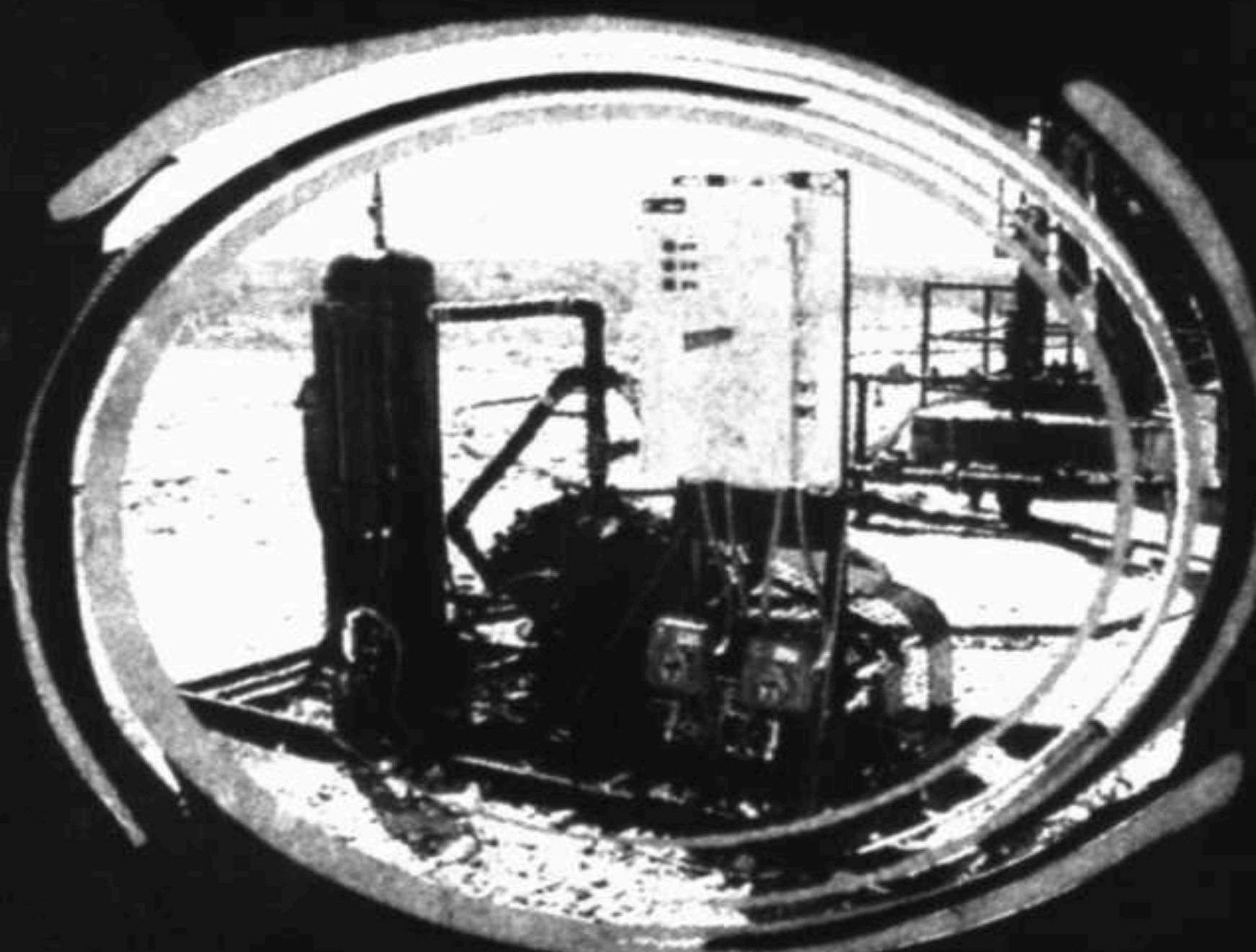
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# Exxon Mobil chair has tough act to follow - his own

IRVING (Bloomberg) — Exxon Mobil Corp. Chairman Lee Raymond has a tough act to follow this year — his own.

Exxon Mobil made \$17.7 billion last year, the biggest profit ever for a publicly traded company, as oil, natural-gas and gasoline prices surged at the same time Exxon Mobil was slashing expenses. Now, six months later, oil prices are down 21 percent and natural-gas prices are off 32 percent.

While some analysts expect profit growth of 5 percent this year, others question whether Raymond can keep up the pace over the long haul. Even with planned cost reductions of \$4.6 billion, Exxon Mobil may not be able to beat a falling oil market.

"I don't think there are enough cost savings to offset the impact of the decline in commodity prices," said Jack Aydin, an analyst with McDonald Investments Inc. who estimates a \$1 drop in the price of a barrel of oil costs Exxon Mobil \$693 million a year.

Exxon Mobil fueled some investors' doubts when it reported second-quarter earnings that missed estimates by 2 cents a share. While that may not seem like much, the Irving, Texas-based company had beaten estimates

handily in every other quarter since it was created by Exxon Corp.'s \$85.2-billion purchase of Mobil Corp. in November 1999, and investors had been expecting more of the same. "They did fall short of consensus and definitely short of my expectations," Aydin said.

## Energy Empire

Exxon Mobil, the biggest publicly traded oil company, said second-quarter profit rose 5.5 percent to \$4.38 billion, or 64 cents a share. Though the profit was a second-quarter record, the company was expected to make 66 cents, based on a survey of analysts by First Call/Thomson Financial.

Raymond, who was paid \$17.4 million last year, runs an energy empire with oil and gas fields in 200 countries on six continents, 44 refineries and 45,000 filling stations. Its 2000 revenue was \$232.7 billion.

Investors have come to expect that Raymond, who declined to be interviewed for this article, will juggle that mix of resources to both finance multi-billion exploration projects and best rivals in profit growth.

"They have generated double-digit increases every year, irrespective of what oil prices were," said Bruce Lan-

ni, an analyst with A.G. Edwards.

This quarter, some analysts predicted Exxon would beat estimates because it gets 27 percent of its earnings from refining and chemicals, more than U.S. rivals such as Chevron Corp. and USX Marathon Group.

## Anemic Shares

Profit margins in U.S. refining touched record highs in the quarter, helping USX-Marathon Group and

Conoco Inc., the fourth- and fifth-biggest U.S. oil companies, beat earnings estimates yesterday.

Exxon Mobil was expected to follow suit. Instead, rising oil prices in Europe and poor demand in Asia led to disappointing earnings, Aydin said.

Doubts about Raymond's ability to keep boosting earnings if commodity

prices drop have weighed on Exxon Mobil's shares.

Though the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries is discussing cutting production, oil prices are still down from last year's highs.

The third-quarter outlook is "not as rosy as for the second quarter, and that's why there's pressure on these stocks," Aydin said.

Raymond has tried to offset commodity price drops by reducing costs.

After the merger, Exxon Mobil began a series of cutbacks that will eliminate 19,000 jobs by 2002.

Of the three biggest oil companies, Exxon Mobil is the most efficient, turning in an average 15 percent return on capital from 1996 through 2000. That beat the five-year

average for competitor Royal Dutch/Shell Group, at 12 percent, and

the four-year average for BP Plc, at 11 percent.

## Market Dependent

Yet efficiency can't eliminate Exxon Mobil's dependence on markets that can fall very far and very quickly. Natural-gas prices, which drove profits for many U.S. companies last year, averaged \$4.39 per million British thermal units in the second quarter, 20 percent higher than a year earlier but 30 percent below the first quarter.

Companies that rely solely on sales of oil or gas, or are more dependent on them than Exxon Mobil, saw second-quarter profits plunge.

Houston-based Anadarko Petroleum Corp., a midsize U.S. oil company with no refineries or chemical plants, had a 49 percent drop in earnings compared with the first quarter, based on First Call estimates.

At Exxon Mobil the trend is definitely down. Earnings will drop below 60 cents a share in the next two quarters, First Call/Thomson Financial estimates indicate.

"I don't think earnings will be down because of lack of effort by management," Aydin said. "I think it's just the nature of the beast."

## Fort Union completes expansion

TULSA, Okla. — Fort Union Gas Gathering, L.L.C., a limited liability company whose partners are affiliates of CMS Energy Corp., Northern Border Partners, L.P., Western Gas Resources, Inc., El Paso Corp. and Williams announced it has completed an expansion of its natural gas gathering system in Wyoming.

The approximately 62-mile expansion was satisfactorily tested and placed in service September 5, 2001, almost four weeks ahead of schedule, and under budget. It increased the Fort Union Gas Gathering System's gathering capacity to 634 million cubic feet per day from its previous capacity of 434 million cubic feet per day.

The Fort Union Gas Gathering System extends approximately 105 miles from near Gillette, WY, south to Glenrock, WY. In addition to CIG's Powder River lateral and KN Interstate's system, Fort Union also interconnects with Wyoming Interstate Company's Medicine Bow Lateral at Glenrock.

The expansion of Fort Union will accommodate the increased natural gas production that is being achieved by exploration and production developers in the Powder River Basin. Fort Union is a critical link in the coal bed methane development as it provides gathering services in the Powder River Basin.

The Fort Union partners include CMS Field Services, Inc., managing partner of Fort Union and a subsidiary of CMS Energy; Crestone Powder River, L.L.C., a subsidiary of Crestone Energy Ventures L.L.C.; Western Gas Wyoming, L.L.C., a subsidiary of Western Gas Resources, Inc. and field operator of Fort Union; CIG Resources Company, administrative manager of Fort Union and an affiliate of Colorado Interstate Gas Company; and Williams Production RMT Company, a subsidiary of Williams.

## CMS pipeline unit holds open season

HOUSTON — CMS Energy Corp. announced its CMS Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company subsidiary will conduct an open season to determine interest in firm, high-deliverability natural gas storage service in the pipeline's market area.

"An open season is an effective mechanism to determine our customers' long-term needs and how CMS Panhandle Eastern can best meet those needs as an open access provider of energy services," said Christopher A. Helms, president of CMS Panhandle Companies. "The outcome of this open season will help the company plan for the future use and potential expansion of storage services."

CMS Panhandle Eastern will accept non-binding expressions of interest from 8 a.m. CDT Sept. 18, 2001, until 5 p.m. CDT Oct. 18, 2001, for firm natural gas storage service up to 100,000 dekatherms per day deliverability from potential new storage capacity of up to 6.75 billion cubic feet. Expressions of interest should be for 30-day, 50-day, 70-day and 90-day service under Rate Schedule FS. The level of firm storage service that may be made available is dependant on the combination of capacity and deliverability proposed in the expressions of interest.

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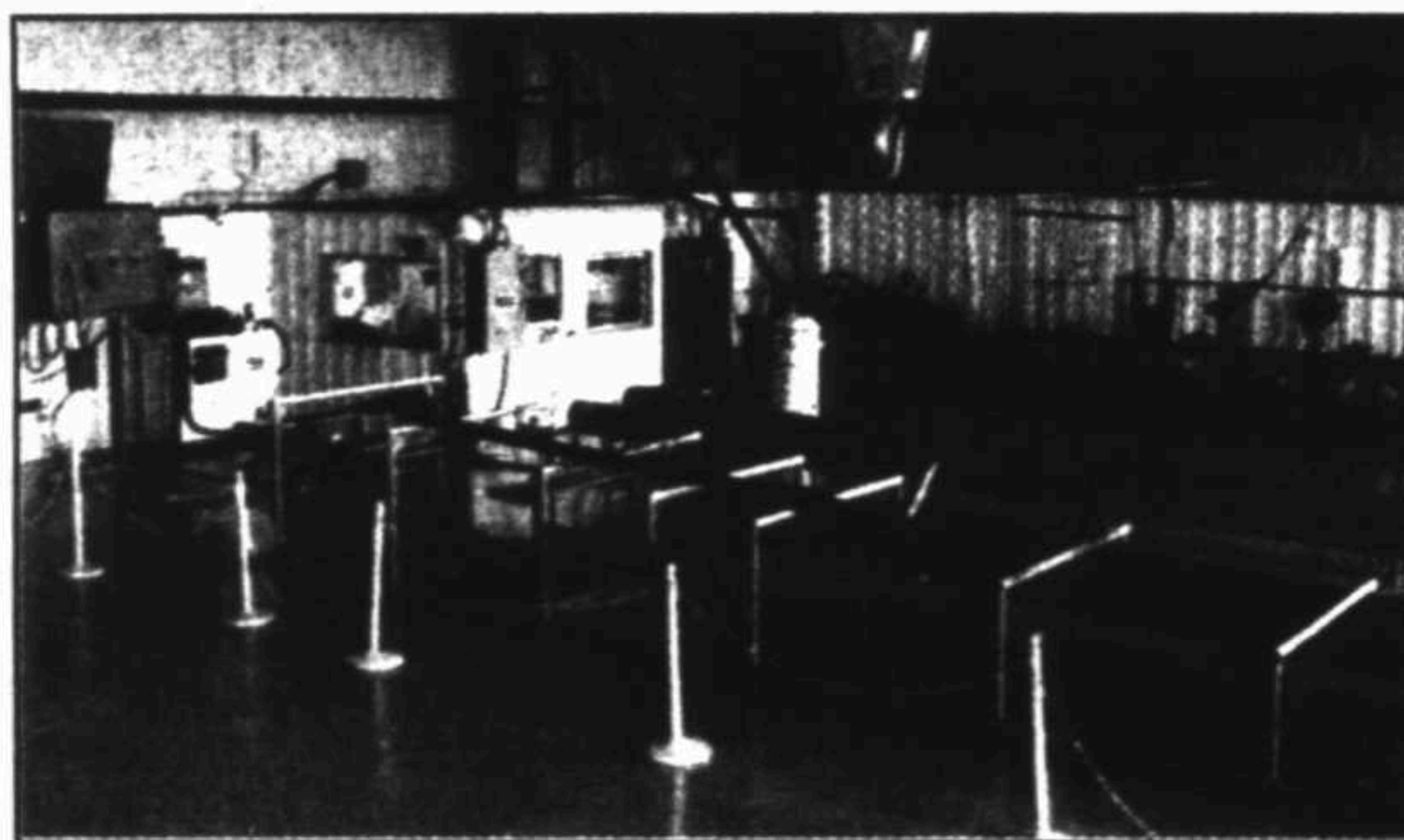
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## Surplus management program makes idle submersibles useful

Moving used submersible equipment to another well or lease has usually been economically unfeasible because there was no way to assess a reasonable "current" value as opposed to its "new" value. Therefore, many pieces of submersible equipment with plenty of life left in them sit idle because it was cheaper for the producer to purchase new equipment rather than transferring customer owned equipment — costing much extra money in depreciation and other expenses. This practice has led to large amounts of idle surplus for the producer, or idle capital dollars, which eventually are removed from the books through lot sales typically generating a three to five percent return on investment.

A four-year-old Permian Basin company called Unbiased Submersible Management Company (USMC), formerly NBSM, has devised a procedure for assigning fair market value to submersible equipment, allowing producers to put this equipment back to work without having to sell it for salvage — reducing overhead by tremendous amounts.

The surplus management program assists independents which typically have very few pieces of surplus as well as the major producers which have hundreds of thousands of idle dollars invested in submersible equipment. After data are collected and the equipment is tested in USMC's unbiased environment, a fair market value is assigned to each piece. USMC can claim an unbiased environment and assessment of equipment, since they do not have a product line to sell. Through feasibility and



USMC tests all submersible pumps at their COPAS non-controllable warehouse as part of a thorough procedure that assigns pumps a fair market value—so it is economically feasible to re-use or sell them.

probability studies equipment that has a low probability of near-term utility is listed and presented to the customer for approval to transfer ownership to another customer who has a use for the equipment.

The program USMC offers facilitates the transfer of equipment from well to well, lease to lease, and customer to customer. The following case study shows how this program saves money for the independent and the major producer.

In 1999 an independent producer contacted USMC looking for two high volume pumps. The application did not warrant spending \$25,600 for new equipment. At that time USMC was working with a major producer that had two applicable pumps at a market value of \$11,200. The pumps, originally purchased in 1991, had only been used about six months and had sat idle since 1992.

The pumps had been listed on a lot sale, with a high bid of only \$300 prior to USMC's involvement. USMC helped the seller gain \$10,600 more for these pumps than the seller had hoped, and the buyer saved \$14,400 on some

practically unused equipment.

USMC is also an engineering company offering studies in alliance review and feasibility, cost analysis, field optimization, tear-down analysis and probability studies. The company's flexibility allows USMC to tailor programs to meet the customer's needs. USMC can test all makes, models and size of submersible equipment, providing the customer with an unbiased report on their equipment.

How many dollars do you have tied up in equipment your company hasn't used in three, four, even ten years? Couldn't your company save thousands of dollars by re-using the equipment instead of buying new—or by transferring ownership at a fair market value? Call Randy Mounce, Petroleum Engineer, at USMC to find out how they can help you.

Unbiased Submersible Management Company has been in business for four years. Call them at 561-9372 or fax them at 561-9366.

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