

SPORTS

One stroke

Booming long drives and staying out of trouble, Phil Mickelson shot a 2-under-par 68 for a victory at the Greater Hartford Open./**1B**



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Deadly attack

Palestinian leaders condemned an Israeli attack that killed five Palestinian militants Sunday./**8A**

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Preparing for a night out







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AT TOP: Garrett Spencer, 6, gets comfortable in the driver's seat of an Armored Personnel Carrier on display during the National Night Out kick-off event, organized by the Midland Police Department, at the Mr. Gatti's parking lot on West Wadley. ABOVE: Ed Hayes drives his motorized barstool around the Mr. Gatti's parking lot during the kick-off celebration over the weekend. LEFT: Danny White, right, places a firefighter's hat on Patrick Henderson, 5, while firetruck driver Mike Childs, background, looks on in amusement. The actual night out event, which encourages neighbors to get together and meet law enforcement officials, is set for Aug. 7.

Oilmen predict rocky road for energy policy

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

President Bush this past week sent his proposals for a national energy policy to Congress, a package local oilmen and elected representatives feel will face a rocky road.

"I think it will be a very uphill battle," said Steve Castle, president of Cowboys Resources and president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association. "There's support from the energy business and business in general, but I see a lot of hurdles and have since the change in the Senate. There will be a lot of roadblocks from Democrats."

The president can expect support from U.S. Rep. Larry Combest, R-Texas, chairman of the Agriculture Committee.

Combest, who represents a portion of Midland County, said, "I strongly support the president's energy plan. The administration has taken a realistic view of what has created our energy problems and has offered sensible solutions to meet our long-term energy needs. The plan is well balanced and provides for increased domestic production, while providing for adequate conservation measures and protecting our environment."

Midland oilman Clayton Williams said, "It's gonna be a battle. Environmentalists have just crucified him and Democrats are running for election in 2002 and 2004."

But Brad Bennett, spokesman for U.S. Rep. Lamar Smith, R-Texas, who also represents a portion of Midland County, said the congressman sees a good base of support for Bush's proposals.

"Americans understand that to grow the economy we need energy," he said. "They support conservation but they understand the need to increase production. There's a direct correlation between a strong economy and energy demand."



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Midland independent oilman Deane Stoltz said he fears congressional opposition will lead to a watered-down version of Bush's proposals.

"My thought is there will be a lot of wasted debate when Congress should be getting down to fundamentals and getting things done," he said. "These are things that are viewed as unpopular. I'm afraid it will be a watered-down form of what Bush and Vice President Cheney propose, and that's not good for America."

After Bush submitted his package to Congress last week, Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, was joined by Republican Senators Larry Craig of Idaho, Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania

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Cheney's doctors give optimistic prognosis

By Lawrence K. Altman
N.Y. Times News Service

■ News analysis

WASHINGTON — The optimistic picture that Vice President Dick Cheney's doctors painted on Saturday after successfully implanting a pacemaker and defibrillator in his chest is based on a number of recent studies of similar cases, but is shadowed by the frequent cardiac-related episodes that Cheney has suffered in recent months.

At a news conference, the doctors from George Washington University Medical Center, where Cheney has received care for nearly 25 years, were obviously delighted they had been able to complete electrophysiologic studies and implant the device in less than two hours. The doctors were also optimistic about Cheney's prognosis, which, his cardiologist, Dr. Jonathan S. Reiner, said was "terrific."

While they painted a picture of a man whose condition has been stable, the fact is that since his election as vice president, Cheney has suffered a mild heart attack, his fourth in the past two-and-a-half decades, and has had a stent placed in a coronary artery, a second procedure to reopen the blocked stent and now the installation of a sophisticated device to control abnormal heart rhythms and, if necessary, shock a potentially fatal rapid rhythm back to normal.

The three episodes raise questions about whether Cheney's condition is deteriorating, and they are hard to answer.

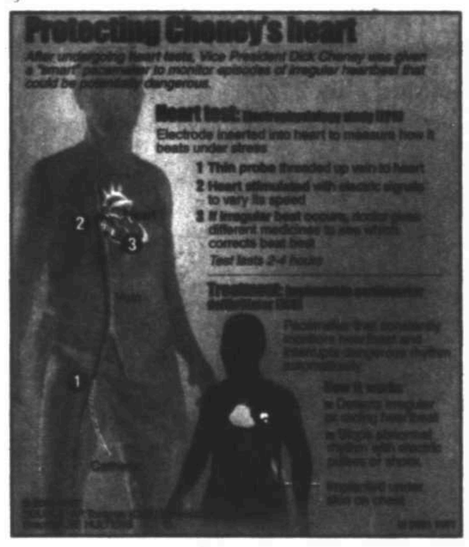
Reiner said he "would not put much stake in the number of admissions to the hospital," in part because each was "extraordinarily brief, and he has been back to work immediately."

Instead, Reiner said he would "focus on how he is able to perform." He said he had "every expectation that Mr. Cheney would continue to function" as he does now. Cheney is 60 and had his first heart attack at 37.

Although Cheney has moderately impaired heart function, he has no symptoms and no evidence of heart failure, he has lost 20 pounds in recent months, and his cholesterol is "terrific," Reiner said. He added that Cheney's LDL, or so-called bad cholesterol, is a normal 72, his lowest since it has been monitored.

Reiner said Cheney's "overall condition has been very stable now for a couple of decades" and he did not detect anything on Saturday indicating a dete-

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Educators praise legislators

By Hillary S. Condon
Staff Writer

Although it wasn't all they had hoped for, Texas educators and school employees are praising the passage of many "good" bills and the defeat of many "bad" bills at the most recent state legislative session.

At the top of many lists is House bill 3343, the health insurance benefits that teachers' organizations had been fighting for.

"The health insurance is obviously a big ticket item," said John Cole, president of the Texas Federation of Teachers. "This is a tremendous help to districts and employees. We wanted to get health insurance as good as Gov. Perry gets for every school worker in Texas, but that remains for another day."

Texas' smaller school districts have the hardest time even securing health insurance for school employees and their families, according to Texas State Teachers Association representatives. In the Menard Independent School District, for example, employee health insurance cos[illegible] $1,200 a month.

"Custodians and cafeteria workers don't even get p[illegible]mat much," said Annette Cootes, Public Relations coordinator for the Texas State Teachers Association. "And they are not unusual. Liberty ISD's health insurance costs $785 a month."

Local teacher Cindy Bond, who also is the treasurer of the Midland Federation of Teachers, said she doesn't think the September 2002 effective

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July 4th a holiday for most, but not all will be off work

From Staff Reports

Wednesday, July 4, will be a mid-week holiday for most Midlanders, as city, county, state and federal offices will be closed.

In addition, the post office will not be delivering mail to businesses, residences or post office boxes on Wednesday. The passport and bulk mail office also will be closed.

Likewise, banks and other financial institutions will be closed in order to allow their employees a day off to celebrate America's 225th birthday.

Area colleges — Midland College, Odessa College and the University of Texas of the Permian Basin — will not hold classes on that day.

But for many in the retail sector, it will be business as usual. Most local retail outlets, including grocery stores, restaurants and many other businesses, will be open on Wednesday.

For those wanting to enjoy fireworks, there will be two opportunities in Midland. The first will be Tuesday night, following the Midland RockHounds game at Christensen Stadium. The second will be Wednesday night at Centennial Plaza as part of Midland's day-long, "Star Spangled Salute."

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today	Tuesday	Wednesday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 93	High 93	High 95
Low 70	Low 68	Low 68

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and a high between 90 and 95 with a southeasterly wind at 5 to 15 mph. For Monday night, expect mostly clear skies and a low near 70.

For Tuesday, expect partly cloudy skies and a high from 90 to 95 and a low near 70.

For the Fourth of July, expect partly cloudy skies with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms and a low between 65 and 70 coupled with a high in the mid-90s.

The high on Sunday reached 95, while the low dropped to 70. The record high for July 1 is 107 set in 1994. The record low is 60 set in 1967.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Saturday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Sunday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.00 in.
Total for year	3.86 in.
Normal total (year to date)	5.96 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

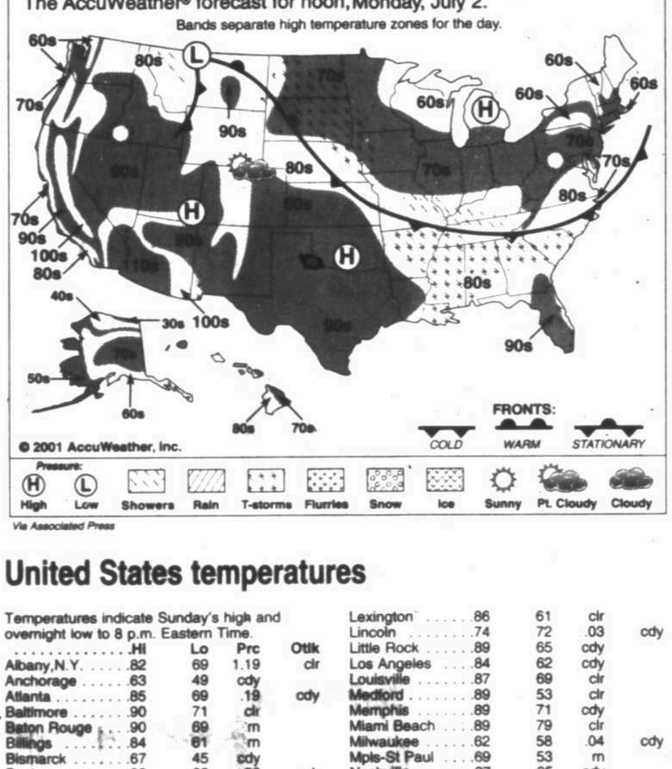
High	95
Low	70
Normal high	95
Normal low	68
Sunrise	6:47 a.m.
Sunset	8:59 p.m.

National forecast

National weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Monday, July 2.

Bands separate high temperature zones for the day.



Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

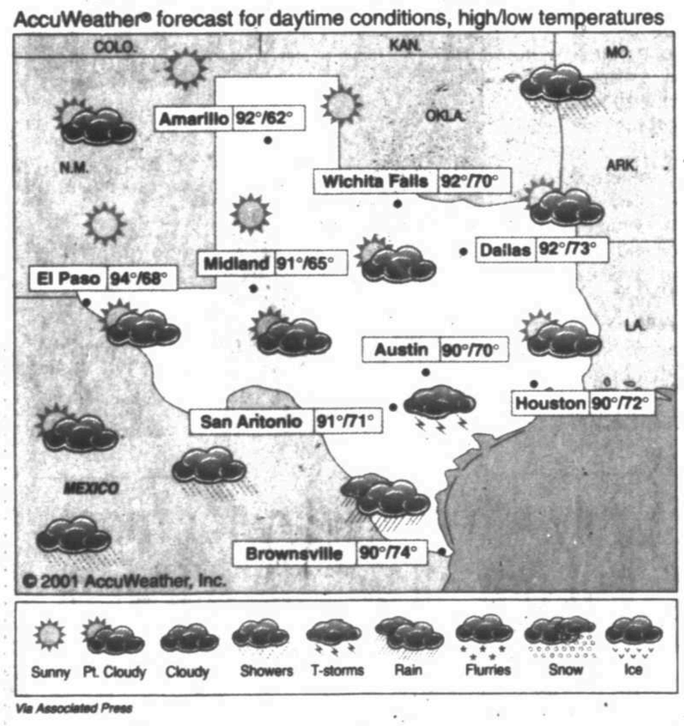
Temperatures indicate Sunday's high and overnight low to 8 p.m. Eastern Time.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albany,N.Y.	82	69	1.19	clr
Anchorage	63	49	cdy	
Atlanta	85	69	.19	cdy
Baltimore	90	71	clr	
Baton Rouge	90	69	m	
Billings	84	61	m	
Bismarck	67	45	cdy	
Boston	88	68	.82	clr
Bridgeport	87	72	.30	clr
Buffalo	76	72	.11	cdy
Burlington,Vt.	78	69	.20	cdy
Caribou,Maine	79	62	.02	cdy
Casper	99	60	cdy	
Charleston,S.C.	88	72	.12	m
Charleston,W.Va.	83	70	clr	
Charlotte,N.C.	89	70	cdy	
Chattanooga	88	69	cdy	
Cheyenne	95	55	cdy	
Chicago	68	68	cdy	
Cincinnati	84	68	.39	clr
Cleveland	78	70	clr	
Colorado Springs	93	59	cdy	
Columbus,Ohio	87	72	.38	clr
Dayton	85	68	.78	clr
Denver	101	66	cdy	
Des Moines	75	71	m	
Detroit	76	73	clr	
Eugene	79	46	clr	
Evansville	88	67	.05	cdy
Fairbanks	71	54	.01	cdy
Fargo	69	39	cdy	
Fresno	102	70	clr	
Grand Rapids	67	61	cdy	
Great Falls	90	55	clr	
Green Bay	67	56	.03	cdy
Greensboro,N.C.	87	71	.26	cdy
Harrisburg	88	72	.41	clr
Honolulu	83	78	cdy	
Huntsville	84	64	cdy	
Indianapolis	84	67	1.02	clr
Jackson,Miss.	88	66	.09	cdy
Kansas City	90	67	cdy	
Knoxville	84	68	cdy	
Lake Charles	90	70	.16	m
Lansing	68	66	cdy	
Las Vegas	112	90	cdy	
Lexington	86	61	clr	
Lincoln	74	72	.03	cdy
Little Rock	89	65	cdy	
Los Angeles	84	62	cdy	
Louisville	87	69	clr	
Medford	89	53	clr	
Memphis	89	71	cdy	
Miami Beach	89	79	clr	
Milwaukee	62	58	.04	cdy
Mpls-St Paul	69	53	m	
Nashville	87	65	cdy	
New Orleans	91	74	.06	m
New York City	91	75	.24	clr
Newark	92	71	.42	clr
Norfolk,Va.	90	77	cdy	
Oklahoma City	90	70	cdy	
Omaha	75	72	cdy	
Orlando	91	74	cdy	
Philadelphia	91	75	.31	clr
Phoenix	112	90	cdy	
Pittsburgh	72	68	1.24	clr
Pocatello	95	53	clr	
Portland,Ore.	78	55	clr	
Providence	87	72	.03	clr
Raleigh-Durham	89	72	cdy	
Richmond	90	75	cdy	
Rochester	77	70	.43	clr
Sacramento	98	62	clr	
St Louis	91	70	cdy	
Salt Lake City	100	66	cdy	
San Diego	75	66	cdy	
San Francisco	73	54	clr	
San Jose	85	56	clr	
Santa Fe	92	57	mm	cdy
Savannah	91	71	.24	m
Seattle	69	53	clr	
Shreveport	86	70	.01	cdy
Spokane	81	56	.01	clr
Springfield,Ill.	87	65	mm	cdy
Syracuse	80	73	.38	cdy
Tallahassee	87	71	.01	m
Topeka	91	66	cdy	
Tucson	108	80	cdy	
Washington,D.C.	89	74	.08	clr
W.Palm Beach	88	80	clr	
Wichita	90	67	clr	
Yakima	86	54	clr	
Youngstown	79	68	.65	clr
Yuma	113	88	cdy	

State forecast

Monday, July 2

AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions, high/low temperatures



Via Associated Press

Texas ten peratures

Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours at 6 p.m.:

	High	Low	Pcp.
Abilene	91	70	
Alice	91	71	0.04
Amarillo	92	63	
Arlington	87	70	4.05
Austin	84	71	0.26
Beaumont	88	68	1.56
Brownsville	92	78	
Burnet	82	68	0.60
College Station	88	73	0.22
Corpus Christi	90	71	0.38
Corsicana	88	69	m
Dalhart	m	m	
Dallas	89	70	1.82
Del Rio	98	79	
Denton	88	72	0.07
El Paso	100	74	
Fort Stockton	98	74	
Fort Worth	88	70	1.11
Galveston	87	80	
Georgetown	84	70	0.37
Houston	87	71	0.16
Huntsville	83	71	0.30
Junction	85	74	
Kingsville	94	75	m
Laredo	95	79	
Longview	81	71	0.08
Lubbock	92	69	
Lufkin	88	69	0.47
Marfa	91	61	
McAllen	94	76	
McKinney	90	70	0.16
New Braunfels	83	71	0.52
Palacios	85	74	0.25
Paris	m	m	m
Rockport	86	71	0.26
San Angelo	97	75	
San Antonio	83	73	0.50
San Marcos	82	72	0.88
Tyler	86	71	0.55
Victoria	93	77	
Waco	83	71	0.24
Wink	101	73	

OIL: Williams hopes common sense prevails

(From 1A)

and Frank Murkowski of Alaska in calling for passage of the proposals.

"We have for years in this country failed to address the needs and to keep up with the growing economy and the growing number of consumers that we have. We have these crises and we talk about needing an energy policy and then it kind of goes away," Sen. Hutchison said. "Well, energy prices have gone up 100 percent and 300 percent in some areas, then they come down 10 percent and all of a sudden Senator Daschle and the Democratic majority are saying, 'Well, you know, it's not such a crisis anymore.' So, instead of paying $2 a gallon for gas, people are paying $1.85 and they think it's gone. If we fail to take this chance to have a long-term energy policy that will keep us from having price spikes in the future, then it will be irresponsible. The president is saying, 'Please, take up an energy policy.' And an energy policy is not a bill that just deals with added funds for the short term like low income housing energy assistance program funding. I will support increases in LIHEAP, but not if that's the only thing in the bill. We must have a bill that addresses more production, more transmission and more conservation. Those are the three areas that we must address, and just throwing another Band-Aid on an energy policy is not enough."

Like the senator, Castle noted that prices have retreated but the need has not disappeared.

Lower prices, he said, "have taken the heat off, but energy still needs to be on the front burner."

Some of Bush's proposals, Castle said, can be enacted by presidential order, "but many others will have to go through Congress and there will be a lot of road blocks, a lot of hearings, a lot of delays, unfortunately. There's not the urgency, but there's still this problem that won't go away."

Williams predicts Bush won't be successful in allowing drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge "but that's all right with people like myself. That would mean more oil and lower prices. I hope he gets more access to federal lands. I hope he can lower the hurdles to drilling permits. He's going to be damaged by California. There probably were overcharges there and that will be a battle, but the president is looking for balance — more supply to meet more demand. He's said repeatedly that conservation is important but they don't hear him."

Still, Williams said, as Congress considers the energy proposals, "hopefully common sense will prevail."

Bennett said he sees a base of support in Congress for the president's proposals, where "minor points will be discussed and debated as with all proposals. But the overall message is clear that we need to implement an energy policy."

Castle and Stoltz both praised the president for how broad his energy policy is in scope, touching not just on oil and gas production but coal, hydroelectric, nuclear, alternative fuels and conservation as well.

HEART: Cheney told to limit upper-body exercise

(From 1A)

riorating condition.

Reiner said his medical team had not received any guidance from the White House or Cheney's family on what they could say about his health.

Dr. Douglas Zipes, the president of the American College of Cardiology, who has discussed Cheney's case with Reiner, said in an interview that the optimism was not unreasonable.

"The optimism should be based on Cheney's present status, and that is his coronary artery disease appears to be stable and under control, he has no evidence of heart failure, and any life-threatening arrhythmia is now adequately taken care of," Zipes said.

Zipes said he cares for many patients like Cheney who "go along nicely for a long time." He said he was "optimistic that he should be able to finish out this term and possibly even a second term."

But, Zipes added, "What no one can predict is whether his coronary artery disease will stay stable. Hopefully, it will, with all the medications and things he is doing."

Indeed, the things that Cheney is doing — exercising several times a week, watching his diet and taking a long list of drugs (whose names have not been disclosed) — have saved many Americans from an earlier death.

As Reiner said, "we are at a wonderful moment in the history of cardiovascular medicine."

From the three episodes "you get the picture of coronary artery disease that really is not quiescent, but that does not mean Mr. Cheney's in mortal danger of something happening in the next few months," said Eugene Braunwald, a leading cardiologist at Harvard.

Reiner emphasized that his team has treated the vice president the way it would any other patient. To be sure, Cheney has access to full-time White House doctors and a Secret Service that can whisk him to a hospital two miles away with a police escort.

Medicare and some health maintenance organizations pay for the implantable cardioverter defibrillator device, the doctors said. The one they sutured under the skin near his left shoulder on Saturday was a Medtronic Gem III DR model. Such devices cost about $25,000, plus thousands more for hospital and doctor's bills, and they generally last from five to eight years. (The company had some technical problems with an earlier model, which had to be recalled.)

Only one of the three episodes that have put Cheney in the hospital in recent months has reflected any deterioration in his coronary artery disease. That was the mild heart attack last November when Reiner inserted a stent in a coronary artery.

The second episode was for treatment of a common complication of such procedures. It results from inflammation that develops in and around the stent and blocks it. Reiner was subjected to criticism from some experts not connected with Cheney's case, when he did not use a radiation technique on the stent after removing the obstruction there.

On Saturday, Reiner affirmed his confidence in his choice of therapy, saying the fact that Cheney has not shown any evidence of another blockage in the last four months was "very reassuring."

Although the chances for a recurrence lessen with time, Cheney still might have to go back for another procedure. And there is no guarantee he will not suffer another heart attack.

Reiner described Saturday's implant as "a proactive" step and "an insurance policy" that reflects what doctors have learned from large studies in recent years about the care of asymptomatic patients like Cheney with heart disease.

The tests performed Saturday were intended to assess Cheney's risk of developing a potentially fatal heart rhythm. When the risk was affirmed, the doctors implanted a device that provides a record of every heart beat and is both a pacemaker and a defibrillator.

The doctors have programmed the pacemaker component to speed up an abnormally slow heartbeat if Cheney develops one. And the defibrillator can shock the heart back to a normal rhythm if it suddenly beats too fast and chaotically. A rapid heartbeat can cause sudden death, or interfere with the heart's ability to pump enough blood to the body or produce fainting and other problems.

Cheney is unlikely to need such a shock, but if he did, he would feel something like "a pop," Reiner said. "It is really much less dramatic than in the movies," Reiner said. "You know his hair is not going to stand on end."

Cheney had the ICD implanted because of findings from another test, performed two weeks ago, in which he wore a Holter electrocardiogram device that continuously monitored his heartbeat while he went about his regular activities for 34 hours. The Holter test showed he had four separate episodes of a very rapid heart rhythm known as ventricular tachycardia that lasted up to two seconds.

The episodes would be too short to trigger an electrical shock from the ICD that he now has, Reiner said. But longer episodes, if they developed, would do so.

Cheney has been advised to limit his upper-body exercise for a few days to give the device a chance to settle in place and allow the incision to heal. Reiner said the ICD imposed no long-term restrictions on Cheney other than the recommendation to hold a cell phone in his right ear, on the side opposite the device.

Reiner said he had planned to perform a Holter test on Cheney in recent months. But Cheney said he had postponed it.

After Reiner cited the Holter testing as part of the proactive way doctors treated asymptomatic heart patients, he was asked why he did not recommend the test last summer as part of the checkup he gave Cheney before he became George W. Bush's running mate. Reiner said there was "no particular reason," and added that he did it now "to be complete and compulsive."

Knowing that the device offers the best way to control a life-threatening heart rhythm problem, Zipes, the cardiology college president, said, "Dr. Reiner will sleep better at night and so will Mr. Cheney."

PRAISE: HB 6 filed without Perry's signature

(From 1A)

date will allow the legislative changes to come to the Midland Independent School District in time.

"It may be a very long time before we'll hear from it," she said. "We just wanted what the other state people have ... and we're not eligible for the insurance for two or three years."

MISD's current health insurance program pays $187 per month for each employee, and for individual coverage, the individual pays nothing. If that employee wants to insure his or her family, it is at the employee's cost.

Ms. Cootes said the TSTA has been fighting for the health insurance legislation for years, and although she agrees it is not all they had hoped for, the organization's leaders believe it can be used as a building block for the future.

"It isn't as good as we wanted, but we can always come back," she said. "We felt we could get fully-paid health insurance and half of family insurance, and that's what we went in with. We had to take less, but we're confident we can come back."

Ms. Cootes also said the high prices in smaller districts are due to the small size of the pools of teachers. The plan, she said, is to have a statewide pool, which will end up with more than a million and a half employees, family members, and eventually, retired teachers as well.

"The rates will come down considerably when we have a pool that big," she said.

Ms. Bond said many of the other bills passed in this session were disappointing. She said the state mandating the dates when school can begin should have been left for the districts to decide.

"They said that no school can start before August 21st, and their reason was that the entertainment industry was losing money because we started early," she said. "But that doesn't make any sense — if we start later, then we'll end later. They'll lose either in June or in August."

She also said the late start and end of school causes problems with college-bound seniors, and even lowers test scores.

"Lots of kids were enrolled in college summer classes, but they hadn't even graduated yet," Ms. Bond said. "Then, the exams are after Christmas break ... no one's going to study during their break, either."

Another "big ticket item" for the TFT was Senate Bill 273, which provided an increase in the retirement multiplier. The multiplier was raised to 2.3, which allows for already-retired teachers to receive a cost-of-living increase of 10.8 percent, and actives to receive a 4.5 increase. It will take effect this September.

"This is really an esoteric thing that amounts to a significant increase in pensions for current employees when they retire and those who have already retired," Cole said. "This is one of the bills that makes teaching more attractive for experienced people, because it's so hard to keep people in the classrooms."

Other bills that were supported by teachers' organizations include Senate Bill 1057, which includes scholarships for would-be teachers enrolled in alternative-certification programs; House Bill 3313, which requires notice to parents of exceptions to class-size limits; and House Bill 6, which strengthens accountability for the academic and financial performance of charter schools. HB 6 was one of the few education bills filed without the governor's signature.

"This was a very good session for education," Cole said. "It has been good for two years in a row, and the legislators deserve all of the credit in the world."

Houston trauma center burdened by heavy patient load

HOUSTON (AP) — Sunday was a day of rest for many, but not the staff at Ben Taub General Hospital.

There's been little rest at the hospital since flooding last month from Tropical Storm Allison severely hampered medical care in Houston and left Ben Taub as the only facility in the nation's fourth-largest city to treat the severest trauma cases.

On Sunday, so many ambulances brought people to the hospital that they had to park in the street because there was no space near the emergency room's entrance. A woman complaining of chest pains was examined by a doctor in a hallway because all the holding areas and examining rooms overflowed with patients. Then a voice over an intercom system announced that several more patients from a car accident were on their way.

Several floors up, at least eight patients waited to be operated on — but there was barely staff for more than one operating room. Nurses in an intensive care unit tried to care for two and sometimes three critically ill patients, despite guidelines saying they should handle just one patient at a time.

"Last Thursday night, I came close to closing our doors and telling people they had to take their patients to San Antonio or Dallas or Beaumont. But because there's no other option, we haven't done that," Dr. Kenneth Mattox, the hospital's chief of staff, said Sunday.

Houston's other trauma center, Memorial Hermann Hospital, has been closed since it was flooded June 8. Two other major emergency rooms — at St. Joseph Hospital and The Methodist Hospital — also remain closed because of flooding. Officials at Memorial say they hope to reopen by mid-July.

The Texas Medical Center, where Ben Taub is located, were also damaged by flooding, but Ben Taub itself was largely spared.

Allison was blamed for 22 deaths in southeast Texas, and an estimated $5 billion damage in Houston. The medical center itself suffered an estimated $2 billion in damage.

A nursing shortage plaguing Ben Taub and other hospitals across the country has been intensified by the increased patient load.

"We're used to working hard, but we can only do so much," said Colleen Mosby, assistant nurse manager in the hospital's emergency department.

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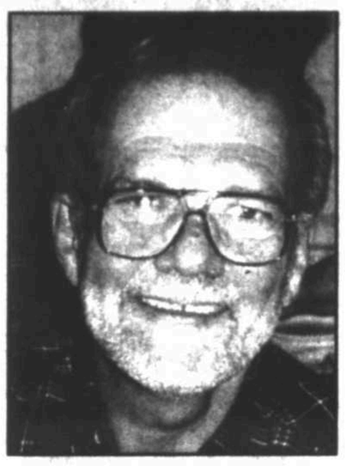
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Reverend Dr. Ernest Fred Bel

The Reverend Dr. Ernest Fred Bel died at his home on Saturday, June 30, 2001, following a lengthy illness. Services are scheduled for 11 a.m., Tuesday, July 3, 2001, at The Episcopal Church of The Holy Trinity with the Reverend Stockton Williams officiating and the Reverend Robert M. Cooper of Little Rock, Arkansas, assisting. Burial is to follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Ernie was born October 23, 1938 in New Orleans, Louisiana to John Albert and Daisy Miller Boyd Bel. He grew up in Lake Charles, La.., where he graduated from high school in 1954. Ernie graduated from LSU with a B.A. in 1958. He received his Master of Divinity from The General Theological Seminary in New York, NY in 1961. He attended St. Luke's School of Theology at The University of The South in Sewanee, Tennessee in 1964 and The Tulane Graduate School of Social Work in New Orleans from 1969-1970. He attained his Ph.D. from the Intergentes Studiorun De Humanani Generis Psychologia in Baden, Switzerland in 1974 and received a diploma in Analytical Psychology from The C.G. Jung Institute in Zurich, Switzerland In 1975. Ernie was also a student at Lincoln University School of Law in San Francisco from 1982-1984. He obtained his Neurotherapy Certification with E.E.G. Spectrum in Encino, California in 1994.

His professional experiences have also taken Ernie around the world. These include: Curate, Christ Church Cathedral in New Orleans from 1961-1963, Chaplain of St. Martin's School in Metairie, La, 1963-1965; Assistant Headmaster, St. Martin's School; Analytical Training in Zurich, 1970-1975. He was in private practice in psychotherapy and Jungian Analysis in San Francisco from 1975-1984. During this time, he was also associated with the following: Clinical staff, Sunset Day Treatment Center, San Francisco, 1976-1978; faculty of The C.G. Jung Institute, San Francisco, 1977-1984; Associate Priest, St. Stephen's Church, Belvedere, CA, 1975-1984; and Associate Priest, St. John's Church, Clayton, CA, 1982-1984.

In 1984, Ernie moved to Dallas for 10 years where he was in private practice in Jungian Analysis; served as a psychological and educational consultant to businesses, churches and schools; and was Interim Rector, St. Thomas The Apostle Church, 1988-1989; associate of Christian Education, St. Michael and All Angels Church, 1984-1995; and has been a faculty member of The C.G. Jung Institute of Dallas, 1987-present, where he served as president from 1995-1999. He was also associated with The C.G. Jung Educational Center, Houston, 1990-1993 and served on the Board of Directors from 1988-1997.

Ernie moved to Midland in April of 1994 where he established Neurotherapy Associates. He married Joan Howbert Pace on November 19, 1994 in Midland. He retired from Spectrum Counseling and Human Development in 1999.

Although Ernie has not lived in Louisiana for many years, he could not leave his Cajun roots for long. He returned yearly on duck hunting trips on Goose Lake near Hackberry, La. and was a member of The Krewe of Dorians in New Orleans. He was also an avid cook, enjoying both Cajun and Creole food.

Ernie was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Joan, of Midland; his children, John Boyd Bel and his wife, Judy, of Cotati, California, Jeanne Durga Fuller, and her husband, Tom, of Redwood Valley, California, Lauren Elizabeth Pace of Boulder, Colorado, and Sarah Harriett Pace of Oxford, Miss.; his brother, James Boyd Bel, of Lake Charles, La., and sister, Jeanne Ingraham, of Houston. He is also survived by four grandchildren; Jason, Nicholas, Zoe and Jesse.

Serving as pallbearers are Vincent C. Bash III, Michael M. Gray, John Reed, Chuck Wallace, Skip Beal of Fort Worth, David Bywaters and Thomas O. Irwin of Dallas.

The family wishes to thank the staffs at Allison Cancer Center and Hospice of Midland. The family requests in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be directed to The Episcopal Church of The Holy Trinity Trust Fund, 1412 W. Illinois, Midland, 79701, or Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, 79702.

Bill Bowen

William Hurshell Bowen was born June 30, 1914 in Denton, Texas to Walter Bowen and Linnie Patman Bowen. He grew up in Oklahoma and Abilene, Texas. On September 11, 1945, he married Julia Josephine Parkerson in Abilene. They moved to Midland in 1954. He was a member of Masonic Lodge #623, AM and FM, and of Centennial Lodge 1448 where he was First Master in 1986. He was also a member of Acacia 1414.

Mr. Bowen was preceded in death by his wife, his parents, two daughters, Linnie Fay Moore and Laverna Bishop, and his brother, Jack Bowen.

Survivors include a son, Kenneth Bowen of Victoria; two daughters, Louise Hudson of Abilene and Lucille Rice of Abilene; a sister, Thomazine Rich of Arlington; 18 grandchildren, 40 great-grandchildren and 15 great-great-grandchildren.

Mr. Bowen died Saturday, June 30, 2001, on his 87th birthday, in Abilene.

Visitation with the family was Sunday, July 1, 2001, in Ellis Funeral Home.

Masonic graveside services are scheduled for 3:00 p.m. Monday, July 2, 2001 in Resthaven Memorial Park with Reverend Floyd Leverton of United Pentecostal Church of Abilene officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

The family requests memorials be directed to the Texas Masonic Home and School, P.O. Box 15040, Ft. Worth, Texas 76119.

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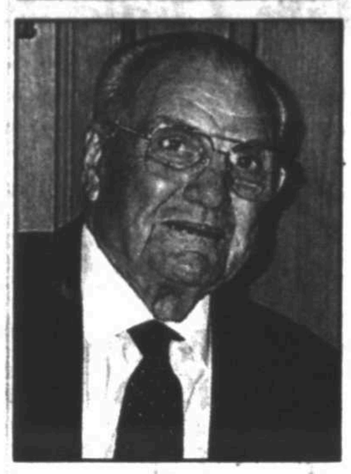
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(From 3A)



Nathan Outlaw

Nathan W. Outlaw, 86, of Midland, a petroleum pioneer, passed away on June 29, 2001, after a two and a half year courageous battle with cancer.

Graveside services have been scheduled for 10:30 a.m., Monday, July 2, 2001, in Resthaven Memorial Park with Reverend Tommy Potter officiating. The family will receive friends following the service in the parlor of the First Christian Church. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Nathan was born in Thorndale, Texas on August 19, 1914. He spent most of his childhood years in Oklahoma. While there, he met and married Bette Kendrick. They had two children, Nathan W. Outlaw Jr. of Fort Worth and Dianne Tipton of Midland.

In his early years he worked in the oil fields with his dad from Conroe, Texas to the Discovery Well in Shiprock, New Mexico. He became Drilling Superintendent for Big West Drilling Company during World War II in Kermit, Texas. He eventually came to Midland and in 1953, began his association with Hondo Drilling Company as President and co-owner. While in Midland, he was a member of the First Christian Church, was a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason and a Shriner member of Midland Masonic Lodge #623.

Mr. Outlaw is survived by his wife of 67 years, Bette Outlaw; his son, Nathan W. Outlaw Jr. and his wife, Jane, of Fort Worth; his daughter, Dianne Tipton and her husband, Rike, of Midland; sisters, Marie Rose of Fort Worth and Frances Sullivan of Twin Falls, Idaho. Survivors also include four grandchildren, Paige Midgley and her husband, Steven, of Fort Worth, Traci Cook and her husband, Todd, of Denton, Chris Tipton of Fort Worth, and Kelli Dianne Tipton of Midland; great-grandchildren, KayLynne Midgley of Fort Worth and Jackson Cook of Denton. He is also survived by four nieces and nephews.

Of all his accomplishments, his most treasured times were with his grandchildren and fishing.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Hospice of Midland or Shriner's Hospital for Children, 6977 Main Street, Houston, Texas 77030.

DEATH NOTICES

Virginia Rush

COLEMAN — Former Midlander Virginia Lee Keele Rush died Saturday, June 30, in Coleman Medical Center.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, July 3, at 9:30 a.m. in the Coleman City Cemetery Pavilion with the Rev. Bill Roberts officiating. Interment will follow in Coleman City Cemetery under the direction of Walker Funeral Home of Coleman. Family visitation will be at the funeral home today, July 2, from 7 to 8 p.m.

She was born March 8, 1937 in Stanton to Tomas and Irene Keele. She married Dale Rush.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one son, Terry Newman.

Survivors include her husband, Dale Rush of Coleman; one daughter, Virginia Ann Richardson of Coleman; two sons, Tex Junior Thurman and Tommy Monroe Thurman, both of Coleman; three sisters, Buelah Benton of Lake Charles, La., Peggy Spark of Rowena and Barbara Gardener of Weatherford; two brothers, W.T. Keele of Idaho Falls, Idaho and Kenneth Keele of Odessa; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday, July 3, in Ellis Chapel with Mike Vestal of Westside Church of Christ officiating. Burial will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

A visitation for family and friends is scheduled for today, July 2, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

She was born Nov. 20, 1921 in Hopkins County, where she spent her early life. She moved to Midland in 1948, where she met and married Henry T. Cross on May 14, 1949. She taught school in local area schools and taught in Hopkins County and adjoining counties before moving to Midland. Mrs. Cross was a member of Westside Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Keda Lynette Cross, and two sisters, Clarine Byrd and Gearldine Lawrence.

Survivors include her husband; two sisters, Eva Kennedy of Mesquite and Glenna Jo Price of Sulpher Springs; and many nieces and nephews.

The family request memorials be sent to a favorite charity.

Edwina Cross

Edwina Cross, 79, died Sunday, July 1, at a Midland hospital.

Teresa Bartee

Funeral services for Teresa Ann Hamilton Bartee are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

She died Saturday, June 30, in Crosby.

POLICE REPORTS

Compiled from staff reports

Possession of controlled substance

Fidencio Armendariz-Gomez, 20, of Midland was arrested by Midland Police officers at 9:24 p.m. Saturday at the intersection of Francis and Main streets on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. No bond.

Probation violation

Esmundo Saenz, 24, of Midland was arrested by Midland Police officers at 9 p.m. Saturday in the 1800 block of Front Street on a charge of violation of probation. No bond.

Thousands turn out in Snyder for movie shoot with George Strait

SNYDER (AP) — George Strait was singing the Hokey Pokey with Julia Robert's niece in West Texas on Saturday.

The unlikely scene played out in this small West Texas town during the final day of filming of the independent film, "Grand Champion."

The film, written and directed by Snyder-native Barry Tubbs, has generated a lot of excitement among locals. As many as 2,000 turned out as early as 6 a.m. Saturday at the Scurry County Coliseum in response to a casting call for extras.

Saturday's shoot, the last day of filming in Snyder, featured Strait, who plays himself.

Oscar-winning actress Julia Roberts visited the movie set in May to support her niece, 10-year-old Emma Roberts, and also made a cameo appearance in the film.

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Deregulation should benefit Texas consumers

Although the summertime heat and energy prices have coupled to produce energy bills that are higher than we'd like to see, evidence seems to suggest that we Texans will not see the same types of supply and price problems experienced in California.

The Energy Institute at the University of Houston released a study this past week indicating that competition in the sale of electricity will be beneficial for the state, and that Texas' restructuring is drastically different than that of California's. This is the latest study to predict deregulation will benefit Texas consumers rather than produce the disastrous effects we've seen in California.

The authors of the study argue that Texas law and competition will bring electric prices down. Beginning in January 2002, a 6 percent discount to most electric customers who do not switch to a new provider should significantly lower electric bills. With this discount alone, the typical residential customer could save about $78 per year, and the average commercial customer could see $425 in annual savings. Those customers who do switch to a new provider also are likely to see savings. Overall, savings by electricity customers statewide could add up to almost a billion dollars in a year.

The study contrasts the strengths of the Texas competition model with the California restructuring. The California model did not permit retailers to buy power under long-term contracts so that they could not manage their price risks. More importantly, California did not build enough power plants to meet the rising demand of a strong economy. Fueled by growth in Silicon Valley in the 1990s, the demand for power in California increased, outstripping supply.

Texas, on the other hand, has a healthy reserve margin of electric generating capacity, and the supply of electricity should be adequate for customers' needs, even in the hottest months. Unlike California, Texas allows new power plants to be built quickly to meet customers' needs, and it has enjoyed a building boom of new power plants since 1995. And unlike California, Texas allows the retail electric providers to buy power under long-term contracts, and use these contracts to manage the risk of price increases.

Former Texas Public Utilities Commissioner Pat Wood III deserves a great deal of the credit for putting the plan in place that all indications show will guide Texas smoothly into the age of electric deregulation. Wood has now moved up to the head of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

While we Texans are experiencing the discomfort of heat and summertime air conditioning bills, we can take comfort in knowing relief is not far off.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, July 2, the 183rd day of 2001. There are 182 days left in the year.

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On July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress passed a resolution saying that "these United Colonies are, and of right, ought to be, Free and Independent States."

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In 1881, President Garfield was shot by Charles J. Guiteau at the Washington railroad station; Garfield died the following September.

In 1926, the United States Army Air Corps was created.

In 1937, aviator Amelia Earhart and navigator Fred Noonan disappeared over the Pacific Ocean while attempting to make the first round-the-world flight at the equator.

In 1961, author Ernest Hemingway shot himself to death at his home in Ketchum, Idaho.

In 1964, President Johnson signed into law a sweeping civil rights bill passed by Congress.

In 1976, the Supreme Court ruled the death penalty was not inherently cruel or unusual.

In 1990, more than 1,400 Muslim pilgrims were killed in a stampede inside a pedestrian tunnel leading to Mecca in Saudi Arabia.

In 1994, a USAir DC-9 crashed in poor weather at Charlotte-Douglas International Airport in North Carolina, killing 37 of the 57 people aboard.

In 1997, actor James Stewart died in Beverly Hills, Calif., at age 89.

Ten years ago: A European Community-brokered truce between Yugoslavia and the breakaway republic of Slovenia was shattered as the federal army battled Slovene militias. Actress Lee Remick died in Los Angeles at age 55.

Five years ago: Electricity and phone service was knocked out for millions of customers from Canada to the Southwest after power lines throughout the West failed on a record-hot day. Seven years after they had shot their parents to death in the family's Beverly Hills mansion, Lyle and Erik Menendez were sentenced to life in prison without parole.

JACK ANDERSON & DOUGLAS COHN

Bush will take some heat on stem cell dilemma

When Bush decided instead to "review" Clinton-era regulations, there was a huge sigh of relief in the scientific and medical community. The Clinton administration had fashioned a compromise that permitted stem cell research to go forward with federal funding as long as there was parental consent and private money was used to obtain the cells from the embryos. But now, months later, there is pressure on Bush to either give a green light to federal research or to fulfill his campaign promise and put an end to such testing.


Anderson

The debate has exposed a crack in the religious right as some prominent pro-life conservatives side with science and abandon their traditional opposition to embryo research. Their reasons vary. Some, like South Carolina Republican Sen. Strom Thurmond, are motivated because a loved one might benefit from the research. Thurmond has a daughter who is diabetic and stem cell research holds out the hope of growing the cells needed to produce insulin.

Others have struggled to reconcile their religious faith with scientific advances and have found a rationale they are comfortable with. Utah Sen. Orrin Hatch (R), a devout Mormon, and former Florida Sen. Connie Mack (R), a practicing Catholic, are in this category. They differentiate between an embryo created in a petri dish and an embryo implanted in a woman's womb. Even if you believe, as Mack does, that life begins at conception, he does not believe that stem cell research violates that belief. "As long as that fertilized egg is not destined to be placed inWASHINGTON — President Bush is poised to make a decision that could affect the future of medical research for decades to come. Whichever way he goes, the political fallout will be substantial.

The issue is stem cell research, and the role of the federal government in funding the research. Embryonic stem cells offer great promise to those who suffer from debilitating diseases — everything from Alzheimer's and Parkinson's to diabetes and spinal cord injuries. The cells are collected from embryos created in fertility clinics that would otherwise be discarded.

Bush said during the campaign that he opposed stem cell research, and when he first took office, some analysts thought he would sign an executive order to impose a ban. Former President Bush had supported a ban on fetal tissue testing and the parallel between father and son suggested that stem cell research would meet the same fate.

an uterus, it cannot become life," he says.

The political momentum on Capitol Hill supports federal funding for this research. Minority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., has hinted that he could get behind it, and Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who opposed stem cell research during his campaign last year, has now come out in favor of it. If Bush decides to go forward, he would have plenty of political cover from Republicans on the right.

On the other side is Karl Rove, the political guru who got Bush elected and who fervently believes the path to reelection lies with keeping the Republican base happy. Rove has not spoken out on the issue, yet all the indications are that he is adamantly opposed to federal funding for embryonic research. He fears that it will upset the base and interfere with Bush's efforts to woo Catholic voters. Bush will travel to the Vatican in late July to meet with the pope. It is hard to believe, given this travel schedule, that Bush expects to make a decision that will displease the pontiff.

Bush could call for more aggressive "adult" stem cell research — using tissue from people rather than embryos. But the scientific promise is not comparable. The White House is searching for a compromise, but on some issues, there is no middle ground.

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MARIANNE MEANS

Ideology will be part of judicial battles

WASHINGTON — Last week a Senate Judiciary subcommittee debated the role of ideology in the selection of federal judges.

The whole exercise was meant to lay the foundation for a bloody ideological battle over the next Supreme Court vacancy. But nobody mentioned that.

The panel's Democrats, newly in the majority, candidly acknowledged they intend to weigh the ideological views of President Bush's judicial nominees when deciding whether to confirm his picks. The chairman, Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., said bluntly that Senate rejection would be justified if a nominee's views fell "outside the mainstream" and he or she would "further tilt the courts in an ideological direction."


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No more Robert Borks need apply. (Bork was the 1987 Ronald Reagan Supreme Court nominee beloved by the far right who was defeated because his opinions on civil rights, abortion and civil liberties were considered extreme.)

The Judiciary panel's Republicans, who while in the majority had boasted of stacking the federal bench with right-wing zealots, were suddenly horrified that political ideology might intrude on the confirmation process. Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, until recently chairman of the full Judiciary Committee, found it "troubling" that "the long-standing practice of avoiding any examination of political ideology" was being set aside.

This sophistry was echoed by Senate Minority Leader Trent Lott, who complained that the Democrats were imposing "what amounts to a political litmus test requiring nominees to be card-carrying members of their party."

The Democrats are doing no such thing. What they are doing is seeking to assure that the third branch of government is, on the whole, regarded as middle-of-the-road, balanced between responsible liberals and conservatives. Judicial moderation is essential in this era of sharp ideological divisions in the country and in Congress.

Schumer noted that since presidents use ideology in deciding whom to nominate, the Senate has a responsibility to do the same in deciding whom to confirm. Schumer argued that "an open and rational debate" about a nominee's ideology is preferable to a behind-the-scenes role, which he calls "the Senate's not-so-dirty little secret." When it comes to judges, it is best to know what we are getting.

For instance, the Senate never pinned down two recent Supreme Court nominees, Clarence Thomas and David Souter, on the sensitive subject of abortion rights. Neither had a paper record of his views, and both claimed to be undecided. It turned out that Thomas is firmly against abortion rights while Souter is generally supportive. Thomas was a surprise to the Senate, and Souter a surprise to President George H. W. Bush, who nominated him.

It is, of course, silly to pretend that presidents never choose judges on the basis of their political views or that senators never notice the philosophical tilt of presidential nominees.

The current Bush White House team presiding over judicial selections is unapologetically conservative. The president's decision to eliminate the American Bar Association's traditional role rating the qualifications of possible candidates was widely seen as a way to reduce the influence of an organization Bush considers too liberal.

This sort of ideological jockeying goes all the way back to George Washington. His first nominees to the Supreme Court were colonial buddies but a judicial disaster.

President John Adams had better luck. For chief justice Adams chose John Marshall, who shared his belief in a strong national government. Marshall stayed on the court for 34 years, interpreting the Constitution to protect federalism in that crucial early period.

He was sworn in two months before Thomas Jefferson, a philosophical antagonist, was certified as president. Had Jefferson picked the chief justice, the government we inherited would be vastly different. Jefferson would have chosen Spencer Roane of Virginia, an ardent proponent of state powers.

In 1870 Ulysses S. Grant selected two dutiful Republicans, William Strong and Joseph Bradley, for Supreme Court vacancies shortly after the court ruled unconstitutional by one vote a Grant-endorsed congressional act replacing coins with paper money. The next year, the two newcomers voted to reverse that decision.

The number of vacancies determines a president's opportunity to shape the federal courts in his own image. Franklin Roosevelt holds the modern record with eight Supreme Court appointments, all of them strong liberals who replaced staunch conservatives.

Sometimes, however, the judiciary turns out to be as independent as we'd like to hope it is. President Dwight Eisenhower picked Earl Warren as chief justice but regretted it after the Warren-led court ruled that racial segregation in the schools was unconstitutional.

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CAL THOMAS

Churches must lead in helping nation's needy

While President Bush was touting his revised "faith-based" initiative at the U.S. Conference of Mayors in Detroit last week, some Democrats were charging that Republicans are working to undermine one of the plan's central provisions. It is the proposal to allow people who don't itemize their deductions to get a tax break when they contribute to religious and charitable organizations that help the poor.

Democrats say that Rep. Bill Thomas (R-Calif.), chairman of the congressional Joint Committee on Taxation, wants to "gut" this provision because of an estimate by the committee that it would cost $83 billion over 10 years. Democrats claim Thomas is concerned that the administration's tax cut won't allow that big a revenue loss. Thomas is said to desire a $20 billion cost "cap." A committee spokesman declined comment, but a committee source said there are "several versions" of the bill and that markup and a vote are at least a week away.


Thomas

Beyond the cost and even beyond the President's commendable desire to do more for the needy, something should trouble especially Christian ministries which would receive money from the government for their "faith-based" programs.

In Deuteronomy 15:11, God says this about the poor: "There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore, I command you to be open-handed toward your brothers and toward the poor and needy in your land."

While there are biblical commands about justice, there are no expectations that government should be the primary provider of help for the poor. That is the job of the church. The reason it is the job of the church is so that God's love might be demonstrated in tangible ways in order that the poor might open their hearts to a greater and intangible message. It is this latter mission which many believe will be compromised should the President's "faith-based" plan win congressional approval. It is not so much about church-state issues. It is about the possibility that the church will be further robbed of its privilege and responsibility to God for the poor.

What kind of job are Christian churches doing? Not a very good one, according to the Barna Research Group, which studies religious behavior and attitudes.

Reported giving to nonprofit organizations and churches, says Barna, was down 6 percent last year from 1999. The average giving per person last year was a paltry $886, 15 percent less than the previous year.

When churches alone are studied, Barna says six out of 10 adults put money in the collection plate, with the average annual donation amounting to just $649, down from an $806 average in 1999. Some of those making the biggest noise about the declining state of our culture gave the least. While 39 percent of all adults gave nothing to a church last year, nearly one-quarter of them were people who identified themselves as "born again." Since the biblical standard is the tithe (donating 10 percent of annual income to the church, a custom only 12 percent of the born again practice, says Barna), it appears that those commanded to do the most are actually doing the least.

Churches should feel insulted that government wants to step in where its own angels have stopped treading.

There are dozens of verses in both the Old and New Testaments indicating God's care and concern for the poor and His displeasure with people who ignore them. But there is no call for "Caesar" to be the primary provider of help. That's the basic work of churches. When Christians refuse to obey God in this matter, judgment falls on them. The government has the capability of feeding the hungry and clothing the naked, but if Christians allow themselves to be replaced in such efforts, they will have traded their birthright for something of far less value.

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Background checks, lower crime rate cut into gun buys

By Karen Gullo
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Background checks blocked 153,000 of the nearly 7.7 million prospective sales of guns last year, and fewer people tried to buy firearms in 2000 than in 1999, the Justice Department reported Sunday.

Analysts attributed the decline to a drop in crime, which they said has led Americans to feel safer and less inclined to purchase guns.

"These are the long-term positive repercussions of a lower crime rate," said James Alan Fox, criminal justice professor at Northeastern University in Boston. "People see that streets are safer and they are not as compelled to go out and purchase a gun."

Researchers, however, said the decline in applications does not necessarily mean that fewer guns were sold. In some states, people can purchase more than one gun from a single application.

"It's not a measure of whether gun sales are up or down," said Lawrence Greenfeld, acting director at the Justice Department's Bureau of Justice Statistics.

Between 1999 and 2000, there was an 11 percent drop in the number of Americans who tried to purchase guns from federally licensed firearm dealers — from 8.6 million to 7.7 million.

Almost all of the 19 states listed in the report as providing complete statewide data for applications and rejections in 2000 had declines last year; the largest were in Indiana (25.8 percent) and California (24.8 percent).

Almost 58 percent of applicants rejected by state and local authorities had felony convictions or indictments, compared with 73 percent in 1999.

The second most common reason for rejection was a domestic violence misdemeanor conviction or a restraining order. Those accounted for about 11,000 applications, or 12 percent of rejections.

Background checks to see if prospective gun buyers have criminal records have been required since February 1994 under the Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act.

Through 2000, the FBI or state and local police had rejected 689,000 of nearly 30 million applications, or 2.3 percent, compared with the 2 percent rate of rejection last year, the report said. The checks are done electronically.

The report showed that in 2000, the FBI processed 4.3 million applications and state and local agencies processed 3.5 million.

State and local agencies did not approve 86,000, or 2.5 percent of applicants; the FBI rejected 67,000, or 1.6 percent of those who applied in 2000.

Greenfeld attributed the difference to state agencies' access to more detailed criminal history records than the FBI's.

"They may have other databases they check that the FBI couldn't check," Greenfeld said.

Attorney General John Ashcroft said the report shows that the Brady law is working, but more needs to be done to prosecute people who try to purchase guns illegally.

"While the Brady law has helped us stop convicted felons and other dangerous individuals from buying guns easily, violations of the law are not being prosecuted adequately," Ashcroft said.

Ashcroft recently announced several initiatives to improve the National Instance Background Check System, called NICS, and increase gun prosecutions.

He cited FBI statistics showing that 217,000 attempted illegal gun purchases were referred for investigation, but only 294 people were convicted.

Ashcroft said more federal prosecutors would be hired to pursue people who give false information when trying to purchase guns or apply to purchase a gun that they intend to give to someone else.

He also moved to cut the time the government holds onto background records on people who try to buy guns. The records are kept temporarily so that law enforcement agencies can go back and look for fraudulent transactions or mistaken approvals.

Ashcroft said the government should destroy the records one business day after they are generated instead of the 180 days now allowed by federal regulation.

Democrats and gun control groups criticized the proposed change, saying it plays into the hands of the National Rifle Association, which opposed the holding time, and will make it virtually impossible to check gun-purchase transactions for fraud and abuse.

Ashcroft said auditing can be done in "real time" using technology, but did not specify how the quicker checks would be done.

The 19 states presenting complete 2000 data, followed by the percentage change in applications from 1999 to 2000 where availble:

Arizona, minus 13.0; California, minus 24.8; Colorado, 1999 data incomplete; Connecticut, minus 20.9; Florida, minus 3.4; Georgia, minus 15.7; Illinois, minus 10.6; Indiana, minus 25.8; Maryland, plus 3.9; Nevada, minus 19.5; New Hampshire, minus 5.0; New Jersey, plus 1.1; Oregon, minus 7.9; Pennsylvania, minus 15.9; Tennessee, minus 13.5; Utah, minus 12.0; Vermont, minus 6.8; Virginia, minus 9.6; Wisconsin, minus 12.3.

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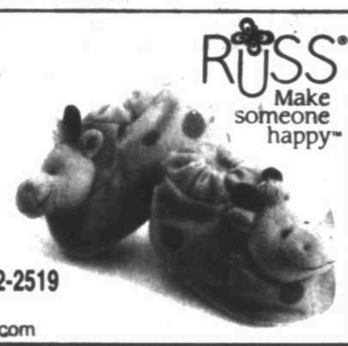

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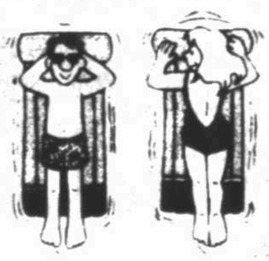
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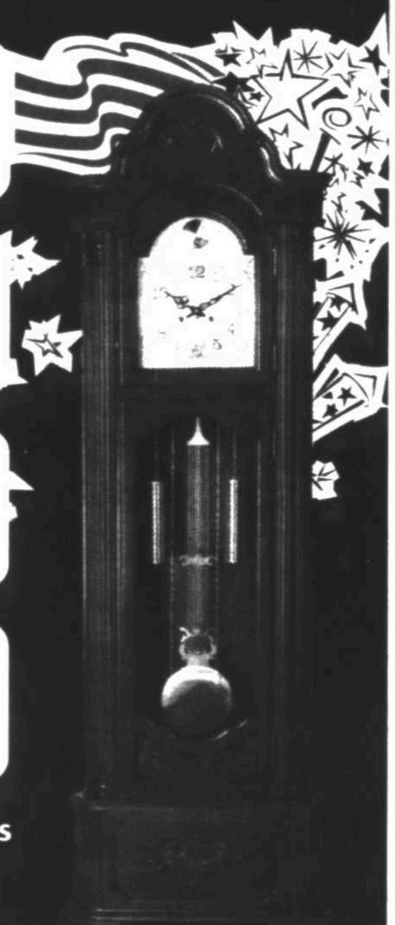
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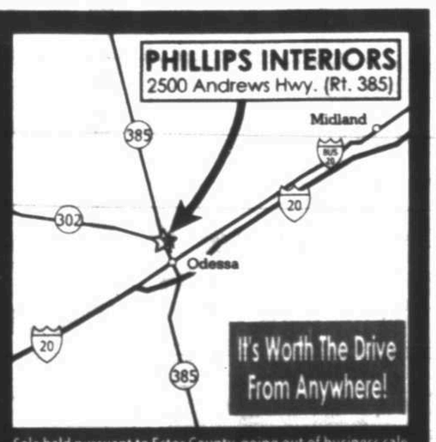
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Israeli troops kill five Palestinian militants

By Greg Myre
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Five Palestinian militants were killed by Israeli forces Sunday, three in a pinpoint helicopter attack and two in a clash with soldiers, Israeli and Palestinian officials said.

The helicopter fired missiles at a car in which the three men were traveling near Qabatiye in the northern West Bank, Palestinian security officials said.

All three were members of the radical Islamic Jihad, Palestinian officials said. One of them, Muhammed Psharat, was on Israel's wanted list, said the Palestinian officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Nafez Azam, an Islamic Jihad spokesman in Gaza, condemned the attack as "an ugly crime," adding that the group "will not forget the blood of its martyrs."

The Palestinian Authority also condemned the attack. Yasser Arafat's media adviser Nabil Abourdeineh, said the Israeli policy of assassination "will lead to the collapse" of the cease-fire.

There was no immediate comment from the Israeli army spokesman.

Several leading Palestinian militants have been killed in Israeli helicopter attacks or by army snipers. Others have died in explosions. Israeli leaders have confirmed the policy of pinpoint attacks, but did not acknowledge responsibility for some of the killings.

Earlier Sunday, in a gunfight which took place before first light, Israeli infantry killed two militants from another radical Islamic group, Hamas. The clash also took place in the northern West Bank. The two were carrying bombs which they intended to plant by the roadside, the Israeli army spokesman said.

The daily violence has persisted despite a Mideast truce declared nearly three weeks ago. Weekend talks between Arafat and Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres in Portugal produced no breakthroughs, only recriminations.

But Peres defended his efforts. "We can't let the situation escalate so we have to keep talking," he said on Israeli television.

Sunday's gun battle broke out around dawn when a group of Palestinians fired on Israeli soldiers near the town of Jenin, according to Israeli Col. Efie Cohen. The Israeli troops returned fire and pursued the militants, several of whom fled into Palestinian-controlled territory. Two, however, were killed, and explosive devices were found on their bodies, the colonel said.

The two men were seeking to plant a roadside bomb and detonate it when Jewish settlers were expected to pass by later in the day, Palestinian security officials said on condition of anonymity.

Hamas released a statement identifying the men as their fighters, Mahmoud Suleiman Khalil and Jamal Deifollah Hassan. Hamas, which has carried out repeated attacks against Israeli targets, has refused to recognize the Mideast truce.

Meanwhile, the Israeli military was active on a second front Sunday. Israeli air force warplanes blasted a Syrian military radar in eastern Lebanon. Israel and the Lebanese guerrilla group Hezbollah also waged an artillery duel along their disputed frontier.

Israel said Sunday's air strike was in response to a Hezbollah bombardment Friday that injured two Israeli soldiers.

Israel withdrew its army from south Lebanon just over a year ago, bringing an end almost daily fighting that lasted for two decades. The border has been mostly quiet since then, but the latest clashes raised the specter of renewed artillery battles and air strikes in the region.

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Former migrant workers return to Mexico for political career

JEREZ, Mexico (AP) — This ranching town, where half the population works in the United States, could elect a migrant worker-turned-U.S. millionaire as mayor on Sunday.

Andres Bermudez, who built a multimillion-dollar business in California after he was smuggled into the United States in a car trunk, is one of three U.S. residents running for mayor, but stands by far the best chance of winning. If he does, he would be the first U.S. resident to serve as a Mexican mayor.

The three are running for mayorships in the state of Zacatecas, one of the biggest exporters of Mexican labor.

Jerez is one of 163 municipalities electing mayors in three northern states on Sunday. The election will test the popularity of Zacatecas Gov. Ricardo Monreal, a presidential candidate with the center-left Democratic Revolution Party, who is backing Bermudez.

A tight race in one of Mexico's largest cities, Juarez, gives the Institutional Revolutionary Party a chance to recover ground for the first time since it lost Mexico's presidency a year ago — the first time in 71 years.

The 51-year-old Bermudez, who has a passion for flashy western suits and snakeskin boots, is running with the Democratic Revolution Party.

In nearby Tepetongo, Juan Duran, owner of an auto repair shop in Oxnard, Calif., is running for the left-leaning Labor Party. And in Apulco, Martin Carvajal, who used to own a furniture store in El Monte, Calif., is running for the Convergence for Democracy Party.

After crossing the border with his wife in 1973, Bermudez worked his way up from a field hand to a labor contractor. He later invented a tomato planting machine, earning him the nickname "The Tomato King." He owns three businesses in Winters, Calif.

"Migrants are starting to transform Mexican politics," said Armando Esparza, who heads the state government office attending to Zacatecans living abroad. He took a month off to campaign for Bermudez.

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With few surprises, drama yet to come at Wimbledon

By Steven Wine
AP Sports Writer

WIMBLEDON, England — The player with the most engaging personality at Wimbledon can be dull to watch, and he knows it.

Goran Ivanisevic wins admirers with his wit and wins matches by relying on his brutish serve, an approach that's effective but mind-numbing for spectators, especially on grass.

Greg Rusedski's playing style is much the same, which likely means lots of short points, short games and long sets in their fourth-round showdown Monday.

"Me and my friend Greg," Ivanisevic said with a chuckle. "Going to be another beautiful match to watch. Very, very exciting — 15-love, 30-love, 40-love, game; 15-love, 30-love, 40-love, game."

So far Wimbledon has been skimpy on drama. Dominant serves — by Ivanisevic, Rusedski, Pete Sampras and even young Americans Andy Roddick and Taylor Dent — renewed complaints that watching men play on grass is only slightly more exciting than watching it grow.

And there were fewer surprises than rain delays in the first week, partly because of a new seeding system designed to spread the top players throughout the draw and protect them from early upsets. Top-seeded Martina Hingis lost to Virginia Ruano Pascual on the opening day, but that was the only shocker in the first week.

The payoff for fans comes in the second half of the fortnight, with the Williams sisters, Jennifer Capriati, Lindsay Davenport, Sampras, Andre Agassi, Patrick Rafter and Marat Safin still in the hunt.

Ivanisevic's resurgence follows an 18-month slump that dropped him out of the top 100. At 29, the Croat known for his shaky syntax and near-misses at Wimbledon is mounting a bid to reach the final for the fourth time.

He looked like the Goran of old Friday, belting 41 aces to end Roddick's Wimbledon debut. During one stretch, Ivanisevic won 24 consecutive service points, and Roddick got a return into play on only three of those points.

Dull tennis, but impressive.

Wrenching losses in three finals make Ivanisevic a sympathetic figure at Wimbledon, but crowd support Monday is uncertain because the Canadian-born Rusedski claims British citizenship.

"That's going to be tough," Ivanisevic said. "Is going to be all the crowd behind him on that match because it's an Englishman."

Ever since changing his nationality in 1995, Rusedski has been touted as a threat to become the first British man to win Wimbledon since Fred Perry in 1936. Like Ivanisevic, Rusedski is a left-hander with a thunderous serve that makes him especially dangerous on grass.

"I'm glad one of them has to lose," Agassi said. "It's nice when you see two big-serving lefties play each other, because one's going

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Franchitti wins on fumes at Cleveland GP

By Tom Withers
AP Sports Writer

CLEVELAND — At the finish line, Dario Franchitti's fuel gauge and rearview mirrors flashed red.

Running on fumes, Franchitti held off Memo Gidley to win Sunday's Marconi Grand Prix of Cleveland by less than a second for his first CART win in 29 races.

Franchitti, who started 14th and briefly went into the grass off turn one at the start, took the lead for good on the 91st of 100 laps when Gidley pitted. Franchitti won by 0.305 seconds with just a splash of fuel left.

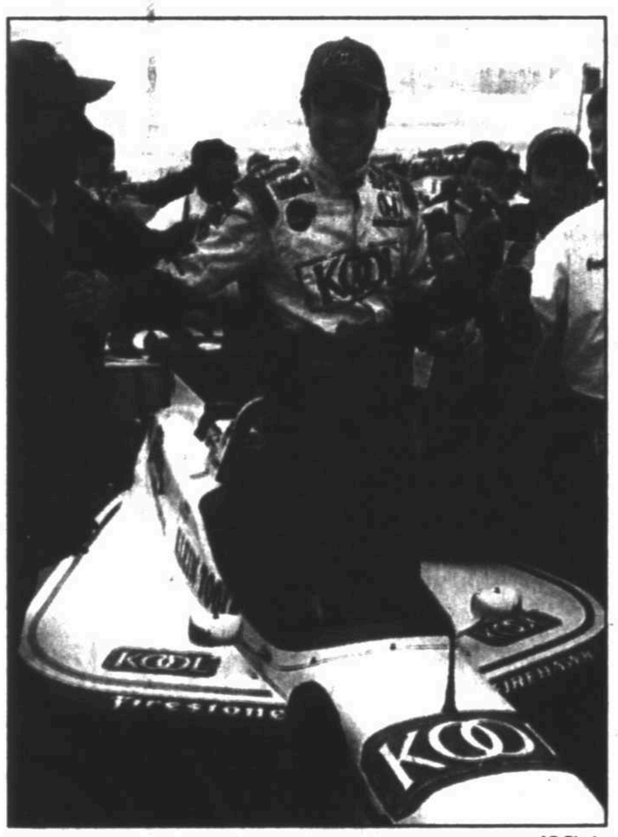
"I was kind of shocked when I crossed the finish line, nothing went wrong, and we won," said Franchitti whose career had stalled since 1999. "Today, everything went right and we had some luck. In the final lap, I kept thinking, 'Save fuel.' I think we had less than a gallon left. We were close."

Bryan Herta was third — 7.9 seconds behind Franchitti's Reynard-Honda — and Gil de Ferran was fourth. Series leader Kenny Brack finished sixth and has 84 points this season, 14 more than Indy 500 champ Helio Castroneves. Franchitti is third with 65 after picking up 20 with the victory.

Defending champion Roberto Moreno was eighth. He was among the top four drivers until lap 89, when he hit bumped a tire barrier while trying to avoid Herta, who began to spin when his left wheels caught grass in a chicane.

"I had nowhere to go," Moreno said.

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AP Photo
Dario Franchitti is congratulated Sunday after winning the Marconi Grand Prix of Cleveland. Franchitti won the race with just fumes in his gas tank.

Biffle captures GNC Live Well 250 race

Associated Press

WEST ALLIS, Wis. — Although rookie Greg Biffle doesn't think risk-taking is such a great idea, it certainly worked to his advantage Sunday in the GNC Live Well 250.

He stretched his fuel over the last 104 of 250 laps at The Milwaukee Mile and came away with his third victory of the season. Mike Skinner, running second in the waning laps of the race, was less fortunate and ran out of gas with two miles remaining.

"We just won on fuel mileage," Biffle said. "You're going to lose more than you're going to win by gambling, but today we gambled."

Points leader Kevin Harvick, whose 165 laps were the most led by a loser in the history of the race, decided an economy run wasn't for him. Harvick, one of a handful of Winston Cup regulars racing on a rare week off, was protecting his Busch points lead.

"It was an early Christmas gift for Greg Biffle," said Harvick, who gave up the lead by pitting with 17 laps remaining and wound up fourth in his Chevrolet. "We just came up a few laps short. We couldn't afford to take a chance."

Biffle's Ford beat the Chevrolet of Matt Kenseth by 13.3 seconds, the largest margin of victory ever in Milwaukee.

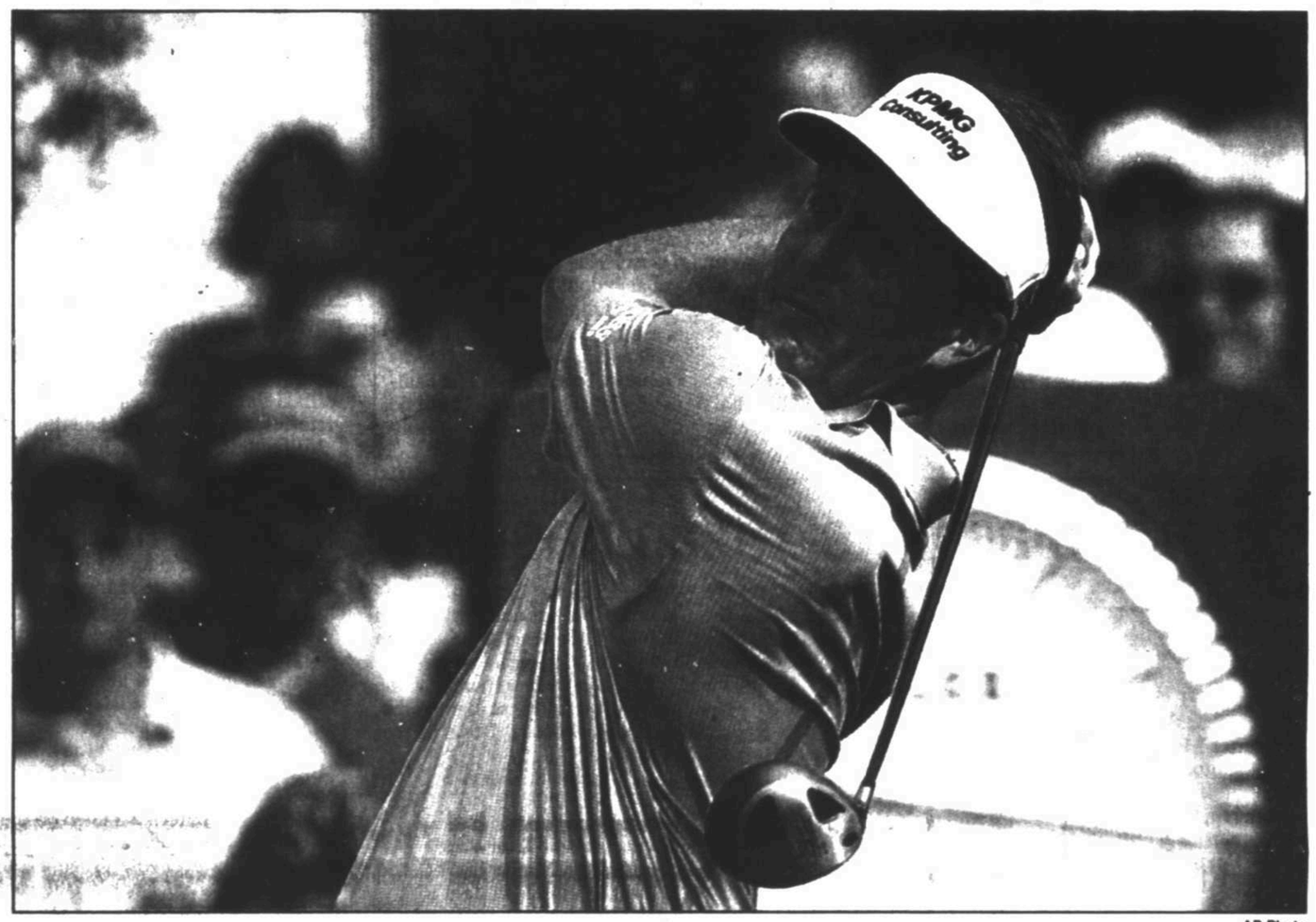
Even after Skinner departed, Biffle was not sure — all the way to the checkered flag — the victory would be his. He started to lose fuel pressure the final time around.

"It's hard to say whether it would have made another lap or not," he explained. "I never thought a race like this would come down to fuel mileage."

Biffle became the first repeat winner in 21 Milwaukee races.

PROFESSIONAL GOLF

No sliding away this time



AP Photo
Phil Mickelson hits his tee shot off the first hole on his way to winning the Greater Hartford Open Sunday in Cromwell, Conn. Mickelson finished at 16-under 264, one shot ahead of Billy Andrade.

Mickelson's new mental approach helps avoid collapse, capture Greater Hartford

By John Nicholson
AP Sports Writer

CROMWELL, Conn. — Phil Mickelson used his new mental approach to perfection in the Greater Hartford Open. He'll have to wait for the British Open to test it on a major stage.

Booming long drives and staying out of trouble, Mickelson shot a 2-under-par 68 on Sunday for a one-stroke victory over Billy Andrade at the muggy TPC at River Highlands.

"I left like this is a good starting point," said Mickelson, who shot a career-best 61 Saturday and finished at 16-under 264.

The 31-year-old left-hander didn't touch a club last week after a final-round 75 in the U.S. Open, choosing instead to practice mentally using visualization techniques he learned in college.

"I felt much more comfortable, much more relaxed, and worked from a positive frame of mind," Mickelson said. "Changing my mental approach and my outlook has allowed me to perform at a higher lever — to perform at my best.

"I feel if I can start to work on that and refine that and get better at it, I should be able to close more on the opportunities that I have been giving myself."

After winning in San Diego in February, he faded on Sunday in the Masters, New Orleans, the Colonial and the U.S. Open. Mickelson was one of the best closers the previous eight years, winning all nine times he had the 54-hole lead.

"It was certainly nice to win, especially after letting the opportunities slide the way I have," said Mickelson, widely regarded as the best active player without a major title.

Mickelson earned $558,000 for his 19th tour victory to push his season total to $3,569,724, second behind Tiger Woods. He also has three runner-up finishes and four thirds this year.

Mickelson began the round with a one-stroke lead over David Berganio Jr., after tying the course record Saturday with a round two strokes better than his previous tour best.

He parred the final three holes after drop-

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Fleisher takes first major at U.S. Senior Open

By Jimmy Golen
AP Sports Writer

PEABODY, Mass. — Bruce Fleisher sat in the clubhouse at even par, safe from the looming lightning strikes and the threat of five challengers to his first major championship.

"Looking on the board, no one really wanted to take control," Fleisher said Sunday after winning the U.S. Senior Open by parring the last 12 holes in a 2-under-par 68 that gave him a one-stroke victory.

"To have four guys at even par with two holes left and one guy to hang on doesn't surprise me with how difficult this course was. I'm glad it's over."

Playing the last two days in 90-degree heat interrupted by thunderstorms that delayed the third round and accelerated the fourth, Fleisher was well-served by his conservative approach to the 6,709-yard Donald Ross-designed Salem Country Club course.

Isao Aoki (73) and Gil Morgan (70) tied for second at 1 over.

"I knew that par would be a good score," Fleisher said. "I thought that someone (else) would finish even and it would be a playoff. I'm glad it didn't happen, I've got to be honest with you. I didn't want to go back out there."

A year after losing the tournament to a red-hot Hale Irwin, Fleisher joined Jack Nicklaus and Arnold Palmer as the only men to win the U.S. Amateur and the Senior Open. Fleisher won the Amateur in 1968.

"It's been a long time coming," said Fleisher, who won $430,000 — by far the biggest check of his career.

Fleisher won once in 28 years on the PGA Tour and 13 times as

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Stars sign free agent forwards Turgeon, DiMaio

Associated Press

IRVING — The Dallas Stars got a pretty good consolation prize Sunday, signing free agent Pierre Turgeon to a five-year contract.

Unable to land John LeClair and Jeremy Roenick the Stars instead signed Turgeon, the leading scorer for the St. Louis Blues last season.

"I was never convinced that Pierre Turgeon was going to be available today," Stars general manager Bob Gainey said on the first day of the free-agent signing period. "There were players dancing in our heads as potential players to look at. Some of those players we projected became concrete.

"We feel we've made a mark by convincing and coming to an agreement with Pierre Turgeon," he said.

Until last week, the Stars planned to pursue LeClair and Roenick. LeClair decided to re-sign with the Philadelphia Flyers, the same team Roenick will join after five years at Phoenix.

The Stars also got Rob DiMaio, who signed a three-year deal to join his seventh team in a 13-year NHL career. DiMaio left Carolina after one season, signing a three-year contract with Dallas.

"He wasn't the player that we would have naturally moved to. We had a scenario we would have like to have followed," Gainey said. "But we know that we needed places, needed people to fill spots on our roster. We were looking at different players who fit as a good checking right winger."

Turgeon and DiMaio didn't attend the news conference during which their signings were announced. Financial terms of the deals weren't released.

Turgeon scored 30 goals and had 52 assists last season for St. Louis, which beat the Stars in the second round of the Western Conference playoffs, and advanced to the conference finals for the first time since 1970.

DiMaio had six goals and 18 assists for Carolina.

Gainey wasn't specific about how the signings will impact the futures of Brett Hull and Mike Keane, both Dallas players who became unrestricted free agents Sunday. Gainey said their Dallas careers might not be over.

The Stars didn't exercise a $7 million option for 2001-02 for Hull, who ended his first season in Dallas by scoring a disputed goal that won

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Landry hits 30th homer as 'Hounds halt 6-game slide

Staff Report

WICHITA, Kan. — With the beginning of a new month, the Midland RockHounds put some bad mileage behind them Sunday night.

The RockHounds ended a six-game losing streak with a 6-2 win over the Wichita Wranglers. The Wranglers, on the other hand, saw its season high 10-game winning streak go by the boards.

It was also a big night for Jacques Landry, who belted his 30th home run of the season, a two-run blast in the three-run third inning. Landry also stole two bases to give him 19 for the season. Both marks are career highs as a professional player.

The 30th home run for Landry also places him among some good company. He is now tied for second place in Midland franchise history for home runs in a single season. George Arias (1995), Stan Holmes, Doug Jennings, Joe Redfield (all in 1987) and Kevin King (1986) all had 30 home run seasons. Landry has done it by July 1. Adam Piatt is the only name for Landry to catch and he should do that easily if he stays in Midland long enough without a promotion to Triple-A. Piatt owns the franchise record with 39 which was accomplished in 1999.

Landry now has 48 career Texas League home runs in Midland, tying him with Carmelo Martinez (1981-82) for second place in franchise history. Wayne Tyrone (1974-76) had 60 career homers in Midland.

Landry drove in three of Midland's six runs. He also had an RBI single in the first inning. But he wasn't alone in the home run game. Ryan Ludwick hit his 20th home run of the season in the third inning. The two homers by Landry and Ludwick were back-to-back. Oscar Salazar also connected with a solo shot in the sixth inning.

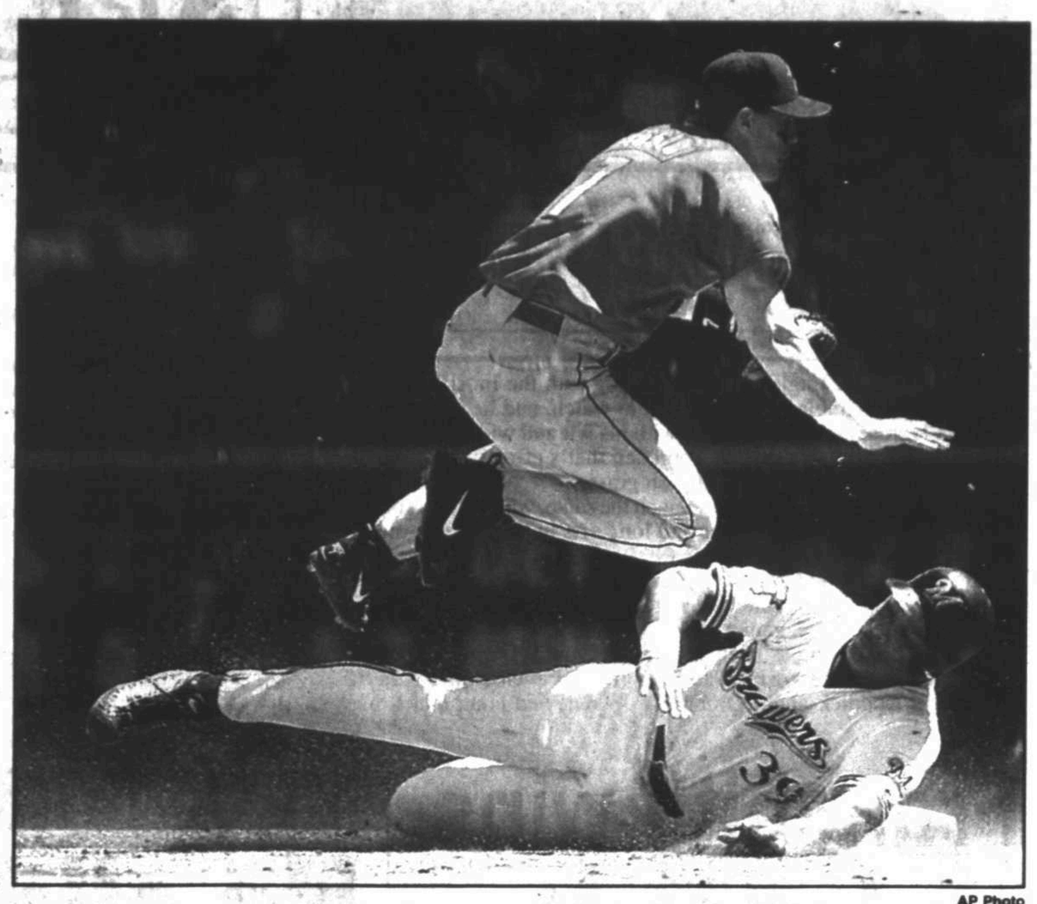
Ludwick leads the RockHounds in RBIs with 76 while Salazar now has 75 and Landry 73. They are the Nos. 2-3-4 RBI leaders in the Texas League, trailing Jason Lane of Round Rock, who is a Triple Crown threat. Lane leads the league in RBIs, and batting average and trails Landry in home runs by two.

Justin Lehr (10-5) got the win while Claudio Galva picked up his eighth save. Lehr gave up only one earned run in his eight innings of work.

Wichita's Brandon Berger hit a first inning home run off of Lehr, his 19th of the season.

The two teams play again at 6 p.m. today before the RockHounds head home for a four-game set beginning Tuesday with San Antonio.

San Antonio currently leads the Texas League West by just one game over Midland, so the July 4 week should be rocking at Christensen Stadium.



AP Photo

Milwaukee Brewers' Angel Echevarria slides under Houston Astros' second baseman Craig Biggio as he breaks up a double play on a ball hit by Robert Perez in the sixth inning Sunday in Milwaukee. Houston won its second straight over the Brewers with a 6-1 victory.

LOCAL SPORTS

McGee wins another title

Mac McGee captured his third Stroke Play Championship at Midland Country Club on Sunday.

McGee shot an even par 216 over three rounds, putting space between himself and the rest of the field with birdies on 15, 16 and 17 to win by five strokes over Kelly Cox and Rick Houston.

Tom Campbell won the net division by one stroke over Steve McCoy with a 143 over two days.

Stroke Play Championship: 1. Mac McGee, 73-216; 2. (Tie) Kelly Cox, 78-221; Rick Houston, 73-221; 4. (Tie) Rick Gasser, 76-224; Charles Ray, 74-224; 6. Reece Boudreaux, 76-230; 7. Kirk Branum, 75-233; 8. Craig McDonnold, 80-235; 9. (Tie) David Griffin, 86-240; John Philbeck, 83-240; 11. (Tie) Mark Hardwick, 80-241; John Staub, 80-241.

Stroke Play Gold Division: 1. Tom Campbell, 71-143; 2. Steve McCoy, 72-144; 3. (Tie) Eddy Ohlenburg, 74-146; Dana Engelstad, 74-146; 5. (Tie) Mark McDonald Jr., 79-149; Devin Alsup, 74-149; William Hill Jr., 79-149; 8. Earl Freeman, 78-150; 9. William Reinert, 78-151; 10. Jim Brimer, 75-153.

Bulldogs win Classic title

LUBBOCK — The Midland Bulldogs 18-under baseball team won the 2001 Wood Bat Classic held here over the weekend.

The Bulldogs defeated Lubbock Coronado 9-1 in the championship game as Cole White threw a one-hitter with six strikeouts.

Offensively, James Gripp and Dillon Farish had two hits each. Both had doubles. Ryan Riddle also had two hits.

Jason Russell and Daniel Stoval also doubled in the game.

The Bulldogs, now 7-2 on the season, finished second last weekend in the Roswell (N.M.) Optimist Tournament. The Bulldogs play next in the Abilene Classic II tournament on July 13-15.

Porter's blast lifts Texas past A's

Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Bo Porter's three-run homer with two outs in the eighth inning lifted the Texas Rangers to a 3-1 victory Sunday night over the Oakland Athletics.

A's starter Mark Mulder took a two-hit shutout into the eighth, then ran into trouble.

Over the first seven innings, the Rangers managed only doubles by Rafael Palmeiro in the second inning and Andres Galarraga in the fifth.

But Porter, who played for the A's last season, hit a 3-2 pitch into the left-field seats in the eighth for his first homer of the season and second career.

Mulder (8-6) allowed three runs and six hits in 7 2-3 innings. He struck out six and did walk a batter.

Mike Venafro (2-2) pitched 1 1-3 innings of one-hit relief for the victory. Jeff Zimmerman worked the ninth for his 11th save in 13 chances.

Rangers starter Rick Helling gave up one run and six hits in 6 2-3 innings. Helling, who had won four of his last five decisions, struck out one and walked three.

Texas catcher Ivan Rodriguez left the game after three innings because he sustained a bruised left elbow when he was struck by Eric Chavez's foul tip in the second inning. Rodriguez was listed as day to day after precautionary X-rays were negative.

Royals 13, Indians 11

CLEVELAND — Mike Sweeney, Carlos Beltran and Raul Ibanez all homered for the third consecutive game as the Kansas City Royals outslugged the Cleveland Indians 13-11 Sunday for their season-high sixth straight win.

Newly acquired John Rocker got a standing ovation as he raced out of the Cleveland bullpen to pitch a perfect ninth.

But Rocker couldn't do anything to help Cleveland's struggling rotation. Starter Charles Nagy (2-3) failed to get an out in the second inning and gave up eight runs and seven hits.

Blake Stein (4-6) allowed one run in three innings of relief for the win. Roberto Hernandez got five outs for his 15th save.

Red Sox 4, Blue Jays 0

TORONTO — Rolando Arrojo, Rod Beck and Derek Lowe combined on a two-hitter to lead Boston over Toronto.

Arrojo (2-2), in his first start since replacing injured Pedro Martinez in Boston's rotation, allowed only Alex Gonzalez's leadoff single to center in the seventh. Shannon Stewart added a one-out single in the ninth off Lowe.

Brian Daubach and Shea Hillenbrand homered off Chris Carpenter (7-5) for the Red Sox, who remained a half-game ahead of the Yankees in the AL East.

Yankees 6, Devil Rays 1

NEW YORK — Andy Pettitte was commanding in his first start back from the disabled list, pitching seven sharp innings to lead New York past Tampa Bay.

Pettitte (8-4), sidelined since June 15 with a groin injury, gave up five hits and the lone run as New York won for the seventh time in nine games.

Tino Martinez homered for the career-best fourth straight game, and Jorge Posada drove in two runs.

Twins 8, Tigers 3

MINNEAPOLIS — Corey Koskie homered and drove in three runs and Tom Prince also homered as Minnesota handed Detroit its eighth straight loss.

Koskie hit a two-run homer in the first inning off Willie Blair (0-3) and drove in another run with a groundout in the second as the Twins jumped to a 6-0 lead.

Twins starter Johan Santana (1-0) gave up two runs and four hits in five innings.

Orioles 11, White Sox 3

CHICAGO — Jason Johnson (7-5) pitched seven strong innings and Fernando Lunar had a career-high three RBIs as Baltimore beat Chicago.

Rocky Biddle (1-5) allowed six runs and five hits in 5 1-3 innings to get the loss for the White Sox.

Mariners 5, Angels 0

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Freddy Garcia pitched an eight-hitter for his second career shutout and Bret Boone hit a two-run homer as Seattle completed a three-game sweep.

Garcia (9-1) struck out two and walked two as he beat the Angels for the third time in as many starts.

Rookie Matt Wise (1-2) struck out nine over 5 1-3 innings, allowing four runs — three earned — and five hits.

It's Miller time as Astros win; Bonds honored for 500th HR

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — Wade Miller scattered seven hits over seven innings Sunday to lead the Houston Astros over the Milwaukee Brewers 6-1.

■ NL Roundup

Miller (10-3), who pitched a three-hitter at Milwaukee on April 11, struck out eight and walked two. He's now walked three and struck out 31 in three starts, all victories, against Milwaukee this season.

Miller didn't have much of a lineup to face Sunday because Devon White (quadriceps), Geoff Jenkins (hand) and Jeffrey Hammonds (shoulder) were sidelined and Jeromy Burnitz, the Brewers' leader in home runs and RBIs, had the afternoon off.

Brewers right-hander Paul Rigdon (3-5) left after 2 2-3 innings when he aggravated his strained right elbow. He was making his second start since coming off the 15-day disabled list last week.

Rigdon allowed four runs, all in the third inning, on six hits, including a three-run double to Moises Alou. After walking the next batter, Rigdon threw a ball to Vinny Castilla and was removed trailing 4-0. The Brewers said Rigdon had an irritated right elbow.

Brad Ausmus led off the third with a double and scored on Craig Biggio's single before Alou cleared the bases by sending a 2-2 pitch off the wall in right-center. That spoiled the strategy of Milwaukee manager Davey Lopes, who ordered Lance Berkman intentionally walked, loading the bases with two outs for the NL's leading hitter.

Jeff Bagwell snapped an 0-for-15 skid with a two-run single off Mike DeJean in the eighth that made it 6-1.

Giants 5, Cardinals 4

SAN FRANCISCO — Calvin Murray hit a three-run homer in the second off Andy Benes (6-6) to overcome a 4-2 deficit and send St. Louis to its fifth straight loss. San Francisco has won three in a row.

Chad Zerbe (2-0), called up Friday from Triple-A Fresno, and he replaced Mark Gardner in the second and allowed one hit in 4 1-3 innings. Robb Nen pitched the ninth for his NL-leading 25th save.

Barry Bonds, honored for hitting his 500th career homer on April 17, returned after missing a game with a sore right wrist and went 1-for-1 with a double and three walks.

Phillies 8, Marlins 1

PHILADELPHIA— Nelson Figueroa earned his first major league win Sunday as the Philadelphia Phillies completed the second five-game sweep in club history with an 8-1 win over the Florida Marlins.

Figueroa (1-0), recalled from the minors Wednesday, allowed one run and six hits in seven innings.

Diamondbacks 5, Rockies 4

PHOENIX — Mike Hampton hit his sixth home run, the most by a pitcher in 30 years, but Reggie Sanders homered in the 13th inning off Gabe White (1-6), making a winner of Bret Prinz (3-0.

After Hampton homered in the eighth inning off Miguel Batista, Arizona tied the score in the bottom half on an RBI double by Mark Grace, who also hit a two-run double in the first inning.

Cubs 2, Reds 1

CINCINNATI — Jon Lieber (10-4) beat Cincinnati for the third time this year, allowing one run and six hits in 5 2-3 innings.

Joe Girardi had an RBI single and scored on Miguel Cairo's double in the fifth against Chris Reitsma (4-7).

Expos 9, Pirates 3

MONTREAL — Vladimir Guerrero hit his first career grand slam and had five RBIs to help Montreal complete its second series sweep this season.

Mike Thurman (4-5) allowed three runs in the third inning and six hits over six innings in his second start since being activated from the 15-day disabled list.

Dodgers 8, Padres 0

SAN DIEGO — Kevin Brown (7-3), in his second start since coming off the disabled list, allowed three hits in six innings as Los Angeles completed its first four-game sweep of San Diego since April 25-27, 1977.

Brown combined with Al Reyes on a four-hitter, extend the Dodgers' winning streak to six. Reyes earned his first save of the season.

Marquis Grissom hit a three-run homer in the second off Bobby Jones (4-11) and Eric Karros added a two-run homer in the sixth inning after he was robbed of a homer by center fielder Mike Darr in the fourth.

Mets 2, Braves 1

ATLANTA — Kevin Appier allowed three hits in eight scoreless innings and had his first career RBI as New York beat Atlanta.

Robin Ventura hit a solo home run off John Burkett (6-6) as the Mets won for just the third time in 11 games and earned a split of the four-game series.

After not getting a runner past first base against Appier (5-8), got an RBI single by Andruw Jones in the ninth against Armando Benitez.

FUMES: Franchitti has 7th CART win

(From 1B)

Franchitti's victory was the seventh of his CART career and his first since Australia in 1999. He finished second June 17 in Detroit, but ran sixth a week ago in Portland, Ore.

He was winless in 20 starts last season, ending the year 13th in the standings after losing the championship to Juan Montoya on a tiebreaker in 1999.

"Hopefully, we can build on this and can do what we did today from now on," Franchitti said.

He appeared to be headed for another disappointing afternoon when he was one of four drivers in the infield grass after the first turn of lap 1.

But the bumpy start ended up helping Franchitti. He quickly made a pit stop and stalled, but he also took on some additional fuel — perhaps just enough to save him at the end.

"I don't know what the result would have been, but it did help our strategy," he said. "When everybody else pitted, we went for it."

Gidley was making just his second start this season after being hired by team owner Chip Ganassi before the race in Portland. Gidley led for 59 laps Sunday, but had to pit on lap 90 and didn't have enough speed on the final straight to catch Franchitti.

"I could see him coming like a rocket," Franchitti said.

Gidley had been driving his pickup truck to CART stops until recently, hoping to land a spot with a team, and he said there were moments when he had to pinch himself.

"I was pushing hard all the time and I really thought it was going to be my race," he said. "For a while, every corner, I thought, 'My God, I'm going to finish second.' And then I thought, 'Hey, I can get first.' It was overwhelming."

Gidley said Ganassi has already promised him a ride in Toronto in two weeks.

"Chip said, 'Well, it looks like we'll go to the next one,'" Gidley said. "He and I have a vocabulary of about 25 words."

Gidley's charge was slowed on the 95th lap, when he had to brake hard while trying to pass a slower Michael Andretti, Franchitti's teammate.

"I don't really blame anything on Michael," Gidley said. "I've been there with people saying, 'Get Gidley out of the way'. I came up on him pretty hard."

Following some morning showers, the bumpy, slippery runway track at Burke Lakefront Airport was dry and, following two days of spins in practice and qualifying, the race was very clean with 97 laps run under a green flag.

"It's one of the more enjoyable races I've been in," said Herta, whose best previous finish this season was 10th in Long Beach, Calif.

Cleveland wasn't as kind to Moreno, who got his first career CART victory and pole a year ago here. He started 25th and briefly took the lead late before his run-in with Herta.

"It's a shame," Moreno said. "We had a good chance, but that's the way it goes sometimes."

Once again, the course's notorious turn 1 hairpin ended the day for a few drivers before they could make their first hard right. Four cars, including Franchitti, went off the course into the grass as the field went five wide trying to get through the logjam.

The chain-reaction accident knocked out Michael Jourdain Jr. and Patrick Carpentier, who had to be towed back to the garage area. A pileup at turn 1 at the start of last year's race finished off four cars.

Pole sitter Mauricio Gugelmin finished 10th.

STARS: Hull likes to stay in Dallas

(From 1B)

the 1999 Stanley Cup. They hoped to find a younger, accomplished scorer.

They found one in the 31-year-old Turgeon.

Hull, a 16-year veteran who turns 37 in August, has said he'd like to stay in Dallas. And he knows he will have to accept less money to do that.

Hull scored 95 goals the last three seasons in Dallas, including a team-high 39 last season to go along with 40 assists. His 649 career goals rank seventh in NHL history, 39 more than his father, Bobby, and second-most among active players behind only Mark Messier (651).

Gainey said the Stars hoped to pursue Joe Sakic, but the MVP and captain of the Stanley Cup champion Colorado Avalanche signed a new contract with the club Sunday.

"By the time we got started, he had re-signed," Gainey said. "I got my eraser out quickly and his name disappeared."

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Wed. 5th	7 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Thu. 6th	7 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Fri. 7th	7 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Sat. 8th	2 p.m. - 10 p.m.

NUEVA VISTA - MIDLAND JULY 6,8 & 9

Thu. 6th	6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Sat. 8th	4 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Sun. 9th	4 p.m. - 9 p.m.

FINALS - RATLIFF RANCH GOLF LINKS

JULY 10th - 7:00 P.M.

Advertising Courtesy of: Midland Reporter-Telegram

Busch GNC

NASCAR-Busch
Live Well 250 Re
By The Associated
Sunday
At The Milwaukee
West Allis, Wi
Lap length: 1.032
1. (2) Greg Biffle, $61,970.
2. (19) Matt Kenseth, 250, $30,250.
3. (13) Kevin Grubb, 250, $36,100.
4. (1) Kevin Harvick, Ch $25,925.
5. (3) Jason Keller, $34,225.
6. (9) Elton Sawyer, $23,100.
7. (21) Jeff Purvis, Pc $20,600.
8. (20) Ron Hornaday, 249, $15,300.
9. (4) Jeff Green, $26,825.
10. (14) Tony Raines, 249, $21,800.
11. (8) Mike Skinner, 249, $20,125.
12. (22) Rich Bickle, Ch $19,575.
13. (25) Kelly Denton, 249, $15,500.
14. (11) Hank Parker J let, 249, $23,645.
15. (12) David Green, 249, $17,570.
16. (10) Kenny Wallace 249, $16,845.
17. (26) Geoffrey Bodi let, 249, $20,200.
18. (16) Mike McLaugh 248, $21,095.
19. (6) Jamie McMurra let, 248, $16,480.
20. (27) Chad Little, Ch $13,915.
21. (29) David Donohu let, 248, $15,500.
22. (24) Randy LaJoie, 247, $18,640.
23. (33) Larry Foyt, Ch $12,980.
24. (23) Shane Hall, $15,870.
25. (41) Billy Parker, $10,840.
26. (31) Jimmie Johnso let, 244, $13,610.
27. (32) Brad Baker, 243, $10,500.
28. (38) Robby Fagga 236, $10,390.
29. (35) Joe Bush, Che out of gas, $10,275.
30. (28) Scott Wimme 157, rear end, $10,265.
31. (17) Tim Fedewa, 143, electrical, $13,055.
32. (15) Ashton Lewis let, 99, crash, $9,945.
33. (18) Jay Sauter, Ch crash, $12,835.
34. (5) Bobby Hamilton let, 88, crash, $12,725.
35. (40) Bill Hoff, Che engine failure, $9,620.
36. (34) Mike Harmon, 60, rear end, $9,510.
37. (30) Brian Vickers, 54, crash, $9,400.
38. (7) Joe Ruttman, Ch crash, $11,365.
39. (36) Brad Teague overheating, $9,330.
40. (37) Kertus Davis, ignition, $9,295.
41. (39) Lance Hooper, 3, ignition, $9,260.

Race Statistic
Time of Race: 2 hours, 30 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 13.3
Caution Flags: 4 for 19
Lead Changes: 13 amor
Lap Leaders: K.Harvick 1-2; K.Harvick 3-56; R.Ho 63; R.Bickle 64-74; K.Harv J.Green 128-146; K.Grub E.Sawyer 149-150; D.G J.Purvis 152-157; R.Horn 175; K.Harvick 176-233; G 250.

CART Marco

By The Associated
Sunday
At Burke Lakefront
Cleveland
Lap length: 2.106-mi course
1. (14) Dario Franchitti, H nard, 100 laps, 118.007 m
2. (5) Memo Gidley, To 100.
3. (4) Bryan Herta, For 100.
4. (20) Gil de Ferran, H nard, 100.
5. (24) Jimmy Vasser, T nard, 100.
6. (17) Kenny Brack, 100.
7. (19) Cristiano da Ma Lola, 100.
8. (25) Roberto More Reynard, 100.
9. (7) Alex Tagliani, For 100.
10. (1) Mauricio Gugeln Reynard, 100.
11. (15) Christian Fittip Lola, 100.
12. (23) Helio Castron da Reynard, 100.
13. (13) Alex Zanardi, H nard, 100.
14. (8) Tora Takagi, T nard, 99.
15. (21) Michael Andr Reynard, 99.
16. (6) Tony Kanaan, H nard, 99.
17. (12) Oriol Servia, Fo
18. (22) Max Papis, Fo
19. (3) Max Wilson, Fo
20. (18) Scott Dixon, T nard, 95, mechanical.
21. (2) Adrian Fernanc Reynard, 86, mechanical.
22. (10) Shinji Nakano, H nard, 41, mechanical.
23. (16) Bruno Junque Lola, 31, contact.
24. (26) Paul Tracy, H nard, 7, mechanical.
25. (11) Michel Jourda Lola, 1, contact.
26. (9) Patrick Carpe Reynard, 0, contact.
Time of race: 1 hours, 4.723 seconds.
Margin of victory: 0.30
Caution flags: 1 for 3 l
Lead changes: 10 amon
Lap leaders: Wilson, 1- 21-30; Wilson, 31-33; Mor Gidley, 36-61; Brack, 62; 63; Franchitti, 64-65; Mor Gidley, 70-90; Franchitti,

USBL Playof

By The Associated
At Easton, Pa
First Round
Friday, June 2
Long Island 122, Oklah
Dodge City 109, Maryl
Lakeland 124, Kansas
Pennsylvania 106, Flor
Semifinals
Saturday, June
Dodge City 95, Lakela
Pennsylvania 118, Lon
Championshi
Sunday, July
Pennsylvania 100, Doc

Arena Footb

By The Associated
American Confer
Central Divisio

	W	L	Pct.
Grand Rapids	8	3	.727
Indiana	8	3	.727
Detroit	6	5	.545
Chicago	5	6	.455
Milwaukee	2	9	.182

Western Divisio

	W	L	Pct.
San Jose	8	3	.727
Arizona	7	4	.636
Los Angeles	5	6	.455
Oklahoma	4	8	.333
Houston	3	9	.250

National Confere
Eastern Divisio

	W	L	Pct.
Buffalo	6	5	.545
Carolina	6	5	.545
New York	5	6	.455
Toronto	5	6	.455
New Jersey	1	10	.091

Southern Divisi

	W	L	Pct.
Tampa Bay	8	3	.727
Nashville	8	4	.667
Orlando	7	4	.636
Florida	4	7	.364

Sunday's Gam
Orlando 46, Tampa Ba
Friday's Game
Toronto at Buffalo, 7 p.

SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Busch GNC

NASCAR-Busch GNC
Live Well 250 Results
By The Associated Press
Sunday
At The Milwaukee Mile
West Allis, Wis.
Lap length: 1.032 miles

1. (2) Greg Biffle, Ford, 250, $61,970.
2. (19) Matt Kenseth, Chevrolet, 250, $30,250.
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12. (22) Rich Bickle, Chevrolet, 249, $19,675.
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14. (11) Hank Parker Jr., Chevrolet, 249, $23,645.
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16. (10) Kenny Wallace, Chevrolet, 249, $16,845.
17. (26) Geoffrey Bodine, Chevrolet, 249, $20,200.
18. (16) Mike McLaughlin, Pontiac, 248, $21,095.
19. (6) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 248, $16,480.
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21. (29) David Donohue, Chevrolet, 248, $15,500.
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25. (41) Billy Parker, Ford, 244, $10,840.
26. (31) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 244, $13,610.
27. (32) Brad Baker, Chevrolet, 243, $10,500.
28. (38) Robby Faggart, Pontiac, 236, $10,390.
29. (35) Joe Bush, Chevrolet, 234, out of gas, $10,275.
30. (28) Scott Wimmer, Pontiac, 157, rear end, $10,265.
31. (17) Tim Fedewa, Chevrolet, 143, electrical, $13,055.
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38. (7) Joe Ruttman, Chevrolet, 27, crash, $11,365.
39. (36) Brad Teague, Ford, 14, overheating, $9,330.
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41. (39) Lance Hooper, Chevrolet, 3, ignition, $9,260.

Race Statistics

Time of Race: 2 hours, 26 minutes, 30 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 13.302.
Caution Flags: 4 for 19 laps.
Lead Changes: 13 among 9 drivers.
Lap Leaders: K.Harvick 0; G.Biffle 1-2; K.Harvick 3-56; R.Hornaday 57-63; R.Bickle 64-74; K.Harvick 75-127; J.Green 128-146; K.Grubb 147-148; E.Sawyer 149-150; D.Green 151; J.Purvis 152-157; R.Hornaday 158-175; K.Harvick 176-233; G.Biffle 234-250.

CART Marconi

By The Associated Press
Sunday
At Burke Lakefront Airport
Cleveland
Lap length: 2.106-mile road course

1. (14) Dario Franchitti, Honda Reynard, 100 laps, 118.007 mph.
2. (5) Memo Gidley, Toyota Lola, 100.
3. (4) Bryan Herta, Ford Reynard, 100.
4. (20) Gil de Ferran, Honda Reynard, 100.
5. (24) Jimmy Vasser, Toyota Reynard, 100.
6. (17) Kenny Brack, Ford Lola, 100.
7. (19) Cristiano da Matta, Toyota Lola, 100.
8. (25) Roberto Moreno, Toyota Reynard, 100.
9. (7) Alex Tagliani, Ford Reynard, 100.
10. (1) Mauricio Gugelmin, Toyota Reynard, 100.
11. (15) Christian Fittipaldi, Toyota Lola, 100.
12. (23) Helio Castroneves, Honda Reynard, 100.
13. (13) Alex Zanardi, Honda Reynard, 100.
14. (8) Tora Takagi, Toyota Reynard, 99.
15. (21) Michael Andretti, Honda Reynard, 99.
16. (6) Tony Kanaan, Honda Reynard, 99.
17. (12) Oriol Servia, Ford Lola, 99.
18. (22) Max Papis, Ford Lola, 99.
19. (3) Max Wilson, Ford Lola, 96.
20. (18) Scott Dixon, Toyota Reynard, 95, mechanical.
21. (2) Adrian Fernandez, Honda Reynard, 86, mechanical.
22. (10) Shinji Nakano, Honda Reynard, 41, mechanical.
23. (16) Bruno Junqueira, Toyota Lola, 31, contact.
24. (26) Paul Tracy, Honda Reynard, 7, mechanical.
25. (11) Michel Jourdain Jr., Ford Lola, 1, contact.
26. (9) Patrick Carpentier, Ford Reynard, 0, contact.

Time of race: 1 hours, 47 minutes, 4.723 seconds.
Margin of victory: 0.305 seconds.
Caution flags: 1 for 3 laps.
Lead changes: 10 among 6 drivers.
Lap leaders: Wilson, 1-20; Gidley, 21-30; Wilson, 31-33; Moreno, 34-35; Gidley, 36-61; Brack, 62; Fernandez, 63; Franchitti, 64-65; Moreno, 66-69; Gidley, 70-90; Franchitti, 91-100.

USBL Playoffs

By The Associated Press
At Easton, Pa.
First Round
Friday, June 29
Long Island 122, Oklahoma 114
Dodge City 109, Maryland 106
Lakeland 124, Kansas 119
Pennsylvania 106, Florida 93
Semifinals
Saturday, June 30
Dodge City 95, Lakeland 79
Pennsylvania 118, Long Island 99
Championship
Sunday, July 1
Pennsylvania 100, Dodge City 91

Arena Football

By The Associated Press
American Conference
Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Grand Rapids	8	3	.727	606	608
Indiana	8	3	.727	629	526
Detroit	6	5	.545	490	511
Chicago	5	6	.455	537	550
Milwaukee	2	9	.182	455	615

Western Division

	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
San Jose	8	3	.727	615	517
Arizona	7	4	.636	566	462
Los Angeles	5	6	.455	467	550
Oklahoma	4	8	.333	500	645
Houston	3	9	.250	609	653

National Conference
Eastern Division

	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	6	5	.545	543	586
Carolina	6	5	.545	602	505
New York	5	6	.455	664	649
Toronto	5	6	.455	524	585
New Jersey	1	10	.091	395	538

Southern Division

	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Tampa Bay	8	3	.727	608	480
Nashville	8	4	.667	639	485
Orlando	7	4	.636	540	479
Florida	4	7	.364	521	570

Sunday's Game
Orlando 46, Tampa Bay 38
Friday's Game
Toronto at Buffalo, 7 p.m.

Major League Baseball Results

NL Boxes

ASTROS 6, BREWERS 1

HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi	MILWAUKEE	ab	r	h	bi
Biggio 2b	4	1	2	1	JMoutn cf	3	0	2	0
JVzcno ss	4	1	1	0	Loretta ss	4	0	1	0
Bgwell 1b	5	0	1	2	Huston 3b	4	0	1	0
Brkmn lf	3	1	1	0	Sexson 1b	3	1	0	0
Alou rf	5	0	2	3	Echvrr lf	4	0	1	0
Hidalgo cf	3	0	0	0	Lskanic p	0	0	0	0
Castilla 3b	3	0	1	0	RPerez rf	4	0	0	0
Asmus c	3	2	1	0	Billard 2b	4	0	1	1
WMillr p	2	0	0	0	Blanco c	3	0	1	0
DWard ph	1	1	1	0	Rigdon p	0	0	0	0
Dotel p	0	0	0	0	Buddie p	1	0	0	0
					LLopez ph	1	0	0	0
					CFox p	0	0	0	0
					Wthers p	0	0	0	0
					DWhite ph	1	0	0	0
					DeJean p	0	0	0	0
					JHrndz lf	1	0	0	0
Totals	33	6	10	6	Totals	33	1	7	1

Houston	004	000	020	—	6
Milwaukee	000	001	000	—	1

DP—Houston 1, Milwaukee 1. LOB—Houston 11, Milwaukee 8. 2B—Alou (17), Castilla (13), Ausmus (12), DWard (10), Blanco (9). SB—JVizcaino (3). CS—Berkman (5). S—WMiller.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
WMiller W,10-3	7	7	1	1	2	8
Dotel	2	0	0	0	1	3
Milwaukee						
Rigdon L,3-5	2 2-3	6	4	4	3	1
Buddie	2 1-3	2	0	0	3	2
CFox	1	0	0	0	0	1
Weathers	1	0	0	0	1	0
DeJean	1	2	2	2	2	1
Leskanic	1	0	0	0	1	1

T—3:08. A—38,485 (42,500).

GIANTS 5, CARDINALS 4

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRAN	ab	r	h	bi
Vina 2b	3	1	1	1	CMurry cf	5	1	2	3
Pianco ss	4	0	2	1	Aurilia ss	5	0	1	0
Edmnd cf	3	0	0	1	Bonds lf	1	0	1	0
McGwr 1b	4	0	0	0	Kent 2b	4	0	0	0
Lnkfrd lf	4	0	0	0	BSntgo c	4	1	1	0
Pquette 3b	3	1	1	0	DMinor 1b	2	0	1	0
Clapp ph	1	0	0	0	EDavis rf	4	1	1	0
Rbnson rf	4	1	2	0	REMtz 3b	4	1	2	1
Mtheny c	3	1	2	1	Grdner p	0	0	0	0
ACBens p	0	0	0	0	Zerbe p	2	1	1	1
Stchscl p	1	0	0	0	LHrndz ph	1	0	0	0
Chrstns p	0	0	0	0	Worrell p	0	0	0	0
Bonilla ph	1	0	0	0	FARigz p	0	0	0	0
MMthw p	0	0	0	0	Crespo ph	0	0	0	0
MJams p	0	0	0	0	Nen p	0	0	0	0
Veres p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	31	4	8	4	Totals	32	5	10	5

St. Louis	130	000	000	—	4
San Francisco	050	000	00x	—	5

DP—San Francisco 1. LOB—St. Louis 3, San Francisco 9. 2B—Vina (16), Matheny (7), Aurilia (24), Bonds (14), DMinor (1), EDavis (4). HR—CMurray (4). CS—CMurray (4). S—ACBenes, Crespo. SF—Vina, Edmonds.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
ACBenes L,6-6	2 1-3	6	5	5	[illegible]	
Stechschulte	2 2-3	1	0	0	2	1
Christiansen	1	1	0	0	0	2
MMatthews	0	1	0	0	0	0
MJames	1	0	0	0	1	2
Veres	1	1	0	0	0	0
San Francisco						
Gardner	1 2-3	6	4	4	0	1
Zerbe W,2-0	4 1-3	1	0	0	0	5
Worrell	1	1	0	0	0	0
FARodriguez	1	0	0	0	0	3
Nen S,25	1	0	0	0	0	0

MMatthews pitched to 1 batter in the 7th. T—2:42. A—41,705 (41,341).

DODGERS 8, PADRES 0

LOS ANGELES	ab	r	h	bi	SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi
Lo Dca c	5	0	0	0	Hndrsn lf	3	0	0	0
Grdzln 2b	4	1	2	0	SPerez lf	0	0	0	0
Shffield lf	5	1	1	0	Darr cf	4	0	1	0
Godwin lf	0	0	0	0	Klesko 1b	3	0	1	0
SGreen rf	4	2	2	1	AArias 3b	1	0	0	0
Bcchca rf	0	0	0	0	Nevin 3b	3	0	0	0
Karros 1b	5	2	1	2	Crespo ss	1	0	0	0
Dnnls 1b	0	0	0	0	Trmmll rf	2	0	0	0
Beltre 3b	4	0	1	1	BDavis c	2	0	1	0
Grssom cf	4	2	3	3	RMyrs p	0	0	0	0
Bogar ss	1	0	0	0	Mgdan 1b	2	0	0	0
Reblet ss	2	0	1	1	DJcksn 2b	4	0	1	0
KBrwn p	3	0	0	0	DJimnz ss	3	0	0	0
AReyes p	1	0	0	0	Lwrnce p	0	0	0	0
					BJJons p	1	0	0	0
					RWilkns c	1	0	0	0
Totals	38	8	11	8	Totals	30	0	4	0

Los Angeles	030	003	200	—	8
San Diego	000	000	000	—	0

E—AArias (3), Nevin (18). DP—Los Angeles 1. LOB—Los Angeles 6, San Diego 7. 2B—Grudzielanek (10), Sheffield (7), SGreen (18), Grissom (10), DJackson (11). HR—Karros (8), Grissom (15). SF—SGreen.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
KBrown W,7-3	6	3	0	0	1	4
AReyes S,1	3	1	0	0	3	5
San Diego						
BJJones L,4-11	5 1-3	7	6	5	2	3
RMyers	1 2-3	4	2	2	0	1
Lawrence	2	0	0	0	0	0

WP—BJJones. RMyers. T—2:46. A—27,401 (46,510).

EXPOS 9, PIRATES 3

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi
ANunez 2b	5	0	2	0	Brgron cf	4	2	1	1
JWilson ss	3	1	1	0	Vidro 2b	5	1	2	0
Kendall c	4	1	1	0	VGrero rf	3	1	1	5
Marte p	0	0	0	0	OCabra ss	4	0	0	0
Olvares p	0	0	0	0	Stevns 1b	3	1	1	0
BGiles cf	4	1	2	1	Barrett c	4	0	2	0
ARmrz 3b	4	0	0	1	MSmith lf	3	1	2	1
Vn Wal 1b	2	0	0	1	Mrdcai 3b	3	2	1	0
Mckwk lf	3	0	1	0	Thrmn p	1	0	0	0
CAWlsn lf	1	0	0	0	Blum ph	1	1	0	1
DeBell rf	3	0	0	0	Strckln p	0	0	0	0
JAndsn p	1	0	0	0	Stewrt p	0	0	0	0
Lincln p	1	0	0	0	Schndr ph	1	0	0	0
EBrwn ph	1	0	0	0	Yoshii p	0	0	0	0
Loiselle p	0	0	0	0					
Osik c	1	0	0	0					
Totals	33	3	7	3	Totals	32	9	10	8

Pittsburgh	003	000	000	—	3
Montreal	005	004	00x	—	9

DP—Pittsburgh 1. LOB—Pittsburgh 7, Montreal 5. 2B—BGiles (26), Mackowiak (8), Barrett (15), MSmith (4). HR—VGuerrero (19). SB—ARamirez (3). S—JWilson, Thurman. SF—Vander Wal.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
JAnderson L,4-8	2 2-3	7	5	5	2	0
Lincoln	2 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Loiselle	1	3	4	4	1	0
Marte	1	0	0	0	1	2
Olivares	1	0	0	0	0	0
Montreal						
Thurman W,4-5	6	6	3	3	2	3
Strickland	1	1	0	0	0	2
Stewart	1	0	0	0	0	2
Yoshii	1	0	0	0	0	1

HBP—by Lincoln (VGuerrero). WP—Loiselle. PB—Kendall. T—3:06. A—6,631 (46,620).

PHILLIES 8, MARLINS 1

FLORIDA	ab	r	h	bi	PHILA	ab	r	h	bi
Berg 2b	4	0	1	0	Glnville cf	5	2	3	0
Owens rf	4	0	0	0	Rollins ss	5	0	2	3
Floyd lf	4	0	1	0	Abreu rf	4	1	1	2
Lowell 3b	3	0	1	0	Rolen 3b	5	1	2	1
DLLee 1b	4	0	0	0	TLee 1b	4	0	2	1
PWilsn cf	2	0	0	0	Burrell lf	4	0	1	1
Mabry rf	2	0	1	0	MOAsn 2b	4	0	0	0
CJhnsn c	3	1	2	1	Estrda c	4	2	2	0
AGnzlz ss	3	0	1	0	Fgeroa p	2	1	0	0
Penny p	1	0	0	0	JSntigo p	0	0	0	0
Millar ph	1	0	0	0	TWard ph	1	1	1	0
Almnza p	0	0	0	0	Gomes p	0	0	0	0
Looper p	0	0	0	0					
Alfnsca p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	31	1	7	1	Totals	38	8	14	8

Florida	010	000	000	—	1
Philadelphia	000	102	23x	—	8

E—CJohnson (2). DP—Philadelphia 1. LOB—Florida 5, Philadelphia 9. 2B—Floyd (21), Mabry (3), Rolen (23), TLee (18). HR—CJohnson (15). SB—Glanville (15). S—Penny.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Florida						
Penny L,7-2	6	6	3	3	1	5
Almanza	1-3	3	2	2	1	1
Looper	2-3	0	0	0	1	1
Alfonseca	1	5	3	3	0	1
Philadelphia						
Figueroa W,1-0	7	6	1	1	1	5
JSantiago	1	1	0	0	0	0
Gomes	1	0	0	0	0	1

T—2:28. A—20,078 (62,418).

CUBS 2, REDS 1

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	bi
CPttson cf	4	0	0	0	Ochoa rf	5	0	1	0
Mth Jr. cf	0	0	0	0	DYong lf	5	0	1	0
Cairo 2b	4	0	2	1	Grf Jr cf	4	0	0	0
SSosa rf	3	0	0	0	Casey 1b	4	0	0	0
Stairs 1b	4	0	1	0	ABoon 3b	4	1	2	0
Coomer 3b	4	0	0	0	BSelby 2b	4	0	2	1
Ojeda 2b	0	0	0	0	LaRue c	4	0	0	0
Gtrrez ss	4	0	0	0	JCastro ss	3	0	0	0
Dnwdy lf	3	1	1	0	Ritsma p	2	0	0	0
Girardi c	4	1	3	1	Tucker ph	1	0	0	0
Lieber p	1	0	0	0	Sllivan p	0	0	0	0
Fssero p	0	0	0	0	Graves p	0	0	0	0
Frnswr p	0	0	0	0	BClark ph	0	0	0	0
RBrwn ph	1	0	0	0	Reese pr	0	0	0	0
Gordon p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	32	2	7	2	Totals	36	1	6	1

Chicago	000	020	000	—	2
Cincinnati	000	100	000	—	1

E—Cairo (4), Stairs (3), Gutierrez (9). LOB—Chicago 7, Cincinnati 10. 2B—Cairo (2), Dunwoody (4), ABoone (11), BSelby (7). S—Lieber 2.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Lieber W,10-4	5 2-3	6	1	1	1	4
Fassero	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Farnsworth	1	0	0	0	0	1
Gordon S,14	1	0	0	0	1	2
Cincinnati						
Reitsma L,4-7	6	7	2	2	2	3
Sullivan	2	0	0	0	0	4
Graves	1	0	0	0	0	0

T—2:38. A—28,033 (39,800).

DIAMONDBACKS 5, ROCKIES 4

COLORADO	ab	r	h	bi	ARIZONA	ab	r	h	bi
Pierre cf	6	1	3	0	Spivey 2b	5	0	1	1
NPerez ss	6	0	0	0	JBell 3b	4	0	1	0
Cirillo 3b	5	1	1	0	LGnzlz lf	5	1	1	0
Helton 1b	5	0	2	1	Butista cf	5	2	3	0
Petrick c	4	0	0	1	MEGrc 1b	6	0	2	3
Gant lf	3	0	1	0	RSndrs rf	5	1	1	1
LWalkr rf	1	0	0	0	Wmack ss	2	1	1	0
Brmbg rf	3	1	1	1	DMiller ph	1	0	0	0
Norton lf	2	0	0	0	Cunsell ss	1	0	0	0
Shmprt 2b	2	0	0	0	Moeller c	5	0	0	0
TWalkr 2b	3	0	0	0	BJAdsn p	2	0	0	0
Hmptn p	3	1	1	1	Dllucci ph	1	0	1	0
JWPwll p	0	0	0	0	MBtsta p	0	0	0	0
JaCruz ph	1	0	0	0	Brhawn p	0	0	0	0
Acvedo p	0	0	0	0	Durazo ph	1	0	0	0
MMyrs p	0	0	0	0	BKim p	0	0	0	0
JJimnz p	0	0	0	0	Conti ph	0	0	0	0
Kschnk ph	1	0	0	0	Prinz p	0	0	0	0
GWhite p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	45	4	9	4	Totals	43	5	11	5

Colorado	000	210	010	000	0	—	4
Arizona	210	000	010	000	1	—	5

No outs when winning run scored. DP—Colorado 2, Arizona 1. LOB—Colorado 4, Arizona 10. 2B—Helton 2 (29), MEGrace 2 (17). HR—Brumbaugh (1), Hampton (6), RSanders (19). SB—Pierre (21), Womack (18). CS—Pierre (8), Bautista (2). S—Spivey. SF—Petrick.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Colorado						
Hampton	8	10	4	4	2	2
JWPowell	1	0	0	0	0	2
Acevedo	2-3	0	0	0	1	0
MMyers	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
JJimenez	2	0	0	0	3	2
GWhite L,1-6	0	1	1	1	0	0
Arizona						
BJAnderson	7	5	3	3	0	3
MBatista	1	2	1	1	0	0
Brohawn	1	0	0	0	0	1
BKim	3	1	0	0	1	5
Prinz W,3-0	1	1	0	0	0	0

GWhite pitched to 1 batter in the 13th. HBP—by Hampton (Womack). T—3:45. A—31,999 (48,500).

METS 2, BRAVES 1

NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi	ATLANTA	ab	r	h	bi
McEwg lf	4	0	2	0	Furcal ss	3	1	0	0
TiPerez rf	4	0	1	0	Lckhrt 2b	4	0	0	0
Vntura 3b	4	1	2	1	AJones cf	4	0	2	1
Zeile 1b	3	0	1	0	CJones 3b	3	0	0	0
Payton cf	4	0	0	0	BJordn rf	4	0	0	0
Rlaford 2b	3	1	0	0	Surhoff lf	4	0	1	0
Pratt c	2	0	0	0	JLopez c	2	0	0	0
ROrdnz ss	4	0	0	0	Brogna 1b	3	0	0	0
Appier p	3	0	0	1	Burkett p	1	0	0	0
LHarrs ph	1	0	0	0	QVeras ph	1	0	1	0
Benitez p	0	0	0	0	Rmingr p	0	0	0	0
					SReed p	0	0	0	0
					DMrtnz ph	1	0	0	0
					JsCbra p	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	2	6	2	Totals	30	1	4	1

New York	010	001	000	—	2
Atlanta	000	000	001	—	1

DP—New York 1. LOB—New York 7, Atlanta 5. HR—Ventura (17). SB—Relaford 2 (7). CS—McEwing (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
New York						
Appier W,5-8	8	3	0	0	0	6
Benitez S,16	1	1	1	1	2	0
Atlanta						
Burkett L,6-6	6	6	2	2	3	7
Remlinger	1	0	0	0	0	1
SReed	1	0	0	0	1	2
JosCabrera	1	0	0	0	0	2

HBP—by Appier (JLopez). WP—Benitez. T—3:03. A—37,516 (49,714).

AL Boxes

RANGERS 3, ATHLETICS 1

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Damon cf	4	0	1	0	Porter lf	4	1	1	3
Mnchno 2b	2	0	1	0	IRdrgz c	1	0	0	0
JeGmb dh	3	0	0	0	Hslman c	3	0	1	0
Saenz dh	1	0	0	0	ARdrgz ss	4	0	0	0
JaGmb 1b	4	0	2	0	RPlmo dh	3	0	1	0
Tejada ss	4	0	1	0	Sierra rf	3	0	0	0
Long rf	3	0	1	0	Ledee rf	0	0	0	0
EChavz 3b	4	1	1	0	Glrrga 1b	3	0	2	0
GMyrs c	4	0	1	0	Kapler cf	3	1	1	0
McMlln lf	2	0	1	1	Sheldn 3b	3	0	0	0
Byrnes lf	0	0	0	0	MYong 2b	3	1	0	0
Bilhorn ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	32	1	9	1	Totals	30	3	6	3

Oakland	000	010	000	—	1
Texas	000	000	03x	—	3

DP—Texas 3. LOB—Oakland 8, Texas 3. 2B—Damon (16), JaGiambi (25), Long (16), EChavez (24), McMillon (2), RPalmeiro (18), Galarraga (13). HR—Porter (1). SF—McMillon.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Mulder L,8-6	7 2-3	6	3	3	0	6
Mecir	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Texas						
Helling	6 2-3	6	1	1	3	1
Venafro W,2-2	1 1-3	1	0

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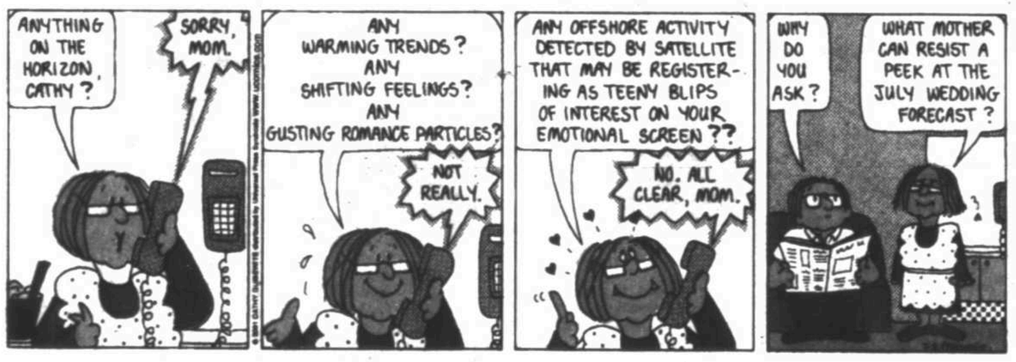
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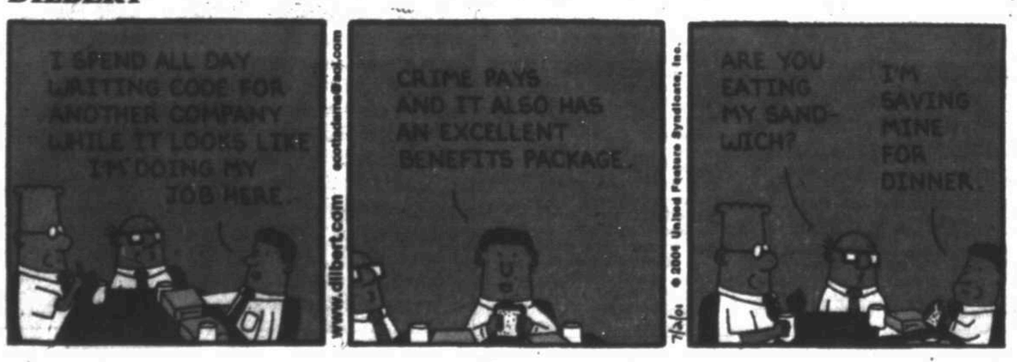
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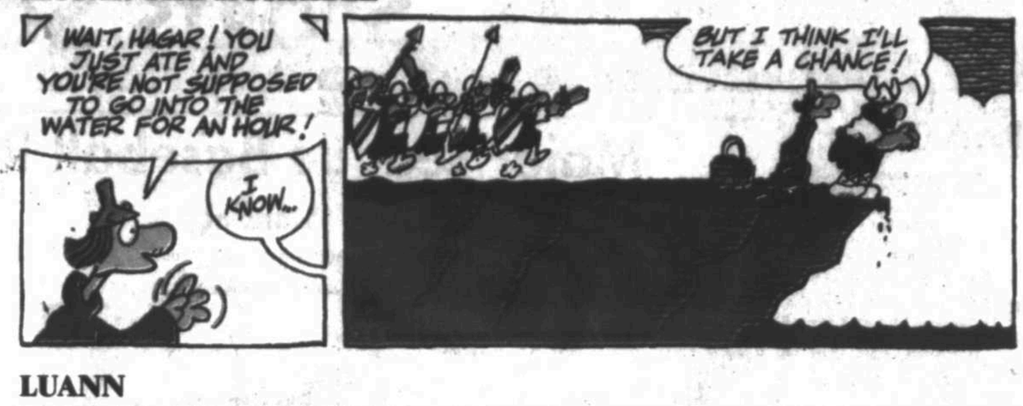
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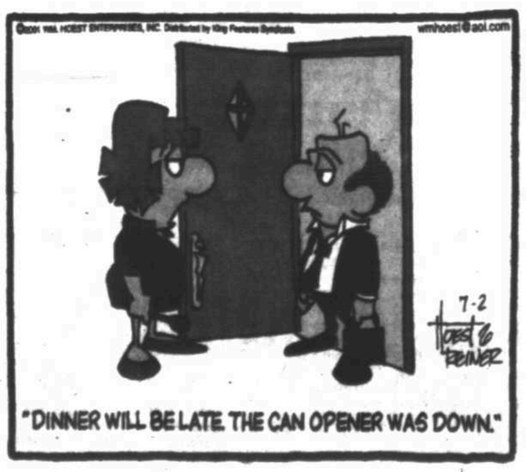
"Try pumping the brakes!"

DENNIS THE MENACE



"NO, THAT WAS NOT TURBULENCE... IT WAS A POT-HOLE."

LOCKHORNS



"DINNER WILL BE LATE. THE CAN OPENER WAS DOWN."

FAMILY CIRCUS



"I'll never be as good as Venus Williams. I don't have a sister to practice with."

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

O.J. Simpson says he's a dedicated father, women come second

NEW YORK — **O.J. Simpson** says he is entirely dedicated to his children, but he had to relearn how to be a father after his acquittal seven years ago of the murders of Nicole Brown, his ex-wife, and her friend, Ron Goldman.

"As a father, I was just a disciplinarian before, and now I'm everything to my kids. People ask me what's the hardest thing for me, and I tell them I was always a great dad but I'm a horrible mom," he said in the July 9 edition of The New Yorker.

Instead of being treated as a pariah after the sensational trial, Simpson says he gets nothing but love.

"I never got hugs before. Now the public shows me so much love. Women are my biggest defenders. It's that bad-boy syndrome. Now girls chase me," he said.

But he says he is in no hurry to find a new woman in his life.

"If a girl wants to be with me, I tell them they have to be No. 3 behind my kids," he said. "I mean, I like gorgeous girls, but I can't walk around naked around my house or jump in the pool with a friend because of my kids."

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LOS ANGELES, — Comedian **Ellen DeGeneres** has sold her home in Ojai so she can stay closer to Los Angeles to work on upcoming projects.

The sale price of the 4,000-square-foot home was not disclosed, but DeGeneres, 42, who once shared the house with actress Anne Heche, her former companion, listed the property at $2.75 million, the Los Angeles Times reported Sunday.

The house — described as similar to a French farmhouse — was built in the 1940s and sits on approximately 10 acres with avocado and citrus orchards and a pool.

DeGeneres is concentrating on preparations to host the 53rd Primetime Emmy Awards, which is scheduled to air on Sept. 16.

The former star of "Ellen" also is starring in and producing a sitcom that will premiere this fall on CBS. "The Ellen Show" is about an Internet executive who leaves the stresses of big-city life and moves back to her hometown.

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CHICAGO — It must have been obvious that **Bill Murray** and his sister would take divergent career paths when, as an altar boy, the future funny man was booted out of Mass for wearing gym shoes.

Nancy Murray is now an Adrian Dominican nun.

While her irreverent brother was sailing along as master of ceremonies at the Benedictine Sisters of Chicago testimonial dinner last week, another nun confronted him with the gym shoes tale and a few other embarrassing stories about the comedian's childhood.

It wasn't a real nun but Mary McHale, who plays "Sister" in the play "Late Night Catechism." She said her source of information was Nancy Murray.

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NEW IBERIA, La. — **Mickey Rooney** sampled Cajun hospitality, then let loose with his octogenarian charm at the Louisiana Sugar Cane Festival.

The 80-year-old actor and wife Jan Chamberlain toured the Tabasco factory and sampled the local cuisine before entertaining a crowd of 700.

Rooney showed a brief film of highlights from his acting career, then talked about old times, cracked jokes and sang, sometimes alone and sometimes with his wife.

"He really is fun to watch and is very entertaining," audience member Chad Courtois said during Friday's performance.

The couple said the Cajun hospitality and food made the visit special.

"We really had a good time in South Acadiana, we enjoyed it," Rooney said in a quick pre-show interview.

"More than we're supposed to," Chamberlin added.

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LOS ANGELES — **James Madio** was 13 when he played one of the "Lost Boys" in Steven Spielberg's film "Hook."

Now 23, he is reunited with the director in an HBO miniseries about the true story of the U.S. Army unit that captured Hitler's Eagle's Nest compound.

Madio plays Frank Perconte, a member of the 101st Airborne Division, in "Band of Brothers."

"We're a lot alike," Madio says of Perconte, a World War II veteran with whom he shares a resemblance and a new friendship.

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

TV TONIGHT

MONDAY EVENING — JULY 2, 2001

For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

Broadcast	O	C	B	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) KMID	2	3	2	News CC 69	Wheel of Fortune 21	20/20 Downtown CC 7579		Unwed Father ('97) Brian Austin Green. A college student must raise his infant son alone. (TVPG) 9753				News 2937937	Nightline (N) 52874444	Politically 7390043	(:36) Cheers 1089531
(5) KPEJ	24	5	3	Cosby ⋂ CC 12043	Suddenly 16145	Boston Public "Chapter Eleven" 'PG' CC 28289		Ally McBeal "Reach Out and Touch" ⋂ '14' 37937		Arrest & Trial 80531	Nanny ⋂ CC 56647	Blind Date 40598	Jerry Springer '14' CC 175550	Spin City ⋂ CC 59821	
(7) KOSA	7	7	7	News 2685	Ent. Tonight 3937	King 7024	Yes, Dear CC 2821	Raymond 3444	Becker ⋂ CC 2579	48 Hours "Something Wild" ⋂ CC 17531		News 6061735	(:35) Late Show ⋂ 'PG' CC 17056579		Late Late 5637258
(9) KWES	9	9	9	News 9579	Seinfeld ⋂ CC 3531	Fear Factor ⋂ (PA) '14' CC 6l463		Weakest Link ⋂ 'G' CC 73111		Third Watch "True Love" ⋂ '14' CC 60647		News 5830385	Wimbledon 48823024	(10:50) Tonight Show ⋂ '14' CC 63471463	
(12) KMLM	42	12	19	Update With 33173	John Hagee 57753	Light of the Southwest (Live) 82685				Hour of Healing ⋂ 21519		Update With 28314	Sam Peak 68014	Promise 70192	Church 51227
(13) KQCV	36	13		Newshour With Jim Lehrer CC 398260		Antiques Roadshow ⋂ (Part 3 of 3) CC 889937		Chasing the Sun "Heroes & Daredevils" 'G' 898685		American Experience "Lindbergh" 'G' 878821		BBC World 694956	Healthweek 'G' 670376	Newshour With Jim Lehrer CC 847111	
(10) WGN		10		Family Matters 809647	Suddenly 823227	No One Cries Forever ('85) ★½ Elke Sommer. Love blossoms in a wildlife preserve in Africa. 241869				News ⋂ CC 344395		In the Heat of the Night ⋂ CC 347482		Matlock "The Secret" ⋂ (Part 1 of 2) CC 230753	
(11) WTBS		11	11	Fresh Pr. 687531	Fresh Pr. 601111	Dumb & Dumber (PG-13, '94) ★★ Jim Carrey, Jeff Daniels, Lauren Holly. 915753				Groundhog Day (PG, '93) ★★½ Bill Murray, Andie MacDowell, Chris Elliott. (TVPG) 8530043				Wargames (:05) (PG, '83) ★★★ 7243173	
(18) UNI		42	13	Carita de Angel 35192		Abrázame Muy Fuerte 19579		Por un Beso 26227		Cristina: Edición Especial 21573		Primer Impacto 91260	Noticiero Univ. 17208	El Super Blablazo 84043	
(20) DISC		20	26	Wild Discovery "Hotel Iguana" (N) 'G' 950024		Deadly Reptiles -- Nigel's Wild, Wild World 427111		Fireworks: An Explosive Story (N) 'G' 403531		Fireworks! 'G' 423395		Justice Files "Murder One" CC 426482		Deadly Reptiles -- Nigel's Wild, Wild World 476647	
(21) AMC		21	31	Three Stooges 6654685		A Shot in the Dark (:15) ★★★½ CC 24464869				Backstory	Crash Dive ('43) ★★★ Tyrone Power. 733579			Shot in Dark	
(22) TNN		22	35	Martial Law CC 165840		Miami Vice 623289		WWF Raw ⋂ '14' 632937		WWF War Zone 1463289		Bull Riding 8069956		(:07) Miami Vice 4207024	
(23) TNT		23	28	Tennis 158550		Bram Stoker's Dracula (R, '92) ★★★ Gary Oldman. 943647					Mary Shelley's Frankenstein (R, '94) ★★½ 681395				
(24) CNN		28	22	Moneyline	Crossfire (N)	Wolf Blitzer	The Point	Larry King Live 713537		Tonight	Greenfield	Sports	Moneyline	Larry King Live 410983	
(26) BET		26	33	106 & Park	BET.com	Ray Alexander: A Taste for Justice ★★ 861647				Comicview 964173		BET News	BET Tonight	Midnight Love 850531	
(27) DISN		27	41	Charlotte's Web (G, '73) ★★★ Voices of Debbie Reynolds. 4181937			Miracle in Lane 2 (:45) ('00) Frankie Muniz, Patrick Levis, Rick Rossovich. (TVG) CC 95635753				The Neverending Story (:25) ('84) ★★★ Noah Hathaway. CC 27368024			(:10) Zorro 72332956	Mickey 25922208
(28) ESPN2		63		RPM 2Night	NFL 2Night	Cycling: Dirt	Auto Racing	PWBA Bowling 9900734		Billiards: WPBA 9920598		MLS Extra Time 9923685		NFL 2Night	RPM 2Night
(29) ESPN		29	30	Sportscentury: Arthur Ashe (N) 303192		WNBA Basketball Detroit Shock at New York Liberty. From Madison Square Garden in New York. 823531				Baseball Tonight (N) CC 883753		Sportscenter CC 886840		Baseball Tonight (N) CC 852043	
(30) USA		30	38	JAG "For the Good of the Service" ⋂ '14' 598208		Nash Bridges "Zodiac" ⋂ '14' CC 4l8145		Private Parts (R, '97) ★★★ Howard Stern. Radio's Howard Stern becomes king of the New York airwaves. ⋂ CC 604666					Martin CC 856734	Baywatch "Second Time Around" ⋂ 'PG' 315799	
(31) FX		31		NYPD Blue ⋂ CC 4106937			M*A*S*H	Weekend at Bernie's (PG-13, '89) ★★ 4357579				Test	In Color	X-Files ⋂ CC 9141376	
(32) A&E		32	25	Law & Order CC 945192		Biography "Paul Lynde: Off Center" 'G' 429579		100 Centre Street CC 438227		100 Centre Street CC 418463		Law & Order "Bad Girl" 'PG' CC 411550		Biography "Paul Lynde: Off Center" 'G' 494043	
(33) TLC		33	21	Killing Time '14' 167208		Junkyard Wars "Wind Mill" 'G' 641685		Legal Action "He Said, She Said" (N) '14' 627005		Legal Action "Dead Men Don't Talk" (N) 647869		Junkyard Wars "Wind Mill" 'G' 640956		Legal Action "He Said, She Said" '14' 609869	
(34) NICK		34	37	Hey Arnold! 'Y' 993579	Rugrats ⋂ 'Y' 977531	Spongebob Sq. 258918	U Pick 906043	I Love Lucy ⋂ 267666	I Love Lucy ⋂ 246173	I Love Lucy ⋂ 794395	I Love Lucy ⋂ 953111	I Love Lucy ⋂ 214734	I Love Lucy ⋂ 223482	I Love Lucy ⋂ 799840	I Love Lucy ⋂ 747647
(36) LIFE		36	40	Intimate Portrait "Jasmine Guy" (N) 'G' CC 134024		Unsolved Mysteries ⋂ CC 777753		Victim of Love: The Shannon Mohr Story ('93) Dwight Schultz, Bonnie Bartlett. CC 764289				Golden Girls ⋂ 490192	Golden Girls ⋂ 409640	Designing 319640	Designing 923005
(39) OUTDR		39		Hunting 6069531	Sportsman 6083111	Yachting 8487753	Splash TV (N) 6089395	Endless Summer Revisited (N) 1359579			Frenzy 8002043	Yachting 5170598	Splash TV 5156918	Endless Summer Revisited 3762111	
(43) FSN		43	29	Totally NASCAR 58821	Baseball 49173	SW Sports 13260	Major League Baseball Seattle Mariners at Texas Rangers. From the Ballpark in Arlington, Texas. (Live) 184734						SW Sports Rpt. 88734	You-See This! 54192	Last Word 69685
(44) COM		44		Daily Show 9112840	Ben Stein 9103192	Whose? 1493208	Whose? 9109376	Whose? 1402956	Whose? 1481463	Presents 4431314	Presents 7426918	Daily Show 9689192	Saturday Night Live 'PG' CC 4953579		That's My 9960395
(45) CNBC	8	27		Business Center 1700444		Hardball 6378005		Rivera Live 6387753		Brian Williams 6374289		Hardball 6377376		Rivera Live 5814024	
(46) ANIM		46		Animal	Animals	Cat Diary	Parklife	Lions of Phinda 'G' 84869		Buffalo-African 64005		Cat Diary	Parklife	Lions of Phinda 'G' 33395	
(47) E!		47		Homes	News Daily	Scandals	Scandals	True H'wood 533227		Celebrity Profile 513463		Howard S.	Howard S.	Talk Soup	Wild On
(48) TVL		48	24	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Love Boat 5742956		Leave	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Get Smart	Barney M	Hogan	Emergency! 3722918	
(49) ODY		49		Rescue 911	Rescue 911	Medicine Woman 614531		A Message From Holly ('92) ★★½ 634395				Rescue 911	Rescue 911	Young Riders ⋂ 605043	
(50) HGTV		50	42	Old House	BeforAftr	Homes-Heritge 8565869		Home	Country	If Walls	Modern	Homes-Heritge 8557840		Home	Country
(51) MSNBC		51		Newsfront CC 2121840		Investigates 4368685		Brian Williams 4344005		Headliners 4364869		Investigates 4367956		Brian Williams 9149818	
(52) TELE		52		Amantes-Des. 703024		La Baby Sitter 346753		Cara'o Cruz 322173		Fuerza-Deseo 342937		Noticiero	Laura en América 432444	Xica 739686	
(54) FAM		14	6	Au Pair II ('01) Gregory Harrison. ⋂ (TVG) 789598				Stats	State	Freaks-Geeks 760463		700 Club CC 763550		Boss?	Boss?
(58) FOOD		59		Cooking Live		Emeril Live		Mario Eats	Best Of	Calling	Food Finds	Emeril Live		Mario Eats	Best Of
(59) TOON		60		Scooby	Courage	Ed, Edd	Powerpuff	Dexter	Bravo	Flintstones	Scooby Doo	Bugs	Tom Jerry	Dragon-Z	Dragon-Z
(61) TCM		61		Jeopardy (5:46) 71578598		Maisie ('39) ★★½ CC 8900531			Congo Maisie ('40) ★★ 6167260			Gold Rush Maisie ★½ 9343531			Maisie-Lady
(62) HIST		62	32	China Beach 5753869		This Week-Hist 5744314		Raise the Monitor! 'G' CC 5724550				Most 'G' CC 5743685		This Week-Hist 3724376	
(63) BRAV		24		St. Elsewhere 718956		The Lemon Sisters (PG-13, '89) ★★ 247043			Cold Feet 'PG' 357869			The Lemon Sisters (PG-13, '89) ★★ 611579			
(64) SCIFI		64	39	Babylon 5 CC 9502005		Crossing	Crossing	Asteroid ('97) ★★ (TVPG) CC 9685802				Crypt Tales	Crypt Tales	Quantum Leap 9008260	
(53) PLEX				How to Save a Marriage and Ruin Your Life (:10) (NR, '68) ★★★ Dean Martin. CC 63920208				Crossings (Part 1 of 3) CC 3234208		(:35) Crossings (Part 2 of 3) CC 70858802				(:10) Crossings (Part 3 of 3) CC 95097821	
(65) FLIX		65		Movers and Shakers (5:30) ★★½ 9551994		Where the River Runs Black (PG, '86) ★★½ Charles Durning, Alessandro Rabelo. ⋂ 3731686				Punchline (R, '88) ★★½ Sally Field, Tom Hanks, John Goodman. ⋂ CC 11933685				Red-Headed Stranger (:05) ★★ CC 15024424	
(66) SHOW		66	20	Felicia's Journey (5:00) ('99) ★★★ 867840		Slow Burn (R, '00) Minnie Driver, James Spader. ITV. ⋂ CC 1801937			Extras 11899111	Chris Isaak "Behind the Isaak" 'MA' 513799		Risky Business (R, '83) ★★★ Tom Cruise. ITV. ⋂ CC 8441647		The Nephew 23714956	
(67) TMC		67	16	In Too Deep (:15) (R, '99) ★★½ Omar Epps, LL Cool J, Nia Long. ⋂ CC 61938173				I'm Gonna Git You Sucka ('88) ★★½ Keenen Ivory Wayans. 682227		eXistenZ (R, '99) ★★★ Jennifer Jason Leigh. ⋂ CC 2742395				Dead of Night (:15) ('99) ★★ 76235666	
(68) HBO		68	15	Wild Grizzly (5:15) ('99) ★★ 93430024		Chicken Run (G, '00) ★★★ Voices of Mel Gibson. ⋂ CC 582208			The Whole Nine Yards (:45) (R, '00) ★★½ Bruce Willis, Matthew Perry. ⋂ CC 32309314				Wall Street (R, '87) ★★★ Michael Douglas. ⋂ CC 2059444		
(69) HBOP		69		Deep Blue Sea (5:15) ★★½ ⋂ CC 78724579		One Good Cop (R, '91) ★★★ Michael Keaton, Rene Russo, Anthony LaPaglia. ⋂ CC 8771937			Sex & City 6968840	Artiss CC 5963918		Six Feet Under "An Open Book" ⋂ 'MA' 5111869		Gladiator ('00) ★★★ Russell Crowe. 27139049	
(70) HBOS		70		Miss Evers' Boys (PG, '97) ★★★½ Alfre Woodard, Laurence Fishburne. ⋂ (TV14) CC 5188531				A Month by the Lake (PG, '95) ★★ Vanessa Redgrave. ⋂ 6927276		Jefferson in Paris (PG-13, '95) ★★★ Nick Nolte. Romantic troubles arise for Ambassador Thomas Jefferson. ⋂ 47191173					
(71) MAX		71		Jagged Edge (5:00) ('85) ★★½ 412314		Where the Heart Is (PG-13, '00) ★★ Natalie Portman, Ashley Judd. ⋂ CC 656821			House on Haunted Hill (R, '99) ★½ Geoffrey Rush. ⋂ CC 4859289					Sex at Students.edu (:35) (NR, '00) Mia, Regina Russell. ⋂ CC 39282096	
(72) MAX2		72		Bear (5:05) 95071227	The Suburbans (R, '99) ★½ Craig Bierko. ⋂ CC 7450260			Goodbye Lover (R, '98) ★★ Patricia Arquette. ⋂ CC 1183376		Switchback (:45) (R, '97) ★½ Dennis Quaid, Danny Glover, Jared Leto. ⋂ CC 5816395				Guns (:45) 68799463	

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, July 2, 2001

Your day-to-day life dominates the year, and you might have difficulty seeing the whole picture. Take time to pull back and think about trends, goals and directions. A partner has strong intuition about what you need. Your instincts will help you please this person. Together you'll gain financially. If you are single, you will meet someone in the next year through work or your day-to-day activities. If you are attached, include a loved one much more in your thinking and plans. Learn to nurture each other more. SAGITTARIUS knows how to get you off your duff!

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ What seems like a downright wonderful idea sinks into the mire before you know it. Detach. Don't get triggered by someone and how he handles situations. You will find answers. Break past present patterns in thinking. Tonight: Get into a computer game or a good book.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ A boss or associate means well. Listen to this person's brainy scheme, and you might want to run with it. Play devil's advocate, though. Be wary of how you use your personal funds. A mistake could cost more than you realize. Tonight: Be nice to a grumpy associate.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ News might have you skipping, yet you find that you could stumble because of negativity or an unanticipated problem. If you're feeling out of sorts, pull back and do some thinking. Trust in your ability to find a solution. Brainstorm with someone. Tonight: Accept a dinner invitation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Understand what a partner or associate is really offering. You don't want to get involved in a situation that could cause you unnecessary work and would just drag you down. Seek out solutions tomorrow, when you feel more up to snuff. Get exercise at lunch. Tonight: Early to bed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Let creativity surge, and add new ideas to the mix. You do understand that someone might be highly idealistic. Ultimately, tightening up a plan serves all of you. Be careful how you approach others. You understand how important the right approach is. Tonight: Help a loved one lighten up.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Deal with basics. Don't push yourself beyond your limits. Question whether your work is getting you what you want. Consider a change if you aren't feeling fulfilled by your daily life. A family member could be a touch difficult. Tonight: Take some time for yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Daydreaming and brainstorming often lead to wonderful solutions. Add some of this spark to your love life by sharing a dream or two. Don't worry if you need to revamp your day or your schedule. Do what works. Tonight: Catch up on a friend's news.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ Though you feel like you have finally cleared up a problem, you could get an unhappy surprise. Carefully review a decision that involves a partnership and your finances. Put everything in writing, just to be safe. Use care with a partner who is often touchy. Tonight: Your treat.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ The moon in your sign helps you sort through someone's lack of clarity. Follow your intuition with an important idea. Your instincts help you with a loved one who might have shut down. Listen carefully to feedback. Tonight: Make yourself happy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Double-check a payment or bill. Though everyone intends only the best, an unexpected flub might cost you a lot. Dig into a work project; trust your strong abilities and follow through. Fatigue or worry could take a toll on you. Reduce stress, if possible. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Listen to someone's feedback. This person attempts to tighten up your idea. Be grateful, and understand that both of you have the same objective. A child or a new flirtation could feel down. Help this person to relax and address the problem. Tonight: Join a friend.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ You could be stressed out by a personal situation, and you could be letting it interfere with the quality of your work. Follow your instincts with a boss. You know how to handle this person. Prepare to put in more than your share of time. Think ahead and schedule a few days off. Tonight: In the limelight.

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BORN TODAY

Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall (1908), baseball player Jose Canseco (1964), actress/model Jerry Hall (1956)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ K 7 ♡ A J 10 9 8 4 ◇ J 9 ♣ 7 6 3

The bidding has proceeded:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1◇	Pass	1♡	Pass
2NT	Pass	?	

What do you bid now?

A — There is a common misconception that a bid of three hearts now shows heart length and a weak hand. Actually, the jump to game is weaker, showing no slam interest, while three hearts is forcing and can prepare the way to find a perfect-fitting slam. Since this hand has some useful cards on the side, bid three hearts.

Q 2 — Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ A Q 9 6 ♡ A K 4 2 ◇ A 5 ♣ A J 4

The bidding has proceeded:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
2NT	Pass	3♠	Pass
?			

What do you bid now?

A — You have a superb hand in support of spades — a maximum in point count, all prime cards and excellent support for partner's suit. The way to describe your holding is to cue-bid your cheapest ace. Bid four clubs.

Q 3 — Both vulnerable, you hold:

♠ Void ♡ A K 10 3 ◇ J 9 8 5 4 ♣ A K 10 4

What is your opening bid a) playing five-card majors; b) playing four-card majors?

A — The answer to both is simple: open one diamond. There is no reason not to make the same opening if you play four-card majors. Should partner respond one spade, you have an easy two-club rebid.

Q 4 — As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♠ K 7 6 2 ♡ J 9 5 ◇ A 9 5 2 ♣ K Q

The bidding has proceeded:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♣	Pass	1◇	Pass
1♡	Pass	?	

What do you bid now?

A — No one could quibble with a one-spade rebid, but our money is on a jump to three no-trump. Your cards in partner's suits are a great asset and, should partner declare the contract, the king of spades is subject to decapitation at the opening gun.

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS

1 "The World According to __"
5 Timepiece on the wall
10 R-V connection
13 Short skirt
14 Peregrine's perch
15 And
16 Frenetic flower?
18 Many, many years
19 Snoring letters, in comics
20 Valerie who played Rhoda
22 Not sensed
25 Visit the penthouse
27 Gems of wisdom?
28 Hearty's partner
29 Flexible wood
32 Fundamental principle
33 Send for consultation
34 School org.
35 Kett of comics
36 __ down: eats quickly
37 Lout
38 Malt drink
39 Villain
40 Invitation to a hitchhiker
41 Norse god of war
42 Oft-dunked cookie
43 Plum color
44 "Venus" singer Frankie
46 Knuckled under to
47 Mississippi River discoverer
49 Exile isle
50 Against
51 Frigid flower?
57 Changed the color of
58 Couric of "Today"
59 List component
60 Musical sensitivity
61 Luster
62 Pop at a fountain

DOWN

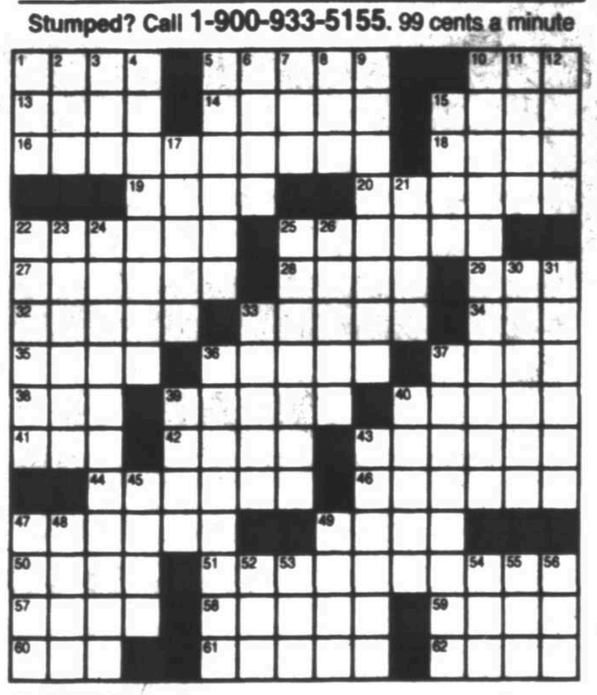
1 Jimmy auto maker
2 Part of USAF
3 Genetic code carrier
4 Place to order pies
5 Academy students
6 Grazing spots
7 "Either you do it, __ will!"
8 12 Down successor
9 Peeping places
10 Frowzy flower?
11 Work on a piano, maybe
12 Cold War country, briefly
15 Chile neighbor
17 Shouts
21 Mimic
22 In a good mood
23 In an organized way
24 Fleet flower?
25 "Tell Me Your Dreams" novelist Sidney
26 Pulled candy
30 Prima ballerina
31 Gave advance notice
33 Riding and roping event
36 Male witches
37 Aurora __
39 Rowed vessel
40 Spousal nickname
43 What bees collect
45 Invalidated, as a check
47 Miami-__ County
48 Irish New Age singer
49 Nobelist Wiesel
52 "I doubt that!"
53 Resident's suffix
54 Skater Midori
55 Held first place
56 Singer Sumac

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

B	A	G	P	I	P	E	S		P	E	C	T	I	N
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ShopRite crown goes to King

Associated Press

ABSECON, N.J. — The only Americans to win on the LPGA Tour this year are all from the over-40 set.

Betsy King became the latest member of the elite group Sunday when she closed with a 4-under-par 67 to win the ShopRite LPGA Classic for the third time.

The 45-year-old King joined Juli Inskter, 41, and Rosie Jones, 40, as the only Americans to win in the LPGA's 20 tournaments this year.

King finished two strokes in front of Lorie Kane and just missed making LPGA history.

JoAnne Carner is the oldest player to win an LPGA tournament, taking the Safeco Classic in 1985 at 46 years, 5 months and 9 days. King will be 46 in August.

"When I win now, it's more of a relief than anything," King said after the 34th title in her 24-year career. "Each time you win, it's like 'Is this going to be my last one?'"

Asked if she had given any thought to retiring, King said no.

"At this point, I just go year to year," she said. "When you think about those things, it's a distraction. I just try to think about the golf."

HARTFORD: Berganio ties for third

(From 1B)

ping a stroke on the 296-yard 15th, his lone bogey of the weekend. After his drive bounced into the water on the left side of the green on No. 15, he chipped to about 20 feet and two-putted.

On the difficult 17th, with water lining the entire right side, he nearly holed his approach shot, but the ball spun off the front of the green. He chipped to a foot to save par.

"I expected it to fly it about 4, 5 yards behind the hole, then come back," Mickelson said. "It wasn't a hard chip, but that took away a good birdie opportunity."

He easily parred the par-4 18th, hitting a sand wedge to the middle of the green and finishing with a tap-in.

Mickelson, making his first appearance at River Highlands since 1994, birdied Nos. 3, 6 and 7 to reach 17 under.

He made a 15-foot birdie putt on No. 3, and holed a 6-footer on the 574-yard, par-5 6th after reaching the front left bunker in two shots. He hit a 335-yard drive on No. 7, and put a wedge shot within 4 feet to set up his final birdie.

Andrade, from Rhode Island, shot a 66. Dudley Hart (63), Chris DiMarco (68) and Berganio (69) tied for third, two strokes back. Tom Pernice Jr. (65) was sixth at 13 under.

Andrade, coming off a third-place tie in the Buick Classic, made a 25-foot birdie putt on No. 18 after sliding a 12-footer by on No. 17.

"I'm a little disappointed that I didn't get the job accomplished in winning here," Andrade said. "Usually most people don't remember who finishes second."

After playing the Western Open next week, Mickelson will turn his full attention to the British Open in three weeks at Royal Lythan and St. Annes.

"I'll head over early and play a bunch of courses in Ireland in an effort to prepare for that style of shots," Mickelson said.

Divots: Scott Verplank shot a 61, matching Mickelson and Kirk Triplett for the course record. Verplank tied for 17th at 9 under. ... Mickelson has five victories in his last 32 starts, a winning percentage of 18.75. ... John Daly shot a 65 to tie for 22nd at 8 under. ... Because of the threat of rain and lightning, the round was pushed up and players were grouped in threesomes and started on both the first and 10th tees.

SENIOR: Nicklaus bogeys 16th hole

(From 1B)

a senior. But the closest he got to a major before was in last year's Senior Open, when he took a two-stroke lead into the final round at Saucon Valley before Irwin shot a 6-under 65 to win by three strokes and post the lowest total — 17 under — in tournament history.

The two played in the same group on Sunday, both starting the final round at 2 over. Irwin birdied the first hole to move to 1 over and a stroke ahead of Fleisher.

"I said to myself, 'Oh, my God. Here we go again,'" Fleisher said.

Irwin lurked at 2 over before consecutive bogeys at Nos. 15, 16 and 17 left him with a 73 and at 5 over.

Six players were at even par or one stroke back on Sunday before hitting the 15th hole, a 223-yard par-3 that demonstrated why it was the hardest hole on the course by effectively eliminating Irwin, Nicklaus and Larry Nelson.

"That's what cost me the tournament. You can't do that coming in," said Nicklaus, who also bogeyed the 16th hole. "I kind of enjoyed being in the hunt. Standing on the 10th green, I turned around and I said, 'You know, I'm a little nervous.' I said, 'That's good. That's fun.'"

Jim Colbert chipped in for birdie on the 15th to take a short-lived lead at 1 under, but he bogeyed No. 16 and double-bogeyed the 18th after he had already lost his chance to win. He finished with a 73 and was tied for fourth at 2 over with Nicklaus (70) and Allen Doyle (69), who birdied Nos. 12 and 14 to improve to 2 over but never got closer.

Aoki dropped off the lead with a bogey on No. 17, a 476-yard par 4, when he left his approach short and two-putted. Morgan was done in by the par-4 18th.

Nelson started at 1 under after completing the rain-delayed third round in the morning. But he didn't record a single birdie in the final round, dropping to 4 over with bogeys on Nos. 9, 11, 15, 16 and 18. He shot a final-round 75.

PROFESSIONAL GOLF SCORES

Greater Hartford

Sunday
At The TPC at River Highlands
Cromwell, Conn.
Purse: $3.1 million
Yardage: 6,820; Par: 70
Final

Phil Mickelson, $558,000	68	— 264
Billy Andrade, $334,800	66	— 265
Dudley Hart, $161,200	63	— 266
David Berganio, $161,200	69	— 266
Chris DiMarco, $161,200	68	— 266
Tom Pernice Jr., $111,600	65	— 267
Tripp Isenhour, $83,921	63	— 269
Kenny Perry, $83,921	63	— 269
Olin Browne, $83,921	63	— 269
Shigeki Maruyama, $83,921	64	— 269
Kirk Triplett, $83,921	65	— 269
Frank Lickliter, $83,921	67	— 269
Jerry Kelly, $83,921	68	— 269
Hal Sutton, $55,800	67	— 270
Paul Azinger, $55,800	67	— 270
Tim Herron, $55,800	69	— 270
Scott Verplank, $43,400	61	— 271
Scott Simpson, $43,400	69	— 271
Mark Brooks, $43,400	68	— 271
Kevin Sutherland, $43,400	68	— 271
Joe Ogilvie, $43,400	69	— 271
Billy Mayfair, $27,944	64	— 272
John Daly, $27,944	65	— 272
Jay Don Blake, $27,944	68	— 272
Edward Fryatt, $27,944	68	— 272
Geoff Ogilvy, $27,944	68	— 272
Frank Nobilo, $27,944	69	— 272
David Duval, $27,944	69	— 272
Charles Howell III, $19,286	65	— 273
Jay Williamson, $19,286	65	— 273
Mark Calcavecchia, $19,286	66	— 273
Briny Baird, $19,286	67	— 273
David Frost, $19,286	67	— 273
Jonathan Kaye, $19,286	68	— 273
Paul Gow, $19,286	69	— 273
Jeremy Anderson, $13,659	66	— 274
Brian Gay, $13,659	66	— 274
Jim Carter, $13,659	67	— 274
Steve Pate, $13,659	68	— 274
Jay Haas, $13,659	67	— 274
Jeff Sluman, $13,659	69	— 274
Duffy Waldorf, $13,659	69	— 274
Doug Dunakey, $13,659	71	— 274
Len Mattiace, $10,850	67	— 275
Chris Smith, $9,077	68	— 276
Cameron Beckman, $9,077	67	— 276
Jimmy Green, $9,077	67	— 276
Joel Edwards, $9,077	70	— 276
Andrew McLardy, $9,077	67	— 276
Carl Paulson, $7,477	69	— 277
Larry Mize, $7,477	69	— 277
J.L. Lewis, $7,477	68	— 277
Kevin Johnson, $7,477	71	— 277
Esteban Toledo, $7,477	66	— 277
David Peoples, $6,975	70	— 278
Michael Clark II, $6,975	71	— 278
Chris Tidland, $6,975	69	— 278
Andrew Magee, $6,975	69	— 278
Corey Pavin, $6,975	67	— 278
Nick Faldo, $6,975	67	— 278
Jeff Hart, $6,603	70	— 279
Bradley Hughes, $6,603	70	— 279
Jim Furyk, $6,603	69	— 279
Glen Hnatiuk, $6,603	68	— 279
Keith Clearwater, $6,603	68	— 279
Sean Murphy, $6,603	65	— 279
Pete Jordan, $6,231	72	— 280
Steve Elkington, $6,231	71	— 280
Paul Stankowski, $6,231	71	— 280
Woody Austin, $6,231	70	— 280
Ian Leggatt, $6,231	69	— 280
Bart Bryant, $6,231	67	— 280
Chris Riley, $5,983	68	— 281
Greg Kraft, $5,983	67	— 281
Emanuele Canonica, $5,859	72	— 282
Robin Freeman, $5,859	68	— 282
Dicky Pride, $5,735	70	— 283
Kelly Grunewald, $5,735	69	— 283
Spike McRoy, $5,642	69	— 284
John Huston, $5,549	75	— 285
Neal Lancaster, $5,549	73	— 285
Franklin Langham, $5,425	71	— 286
Brent Geiberger, $5,425	69	— 286
Kent Jones, $5,332	74	— 287
Mathew Goggin, $5,270	77	— 288
Dave Eichelberger, $10,229	74	— 295
Burt Baine, $10,229	72	— 295
Frank Conner, $10,229	72	— 295
a-David Boesel	78	— 296
Sid Corliss, $8,330	76	— 296
Mike McCullough, $8,330	76	— 296
Joe Inman, $8,330	76	— 296
Andy North, $8,330	79	— 296
a-Gary Menzel	78	— 298
Bill Schumaker, $7,415	75	— 298
Dick McClean, $7,226	76	— 299
a-Arthur Pierse	75	— 299
Gary Player, $7,04?	78	— 300
Ken Allard, $6,870	81	— 301
Will Sowles, $6,552	77	— 302
Jim Albus, $6,552	77	— 302
Tom Wargo, $6,552	75	— 302
Miller Barber, $6,279	75	— 304
Rocky Thompson, $6,160	78	— 306
Bob Campbell, $6,061	80	— 316

U.S. Senior Open

Sunday
At The Salem Country Club
Peabody, Mass.
Purse: $2.4 million
Yardage: 6,709; Par 70
Final

a-amateur		
Bruce Fleisher, $430,000	68	— 280
Gil Morgan, $209,799	70	— 281
Isao Aoki, $209,799	73	— 281
Allen Doyle, $96,655	69	— 282
Jack Nicklaus, $96,655	70	— 282
Jim Colbert, $96,655	73	— 282
Dave Stockton, $65,735	67	— 284
John Mahaffey, $65,735	68	— 284
Jim Ahern, $65,735	71	— 284
Larry Nelson, $65,735	75	— 284
Jay Sigel, $49,436	72	— 285
Bob Gilder, $49,436	73	— 285
Hale Irwin, $49,436	73	— 285
Dana Quigley, $49,436	74	— 285
Tom Kite, $42,416	69	— 286
Ted Goin, $38,177	68	— 287
Tom Watson, $38,177	70	— 287
Raymond Floyd, $38,177	72	— 287
Leonrd Thompson, $33,042	70	— 288
Walter Hall, $33,042	73	— 288
Ed Brooks, $27,788	71	— 289
Jim Holtgrieve, $27,788	72	— 289
Br. Summerhays, $27,788	72	— 289
Jim Thorpe, $27,788	73	— 289
Gary McCord, $23,746	73	— 290
Tom McGinnis, $20,807	73	— 291
Bill Brask, $20,807	72	— 291
Tom Jenkins, $20,807	68	— 291
Terry Florence, $16,717	74	— 292
J. C. Snead, $16,717	72	— 292
Wayne McDonald, $16,717	75	— 292
Hugh Baiocchi, $16,717	75	— 292
Hubert Green, $16,717	77	— 292
Fred Gibson, $14,033	75	— 293
Doug Tewell, $14,033	74	— 293
Jim Dent, $14,033	74	— 293
Daniel Nishimoto, $14,033	74	— 293
Bob Murphy, $14,033	73	— 293
Jim Barker, $14,033	76	— 293
John Jacobs, $11,891	73	— 294
Graham Marsh, $11,891	73	— 294
a-Paul Simson	73	— 294
Jack Sommers, $11,891	71	— 294
Pat McDonald, $10,229	73	— 295

Irish Open

Sunday
At Fota Island
Cork, Ireland
Purse: $1.37 million
Yardage: 6,927 yards; Par 71
Final

Colin Montgomerie, Scot.	66	— 266
Niclas Fasth, Sweden	63	— 271
Padraig Harrington, Ireland	64	— 271
Darren Clarke, Ireland	64	— 271
Thomas Bjorn, Denmark	66	— 273
Robert Karlsson, Sweden	67	— 274
Gary Emerson, England	69	— 274
Adam Scott, Australia	71	— 274
Steen Tinning, Denmark	66	— 275
Ian Poulter, England	66	— 275
David Howell, England	66	— 275
Barry Lane, England	68	— 275
Thomas Levet, France	68	— 275
Andrew Coltart, Scotland	68	— 275
Ian Woosnam, Wales	64	— 276
Steve Webster, England	66	— 276
Justin Rose, England	67	— 276
Gordon Brand Jr., Scotland	68	— 276
Anthony Wall, England	71	— 276
Ian Garbutt, England	67	— 277
Gary Evans, England	68	— 277
Marc Farry, France	69	— 277
John Senden, Australia	69	— 277
Mark Mouland, Wales	69	— 277

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Sunday
At Seaview Resort Bay
Atlantic City, N.J.
Purse: $1.2 million
Yardage: 6,051; Par 71
Final Round

Betsy King, $180,000	67	— 201
Lorie Kane, $111,711	70	— 203
Leslie Spalding, $50,923	64	— 207
Donna Andrews, $50,923	65	— 207
Tamie Durdin, $50,923	67	— 207
Catriona Matthew, $50,923	70	— 207
Rosie Jones, $50,923	71	— 207
Cristie Kerr, $50,923	74	— 207
Karen Stupples, $25,563	66	— 208
Terry-Jo Myers, $25,563	67	— 208
Michelle Estill, $25,563	72	— 208
Laura Davies, $18,718	68	— 209
D. Ammaccapane, $18,718	71	— 209
Janice Moodie, $18,718	72	— 209
Marisa Baena, $18,718	74	— 209
Pat Hurst, $18,718	74	— 209
Sophie Gustafson, $13,623	68	— 210
Nancy Scranton, $13,623	68	— 210
Cindy Figg-Currier, $13,623	69	— 210
Helen Alfredsson, $13,623	70	— 210
Angela Stanford, $13,623	70	— 210
Tammie Green, $13,623	72	— 210
Juli Inkster, $13,623	72	— 210
Carin Koch, $13,623	74	— 210
Jenny Lidback, $9,757	68	— 211
Becky Morgan, $9,757	69	— 211
Hee-Won Han, $9,757	70	— 211
Maggie Will, $9,757	71	— 211
V. Goetze-Ackerman, $9,757	71	— 211
Barb Mucha, $9,757	72	— 211
Mi Hyun Kim, $9,757	72	— 211
Shani Waugh, $9,757	74	— 211
Marcy Newton, $9,757	74	— 211
Moira Dunn, $9,757	74	— 211
Kathryn Marshall, $6,647	70	— 212
Tracy Hanson, $6,647	70	— 212
M.-Josee Rouleau, $6,647	70	— 212
Dawn Coe-Jones, $6,647	70	— 212
Laurie Brower, $6,647	71	— 212
A.J. Eathorne, $6,647	72	— 212
Fiona Pike, $6,647	72	— 212
Becky Iverson, $6,647	73	— 212
H. Daly-Donofrio, $6,647	75	— 212
Suzy Green, $6,647	75	— 212
L. Rinker-Graham, $4,476	70	— 213
Laurel Kean, $4,476	71	— 213
Kate Golden, $4,476	72	— 213
Michele Redman, $4,476	72	— 213
Wendy Dooian, $4,476	73	— 213
Marnie McGuire, $4,476	73	— 213
Se Ri Pak, $4,476	74	— 213
Silvia Cavalleri, $3,078	74	— 214
Brandie Burton, $3,078	72	— 214
Kelli Kuehne, $3,078	72	— 214
Dottie Pepper, $3,078	72	— 214
Deb Richard, $3,078	73	— 214
Karen Pearce, $3,078	73	— 214
Dina Ammaccapane, $3,078	74	— 214

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Knoxville Open
Sunday
At The Fox Den Country Club
Knoxville, Tenn.
Purse: $425,000
Yardage: 7,142; Par: 72

Heath Slocum, $76,500	68	— 265
Keoke Cotner, $37,400	65	— 271
Joe Daley, $37,400	70	— 271
Chris Wollmann, $20,400	70	— 272
Bobby Wadkins, $16,150	65	— 273
Sonny Skinner, $16,150	69	— 273
Matt Peterson, $13,706	70	— 274
Bo Van Pelt, $13,706	71	— 274
Jonathan Byrd, $11,475	68	— 275
David Gossett, $11,475	72	— 275
Don Pooley, $11,475	74	— 275
Chris Couch, $8,075	68	— 276
Pat Bates, $8,075	68	— 276
Tim O'Neal, $8,075	69	— 276
Charles Raulerson, $8,075	69	— 276

TENNIS: Agassi takes on Kiefer

(From 1B)

to be gone."

If Ivanisevic's tender shoulder holds up, he's the favorite. His record against Rusedski is 8-0.

"I think I've had maybe a total of 15 match points against him but never gotten over the hurdle," Rusedski said.

"He's the one who gets nervous more than me," Ivanisevic said. "He throws some double faults. More important points, I play better than him."

All 32 players remaining are in action Monday, and Sampras seeks his 32nd consecutive Wimbledon victory against 15th-seeded Roger Federer of Switzerland. Federer, 19, won the Wimbledon junior singles title in 1998 and is regarded as a potential Grand Slam champion.

"You know your opponents are going to get better and better," Sampras said. "When you come Monday, you just raise it a level."

No one can raise his game on grass like Sampras, who's trying for a record eighth Wimbledon title and his fifth in a row. But he hasn't won a tournament in a year and stru ;gled at times in the first week.

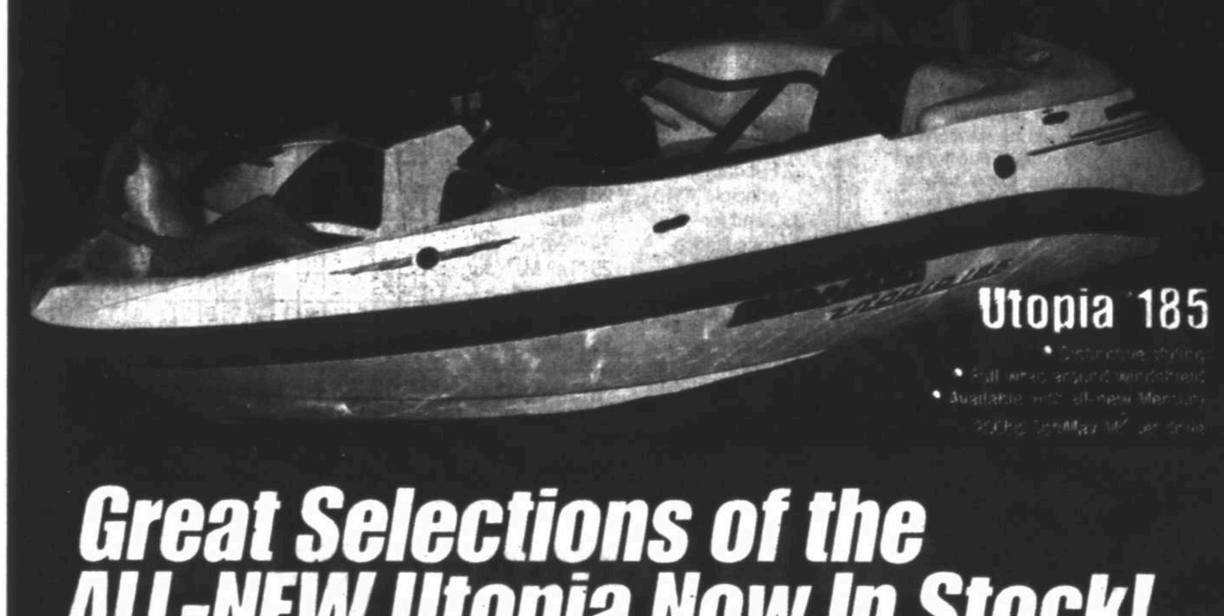
"At some point in this tournament, Pete is going to have to step it up a notch," said former-rival-turned-TV-commentator Jim Courier. "It still looks like the cobwebs are a little bit around his game."

Other men's matchups Monday include Agassi against Nicolas Kiefer, and Todd Martin against Britain's other title contender, Tim Henman. The showcase pairing for the women will be 1999 champion Davenport against Jelena Dokic, a semifinalist last year.

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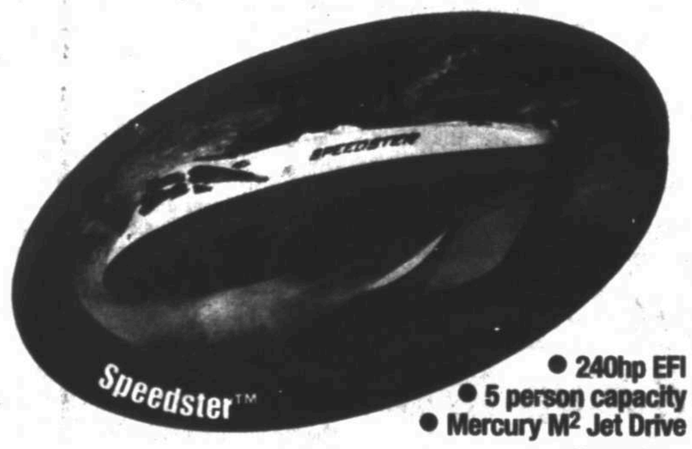
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By Abigail Va

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DAVE BARRY

French only hate Americans who eat in restaurants

What lies ahead for the European Union? This question is very much on the minds of concerned journalists looking for a way to take a tax-deductible vacation abroad. For this reason, I recently spent several weeks assessing the mood in a broad cross-section of Europe, ranging all the way from Paris, France, to several other parts of France.

I would say, based on this trip, that the biggest problem facing Europe today is that everything over there is hard to pronounce. Even the word "France" is pronounced as a different word entirely ("Fwonce"). But basically the mood of Europe is good, except when you order your food incorrectly, in which case Europe can get snippy. My family and I experienced this personally at a cafe in Paris called Le Mistral (French for "The Snotty Attitude"), where we offended the waiter by committing the unforgivable blunder of existing.



Barry

To make matters worse, when the waiter, after ignoring us for 15 minutes, reluctantly came to our table, I made the horrific faux pas (literally, "hors d'oeuvre") of attempting to order my food before I ordered my drink, if you can possibly imagine anything so gauche (French for "American").

The waiter was so offended that — I am not making this up — he tore up his order slip, spun around, and walked away in what the French call "une huffe." So we went to another cafe, where the waiter was very nice, and where we wrote, in what we hoped was French, a letter of complaint to the management of Le Mistral.

After our meal, we marched back into Le Mistral, where I handed the letter to the manager, who read it and handed it to the snotty waiter, who also read it. The three of us then had an argument. Unfortunately, we conducted it in French, which I have not studied since the 1960s, so I had no way of knowing what points I was making. If you translated this argument into English, it would probably go something like:

MANAGER: What is the problem?

ME (pointing at the waiter): There is a duck in your elevator.

WAITER: I do not know what you are talking about!

ME (forcefully): Give me the fish of my uncle!

After several minutes of this, we marched back out, proud of having made our point. Meanwhile, back in Le Mistral, they probably laughed until tears fell into the bouillabaisse, and vowed to be even ruder to American tourists, in hopes of generating more linguistic comedy entertainment.

I found the European mood to be mellower in Provence (French for "Province"), an extremely picturesque sector of southern France filled with picturesque houses and fields and little picturesque towns connected by winding roads upon which the French whiz around at speeds upwards of 17 million kilograms per hour in cute French cars the size of an Altoids tin.

Provence was once occupied by the Romans, who built picturesque ruins until their empire collapsed as a result of eating too much cheese. The same thing happened to us. We consumed cheese by the metric ton. We bought it at open-air markets, which are held in certain towns on certain days. The rest of the time, France is closed. (You think I'm joking.)

On market day, all the residents of Provence get into their Altoidsmobiles and whiz to the same town, where they form a massive traffic jam and park in every conceivable place, including on top of other cars. Then they walk around the market and buy delicious, inexpensive cheeses, sausages, breads, pastries, candies and other delicacies. Then they go home and throw all the food away. At least that's what I assume they do, because, despite living in Cholesterol World, they're all thin. The entire population of France weighs less than a standard American softball team.

But we tourists, not knowing the local customs, actually ate the food. Our schedule was: Eat, sleep, then go to the market again. Eventually we had to tie our French rental car to a post so it couldn't flee when our bloated bodies lumbered toward it.

In conclusion, the European Union is an important issue that everyone should care about. I urge you to go over there and assess it for yourself. If you happen to eat at Le Mistral, and you happen to see a waiter who looks like a ferret with a mustache, and you happen to speak French, tell him, for me, that he has a duck in his elevator.

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DEAR ABBY

Husband wants to find help to strip himself of addiction

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have been married four years. I love her very much, and we have a good marriage.



Pauline and Jeanne Phillips

Years ago, I became fascinated with strip bars. I even dated a couple of strippers in the past. My problem is I can't seem to stay away from these strip clubs. I go once or twice a week. I find seeing the women — all shapes, colors and sizes — very relaxing, almost like taking a tranquilizer.

My wife is very straitlaced. She would probably leave me if she found out. I have thought about joining a group for men with sexual addiction at our church to help me overcome this problem, but

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Person to Person

With Johnnye Montgomery





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Alva Butler laughs while recalling a memory from early in her marriage to the late John P. Butler.

Centenarian (in three days)

Alva Butler

Alva Wallace Butler turns 100 on Thursday, a day she will celebrate by making peach ice cream for her grandchildren. But she will also celebrate on July 4, where, as an honored observer, she will watch the annual children's sidewalk parade that she and two of her friends started in 1962.

"I've been given credit for that idea (the sidewalk parade), but I wasn't the one who thought of it," Mrs. Butler said. "A friend of mine, Helen Lea, who now lives in Austin, and Elinor Chase, who lives near Hill Park, really began it, and it started as a little community affair.

"They got the neighborhood children involved, and later, the Daughters of the American Republic sponsored it. When I organized the Col. Theunis Dey DAR Chapter, we took it on as a project."

Alva Wallace was born in Koonce, in Hardin County, six weeks after the death of her father, a station manager for the Southern Pacific Railroad. She said for her mother, and for her older brother and sister, life changed drastically with the death of her father.

"My father's death left my mother in a terrible shape."

Mrs. Butler's mother was an educated woman, rare in 1901, and she was determined to see that her children had the advantage of good schooling. Left without a husband and three children to feed, her first thought was of what Koonce had to offer in the way of education. The town was booming, Mrs. Butler said, but the schools were not up to her mother's standards.

"We lived in the corner of the state that was heavily timbered. Everything was transported by rail. The big (lumber) mills were running day and night and the lumber was shipped out on rail cars.

"But my mother was an educated woman, a liberated woman, and she went looking for good schools. She decided that Beaumont would be a good place, so she went to Beaumont to look for a house.

"Spindletop was discovered six months before I was born, and it had thrown everything into chaos," Mrs. Butler said. "There was a saloon on just about every corner in Beaumont, and the saloon keepers were doing very well. But they were not well-accepted by the older, established residents of the town."

As it turned out, the house her mother found was owned by a saloon keeper who had decided to liquidate his assets and move to West Texas. Mrs. Butler said this was her first link to Midland.

"(The saloon keeper) told my mother that he was going to turn all his property to money, and move to a town called Midland, in West Texas," she said. "He said he wanted to buy a ranch out there.

"So my mother bought his house in Beaumont, and he left."

Mrs. Butler said that in those days, anything west of Fort Worth was considered the dropping-off place, the end of the world.

"But you could move out here, and forget about your past," she explained. "And I grew up thinking that West Texas was like a foreign country. I had very strange ideas about Midland."

The Wallace family lived in Beaumont until it was time for the two older children to go to college. Then they packed up and moved to Austin, where her brother, Mahlon, entered pre-med. In 1917, he had finished his pre-med and decided to take a teaching job for a year before continuing his studies. He found a position a small town just outside Waco. But as the family ...red to leave Austin, fate intervened.

"The day we moved from Austin," Mrs. Butler remembers, "we had to change trains in Waco, and the newsboys were holding up papers, crying 'Extra! Extra!' The U.S. had broken off diplomatic relations with Germany.

"And my mother said, 'Well, I'm sure Mahlon will want to go immediately.' So we got off the train in this little town and Mahlon met us, and the first thing he said was, 'I'm sure you've heard the news, and I want to enlist.'"

He was sent to France, and on Sept. 12, 1917, he was killed.

Mrs. Butler said the family continued to live in the little town outside Waco, and when her turn came to go to the university, she went alone.

"My mother was very comfortable, and she could take the train into Waco in the morning and do her shopping and go to the library and come back home on the train in the afternoon," she said. "I studied dietetics at the University of Texas," but my mother wasn't happy about that. She thought nothing was fit for a woman except teaching. So I didn't pursue my nutrition studies."

Instead she got a teaching job at Waco. There was a man, John P. Butler, working at the bank in Waco.

They married, and soon afterward, he was offered a bank job in Littlefield.

"I thought, 'Oh, West Texas. That's sort of romantic,'" she remembers. "I thought it would be fun. We came out in a Model T, and I got the pioneer spirit knocked out of me."

The couple arrived in Littlefield to find that there weren't any utilities (although crews were laying utility lines), the fine sand seemed almost to sift through the pores in the wood and infiltrate everything they had, and the dry heat bore down like nothing they had ever experienced in Waco.

Midland, meanwhile, was experiencing an oil boom. John P.'s mentor, Ruby Moore, had moved to Midland, and he invited the young Butlers to come to Midland for the town's July 4 barbecue.

"The trip from Littlefield was terrible," she said. "We just drove over open country, wandering between mesquites, and when we got there, there were about 2,500 people coming from all over, too many to handle for the barbecue."

While in they were in Midland, though, Moore took John P. to meet Marvin Ulmer, president of the bank. Their next trip to Midland, they came to stay.

"In September, Mr. Ulmer phoned John P in great distress," said Mrs. Butler. "One of the tellers at the bank had quit, and that left them with only one. He took the job at my urging, because Midland was a metropolis to me."

The Butlers had a baby by then, and Mrs. Butler's mother came out to help with the move and the baby. During her stay, she kept saying she wished she could remember the name of the man who had sold her the house in Beaumont.

Then about two weeks after the move, the Butlers and Mrs. Wallace were awakened in the middle of the night by the sounds of shouts down the street. There was a house fire about a block away, with flames shooting into the sky.

The next day when John P. came home for lunch, the women asked if he had heard whose house had burned.

"Oh, yes," he said, "It belonged to the biggest bootlegger in Midland. He comes in with bags of money every day, and I have to count it." Then he mentioned the name of the man, a name Mrs. Butler refuses to reveal.

"But when my mother heard the name, she said, 'That's it! That's the man I bought my house from!'" said Mrs. Butler, "and John P. told her that the man did own a ranch, and that oil had been discovered on the ranch."

It was about this time that Mrs. Butler discovered another West Texas connection , this one having to do with her late father, James Alva Dey. She said her father had been a precocious youth who grew up in New York City in an academic family descended from Col. Theunis Dey, who had commanded the Bergen County, N.J., militia during the Revolutionary War. The young Dey had gotten crosswise with his parents, and had rushed off to join the army under an assumed name — James B. Wallace.

During his army years, he had become acquainted with a Harvard graduate named O.W. Williams, who later became the first county judge of Pecos County.

"While my mother was staying with us, she kept talking about my father's old friend, Mr. Williams, who had settled in Fort Stockton," said Mrs. Butler, "and one day she persuaded me to take her to Fort Stockton.

"We found Judge Williams, and my mother introduced herself to him, and I have never seen such a look of excitement on a man's face," said Mrs. Butler. "He said, 'Oh, I have finally found out what happened to my good friend.'"

The Butlers were among the core group of Episcopalians in Midland who were contacted by the bishop who headed the Episcopal Diocese of Northwest Texas.

"There was no Episcopal Church here, but they had just finished the Scharbauer Hotel," said Mrs. Butler. "The bishop called John P. and said, 'I'm coming to Midland on such and such a day, and I want you to get as many Episcopalians as you can find, and bring them together. He (John P.) was the only confirmed male Episcopalian in town, but he found about nine women, and we arranged to meet in the ballroom of the Scharbauer Hotel, and we put chairs together for an altar, and covered it with a sheet. The bishop came down and we had the communion service, and from then on, we had church.

"The first little (church) building we had was a building that had been used by the Wednesday Study Club for a library until the county took over the responsibility for the library.

"John P. was warden, treasurer and janitor. Every time a priest would make arrangements to come to Midland, John P. would go down and sweep it out."

Mrs. Butler said that at first they were simply holding worship services, and sending their children to Sunday school.

"But when the bishop heard about that, he had a fit," she remembers. "He said, 'You're raising those children to be good Presbyterians. You'll have to start a Sunday school.'

"In those days, we had to do whatever the bishop told us to do. Later we learned better," she said.

In the late 1970s, when the Episcopal Church made significant changes in its rubrics, opened the priesthood to include women and updated its 1928 Book of Common Prayer, Mrs. Butler left the church community that she had been a part of for so long.

"I never had thought of leaving the church," she said. "I just wasn't going to go any more. Then I got a letter from a lady in Big Spring, who said they had been in touch with a priest from Fort Worth who would hold services (with the 1928 prayer book). It was the beginning of what would become St. Paul's Anglican Catholic Church. At first they met in homes, then in Ellis Funeral Home, and finally, they bought a little HUD house with their accumulated building fund of $10,000 and remodeled it.

Mrs. Butler said that contrary to a recent story in the Reporter-Telegram, the little church building was never mortgaged.

"Then St. Nicholas Church came up for sale about the same time that we had a chance to sell our little church on Golf Course Road, so we moved."

John P. died in 1997. The baby daughter they had when they moved to Midland, Jane Butler McAbee, still lives in Midland.

Mrs. Butler is still an avid member of the DAR. She said her plans for July 4 include watching the annual Children's Sidewalk Parade. After that, she'll rest a bit, then get busy on the peach ice cream.

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ABBY: Man hooked on strip clubs

(From 1C)

I'm afraid if I start attending weekly meetings she'll find out.

I know I need help. I can't kick this on my own. —HOOKED IN PORTLAND

DEAR HOOKED: You have already taken an important step by admitting you have a problem with sexual addiction. Since you are concerned about issues of confidentiality if you join your church group, consider contacting Sexaholics Anonymous. The organization has chapters all across the United States — and in 16 countries — and its program is based on the AA 12-step model. The only requirement for membership is a desire "to stop lusting and become sexually sober." There are no dues, no fees, and it is not affiliated with any sect, denomination, organization or institution. People attend the meetings and learn to be open and honest about their addiction. Confidentiality is respected, and nobody comments about another member.

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DEAR ABBY: My fiance won't marry me on July 18 because it's his former wife's birthday. He says he doesn't want to hurt her. We would be on a Hawaiian cruise, and the 18th is the day we will be in Waimanalo Bay for the wedding. I didn't pick the date on purpose. He says no, and also says I don't "get it."

Why is he so able to hurt me? — HURT 2 THE CORE

DEAR HURT: He's able to hurt you because you refuse to accept the message he's sending. A man who is more concerned about his ex-wife's feelings than his fiancee's is not fully committed to marrying.

If the tickets are paid for, go on the cruise yourself and take a friend. Send him a postcard on the 18th. Tell him you finally "got it" and, for better or for worse, "Aloha!"

DEAR ABBY: In response to the question from "Getting Pesky Over Pollen" about how many times it's necessary to say "God bless you" after someone sneezes, I offer the following:

My son, Brian, was in high school math class. He sneezed, and the instructor said "Gesundheit" (health). When Brian sneezed several times more, the math teacher said, "Gesundheit squared." — PATTI FAIRCHILD BARTEE

DEAR PATTI: Chalk one up for the teacher.

CONFIDENTIAL TO MOM AND DAD IN BEVERLY HILLS: Wishing you a happy, healthy 62nd anniversary. No daughter could wish for more devoted and loving role models for a successful union. - JEANNE

Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips, aka Abigail Van Buren, and daughter Jeanne Phillips. Their column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

Two-foot-high tortoise missing from petting zoo

GREENVILLE, Mich. (AP) — When the owners of a petting zoo discovered their 2-foot-high, 75-pound tortoise had escaped her grazing pen, they thought they'd find her in a snap. After all, how quickly could it disappear?

Faster than they thought. Big Bertha, a 13-year-old African spur-thigh tortoise, has been missing for more than three weeks, and Judith and Frank DePue, owners of the Animal Crackers Farm Petting Zoo, are worried.

"She can move pretty fast. Unimpeded, she can go about a half mile a day," Judith DePue said.

The couple have been passing out leaflets with Bertha's picture and fielding calls from people who claim to have spotted her.

Because she is used to people, she may approach someone for a friendly pat on the head or a snack from their garden.

Judith DePue believes the tortoise left to lay its clutch of eggs. Last year at this time, Bertha escaped but was quickly captured a few feet away.

A native of the Sahara desert, the African spur-thigh is one of the largest mainland tortoise species in the world. They live to be 100 years old, and can weigh up to 200 pounds.

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Reg. stated meetings 2nd & 4th
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Robert G. Kiker, Sec.
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Gary Anderson, Secty.

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1000 Upland
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1600 W. Wall
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FOUND PUPPY vicinity of Ward and Wadley. On 06-28-01 Call 570-1602

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150 Lost & Found

IF your pet is lost- even if you live in the county, please check with MIDLAND ANIMAL CONTROL (on Fairgrounds Road) every three days.

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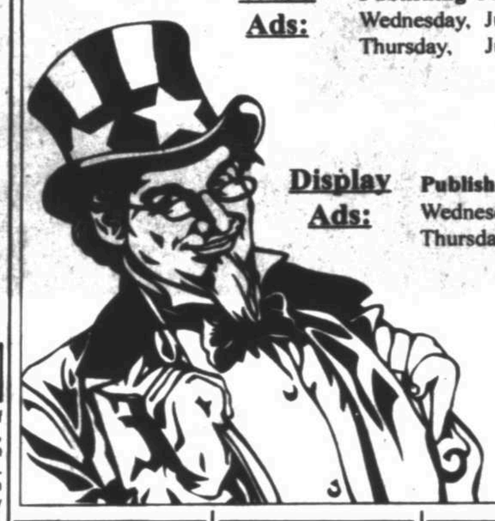
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VOLKSWAGEN 1997 PASSAT GXL, 6 cylinder, leather, sun rood, excellent condition 79,300 miles, $10,000. 697-3879.

215 Sport/Utility Vehicles

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JEEP 1999 Wrangler 4.0 liter Sport, 21,477 miles, Desert Dog tires. See to appreciate all extras, 699-8900.

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TOYOTA 2000 4-Runner SR5. 22k, silver, automatic, moon roof, boards, roof rack, extended warranty, CD, cruise, power. $28,995. 550-9208, 697-4332.

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JEEP 1999 Wrangler Sport, white/ black, 6 cylinder. Automatic. Call Jason at 349-7307 or 697-3293.

GMC 1999 YUKON- All power, pewter, blue cloth interior, 42K miles, CD, cassette. $25,900. 699-5977.

FORD 1993 Bronco, full size, 4x4, Eddie Bauer, loaded, second owner excellent condition, $6,800, 682-3480.

JEEP 1999 GRAND Cherokee Limited. 4x4, V8, loaded 32K, under warranty $27,000. 697-1071

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DODGE 1998 DURANGO 26k SLT white/ tan leather, CD rear air, towing pkg. 4x4 $18,500 687-5202

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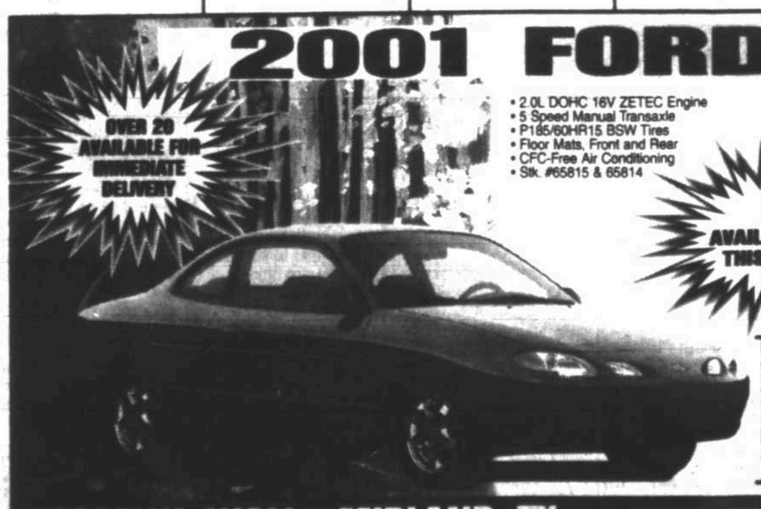
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310 General Help Wanted

Attention Readers:

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★ NEW IN TOWN? For your FREE "New Resident" Welcome Packet Call Newcomers Unlimited, 570-8045.

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ACCOUNTS MANAGER/ Collector. Must have a high school diploma and a good driving record. Excellent benefits including paid vacation, retirement, health insurance and opportunity for advancement. Apply in person- Credit World, 2305 N. Big Spring, Midland, TX.

IMMEDIATE OPENING

Baker Hughes/Baker Atlas is accepting applications for **Operators**. Offers great pay, great benefits, job bonuses, and meal allowances. Must have clean driving record with Class B CDL preferred. Applications available at 2401 Catlin, Odessa, TX 79766. 915-580-3444.

MIDLAND POWERSPORTS is seeking a responsible individual to service customers at our parts department. Outgoing personality and excellent communication skills are a must. Knowledge of motorcycle ATV's & watercraft would be helpful. See Tom at 5900 W. Hwy. 80, 520-2080.

DEPENDABLE Hard Worker needed to clean local supermarket floors nightly. Call (888)535-9319 Monday- Friday, 9 am- 5 pm.

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CARRIER NEEDED to deliver the Dallas Morning News. Must have dependable transportation and phone. Call 699-0000.

310 General Help Wanted

CHICK-FIL-A NOW hiring. Day and night time positions available. Apply in person Midland Park Mall.

CHILDCARE CENTER seeking help with toddler aged children. Experience working in daycare required. High school diploma required. Nonsmoking environment. Call 684-8270.

CUSTOMER REPRESENTATIVE. $15 Base- Appointments. Must fill 27 openings by 7/6. Customer Service/ Sales, student program. Conditions exist call 10-4. (915)682-4770.

DELIVERY PERSON needed. Apply in person or call Midland Mattress Center, 205 N. Midkiff, 699-0604.

EXPERIENCED Help needed to care for the elderly. Reliable transportation and telephone. M & J Sitter Service, 580-6523.

EXPERIENCED MAINTENANCE person needed. Drug testing required. Apply in person, 3212 W. Wadley. No Calls!

FORKLIFT OPERATOR must have experience. Full time position. Obtain application at: B&M Tool Co. #40 Industrial Loop East.

310 General Help Wanted

FULLTIME DELIVERY for packages. Must be 21, with 1 year experience. In step- van or larger. Send resume to Box M1046, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

GENERAL MANAGER needed for a 24- hour Retail Operation (Convenience Store Business) in the Midland area. Competitive salary, Bonus program, and paid health plan. Send resume to Box J-5143, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

GREYSTAR MANAGEMENT is seeking full time housekeeper for North Midland property. Great benefits and salary! Apply at 3609 Calders.

HIRING TRACTOR/ Dump Trailer Driver. Requires CDL, non smoking truck, 24 years plus. Call 915/682-6947.

★ LABORERS. Now hiring full time laborers for local manufacturing company. Welding experienced helpful but not required. Come by 2501 E. I20, Midland, between 8 and 4 Monday through Friday.

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The Midland Reporter Telegram

Now accepting applications for Part- time Customer Service Representative. Saturday, Sunday & Holidays. 7:00 am- 11:00 am. Some computer experience preferred.

Please send or fax resume to:
Midland Reporter Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702
Attn: Circulation
Customer Service Manager
or call 9:00 am- 2:00 pm
Kitty 687-8804
fax: 682-3793

310 General Help Wanted

The Midland Reporter Telegram

Has immediate day shift & night shift openings in its product packaging department (mailroom).

Qualified applicants must be at least 18 years of age and must be able to work Saturday & Sundays. (schedule will vary)

Apply in Person between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday- Fridday 201 E. Illinois

NOW HIRING!!!
4400 W. Big Spring

Four Corners Restaurant is opening soon at Mission Square Plaza, #14, where the Ninfa's Mexican Restaurant was located. Antonio McGuire restaurant, owner, is now taking applications for all positions: Cooks, Servers, Bartenders, Bussers, Host/ Hostesses, Dishwashers. Competitive wages will be offered and all employees will enjoy Christmas off from Dec. 24th through December 30th. Come join our team. Apply at Restaurant from 9:00 am- 5:00 pm Monday- Saturday, in person.

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310 General Help Wanted

HOTEL- Maintenance Person wanted. Good driving record. Apply at Best Inn 3100 W. Wall Street.

I WAS A Restaurant manager, last year I made over $75,000 selling homes. Plus they have a 401K plan, health insurance, and paid vacation. Come by A-1 Homes-Midland, TX, 79706, West Highway 80.

INTREPID DIRECTIONAL Drilling Specialist is a new growing company and will be excepting applications for Directional drillers and MWD engineers. Send Resumes to P.O. Box 60250, Midland, Texas, 79711.

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LUBY'S CAFETERIA accepting applications for full or part time hours, kitchen help and other. Mornings/ afternoons/ evenings. Flexible hours, wages starting between $6.00/ $7.00, apply in person before 10:00am. No phone calls.

MACHINIST/ MACHINIST trainee- We are a general machine shop. If you have machine experience and can learn quickly. We may have a job for you. Apply in person at 1711 E. New Jersey.

MURRAY'S DELICATESSEN needs cooks. Apply in person at 3211 W. Wadley.

NIGHT TIME janitorial maids needed. Apply at 1307 N. Big Spring. Monday- Friday, 8:30- 5:30.

Nine West Group hiring Assistant Manager in shoe department. Previous retail experience required. Apply at Steinmart, ask for Holly.

NOW HIRING: Part time and full time cashier, counter help and bus person. Michael's, 723 West Wadley.

OTR DRIVERS Needed. Must have CDL and experience. Good money! Call 915-682-7811.

PART TIME LEASING. Consultant. Apartment leasing experience preferred. Must work weekends. Call 694-1646.

PART- TIME Drivers needed, must have full/ mini van or pick up with camper shell. Drug screen required. $6.15 an hour+ mileage. 563-2175.

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SEDONA GRILL now taking applications for experienced wait staff, dishwashers and cooks. Apply in person: 2101 West Wadley (Plaza Oaks Shopping Center).

310 General Help Wanted

SONIC DRIVE-IN
Midkiff Road

Now hiring all positions day & evening shift. Especially in need of daytime cooks & daytime carhops. Better than minimum wage to start. Please apply in person anytime.

TOWNHOME COMMUNITY needs grounds keeper/ porter, experience helpful. Apply in person at 4534 Sinclair.

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VIKING POOLS seeks a dependable, hard working individual to work outside loading pools. Duties include, but not limited to, preparing pools for shipment, outfitting pools, etc. Some office work involved answering phone calls, ordering permits and scheduling loads. Apply in person at Viking Pools, 10600 W. Interstate 20 (west of Warfield truck stop). Salary DOE, EOE. No phone calls.

VILLAGE CAR Wash is now accepting applications for Lube Technician. Apply at 604 Andrews Hwy. & 2300 N. Big Spring, Midland, 682-4750.

WANTED: Responsible persons interested in on the job training. Learn construction equipment maintenance, service, delivery and operation. Must have good driving record and knowledge of the Midland/ Odessa area. Good benefits available. Apply in person at 12718 West I-20 East. No phone calls.

WAREHOUSE Opening, room for advancement, must be hard working, clean cut, drug free. A CDL is a plus, good starting pay and benefits. Applications taken weekdays 8- 5 at 7812 W. Interstate 20, Midland.

WELL ESTABLISHED Company looking for qualified personnel to fill positions in the Parts and Warehouse departments. Interested parties should apply at 11120 West Highway 80 East.

Whataburger
Is looking for friendly enthusiastic people for all shifts, all positions.
Please apply at the following locations:
1905 North Big Spring
3206 Midkiff
2517 E. Interstate 20

311 Medical Help Wanted

$1,000 Sign On and $300 Referral Bonuses RNs: $25 to $45 * LVNs: $18 to $36. Medical/ Dental/ 401K/ Life. Fax Resumes to 550-9398 NURSEFINDERS, 550-9399. E-mail us at NFOdessatx@cs.com.

CNA NEEDED for busy physicians clinic. Salary based on experience. Send resume to: PO Box 9520 Midland TX, 79708

DENTAL ASSISTANT- Full time. Apply in person Dr.Carpenter, 3300 Haynes, ask for Debbie.

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- Front License Plate Bracket
- 8800# GVWR Package
- Engine Block Heater
- Sliding Rear Window
- Spare Tire & Wheel
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- 3.73 Ratio Limited Slip Axle
- Front License Plate Bracket
- 8800# GVWR Package
- Sliding Rear Window
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311 Medical Help Wanted

CORRECTIONAL LVN
Part-time

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center is accepting applications for a LVN for the Ector County Youth Facility in Odessa. Must have current Texas LVN license and will be required to pass a security clearance. Excellent benefits.

To apply go by TTUHSC Office of Human Resources, 800 West 4th Street, Odessa, Texas or call (806)743-2865 for application.

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311 Medical Help Wanted

DENTAL ASSISTANT: Beautiful office. Progressive, restorative practice. 30 + hours per week. Please send resumes to Box T-4289, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

DENTAL EXPERIENCE needed for Dental Assistant and Dental Hygienist to join our staff. Great benefits, full time. Send resumes to: Box J-5136, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

IMMEDIATE OPENING for experienced insurance billing clerk. Bring resume to 3620 North Big Springs. or Call Kim Herring at 682-7473.

IMMEDIATE POSITION- LVN needed for busy Doctor's office. Bring resume to 3620 North Big Spring. or Call Kim Herring at 682-7473.

INTERIM HEALTHCARE

Progressive fast paced staffing agency needing dependable, highly skilled Nurses and CNA's. Come join our team. Call 1-915-550-7593 or come by 2817 JBS Parkway A-103, Odessa, TX. Send resume: 915-362-1350.

LVN'S/ RN'S for home health pediatric hours and/ or Medicare visits. Excellent pay, insurance/ profit sharing. Call Complete Home Health Care @ 915-570-8899.

MEDICATION NURSE for drug treatment program. Monday- Friday 6:00 am-10:30 am, Saturday 6:45 am- 8:45 am. Call 682-0652 or fax resume to 684-4967.

Midland Dialysis Center and Doctors Office is accepting applications for an RN. Good benefits. Fax resume to: 915-687-5008 or apply at 731 W. Wadley Bldg K, Suite 130. No phone calls please.

NURSES UNLIMITED Senior Life Care is accepting applications for immediate employment for CNA's, to assist our clients at Manor Park in Midland. Flexibility is a plus. Differential pay for weekend and night shifts. Great working conditions, great pay, help us make a difference in our client's life. Call Cindy or Vangie 915-522-5080. EOE.

RN POSITION available at Permian Basin Dialysis Center, Midland. No experience required will train. Every Sunday off, good benefits, 401K, PTO and insurance. Apply at 4200 West Illinois suite 140 or fax resume 522-2308.

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Is Currently Hiring:
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Monday- Friday
Salary DOE.
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311 Medical Help Wanted

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Immediate opening an established growing medical practice. Must be responsible, friendly professional individual with good people skills. Nonsmoking environment. Excellent salary, benefits and working hours. Send resume to Box J-5140, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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LOCALLY BASES production chemical company taking applications for lab tech. Needs to be a self starter, responsible and honest individual. Apply at Kel-Tech or call 684-7400.

ACCOUNTING CLERK. Experience in A/P. A/R and payroll. Must know Excel. Quickbooks a plus. Send resume to Accounting Department, P.O. Box 7237, Midland, TX 79708.

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WEST TEXAS Opportunities, Inc.- Child Care Management Services is taking applications For: Full Time Case Management Specialist I. Minimum Requirements: (Graduation from an accredited high school, plus three years of full-time experience as a Community Service Aide, or such related work as a social or financial service aide, manpower aide, community worker, community organizer, or outreach person, or experience with the Texas Workforce Commission. Fifteen semester hours from an accredited college may be substituted for each year of the required experience. Or, 18 months of in-service experience in the Social Services technician career ladder.) For application please contact Mary at (915)366-3788 or pick up

316 Sales Help Wanted

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The successful candidate will have sales experience, be professional in attitude and appearance, be goal oriented and have a strong desire to succeed. Approximately 25 hours per week. Hourly wage plus commission.

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an application at 2525 N. Grandview, Suite 600, Odessa, TX. Applications due by May 23, 2001 by 5:00 pm
WTO, Inc.- CCMS is an equal opportunity employer, WTO, Inc. is a drug free workplace. Drug testing is provided.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Secretarial skills, data entry, bookkeeping, payroll. Fast paced office. 401K, heath insurance, bonus, vacation. Send resume to Personnel Department P.O. BOX 60708, Midland, TX 79711.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Strong customer service skills needed! Fax resume to: 682-3041.

CUSTOMER SERVICE Representative, full time. Requires administrative and computer skills. Pleasant personality and be a team player. Weekend and shift work required (2 pm- 10 pm or 6 am- 2 pm). Normal fringes and salary, comparable to industry standards (see www.avionflight.com for more information). Submit written resume to: P.O. Box 60380, Midland, Texas 79711 or fax to 563-4765.

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REAL ESTATE Assistant- Professional multi-tasked individual with pleasant demeanor and great computer skills, Microsoft Office, Quickbooks Pro,. Graphics, skills are important. Please call Bill 682-1053 to set up an interview or fax resume to 682-7255.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

QUINN PUMPS, Inc., an international oilfield manufacturing and sales company is seeking a full time office clerk. The ideal candidate will possess relevant experience in the oilfield industry, be an energetic self- starter capable or working with a minimum of supervision in a one person office. In this position your duties will include daily deposits and invoicing. Strong verbal skills and computer skills will be an asset. A good remuneration and benefit package is available. Qualified candidates are asked to forward a covering letter and resume to 915-550-6610 attention: Controller, no later than July 6, 2001. We would like to thank all who apply but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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316 Sales Help Wanted

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318 Mgmt. Help Wanted

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I WAS A Restaurant manager, last year I made over $75,000 selling homes. Plus they have a 401K plan, health insurance, and paid vacation. Come by A-1 Homes-Midland, TX, 79706, West Highway 80.

CUSTOMER SERVICE representative- Full time with benefits. Requirements- 2 years of college, solicitors and/ or Group One License a great asset. 694-1666.

ENGINEERED EQUIPMENT SALES- Permian office, Distribution and end-user. Oil and gas experience with valves, production equipment and instrumentation. Salary plus commission, insurance and 401K package, Fax resume to 903-389-5019

EXPERIENCED OUTSIDE Salesperson needed. Manufacturers Rep firm is looking for someone with knowledge of West Texas and New Mexico. This person should possess a willingness to work and be willing to take a personal interest in our business. We will provide a great opportunity for the right person. Send resumes with salary requirements to Box P-6139, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LOCAL INSURANCE Office is seeking an enthusiastic, aggressive and experienced Telemarketer to join our team. Please fax resume to: 915-697-1414 and call 915/697-7073.

PRIVATE CEMETERY owner looking for an experienced professional to oversee all sales activities for a full service facility located in Central Texas. Applicants must have strong sales history for this well compensated position. Relocation required. For interview, please contact Timothy Gaffney at 254-742-0441.

SELL THE Best! New Cingular Wireless Store Needs You! Neat, friendly and want to grow? Will train, Sales & Cell experience a plus. Good start plus commission. Fax resume to: 687-5559 or call 687-5558.

316 Sales Help Wanted

USAonline, Inc. is currently seeking sales people to join its dynamic sales team. USAonline, Inc. offers a competitive salary, plus commission. If you are interested in being part of the internet/ telecommunications industry, fax or email your resume to (915)570-5033 or salesmanager@usaonline.net Attn: Sales Manager.

318 Mgmt. Help Wanted

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Hiring position for General Manager. This prestigious club is located in the Texas Panhandle with an 18 hole golf course, beautiful clubhouse and Olympic size swimming pool., Salary $30,000 to $40,000 per year. Housing and utilities provided. Paid family membership. Fax resume to806-244-3076. No phone calls please.

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

BRUTON SERVICE, Inc. now hiring in the Midland area- Hot Oil and Pump Truck Operators. Good pay and benefits. call Bobby Greer 238-3734. Experienced only need apply.

HEAVY EQUIPMENT Operator needed. CDL preferred. Call 915-682-7548 for more information.

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➤ NEEDED

IMMEDIATELY: Experienced "A" operator for gasoline plant. Prefer experience with compressors, lean oil gas plants, amine units and be willing to work (4) 12- hour shifts per week. Pay rate averages $3,300 per month. Fax resume to (915)682-4024 or mail to 211 N. Colorado, Midland, Texas 79701.

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY: Experienced mechanic for oil field gas engine compressors, pumps, etc., oil gas plant. Shop and field work with little overnight travel. Send resume to WTGas, 211 N. Colorado,. Midland, Texas 79701 or fax to 915-682-4024.

320 Skilled Trades

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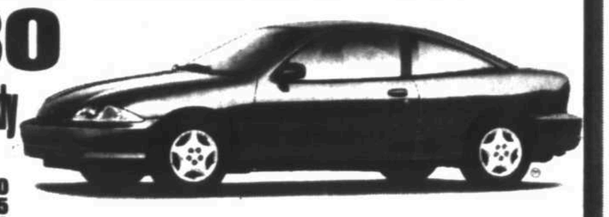
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Local buying improves economic outlook

By Bruce Partain
Business Journal Editor

The Midland Chamber and Odessa Chamber are again joining forces with local media professionals to create a new message to encourage West Texans to "Buy the Basin."

As the back-to-school season gears up, the Chambers say the public awareness campaign will remind shoppers to consider local merchants and service providers first.

A new broadcast public service announcement (PSA) will be unveiled and related print and outdoor messages will be shown at a news conference scheduled for late July.

The PSAs include an updated version of the classic Buy the Basin jingle, As always the message try to entertain while pointing out how buying locally strengthens our economy, keeping dollars circulating here.

Gospel rendition

Featured in the updated jingle are singers from the True Lite Christian Fellowship. The jingle's original singer was Pam Six in 1998. Pam's sharp version had people all over Midland and Odessa singing the catchy tune.

The new version has an upbeat gospel feel, and should be invading the psyches of Basin buyers through the fall and winter.

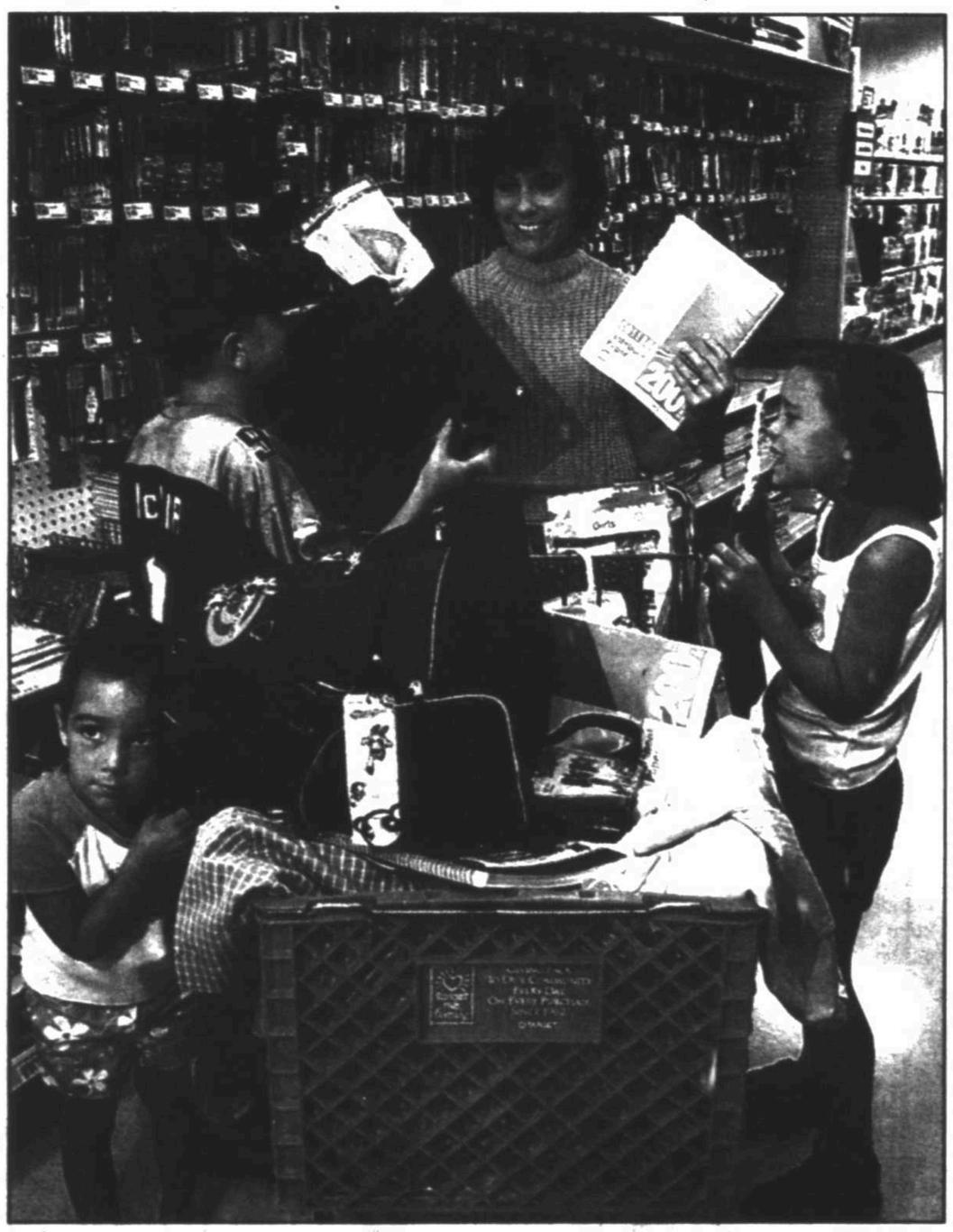
Featured singer Carla Smith and keyboardist Lamar Jefferson are backed up by three young voices from True Lite choir: Albert Hall, Mae Etta Higgins and Keisha Smith. Greg Witt of Greg Witt Music Productions fine-tuned the recording and Blue Dog Production's Mark Salazar worked up the video presentation.

Buy the Basin, in its ninth year, does not take the attitude that shoppers "owe" local businesses their loyalty.

Instead, the message is to ask buyers to allow local stores a fair chance to earn their business.

Timing of the campaign kick-off is set to coincide with Texas Tax-Free Days, August 3, 4 and 5. During the 1999 Texas Tax-Free Days retailers across the state boosted their weekend same-store sales by 20 percent over the comparable period in 1998, according to TeleCheck Services, Inc. Certain items usually associated with back-to-school shopping, such as certain clothing and shoes, will be tax-free on the special

Please see **LOCAL**/2



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Just in time for back-to-school shopping, the Midland and Odessa chambers are launching their Buy the Basin campaign to encourage buying locally.

LOCAL: Increased purchases locally flows into city's economy

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days.

The Buy the Basin campaign, however, will continue year-round, with special emphasis on high-profile seasons such as back-to-school and Christmas. As part of the campaign, Lamar Outdoor will again display about a dozen Buy the Basin billboards in Midland and Odessa. Small posters will be available at the Midland or Odessa Chamber. At 11x17 inches, the posters are ideal for store windows. The Midland Reporter-Telegram and Odessa American are designing messages for newspaper advertising. Radio broadcasters are also designing new messages.

The Buy the Basin program began in 1993 as a joint project between the two Chambers. It has had a significant impact on not only retail spending, but also on expenditures for other goods and services.

Ultimately, for the economy, it means more jobs created and retained at home.

As the campaign messages have said in the past, there are several reasons to Buy the Basin:

- to gain higher service
- to maintain local product selection
- to support local employment
- to strengthen our tax base
- to generate funds for charitable works and community projects
- to keep dollars circulating in our economy.



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Buying goods locally, from athletic shoes to swimming pools to oilfield equipment, translates into a stronger economy, more jobs and more services for residents.

Money spent locally translates into paychecks

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Personal Digital Assistant power will be topic of Chamber's networking breakfast

Half of the business people in the world can't live without them, and the other half aren't quite sure what all the fuss is about.

It's the "personal digital assistant" craze.



Walter

A Personal Digital Assistant (PDA) "is tech-ese for electronic Day Planner, and boy, what these toys can do," said Cerese Welter. "I use a Handspring Visor (the cheap model) to keep all my contacts, my date book, a few games to tide me over when bored and a whole lot more. My PDA is hot syncable and I sync between my DVD iMac and my HP 8570c."

Welter will demonstrate the capabilities of a PDA at the July 17 Networking Breakfast.

"I'll be doing a demo of the hot sync features of my PDA and show just how handy it can be," she said.

Welter organized the Macintosh Permian User Group six years ago and a similar PC user group three years ago. She is also the webmaster for Prime Time Christian Broadcasting and co-hosts a live two hour program.

"The breakfasts originated when several large companies asked how they could identify minority-owned, woman-owned and other small businesses to contact as vendors," said Bruce Partain, Midland Chamber spokesman.

"With the cooperation of several organizations, the Networking Breakfasts helped meet that need," Partain said.

At the breakfasts, any business can set up a small table-top display, and everyone is given 30 seconds to introduce themselves to the group. Before the breakfast, "early birds" meet one another.

"Purchasing agents can attend and list their upcoming bid items and other products and services for which they are searching. Vendors can meet the buyers, pass out flyers and business cards and set up future appointments," Partain said.

Attendees are encouraged to stay after the meeting for further networking.

Cost is only $5. The breakfasts are held from 7:00 to 8:30 a.m. in the Roadrunner Room of the Midland College Student Center.

The Networking Breakfasts are a joint project of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, the Midland Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs, the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the Better Business Bureau, the Midland College Business and Economic Development Center and the UTPB Small Business Development Center.

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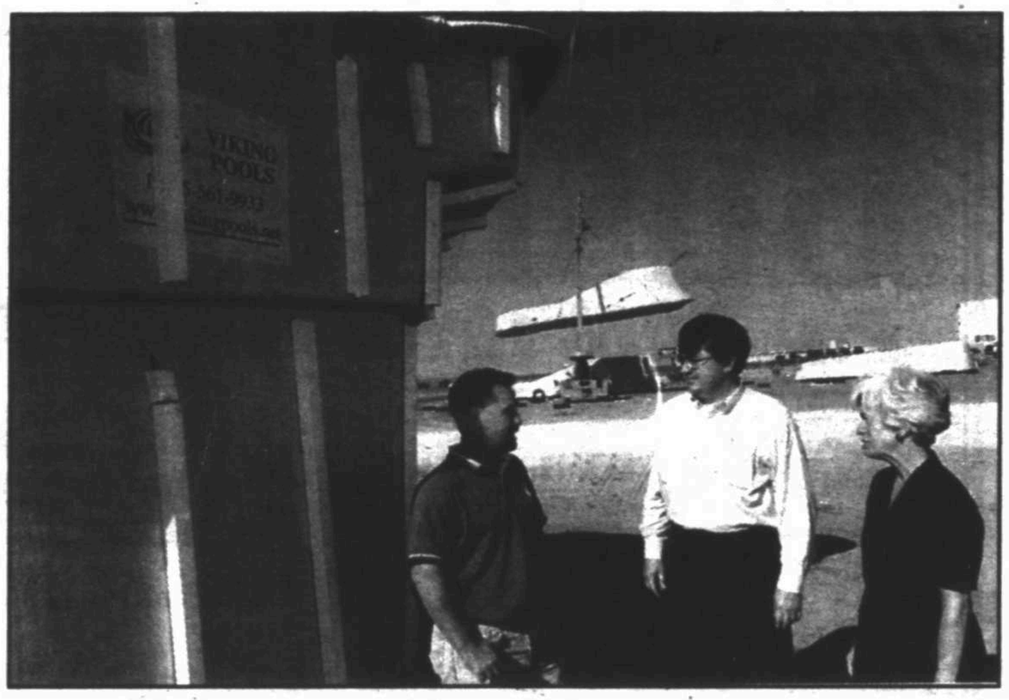
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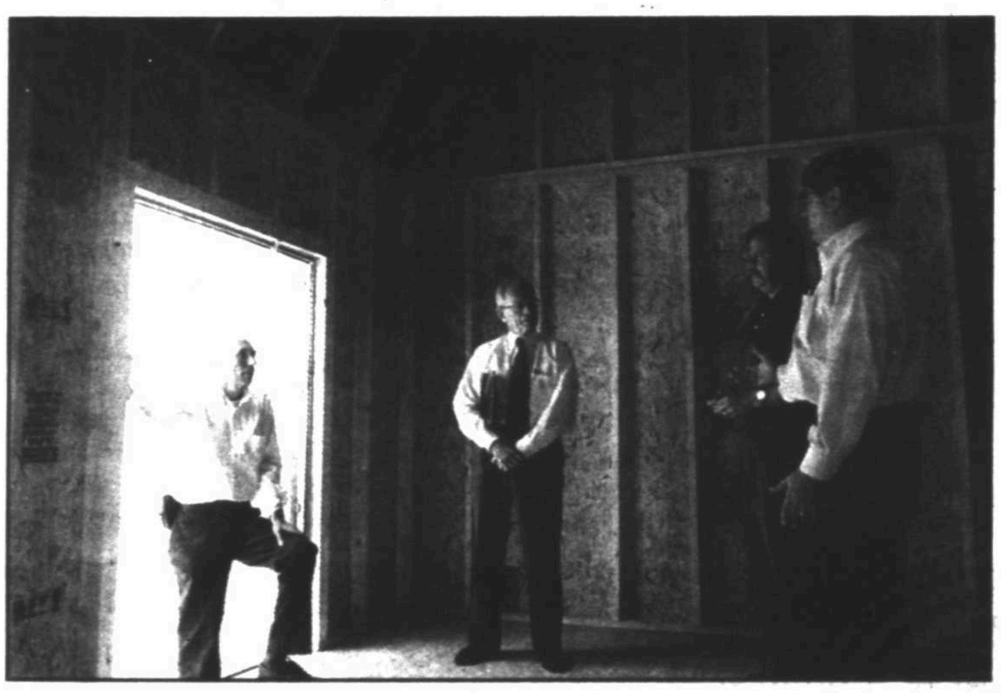
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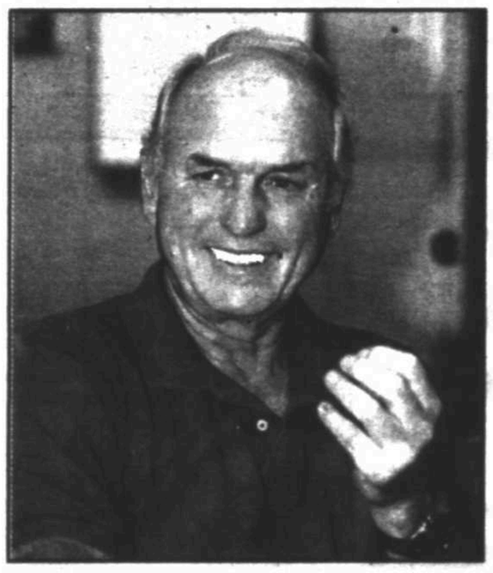
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Chamber staff and volunteers visited several existing businesses during a local industry 'Blitz Day.' In the top photo at far left, volunteers Jane Wolf and W.C. Wilson visit with CSI's Andy Shaffer. Above, Viking Pool's Bill Reynolds, left, discusses challenges with Chamber Economic Development Manager Dennis Clayton and volunteer Jane Wolf. At far left, Apex Building manager Val Grabowski, left, shows a portable building to volunteers Bob Clohessy and Gary Sullenger and Clayton. At left, Hy-Bon Engineering owner Jim Woodcock smiles as he discusses his business with members of the Chamber's Retention/Expansion committee.

Chamber staff, volunteers visit local industries on 'Blitz' day

By Bruce Partain

A dozen Chamber volunteers and staff held a business visitation "Blitz" day on June 20.

"The purpose was to focus attention on the value and impact our existing businesses exert on the local economy," said Dennis Clayton, manager of Economic Development for the Midland Chamber.

"We want to spotlight these existing businesses by providing direct contact with them," Clayton said. "More than 80 percent of current employment and up to 80 percent of new job growth comes from existing small businesses."

The concentrated blitz mirrored the efforts of volunteers throughout the year.

"Our Business Retention and Expansion Committee meets monthly to discuss issues affecting primary industries — the businesses located here that bring in new dollars to our community," Clayton said. "The Chamber's Economic Development Department keeps an extensive contact database on all these companies. We have a goal of visiting businesses that represent 95 percent of manufacturing and other primary industry every 18 months. Our volunteers go out every month to accomplish this goal. The Blitz was a way to make a special targeted effort in a short time."

Clayton said the R&E committee is already planning another blitz in the fall. "We think it is an exciting way to touch base with local industry, listen to their concerns, assist them with challenges and make them aware of programs and opportunities that can make them more successful.

"It is just as important if not more important than recruiting new businesses," he said.

Companies visited included: Viking Pools, Don-Nan Pump & Supply, Compressor Systems (CSI), Benchmark Research, Susie's South Forty, Pinnacle CNG, Apex Buildings, West Texas Cat, Panacore, Hy-Bon Engineering, Midland Certified Reagent, Rolltex, South Plains Mortgage and Jacobs Electronics.

Volunteer participating included Bob Clohessy, Gary Sullenger, Barry Horseman, John Pritchard, Jane Wolf, W.C. Wilson, Michelle Seglem and Sonya Britton.

Volunteers were assisted by chamber staff members Marvin Wynn, Dennis Clayton, Donna Johnson and Bruce Partain.

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> Chamber Economic Development Manager



Photo by Bruce Partain

Chamber retreat

About 50 board members and guests attended the Midland Chamber's annual board retreat on June 8 and June 15 at the Midland College Roadrunner Room. Volunteers and staff reviewed 2001/2001 activities to date and discussed the Midland Assessment and Action Plan (MAAP) project. Chamber chair Mike Conaway sets the stage for discussion.



Hold up, there, little traveler

Pictured are Dale App of Duluth, Minnesota and Susan Strasek of Cincinnati, Ohio (center) who were the first honorees of the this year's Hold Up program conducted by the M-Squad. Shown with them from left to right are Guy McKenzie, Justin Stolte, Jeordan McKenzie, Peggy Thorsen, Miriam Jones, Rose Harvell and Pat Wornell. This year's eight-week program is made possible by the cooperation of the following hotels and restaurants:

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Entertainment is being provided by Summer Mummers, Putt Putt Golf & Games, Midland Rockhounds and ArtWalk Midland. Transportation is being provided by Big John's Limo Service.



Photo by Bruce Partain

Volunteers Mim Jones and Rose Harvell display doorprizes at the June 14 mixer and picnic.

Business at the Ballpark

More than 160 Chamber members, guests and family members descended on Christensen Stadium Thursday, June 14 for Business at the Ballpark, a family picnic and mixer.

Several door prizes were awarded. Event co-chairs David Hitchcock of Susie's South Forty and Patti Page of IP Communications secured several nice door prizes for guests. Sponsor Area Wide Phone Book also distributed doorprizes and "goodies" to attendees. Thanks to the RockHounds for another great event.

Top Volunteer

Charlie Jeffus named Ambassador, Top Achiever for month of May



Charlie Jeffus

Charlie Jeffus is again proving his leadership qualities be repeating as Ambassador of the Month for May.

He has also again proved his abilities as a volunteer by becoming Top Achiever for May, assisting seven renewing members.

Also active for May were Janice Hogan, Texas Refreshments; James Beatty, retired teacher; Dell Hoover, Amera Travel; John Lewallen, Big John's Limo; Roy Nelson, State Farm Insurance; Bobby Norman, First American Bank; and Francine Weaver, Community Concerts. Thanks to all these President's Club volunteers for their efforts in selling Chamber memberships.

Jeffus works as an investment broker for A.G. Edwards & Sons. Inc., specializing in retirement planning and 401(K) rollovers into self-directed IRAs. He served last year as a team captain. And is setting a fine example as Chairman of M-Squad this year. Thanks, Charlie!

Each month the top five point earners are recognized at the M-Squad monthly luncheon. Points are earned by attending assigned events. Events include ribbon cuttings, VIP receptions, special events and community gatherings. If you work for a Chamber member firm, enjoy meeting people and making contacts, and have the time to commit to this vital volunteer effort, please call Dawn Webster at 683-3381 for an application.

President's Club volunteers spend several hours a month calling on new member prospects, as well as visiting with current members who are 60 days past due. The Chamber invites these volunteers to a monthly luncheon where they share information on new businesses opening in Midland. Top Achievers are invited to Chamber board meetings to receive awards. For more information, call Jane Inskeep or Bruce Partain at 683-3381.

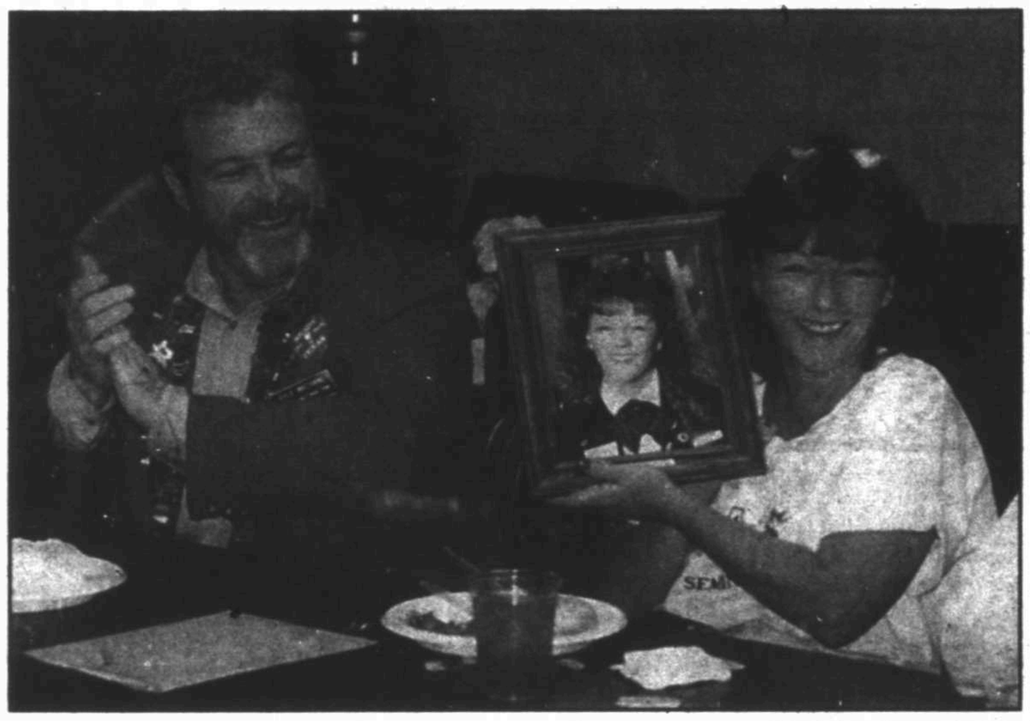
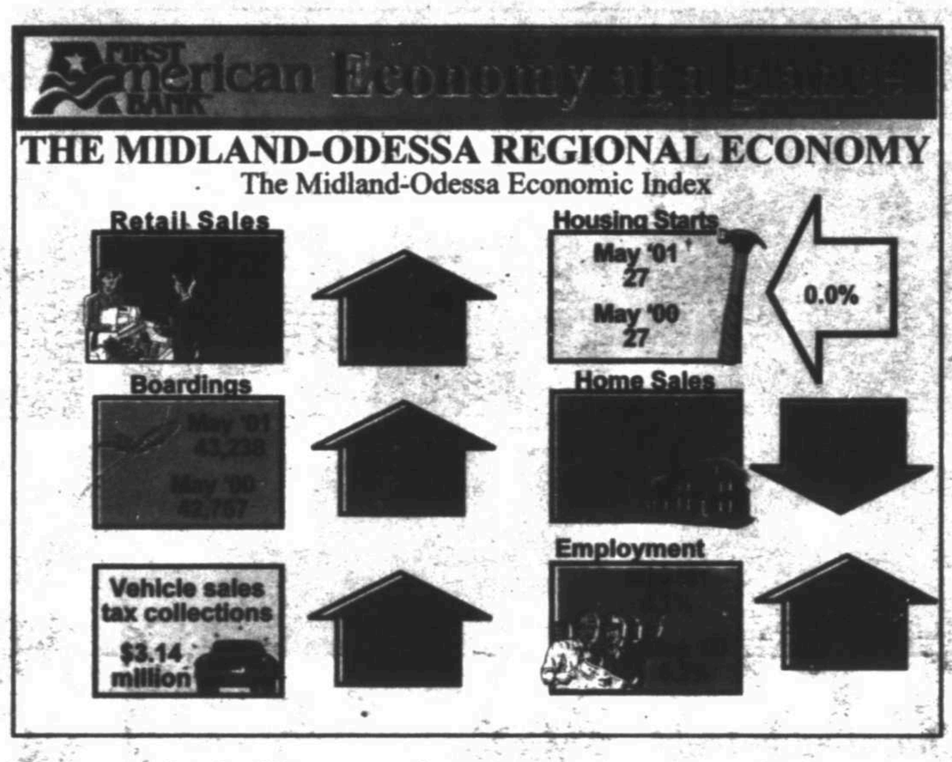


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Chamber Ambassador representatives gather

Representatives from the National Association of Chamber Ambassadors (NACA) paid a visit to the Midland Chamber M-Squad Ambassadors on June 21. Officers from Abilene, Alamorgordo and Seminole spoke about the upcoming convention in Abilene, and renewed friendships. The NACA was begun in Midland in 1986 and now has affiliates across the Southwest and Rocky Mountains. Kyle Brown from Abilene admires a picture of Seminole's Shelby Concotelli, taken when she was an M-Squad ambassador.



Economic indicators jump

The Midland-Odessa Economic Index took a sharp leap higher in May, fueled by a 12 percent increase in retail sales as measured by sales tax revenue. Also strong in May were motor vehicle sales tax, hotel motel tax collections and employment. Dennis Clayton, economic development manager with the chamber, said the results are signs of economic stability.

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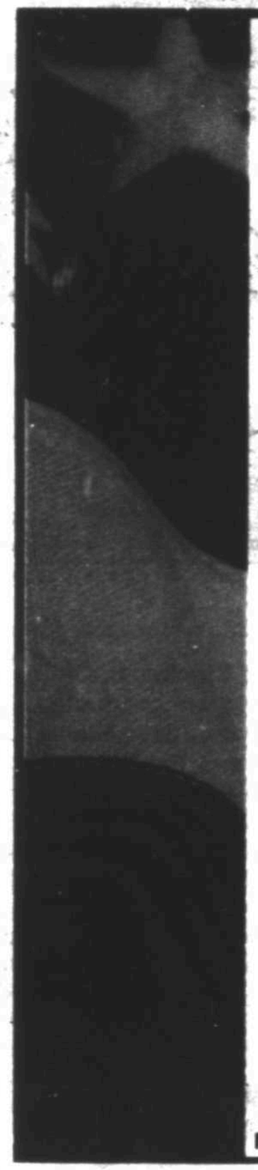


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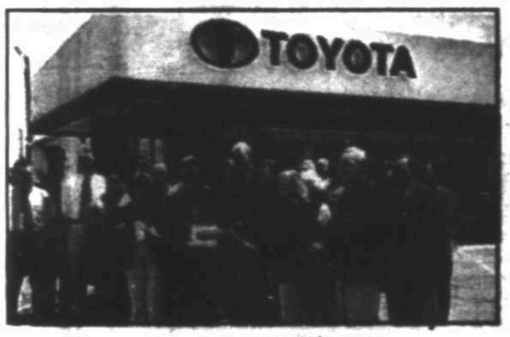
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The M-Squad will conduct ribbon cuttings this month at the following Chamber-member locations.

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Travel writers visit Midland to complete Big Bend Loop

By SuJo McKee

Six travel writers and two representatives from the Texas Tourism Department capped off a tour of the Big Bend Loop with a stop in Midland.

After arriving from an early start in Fort Stockton, the group eagerly began their visit with a tour of the American Airpower Heritage Museum located inside the Confederate Airforce Headquarters. Tour guide and CAF Colonel Ted Brumbel enlightened the guests with tales and stories from World War II. The writers enjoyed the tour of the antique aircraft stored in the hangar. They were most intrigued by the restoration and viewing of the popular B-29 Fifi.

Up next for the group were drive-by tours of President Bush's childhood homes, the Sam Houston Elementary School and Cowden Park where George W. played baseball as a boy.

The group continued on to the Museum of the Southwest and the Children's Museum. Danny Holeva was a delightful host explaining many of the artists' backgrounds as well as the history of the Turner mansion. Carefully walking among the children darting from every room, the writers bravely toured the wondrous Children's Museum. The writers previewed the newest addition now open at the Museum.

After a brief glimpse at the starry sky viewable in the Planetarium, the group set out for the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum. Ron Parks led the group through oilrig blowouts and the history of the oil boom. The Petroleum Museum staff treated everyone to refreshments of wine and cheese. From the Museum, the group was taken to their rooms at the Hilton Midland and Towers. Dining in the relaxing, casual atmosphere of The Hemingway, the group was treated with a wonderful meal provided by the Garlic Press. Enchanted by the sights and delighted with the friendliness of West Texans, the travel writers returned home with an enlightened outlook of Midland, already planning their return trip.

The CVB staff would like to thank all those individuals who donated their time and assistance in making the tour a success.

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The Midland Chamber Convention and Visitors Bureau assists with the booking and servicing of many sporting events held in Midland each month. The number indicated refers to the approximate number of individuals attending the convention.

CVB Sporting Events

July

July 26 - August 5 Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (TAAF) Games of Texas

August

12-17 Women's Texas Golf Association Championship

CVB Conventions

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July

6-10 Texas Municipal Courts Education Center
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11-14 National Association of Postal Supervisors Annual Meeting (125)

13-15 Dickens/Taylor Family Reunion (300)

20-22 Carter/Horton Family Reunion (100)

25-26 Rock the Desert Annual Christian Concert (2,000)

26-29 Administrative Personnel Association Conference 2001 (100)

Chamber meetings

(All meetings held in Chamber boardroom unless otherwise noted)

July

9	Education Committee	11:30 am
10	Executive Committee	11:30 am
11	Economic Development Council	11:30 am
12	President's Club	11:30 am
13	M-Squad Guidelines downstairs conference room	noon
17	Midland Manufacturer's Association	11:30 am
18	Retention/Expansion	11:30 am
19	M-Squad Luncheon	11:30 am
24	Membership Services	4 pm
25	Board of Directors	3:30 pm

August

8	Economic Development Council	11:30 am
9	President's Club	11:30 am
10	M-Squad Guidelines downstairs conference room	noon
13	Education Committee	11:30 am
14	Executive Committee	11:30 am
15	Retention/Expansion	11:30 am
16	M-Squad Luncheon	11:30 am
21	Midland Manufacturer's Association	11:30 am
22	Board of Directors	3:30 pm
28	Leadership Midland Alumni	noon
28	Membership Services	4 pm

Chamber Anniversaries


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Tannery

Chamber employees honored for service

The Midland Chamber honors four employees as they reach anniversaries in July. Shura Lindgren celebrates up her thirteenth anniversary, Rick Woody his fifth, Susan Greene her second and Brandi Tannery her first. Lindgren is director of convention & visitor development for the Chamber.

Woody is operations manager for Midland Center, Greene is Chamber information secretary and Tannery is sales manager for the Convention and Visitors Bureau.

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Are dollars you spend real or constant in value?

By Kevin Skipper

Economists use U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) Consumer Price Indexes to adjust dollar figures for the effects of inflation or the falling value of money over time. Altering figures makes sense, because a 1990 dollar is not equivalent in value to a 2001 (or any other year) dollar. Converting nominal (non-inflation-adjusted) dollars into real (inflation-adjusted) dollars allows users to calculate inflation levels and compare dollar values from different periods. BLS produces over 30 indexes with which to adjust consumer and producer prices. Twenty-six metropolitan areas and four regions have their own consumer price indexes. Some BLS price indexes cover specific sectors of the economy (e.g., medical care, recreation, food, and education). Others address prices of broad ranges of goods and services.

The CPI-U (all urban consumers) represents the most commonly employed BLS Consumer Price Index series. CPI-U (or "CPI") covers the consumption patterns of about 87% of the U.S. population. It is the most suitable index with which to delineate prices experienced by average urban consumers. Analysts have two base periods from which to index prices: 1967 or 1982-84. Economists use the latter period almost exclusively. "Base period" means that BLS derives subsequent CPI levels from average consumer prices of a precisely defined basket of goods and services during 1967 or 1982-84. BLS assigned a value of 100.0 to these two sets of prices.

The bureau bases subsequent index figures on these initial values.

Indexing allows us to calculate inflation levels and compute comparable purchasing power prices during multiple periods. Two examples illustrate how these calculations work.

Crude Oil & Natural Gas Prices. West Texas Districts 8 & 8A: 1990-00

Year	Crude Oil Prices ($)		Natural Gas Prices ($)		Crude Oil Prices: Numeric Change ($)		Natural Gas Prices: Numeric Change ($)		Crude Oil Prices: % Change		Natural Gas Prices: % Change	
	Nominal	Real	Nominal	Real	Nominal	Real	Nominal	Real	Nominal	Real	Nominal	Real
1990	21.84	27.24	1.20	1.50	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
1991	18.56	22.21	1.17	1.40	-3.28	-5.03	-0.03	-0.10	-15.0	-18.5	-2.5	-6.7
1992	17.97	20.88	1.28	1.49	-0.59	-1.33	0.11	0.09	-3.2	-6.0	9.4	6.4
1993	15.82	17.85	1.44	1.62	-2.15	-3.03	0.16	0.13	-12.0	-14.5	12.5	8.7
1994	14.81	16.29	1.41	1.55	-1.01	-1.56	-0.03	-0.07	-6.4	-8.7	-2.1	-4.3
1995	16.21	17.34	1.24	1.33	1.40	1.05	-0.17	-0.22	9.5	6.4	-12.1	-14.2
1996	20.17	20.95	1.61	1.67	3.96	3.61	0.37	0.34	24.4	20.8	29.8	25.6
1997	18.50	18.79	1.79	1.82	-1.67	-2.16	0.18	0.15	-8.3	-10.3	11.2	9.0
1998	12.14	12.14	1.26	1.26	-6.36	-6.65	-0.53	-0.56	-34.4	-35.4	-29.6	-30.8
1999	17.37	16.99	1.48	1.45	5.23	4.85	0.22	0.19	43.1	40.0	17.5	15.1
2000	28.76	27.22	2.62	2.48	11.39	10.23	1.14	1.03	65.6	60.2	77.0	71.0
Change, 1999-00	11.39	10.23	1.14	1.03	6.16	5.38	0.92	0.84	----	----	----	----
% Change, 1999-00	65.6	60.2	77.0	71.0	117.8	110.9	418.2	442.1	----	----	----	----
Change, 1990-00	6.92	-0.02	1.42	0.98	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
% Change, 1990-00	31.7	NM	118.3	65.3	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
ACPC, 1990-00	2.8	NM	8.1	5.2	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----

Source: Desert Analytic & TCPA. Prices represent average taxable values. Real dollar values expressed in constant 1998 dollars. ACPC=annual compound percentage change. NM=not meaningful.

(Monthly CPI index values averaged 172.2 in 2000. This means that prices rose by 72.2% compared to 1982-84. Monthly CPI index values during 1999-00 averaged 166.6; prices rose by 3.4% (the percentage difference between 166.6 and 172.2).

(Assume that we want to convert a 1990 value of $1.23 into 1998 dollars. Stated another way, how much was $1.23 in 1990 worth in 1998? The formula appears below:

(Nominal Dollar Value((1998 CPI/Current Year CPI).

(The average monthly CPI index values during 1990=1.307; 1998=1.630.

($1.23((1.630/1.307)=$1.23(1.25=$1.54.

($1.23 (1990) had the same purchasing power as $1.54 (1998).

The accompanying table delineates annual West Texas Districts 8 & 8A crude oil and natural gas prices during 1990-00. The table exhibits numeric and percentage changes in prices. In addition, the chart displays oil price patterns. The table and chart assist readers in understanding how much nominal (constant dollar) and real (current dollar) prices can differ. Some same-period statistics vary considerably.

During 1999-00, nominal crude oil prices expanded by $11.39 (65.6%); they advanced by $10.23 (60.2%) in real terms. During the 11-year period, prices increased by a nominal $6.92 (31.7%), while real prices declined by $0.02.

Natural gas prices progressed differently. Current dollar prices increased by $1.14 (77.0%) during 1999-00. Constant dollar prices climbed $1.03, or 71.0%. Between 1990-00, nominal gas prices jumped by $1.42 (118.3%), while real prices advanced by only $0.98 (65.3%).

One cannot overstate the importance of comprehending how inflation affects prices over time.

It is misleading to use only nominal dollar values or changes. One must apply real, inflation-free dollars to make proper price comparisons.

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General Manager of Houston's new NFL team to speak at quarterly luncheon

Promoting a community can take many forms. One of the most powerful ways is through sports marketing.



Casserly

On August 1, the Midland Chamber's quarterly luncheon will host Charley Casserly, general manager of the Houston Texans, the National Football League's newest franchise.

Casserly will speak about the unique challenges of starting a team and building a new stadium. He will touch on the importance of the community supporting local sports efforts, the name recognition sports can bring to a town and the dollars generated by visitors attracted by sporting teams and tournaments.

The luncheon will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Midland Center, 105 N. Main. Cost is $13 in advance and $15 at the door, if space is still available. Call Dawn Webster at 683-3381 or e-mail dawn@midlandtxchamber.com for more information or a reservation form. Tickets can also be purchased at the Chamber office, 109 N. Main.

Houston wins over LA

In October, The NFL picked Houston over Los Angeles for its next expansion team, preferring a smaller market's record $1 billion proposal to a shaky one from its bigger, more glamorous rival. The offer, the richest ever for a franchise, came from Houston businessman Bob McNair and includes the $700 million franchise price, plus a $310 million retractable roof stadium.

Houston will begin play in 2002 in the AFC, where the old Oilers played before moving to Tennessee after the 1996 season. As part of the deal, Houston will get to play host to a Super Bowl, most likely in 2004, an event officials estimated would pump $400 million into the Houston economy.

GM Charley Casserly

The Texans' new general manager is used to starting from scratch.

At age 27, Casserly quit his job as a high school teacher and coach in Wilbraham, Massachusetts. He took a one-year unpaid internship with the Washington Redskins.

He got a room at an area YMCA for eight bucks a night. At work he broke down film, cut players, fetched George Allen a milkshake from time to time, anything that the legendary head coach asked him to do. After the season concluded, Casserly declined an offer to move to the Los Angeles Rams with Allen and accepted a scouting position with Washington. Four years later, the Redskins promoted him to assistant general manager and the club went on to capture Super Bowl XVII.

Another "from scratch" experience was the building of a team in 1987, during the NFL player's strike. That experience is the subject of the feature film, "The Replacements," starring Keanu Reeves and Gene Hackman. The 'Skins won three games before the strike ended, including a Monday night win over a Dallas team that featured some regulars on the roster.

In 1990, he was elevated to general manager, a position he held for 10 years.

Now Casserly gets to start from scratch again and it's a challenge that he eagerly embraces. On January 19, Casserly was named Executive Vice President/General Manager of the Houston Texans. He will be in charge of all football operations for the NFL's newest team, which will begin play in 2002 at Reliant Stadium.

"This is an exciting time for this franchise and an exciting time for the city of Houston," Casserly says. "Bob McNair was aggressive in landing this expansion club and we will be equally aggressive in building this team. Football is a vital part of Houston's heritage. And by starting a team from scratch, we are offering something that our fans will relate to. They can watch us develop from an expansion club getting its feet wet to a legitimate championship contender."

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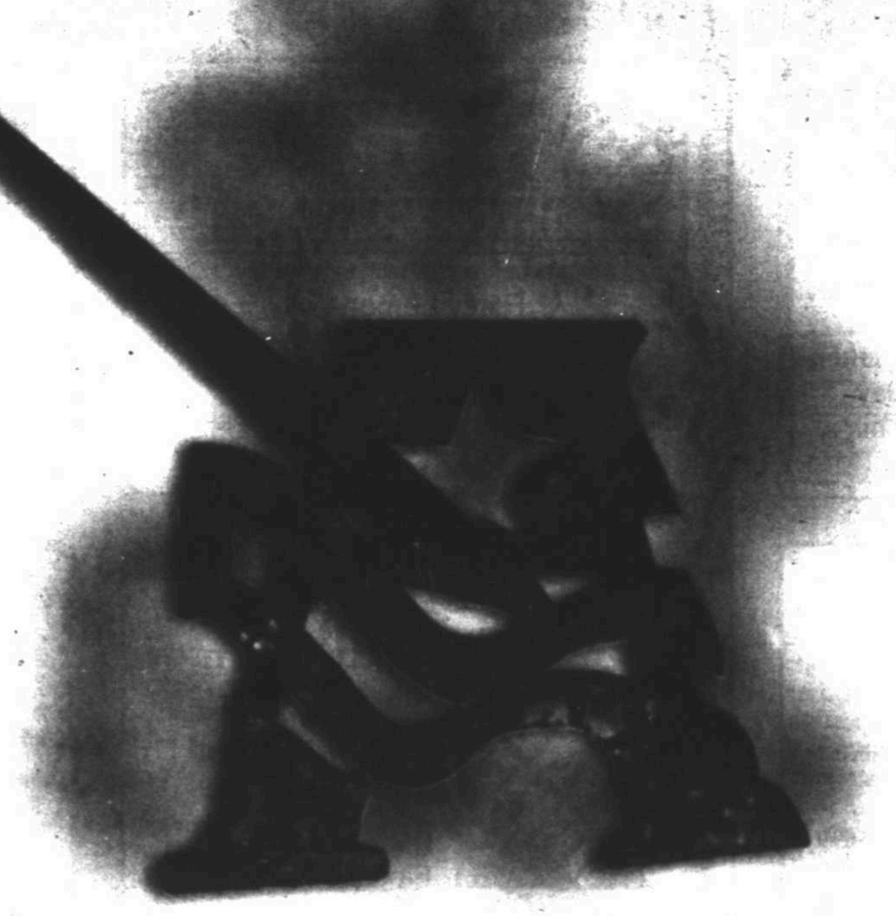
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