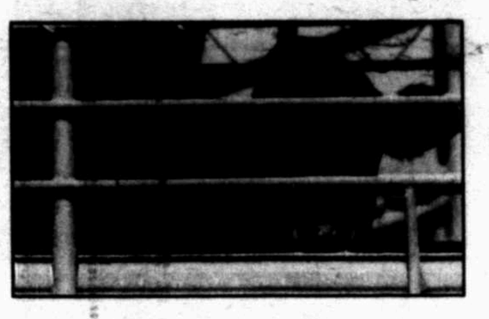
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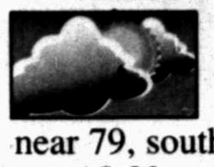


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Smoking ordinance goes public April 12



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SPEAKING TO COUNCIL James Gray, center, director of government relations for the American Cancer Society, speaks to Barry Simpson, left, and other City Council members Tuesday about the proposed smoking ordinance. Seated behind are Dr. Phil Huang, chief medical officer for the Texas Department of State Health Services' Bureau of Chronic Disease and Prevention and Larry Medina, former El Paso city councilman, who also spoke to the City Council. The council decided to hold a public hearing on the proposed ordinances April 12.

■ Mayor Mike Canon decided to have a public hearing for three proposed smoking ordinances April 12.

By Stephanie A. Miller
Staff Writer

Mayor Mike Canon said Tuesday a public hearing regarding the city's smoking ordinance will take place April 12 at Midland Center.

Canon's announcement came before a workshop, which allowed input from members and supporters of Smoke-Free Midland, which is looking for a newer, stricter ordinance, and Free Midland, which seeks the opportunity for a business to control its actions.

The three possible ordinances Canon said the council is likely to consider include Midland's current ordinance and smoking ordinances in Odessa and El Paso.

Among those who provided input included former El Paso councilman Larry Medina, who offered his views on the dangers of second-hand smoke and shared "a real-life experience" about the benefits he said El Paso reaped through its smoking ban.

Elected officials have an obligation and a duty to protect the public health, Medina said.

"Not only is it politically right, but it's morally right, and we need to do the right thing," he said.

Medina, who is a small business owner, said he initially was against the El Paso smoking ban, which eliminates smoking in all public places. He said he viewed the ordinance differently after studying and researching the issue.

"This is not about smoking or non-smoking. It's about health and the quality of health," he said.

Please see **SMOKING**/4A

City Council Notes

■ By a 5-to-2 vote, the council approved the final reading of a proposed across-the-board water ordinance. The measure becomes effective April 5.

■ By unanimous vote, the council approved plans and specifications and authorized advertisement for bids for the installation of street and drainage improvements for Midland Drive between Illinois Avenue and Business 20.

■ The council authorized City Manager Rick Menchaca and City Attorney Keith Stretcher to negotiate and execute a sponsorship license and naming rights agreements regarding First American Bank Ballpark.

Hearings begin for 21 arrested in Odessa drug bust; 2 at large

By Bob Campbell
Staff Writer

The wheels of justice began grinding Tuesday in U.S. Magistrate Court as a 24-year-old man was identified as the primary source of drugs for alleged Odessa-based cocaine conspiracy ringleader Adrian "Big Boo" Crook.



Crook

During a day of detention hearings for the first group of 21 alleged "Big Spring Alumni Club" gang members, Assistant U.S. Attorney Glenn Roque-Jackson said Ricky Garcia "Trainer" Armendariz made regular trips from Mexico to bring cocaine into the Permian Basin.

"Armendariz was the coke supplier for Crook," Roque-Jackson told Magistrate L. Stuart Platt, who had earlier named Odessa lawyer Alan Harris to represent Armendariz.

The prosecutor said two of the alleged conspirators — Lennie DeWit "Cheese" Calloway and Juan Macias Leyva — continued at large, having eluded the U.S. Marshals Service since their indictments were unsealed last week.

Crook, 34, and 36-year-old Caishan "Giggles" Brooks remained in custody with alleged fellow ringleaders 30-year-old Elias "Lie" Carrillo Jr. and 34-year-old Jose Larez "Juni" Padilla Jr., and had not had bonds set. If convicted of conspiracy to manufacture, possess and distribute crack cocaine, they could each get 20 years to life in prison.

U.S. Attorney Johnny Sutton of San Antonio said here last week the ring should be called "The Big Spring Alumni Club" because the conspiracy originated while the defendants were inmates in the Big Spring Federal Correctional Institute.

Platt heard testimony from D'Marria Natice Monday, 24, who said she is pregnant and was released on a $20,000 bond and remanded to a halfway house; Angelina L. Luna, 30, who was given a $10,000 bond; and Raymond Joel "Ray Ray" Duarte, 30, who was held without bond because a state probation revocation petition was filed against him.

Monday said she recently closed a boutique she owned and stopped using drugs upon learning she was pregnant. Luna was allowed to live with her children with a relative but ordered to undergo regular drug tests.

Please see **HEARINGS**/4A

SMOKE *after the flame*



Kris J. Murante/Reporter-Telegram

Fire destroys storage building, small boat

From Staff Reports

A fire in the back yard of 1508 E. Scharbauer Drive destroyed a storage building and small boat Tuesday evening.

Jesus Mancha, who lives in the home with his two young sons, said he has no idea how the fire could have started and suspects the cause of the fire may have been arson.

"My dog has been living in the building, I'm just glad he wasn't there tonight," Mancha said.

The fire also damaged telephone wires above the small building and a nearby fence.

Midland Police Department patrolman Joel Ramirez said he could see the fire from the intersection of Golf Course Road and Fairgrounds Road and the building was completely engulfed when authorities arrived.

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Conaway signs as co-sponsor of Social Security Fairness Act

By Sarah Kleiner
Staff Writer

Midland Republican Mike Conaway joined a bipartisan group of congressional leaders recently by signing up as co-sponsor of a bill that would restore Social Security benefits to government workers, despite some GOP leaders' opposition.

Earlier this month, Conaway joined 220 co-sponsors of the Social Security Fairness Act, filed in January by U.S. Rep. Howard McKeon, R-Calif.

The bill would eliminate two contentious provisions in federal law that prevent employees contributing to government pensions from receiving all Social Security benefits they would receive from former jobs or deceased spouses. The provisions are called the Windfall Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset.

"I signed on as a matter of fairness and equity," Conaway told the Reporter-Telegram Tuesday, adding he fulfilled a campaign promise by supporting the legislation.



Conaway

Employees who paid into Social Security through former jobs are entitled to part of those benefits once they retire — in addition to benefits received from government pension plans. Also, widows and widowers receive a fraction of Social Security benefits of their deceased spouses they would otherwise have received had they not paid into pension plans.

In Midland, school district employees, firefighters and appraisal district employ-

Please see **CONAWAY**/4A

Conaway: Schiavo debate 'respectful'

■ Congressman maintains passing bill was "right thing to do."

From Staff and Wire Reports

Sunday's debate was uniquely grave and quiet as U.S. congressional leaders convened in an unprecedented attempt to reverse a state court's ruling that allowed brain-damaged Terri Schiavo's feeding tube to be removed, Midland Republican Congressman Mike Conaway said Tuesday.

"The debate on the floor Sunday night was the most respectful, thoughtful process that I've seen during my short time in Congress," Conaway said. "Typically, activity on floor is best described as pandemonium."

Conaway maintained Congress made the right decision to pass a bill allowing Schiavo's case to be heard in federal court after a state judge in Florida decided her feeding tube should be removed.

The Associated Press reported Tuesday about seven-in-10 Americans said Congress inappropriately intervened in the case, according to a new poll.

Federal judges ruled in favor of Schiavo's husband Tuesday, who said his wife did not wish to live connected to medical lifelines. Schiavo's feeding and hydration tubes were removed last week.

Conaway voted for the bill that supported Schiavo's parents, who believe their daughter's health could be restored. However, heartfelt debate was heard from both Republicans, who spearheaded efforts to pass a bill, and Democrats fearful of overstepping Congressional bounds, he said.

"Steps were not taken lightly or without a great deal of thought on both sides of the issue," Conaway said.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

from wire reports

VENTURA, Calif. — Former "Growing Pains" actress **Tracey Gold** was placed on three years' probation after she pleaded guilty to a second felony drunken driving charge in a rollover crash that injured her husband and two of their three children.

Tracey Gold Marshall, 35, pleaded guilty in January to felony drunken driving.

On Monday, a Superior Court judge decided to reduce the charge to a misdemeanor, but Deputy District Attorney Jeff Gorrell objected and said an earlier plea bargain was off and he wouldn't drop the child-endangerment charges against Marshall.

To avoid those charges, she pleaded guilty to the second felony drunken-driving charge.

Judge Bruce Clark then placed Marshall on three years' probation, ordered her to complete 30 days of work release supervised by the jail and 240 hours of community service.

Marshall, who starred on "Growing Pains" from 1985 to 1992, was behind the wheel of a sport utility vehicle on Sept. 3, 2004, when it went off a highway in Moorpark and rolled down an embankment.

Marshall and her 4-month-old son weren't hurt, but her husband, Roby Marshall, and the couple's 5- and 7-year-old sons were injured.

Since the crash, Marshall has spoken to high school and college audiences about the hazards of driving while drunk.

Outside court, Marshall said she wanted to let students know "every decision you make you have to be responsible for."

"It's been, for me, very healing," she added.

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LOS ANGELES — It's a girl for "Desperate Housewives" actor **James Denton** and his wife, Erin O'Brien Denton.

Malin O'Brien Denton was born early Tuesday at a Los Angeles area hospital, publicist Susan Madore said. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces.

"They are really great, really great," Madore said.

Denton, 42, plays Mike Delfino on ABC's "Desperate Housewives." The couple have a 22-month old son, Sheppard.

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KINGSTON, Jamaica — **Sizzla** was released from custody after police questioned him in connection with alleged involvement in gunrunning and gang violence, his lawyer said Tuesday.

The 28-year-old dancehall reggae singer was among 33 people arrested Thursday after police and military raided the community of August Town in Kingston. Authorities seized six AK-47 rifles, three sniper rifles, a submachine gun and 58 rounds of ammunition.

Sizzla, whose real name is Miguel Collins, was released Monday, his lawyer, Glen Cruickshank, said.

"They questioned him (Sizzla) about violence in August Town and the guns, and he denied knowledge of both. They could not carry that to court," Cruickshank said.

Three men have been charged with illegal possession of weapons and ammunition. Police said others were still being questioned.

Some August Town residents have accused Sizzla of inciting violence between gunmen from Judgement Yard, the August Town section where he lives, and Jungle 12, a neighboring section.

Woman recounts frightened call from Jackson accuser's mother

By Linda Deutsch
Associated Press

SANTA MARIA, Calif. — A comedian who gave $20,000 to the family of the boy now accusing Michael Jackson of molestation testified Tuesday she received a tearful phone call from the boy's mother that led her to believe the family was being held against its will.

Comedian Louise Palanker said she tried to get in touch with the mother after seeing the TV documentary "Living With Michael Jackson" in which Jackson and his accuser held hands and Jackson acknowledged letting children sleep in his bed.

Palanker was called by the prosecution to support the charge that Jackson conspired to hold the family captive after the documentary aired on Feb. 6, 2003, in order to get them to make a rebuttal video praising Jackson.

On the witness stand, Palanker said soon after she left a message with the boy's grandparents, the mother called her and sounded frightened.

"She was extremely agitated and she was almost whispering. ... This was fear-based agitation," Palanker said.

The mother told her not to call her back at the same number, the witness said. Palanker quoted the mother as saying: "Don't call me back here. They're listening to everything I say. These people are evil."

"I said, 'Are the children in school?' She said, 'No.' That's when she started crying," Palanker said.

Palanker did not say where the mother was at the time of the call. The comedian said she called her attorney afterward because "I felt that they were being held against their will." She did not call police.

Jackson, who is accused of molesting the boy in February or March 2003, arrived on time Tuesday, smiling but moving slowly as he did Monday when he was late again after another visit to a hospital. The pop star has complained of back pain.

He had to sit through only a half-day of testimony Tuesday because of an abbreviated schedule. As he left court he told reporters, "I'm doing better."

The defense contends the boy's mother exploited relationships with Palanker and other celebrities to get money. With Palanker's testimony, the prosecution sought to show it was the now-estranged father who did that.

Palanker acknowledged the family "liked to make phone calls" to celebrities — including Jay Leno, who contacted Palanker. "He told me they had left three messages on his voice mail," she said, acknowledging he asked her to tell the family to stop calling him.

Palanker said she met the family at a comedy camp for underprivileged youth run by the Laugh Factory club in Hollywood and began helping them financially after the boy was diagnosed with cancer. Palanker said she gave the family $10,000 to cover expenses.

"It was fairly spontaneous," she said. "I just decided on my own to do it."

But she said she gave a second gift of $10,000 when the father asked for more money. Palanker said the father told her the family could not afford rent because his wife had spent their money on such things as prayer and "a lot of statues and votive candles."



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Authorities search for motive in Minnesota school shootings

By Joshua Freed
Associated Press

RED LAKE, Minn. — Authorities were trying to determine Tuesday what caused a teenager to gun down his grandfather, put on the man's police-issue belt and bulletproof vest, and drive his marked squad car to a high school, where he began shooting his classmates at will.

Jeff Weise, who authorities said was 16 or 17, killed nine people and wounded seven Monday before trading gunfire with a police officer and apparently shooting himself. His motive still wasn't clear Tuesday, but the FBI said the shootings appeared to have been planned in advance.

It was the nation's worst school shooting since the Columbine massacre in April 1999 that ended with the deaths of 12 students, a teacher and the two teen gunmen.

The killings on this northern Minnesota Indian reservation began at the home of Weise's grandfather, Daryl Lussier, 58, who was shot to death with a .22-caliber gun, according to Michael Tabman, the FBI's special agent in charge for Minneapolis. Also killed was Lussier's companion, Michelle Sigana.

Lussier had worked as a tribal police officer for decades. Weise then drove the older man's squad car to the school, where he gunned down security guard Derrick Brun at the door and spent about 10 minutes inside, targeting people at random.

Hearing the shots, students and adults barricaded themselves into offices and classrooms and crouched under desks, authorities said. A teacher and five students were shot to death, and two 15-year-olds remained in critical condition at a Fargo, N.D., hospital with gunshot wounds to the face.

"Right now we are in utter disbelief and shock," said Floyd Jourdain Jr., chairman of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa.

Authorities were investigating whether Weise, who dressed in black and wrote stories about zombies, may have posted messages on a neo-Nazi Web site expressing admiration for Adolf Hitler.



MEMORIAL Mourners watch an eagle fly overhead during a prayer and sage ceremony in the parking lot of the North Country Regional Hospital in Bemidji, Minn., Tuesday. The ceremony was held in memory of victims of Monday's shooting at Red Lake (Minn.) High School.

Tom Sweeney/AP

Using the handle "Todesengel" — German for "Angel of Death" — the writer identified himself as Jeff Weise of the Red Lake Reservation. In April 2004, he referenced being accused of "a threat on the school I attend," though it says he was later cleared.

Tabman said Tuesday he couldn't confirm whether Weise was the person who made the postings.

School board member Kathryn Beaulieu said Weise had been placed in the school's Homebound program for a policy violation. She did not elaborate.

Relatives told the St. Paul Pioneer Press that Weise was a loner who was often teased by others. They said his father committed suicide four years ago and his mother was living in a Minneapolis nursing home because she suffered brain injuries in a car accident.

Residents at the home where Weise was believed to have lived with his grandmother declined to comment Tuesday. School was canceled for the day as investigators scoured the building for clues.

At the Capitol in St. Paul, several hundred people attended a prayer ceremony for victims of the shooting where religious leaders joined Indians in drumming and chanting.

"Once again our people have been hit ... but our people are strong," said Ona Kingbird, a Red Lake tribal member. "We'll come out of it."

Minnesota Gov. Tim Pawlenty expressed his condolences for the families of the victims and said it appeared the school had "very rigorous security."

"It looks like you had a very disturbed individual who was able to overcome a lot of precautions to do a lot of damage," the governor said.

But a school secretary and a cousin of the slain security guard said that Brun and a female security guard who fled from Weise did not carry guns. Brun's cousin, Nancy Richards, said Brun also did not wear a bulletproof vest.

It was the second fatal school shooting in Minnesota in 18 months. Two students were killed at Rocori High School in Cold Spring in September 2003. Student John Jason McLaughlin, who was 15 at the time, awaits trial in the case.

Red Lake High School has about 300 students, according to its Web site.

The reservation is about 240 miles north of the Twin Cities. It is home to the Red Lake Chippewa Tribe, one of the poorest in the state. According to the 2000 census, 5,162 people lived on the reservation, and all but 91 were Indians.

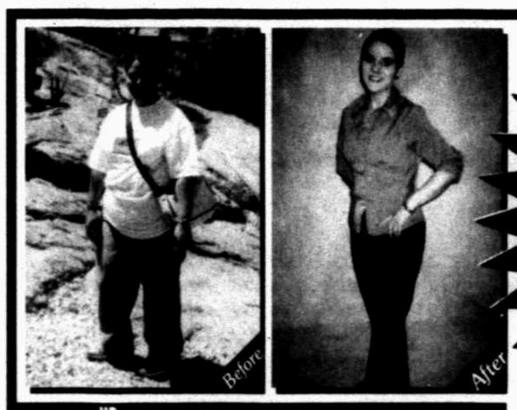
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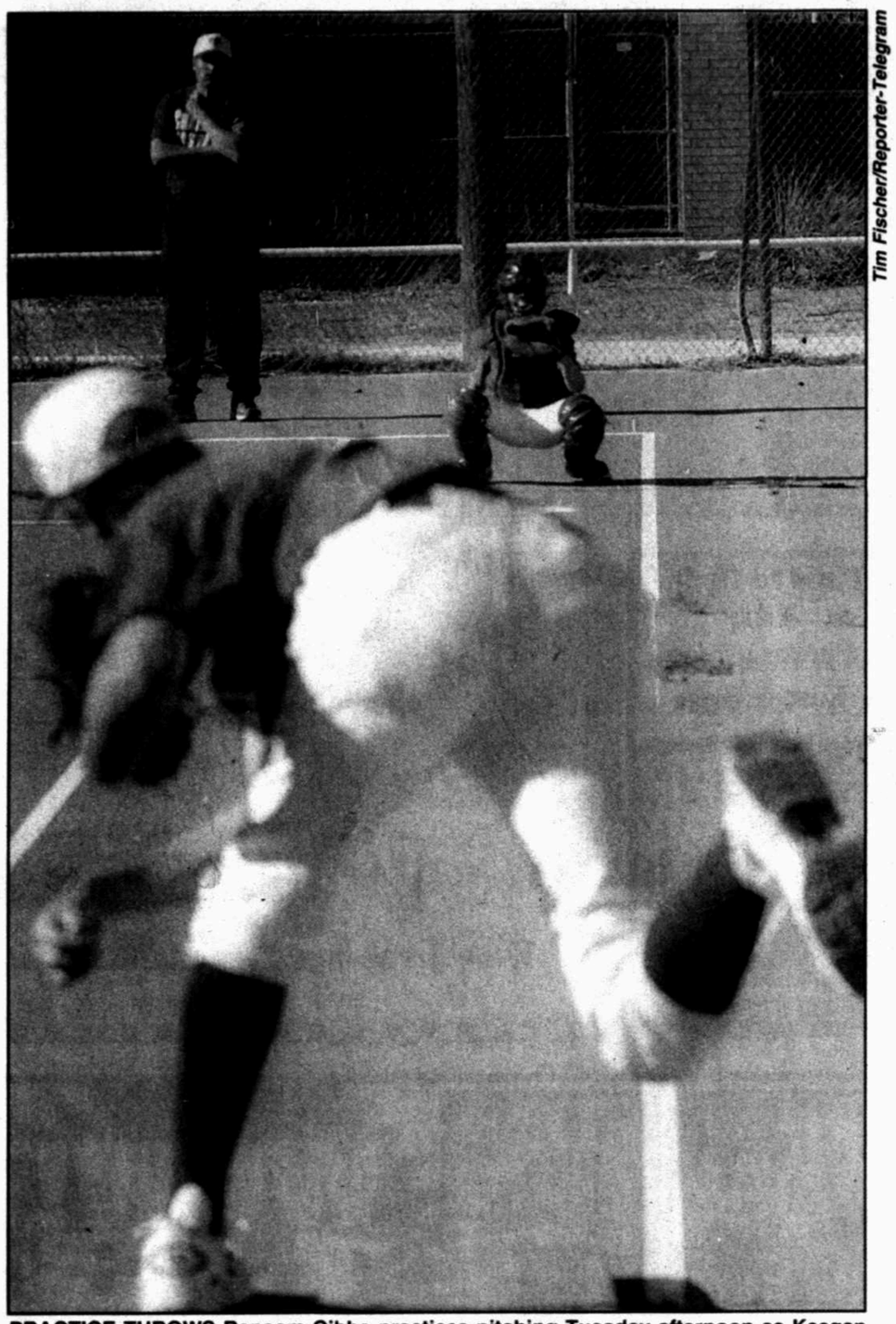
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PRACTICE THROWS Ransom Gibbs practices pitching Tuesday afternoon as Keegan Faudree catches and pitching coach, Lance Watters, observes during Trinity baseball practice.

SMOKING

(From 1A)

"This is a very divisive and emotional issue, and especially since it's such an emotional issue, I wanted to be on the right side."

Medina urged Midland not to deviate from El Paso's smoking ban, calling any plan falling short of El Paso's "Mickey Mouse."

While Smoke-Free Midland has encouraged the council to adopt an ordinance similar to El Paso's, Free Midland said the issue is not about public health but property rights.

"No disrespect, but Midland is not El Paso," said Scott Gunn, spokesman for Free Midland.

"Midland is not New York, and it's not Dallas. It's different. I think we need to keep that in mind. We don't need other people telling us to make our decisions," he said.

"This county's about freedom of choice. The public has a choice at the front door. They chose to enter or not," Gunn said.

Dr. Philip Huang of the Texas Department of State Health Services told the council the issue is about public health, and he said smoking bans do not have a negative impact on local economies, citing research based on sales tax receipts of cities with bans.

However, some Midland business owners said a smoking ban would drive business right into Odessa.

Jerry Morales with the Texas Restaurant Association said El Paso members had nothing but negative reports about their city's ordinance at TRA conventions.

Though Smoke-Free Midland's proposed smoking ban does exempt businesses that derive 50 percent or more of its revenue from smoke tobacco sales, John Young, owner of The Hemmingway, said his business would greatly be affected and urged the council not to conform to El Paso's regulations.

Huang said regardless of the ordinance a city adopts, businesses close and also expand for various reasons.

Medina admitted some businesses had to adjust after the smoking ban was passed. He also said some business and restaurant owners planned to petition the council and there were threats of litigation. Medina said he personally experienced some backlash, finding cigarette butts on his vehicle.

Smoking ordinance public hearing

When: April 12
Where: Midland Center

The three likely ordinance choices

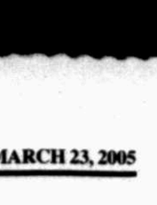
Midland's existing ordinance: Gives business owners discretion to determine smoking and non-smoking sections. The ordinance states that bars and restaurants with a seating capacity of less than 75 are not necessarily required to have designated non-smoking sections.

Odessa's smoking ordinance: Addresses smoking in three ways:

- Smoking can be allowed in establishments that have signs stating if they do or do not permit smoking.
- Smoking can be permitted in a designated area that is separated from non-smoking sections.
- An establishment can chose to prohibit smoking altogether.

El Paso's smoking ordinance: Bans smoking in all public places, including food establishments, nightclubs, bars, retail stores, service lines, city-operated public transits, sports arenas, convention halls and bowling facilities.

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But that is no longer the case "because people have seen the light," he said.

Medina said he empathizes with the business owners, who have every right to be concerned. But the government's obligation is still to the public's health.

"Believe me, I totally understand their fears, especially when it comes to economic impact," he said. "But as elected officials, we also have a duty to protect innocent people from harm," he said.

CONAWAY

(From 1A)

ees pay solely into government pension plans and are affected by the provisions.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., proposed a Senate bill that would repeal both provisions. Eight senators signed up as co-sponsors since the bill was introduced March 14, but Texas Sens. John Cornyn and Kay Bailey Hutchison are not included among those.

A similar bill died in the House last year after congressional leaders refused to vote it out of committee, and a subsequent discharge petition, filed to force bills onto the chamber floor, was not signed by enough representatives before the session ended.

House Majority Leader Tom DeLay opposed the bill last year, claiming it was "special treatment, not fair treatment" and that repealing both provisions would cripple the Social Security system.

The bill would eliminate two contentious provisions in federal law that prevent employees contributing to government pensions from receiving all Social Security benefits they would receive from former jobs or deceased spouses.

Conaway said he wasn't aware of DeLay's opposition, but said the GOP leader's opinion wouldn't have affected his decision because he promised while campaigning to help push the bill through Congress.

Texas is one of 13 states impacted by the two provisions.

Teacher organizations in the state have lobbied to have the provisions eliminated because most school employees are required to pay into the Teacher Retirement System of Texas, which prohibits educators from receiving all their allotted Social Security benefits.

Conaway said it's still too early to tell whether the bill will pass through both chambers of Congress. However, Conaway sees Bush's Social Security reform proposal as an ideal opportunity to address the issue.

Andy Griffin, treasurer for the Midland Education Support Professionals Association and assistant welder for Midland Independent School District, said he was pleased Conaway decided to co-sponsor the bill.

During Conaway's Midland office open house earlier this year, Griffin and a few other school employees asked the congressman to support the bill.

"It's not a Republican or a Democratic issue, it's a Social Security issue," Griffin said. "People who pay into Social Security should get their money."

HEARINGS

(From 1A)

"We administer a test right away to establish a base line," Platt told Luna. "You may still be 'hot,' and we understand that. It will go down, but later on if it goes back up then we'll know we have a problem."

The judge had named Midland attorneys Robert Sykes to represent Monday, Woody Leverett for Luna and Ray Fivecoat for Duarte and Tuesday appointed Robert Freeman of Midland for 24-year-old Rene Rubo Jr., who, like the other defendants so far, pleaded "not guilty."

If convicted, the others will face from 10 years to life imprisonment, five years of supervised release and up to a $4 million fine each.

Midland lawyers Tom Morgan and Ian Cantacuzene will represent Latisha Shaunta Cummings, 20, and Israel Tucker Hernandez, 31.

Platt set 2 p.m. April 20 for all the defendants and their lawyers to answer a "docket call" of the one-indictment case, which is detailed in a 30 page document describing encoded cellular telephone calls being intercepted by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and surveillance evidence.

Most of the defendants had accepted court-appointed attorneys, but a few hired their own. Tammy LaSondra Bradley, 33, retained Melvin Gray of San Angelo, and 31-year-old Aaron Frank Loika hired Fred Brigman of San Angelo.

Platt named Odessa attorneys Laura Carpenter to represent Philonicus LaBelle Fobbs, 22, who was released on a $10,000 bond; Eva Marie Leahey for Gregory Leon Palmer, 35; David Greenhaw for Fatima Fulani Green, 25; and Allen Stroder for Joseph Lemesa Green, 35.

Detention hearings have not been held for 38-year-old Donald Eugene Jeffery or 52-year-old Clyde "Sky" Young.

Explosion rocks Christian area north of Beirut, killing two

By Hussein Dakroub
Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon — An explosion tore through a business center in a Christian town near Beirut early Wednesday, killing at least two people in the second deadly attack against an anti-Syrian stronghold since the murder of Lebanon's former prime minister last month.

The political turmoil touched off by the assassination of Rafik Hariri continued Tuesday as about 1,000 students shouting "Death to America!" and shredding a portrait of President Bush marched on the U.S. Embassy in Beirut to criticize what they said was Washington's interference in Lebanon.

Separately, a newspaper owned by the slain former premier, Rafik Hariri, said a U.N. team investigating his Feb. 14 assassination is expected to accuse Lebanese authorities of negligence and evidence tampering.

Hariri was an opponent of the 15-year Syrian occupation of Lebanon, and his assassination set off demands that Syria pull its troops out as demanded by a U.N. Security Council resolution and the United States.

Syria and its Lebanese allies in government denied opposition accusations of having roles in Hariri's assassination. The killing brought Syria's long domination of Lebanon into the spotlight. Syria's military, which entered the country in 1976 during the 1975-90 civil war, made Damascus the power broker of Lebanese politics.

The latest attacks have raised concerns among some Lebanese that pro-Syrian elements might resort to violence to show, in their view, the need for a continued presence by Damascus forces.

Shortly after midnight, a 45-pound bomb rocked the shopping center near Jounieh, the main Christian port city about 10 miles north of Beirut. Police said they believed it was placed at the center when it was closed.



Hussein Malla/AP

DEADLY EXPLOSION A Lebanese investigator uses a bomb sniffing dog as he inspects at the Alta Vista Shopping Center on the Kaslik stretch near Jounieh, the main Christian port city about 10 miles north of Beirut, Lebanon, early Wednesday.

Police said two people were killed and two wounded. LBC TV, the leading station in the country, said three people were killed and eight wounded. It was the second bombing since Saturday, when a car bomb in a northern Christian suburb of Beirut injured nine people.

The demonstrators on Tuesday, mostly supporters of the militant group Hezbollah, shouted "Death to Israel!" and waved Lebanese flags as they tried to push through barbed wire and a Lebanese army checkpoint.

It was the second anti-U.S. protest in eight days organized by student groups backing the pro-Syrian government.

Hariri's Feb. 14 assassination sparked unprecedented anti-Syrian protests that led Prime Minister Omar Karami to dissolve his government and brought intense international pressure on Syria to completely withdraw its army from Lebanon. Damascus withdrew troops to eastern Lebanon earlier this month and has promised a total pullback.

Both sides are competing on the street to show they have the most public support.

A March 8 rally organized by Hezbollah drew a half-million people in a sign of its determination to ensure no future Lebanese government would consider peace with Israel or pressure the militant group to disarm.

The U.S. government blames the pro-Iranian Hezbollah for the 1983 bombing of its Beirut embassy which killed 63 people, 17 of them Americans.

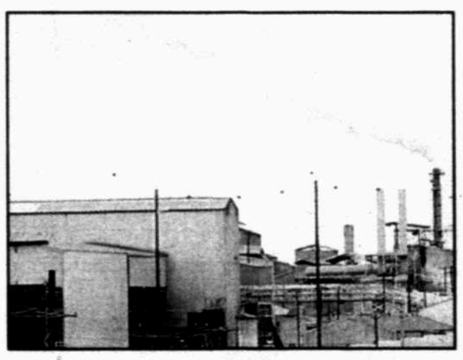
On Tuesday, protesters called for the U.S. ambassador's expulsion and tore a portrait of Bush, who has repeatedly called on Syria to remove its troops and intelligence agents from Lebanon.

A U.N. team investigating the February bombing that killed Hariri and 17 others on a Beirut street completed its probe March 16. It is due to release its confidential report later this week, but leaks about its purported contents have emerged in recent days.

Hariri's Al-Mustaqbal newspaper quoted unnamed sources said the fact-finding team found Lebanese security authorities had "tampered with evidence by rushing to tow away Hariri's motorcade from the scene of the crime" to a police barracks, "then sending on the same night a bulldozer to fill the crater and cleaning the road in order to open it to traffic."

The government has said it is conducting its own investigation.

Syria's foreign minister, indicating the pressure his nation is under from the United States to pull its troops out of Lebanon, said his country is implementing last year's U.N. Security Council resolution calling for its withdrawal and hoped the United States would not intervene militarily.



GUILTY Tyler Pipe Co., in Tyler, shown Jan. 13, 2003, pleaded guilty in federal court Tuesday to two felonies and agreed to pay a $4.5 million fine for violating environmental laws.

Tom Worner/AP

Texas foundry pleads guilty in pollution case, agrees to fine

By Lisa Falkenberg
Associated Press

TYLER — An East Texas foundry with a history of safety violations pleaded guilty Tuesday to two federal felonies and agreed to pay a $4.5 million fine for violating environmental laws and hiding information from government regulators.

In the plea, officials at Tyler Pipe acknowledged concealing information when they rebuilt a 60-foot, pollution-emitting furnace in violation of federal law and did not seek permits.

The foundry also received a five-year probationary term that includes a compliance agreement requiring state-of-the-art pollution controls.

Tyler Pipe is the first company to be criminally prosecuted under a provision of the Clean Air Act that requires modern pollution controls at factories, according to Arnold Spencer, an assistant U.S. attorney.

Safety violations at the foundry have led to amputations and deaths among workers.

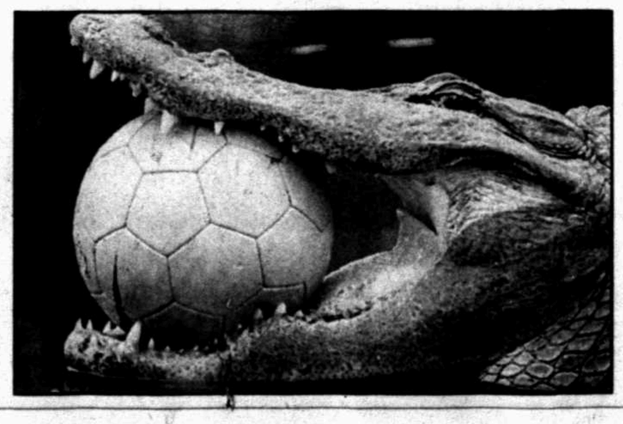
Federal officials declined to comment on whether they are investigating or have plans to prosecute individuals at Tyler Pipe.

F.R. "Buck" Files, an attorney for the company, said Tyler Pipe was required to turn over 400 boxes of documents.

Tyler Pipe president David Green said the company has been making environmental reforms since 2001 and plans to spend at least $55 million on pollution controls and other improvements.

The foundry, which has 1,120 workers, is owned by Birmingham, Ala.-based McWane Inc.

DON'T BE THIS BALL



GATOR BALL An alligator rests on the banks of a lagoon behind the Hilton Head Preparatory School athletic field with a soccer ball, Monday on Hilton Head Island, S.C. Joe Maffo, owner of Critter Management, a local company that handles nuisance alligators, said the ball wasn't harming the gator. "He'll just spit it out when he gets tired of it," Maffo said. And several hours later Monday, that's what this gator did.

Jay Karr/AP

Car hits 9-year-old girl

From Staff Writer

A nine-year-old female was transported to Midland Memorial Hospital Tuesday after being struck in a cross walk at Cuthbert Avenue and Bonham Street at approximately 3:30 p.m.

The nine-year-old suffered broken bones, cuts and bruises.

Schilla Russel of Midland who was traveling west bound on Cuthbert Avenue in a 1992 Oldsmobile Eighty Eight when she struck the child was cited for disregarding a crossing guard.

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GOP right splintered on Terri Schiavo intervention

By Adam Nagourney
N.Y. Times News Service

WASHINGTON — The vote by Congress to allow the federal courts to take over the Terri Schiavo case has created distress among some conservatives who say lawmakers violated a cornerstone of conservative philosophy by intervening in the ruling of a state court.

The emerging debate, carried out against a fast-moving rush of court decisions and congressional action, has highlighted a conflict of priorities among conservatives, and signals tensions that Republicans are likely to face as congressional leaders and President Bush emphasize social issues over the next few years, party leaders say.

"This is a clash between the social conservatives and the process conservatives, and I would count myself a process conservative," said David Davenport of the Hoover Institute, a conservative research organization. "When a case like this has been heard by 19 judges in six courts and it's been appealed to the Supreme Court three times, the process has worked — even if it hasn't given the result that the social conservatives want. For Congress to step in really is a violation of federalism."

Stephen Moore, a campaigner for conservative causes who is president of the Free Enterprise Fund, said: "I don't normally like to see the federal government intervening in a situation like this, which I think should be resolved ultimately by the family: I think states' rights should take precedence over federal intervention. A lot of conservatives are really struggling with this case."

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Some more moderate Republicans are also uneasy. Sen. John W. Warner of Virginia, the sole Republican who opposed the bill in a voice vote in the Senate, said: "This senator has learned from many years you've got to separate your own emotions from the duty to support the Constitution of this country. These are fundamental principles of federalism."

"It looks as if it's a wholly Republican exercise — but in the ranks of the Republican Party, there is not a unanimous view that Congress should be taking this step," Warner said.

In interviews over the past two days, conservatives who expressed concern about the turn of events in Congress stopped short of condemning the vote early Monday that was passed by overwhelming majorities, and they generally applauded the goal of trying to keep Schiavo alive. But they said they were concerned about what precedent had been set, and said the vote went against Republicans who were libertarian, advocates of states' rights or supporters of individual rights.

"My party is demonstrating that they are for states' rights unless they don't like what states are doing," said Rep. Christopher Shays of Connecticut, one of five House Republicans who voted against the bill. "This couldn't be a more classic case of a state responsibility."

"This Republican Party of Lincoln has become a party of theocracy," Shays said. "There are going to be repercussions from this vote. There are a number of people who feel that the government is getting involved in their personal lives in a way that scares them."

While the intensity of the dissent appears to be rising — Warner made a point Tuesday of calling attention to his little-noticed opposition in a nearly empty Senate chamber over the weekend — support for the measure among Republican and conservative leaders still appears strong. In interviews, some conservatives either dismissed the argument that the vote was a federal intrusion on states' rights, or

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Turkeys could play key role for U.S. energy

Maybe Midland should take up raising turkeys if it really wants to maintain its place as an energy leader in the nation.

It seems turkeys hold a messy key to the energy of the future: turkey dung.

A Minnesota company plans to take turkey leftovers to a whole new level after it finishes construction of a power plant fired by the birds' droppings. It may not be the total answer to relieving the United States' addiction to foreign oil, but the plant will burn 90 percent turkey dung and create clean power for 55,000 homes.

While the idea seems unique enough, it's not even a new idea. Three poultry litter plants already have been built in England, but the Benson, Minn.-based facility will be the first large-scale plant of its type in the United States and the largest in the world, according to operator Fibrominn, a subsidiary of power plant builder Homeland Renewable Energy, LLC of Boston.

In the business, turkey dung is prized over pig excrement and cow chips.

"Poultry litter is drier material, so it burns better, and there's a lot of it," said Charles Grecco of HH Media, LLC, an investment bank that helped arrange $202 million in financing for the plant.

The 55-megawatt plant will burn 700,000 tons of dung a year and produce fertilizer as a byproduct, a process that will keep phosphorus and nitrates found in the raw litter from seeping into water supplies, Grecco said.

No extra amounts of the greenhouse gas carbon dioxide would be emitted than would be naturally emitted as the dung decomposes, Grecco said.

Utility Xcel has agreed to purchase the turkey power, said company spokesman Ed Legge. Under 1994 Minnesota legislation, Xcel is required to buy a small amount of power made from biomass in exchange for clearance to store spent nuclear fuel outside its Red Wing nuclear plant in Minnesota.

Fibrowatt, LLC, a Philadelphia-based developer, which is mostly owned by Homeland Renewable Energy, is pursing other plants in poultry-growing states.

We also wonder if bird droppings would work as well. Then just about any highway overpass would be able to power at least a city neighborhood. We may be on to a whole new world here as long as we don't kill off all the fowl.

But then again, our track record there hasn't been so good either.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, March 23, the 82nd day of 2005. There are 283 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On March 23, 1775, Patrick Henry made his famous call for American independence from Britain, telling the Virginia Provincial Convention, "Give me liberty, or give me death!"

On this date:

In 1806, explorers Lewis and Clark, having reached the Pacific coast, began their journey back east.

In 1919, Benito Mussolini founded his Fascist political movement in Milan, Italy.

In 1933, the German Reichstag adopted the Enabling Act, which effectively granted Adolf Hitler dictatorial legislative powers.

In 1942, during World War II, the U.S. government began evacuating Japanese-Americans from their West Coast homes to detention centers.

In 1965, America's first two-person space flight began as Gemini 3 blasted off from Cape Kennedy with astronauts Virgil I. Grissom and John W. Young aboard.

In 1983, Dr. Barney Clark, recipient of a permanent artificial heart, died at the University of Utah Medical Center after 112 days with the device.

In 2001, Russia's orbiting Mir space station ended its 15-year odyssey with a fiery plunge into the South Pacific.

In 2003, a U.S. Army maintenance convoy was ambushed in Iraq; 11 soldiers were killed, seven were captured, including Pfc. Jessica Lynch, who was rescued on April 1.

Ten years ago: Secretary of State Warren Christopher met with Russian Foreign Minister Andrei Kozyrev in Geneva; afterward, Kozyrev said the U.S.-Russia "honeymoon has come to an end," referring to disagreements over Chechnya and nuclear sales to Iran.

Five years ago: Pope John Paul II paid his respects at Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust memorial.One year ago: Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and Secretary of State Colin Powell offered a strong defense of the administration's pre-Sept. 11 actions as they testified before a federal commission reviewing the 2001 attacks.

Thought for Today: "Having only friends would be dull anyway — like eating eggs without salt." — Hedda Hopper, American gossip columnist (1890-1966).

CAL THOMAS

Schiavo case matters in symbol, substance

Why does Terri Schiavo matter? Why has Congress made a federal case out of her situation? Why did the president of the United States return to Washington from Texas in order to sign a bill created for the express purpose of inviting a federal court to review the case and likely requiring her feeding tube restored while the judge gathers information?

She matters, not only because she has an endowed, inalienable right to life, but also because she is a symbol — like Rosa Parks was a symbol when she refused to sit in the back of that Montgomery, Ala., bus; like Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, who symbolized freedom by defying Soviet authorities and chronicling the inhabitants and victims of the gulags; like astronauts who brave death to explore space. Symbols have meaning. Terri Schiavo is a symbol in the battle over life-and-death issues that inconveniently, but necessarily, confront us.

Opponents of federal intervention cry "hypocrisy" because conservatives pushing for a federal court review claim to support states rights on issues such as abortion and same-sex marriage and think these matters should be left to the states under the 10th Amendment.

But the hypocrisy label can be turned around. Didn't liberals reject states rights when it came to civil rights for African-Americans four decades ago, and didn't they make federal cases out of such things as integrated restrooms and universities? They supported sending federal troops to force integration on unwilling states. They were right to do so then, and conservatives are right to ask the federal government to intervene when a Florida judge has, in effect, ordered the murder of Terri Schiavo by denying her food and water.



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Then, as now, when an individual's civil and constitutional rights are denied by a state, there are instances when federal action is required. This is such an instance.

Terri Schiavo's life matters as symbol and substance. Her case is only the latest in a long series that forces us to choose between two philosophies of life.

One philosophy says we are mere material and energy shaped by pure chance in a random universe, evolving from slime with no Author of life, no purpose for living beyond what gives us pleasure and no destination after we die but the grave.

The other philosophy of life says we are created by an infinite, personal God who has a plan for every life in every situation and circumstance and that no one should take a life except under the most extreme circumstances and only through due process or in self-defense.

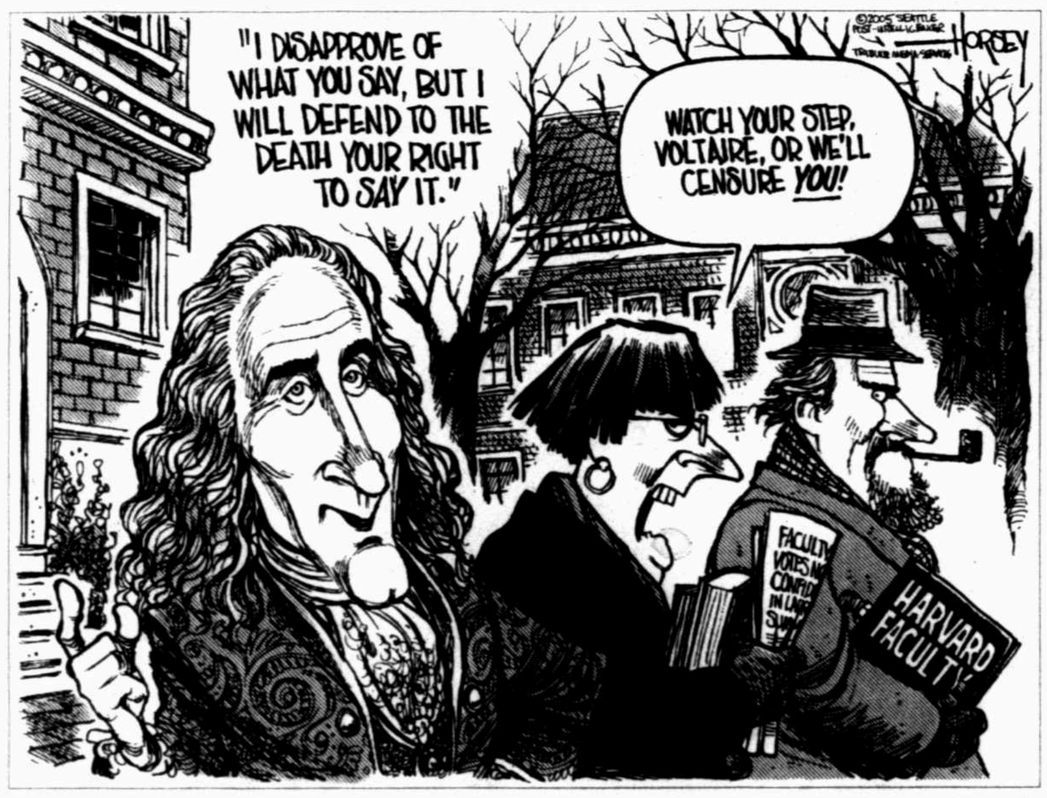
The Schiavo case should not be viewed in isolation. It is part of a flow that began in modern times with abortion-on-demand and will continue, if not stopped, with euthanasia. Once a single category of life is devalued, all other categories quickly become vulnerable.

Girls who became pregnant by a drunken father and sought abortions were the symbolic beginning of a process that has resulted in abortion for any reason at any stage. Now we are targeting the infirm, and soon the elderly will be in our sights because of the pressure on Social Security and Medicare. The "reasoning" will be: rather than raise taxes, reduce benefits or raise the retirement age, let's eliminate those who are the biggest "drain" on retirement resources — that is, the elderly and infirm.

Having been conditioned to accept killing, even killing by the state according to an arbitrary standard of who is "fit" to live and who is not, it will be a short step to killing Grandma and Grandpa in their "assisted living" centers, which quickly will be transformed into centers for assisted dying.

Someone will produce a document or hearsay testimony that the elderly person would have "wanted to die" in such circumstances and never intended to be a "burden" to their children. The lawyer will be called, the will read and the inheritance distributed. It will be larger than what would have remained had it been spent on the recently departed.

These are the stakes, and how the Schiavo case is decided will determine what many of us will face in the future.



CHARLEY REESE

People must separate good from evil

A wolf cub that isn't taught how to hunt will starve to death. A human cub who isn't taught how to think and to process information will end up a slave or a dependent. That's the importance of education.

Man survives not by his claws and fangs, but by the use of his mind. In every country in the world, the smarter people run things. Others are followers. The smart people get rich. The others are victimized in one way or another. No man can become rich unless he figures out a way to get at least a portion of other people's earned wealth.

These basic facts of human existence lead to morality issues. When the smart people are evil, bad things happen to the less smart. Being smart, of course, has nothing to do with being good or evil. Brainpower is like a pistol. The morality is determined by how it is used, not by its mere existence.

Right now, America is probably the most corrupt country in the world and is fast on its way to becoming the most stupid. The only prevailing morality in the country is greed. Greed has corrupted politics, law, science, medicine, education and even the church.

Greed is not the exclusive vice of the rich. The poor are greedy, too; they are just less competent. Every time we choose to buy a cheaper product from a multinational corporation rather than a product from a local merchant, it is because of greed and stupidity. It is greed because we would rather save a few dollars than support a fellow member of our community. It is stupid because the multinational corporation sucks money out of a community and therefore contributes to its impoverishment. It is greed that allows people to be lured by advertising into spending themselves into debt. It is greed that is making health care unaffordable even for the most prudent.

It is greed when we vote for the man who promises tax cuts even though we should know that reducing government revenues while demanding more government services is a formula for ultimate bankruptcy. It is greed when we covet another people's resources and resort to force and subversion rather than fair trade to get them. Greed corrupts, pollutes, impoverishes and kills.



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Americans need to start thinking about life and its purpose. Is it just a contest to see who can collect the most stuff before we go to the grave as naked and as bereft of possessions as the day we were born? Is it to impress other people so they will talk about us? Is it to indulge our own physical desires? Is Christianity nothing more than a contest to see who can sell the most conversions? Is it our purpose to sit in a semicomatose state in front of the television and computer and absorb what other people are putting in front of us?

Never before has it been more important for the American people to look with intelligent skepticism on everything we see and hear. We live in the Age of Lies. The status quo is built on lies. Careers are built on lies. Foreign policy is based on lies. Domestic policy is based on lies. When you are profiting from lies, then the truth becomes an enemy. Secrecy and deception are the allies of liars. If you look upon the public-education system as a baby-sitting service, you are condemning your children to an unpleasant future. Public education has become so corrupted by politics, mediocrity and bureaucracy, it is probably beyond reform. Yet everywhere there are still good and smart Americans trying to do what is right. They are in the public schools. They are in government. They are in the private sector.

Our job is to teach ourselves how to recognize the good from the dross. Then it is our responsibility to support the good and to oppose the bad — bad people, bad ideas and bad policies.

DAVID GRIMES

Will call centers make life better at McDonald's?

News item: McDonald's is looking into using remote call centers to take customer orders in an effort to improve service at its drive-through windows.

Speaker: Welcome to McDonald's. Please enter your Personal Identification Number.

Customer: Huh?

Speaker: If you do not have a Personal Identification Number, please press 1. If you do not remember your Personal Identification Number, please press 2. If you are calling from a touch-tone phone and believe that Personal Identification Numbers are the bane of modern existence, press 3.



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Customer: I'm not calling from anywhere! I'm right here! I want to order a ...

Speaker: For English, press 1. For Spanish, press 2. For Rhaeto-Romanic, press 3.

Customer: Rhaeto what?

Speaker: If you wish to order a Happy Meal, press 1. If you wish to order a meal that is Somewhat Amused, press 2. If you wish to order a meal that is Happy some of the time and at other times given to Bouts of Black Depression, press 3.

Customer: I ...

Speaker: If the voice you are hearing is intelligible, press 1. If you can make out every other word, press 2. If the sound you are hearing is nothing more than a dissonant jumble of random vowels and consonants, press 3.

Customer: Uh ...

Speaker: If you would like your food to vaguely resemble the illuminated photographs prominently displayed in the restaurant, press 1. If you would like us to confuse your order with somebody else's, press 2. If you would like to receive a bagful of an undifferentiated grayish food-like substance, press 3.

Customer: Actually, I think I'm losing my ...

Speaker: If you wish to stare dully at our menu for long periods of time while a rope of drool pools on your shoes, press 1. If you have pretty much come to terms with the fact that everything on the menu tastes basically the same, press 2. If you are an incurable optimist who pathetically clings to the unrealistic hope that this time you will receive food that tastes better than the bag it comes in, press 3.

Customer: I'll tell you what ...

Speaker: If you were dropped on your head as a baby and cannot comprehend the fact that "hot" coffee is, in fact, "hot," press 1. If the fact that our typical customer is morbidly obese fails to tell you something about the nutritional content of our food, press 2. If you take the words "super size" as a personal challenge, press 3.

Customer: You know ...

Speaker: If you wish to speak to a customer service representative, please press 1.

Customer: Yes! Finally!

Speaker: Welcome to McDonald's. How may I help you?

Customer: Yes! Hello! I'd like a Big Mac, an order of fries and a large Diet Coke.

Speaker: I am sorry, but the people of my country are strongly opposed to the eating of cows.

Customer: That does it. I'm outta here!

Speaker: Thank you for stopping at McDonald's. Please come again.

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Surgeons in North Carolina attempt prosthetic limb on two-legged cat

By Josh Schaffer
Raleigh News & Observer

His tongue dangled from the anesthesia, and a tiny IV poked from his arm. His tail was wrapped in purple tape, and a pair of clamps held his shaven stubs in the air. He looked like a Christmas turkey.

RALEIGH, N.C. — Born with just two feet, George Bailey staggered through his first year of life as an invalid cat, propping himself on his good paws and dragging his stumps behind.

Each trip to the food dish was a painful ballet.

Then Tuesday morning, doctors strapped him to an operating table for two hours, drilled into his right tibia and fastened a prosthetic leg with titanium screws.

If the surgery takes and George Bailey's leg bone grows over the prosthesis, he will be bouncing on a new foot made from spring steel inside of six weeks.

"He's a pioneer," said Al Simmons, his Moore County owner. "We tried crutch tips, furniture tips, all sorts of Velcro. Nothing worked."

Simmons and his wife will pay thousands for the surgery at North Carolina State University. But there are implications beyond George Bailey's wobbly gait. He's the first animal fitted with a custom-made prosthesis that fits inside the bone.

In Scandinavia, the same technique has already been applied to humans. A man there was fitted with a detachable thumb, said Greg Thomas, NCSU spokesman.

Fitting a prosthesis inside a bone rather than attaching it to a stump makes a stronger connection, relieving stress on areas of the body that aren't designed to take it. It is not unlike total hip replacement, said Dr. Denis Marcellin, who operated on the cat.

"Someday," he said, "that may be something we do for people who are missing their fingers."

On Tuesday, Marcellin and a team of assistants strapped George Bailey to a metal operating table shortly after 9 a.m.

His tongue dangled from the anesthesia, and a tiny IV poked from his arm. His tail was wrapped in purple tape, and a pair of clamps held his shaven stubs in the air. He looked like a Christmas turkey.

About 9:40, Marcellin began cutting skin from the tip of George Bailey's right rear leg, pushing it upward until a few inches of bone gleamed through.

He cut the end off the cat's tibia and drilled a small hole up the middle. He drilled again with a larger bit, then a larger one, until the hole was wide enough to admit a titanium shaft.

When he had the shaft in place, Marcellin screwed the metal into bone, securing a pegleg for George Bailey. That peg will serve as the cat's legs for the next month while the bone grows around the prosthesis. After it does, George Bailey will be fitted with a steel foot, coated with rubber like the underside of a cat's paw.

A second prosthesis is unnecessary, Marcellin said. George Bailey's fourth leg has a backward kneecap, which would make it hard to attach a prosthesis.

SPLIT

(From 5A)

argued instead that their opposition to euthanasia, as part of their support of the right-to-life movement, trumped any aversion they might have to a dominant federal government.

"There's a larger issue in play, and that is the whole issue of the definition of life," said Gov. Mike Huckabee of Arkansas, a Republican. "The issue of when is it a life is a broader issue than just a state defining that. I don't think we can have 50 different definitions of life."

Other Republicans who supported the measure said that they were wrestling to resolve conflicting beliefs. Sen. George V. Voinovich of Ohio, a former governor and a strong advocate of states' rights, decided to support the bill after determining that his opposition to euthanasia issue outweighed his views on federalism, an aide said.

Sen. Tom Coburn, a newly elected conservative Republican from Oklahoma, said: "This isn't a states' rights issue. What we're saying is they are going to review it. The states are not given the right to take away somebody's constitutional rights."

Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, the House majority leader, bristled on Sunday when he was asked about how to square the bill with federalist precepts.

"I really think it is interesting that the media is defining what conservatism is," DeLay said. "The conservative doctrine here is the Constitution of the United States."

The Republican Party has long associated itself with limiting the power of the federal government over the states, though this is not the only time that party leaders veered from that position: Most famously, in 2000, Republicans persuaded the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn a Florida state court ruling ordering a recount of the vote in the presidential election between Al Gore and George W. Bush.

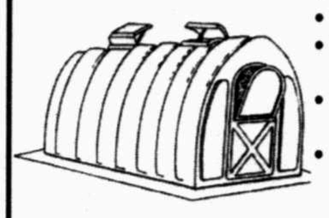
But now the Schiavo case is illustrating splinters in the conservative movement that Bush managed to bridge in 2004, and the challenges Bush and Republicans face in trying to govern over the next two years, even as they control the White House and Congress.

"The libertarian streak in me says you know people should have the right to die," Moore said. "But, as so many conservatives, I'm also very pro-life. Those two philosophies are conflicting with each other."

Bob Levy, a fellow with the Cato Institute, argued that both Democrats and Republicans were being "incredibly hypocritical in this case: Democrats by suddenly embracing states' rights, and Republicans by asserting the power of the federal government.

"These questions are not the business of Congress," Levy said. "The Constitution does not give Congress the power to define life or death. The only role for the court is once the state legislature establishes what the rules are, the court can decide if the rules have been properly applied."

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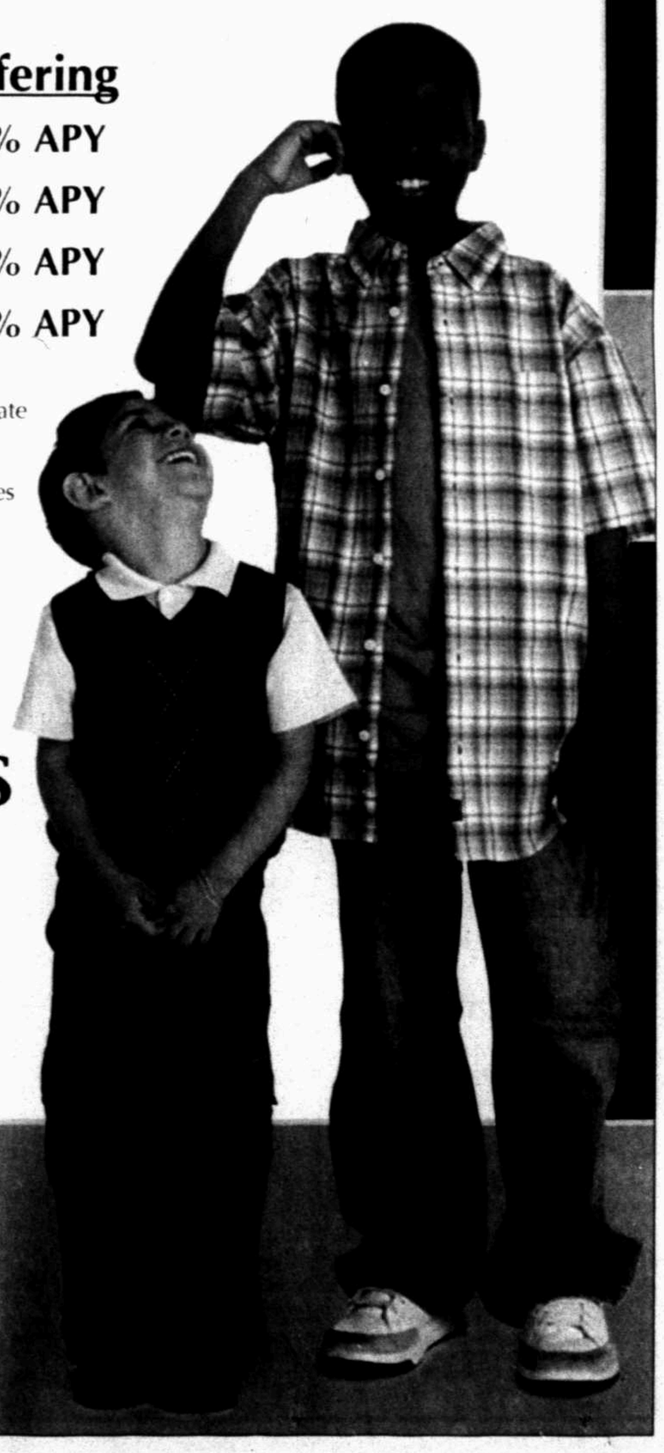
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Europe's shift on China embargo puts Taiwan in spotlight

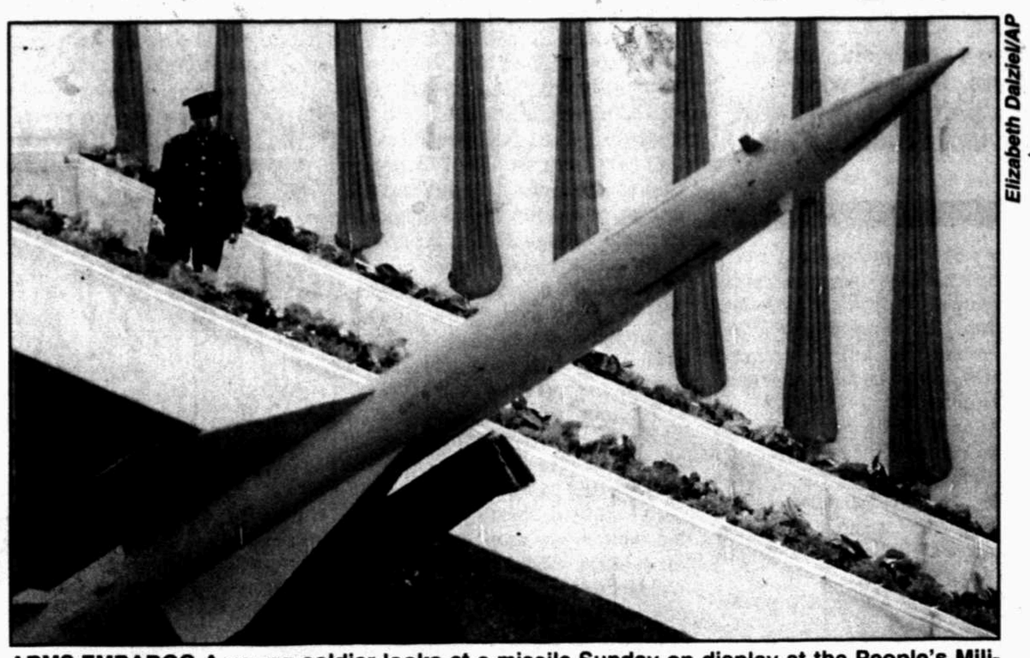
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N.Y. Times News Service

BEIJING — Reports of a shift in European plans to lift an arms embargo on China have sent a sobering message to China's new leadership, underscoring the sensitivity of its Taiwan policy and the continued dominance of the United States, Chinese analysts say.

U.S. and European officials said this week that the European Union might delay its plan to lift the embargo, imposed after China's crackdown on democracy protests in 1989, until next year at the earliest, dealing a blow to one of China's major foreign policy goals.

European diplomats cited China's newly adopted anti-secession law and intense American opposition to easing restraints on weapons sales to explain the shift. The Chinese law adopted this month threatens military action if Taiwan pursues formal independence from the mainland.

Few in China have openly criticized passage of the anti-secession law, which Beijing leaders argue is needed to stop Taiwan's drift toward independence. But some foreign policy experts said the country was paying a high price for codifying into law its longstanding threat to use force.



Elizabeth Dalziel/AP

ARMS EMBARGO A young soldier looks at a missile Sunday on display at the People's Military Museum in the Chinese capital of Beijing. European Union leaders convening in Brussels Tuesday face pressure on proposals to scrap a 15-year ban on arms sales to China, as Beijing reacts angrily to reports the embargo may stay beyond the summer after all.

"No question, the anti-secession law had a strong impact on European sentiment," said Song Xinning, a professor at People's University who is one of China's most prominent experts on European policy. "The Europeans have said all along that the embargo is a problem they would like to solve and that it is just a question of timing," Song said. "Now, this has become a very bad time."

China's official position, repeated by a Foreign Ministry spokesman on Tuesday, is that the European arms embargo and the anti-secession law have no connection. China says it wants the embargo removed because it amounts to an anachronistic form of political discrimination. The anti-secession law, according to the official line, is aimed at maintaining peace in the Taiwan Strait.

Privately some Chinese analysts say they reckon that the law may have been mishandled by the leadership under Hu Jintao, the Communist Party chief, who has sought to strengthen his credentials by taking a tougher line toward Taiwan.

It came as a discordant note at a time when relations with Taiwan were widely viewed as improving. Some Chinese moderates on the Taiwan question argued that the National People's Congress, the Communist Party-controlled legislature, might have simply discussed a new law rather than enacting one, which was done with little public debate.

"I think the leadership anticipated that they would get a strong reaction from the parties most directly concerned, like Taiwan and the United States," said Shi Yinhong, a foreign policy expert in Beijing. "But I'm not so sure they anticipated second and third degree reactions, as from Europe. So I think to an extent this comes as a surprise."

Just a few weeks ago, Beijing seemed close to achieving its ambition of removing the embargo, which it views as inappropriate for a country of its rising stature. After persistent Chinese diplomacy, France, Germany, Britain and other European countries signaled a willingness to lift the embargo by this summer.

But sentiment shifted after President Bush visited Europe in February and lobbied against the lifting of the embargo while also backing a highly restrictive code of conduct on arms sales to replace it. Congress has appeared ready to increase the stakes, threatening to punish any European companies that sell arms to China and seek defense business in the United States.

Though European officials cited the anti-secession law as the reason for maintaining the embargo for the immediate future, some Chinese analysts say it was the United States that played the decisive hand.

"The United States is worried about China's rise," said Pan Wei, a political theorist at Beijing University. "Most people think this is not really about European opinion, but rather another strong indicator that the U.S. has an unfriendly policy toward China."

Pan argued that the anti-secession law did not appreciably increase the risk of war with Taiwan and may have diminished the risk if the law has the effect of persuading Taiwan's leader to refrain from seeking to legalize their independent status. But he said the Americans used it to persuade Europe not to upset the balance of power in a region the United States views as its military domain.

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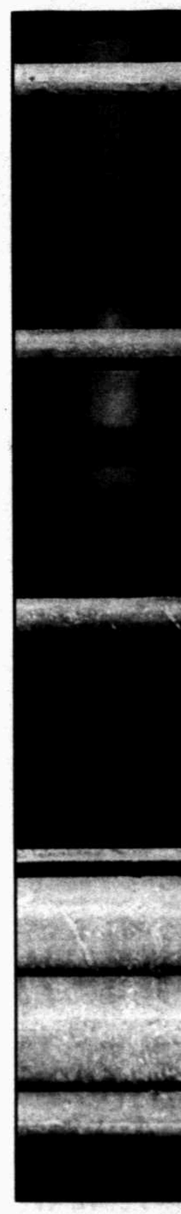
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T&T shooting prompts increased patrols

By Ryan Myers
Staff Writer

Officers have been asked to pay extra attention to the T&T Donuts store on Wadley Avenue after a teen was shot in the parking lot there March 11, according to Police Department officials.

"If it seems like there is a large gathering of kids there, our officers have been asked to stop and check it out," explained Price Robinson, deputy chief over the field operations bureau. He added police had received reports of possible underage drinking there.

Midland teen Paul Longbotham, 18, is charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon causing serious bodily injury for allegedly shooting Brett Dean Ledford in the lower back with a 12-gauge shotgun at approximately 9.p.m.

Family friend Ronnie Bearden told the Reporter-Telegram Ledford's condition is improving.

Ni Gno, whose wife Train Gno owns T&T Donuts said business is slightly slower on weekend nights since the shooting.

"I think some people are a bit frightened," Gno explained.

However the lull may not necessarily be a bad thing, Gno said, explaining he has had consistent problems with some of the teens who frequent the doughnut shop.

"There are good groups of kids and I welcome them," Gno said. "There are also some kids who come and cause trouble and don't even buy anything. They play loud music, block my customers from the drive through and spread trash around the store and in the parking lot."

Gno said he has even had problems with teens in the parking lot making obscene gestures to customers trying to access the drive through window.

Gno said he appreciates the police presence at his store, but questions their effectiveness.

"When the kids see the police they just run away and are back five minutes after the police leave," Gno noted. "It can get to be a problem."

Please see **T&T**/3B



BACK *behind* BARS



bovine breakout

MAD COW A cow that escaped the Western Livestock Auction Company stockyard was back behind bars Tuesday afternoon after scoping out a few neighborhoods in South Midland. The cow got loose Tuesday afternoon and did damage to a fence in a woman's yard. The cow later was captured and returned home.

Kris J. Murante Reporter-Telegram

Citizens lasso runaway cow in residential area

By Ryan Myers
Staff Writer

An escaped cow wreaked havoc in east Midland Tuesday, trampling through a resident's yard and busting though her chain link fence.

"I was just practicing piano when I was told there was a cow in my front yard," Johnie B. Shelton explained.

Midland Police Department patrolman Ross Hataway, who was called in to handle the runaway — since animal control doesn't handle livestock — said Shelton's home was early in the bovine exodus.

The cow made it at least five miles from the Western Livestock Auction Company in the 2200 block of East County Road 90 before citizens lassoed the fugitive and tied it to a tree in the front yard of 1202 S. Dallas St., according to Hataway.

Shelton's property is only about a quarter mile from the auction company.

"Apparently, a guy bought a cow from the sale yard and they were trying to load it up and it got loose," Hataway explained.

Stockyard employees were in pursuit for the cow's entire trek and quickly retrieved their bovine bounty following its apprehension.

Western Livestock Auction Company has agreed to pay for repairs to Shelton's property.

This wasn't Shelton's first run-in with cattle.

"My father was a farmer and instead of having boys they had girls, so we got five or six girls named after boys," Shelton explained.

"I was always afraid of the cows; I never did learn how to milk." Shelton recalled. "My sisters learned how, but I didn't. I was afraid of 'em, what with the twitching of their tail in your face.

"We had a lot of animals out on that farm, but none of ours ever got away."

About Tuesday's incident Shelton said, "I've lived here for 50 years and it's the first time I've had a cow in my yard."

Parking lot safety

- Do not drive across private property to avoid a controlled intersection or backed up traffic.
- Do not exit a parking lot between two stopped vehicles even if one of the drivers is waving you to go. Only turn when you can see all lanes are clear.
- When exiting private property or driveways you must stop prior to crossing a sidewalk or entering the roadway.
- When driving in parking lots, please drive slowly and yield at all intersecting traffic ways and pedestrian crossings.
- Do not leave your vehicle unattended without: stopping the engine, locking the ignition, removing the key and setting the parking brake.

Source: Midland Police Department

Medical Beat:

Despite flu season's end, potential of getting sick remains in warm weather

Editor's note: Medical beat stories appear weekly as space permits.

By Emily Baker
Staff Writer

Though warm weather tends to mean an end to flu season, the risk of getting sick does not necessarily decrease. The potential to catch illness from summertime activities like swimming and picnics can be lessened if a few things are remembered, health officials said.

Germs can spread from one person to the next, so taking care to avoid picking up extra germs or preventing the spread of one's own germs is important.

Public swimming pools and pools at apartment complexes are inspected by the health department twice a year to ensure they are safe, said Sal Garcia, Midland's health administrator.

"We can take a sample of the water and run it through the lab," Garcia said. "You'll always have some germs, but we are looking for something that could be really dangerous

Please see **GERMS**/4B

FEEDING GEESE



Joel Andrews/AP

CLOSE ENCOUNTER Kaitlyn Flores, 9, feeds the geese at Ellen Trout Memorial Lake, Tuesday in Lufkin.

BURR WILLIAMS

Daytripping Leadership Midland class of 2005 seeks to help Langtry Village with park

'Leadership Midland makes a person feel good about people. It is amazing how many people volunteer so much time doing so many good things. Midland is full of people who are doers, people who give of themselves — there are so many wonderful people in this town.'

Shay Templeton of Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Midland, Johnny Womack of the city of Midland, Evelyn Grant, a docent at the Scarborough-Linebery House and I were bouncing up and down in the back of the MISD "yellowhound" chatting about what most impressed us about participating in the Leadership Midland program, as we toured Midland on "education day." I have been "daytripping" with 30 great people one day a month since November.

Alumni of Leadership Midland include mayors, city council people, executive directors of non-profits, corporate executives and so much more. As the others talked, I looked out over the rest of our group in the bus, wondering if there was a future mayor or city councilperson among this year's class.



Burr Williams is education director at Sibley Nature Center.

Our class has met so many wonderful people — Vicki Jay, the director of Rays of Hope, Lael Cordes-Pitts, the director of Casa de Amigos, Brooke Mueller, director of Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center, Alynda Best, director of Midland Habitat for Humanity, Sheriff Gary Painter, Mayor Mike Canon, Sylvester Cantu, the Community Development Director for the city of Midland, Mitch Moore, the director for Palmer Drug Abuse, Midland Police Chief John Urby, Judge John Hyde, Commissioner Mike Bradford, John James, the CEO of Tomcat USA and president of the Midland Development Corp., Dr. Deana Savage, associate vice-president for Instruction at Midland College ... the list goes on and on and on and on. It would take a full page to list everybody.

For me, one of the most wonderful things about the program is how attentive and responsive its coordinators are. The curriculum committee of Leadership Midland is dynamic, always working with each class to do their best. "How can we make it better? How can we change up things? How do you feel about the class? Part of our job is to illustrate how people work together to get things done." Part of the goal of Leadership Midland is to expose the class members to the many non-profit agencies in town and to encourage the class members to become active in the civic life of Midland — to volunteer and to become members of boards of directors. It is the best introduction to Midland a person could hope to receive.

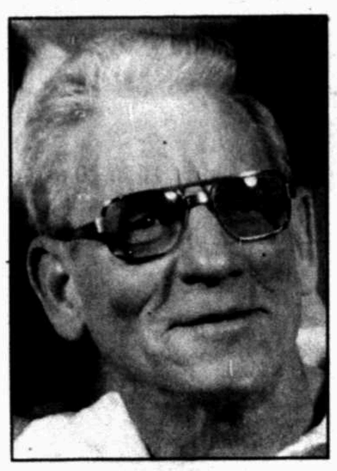
Do you know about Midland Fairhavens? How about the West Texas Aphasia Center? Do you know about Hillcrest School? Do you know the teaching philosophy at Midland Classical Academy? Have you been to Midland's Water Treatment Facility? Have you been up in the air control tower at the airport? Have you had lunch at the jail? Do you know what happens at HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital?

The Leadership Midland class of 2003-2004 began a new tradition for the program by doing

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MAR 23 2005

OBITUARIES



A.C. Wootan

A.C. Wootan, of Midland, passed away Sunday, March 20, 2005 at Terrace West Nursing Home.

He was born January 12, 1921 to Sam Houston Wootan, Sr., and Lillie Tennessee Henry Wootan in Mason County, Texas. A.C. was raised and educated in Mason County before enlisting in the U.S. Army during World War II. He served in New Guinea and the Philippines before his honorable discharge in January 1946.

A.C. married Mary Dell Wright on June 18, 1947 in Mason, Texas. They moved to Midland in 1957 and raised their three children, Allan Wayne, Linda Cheryl, and Steven Kurt in Midland. He worked for Rogers Ford for 22 years. A.C. was an avid softball fan and was frequently seen at the Bill Williams Softball Complex watching his sons Al and Steve.

He was preceded in death by his parents, daughter, Linda Cheryl, sisters, Selma Elliot and Dora Gray, and granddaughter, Emily Buchanan.

A.C. is survived by his wife, Mary Wootan and his sons, Allan and Steve Wootan, all of Midland, TX; sister, Helen Sanders and brother, Sam Wootan, Jr., both of Midland, TX; grandchildren, Robin Wootan, Andrew Wootan, Valerie Wootan, Sarah Lawhon, Jordan Wootan and Ryan Wootan; three great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 9:00 A.M. Wednesday, March 23, 2005 at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be Andrew Wootan, Greg Wootan, David Buchanan, Nathan Gray, Mike Lawhon and Mike Sanders. Honorary pallbearers are Robin Wootan, Valerie Wootan, Marty Sanders, Jordan Wootan, Ryan Wootan, Emily Buchanan and Sarah Lawhon.

Memorials may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association Greater West Texas Chapter, Mission Square, 4400 N. Big Spring #C-32, Midland, Texas 79705.

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Bryan Holcomb

Bryan Hunter McKee Holcomb, beloved son, grandson, brother, nephew, and cousin passed away Monday, March 21, 2005.

He was born December 22, 1994 to Kenneth Holcomb and Gale McKee Holcomb in Midland, Texas. Bryan began his education at West Early Childhood Center and was currently a student at Rusk Elementary. He was on the Challenger Baseball team. Bryan was a devoted Lee Rebel football and RockHounds baseball fan.

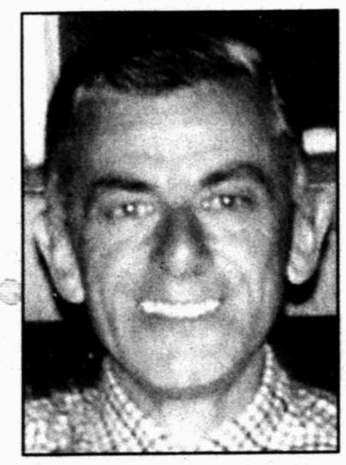
Bryan is survived by his parents, Kenneth and Gale Holcomb, and his sisters, Ashleigh and Alison Holcomb, all of Midland, TX; maternal grandparents, Roy and Sarah McKee of Victoria, TX; paternal grandmother, Billie Holcomb of Roby, TX; aunt, Jennifer Holcomb of Roby, TX; uncle and aunt, Bob and Nancy Holcomb of San Angelo, TX; uncle, Mark McKee of Cuero, TX; a special great aunt, Evelyn Carter; numerous cousins, family, and endless friends.

The family will receive friends at Ellis Funeral Home, Wednesday, March 23, 2004 between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 11:00 A.M. Thursday, March 24, 2005 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church with Reverend Richard Edwards officiating. Graveside services will be held at 4:30 P.M. Thursday at Roby Cemetery in Roby, Texas. Pallbearers will be Bob Holcomb, Matt Holcomb, Jeff Branson and Seth Gunter. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. To place online condolences please visit www.mem.com.

Memorials may be directed to Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center, 802 Ventura Ave., Midland, Texas 79705 or Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, Texas 79702.

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William N. Hargrave

William N. Hargrave, of Midland, passed away Monday, March 21, 2005.

He was born January 10, 1917 to Dennis Neal Hargrave and Willie Asbury Hall Hargrave in Commerce, Texas. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Army from 1940 until 1945. William had attended Training School and East Texas State Teacher's College. On August 30, 1947, he married Jane Horne in Dallas, Texas. Prior to his retirement William worked in the Purchasing Department of Shell Oil Company.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

William is survived by his wife, Jane Hargrave of Midland, TX; niece, Libby Burnside and her husband, and nephew, Lew Ground and his wife.

Graveside services have been scheduled for 1:00 P.M. Thursday, March 24, 2005 at Resthaven Memorial Park with Reverend Richard Edwards officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

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Diane Trolinder

Diane Trolinder, of Midland, passed away Monday, March 21, 2005.

She was born July 20, 1941 to Charles Scott Stagg and Billie Jo Broaddus Stagg in Sweetwater, Texas. Diane was raised and educated in Houston and Midland, Texas. On June 25, 1965, she married Del Trolinder in Midland.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and her daughter, Kim Howard.

Diane is survived by her husband, Del Trolinder of Midland, TX; sister, Ellen Shumate of Houston, TX; brother, Charles M. Stagg and his wife, Linda, of Alvin, TX; granddaughter, Hilary Howard of Midland, TX; grandson, Cameron Howard of Midland, TX; niece, Michele Clayton and her husband, David, of Houston, TX; nephew, Clay Stagg and his wife, Ginger, of Pearland, TX; nephew, Stacey Stagg and his wife, Charly, of College Station, TX.

The family will receive friends at Ellis Funeral Home Thursday, March 24, 2005 between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 1:00 P.M. Friday, March 25, 2005 at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral

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Erma Esquivel

Erma M. Esquivel went home to be with our Lord Jesus Christ on Sunday March 20, 2005, at a local hospital.

Erma was born September 1, 1939 in North Dakota to Emilio and Francisca Esquivel. She moved to Midland with her family in the early 1950's where she was raised and educated.

She had worked in the dry cleaning business for many years and later, worked for Clayton and Modesta Williams until her retirement. She loved to spend time with her grandchildren. Erma attended Our Lady of Guadalupe Church.

Erma was proceeded in death by her parents, Emilio and Francisca Esquivel; sister, Guadalupe Rangel; and bother, Armando Esquivel.

Funeral Mass will be held on Wednesday March 23, 2005 at 11:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Raymundo Romero, Mark Esquivel, Michael Esquivel, Johnny Esquivel Jr., John Lopez, Eric Reyes, Joe Wilson, and Rudy Esquivel Jr.

Survivors include five sons, Miguel (Mike) Esquivel, Juan Joe (Shot) Esquivel, Manuel (Chicho) Esquivel, Johnny Esquivel and Rudy Esquivel, all of Midland; four brothers; Emilio Esquivel Jr., Victor Esquivel, Enrique Equivel, and Juan Esquivel all of Midland; three sisters, Carmen Romero and Mary Lopez both of Midland, and Naomi Sotelo of Odessa; 13 grandchildren, including 2 granddaughters, Roseann and Erica Esquivel of Midland; 13 great-grandchildren; and a host of friends.

Funeral services are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home. Words of comfort may be shared with the family at Pipkin@nts-online.net.

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Symon York

Symon "Zach" York, 14, of Gardendale passed away Sunday, March 20, 2005, 5:30 p.m. in an auto accident, in Gardendale. He was born July 24, 1990 in Odessa.

Zach enjoyed video games, computers, sports, and music. He also played a violin, joined Tae Kwon do, and was a 7th-degree Orange Belt. He was very loving, sensitive, and good hearted. Zach accepted Jesus in his heart at eight years old. He loved Jesus, family and had many friends. He was always compassionate to someone hurting. He loved to tell jokes and make you laugh.

When the wind blows, that's God laughing at him. Zach you will always be loved, remembered and cherished by all you touched. We know you're with Jesus.

He is survived by Herman, Lavon & Madison York, Kathy, Roy & Nathan Bobbit, William and Jordana Hodges, Steve York, Kyle & Scout, Byron & Christal Jordan, Jacob & Blake, Gene & Zan Boman and many wonderful relatives whom we dearly love.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 23, 2005 at Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Bryan Saffle officiating. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Services are entrusted to Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.



Willie Pearl Tatsch

Willie Pearl Tatsch, 71, passed away Monday, March 21, 2005 in Llano, Texas. She was born on August 29, 1933 in Hondo, Texas. Willie had resided in Llano for the past eight years coming from Midland, Texas. She was employed as a secretary with an insurance company. Willie was a member of the Red Hat Ladies Society and able to spend more time with her grandchildren and family in the last few years. Willie was married to Billie C. Tatsch on September 10, 1963 in Midland, Texas, who preceded her in death on May 25, 2002.

Survivors include daughters, Sharron Rebenstorf and husband David of Spring, Texas, Shellia Roberson of Midland, Texas, Sylvia Shoemaker and husband David of Midland, Texas; grandchildren, Dana Gillham, Terry Gammage, James Cotten, Jennifer Hurt, Brian Gammage; great grandchildren, Jayla, Ruston, Paytyn, Braydyn, Caydyn, Jaydyn, Taylor, Raegan, Garrett, and Brendan.

A Memorial Service will be held Thursday, March 24, 2005 at Waldrope-Hatfield-Hawthorne Funeral Home Chapel in Llano, Texas at 2:00 P.M. Officiating will be Rev. James Cotten.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Llano County EMS, or to American Heart Association.

Arrangements under the direction of Waldrope-Hatfield-Hawthorne Funeral Homes, Inc. Llano, Texas 78643.



Esther Sue Alworth Dayton

Esther Sue Alworth Dayton passed away Monday, March 21, 2005 in Midland. She was born in Enid, Okla., December 29, 1927. She attended Tulsa schools and The University of Tulsa, where she met and married Edgar Marqua (Ted) Dayton on July 2, 1947. He preceded her in death in 1973. Ted was an attorney with Shell Oil Company and the family was a typical oil company family, moving from Tulsa to Denver to Houston to New Orleans.

She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Paul and Ellen Dayton of Bangor, Maine and two daughters and sons-in-law, Helen and Pleasant Mitchell of Llano and Karen and Gary Lang of Midland; 6 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Funeral service will be 12 noon Thursday, March 24, 2005 in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Memorial contributions may be made to Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center, 802 Ventura, Midland, Texas 79705.

To view an online obituary or leave the family a personal tribute, please visit our web site at www.bozemitchellmckibbin.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Boze-Mitchell-McKibbin Funeral Home in Waxahachie.

DEATH NOTICES

Agustina de Valenzuela

Agustina Sanchez de Valenzuela died Tuesday, March 22. Rosary will be held at 7 p.m. today, March 23 in the Chapel of Pipkin Funeral Home. Mass will be held 11 a.m. Thursday, March 24 at Our Lady of San Juan Catholic Church.

She was born Aug. 28, 1920 to Bartolo and Francisca Sanchez in Gomez Palacio, Mexico and was raised and educated in cd Lerdo.

She was preceeded in death by her parents and her husband, Anselmo Valenzuela.

Survivors include two brothers, Jesus Sanchez of Monterney Nuevo Leon, Mexico and Eduviges Sanchez C of cd Lerdo DGO, Mexico; one sister, Victoria S. Diaz of Midland.

Services are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home. Condolences may be emailed to Pipkin@nts-online.net.

Harry B. Bartlett

ROCKDALE — Harry B. Bartlett, of Midland, died Tuesday, March 22. Services are pending with Phillip & Luckey Funeral Home in Rockdale.

He is survived by a daughter, Dolores McCall of Midland.

OBITUARY & DEATH NOTICE POLICY

There is no charge for death notices of residents or former residents of Midland or for those who have Midland relatives. We also publish death notices for residents of the surrounding West Texas area.

Free death notices include date and place of death, service and burial information, funeral home handling arrangements, date and place of birth, brief biography, survivors and memorials. A longer, more detailed obituary is available for a charge. It may include tributes, expanded biography, organizational associations, notes of appreciation, pallbearers, honorary pallbearers and a photo.

Deadline for both free death notices and paid obituaries is 3:30 p.m. and information must be either received from or verified by a funeral home.

AROUND THE AREA

Compiled from staff reports

CAF

CAF hosts annual Open Cockpit Day

The Commemorative Air Force is hosting its annual Open Cockpit Day this weekend.

Several CAF planes including the F-14 Tomcat, F-111 Aardvark, C-46 Commando, B-25 Mitchell, British Avro Shackleton and German Ju 52 will be on display. Open Cockpit Day is one of the only opportunities CAF visitors are allowed to climb inside the airplanes.

The event is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the CAF's hangar. Admission is $7 for adults, $2 for children ages 6 to 12 and free for children younger than 5.

An Easter egg hunt is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. for children 10 and younger. Model airplane flying demonstrations will take place throughout the event, weather permitting.

UTPB

UTPB to host financial planning seminar for public

The University of Texas of the Permian Basin Career Counseling Department and the UTPB Alumni Association are cohosting a financial planning seminar April 6 from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the multipurpose room on the second floor of the Mesa Building.

Guest speakers will include John Wade of Edward Jones and Shelley Johnson of A.G. Edwards. Both Wade and Johnson are top financial consultants with their respective branches and UTPB alumni.

Topics of discussion will include creating a personal budget, controlling personal debt, disciplined investing and the importance of diversification. Specific investment vehicles such as annuities, stocks, bonds and mutual funds also will be discussed.

This event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Bills seek to inhibit underage, binge drinking, help save lives

By Brandi Grissom
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Michael Wagener hadn't planned a big 21st birthday blowout, but his friends kept buying him drinks.

The Texas A&M University senior died after downing about eight shots within 45 minutes. His blood alcohol level was .483 — about six times the legal limit.

Now his mother, Susan Wagener, is working to make sure the pressure to get in as many drinks as possible in the couple of hours between the stroke of midnight on a person's 21st birthday and the bar closing doesn't lead to tragedy for other Texas families.

A House committee heard testimony Tuesday on bills intended to cut down underage and binge drinking.

Rep. Rob Eissler, R-The Woodlands, wrote two bills after meeting the Wagener family. One would make it illegal to serve alcohol to 21-year-olds before 7 a.m. on their birthday. The other would require kegs to be labeled with a registration number and mandate keg purchasers fill out a form with their name, address and phone number and sign an agreement not to allow minors to drink its contents.

"This isn't about prohibition," Wagener said. "This would discourage the attempt at beating the clock prior to closing with the excessive amounts in such a short time."

Shooting drinks with names like Liquid Cocaine and DWI has become a right of passage for birthday revelers who hit the legal drinking age. Birthday drinking binges have caused deaths in other states as well, including Michigan and California.

Some partiers have even embraced a tradition known as the "power hour," where they try to drink 21 shots in one hour on their 21st birthday, Eissler said.

"Most people aren't aware of the dangers of overdosing on alcohol," Eissler said. "One of the most vulnerable times is the public celebration of your coming of age."

Under the "Cinderella" bill, as it has become known, bars that serve alcohol to a 21-year-old before 7 a.m. on their birthday would be subject to a fine of up to $4,000. The server could face jail time, and the establishment's alcohol permit could be suspended or canceled.

Brooks Brannon, who tends bar at The Hole in the Wall, a juke joint across the street from the University of Texas at Austin, said changing the current law is unnecessary.

The law already prohibits bars from serving alcohol to someone who is inebriated, he said, and that will happen long before the 21st shot is sloshed down.

But Brannon said he'll obey whatever law legislators hand down. His customers will just have to be a little more patient.

"I tell them everyone turns 21 at some point. I'll just have to tell them they'll have to hang in there and wait another seven hours, and then you'll be an adult," Brannon said as he tapped a new keg for the evening crowd.

The "Cinderella" bill is HB36.

The keg registration bill is HB193.

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WILLIAMS

(From 1B)

a service project — and they got the clock on the Midland Courthouse lawn operating again. This year's class took on an ambitious project — to landscape a park for the residents of Langtry Village.

Langtry Village provides housing for low-income, elderly and disabled citizens of Midland. When the class took on the project only a covered pavilion surrounded by a weedy lot existed, but the folks of Langtry Village love to sit there in the fresh air and watch the kids play at the playground of Kelview Baptist. The new park is in between the Kelview Baptist Church and the Langtry Village tower just to its southwest.

The project will include irrigation and landscaping. Concrete has been poured for a seating area and the barbecue grill. Chinese Pistache and Afghan Pine trees will be planted, along with hardy shrubs and flowers to add color. The area will be seeded with grass, as well. Brent Clayton of Desert Paving is the project leader — coordinating the contractors for the job. Jill Stephens, the Community Relations Coordinator for the Permian Basin Community Centers is coordinating the fund raising. She produced a wonderful explanatory brochure and sent it out to organizations throughout town, as well as to people who the class members suggested.

Contact Danny Jenkins-Baker, the Community Development Coordinator of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, (683-3381) if you would like to learn more about the project, and to contribute money or to find out what other donations are needed for the project.

To raise the funds needed, the class decided to sell bricks to line the entry sidewalk to the barbecue and picnic area, and each brick can have 30 characters. The cost is $250 — which is almost nothing if divided by 10 or 20 people. Have the names of your scout troop, church study group, non-profit business, or for profit business "set into stone." It is a great way to show the town how you, too, have made life better for others.

T&T

(From 1B)

He said when teens inside the store are causing a problem he doesn't hesitate to ask those who don't make purchases to leave.

Robinson said what happened to Longbotham was an incredibly unfortunate incident, but definitely a preventable one.

"The first rule of gun safety is to always treat a weapon as if it is loaded," Robinson said. "And that just went out the window."

Both Robinson and Gno said nothing near the caliber of the March 11 incident had occurred there previously.

Comptroller claims $10.8 billion House tax plan falls short

By April Castro
Associated Press

AUSTIN — A sweeping $10.8 billion House tax plan would not raise enough revenue to maintain promised property tax relief in coming years, according to the state comptroller.

The bill, adopted by the House last week, was part of a package to restructure the way Texas pays for K-12 public education. The proposal would offset a one-third slash in school property taxes with a reformed business tax and a variety of consumer taxes, including an increase in the sales tax and an additional 3 percent tax on snacks such as popcorn and cookies.

"My heart goes out to them," Republican Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said. "They just passed the largest tax bill in history and it does not balance. They thought they were raising $12 billion in revenue. I ran the numbers and it raises about $8 billion in revenue."

Republican House Speaker Tom Craddick said the bill would move forward. The measure next will be taken up by the Senate, where significant changes are expected.

"We still believe the numbers are correct," Craddick said.

House leaders who helped craft the legislation accused Strayhorn of using political tactics to delay progress on the plan. Strayhorn, the state's chief revenue estimator, is believed to be a contender to oppose Gov. Rick Perry in the 2006 primary.

"We can only conclude that the comptroller's office is either inept, purposely misleading the media and the public or just playing politics," said Rep. Jim Keffer, an Eastland Republican who authored the tax bill.

If adopted, the new taxes would go into effect Sept. 1. But the property tax relief would not be enacted until the following year, leaving the state with $2.8 billion in tax revenue, according to Strayhorn's estimates.

Once the property tax cuts are given in the 2007 fiscal year, the tax revenue would fall $1.8 billion short of the costs of replacing property taxes for public schools. That would leave the state with a one-time $1 billion surplus in the 06-07 biennium.

The shortfalls in the tax structure would compound in subsequent years, leaving lawmakers with a $4 billion shortfall in the 08-09 biennium.

The shortfall is a result of the reformed business tax in which Texas employers are given a choice between the current franchise tax and a new tax on wages, the letter states.

"The bill does not provide for a minimum tax," Strayhorn wrote to Craddick. "Taxpayers will simply plan around the tax as easily as they do the current tax."

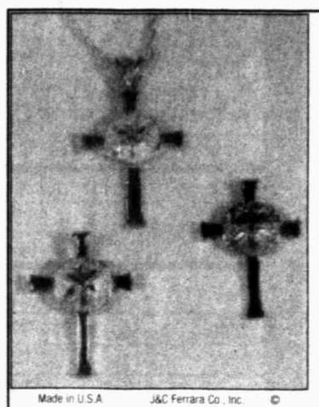
In addition, Strayhorn said employers could plan around the tax by replacing existing staff with leased staff.

The tax bill is House Bill 3.



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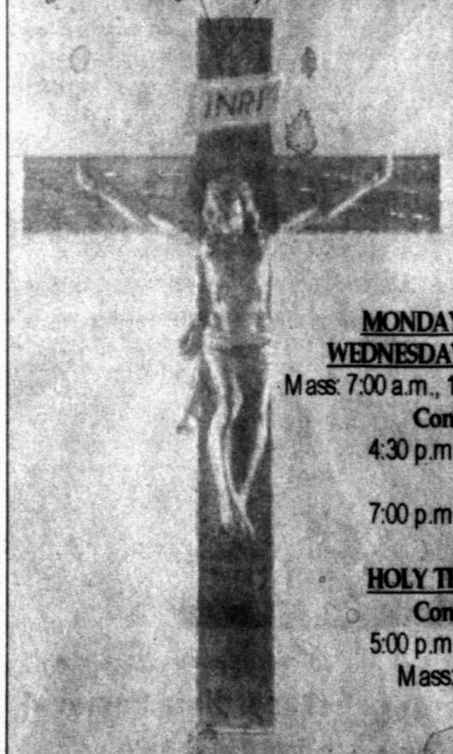
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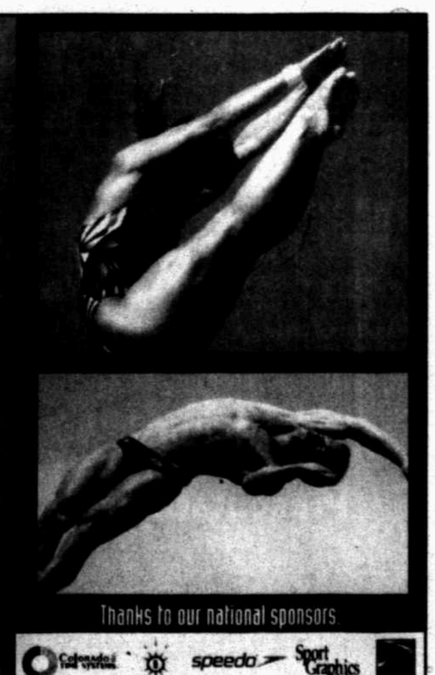
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to our kidos or to any of our citizens. We also look at the water quality and the drain and the chlorine level in the pool."

But some germs survive in properly chlorinated water long enough for someone to get sick, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Some bacteria, which cause digestional problems, can survive for days in a clean, chlorinated swimming pool, according to the CDC.

To avoid illness, the CDC suggested avoiding taking pool water into the mouth. Also, be sure to bathe before swimming.

"Everyone has invisible amounts of fecal matter on their bottoms that ends up in the pool," reads a statement released by the CDC.

Checking diapers often and changing them in a bathroom rather than near the pool can help prevent contamination.

Pay attention to the appearance of the water before diving in, said Val Sparks, registered nurse and Midland Memorial Hospital's infection control coordinator.

"If the water is not clear and is cloudy at all, I would question it," Sparks said. "If there is algae growing on the water, it hasn't been properly treated. If it is slimy, sometimes you can see it is kind of slimy on the sides of the pool, the pH is not correct."

Natural swimming holes require extra care.

"Lake water is never clean," Sparks said. "You should not drink it. You should not open your eyes in the water. And avoid stagnant water."

The warm, moist air hovering above hot tubs is ideal for germ productivity. The temperature of the water can cause a quicker evaporation of chlorine and other disinfectants, according to the CDC. But if a hot tub is properly maintained, it should be safe to enjoy, Sparks said.

Instances of food-borne illnesses increase during the summer, Sparks said. Picnics could be to blame for that. Eggs, milk products and meats should not be out of refrigeration longer than the time necessary to serve them, she said. Sparks also cautioned against keeping boiled Easter eggs in the sun too long during hunts.

Sparks also recommended keeping the tetanus booster current. Those who enjoy being outside without shoes run the risk of stepping on something sharp and rusty, which can lead to problems if shots aren't current. Most adults need a booster every 10 years, Sparks said.

"And during the summer there are always the colds and allergies," Sparks said. "Good hygiene is always good. Do lots of handwashing, get plenty of sleep, drink lots of fluids and eat a good diet."

TV - TONIGHT

WEDNESDAY EVENING — MARCH 23, 2005

	Channels	G	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
BROADCAST	KMID	3	3	2	News 'G' 101	Wheel of Fortune 781	Lost "Hearts and Minds" ∩ '14' CC 9975472		(:01) Alias "The Orphan" (N) '14' CC 6925471		(:02) Wife Swap "Hodge/Kolpin" (N) CC 5385		News 'G' 9374755	Nightline 23126168	(:06) Extra (N) 2801014	Kimmel 3463897
	KPEJ	8	5	3	Malcolm-Mid. 11472	Raymond 35052	That '70s Show 10255	Simple Life 31236	American Idol 96675	Life on a Stick 79110	Malcolm-Mid. 36830	That '70s Show 87697	That '70s Show 62588	Raymond 71236	Becker ∩ CC	Becker ∩ CC 38472
	KOSA	7	7	7	News 'G' 7526	Ent. Tonight 8878	Survivor: Palau "Jellyfish 'N Chips" (iTV) (N) 56588		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation ∩ 65236		CSI: NY "The Dove Commission" (N) CC 45472		News 'G' 6694965	Late Show With David Letterman 'PG' 60148859		Late Late 8466878
	KWES	9	9	9	News 5946	Seinfeld ∩ CC 9526	American Dreams "No Satisfaction" 'PG' 90946		The West Wing "In God We Trust" (N) 'PG' 24174		Law & Order "Gunplay" ∩ '14' CC 89830		News 1463472	(:35) The Tonight Show With Jay Leno 32196236		Late Night 4497656
	KMLM	11	12	19	Sam Peak 89472	John Hagee 66192	Update/Israel 71965	Biblical Israel 66156	Light of the Southwest 74526				The Hour of Healing 'G' 53033		N. McBride 39965	Joseph Good 29762
	KOCV	13	13		The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N) CC 708694		Roadshow FYI 453472	Sci. Frontiers 107781	The Life and Times of Frida Kahlo (N) ∩ '14' CC 782781			Nearby 710439	Charlie Rose (N) ∩ CC 452878		(Off Air)	
	KPXK	5	14		Pyramid ∩ CC 28762	Family Feud 19014	Doc "Blind Alley" ∩ CC 87052		Sue Thomas: F.B.Eye "The Actor" 'PG' 63472		Early Edition "Crumb Again" ∩ CC 83236		Home Videos 79878	Paid Program 88526	Paid Prog. 29623385	Paid Program 45762
	KUPB	4	4	13	La Mujer de Madera 80410		Apuesta por un Amor 67236		La Madrastra 43656		Don Francisco Presenta 'PG' 56120		Primer Impacto 60168	Noticiero Univ. 46588	La Hora Derbez 49014	
	UPN		21	16	Pat Croce	Pat Croce	Next Top Model 69694		Kevin Hill (N) ∩ 45014		Fear Factor 'PG' 65878		Friends ∩	Hollywood	Montel Williams 41472	
KIDS	DISN	56	27	41	So Raven	So Raven	Buffalo Dreams (NR) Reiley McClendon. CC 619897				Sister, Sis.	Even	So Raven	So Raven	Proud	Kim 982255
	FAM	53	54	6	Smallville CC 528410		A Little Princess (G, '95) ★★★★ 882255				Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club 142014		Videos	Videos
	NICK	55	34	37	Neutron	Oddparents	SpongeBob	Unfabulous	Full House	Full House	Fresh Pr.	Cosby	Roseanne	Murphy	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.
LEARN	A&E	27	32	25	American Justice: Conspiracy to Kill 320830		The Secret Life of a Serial Killer 'PG' 993471		Sports Wives Women hold their families together. (N) 'PG' CC 593615				Crossing Jordan ∩ CC 343912		The Secret Life of a Serial Killer 'PG' 682217	
	DISC	50	20	26	Amer. Chopper 335762		It Takes a Thief 298043		MythBusters 993651		Southern Steel 898007		It Takes a Thief 648584		MythBusters 697149	
	HIST	71	62	32	Modern Marvels 7030584		Modern Marvels 6591965		Modern Marvels 6577385		Full Throttle 6597149		Modern Marvels 6590236		Modern Marvels 5263526	
	TLC	51	33	21	In a Fix "Music Fusion" 'PG' 711694		Clean Sweep (N) 473897		In a Fix "Global Treasures" (N) 'PG' 459217		While You Were Out (N) 462781		Clean Sweep 472168		In a Fix "Global Treasures" 'PG' 118633	
NEWS	CNN	43	24	22	Anderson Cooper 360 Mark Nelson. CC 618472				Larry King Live 619101		NewsNight-Br. 639965		Dobbs Tonight 632052		Larry King Live 231507	
	CNBC	46	45	27	Late Night 4653052		The Contender 6790743		Dennis Miller (N) 6709491		The Big Idea 6729255		The Contender 6799014		Dennis Miller 9453830	
	FNC	48	58		Fox Report 8816236		O'Reilly Factor 1230052		Hannity-Colme 1216472		On the Record 1236236		O'Reilly Factor 1239323		Special Report 1468014	
	MSNBC	47	51		Hardball CC 8812410		Countdown 1243526		Heartland ER 1229946		Scarborough 1232410		Hardball CC 1242897		Countdown 1471588	
SPORTS	ESPN	32	29	30	SportsCtr.	NBA 183101	NBA Basketball Detroit Pistons at Philadelphia 76ers. 674385					NBA Basketball: Mavericks at Warriors 310675				
	ESPN2	34	28		Dream Job 2005 1873965		College Basketball Teams TBA. CC 9111656				College Basketball: NIT Quarterfinal 1148385				Fastbreak	Season
	FSSW	37	43	29	The Sports List 99236	AFL Weekly 80588	FSN America 58491	The Sports List 79472	Poker Superstars Invitational Tournament 43694		Best Damn Sports Show Period (Live) CC 23830		SW Sports Rpt. 15656	Best Damn Sports Show Period CC 507526		Best-Sports 978965
	OUTDR	40	39		Killer Instinct 8729656		Auto Racing 1686410		Outtakes	Outdoor	Winter Revolution 9140526			Outdoor	Winter Revol. 5249323	
VARIETY	AMC	63	21	31	Rocky II (4:30) 688588		The Silence of the Lambs (R) ★★★★ Jodie Foster. 601439					Dolores Claiborne (R, '95) ★★½ Kathy Bates. 307101				
	BRAV	65	63		The West Wing 344946		Queer Eye-Girl 992507		Celebrity Poker Showdown '14' CC 972743				Queer Eye-Guy 991878		The West Wing 606323	
	BET	70	26	33	106 & Park	Music	The Parkers	Girlfriends	Coming-Stage 523491		Club Comic View 543255		News	Music	Midnight Love 235859	
	FOOD	74	59		Good Eats	Unwrapped	Emeril Live 1695168		Bobby Flay	Foodnation	Good Eats	Good Eats	Iron Chef Am. 1694439		Emeril Live 6647323	
	FX	31	31		King of Hill	King of Hill	Someone Like You (PG-13, '01) ★★ Ashley Judd. 2036192					Fear Factor ∩ 5518878		King of Hill	King of Hill	Cops '14'
	LIFE	28	36	40	The Wandering Soul Murders ('01) Wendy Crewson, Victor Garber. (TV14) CC 164236				Verdict in Blood (R, '02) Wendy Crewson, Shawn Doyle, Robert Davi. (TVPG) CC 169781				Golden 808168	Golden 884588	The Nanny ∩ 424120	The Nanny ∩ 135859
	HALL	54	49		Texas Ranger 724168		Touched-Angel 446743		Judging Amy ∩ 455491		Judging Amy ∩ 475255		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H
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	SPIKE	30	22	35	CSI: Crime Scn 726526		CSI: Crime Scn 448101		Fletch Lives (PG) ★★½ Chevy Chase. 468965				MXC ∩	MXC ∩	Police Videos 413205	
	TBS	25	11	11	Raymond 288255	Raymond 279507	Raymond 547410	Raymond 268491	Seinfeld ∩ 523830	Seinfeld ∩ 542965	Sex and the City 900965	Sex & City 3106859	40 Days and 40 Nights (:10) (R, '02) ★★ Josh Hartnett, Vinessa Shaw. Premiere. CC 1900830			
	TCM	64	61		Possessed (NR) 5075878		The Philadelphia Story (NR) ★★★★ 1679304				Cary Grant: A Class Apart 5225694			Monkey Business ★★★ 7940025		
	TELE	20	8		Anita No, Rajes 339014		Mujer en Esp. 987675		Gitanas 996323		Ley, Silencio 983859	Noticiero	Laura '14' 284410		Al Rojo	
	TNT	24	23	28	Law & Order "Corpus Delicti" ∩ 'PG' 719236		Law & Order "Empire" '14' CC (DVS) 471439		Stepmom (PG-13, '98) ★★ Julia Roberts, Ed Harris. A woman tries hard to make her lover's children accept her. 843168				Stepmom (PG-13, '98) ★★ Julia Roberts, Susan Sarandon. 824033			
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	WGN	19	18		Will-Grace 646781	Home Imp. 637033	Alone With a Stranger (R, '00) William R. Moses, Barbara Niven, Nia Peeples. ∩ CC 604965				WGN News at Nine ∩ CC 985217		Becker ∩ 608656	Becker ∩ 617304	Home Delivery 'PG' 600149	
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	65		Convoy (5:05) 95878101		City Slickers II-Curly's Gold 5247588				The Scarlet Letter (R, '95) ★½ ∩ 40303149				Birdy (:15) (R) 5093743	
	HBO	300	68	15	Malibu's Most Wanted ★★ 493385		Eurotrip (R, '04) ★★ ∩ 614762				Carnivale CC 459781		Deadwood CC 469168		Real Time 'MA' 595633	
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POLICE REPORTS

Compiled from staff reports

Violation of probation:
Scotti Lee Batten, 27, of Midland was arrested Monday by Midland County Sheriff's Office deputies in the 100 block of West Industrial Avenue on a charge of violation of probation. $10,000 bond.

Theft between $1,500 and $2,000:
Jonathan Eric Campos, 30, of Midland was arrested Monday by Midland County Sheriff's Office deputies at Central Detention on a charge of theft between $1,500 and $2,000. $3,000 bond.

Violation of probation:
Abelino Garcia Jr., 43, of Midland was arrested Monday by Midland Police Department officers in the 100 block of East Nobles Avenue on a charge of violation of probation. $20,000 bond.

Interfering with child custody:
Rachel Isabel Gutierrez, 32, of Newport Richey, FL was arrested Monday by Midland County Sheriff's Office deputies at the county warrants office on a charge of interfering with child custody. $5,000 bond.

Attempted capital murder cited:
Theodore Lawrence Jurgensen, 67, of Midland was arrested Monday by Midland County Sheriff's Office deputies at the intersection of Illinois Avenue and Loraine Street on a charge of attempted capital murder cited. No bond.

Forgery of a financial institution, failure to appear:
Peter Paul Moorey, 30, of Midland was arrested Monday by Midland Police Department officers in the 3000 block of Midland Drive five charges of forgery of a financial institution and one charge of failure to appear. $50,000 bond.

Note: All arrests are felonies

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff's office: Remains belong to missing girl

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Skeletal remains of a 12-year-old girl missing since last spring have been discovered in a remote part of Bexar County, the county sheriff's office said Tuesday.

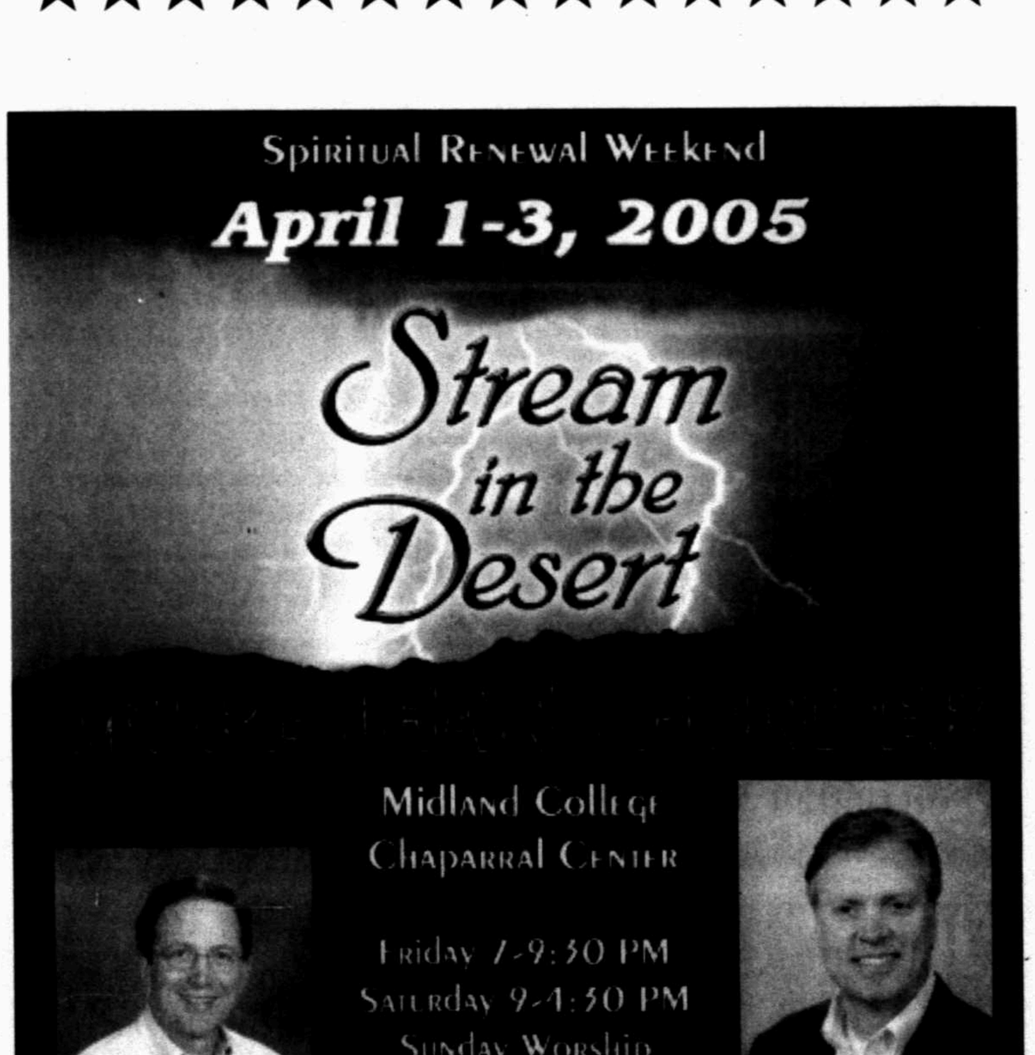
Bones and clothing belonging to Rosa Sandoval, who disappeared from her home May 28, were found in January under a debris pile in the county's rural southwest corner.

Subsequent DNA testing confirmed that the remains were those of the missing girl.

Rosa's disappearance triggered a widescale search by friends and neighbors, and dozens of people were interviewed by police. Her case was also highlighted on the television program "America's Most Wanted."


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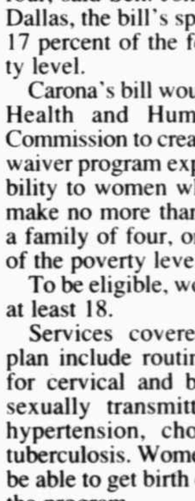
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EASTER BUNNY



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BABY AND BUNNY Ethan Martinez, 4 weeks, yawns as he waits for his picture to be taken with the Easter Bunny Tuesday in El Paso.

Bill targets polygamy in West Texas

By Bill Hanna
N.Y. Times News Service

A Kerrville lawmaker is trying to make it harder for a polygamist group that is building a compound south of San Angelo to practice some of its more controversial beliefs.

The Fundamentalist Church of Latter-day Saints, which has historically been based in the twin towns of Colorado City, Ariz., and Hildale, Utah, began erecting buildings on the YFZ Ranch near Eldorado in Schleicher County about a year ago.

Former members have accused the group of coercing girls as young as 14 to marry, sometimes to their relatives, and staging a political takeover of local government in Colorado City and Hildale.

A bill filed by state Rep. Harvey Hilderbran, R-Kerrville, would raise the minimum age of marriage with parental consent from 14 to 16, make it illegal for stepparents to marry stepchildren and toughen residency requirements to run for office.

A separate bill filed by Hilderbran also would allow the Schleicher County hospital district to switch from at-large seats to single-member districts to prevent the sect from taking control of the board and its funds.

Similar laws regarding underage marriage are on the books in Utah and Arizona but have not been effective in curbing polygamy.

Because polygamy is one of the group's core beliefs, it is nearly impossible to enact laws that will stop them.

Rod Parker, Salt Lake City lawyer

"What I'm hoping to accomplish is to keep Eldorado and Schleicher County from becoming like Colorado City where this cult came from — and not only protect them but keep it from happening anywhere else in Texas," Hilderbran said Monday.

Salt Lake City lawyer Rod Parker, who represents the sect in some legal matters, said he is concerned by Hilderbran's comments.

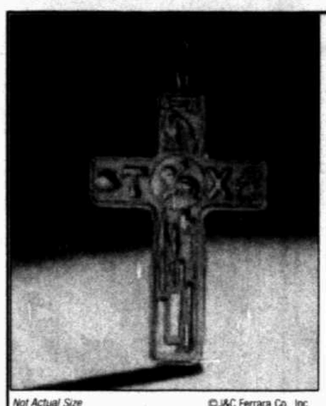
"It appears he is specifically targeting them," Parker said. "That doesn't seem appropriate to me."

Because polygamy is one of the group's core beliefs, it is nearly impossible to enact laws that will stop them, Parker said.

"They believe in order to reach salvation they must practice polygamy," Parker said. "There's not a lot the state can do to stop someone who thinks their eternal salvation is at stake."

Jimmy Doyle, Schleicher County justice of the peace, said he doesn't expect the legislation to deter the group's activities.

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Committee approves bill to expand eligibility for women's health care

By Natalie Gott
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Hannah Riddering had her last pap smear 20 years ago, and the uninsured cab driver and women's rights activist has never had a mammogram.

Tuesday, the Senate Health and Human Services Committee approved legislation that will help her get both, along with other preventative health and family planning services, through a program to expand eligibility for women's health services.

"It will make it possible for me to get a mammogram and a pap smear," Riddering, 52, said later. "When you are uninsured, those are just the things you don't spend money on."

Right now, women on Medicaid are ineligible to receive preventative health and family planning services if they make more than $3,300 a year in a family of four, said Sen. John Carona, R-Dallas, the bill's sponsor. That's 17 percent of the federal poverty level.

Carona's bill would require the Health and Human Services Commission to create a Medicaid waiver program expanding eligibility to women whose families make no more than $34,800 for a family of four, or 185 percent of the poverty level.

To be eligible, women must be at least 18.

Services covered under the plan include routine screenings for cervical and breast cancer, sexually transmitted diseases, hypertension, cholesterol and tuberculosis. Women also would be able to get birth control under the program.

Under the waiver, the state would get $9 in federal money for every $1 in state money spent. The bill would save Texas about $135 million in fiscal years 2006 and 2007, according to a Legislative Budget Board estimate.

"It's smart money, and it provides good preventative care," Carona said, noting that 21 states have similar waivers.

Stacey Emick, the legislative director for the Texas Right to Life Committee, said her group is not opposed to the bill but would like to see the language tightened as it relates to abortion.

The bill does not provide for abortions, and Emick said the Texas Right to Life Committee would like to see the bill written so that funding could not be used for the promotion, counseling or referral of abortions.

The women's health bill is SB 747.

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"Today you will be with me in paradise." Luke 23:43

Third Word - The Rev. Juan Helms, First United Methodist Church
"Woman, behold your son . . . (Son) behold your mother." John 19:26-27

Fourth Word - The Rev. Mark Kohl, Grace Evangelical Free Church
"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Mark 15:34

Fifth Word - The Rev.Steve Schorr, First Presbyterian Church
"I thirst." John 19:28

Sixth Word - The Rev. Jonathan Hartzer, St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church
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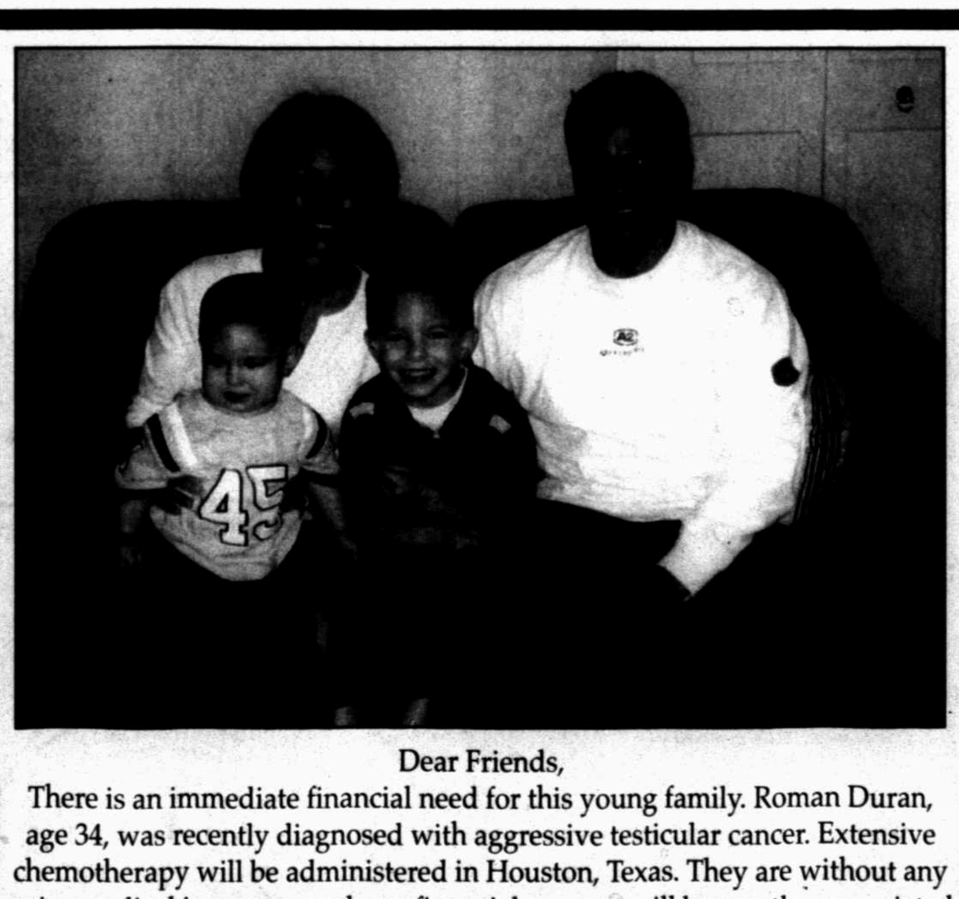
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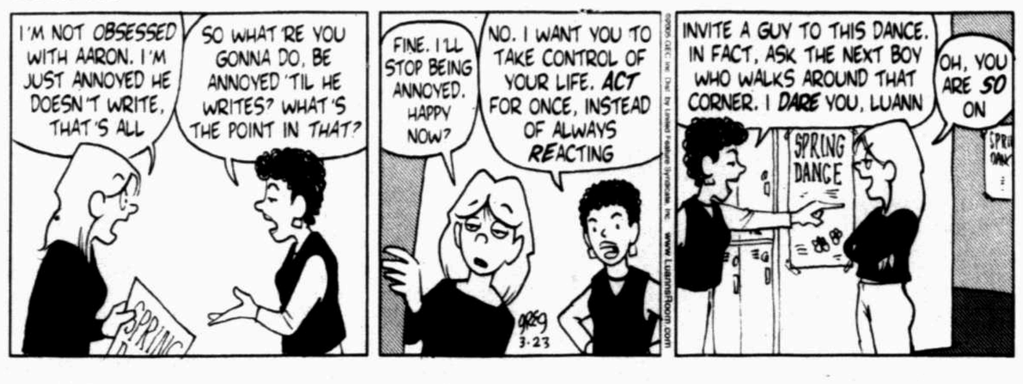
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LOCAL FORECAST

TODAY

Partly cloudy
high 79
low 48

THURSDAY

Partly cloudy
high 80
low 48

FRIDAY

Partly cloudy
high 75
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Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high around 79 and south winds between 10 and 20 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 48 and south winds between 15 and 20 mph.

Thursday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high around 80, a low around 48 and west winds between 15 and 20 mph.

Friday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high around 75 and a low around 48.

The high Monday reached 67, while the low dropped to 37. The record high for March 22 is 91 set in 1934. The record low is 22 set in 1989.

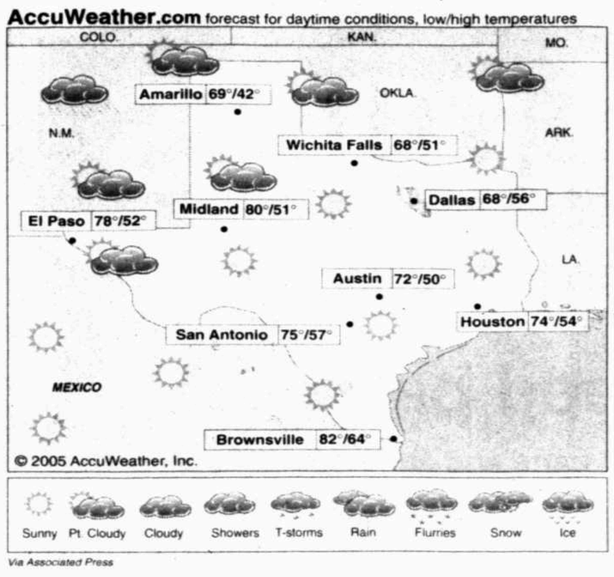
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Rainfall Monday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Tuesday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.42 in.
Total for year	2.34 in.
Normal total (year to date)	1.44 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

High	67
Low	37
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Normal low	42

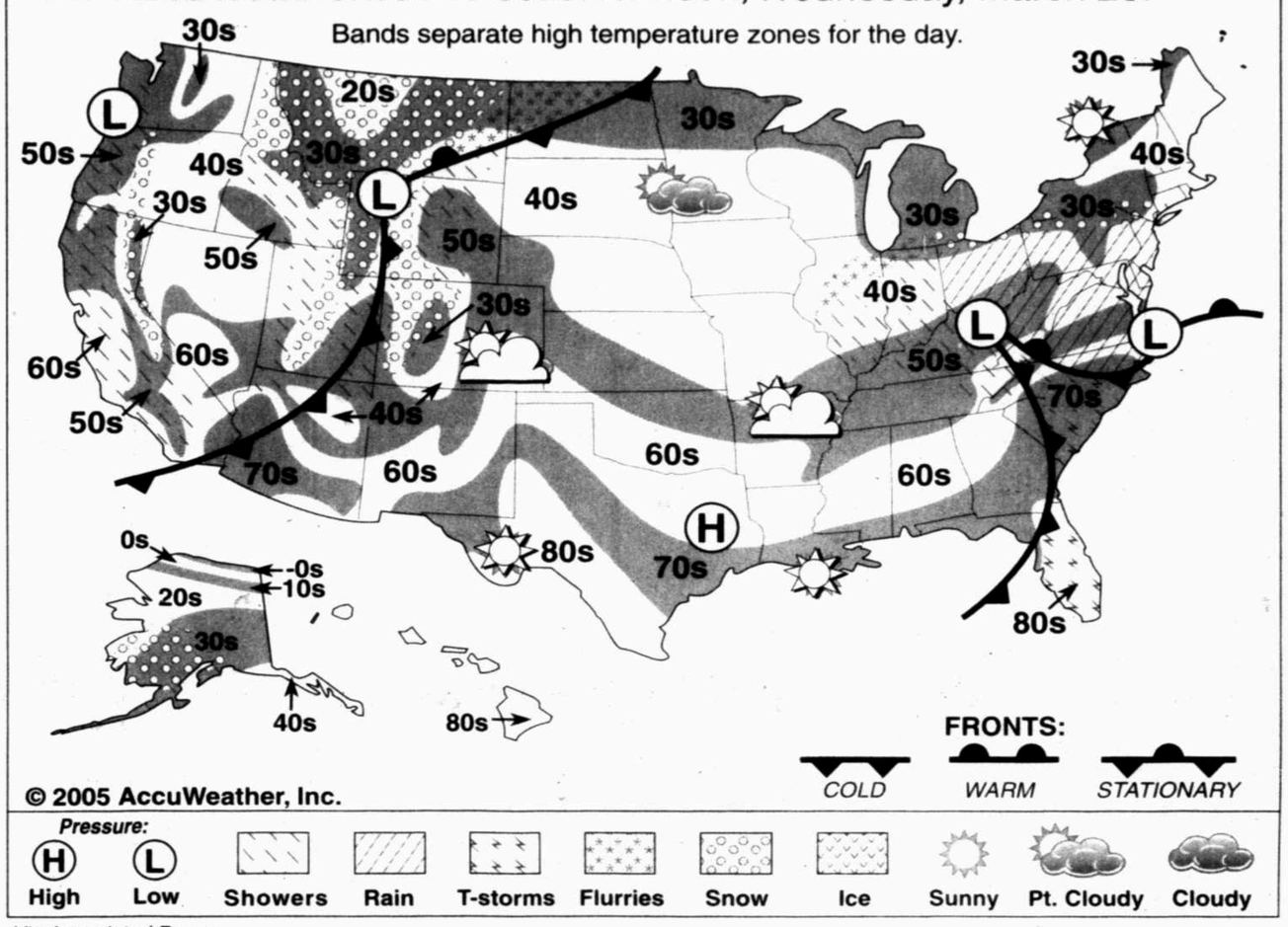
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Sunset ... 7:02 p.m.



Via Associated Press

National weather

The **AccuWeather.com** forecast for noon, Wednesday, March 23.



Via Associated Press

DEAR ABBY

Teen's angry outbursts scare her into seeking help

DEAR ABBY: I really, really need your help. I have serious anger issues. Almost every day I lash out at my mother, and it makes her very sad. Recently, my mom went through a bout of depression. She has relapses sometimes, yet I am unable to control my yelling at her. I am 13, but I realize I am already an abuser, and I don't know how to stop. Little things set me off on a screaming frenzy at my poor mother.

Please help me. I'm afraid I will hurt her one day, and I would never forgive myself. And please don't print my name and address. We live in a small town, and I don't want people to know. — 13 AND SCARED IN VIRGINIA

DEAR SCARED: It is important you pinpoint exactly what is making you so angry. If it is something other than your mother, then you're making her a scapegoat for what is really bothering you. If it IS your mother, you must find healthier, more constructive ways of expressing your anger than screaming at her because, as you have pointed out, it may escalate.

I have a booklet that could help you understand and control your outbursts. It's called "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." It can be ordered by sending a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus a check or money order for $5 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included in the price.)

Among the suggestions I offer in the booklet are:

"Recognize you are getting angry. Admit your buttons are being pushed and you're about to 'lose it.' (By losing it, I mean expressing yourself emotionally, without control.)

"Some healthy, acceptable ways to express anger:

"Express it calmly without being abusive or calling names. Say, 'When you do ( ), it makes me angry.' Explain why.

"Take a walk. Remove yourself from the source of your anger until you cool off.

"Write a letter to the person who has angered you, expressing your feelings. You may never deliver it; in fact, you probably shouldn't — but you'll feel much better once you get your emotions down on paper and out of your system.

"When all else fails — have a good cry. That, too, will lessen the tension."

But whatever you do, do NOT raise your hand in anger against your mother. If your anger is truly out of control, ask your mother to make an appointment for you to discuss it with a psychologist so he or she can help you form the tools to control it or channel it in a constructive way.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.



DEAR ABBY: My 19-year-old brother has inherited a very old quilt from our grandmother. Her great-grandmother made it in 1862, when she was 18. We are thrilled to have such a wonderful piece of family memorabilia; however, we don't know what to do with it. It appears to be in good condition, but I can't imagine putting it on a bed and risking spills or pet fur getting on it.

At present, the quilt is wrapped in plastic and sitting in a box. I'd love to find a way for my brother to display it or use it. Any idea you might have would be welcome. — KRISTA IN SALT LAKE CITY

DEAR KRISTA: The quilt should be stored until your brother has a place to display it. A cleaner that prepares bridal gowns for storage can help you do it so the quilt isn't damaged. When your brother is ready, consider having the quilt mounted in a large "shadow box" frame. However, make certain it is not exposed to direct sunlight.

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 Wednesday, March 23, 2005:
Expect the unexpected, and you will be on cruise control this year. You will change your way of thinking because of a willingness to read between the lines. Allow your mind to grow and evolve in a new direction. Sudden insights become commonplace, as your mind reaches out past self-imposed restrictions. Take time alone as frequently as you need to in order to regroup and think through everything that happens this year. Choose your confidants with care. Check out people carefully. A class involving greater spiritual growth and understanding might be instrumental to your mental perspective. Travel also might open doors. If you are single, you could get a jolt if you take someone at face value. Get to know someone well before deciding that he or she is it. If you are attached, your relationship will return to steamy given enough quality time. SCORPIO always presents a different point of view.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Nothing is written in stone right now. Even your opinions are subject to radical swings, as new information comes in. Concentrate on work or your daily routine. Tonight: Take it easy.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You deal well with the excitement and instability that heads your way. While others could be upset, you seize the moment. Flirt. If attached, flirt with your sweetie. Tonight: Indulge in a special dinner.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Handle a personal or domestic matter that might have your mind working overtime. Clear out the issue and free yourself up for other matters. Someone you look up to becomes flaky, if not unpredictable. Tonight: Order in.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Say what you think, but be willing to revise your opinion. Information that heads in your direction tosses yet another perspective on a situation. Make a phone call to someone you have been thinking about. Tonight: Get together with at least one friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Deal with finances with care; if you are involved with someone else's funds, there could be an unexpected twist. The same goes if someone else is handling your money. Use caution. A solid relationship could take an interesting turn. Tonight: Special time with a loved one.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Hold your ground, even if others test your patience and ability to say "no." What you see and how someone reacts need to be remembered. This person will always be capable of this unusual behavior. You might not like it, or you might find his or her actions very exciting. Tonight: Just ask.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ Know when to retreat and play ostrich. Work or a project could become so overwhelming that you will naturally seek solitude where you can focus. The unique or different path proves to be the right way to go. Tonight: Take a walk after dinner. Get more physical.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ An unpredictable child or loved one could easily trigger you. Keep your long-term desires regarding this relationship in mind before reacting. Getting into a petty squabble won't help you relate more closely. Tonight: Do what you want.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★ You might not want to, but you will have to take the lead at work or within your immediate circle. Regroup and rethink. You might come to a stunning realization. Let go of a characteristic or habit that impedes your success. Tonight: Still in control.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ Look behind others' reactions. Don't take everything you hear as tried-and-true. Work past rigid thinking that could cause trouble when relating with others. Get feedback, as you'll open up to different thinking. Tonight: Let your mind relax. Put on a good movie.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Work closely with a partner or key person. This person helps you out of any jam or obstacle that you might hit. Get feedback about how to insulate your budget as much as possible from the wild swings you have experienced. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Others demand attention and control. You could become unusually reactive. Try to tame your newfound unpredictability. Avoid turning over the apple cart — for today at least. Allow others to run with the ball. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

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BORN TODAY
Singer Chaka Khan (1953), actress Joan Crawford (1904), athlete Roger Bannister (1929)

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS
1 Jack's partner
5 "Chicago Hope" actress
10 Group after boomers
14 Flu symptom
15 Former TWA owner
16 Kind of amateur
17 Dawn, to Donne
18 Divided land
19 "Even __ speak ..."
20 1980 Australian antiwar film
23 Novelist Robert __ Warren
24 Arg. neighbor
25 Slow down
28 Preserved fodder
33 Rev.'s address
34 Conceited
36 Hardly the full gamut
38 1921 sci-fi drama
39 No longer working: Abbr.
40 Participate in a send-off
45 Not in the clergy
46 Tavern
47 Beginnings
49 Quaker morsel
50 Hebrides isle
51 Carnival thriller
57 Chicken __
59 Sporty Olds
60 Lose steam
61 Cannes concept
62 Offed
63 Slippery
64 TV diner
65 Allegro or andante
66 "__ bien!"

DOWN
1 Vertical side of a doorway
2 Composer Stravinsky
3 Decoy
4 Delaware tribe
5 As good as ever
6 One fell on Chicken Little's head
7 "No __ done"
8 Logical beginning?
9 Pressed for time
10 Like table sugar
11 All-star team, perhaps
12 Reno-to-Salem dir.
13 Jaguar classic
21 Stride Rite brand
22 Auto racer Luyendyk
25 "__ chapel all of gold": Blake
26 Alloy component
27 Verify
28 Lose one's tail?
29 Workers' rights org.
30 Fred's sister
31 Reach
32 Nelson and Mary Baker
35 God with a bow
37 Suits
41 Point in the rink
42 Endure longer than
43 Sean Lennon's mom
44 Irish pop star
48 Italian sonnet closing
50 Rx
51 It holds the line
52 Couture magazine
53 Enlarge, as a hole
54 Stadium level
55 First name in trial literature
56 Fernando et al.
57 Jimmy's "Vertigo" costar
58 Chemical ending

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Play the Percentages

East-West vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ K 7
♡ Q 10 8 7 3
◇ 5 4 2
♣ 8 7 5

WEST
♠ Q 10 9 5 2
♡ K J 4 2
◇ 9 7 3
♣ K

EAST
♠ J 8 6 4 3
♡ A 9 6 5
◇ 6
♣ A 10 2

SOUTH
♠ A
♡ Void
◇ A K Q J 10 8
♣ Q J 9 6 4 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1◇	Pass	1♡	Pass
3♣	Pass	3◇	Pass
4♣	Pass	4◇	Pass
5◇	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Ten of ♠

You don't have to be a rocket scientist to calculate some of the odds at the bridge table. Simple logic will do in many cases. Consider the club holding on this deal.

After North's one-heart response to partner's one-diamond opening, he took care to show nothing of value as South completed the description of his hand, South looked no further than game in diamonds. The vulnerability made it difficult for East-West to enter the auction.

West led the 10 of spades, and the problem was obvious: the fate of the contract hinged on South's ability to hold the club losers to two, and there was no point to postponing the decision. Declarer won the opening lead with the ace perforce and drew trumps in three rounds. It was time to tackle clubs.

If clubs were 2-2, it made no difference how South played. If clubs were 4-0, there was no way to land the contract. The only relevant cases were if clubs were 3-1, and the three missing honors held the key. If all three honors were in one hand, declarer would have to lose three tricks in the suit. If the 10 was singleton, declarer had to play an honor to pin the 10. If a high honor was singleton, a low club from hand would work. Is it a pure guess?

Not at all. Either a singleton ace or king would make the contract secure with a low club lead, while an honor would work only against the singleton 10. In other words, a bare high honor was twice as likely as a singleton 10. Playing the odds, declarer led a low club and the contract rolled home.

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Baghdad shopkeepers strike back after drive-by shooting, killing three militants

By Traci Carl
Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Shopkeepers and residents on one of Baghdad's main streets pulled out their own guns Tuesday and killed three insurgents when hooded men began shooting at passers-by, giving a rare victory to civilians increasingly frustrated by the violence bleeding Iraq.

The clash in the capital's southern Doura neighborhood erupted when militants in three cars sprayed bullets at shoppers, Interior Ministry officials said. Three people — a man, a woman and a child — were wounded.

The motive was unclear, but there have been previous attacks in the ethnically mixed neighborhood. Earlier in the day, gunmen in the same quarter killed a policeman as he drove to work, police Lt. Col. Hafidh Al-Ghrayri said.

A forceful citizen response is rare, but not unheard of in a country where conflict has become commonplace and the law allows each home to have a weapon. Early this month, police said townsmen in Wihda, 25 miles south of Baghdad, attacked a group of militants believed planning to raid the town and killed seven.

Tuesday's gunbattle came as seven-member U.S. congressional delegation paid a one-day visit to Baghdad, and the man expected to serve as the next prime minister, Shiite politician Ibrahim al-Jaafari, reportedly told the group he is in no hurry for U.S. troops to leave Iraq.

Sen. Barbara Boxer, a Democrat from California who strongly opposed the war, said al-Jaafari didn't seem as "upbeat as our people, who seem to be very excited about the quality of the Iraqi police force."

"My sense was he was certainly in no rush to hand over security to his new police force," she said.

Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., agreed, saying that "it's too early to declare success." But Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Ill., expressed "quiet optimism" about Iraq's future.

In other violence Tuesday, Iraqi commandos backed by U.S. ground and air fire attacked an apparent insurgent training camp near Lake Tharthar in eastern Iraq, killing an undetermined number of militants and capturing 20, the U.S. military said. Seven commandos were reported dead and six wounded.

And in the northern city of Mosul, the deputy police commander, Col. Wathiq Ali, said 17 militants were killed and 14 captured late Monday after during an assassination attempt on police officials.

Also in Mosul, a roadside bomb that exploded near a U.S. patrol killed four civilians. It wasn't immediately clear if the troops suffered casualties.

In the southern city of Kut, morgue officials said they had received a half dozen corpses of Iraqi army soldiers, each with bound hands and bullet-riddled heads and torsos. Six Iraqi soldiers were reported kidnapped Monday in Anbar province, west of Baghdad, police said.

The insurgents, believed made up mostly of people from the Sunni Arab minority that dominated during Saddam's reign, consider Iraqi police and government officials traitors for working with U.S.-led coalition forces.

The U.S. military reported that a Marine died Monday in Anbar province, which contains the flashpoint cities of Fallujah and Ramadi. No further details were given.

Reports: Pope not responding well to medicine

By Victor L. Simpson
Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — Pope John Paul II is vomiting, suffering strong headaches and not responding well to his medications, an Italian news agency reported Tuesday, but the pontiff's chief doctor dismissed speculation the pope will be hospitalized again.

The Apcom news agency, quoting unnamed sources, also reported that John Paul was suffering from overall weakness as he recovered from surgery to ease a breathing crisis.

But the head of the pope's medical team, Dr. Rodolfo Proietti, ruled out media speculation that the pope's health had deteriorated suddenly and might require a return to the hospital he was discharged from 10 days ago.

"No hospitalization of John Paul II is planned," the ANSA news agency quoted Proietti as saying.

The Vatican confirmed Tuesday that John Paul will not hold his traditional audience Wednesday, although it was not known if he would greet pilgrims from his apartment window — a decision the pope would make at the last minute.

John Paul has scaled back his appearances since his back-to-back hospitalizations and has designated cardinals to take his place during this week's busy Holy Week ceremonies. The Vatican only has confirmed one appointment for the pontiff — an Easter Sunday blessing.

The pope did not name a stand-in, however, for a Way of the Cross procession at the Colosseum on Good Friday evening, raising the possibility he would participate in some fashion, although it appeared doubtful he would go to the site.

Vatican Television officials said they had installed cables and other equipment in the pope's apartment above St. Peter's Square for the possible transmission of a video to be seen by the pilgrims gathered at the Colosseum.

The pope has made three public appearances since being discharged from the hospital.

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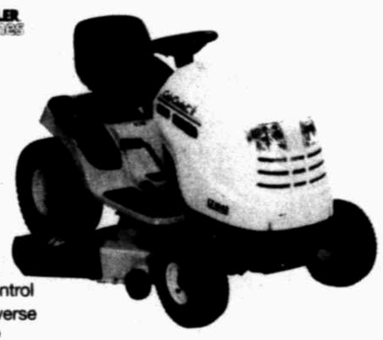


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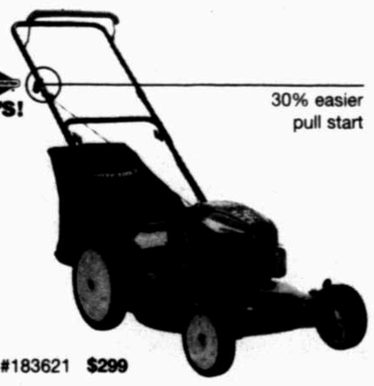


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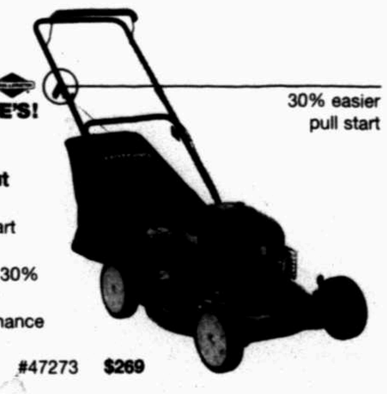


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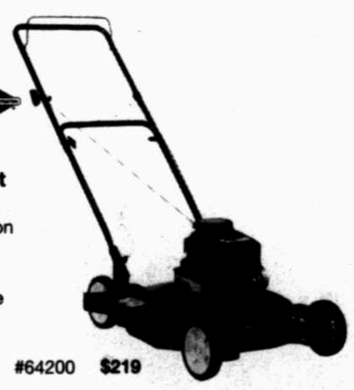
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Bulldogs win error-filled game

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

This year's first District 3-5A baseball game between Midland High and Lee wasn't an artistic masterpiece which either team will care to hang on the wall, but it looks far prettier to the Bulldogs than the Rebels.

Midland High took advantage of one of the uglier innings in the recent history of the rivalry Tuesday night at First American Bank Ballpark, scoring five runs in the top of the second thanks in part to three Lee errors. When it was over, Midland High survived a ragged evening intact, beating the Rebels 9-4 to score the first win of the season in the crosstown rivalry.

The Bulldogs (14-4-1 overall, 2-1 in district) didn't exactly overpower Lee (11-8, 2-1), as they hit just one ball out of the infield in that second inning. However, Midland High seemed to master the art of "small ball" that inning while it eluded the Rebels defensively.

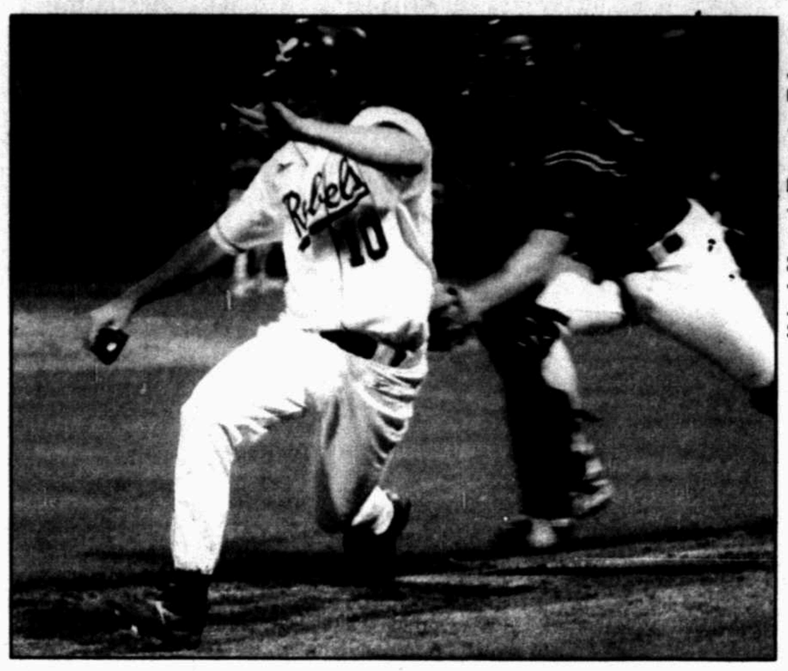
"The days of Laynce (Nix) and Daniel (Stovall) only come around every once in awhile so we've got to do some things differently offensively," said MHS coach Barry Russell, invoking the names of the two most prolific sluggers he's had in his nine seasons leading the Bulldogs. "It wasn't the prettiest win. I think (MHS and Lee) both felt a little bit of pressure."

Bulldogs	9
Rebels	4

While the two teams had only five hits each and combined for eight errors, it was still a matchup of two excellent left-handed pitchers who threw solid games. Both Midland High junior Brandon Fierro and Lee senior Barry Keiffer threw well enough to win for the most part.

The problem for Keiffer was that the infield defense collapsed around him, especially in the second inning with the game still scoreless. Things began unraveling with one out and Midland High's Spencer Robnett on second base when Keiffer struck out Seth Hudson and Lee catcher Logan Forest couldn't hold on to the third strike, allowing Hudson to reach base and Robnett to take third.

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Kris J. Murante/Reporter-Telegram

THE RUNDOWN Lee's Matt Day (10) is chased down the third-base line by Midland High catcher Seth Hudson on Tuesday at First American Bank Ballpark.

NJCAA Men's National Tournament

Unseating No. 1

MC men upend Arizona Western

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

HUTCHINSON, Kan. —Don't call the Midland College men's basketball team underdogs in this NJCAA National Basketball Tournament. No. 1-ranked Arizona Western College found that out on Tuesday in first round action.

Behind the floor leadership of freshman point guard Tim Crowell, who had 14 points and 11 assists, and some key second half 3-pointers from J.D. Lewis and Arturas Valeika, the Chaparrals stunned Arizona Western 76-69.

This was not an upset, said Crowell, who had all of his points in the second half.

"The way I look at it, they got here the same way we did," he said. "They've been playing the same amount of time we have and they practiced about the same amount of time we have, they just happened to come out with a better season than we did. When we stepped out onto the gym, it was just one good team going against another good team. We just happened to come out on top."

Chaparrals	76
Ariz. Western	69

Arizona Western coach Kelly Green said the Chaps were just tougher down the stretch than his Matadors.

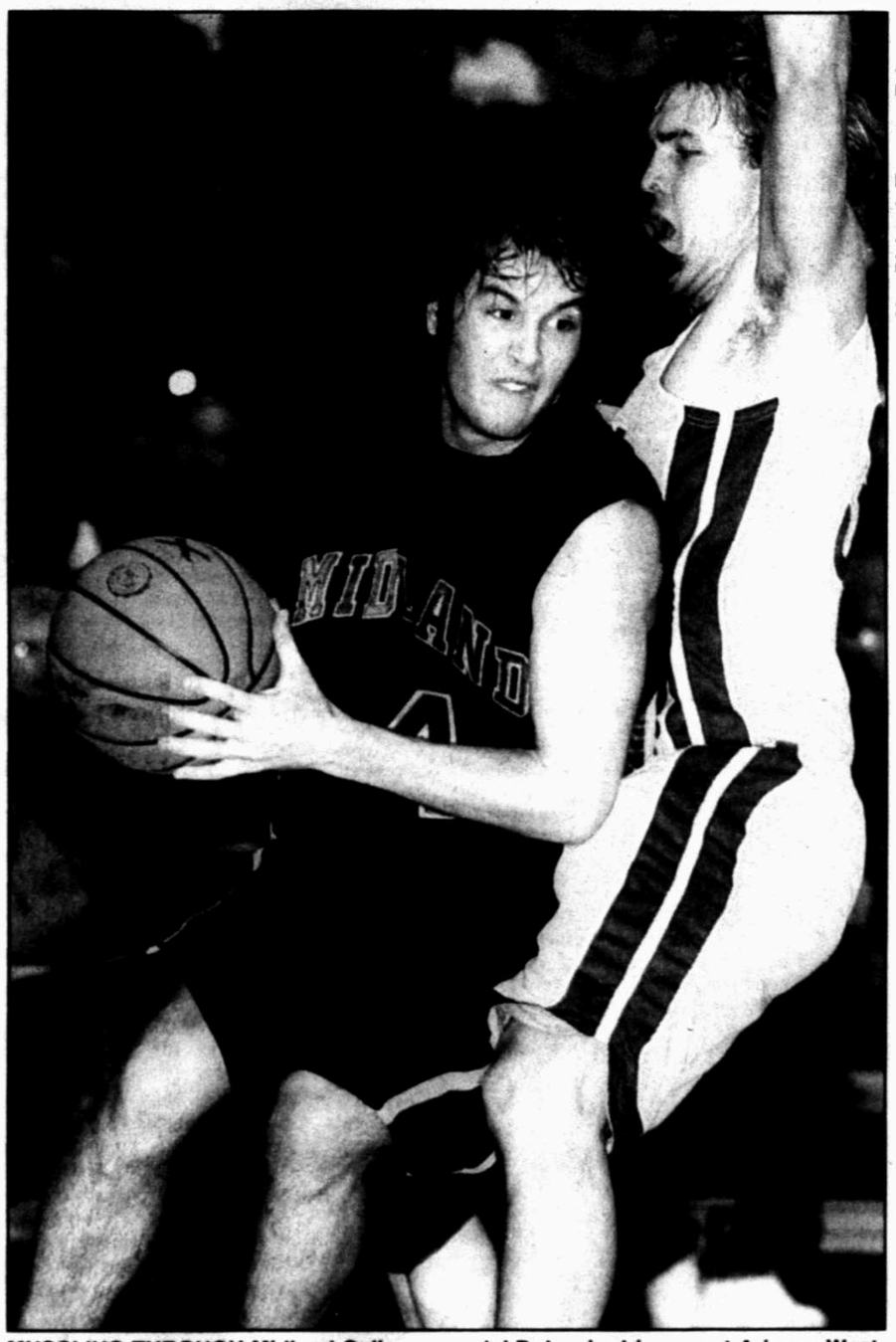
"They came up with the loose balls when they needed them and stepped up and hit some big 3s at the end," Green said. "Physically I thought they whipped us."

With the victory, the Chaps (26-8) advance to play College of Southern Idaho at 6:45 p.m. Thursday in the tournament quarterfinals. CSI defeated Northeastern Colorado 72-56 to advance to Thursday's game.

This win would not come easy for Midland College. Arizona Western (31-2) led 32-30 at the half and the Chaps had big men Ivory Clark, Blake Huggins and Valeika in foul trouble. But what's a little adversity from a team that has shown it can overcome almost any obstacle this season?

It also helped that the Chaps relied on their nationally-ranked defense to help them through

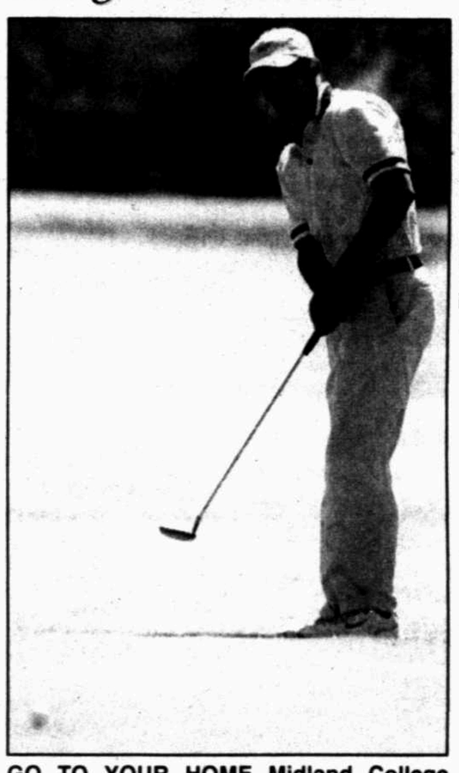
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MUSCLING THROUGH Midland College guard J.D. Lewis drives past Arizona Western's Dax Crum during the first half Tuesday at the NJCAA National Tournament in Hutchinson, Kan.

Omega Invitational



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

GO TO YOUR HOME Midland College sophomore Brent Kirstein watches a putt on Monday at Green Tree Country Club. Kirstein shot a 72 on Tuesday to claim individual medalist honors.

Kirstein leads Chaps in rout

By Dave Sager
Sports Writer

If last week's performance by the Midland College golf team wasn't impressive enough, the Chaparrals went out and one-upped themselves on Tuesday.

One week after sweeping the top four medalist spots and top two places at the Ronnie Black Invitational in New Mexico, MC came out during the final round of the Omega Treating Chemical Invitational at Green Tree Country Club and swept the top nine medalists as well as the top two places.

"The field wasn't as strong, but at the same time, you're always playing the golf course," long-time Chaps coach Delnor Poss said. "There were some good scores out there. I'm really proud of the performance. But it did show that we've got some depth and some strength there and it's going to be tough to make the lineup the rest of the semester."

Midland College's gold and green teams took first and second place respectively with Brent Kirstein taking home top medalist honors.



"Coach has been telling me that it was about time to win a tournament, so I agreed with him this time," he said.

Kirstein shot a 70-71-72—213 to beat teammates Creighton Honeck by six strokes and third-place finisher Derek Jordan by seven. Kirstein was even-par for the tournament on the par-71 course.

"Brent's really a good person and is very talented," Poss said. "We've had some real serious talks in the last month and I'm really pleased to see him play up to his potential."

Making up the gold team this week was Kirstein, Jordan, Chase Watkins, Sung Ko and Robin Lofgreen. Comprising the green team was Honeck, Greg Bowden, Derrick Bohannon, Nils Bjorling and Bobby Hutcherson. Bohannon finished the tournament fourth, Watkins was fifth, Hutcherson and Lofgreen tied for sixth, Ko was eighth and Bjorling was ninth.

"The team's got a lot of depth and we keep each other going," Kirstein said. "The first team knows the second team has the ability to beat them."

And that's exactly what happened on Tuesday.

Technically, the gold team was considered to be MC's second team and Poss said that's why he calls his teams colors rather than first and second.

"We've had a lot of situations in the past where the second team beat the first team," Poss said. "That's why I don't designate a first and second team because of the relegation that sometimes alludes to. But this shows that the lineup will change week to week if someone doesn't stay on top of their game."

Someone that did pick up his game was Monahans native Jordan. "It's either get it or quit it time," he said. "I knew that I needed to have a good tournament. I think it's impressive that our

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Rebels confident entering 3-5A golf tournament

By Dave Sager
Sports Writer

The Lee boys golf team is just oozing with confidence as the first round of the District 3-5A Tournament gets under way today at Odessa Country Club's Links Course.

And why shouldn't they be. The Rebels have been lighting it up lately and they're coming off a record-setting performance at the Andrews Classic. On top of that, Lee is the defending district champion and the Rebels also boast the defending medalist in senior K.T. Livingston.

"I think our team can play mediocre and still run away with district," Livingston said. "But that's not what we want to do. We want to go out and beat them bad like we did last year."

Indeed they did.

The Rebels trounced the field last year during the 3-5A tournament by shooting a record score of 1,179 for four rounds, one of three district records they set on the way to their win. Their 66-stroke margin of victory was also a record.

"Last year in the final round, the only way we could have lost was to have everyone get disqualified," Lee coach Bobby Dunn said.

So heading into today's opening round, the Rebels are a huge favorite to repeat as district champs. However, they're going to Odessa and will be playing on Permian's home course. The Panthers finished third in district last year, but Mark Jones finished second last year behind Livingston and Dunn said he expects the Panthers to play well.

"(Ryan) Barcena is a real good player and (Will) Kinnaird hasn't been playing that well lately, but they can be solid," Dunn said. "And playing on their own golf course won't help (us)."

But that doesn't faze any of the Rebels, especially senior Seth Harris, who Dunn said in the past three weeks has played "better than anybody can ever play."

"I think they're playing for second," Harris said of Permian. "They have a couple of guys that have been playing well, but their team doesn't stack up to our team."

That team consists of four seniors and a sophomore. Included are Livingston, Harris, Sterling Mitchell, Bobby Whiteside, and newcomer Brian Scherer.

Last year, Harris said he didn't play that well during the district tournament, but this year, his game has been

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NO. 880 Tennessee head coach Pat Summitt directs her team during their second-round NCAA tournament game against Purdue in Knoxville, Tenn., on Tuesday.

Susan Walsh/AP

Summitt breaks career victory record

By Elizabeth A. Davis
Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Pat Summitt stands alone at the top of NCAA basketball.

The Tennessee coach broke Dean Smith's career victory record Tuesday night, getting No. 880 in the Lady Vols' 75-54 win over Purdue in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

Summitt tied Smith at 879 with an easy win over Western Carolina in the first round Sunday night and passed the former North Carolina men's coach with another convincing victory. Summitt improved to 880-171, while Smith was 879-254 when he retired in 1997 after 36 years with the Tar Heels.

"Obviously, to be in the company with Coach Smith, to think about all the people that were a part of these wins, I never thought I'd live this long," Summitt said.

After the game, NCAA officials presented Summitt with the game ball and a plaque. And the university announced the court at Thompson-Boling Arena will be named "The Summitt."

The 52-year-old Summitt waved to the crowd and hugged family members, who came down to the court to celebrate with her. The team posed for a picture with the players holding up newspaper pages with a huge 880 in

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Lady Bulldogs stifle San Angelo

From staff reports

SAN ANGELO — The Midland High softball team earned its second consecutive District 3-5A victory with a 2-1 triumph against San Angelo Central.

The Lady Bulldogs (15-7, 3-2 in District 3-5A) scored twice in the second inning in support of right-hander Leah Gonzalez, who held the Lady Bobcats to a run on four hits while striking out nine.

"Anytime you can get a win on the road in our district it's positive," Midland High coach Shawnda Vines said. "It's very hard to win on the road."

Midland High was the first to score, as Emily Taylor and Amanda Massey each singled and crossed the plate. Marissa Cervantes drove in Taylor with a groundout, while Massey sped home on a passed ball.

The Lady Bobcats (4-13, 0-4) got a run in the fourth but was shut down the rest of the way by Gonzalez, who was also 3-for-3 with a double. Midland High scattered seven hits in the game.

The Lady Bulldogs continue district play Thursday at home against Odessa High.

■ District 3-5A Softball Roundup

Midland High 2, San Angelo Central 1

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Leah Gonzalez and Ali Askew. Vick and Mendez. WP — Gonzalez (6-3). LP — Vick. 2B — Gonzalez.

Records: Midland High (15-7, 3-2 in District 3-5A); San Angelo (4-13, 0-4).

Next game: Midland High vs. Odessa High, 4 p.m., Thursday, MHS softball field

Witte's home run lifts Lee

COAHOMA — The Lee softball team didn't get to take it easy in an open date from District 3-5A play, as the Rebels needed 12 innings to beat Coahoma 1-0 on Tuesday.

Kaitlin Witte provided the game's lone run with a home run in the top of the 12th to beat Class 2A power Coahoma. Lee's Ashley Pyle and Coahoma's Kylee Roberts hooked up in a pitcher's duel that wasn't broken up until Witte's homer.

Pyle had a season-high 12 strikeouts for the Lady Rebels, who struggled to hit the ball against Roberts in the first 11 innings.

"We could never get hits back-to-back," Lee coach Wes Overton said. "We left I don't know how many on base, but I know we had a runner on third base three times and could not get them in."

Lee will resume district action Thursday at Odessa Permian, but Coahoma helped the Lady Rebels (16-2) stay sharp competitively.

Lee 1, Coahoma 0 (12)

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Coahoma	.000 000 000 000	—	0	6	0

Ashley Pyle and Heather Woods. Kylee Roberts and Ruby Garcia. W—Pyle (3-0). L—Roberts. 2B—CHS: Ashley New. HR—Lee: Kaitlyn Witte (3).

Records: Lee is 16-2 overall, 4-0 in District 3-5A; Coahoma is 9-7 overall.

Up Next: Lee at Odessa Permian, 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Ratliff Softball Complex, Odessa

Schneider, Rangerettes edge Monahans

From staff reports

GREENWOOD — Facing one of the top pitchers in District 3-3A, the Greenwood softball team and pitcher Kendall Schneider came out victorious, 2-1 against Monahans.

"It was a pitchers duel," Greenwood head coach Ken Ferguson said. "We're real pleased. Raquel (Hawkins) is one of the best pitchers around, so it's a good win for us."

Schneider allowed just one run on three hits while striking out four. Hawkins gave up two runs on four hits and struck out 10.

Monahans drew first blood in the top of the first inning without even getting a hit. A Schneider walk and two Rangerette errors gave the Lady Loboes a 1-0 advantage.

"We put ourselves in a hole, but we were able to string together a couple of runs in the second," Ferguson said.

Greenwood was able to claim the lead in the second inning on singles by Shannon Richards and Amanda Dublin. Paige Crowell sacrificed them over to second and third, then Judy Atkins hit a single to right which scored Richards. Dublin scored on error by the right fielder while trying to get a grasp on the ball.

The game was important for the Rangerettes as they improved to a perfect 5-0 in 3-3A play, while the Lady Loboes dropped to 4-1.

Greenwood's game with Pecos on Thursday was rescheduled to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 9 at Greenwood. The Rangerettes are off until Tuesday when they host Midland High.

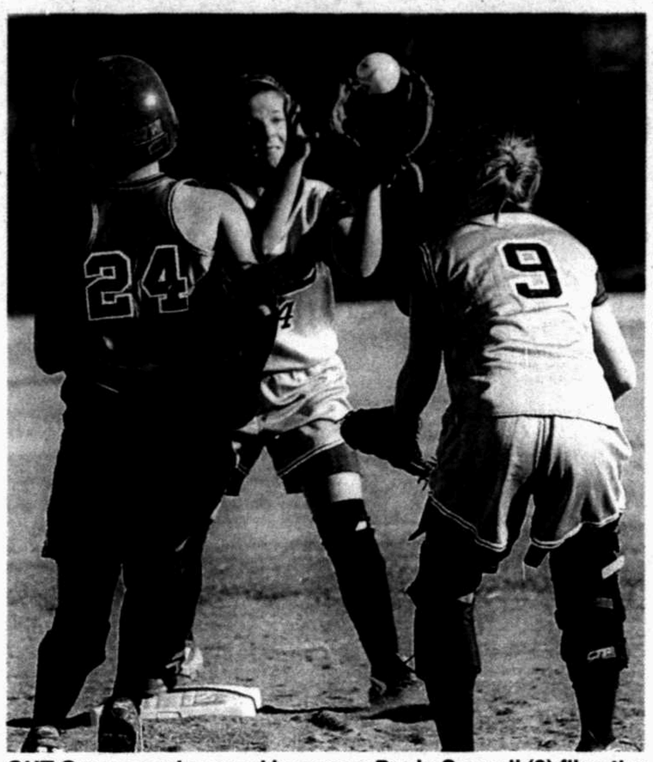
Greenwood 2, Monahans 1

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Greenwood	.020 000	x	—2	4	3

Raquel Hawkins and Ortiz. Kendall Schneider and Veronica Carruth. W—Schneider (11-7). L—Hawkins.

Records: Greenwood is 13-7, 5-0 in District 3-3A; Monahans is 10-4, 4-1 in district.

Up next: Greenwood vs. Midland High, 4 p.m., Tuesday, Greenwood Softball Field.



Kris J. Murante/Reporter-Telegram

OUT Greenwood second baseman Pagie Crowell (9) flips the ball to shortstop Savanah Neely to retire a Monahans runner during the Rangerettes' 2-1 victory Tuesday.

■ Area Softball Roundup

Andrews opens district with win

ANDREWS — Andrews' Kendra Corbin pitched her second perfect game of the season on Tuesday as the Lady Mustangs opened District 4-4A play with a 10-0 shutout in five innings.

Corbin gave up no hits, while walking none and striking out nine in the shortened game due to the mercy rule.

With the victory, the Lady Mustangs improved to 10-4 overall and now 1-0 in district.

Five Andrews players had extra-base hits in the rout, with Lacee King going 2-for-3 with a triple and a RBI. Honda Rodriguez also had a triple in the game.

The Lady Mustangs will next host Big Spring at 6 p.m. Thursday.

Andrews 10, Plainview 0 (5)

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Andrews	.216 0x	—	10	6	0

Erica Torres and Valerie Garza. Kendra Corbin and Jessica Morales. W—Corbin (7-3). L—Torres. 2B—Andrews: Jacy Welborn, Morales, Charli Mitchell. 3B—Honda Rodriguez, Lacee King.

Records: Andrews is 10-4 overall, 1-0 in District 4-4A; Plainview 9-15, 0-1

Up next: Big Spring at Andrews, 6 p.m. Thursday, Andrews Softball Field.

Midland Christian downs Coahoma

From staff reports

COAHOMA — In its final tune-up before district starts, the Midland Christian baseball team doubled up Coahoma 12-6 on Tuesday.

The Mustangs, who will open TAPPS District 1-5A play against Fort Worth Christian at 4 p.m. Friday in Fort Worth, used a five-run fourth inning to pull away from the Bulldogs and eventually win.

Through three innings, the Mustangs (10-6 overall) were clinging to a 4-3 lead, until the big fourth inning. Corey Culp led off the inning with a solo home run, while James Lynch had a two-run double and Justin Herricks recorded a two-run single to complete the scoring in the inning.

Cory Burleson got the win after MCS starter Bo McDaniel was pulled after three innings. Burleson, who started the game catching, improved to 2-1 on the season.

Midland Christian 12, Coahoma 6

MCS	.220 500 3	—	12	11	3
Coahoma	.120 030 0	—	6	8	4

Bo McDaniel, Burleson (4), Chris Withrow (6), Carson Smith (7) and Cory Burleson, Ben Fender (4). Tad White, Adrian Abrego (5) and Lance Roberts. W—Burleson (2-1). L—White. 2B—MCS: James Lynch; CHS: Cody Griffith, Blaine Kerby. HR—MCS: Kyle Williams (2), Withrow (3), Corey Culp (2); CHS: Lance Roberts.

Records: Midland Christian is 10-6 overall

Up next: Midland Christian at Fort Worth Christian in the TAPPS District 4 opener, 4 p.m. Friday, Fort Worth.

Lady Rebels clinch second place

From staff reports

SAN ANGELO — The Lee girls soccer team did what it wanted to on Tuesday, beating San Angelo Central on the road to finish in second place outright in the District 3-5A standings.

The Lady Rebels (16-7 overall and 9-3 in district) beat the Lady Bobcats, 2-0, to complete the sweep of Central this year and avoid a tie for second place. Had San Angelo beat Lee on Tuesday, both teams would have been tied for second place.

Instead, with Central losing and Odessa Permian trouncing Abilene High, 9-0, the Lady Bobcats (12-10-1, 7-5 and Lady Panthers (16-7-2, 7-5) are now tied for third place. They will have a play-in game at 7 p.m. Thursday in Abilene.

"That was definitely important to us," Lee head coach Amanda Melchor said about winning on Tueday. "We didn't want to be tied. The girls were pretty determined to go into this game and win to be second outright. Let San Angelo and Permian worry about the tie buisiness."

■ District 3-5A Soccer Roundup

Lee junior forward Halee Hamm scored both goals increasing her offensive production to four goals and two assists in the last three games. Her first goal was scored in the 25th minute off of a pass from Tiffany Richter. Hamm's second goal was assisted by freshman Rachael Solari in the 47th.

Rebels lose finale

SAN ANGELO — Having already clinched a playoff spot this past Saturday against Odessa Permian, the Lee boys soccer team finished out the regular season with a 1-0 loss to San Angelo Central.

But Lee head coach Chris Bryant was not upset about it at all.

"It gave me an opportunity to get players in that I haven't gotten to play yet this year and that was the plan," Bryant said. "They worked so hard and they deserved to play."

The Rebels finished the regular season with a 14-10 overall record and 7-5 district record. Central finished its season tied with Midland High at 6-6 in district. The Bobcats finished 15-9 overall.

Central's J.D. Bales scored the only goal in the game in the 50th minute, getting his shot past Lee keeper Kenny Worrell. Getting the assist on the goal was Brandon Cain.

Bryant said he's not concerned with the fact that his team will now enter the postseason with a loss. The Rebels will face either Mansfield High or Mansfield Summit in the bi-district round of the playoffs next week, but won't know for sure, or the details, until at least today.

MC SOFTBALL TODAY

Odessa College vs. Midland College

When/where: Doubleheader scheduled for 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., Odessa

Records: Midland College 24-8-1 overall, 6-0 in WJCAC; Odessa College 23-9, 8-2

Notes & quotes: This is the first meeting between these two teams this season. The first doubleheader scheduled on Feb. 23 was postponed until April 20. ... The Lady Chaps have not played since sweeping two games from Western Nebraska in a non-conference matchup Thursday at the Freddie Ezell Softball Complex. Midland College won the two games 10-2 and 16-1. ... In the six games Midland College has played in the WJCAC this season they have outscored their opponents 44-4, including four shutouts. MC is also the only remaining undefeated team in the league this season. ... Freshman Brianna Dairy will likely start the first game in the doubleheader. Dairy, who is from Abilene High, is 8-2 with a team-best 0.71 earned run average. She also has 76 strikeouts in 59 1/3 innings. Nicole Espinoza and Marina Poddubskaya could also pitch this week. ... Jenifer McDowell has been one of the team's best offensive threats this season with a .436 average. McDowell is one six players hitting above .300 with 40 or more at bats. ... The Lady Chaps are hitting .332 and have scored 209 runs this season.

Next game: Midland College at Frank Phillips College, Friday and Saturday, Borger; Odessa College at Clarendon College, Friday and Saturday, Clarendon

BASEBALL

(From 1C)

Keiffer then made a bad pickoff throw which allowed Robnett to score, and Kevin Newton's infield single drove in courtesy runner Justin Hamilton to make it 2-0. Lee first baseman Conrad Flynn threw away a sacrifice bunt attempt by Cameron Cole and third baseman Matt Day threw away a grounder by Jaime Armendariz to allow another run to score for a 3-0 lead.

"We worked on hitting the ball on the ground in the cages Monday," Russell said. "We emphasize that so we can make other people make mistakes."

Leadoff hitter J.W. Wilson scored a more conventional blow when he lined a two-run double just inside the left field line to make it 5-0. It was the only hard-hit ball of the inning by the Bulldogs, but the Chinese water torture effect of the bunts and errors had already added up to hurt the Rebels.

"We weren't ready to compete," Lee coach Jesse Benavidez said. "I guess a lot of that is my fault. We made so many bad decisions throwing the ball early."

Fierro had the luxury of pitching with a nice cushion for most of the game. He gave up five singles as Lee rarely mounted a major threat.

The Rebels cut it to 5-3 in the bottom of the fourth as Jake Pulliam and Brandon Britto each drove in runs with singles, but that was as close as Fierro got to cracking.

"I had to be prepared for (the Rebels) because I knew how hard they hit the ball," Fierro said. "It's all a mental game. (Having a five-run lead) boosted my confidence a lot because I could just relax and just get out there and throw."

The Bulldogs scored two runs each in the fifth and sixth innings to give Fierro more insurance. In each of those innings, Midland High scored an unearned run.

There's no time for the Rebels to lick their wounds, as they're now tied for second in the district with the Bulldogs. Both Midland teams are a game behind Abilene High, where Lee will travel to play on Thursday. Benavidez thinks his team needs a good practice today.

"We better not have any workouts like we had (Monday)," Benavidez said.

Wilson was the only player on either team with multiple hits or an extra base hit, as he went 3-for-4 with a pair of doubles and drove in three runs.

Midland High 9, Lee 4

Midland	ab	r	h	bi	Lee	ab	r	h	bi
Wilson rf	4	2	3	3	Smith 2b	4	0	0	0
Lopez 2b	3	0	0	0	Keiffer p	4	0	1	1
Fierro p	4	0	1	2	Carpenter cr	0	0	0	0
Booker cr	0	0	0	0	Powell dh	3	0	1	0
Robnett 1b	1	1	0	0	Flynn 1b	0	0	0	0
Harp dh	2	0	0	0	Forest c	3	0	0	0
Gutierrez ss	0	0	0	0	Walker cr	0	1	0	0
Burns ph	1	0	0	0	Pulliam cf	2	1	1	1
Hudson c	3	0	0	0	Day 3b	3	0	1	0
Hamilton cr	0	1	0	0	Willimsn ss	2	1	0	0
Newton lf	3	1	1	0	Britto lf	3	0	1	1
Cole 3b	2	1	0	0	Busbee rf	2	1	0	0
Armendariz cf	2	3	0	0					
Totals	25	9	5	5	Totals	26	4	5	3

Midland High	050	022	0 —9
Lee	001	200	1 —4

E — Cole, Wilson, Robnett, Keiffer 2, Flynn. Day 2. DP — Lee 1. LOB — Midland 2, Lee 6. 2B — Wilson 2. SB — Booker, Robnett, Harp, Carpenter. CS — Wilson, Lopez. S — Lopez, Robnett, Cole.

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Midland						
Fierro, W 3-2	7.0	5	4	3	5	8
Lee						
Keiffer, L	7.0	5	9	3	3	8

PB — Hudson, Forest 2. HBP — Harp (by Keiffer). WP — Fierro. T — 2:03.

CHAPS

(From 1C)

the tough times against the Matadors as MC held Arizona Western to 40 percent shooting (24 of 59), including 2 of 9 from 3-point range, and forced 20 turnovers.

"In these kind of games, especially being as physical as it was and both teams really competing, you've got to stick with what you do well," said MC coach Grant McCasland, who has guided his Chaps into the national tournament in his first year at Midland College. "All year long we did not always make the greatest decisions offensively, but defensively we did a good job of keeping the ball out of the paint."

Despite the foul trouble, the Chaps didn't back down defensively as they held the 6-foot-9 starting duo of Renato Cesar and Fernando Malaman to a combined 16 points on 5-of-13 shooting.

"I just think we just wanted to get up there and play some hard defense," said Lewis, who had a team-high 16 points. "We didn't get too many calls but we stayed physical."

Arizona Western led by as much as 44-37 with 14:34 remaining in the game, but the Chaps began to crawl back and eventually took the lead at 50-49 on a layup by Tristan Martin and four straight points from Mamery Diallo, who came off the bench with eight points and eight rebounds.

After the Matadors tied it at 54-54, the Chaps finally took over the lead for good on a 3-pointer by Crowell. Later in the game, Crowell had a beautiful assist to Valeika, who buried the trey from the right baseline to give MC a 73-66 advantage with 53 seconds left in the game.

"It was big," said Crowell about Valeika's shot. "It was one of those shots that as soon as he caught it and I saw he was about to shoot it, I knew it was going in. But at the same time, I get the same feeling when I pass it to any of those guys out there."

Added McCasland: "That's Tim Crowell. He's knows how to get the ball off and Arturas did a good job of shooting it."

The Chaps will have today off to prepare for their quarterfinal game. They have proven that it doesn't matter who they play or what their opponent's ranking is, their focus will stay the same.

"Each game means the same, we're just trying to win a national championship," Lewis said.

Notables

■ The win for the Chaparrals keeps up a strong tradition for MC in the national tournament. MC has never lost in the first round in seven tournament appearances.

■ The start of the Midland College/Arizona Western game was delayed an hour due to the tournament running late.

■ In other action, Moberly Area (Mo.) defeated No. 7-ranked Northwest Mississippi, 69-66. It was the second consecutive year that Northwest Mississippi came in ranked only to lose in the first round. Last year, Northwest Mississippi lost to Midland College in the first round.

Moberly also has a past MC connection as former Chaps' head coach Scott Raines (2002-03) is an assistant with the Greyhounds.

■ Other scores from the tournament: No. 11 Iowa Western slipped past Walters State (Tenn.) 69-68; Seminole State (Okla.) defeated Globe Institute of Technology (N.Y.) 97-89 in overtime.

Midland College 76, No. 1 Arizona Western 69

Midland College (26-8) — Tim Crowell 5-10 2-2 14, J.D. Lewis 5-18 16, Tristan Martin 6-11 3-4 15, Alonzo Hinds 2-3 2-4 7, Arturas Valeika 3-5 1-1 8, Matt Martin 0-0 0-0 0, Mamery Diallo 3-6 2-3 8, Kennie Berry 0-0 0-0 0, Blake Huggins 2-4 0-0 4, Ivory Clark 2-5 0-0 4. Totals 28-62 14-18 76.

Arizona Western (31-2) — Jushay Rocket 2-5 0-1 4, Joe Tillman 0-1 0-0 0, Luis Pulido 3-5 2-5 9, Knowledge Miller 2-9 0-0 4, Robert Hines 3-9 9-12 15, Phillip Woods 2-3 0-0 5, Felipe Cecilio 0-0 0-1 0, Dax Crum 0-0 0-0 0, Demario Butler 7-14 2-3 16, Fernando Malaman 2-6 2-2 6, Renato Cesar 3-7 4-7 10. Totals 24-59 19-31 69.

Halftime – AW 32, MC 30. 3-point goals — MC 6-19 (Crowell 2-3, Lewis 2-9, Valeika 1-3, Hinds 1-1, T. Martin 0-2, Huggins 0-1), AW 2-9 (Pulido 1-2, Woods 1-2, Malaman 0-1, Cesar 0-1, Miller 0-2). Total fouls — MC 25, AW 21. Fouled out — Clark. Rebounds — MC 33 (Diallo 8), AW 44 (Hines 10). Assists — MC 17 (Crowell 11), AW 12 (Butler 3). Turnovers — MC 15, AW 20. Technical fouls — Valeika.

REBELS

(From 1C)

steadily getting better. He started out the spring finishing 10th in Abilene, but was fifth at the Tall City Invitational and was most recently fourth at the Andrews Classic, shooting a 2-under 70 in the final round.

"I've been chipping really well and my short game is better," Harris said. "In Andrews, I made a lot of putts and that definitely has been key. I'm glad to be playing well. Last year I was not playing that well and I didn't make all-district (the top 10 finishers), but I had an alright finish (12th). So I'm excited about this year and I hope to do well."

Aside from Permian, San Angelo Central is expected to be strong again this year. The Bobcats finished runner-up in district last year and went on to the regional tournament in Lubbock. Central's A.J. Pursley was the third medalist, while Midland High's Tommy Sikes was the fourth medalist and nearly advanced to the state tournament as a sophomore.

Dunn said that just having Sikes on a team makes them a team to watch and that MHS could have a run at the top teams this year.

"Midland High could play well," Dunn said. "All they've got to do is get their No. 3 and No. 4 to play. If they can get their three and four to play better, they could do real well."

As for Livingston defending? His plan is simple.

"Just play my game," he said. "Don't get caught up watching what everybody else is doing. If I can do that I think I can win."

District 3-5A Boys Tournament

First Round Tee Times
Today
Odessa Country Club Links Course
Hole No. 1

8 a.m. — Odessa High medalist, Midland High medalist, Odessa Permian medalist

8:07 a.m. — Odessa High medalist, Lee medalist, Abilene High medalist

8:15 a.m. — Abilene High medalist, Lee medalist, Midland High medalist

8:30 a.m. — Odessa High No. 5, Midland High No. 5, Abilene Cooper No. 5

8:37 a.m. — Odessa High No. 4, Midland High No. 4, Abilene Cooper No. 4

8:45 a.m. — Odessa High No. 3, Midland High No. 3, Abilene Cooper No. 3

8:52 a.m. — Odessa High No. 2, Midland High No. 2, Abilene Cooper No. 2

9 a.m. — Odessa High No. 1, Midland High No. 1, Abilene Cooper No. 1

9:15 a.m. — Lee No. 5, San Angelo Central No. 5, Odessa Permian No. 5, Abilene High No. 5

9:22 a.m. — Lee No. 4, San Angelo Central No. 4, Odessa Permian No. 4, Abilene High No. 4

9:30 a.m. — Lee No. 3, San Angelo Central No. 3, Odessa Permian No. 3, Abilene High No. 3

9:37 a.m. — Lee No. 2, San Angelo Central No. 2, Odessa Permian No. 2, Abilene High No. 2

9:45 a.m. — Lee No. 1, San Angelo Central No. 1, Odessa Permian No. 1, Abilene High No. 1

Hole No. 10

8 a.m. — San Angelo Central medalist, Abilene Cooper medalist

8:07 a.m. — Odessa Permian medalist, San Angelo Central medalist, Abilene Cooper medalist

8:30 a.m. — Lee II No. 5, San Angelo Central II No. 5, Abilene High II No. 5

8:37 a.m. — Lee II No. 4, San Angelo Central II No. 4, Abilene High II No. 4

8:45 a.m. — Lee II No. 3, San Angelo Central II No. 3, Abilene High II No. 3

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9 a.m. — Lee II No. 1, San Angelo Central II No. 1, Abilene High II No. 1

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9:22 a.m. — Midland High II No. 4, Odessa Permian II No. 4, Odessa High II No. 4, Abilene Cooper II No. 4

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9:45 a.m. — Midland High II No. 1, Odessa Permian II No. 1, Odessa High II No. 1, Abilene Cooper II No. 1

KIRSTEIN

(From 1C)

team beat the Green team."

Even through 11 holes during his first round on Monday, Jordan finished the last seven holes at 8-over-par to finish with a 79. But he followed that up with an even-par 71 in the second round and shot the low score of the day on Tuesday with a 1-under 70.

"I had a few bad swings (on Monday), but I knew that if I didn't get mad I could come back," he said. "It's bittersweet to get third, but I'll take the last two rounds."

And no one was happier for Jordan than Poss.

"Last year in the spring he played really solid and performed well at the national tournament," Poss said. "I was quite surprised when his performance fell off considerably, so it's good to see him playing well again. He has a great attitude and a great work ethic and I think it's appropriate that he finished as well as he did."

The University of Texas-Brownsville team took third place with a three-round score of 925, 48 strokes behind MC's gold team and 36 strokes behind the green team. In fact, the two MC squads were the only teams to finish under 900.

"We knew we could do it," Kirstein said. "The best thing is to do it on your home course. We always go into each season thinking we can win nationals and with the depth we've got I think we have a really, really good chance of bringing it home this year."

Omega Treating Chemicals Invitational
Green Tree Country Club
par 71

Tuesday's final results

Team standings — 1. Midland College Gold 304-287-286—877; 2. Midland College Green 299-297-293—889; 3. University of Texas-Brownsville 309-310-306—925; 4. College of the Southwest II 316-311-303—930; 5. New Mexico Junior College 314-318-301—933; 6. Hardin-Simmons University 329-315-307—951; 7. Texas A&M International 324-328-317—969; 8. New Mexico Military Institute 338-321-312—971; 9. College of the Southwest 328-331-328—987; 10. Otero Junior College 352-343-342—1,037.

Medalists (top 10) — 1. Brent Kirstein, MC Gold, 70-71-72—213; 2. Creighton Honeck, MC Green, 71-78-72—219; 3. Derek Jordan, MC Gold, 79-71-70—220; 4. Derrick Bohannon, MC Green, 77-72-72—221; 5. Chase Watkins, MC Gold, 78-74-71—223; 6. (tie) Bobby Hutcherson, MC Green, 76-74-74—224, and Robin Lofgreen, MC Gold, 79-71-74—224; 8. Sung Ko, MC Gold, 77-75-73—225; 9. Nils Bjorling, MC Green, 76-75-75—226; 10. Ryan Sanders, CSW II, 77-76-76—229.

Team-by team results

Midland College Gold (304-287-286—877) — Chase Watkins 78-74-71—223, Robin Lofgreen 79-71-74—224, Brent Kirstein 70-71-72—213, Derek Jordan 79-71-70—220, Sung Ko 77-75-73—225

Midland College Green (299-297-293—889) — Creighton Honeck 71-76-72—219, Greg Bowden 76-78-78—232, Bobby Hutcherson 76-74-74—224, Derrick Bohannon 77-72-72—221, Nils Bjorling 76-75-75—226

University of Texas-Brownsville (309-310-306—925) — Anthony Cantu 79-78-77—234, Anthony Lopez 74-82-77—233, Tyler Peterson 76-80-77—233, Ricardo Gonzalez 80-75-75—230, Jones Mitchell 82-77-80—239

College of the Southwest II (316-311-303—930) — Amory Droogsma 77-80-74—231, Matt Dietrich 81-78-77—236, Scott Shouldice 83-77-76—236, Ryan Sanders 77-76-76—229, Pete Vasquez 81-82-85—248

New Mexico Junior College (314-318-301—933) — Alex Mortland 78-85-72—235, Michael Truedsson 89-74-77—240, Ryan Shaver 78-86-81—245, Daniel Blair 77-83-73—233, Troy Coker 81-76-79—236

Hardin-Simmons University (329-315-307—951) — Ryan Salinas 78-83-72—233, Davey Davis 87-67-78—232, Chris Elliot 84-81-80—245, Michael Weehunt 85-87-77—249, Chris Clifton 82-84-86—252

Texas A&M International (324-328-317—969) — Jonathan Swisher 83-80-75—238, Bernie Lara 78-79-81—238, Eddie Cavazos 82-83-84—249, Albert Galvan 81-86-77—244, Vito Garcia 94-91-90—275

New Mexico Military Institute (338-321-312—971) — Micalah Meuer 84-81-78—243, Matt Green 81-75-77—233, Jacob Zagone 87-91-80—258, Kenton Field 86-80-79—245, Isaac Coss 87-85-78—250

College of the Southwest (328-331-328—987) — Charlie Bettis 78-78-78—234, Tommy McGinnis 85-93-87—265, Robert Nagaki 85-87-84—256, Ramon Orosco 89-81-84—254, Jordan Bell 80-85-82—247

Otero Junior College (352-343-342—1,037) — Ray Maruyama 93-76-83—252, Geoff Cardenas 81-83-82—266, Ryan Anderson 86-89-93—268, Brandon Roberts 82-89-84—255, Chris Royce 93-89-99—281

Individual medalists

MC — Aaron Marshall 75-80-77—232

Otero — Patrick Ahern 105-93-88—286, C.J. Lee 99-93-87—279

CSW — Josh Hill 89-84-86—259

UTB — Ronnie Van Wolsik 76-84- NC—NS, Agapito Ortega 77-77-NC—NS

NMJC — Sam Kenward 78-83-79—240

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Philadelphia	32	34
New Jersey	32	36
New York	28	37
Toronto	28	38
Southeast Divis		
x-Miami	52	16
Washington	36	29
Orlando	32	35
Charlotte	13	52
Atlanta	11	56
Central Divisio		
Detroit	42	24
Cleveland	35	30
Chicago	34	31
Indiana	33	33
Milwaukee	27	38
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Southwest Divis		
x-San Antonio	50	17
Dallas	44	22
Houston	39	27
Memphis	38	28
New Orleans	15	51
Northwest Divis		
Seattle	45	20
Denver	36	30
Minnesota	34	34
Portland	23	42
Utah	21	46
Pacific Divisio		
x-Phoenix	50	16
Sacramento	41	27
L.A. Lakers	32	35
L.A. Clippers	30	37
Golden State	23	44

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Dallas at Golden State

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Utah	27	28	27

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New Jersey	26	19	23

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	38	29	.567	—
Philadelphia	32	34	.485	5 1/2
New Jersey	32	36	.471	6 1/2
New York	28	37	.431	9
Toronto	28	38	.424	9 1/2

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Miami	52	16	.765	—
Washington	36	29	.554	14 1/2
Orlando	32	35	.478	19 1/2
Charlotte	13	52	.200	37 1/2
Atlanta	11	56	.164	40 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	42	24	.636	—
Cleveland	35	30	.538	6 1/2
Chicago	34	31	.523	7 1/2
Indiana	33	33	.500	9
Milwaukee	27	38	.415	14 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-San Antonio	50	17	.746	—
Dallas	44	22	.667	5 1/2
Houston	39	27	.591	10 1/2
Memphis	38	28	.576	11 1/2
New Orleans	15	51	.227	34 1/2

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	45	20	.692	—
Denver	36	30	.545	9 1/2
Minnesota	34	34	.500	12 1/2
Portland	23	42	.354	22
Utah	21	46	.313	25

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Phoenix	50	16	.758	—
Sacramento	41	27	.603	10
L.A. Lakers	32	35	.478	18 1/2
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Golden State	23	44	.343	27 1/2

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Today's games

Chicago at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Phoenix at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
San Antonio at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Boston at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
New Orleans at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Milwaukee at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.
Dallas at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

Jazz 115, Lakers 107

L.A. LAKERS (107) — Butler 4-11 4-4 12, Medvedenko 2-6 1-2 5, Mihm 1-3 0-0 2, Atkins 5-10 7-8 17, Bryant 16-26 2-6 43, Jones 6-11 1-1 17, Grant 2-2 2-4 6, Walton 0-1 1-2 1, Cook 0-2 0-0 0, Brown 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 38-76 18-27 107.

UTAH (115) — Harpring 10-12 3-3 23, Okur 7-8 11-12 27, Handlogten 2-3 0-0 4, McLeod 3-7 3-4 9, Giricek 9-21 2-2 22, Kirilenko 6-8 5-6 18, Snyder 1-4 0-0 2, Borchardt 0-2 0-0 0, Eisley 3-4 0-0 8, Humphries 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 42-71 24-27 115.

L.A. Lakers	**24**	**31**	**33**	**19—107**
Utah	**27**	**28**	**27**	**33—115**

3-Point Goals—L.A. Lakers 13-25 (Bryant 9-15, Jones 4-6, Cook 0-1, Walton 0-1, Atkins 0-1, Butler 0-1), Utah 7-15 (Okur 2-2, Eisley 2-2, Giricek 2-6, Kirilenko 1-1, Snyder 0-2, McLeod 0-2). Fouled Out—Mihm, Handlogten. Rebounds—L.A. Lakers 36 (Grant 8), Utah 43 (Okur 16). Assists—L.A. Lakers 22 (Butler 5), Utah 27 (McLeod 6). Total Fouls—L.A. Lakers 27, Utah 23. Technicals—L.A. Lakers Defensive Three Second, Utah coach Sloan. A—18,746 (19,911).

Nets 98, Pacers 91

INDIANA (91) — Jackson 5-15 12-13 23, Croshere 3-7 8-9 15, D.Davis 2-4 0-0 4, Miller 5-13 8-8 18, Johnson 5-9 2-2 14, J.Jones 0-3 0-0 0, F.Jones 5-9 2-2 13, Foster 0-4 0-0 0, Gill 1-4 1-2 4, Pollard 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 26-69 33-36 91.

NEW JERSEY (98) — Carter 13-21 7-8 33, Collins 1-2 0-0 2, Krstic 6-8 3-4 15, Vaughn 3-8 2-2 8, Kidd 6-15 1-4 16, Best 2-3 5-6 9, Robinson 2-5 5-6 10, Scalabrine 1-3 1-2 3, Planinic 0-1 0-0 0, Thomas 0-0 0-0 0, Buford 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 35-69 24-32 98.

Indiana	**34**	**19**	**17**	**21— 91**
New Jersey	**26**	**19**	**23**	**30— 98**

3-Point Goals—Indiana 6-21 (Johnson 2-4, Croshere 1-1, Gill 1-2, F.Jones 1-4, Jackson 1-4, J.Jones 0-1, Miller 0-5), New Jersey 4-11 (Kidd 3-7, Robinson 1-1, Planinic 0-1, Buford 0-1, Krstic 0-1). Fouled Out—Jackson, Carter. Rebounds—Indiana 43 (Croshere, D.Davis 9), New Jersey 45 (Kidd 7). Assists—Indiana 12 (Jackson 4), New Jersey 24 (Kidd 9). Total Fouls—Indiana 33, New Jersey 26. Technicals—New Jersey Defensive Three Second 2, Vaughn. A—14,532 (19,860).

Suns 105, Hawks 94

PHOENIX (105) — Marion 10-14 0-0 21, Richardson 4-17 0-0 10, Stoudemire 14-24 12-17 40, Nash 5-11 2-2 13, Johnson 1-8 2-2 4, Barbosa 2-6 0-0 5, Jackson 1-6 0-0 3, McCarty 1-3 2-2 5, Hunter 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 40-91 18-23 105.

ATLANTA (94) — J.Smith 7-14 0-3 14, Harrington 8-14 0-1 16, Ekezie 2-7 2-2 6, Lue 6-12 0-0 13, Childress 3-8 4-4 10, Diaw 3-5 2-2 8, Drobnjak 1-2 0-0 2, Gugliotta 1-4 2-4 4, Delk 4-10 3-3 13, D.Smith 0-2 0-0 0, Collier 4-5 0-1 8. Totals 39-83 13-20 94.

Phoenix	**25**	**27**	**24**	**29—105**
Atlanta	**25**	**21**	**28**	**20— 94**

3-Point Goals—Phoenix 7-27 (Richardson 2-11, Nash 1-1, McCarty 1-2, Marion 1-3, Barbosa 1-4, Jackson 1-4, Johnson 0-2), Atlanta 3-12 (Delk 2-6, Lue 1-3, Diaw 0-1, Drobnjak 0-1, D.Smith 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Phoenix 49 (Stoudemire 13), Atlanta 58 (J.Smith 12). Assists—Phoenix 25 (Nash 11), Atlanta 19 (Lue 9). Total Fouls—Phoenix 13, Atlanta 18. A—14,521. (19,445).

Cavaliers 91, Pistons 76

DETROIT (76) — Prince 8-19 6-6 22, R.Wallace 10-19 3-5 25, B.Wallace 3-11 2-4 8, Billups 2-8 1-2 6, Delfino 2-5 0-0 4, McDyess 2-9 1-4 5, L.Hunter 0-3 0-0 0, Arroyo 2-4 0-0 4, Dupree 1-3 0-0 2, Milicic 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-81 13-21 76.

CLEVELAND (91) — James 11-24 5-8 29, Gooden 4-8 2-2 10, Ilgauskas 5-11 3-4 13, Snow 2-2 0-0 4, Newble 4-5 0-0 8, Harris 3-9 0-1 6, McInnis 1-5 2-2 4, Varejao 4-7 3-6 11, Traylor 1-3 0-0 2, Pavlovic 2-2 0-1 4. Totals 37-76 15-24 91.

Detroit	**22**	**25**	**12**	**17— 76**
Cleveland	**23**	**22**	**20**	**26— 91**

3-Point Goals—Detroit 3-10 (R.Wallace 2-5, Billups 1-1, B.Wallace 0-1, L.Hunter 0-1, Prince 0-2), Cleveland 2-7 (James 2-7). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Detroit 56 (B.Wallace 14), Cleveland 51 (Gooden 8). Assists—Detroit 15 (Billups 5), Cleveland 24 (Snow 10). Total Fouls—Detroit 17, Cleveland 18. Technicals—Billups, R.Wallace. A—20,562. (20,562).

Nuggets 127, Wizards 98

WASHINGTON (98) — Jeffries 5-6 3-5 15, K.Brown 3-5 1-4 7, Haywood 1-3 3-6 5, Arenas 7-19 8-11 25, Hughes 2-11 8-11 12, D.Brown 3-9 0-0 6, Ruffin 1-1 0-0 2, Thomas 4-7 4-5 12, Blake 2-12 3-4 8, Profit 3-5 0-0 6. Totals 31-78 30-46 98.

DENVER (127) — Martin 6-8 2-7 14, Anthony 6-10 1-4 14, Camby 2-8 2-6 6, D.Johnson 8-11 2-2 20, Miller 4-8 2-2 10, Nene 2-5 3-4 7, Buckner 3-7 0-1 7, Person 4-11 0-0 9, Boykins 4-6 2-2 11, Najera 7-8 2-2 16, Russell 2-5 1-2 7, Elson 2-3 2-2 6. Totals 50-90 19-34 127.

Washington	**25**	**22**	**29**	**22— 98**
Denver	**28**	**30**	**34**	**35—127**

3-Point Goals—Washington 6-19 (Arenas 3-6, Jeffries 2-2, Blake 1-8, D.Brown 0-1, Hughes 0-2), Denver 8-18 (D.Johnson 2-3, Russell 2-4, Anthony 1-1, Boykins 1-1, Person 1-3, Buckner 1-4, Miller 0-1, Martin 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Washington 57 (K.Brown 8), Denver 61 (Nene 6). Assists—Washington 15 (D.Brown 6), Denver 37 (Boykins 9). Total Fouls—Washington 27, Denver 32. A—16,712. (19,099).

NIT men

Second Round
Saturday, March 19
Memphis 83, Virginia Tech 62
Texas A&M 75, DePaul 72
Monday, March 21
Saint Joseph's 68, Holy Cross 60
Texas Christian 78, Western Michigan 76, OT
Vanderbilt 65, Wichita State 63
Tuesday's scores
Georgetown 74, CS Fullerton 57
South Carolina 77, UNLV 66
Today's game
Davidson (23-8) at Maryland (17-12), 7 p.m.
Quarterfinals
Today's games
Saint Joseph's (22-11) at Texas A&M (21-9), 8 p.m.
Vanderbilt (20-13) at Memphis (21-15), 10 p.m.
Dates and Sites TBA
Texas Christian (21-13) vs. Maryland-Davidson winner, TBA
UNLV-South Carolina winner vs. Georgetown (19-12), TBA
Semifinals
Tuesday, March 29
At Madison Square Garden
New York
Semifinal, 6 p.m.
Semifinal, 8:30 p.m.
Championship
Thursday, March 31
Semifinal winners, 6 p.m.

Georgetown 74, Cal St.-Fullerton 57

CAL ST.-FULLERTON (21-11) — King 3-15 1-2 9, B.Brown 5-17 4-5 16, Burns 0-0 0-0 0, Harper 4-12 1-1 11, J.Brown 5-14 4-6 14, Lambert 0-2 2-2 2, Cottrell 2-6 1-1 5, Quinet 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-66 13-17 57.

GEORGETOWN (19-12) — Cook 3-9 2-4 9, Bowman 7-9 3-3 19, Wallace 5-7 0-0 12, Owens 4-8 0-0 11, Green 8-11 0-0 18, Reed 1-2 1-2 3, Ross 0-0 0-0 0, Crawford 0-3 0-0 0, Kilkenny-Diaw 0-1 2-2 2, Dizdarevic 0-0 0-0 0, Hibbert 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 28-51 8-11 74.

Halftime—Georgetown 41-30. 3-Point Goals—Cal St.-Fullerton 6-26 (King 2-7, B.Brown 2-8, Harper 2-8, J.Brown 0-1, Cottrell 0-1, Lambert 0-1), Georgetown 10-23 (Owens 3-6, Bowman 2-3, Green 2-4, Wallace 2-4, Cook 1-3, Crawford 0-3). Fouled Out—Green. Rebounds—Cal St.-Fullerton 40 (J.Brown 11), Georgetown 34 (Cook 10). Assists—Cal St.-Fullerton 10 (Cottrell 5), Georgetown 20 (Cook 6). Total Fouls—Cal St.-Fullerton 14, Georgetown 16. A—2,604.

NAIA men

Division I
At Kansas City, Mo.
Second Round
Friday, March 18
St. Xavier 78, Lindsey Wilson 68
Carroll, Mont. 66, Oklahoma City 65
Georgetown, Ky. 87, Oklahoma Baptist 75
Robert Morris-Chicago 105, Cal. Baptist 71
Mountain St. 88, Trevecca Nazarene 65
Azusa Pacific 100, Oklahoma Christian 93, 3OT
John Brown 61, LSU-Shreveport 56
Biola 65, Southern Poly St. 63
Quarterfinals
Saturday, March 19
Carroll, Mont. 67, St. Xavier 57
Robert Morris-Chicago 99, Georgetown, Ky. 87
Azusa Pacific 82, Mountain St. 66
John Brown 58, Biola 56
Semifinals
Monday, March 21
John Brown 73, Carroll, Mont. 60
Azusa Pacific 96, Robert Morris-Chicago 88
Championship
Tuesday's score
John Brown 65, Azuza Pacific 55

NCAA Men

OPENING ROUND
At UD Arena
Dayton, Ohio
Tuesday, March 15
Oakland, Mich. 79, Alabama A&M 69

SYRACUSE REGIONAL
Second Round
Sunday, March 20
At DCU Center
Worcester, Mass.
North Carolina State 65, Connecticut 62
At Charlotte Coliseum
Charlotte, N.C.
North Carolina 92, Iowa State 65
At The Gaylord Entertainment Center
Nashville, Tenn.
Villanova 76, Florida 65
At The Ford Center
Oklahoma City
Wisconsin 71, Bucknell 62
Semifinals
Friday, March 25
At The Carrier Dome
Syracuse, N.Y.
Wisconsin (24-8) vs. North Carolina State (21-13), 6:27 p.m.
North Carolina (29-4) vs. Villanova (24-7), 8:57 p.m.
Championship
Sunday, March 27
At The Carrier Dome
Syracuse, N.Y.
Semifinal winners

CHICAGO REGIONAL
Second Round
Saturday, March 19
At The Wolstein Center
Cleveland
Wisconsin-Milwaukee 83, Boston College 75
At The RCA Dome
Indianapolis
Illinois 71, Nevada 59
At Taco Bell Arena
Boise, Idaho
Arizona 85, UAB 63
Sunday, March 20
At The Ford Center
Oklahoma City
Oklahoma State 85, Southern Illinois 77
Semifinals
Thursday, March 24
At Allstate Arena
Rosemont, Ill.
Illinois (34-1) vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee (26-5), 6:27 p.m.
Oklahoma State (26-6) vs. Arizona (29-6), 8:57 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 26
At Allstate Arena
Rosemont, Ill.
Semifinal winners

AUSTIN REGIONAL
Semifinals
Friday, March 25
At The Frank Erwin Center
Austin, Texas
Duke (27-5) vs. Michigan State (24-6), 6:10 p.m.
Kentucky (27-5) vs. Utah (29-5), 8:40 p.m.
Championship
Sunday, March 27
At The Frank Erwin Center
Austin, Texas
Semifinal winners

ALBUQUERQUE REGIONAL
Second Round
Saturday, March 19
At The Wolstein Center
Cleveland
West Virginia 111, Wake Forest 105, 2OT
At Taco Bell Arena
Boise, Idaho
Washington 97, Pacific 79
At The McKale Center
Tucson, Ariz.
Texas Tech 71, Gonzaga 69
Sunday, March 20
At The Gaylord Entertainment Center
Nashville, Tenn.
Louisville 76, Georgia Tech 54
Semifinals
Thursday, March 24
At The Pit
Albuquerque, N.M.
Washington (29-5) vs. Louisville (31-4), 6:10 p.m.
West Virginia (23-10) vs. Texas Tech (22-10), 8:40 p.m.
Championship
Saturday, March 26
At The Pit
Albuquerque, N.M.
Semifinal winners

FINAL FOUR
At Edward Jones Dome
St. Louis
National Semifinals
Saturday, April 2
Chicago Regional champion vs. Albuquerque Regional champion
Syracuse Regional champion vs. Austin Regional champion
Championship
Monday, April 4
Semifinal winners

NCAA women

PHILADELPHIA REGIONAL
Second Round
Monday, March 21
At Reunion Arena
Dallas
Texas Tech 80, Middle Tennessee State 69
Tuesday, March 22
At Thompson-Boling Arena
Knoxville, Tenn.
Tennessee 75, Purdue 54
At The Gampel Pavilion
Storrs, Conn.
Rutgers 61, Temple 54
At Comcast Center
College Park, Md.
Ohio State 75, Maryland 65
Semifinals
At The Liacouras Center
Philadelphia
Sunday, March 27
Texas Tech (24-7) vs. Tennessee (28-4), 11 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.
Rutgers (27-6) vs. Ohio State (30-4), 11 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.
Championship
At The Liacouras Center
Philadelphia
Tuesday, March 29
Semifinal winners, TBA

CHATTANOOGA REGIONAL
Second Round
Monday, March 21
At Reunion Arena
Dallas
Georgia 70, Texas 68
Tuesday's score
At Thompson-Boling Arena
Knoxville, Tenn.
LSU 76, Arizona 43
At Comcast Center
College Park, Md.
Liberty 88, DePaul 79
Semifinals
At McKenzie Arena
Chattanooga, Tenn.
Saturday, March 26
LSU (31-2) vs. Liberty (25-6), 11 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.
Georgia (24-9) vs. Duke (30-4), 11 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.
Championship
At McKenzie Arena
Chattanooga, Tenn.
Monday, March 28
Semifinal winners, TBA

KANSAS CITY REGIONAL
Second Round
Monday, March 21
At Williams Arena
Minneapolis
Michigan State 61, Southern California 59
At Save Mart Center
Fresno, Calif.
Stanford 88, Utah 62
At Bank of America Arena
Seattle
Vanderbilt 63, Kansas State 60
Tuesday's score
At The Gampel Pavilion
Storrs, Conn.
Connecticut 70, Florida State 52
Semifinals
At Municipal Auditorium
Kansas City, Mo.
Sunday, March 27
Michigan State (30-3) vs. Vanderbilt (24-7), 6:30 or 9 p.m.
Connecticut (25-7) vs. Stanford (31-2), 6:30 or 9 p.m.
Championship
At Municipal Auditorium
Kansas City, Mo.
Tuesday, March 29
Semifinal winners, TBA

TEMPE REGIONAL
Second Round
Monday, March 21
At Williams Arena
Minneapolis
Minnesota 73, Virginia 68
At Save Mart Center
Fresno, Calif.
Arizona State 70, Notre Dame 61
At Bank of America Arena
Seattle
Baylor 69, Oregon 46
Tuesday's score
At The Dean E. Smith Center
Chapel Hill, N.C.
North Carolina 71, George Washington 47
Semifinals
At Wells Fargo Arena
Tempe, Ariz.
Saturday, March 26
North Carolina (29-3) vs. Arizona State (24-9), 8 or 10 p.m.
Minnesota (26-7) vs. Baylor (29-3), 8 or 10 p.m.
Championship
At Wells Fargo Arena
Tempe, Ariz.
Monday, March 28
Semifinal winners, TBA

THE FINAL FOUR
At RCA Dome
Indianapolis
Semifinals
Sunday, April 3
Chattanooga Regional champion vs. Tempe Regional champion, 6 or 8:30 p.m.
Philadelphia Regional champion vs. Kansas City Regional champion, 6 or 8:30 p.m.
Championship
Tuesday, April 5
Semifinal winners, 7:30 p.m.

Connecticut 70, Florida State 52

FLORIDA STATE (24-8) — Hodges 11-22 4-6 28, Abeduntan 0-6 0-0 0, Lilestrand 1-3 0-0 3, Johnson 0-6 2-2 2, Gladden 3-6 4-5 10, Neely 2-5 3-4 7, Lautsch 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 18-51 13-17 52.

CONNECTICUT (25-7) — Turner 5-7 3-3 13, Moore 4-7 3-3 11, Valley 0-0 0-0 0, Wolff 0-2 2-2 2, Strother 5-17 6-7 19, Swanier 0-4 0-0 0, Marron 0-1 0-0 0, Sadiq 0-0 0-0 0, Battle 5-9 1-3 13, Crockett 2-2 0-0 4, Houston 3-7 2-2 8, Thomas 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 24-58 17-20 70.

Halftime—Connecticut 40-19. 3-Point goals—Florida State 3-13 (Hodges 2-6, Liljestrand 1-3, Abeduntan 0-1, Johnson 0-3), Connecticut 5-16 (Strother 3-8, Battle 2-3, Swanier 0-1, Marron 0-1, Thomas 0-1, Turner 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Florida State 30 (Adeduntan 7), Connecticut 40 (Moore 12). Assists—Florida State 11 (Johnson 5), Connecticut 14 (Turner, Wolff 3). Total fouls—Florida State 17, Connecticut 13. A—NA.

North Carolina 71, George Washington 47

GEORGE WASHINGTON (23-9) — Allen 0-2 2-4 2, Montanana 1-9 2-3 4, Simmonds 2-17 5-9 9, Beck 3-5 0-1 7, Cole 4-12 3-5 11, Dancause 0-7 0-0 0, Turner 3-5 4-8 10, Lawrence 2-3 0-0 4, Locascio 0-0 0-0 0, Gineitis 0-0 0-0 0, Mitchell 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 15-60 16-30 47.

NORTH CAROLINA (29-3) — Little 3-7 2-4 8, Bell 5-10 6-9 16, Larkins 4-8 0-0 8, Atkinson 2-6 2-4 6, Latta 6-10 2-2 17, Pringle 1-1 2-4 4, McBee 1-1 0-0 2, Metcalf 3-8 0-0 8, Neims 0-1 1-2 1, Sell 0-1 0-0 0, Tucker 0-1 0-0 0, Miller 0-1 1-2 1. Totals 25-55 16-27 71.

Halftime—North Carolina 35-22. 3-Point goals—George Washington 1-8 (Beck 1-3, Cole 0-1, Montanana 0-2, Dancause 0-2), North Carolina 5-13 (Latta 3-6, Metcalf 2-5, Atkinson 0-1, Sell 0-1). Fouled out—Pringle. Rebounds—George Washington 40 (Simmonds 10), North Carolina 44 (Little, Bell 9). Assists—George Washington 7 (Montanana, Simmonds 2), North Carolina 13 (Latta 4). Total fouls—George Washington 23, North Carolina 25. Technicals—Simmonds, Bell, Pringle. A—NA.

Liberty 88, Depaul 79

LIBERTY (26-6) — Margeviciute 4-7 1-2 9, Tharp 5-17 6-6 16, Feenstra 11-14 7-7 29, Fasnacht 0-3 2-2 2, Staugaitiene 4-7 2-2 12, Watkins 3-6 0-0 7, Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Parker 1-1 2-2 4, Piotrkiewicz 2-2 0-0 4, Feagin 1-1 0-0 2, Walker 1-1 1-2 3, Nikagbatse 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 32-61 21-23 88.

DEPAUL (26-5) — Carney 4-11 3-4 11, K.Smith 9-20 7-7 27, Rubino 3-9 0-0 6, Quigley 1-15 2-2 4, Dant 9-23 2-4 26, C.Smith 2-6 0-0 5, Towers 0-3 0-2 0, Benton 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 28-89 14-19 79.

Halftime—Liberty 35, DePaul 33. 3-Point goals—Liberty 3-13 (Staugaitiene 2-3, Watkins 1-2, Margeviciute 0-1, Fasnacht 0-1, Tharp 0-6), DePaul 9-33 (Dant 6-11, K.Smith 2-4, C.Smith 1-4, Rubino 0-5, Quigley 0-9). Fouled out—Quigley. Rebounds—Liberty 47 (Feenstra 13), DePaul 47 (Carney 13). Assists—Liberty 21 (Fasnacht, Watkins 5), DePaul 12 (Quigley 5). Total fouls—Liberty 13, DePaul 20. A—3,838.

LSU 76, Arizona 43

ARIZONA (20-12) — N.Jones 0-8 1-2 1, Adefeso 3-12 1-2 7, Polk 4-10 2-2 10, Wheeler 4-13 4-7 13, Arnold 3-7 2-2 8, Pace 0-1 0-0 0, Whisonant 1-7 0-0 2, Chappell 0-0 0-0 0, Lindner 0-1 0-0 0, Oh 0-1 0-0 0, Hobson 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 16-62 10-15 43.

LSU (31-2) — Augustus 7-18 4-4 18, W.Jones 1-2 0-0 2, Willis 2-5 0-1 4, Johnson 4-4 4-4 14, Hoston 5-15 0-0 12, E.White 1-1 0-0 2, Mitchell 0-1 0-0 0, LeBlanc 1-1 0-0 2, Chaney 3-9 0-0 9, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Whitfield 1-3 0-0 2, Fowles 4-6 1-2 9, Biernacka 1-2 0-0 2, C.White 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 30-70 9-11 76.

Halftime—LSU 44-19. 3-point goals—Arizona 1-11 (Wheeler 1-4, Arnold 0-1, Whisonant 0-1, Lindner 0-1, NJones 0-4), LSU 7-17 (Chaney 3-7, Johnson 2-2, Hoston 2-6, Mitchell 0-1, Whitfield 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Arizona 43 (Adefeso 12), LSU 48 (Fowles 9). Assists—Arizona 4 (N.Jones 2), LSU 20 (Johnson 10). Total fouls—Arizona 11, LSU 12. A—NA.

Tennessee 75, Purdue 54

PURDUE (17-13) — Wisdom-Hylton 3-9 0-0 6, Lawless 1-3 4-6 6, Heikes 1-3 0-0 2, Gearlds 3-16 6-6 13, Webb 5-16 6-6 16, Bogdanova 1-1 0-0 2, Tradre 3-5 0-0 7, Anderson 1-1 0-0 2, Poliack 0-0 0-0 0, Duncan 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-54 16-18 54.

TENNESSEE (28-4) — Hornbuckle 2-9 1-1 5, Ely 6-15 4-7 16, Anosike 4-10 3-6 11, Zolman 6-10 0-0 15, Moore 2-6 2-2 8, Canon 0-0 0-0 0, Redding 0-1 0-1 0, Jackson 0-3 0-0 0, Guastalli 0-0 0-0 0, Dosty 1-1 0-0 2, Fluker 8-13 2-3 18. Totals 29-68 12-20 75.

Halftime—Tennessee 39, Purdue 32. 3-point goals—Purdue 2-13 (Traore 1-2, Gearlds 1-6, Wisdom-Hylton 0-2, Webb 0-3), Tennessee 5-13 (Zolman 3-5, Moore 2-4, Hornbuckle 0-1, Redding 0-1, Jackson 0-2). Fouled out—Heikes, Duncan, Anosike. Rebounds—Purdue 40 (Webb 11), Tennessee 42 (Fluker 10). Assists—Purdue 5 (Webb 3), Tennessee 15 (Moore 5). Total fouls—Purdue 19, Tennessee 18. A—13,188.

Ohio State 75, Maryland 65

MARYLAND (22-10) — Langhorne 9-19 4-6 22, Perry 0-4 0-0 0, Doron 3-15 1-2 9, France 5-8 0-0 12, Smith 2-5 0-0 4, Newman 5-10 0-2 12, Carr 0-0 0-0 0, Henson 0-0 0-0 0, Noirez 3-6 0-0 6. Totals 27-67 5-10 65.

OHIO STATE (30-4) — Blanton 5-6 1-2 12, Davenport 5-13 5-9 15, Hoskins 10-15 2-2 22, Allen 3-7 0-0 8, Matter 6-10 1-2 16, Wilburn 0-2 0-0 0, Battle 0-1 0-0 0, Packer 1-2 0-0 2, Jamen 0-1 0-2 0, Riley 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 30-58 9-17 75.

Halftime—Ohio St. 35-34. 3-Point goals—Maryland 6-15 (Smith 2-2, Newman 2-5, Doron 2-7, Langhorne 0-1), Ohio St. 6-11 (Matter 3-5, Allen 2-3, Blanton 1-1, Hoskins 0-1, Packer 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Maryland 36 (Langhorne 16), Ohio St. 39 (Davenport 9). Assists—Maryland 12 (Smith 4), Ohio St. 22 (Allen 8). Total fouls—Maryland 15, Ohio St. 11. A—4,062.

NAIA women

Division I
Second Round
Friday, March 18
Georgetown, Ky. 69, Master's 67
Point Loma 88, Columbia, Mo. 77
Oklahoma City 106, Azusa Pacific 58
Houston Baptist 86, Cumberland, Tenn. 59
Trevecca Nazarene 80, Southern Nazarene 64
Vanguard 82, Carroll 71
Union, Tenn. 83, North Georgia 75, OT
Freed-Hardeman 83, Oklahoma Christian 69
Quarterfinals
Saturday, March 19
Houston Baptist 68, Georgetown, Ky. 66
Oklahoma City 71, Trevecca Nazarene 62
Union, Tenn. 87, Vanguard 72
Point Loma 59, Freed-Hardeman 42
Semifinals
Monday's scores
Oklahoma City 81, Houston Baptist 74, OT
Union, Tenn. 84, Point Loma 58
Championship
Tuesday's score
Union, Tenn. 67, Oklahoma City 63

BASEBALL

MLB

Spring Training Glance
AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Toronto	11	5	.688
Los Angeles	13	7	.650
Tampa Bay	11	7	.611
Detroit	10	8	.556
Chicago	10	11	.476
Cleveland	9	10	.474
New York	9	10	.474
Baltimore	8	9	.471
Oakland	10	12	.454
Boston	8	10	.444
Minnesota	8	11	.421
Kansas City	7	11	.389
Seattle	7	11	.389
Texas	**6**	**14**	**.300**

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
New York	12	5	.706
San Francisco	12	7	.632
Colorado	13	8	.619
San Diego	12	8	.600
St. Louis	10	8	.556
Washington	10	8	.556
Atlanta	10	9	.526
Arizona	11	10	.524
Cincinnati	11	10	.524
Chicago	10	11	.476
Milwaukee	10	11	.476
Houston	**8**	**9**	**.471**
Philadelphia	9	11	.450
Pittsburgh	8	10	.444
Los Angeles	7	10	.412
Florida	6	15	.286

NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings; games against non-major league teams do not.

Tuesday's scores

L.A. Dodgers 5, Florida 3
Houston 8, Washington 2
Detroit 15, Pittsburgh 2
Tampa Bay 12, Baltimore 0
N.Y. Mets 7, Atlanta 6, 10 innings
Oakland 15, Texas 9
Arizona 6, L.A. Angels 6, tie
Chicago Cubs 5, Milwaukee 4
Seattle 6, Chicago White Sox 4
Cincinnati 6, Boston 4
N.Y. Yankees 5, Philadelphia 1

Today's games

Baltimore vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Toronto vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Philadelphia vs. Houston at Kissimmee, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Cleveland vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay vs. L.A. Dodgers at Vero Beach, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Texas vs. Oakland at Phoenix, 2:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs vs. Arizona at Tucson, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox vs. Milwaukee at Phoenix, 2:05 p.m.
Colorado vs. San Francisco at Scottsdale, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Kansas City (ss) vs. Seattle (ss) at Peoria, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees vs. Cincinnati at Sarasota, Fla., 6:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels vs. Seattle (ss) at Peoria, Ariz., 8:05 p.m.
San Diego vs. Kansas City (ss) at Surprise, Ariz., 9:05 p.m.

Astros 8, Nationals 2

Washington	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	**—2**	**6**	**2**
Houston	0	4	0	0	1	2	x	**—8**	**12**	**2**

Armas, Majewski (4), Horgan (7), Bowie (8) and Schneider, Bennett; Pettitte, Franco (4), Springer (5), Lidge (7), Driskill (9) and Ausmus, Chavez. W—Pettitte, 1-0. L—Armas, 0-1. Adam Everett doubled twice and drove in two runs for the Astros. Tony Armas Jr. gave up four runs on six hits in three innings for the loss.

Athletics 15, Rangers 9

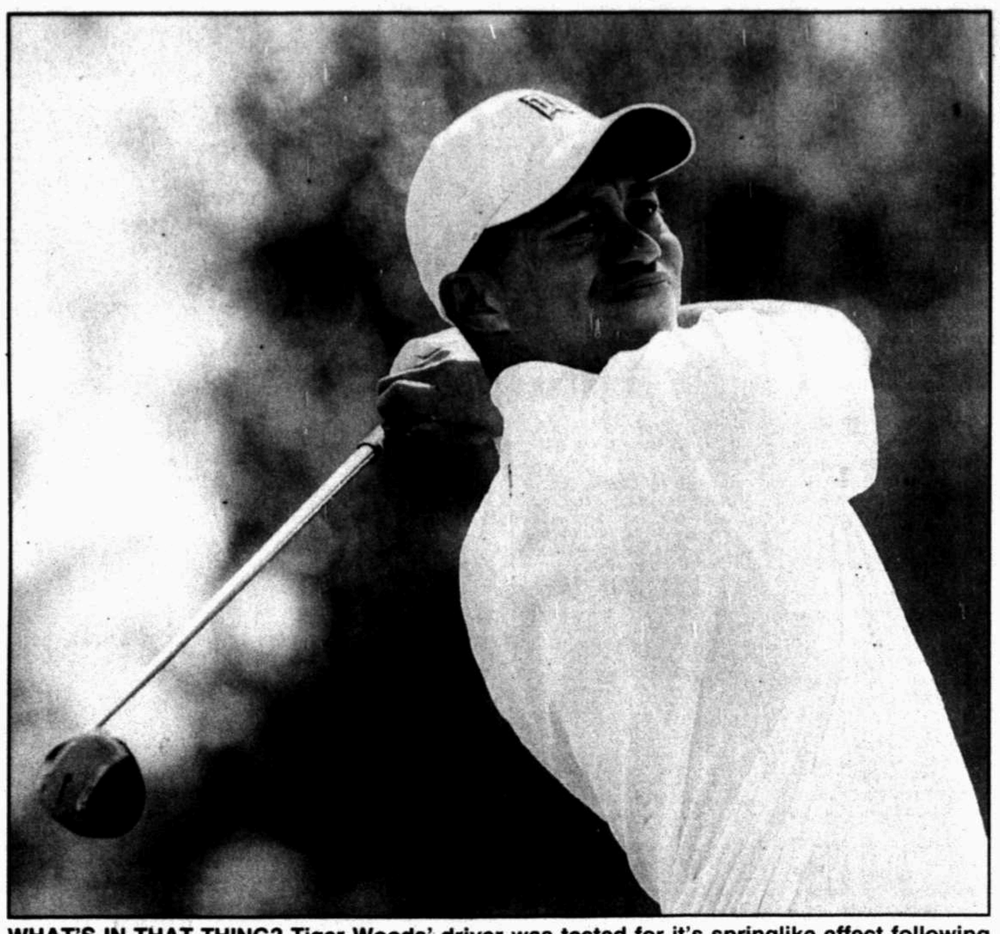
Oakland	0	0	7	2	0	0	3	**—15**	**14**	**0**
Texas	5	1	0	1	1	0	0	**— 9**	**11**	**1**

Harden, Duchscherer (5), Cruz (7), Kohn (9) and Melhuse, Suzuki; Regilio, Hughes (3), Mahay (5), Montero (7), Bukvich (8), Littleton (9) and Barajas, Alomar, Laird. W—Harden, 2-1. L—Regilio, 0-1. HRs—Oakland, Ginter, Thomas. Texas, Alomar, Nix. Adam Melhuse went 2-for-3 with four RBIs for the Athletics. Adrian Gonzalez had two hits and three RBIs for the Rangers.

College

Tuesday's scores
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Army 4, Sacred Heart 2
Binghamton 34, St. Peter's 3
Connecticut 9, Mass



AP file photo

WHAT'S IN THAT THING? Tiger Woods' driver was tested for it's springlike effect following his pro-am round at the Bay Hill Invitational in Orlando, Fla.

You can tell, but don't ask

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — Everyone assumed the device that measures a driver for springlike effect was gathering dust in some PGA Tour office.

Tiger Woods learned otherwise.

After finishing his pro-am round at the Bay Hill Invitational, Woods was headed for the parking lot when PGA Tour rules officials Mark Russell and Slugger White stopped him. Turns out a fellow player wanted Woods' driver tested to make sure it conformed to the rules.

"They said, 'We've had an inquiry,"' Woods said. "I said, 'No big deal."'

Woods gave the club to caddie Steve Williams, who took it to the tournament office to be tested. The limit for coefficient of restitution — otherwise known as springlike effect for those without a degree in physics — is 0.83. The results don't show a number, only whether the driver passed or failed.

"It wasn't even close," Woods said. "I'm well below the speed limit. The hotter it gets, the more I cut it. I can't control the ball if it's coming off the face that fast."

Who wanted the driver tested?

"I didn't ask who it was," Woods said. "They're not supposed to tell. Doesn't matter. I know I'm not close."

That his driver was tested didn't create any hard feeling with Woods, although it raised questions whether players should have a right to know who is pointing fingers — and why.

Golf is built around honor, all in the interest of protecting the field. Players not only routinely call penalties on themselves, they are not shy about pointing out possible infractions of their peers.

"I questioned a guy at Firestone last year," Kenny Perry said. "We were playing lift, clean and place, and I was coming down the third fairway. He hit his tee shot (from No. 1) into our fairway and picked his ball up. I said, 'I'm not sure you can do that.' We called a rules official over. It was nothing personal."

The PGA Tour keeps disciplinary issues private. Someone can rat on another player for using foul language, and the guilty party is not supposed to learn the identity of his accuser.

That extends to testing equipment.

"Just like we do with discipline, in the event a driver passes or doesn't pass, we don't want it to have a bearing on the relationship between the players," said Henry Hughes, chief of operations for the PGA Tour. "It's important to protect the field. Where we get the information is less important."

But that information always finds its way back to the source, because gossip on the PGA Tour is more rampant than at office cocktail parties.

Tour officials tested the grooves in Phil Mickelson's wedges two years ago because someone saw him hit a shot out of the rough with an extraordinary amount of spin. Before long, Mickelson figured out it was Michael Clark, and left him a note in his locker thanking him for his concern and wishing him well at Q-school.

It didn't take long for the source of Woods' driver test to leak.

Turns out it was Tom Pernice Jr., and the source of his concern was some drives Woods hit in the final round at Doral during that great duel against Mickelson. One drive, on the par-5 eighth hole, was 44 yards longer than Lefty's.

Pernice was not at Doral. Woods says the last time they played together was in 2003.

"I was watching on TV and Phil hits it out there pretty good," Pernice said Tuesday. "I knew it was a new driver, and he was hitting it 25 yards past Phil. Nothing against Tiger. I was just surprised how far he was hitting it past Phil.

"If Tiger is upset that his driver is tested ... if someone wanted to test my driver, I'd be honored," he added. "With new equipment, you never know."

The driver test was intended to remove all doubt, although the public never knows. The PGA Tour refuses to say whether drivers are even tested, let alone whether any have ever failed.

The policy the tour has in place — its own version of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" — only leads to a question of motives.

There is some irony with Woods having to submit his driver for testing. He's the one who first stirred the pot, suggesting two years ago that there were drivers on the PGA Tour that were over the limit. That led the tour to initiate voluntary testing at the start of 2004.

The development gets even more interesting considering that Pernice is best friends with Vijay Singh and has been critical of Woods over the last six months — the best zinger coming at Pebble Beach when Pernice said Woods wasn't doing enough for tour sponsors.

Maybe that's why questions about equipment should be kept quiet.

"It's supposed to be confidential," Pernice said. "But that's fine. I don't care."

David Toms, one of four players on the PGA Tour policy board, believes these matters should not be public, the same way players get anonymity for turning in their peers for conduct unbecoming a professional.

"To keep from having bad feelings among players, that would be the thing to do — keep quiet," Toms said.

But he also suggested a better way to handle inquiries.

"I would probably say something to him first," Toms said. "It's like giving the player the option of either calling something on himself or having himself turned in. That's what our game is all about."

Bonds possibly out for season

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Leaning his head on a crutch and repeatedly saying he was tired, Barry Bonds said he might miss the entire season following his latest knee surgery.

"Right now I'm just going to try to rehab myself to get back to, I don't know, hopefully next season, hopefully the middle of the season. I don't know. Right now I'm just going to take things slow," he said Tuesday after meeting with San Francisco Giants trainer Stan Conte for 1 1/2 hours.

"I'm 40 years old, not 20, 30."

Conte said Bonds went through a "normal rehab six days out of surgery" on Tuesday and that his knee looked as expected.

"I expect he'll progress as knee patients go," the trainer said, offering no prediction of when Bonds might be able to play again.

The seven-time NL MVP, who begins the season third on the career homers list with 703, returned to spring camp Tuesday following last week's surgery. He made his remarks while sitting at a picnic table outside the Giants' clubhouse with his 15-year-old son, Nikolai, at his side.

Bonds said he was tired and disappointed following a winter in which he was accused of steroid use, his grand jury testimony was leaked and he had two knee operations. He blamed his troubles on the media.

"You wanted me to jump off a bridge, I finally did," Bonds said. "You finally brought me and my family down. ... So now go pick a different person."

Bonds had his latest surgery last Thursday in the Bay Area. Though the Giants have not set a timetable for his return, Conte has said it's unlikely he'll be ready for opening day.

"My son and I are just going to enjoy our lives. You guys wanted to hurt me bad enough, you finally got me," Bonds said. "I'm mentally drained. I'm tired of my kids crying."

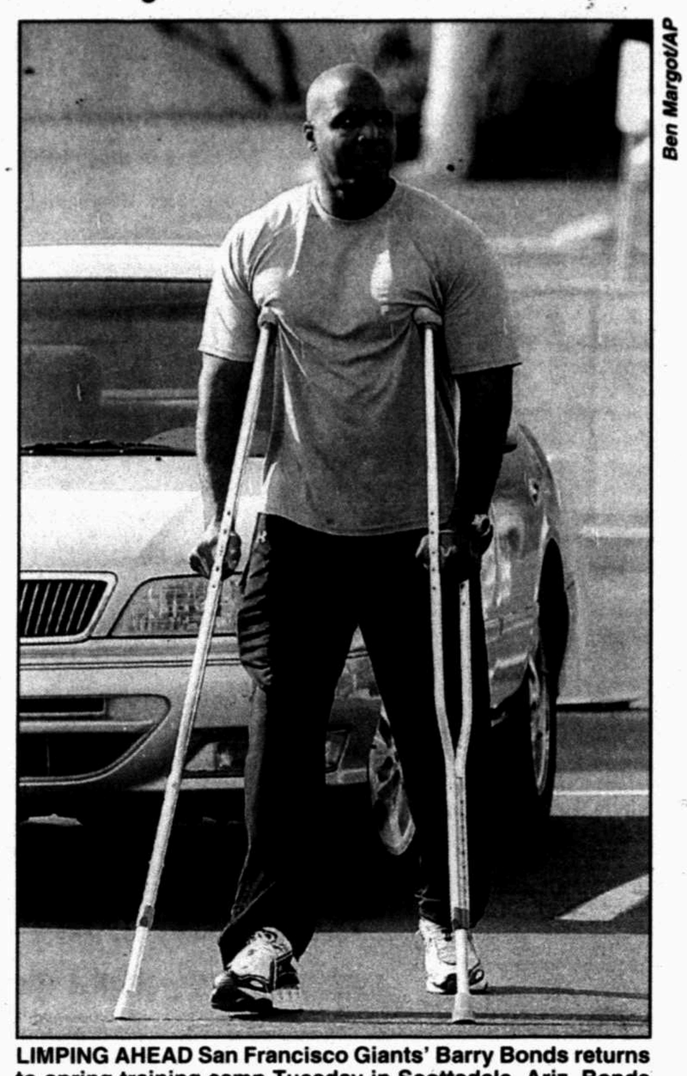
Teammate Moises Alou, who has had five surgeries, said Bonds probably was just having a bad day.

"Maybe today he was not very optimistic. I think it was one of those rehab days where you just caught him on one of the bad days," Alou said. "It's not fun when you come to the ballpark, then have to go to the training room to get taped and get treatment.

"It's not as fun as when you are young and wild and doing things, especially when you are the man."

Bonds trails only Babe Ruth (714) and Hank Aaron (755) on the career home run list. He hit a season-record 73 in 2001.

Last September, the Giants dropped a provision that would have allowed them to void Bonds' $18 million salary in 2006 if he failed to reach 500 plate appearances this year or 1,500 combined from 2003 to 2005, including at least 400 this year.



Ben Margot/AP

LIMPING AHEAD San Francisco Giants' Barry Bonds returns to spring training camp Tuesday in Scottsdale, Ariz. Bonds has returned to Giants camp for rehabilitation since a second arthroscopic surgery on his right knee last week.



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First step taken to put Super Bowl in New York

KAPALUA, Hawaii (AP) — New York moved a step closer to getting the 2010 Super Bowl on Tuesday when an NFL committee approved the Jets' bid to get the game — contingent on the construction of a new stadium on the West Side of Manhattan.

The approval by the league's Super Bowl advisory committee came a day after the Jets upped their bid for the rights to build on the land to $720 million, surpassing the $700 million from an energy company and the $600 million from Cablevision, which owns Madison Square Garden. The Dolan family, which owns Cablevision, has been in a bitter fight to block construction of the stadium.

The Jets initiated the move to get the 2010 game at this meeting, hoping it would help their chances of building the stadium. But whether it will be built is still a major question — the city and state support it, but numerous political groups in New York oppose it.

"It's a great step for New York, but the final step is tomorrow," Jets owner Woody Johnson said of the Super Bowl bid. "I hate to prejudge what the guys might do. But today is a good sign."

Commissioner Paul Tagliabue, who has supported a Super Bowl in New York since the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, backed the bid. League owners are expected to approve it on Wednesday, contingent on the stadium being built. The 2009 Super Bowl has not yet been awarded. Atlanta, Miami, Houston and Tampa are bidding for the game, which is expected to be awarded at meetings this spring.

The Jets, who currently play at Giants Stadium in New Jersey, have committed $800 million for the stadium project, with the city and state required to raise the rest of what is expected to be a $1.7 billion total.

NFL rules require that a Super Bowl site has to be used by a team for two seasons before the game is played — a rule that is expected to be waived for this bid because the new stadium won't be ready until the 2009 season.

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Associated Press

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By Jim O'Conn
AP Basketball Writ

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Hoyas advance to quarterfinals

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Freshman Jeff Green dominated the paint with 18 points and six blocks, and Georgetown took advantage of an unusual home court advantage to beat short-handed Cal State Fullerton 74-57 Tuesday night and advance to the quarterfinals of the NIT.

Green scored eight of Georgetown's first 13 points and essentially had his way against the Titans' undersized frontcourt, making 8 of 11 shots in 23 minutes before fouling out with 4:57 to play. Brandon Bowman made 8 of 10 shots and scored 21 points for the Hoyas (19-12), who shot 55 percent.

Preparations for a circus made unavailable the Hoyas' usual home, the cavernous MCI Center, so Georgetown hosted the game on campus in its small McDonough Gymnasium. A standing-room only crowd of 2,604 packed the gym, and their chants and roars tested the limits of decibel tolerance in a way never heard at MCI.

Georgetown hasn't lost at McDonough since a 63-52 loss to Connecticut in 1982, but the Hoyas usually host only one or two games a year at the gym — and usually early in the season against heavy underdog opponents.

Bobby Brown scored 16 points, and Jamaal Brown had 14 points and 11 rebounds to lead Cal State Fullerton (21-11), which dressed only eight players and listed five players out for the season with injuries. Ralphy Holmes, the Big West's leading scorer and rebounder, became the most recent casualty when he injured his knee in Friday's win at San Francisco.

The Titans finished with their first winning season in 12 years and had to play all three of their NIT games on the road, visiting seven airports over eight days. The game was on ESPN, making it Cal State Fullerton's first nationally televised game in 15 years.

The visitors kept the game close for about 10 minutes. Green left his defender flatfooted with a hesitation move to put Georgetown ahead 13-12, and the Hoyas took the lead for good with a 12-0 run that made the score 27-18. Bowman's stumbling baseline drive turned into a three-point play to get the lead to double digits, and Jonathan Wallace's 3-pointer at the buzzer gave the Hoyas a 41-30 halftime lead.

■ Men's NIT Roundup

Green picked up his fourth foul with 12 1/2 minutes to play, but Georgetown was leading by 18 at the time. The Titans managed a 7-0 run without Green in the game to cut the lead to 11, but a 3-pointer from the Hoyas' Ashanti Cook stopped the momentum.

South Carolina 77, UNLV 66

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Carlos Powell scored 15 points and Brandon Wallace added a career-best 13 to lead South Carolina to a 77-66 victory over UNLV in the second round of the NIT on Tuesday night.

South Carolina went on a 12-2 run in the middle of the first half to pull away, and the Rebels never recovered.

UNLV cut the lead to eight points with 3:03 remaining, but Wallace hit a free throw and Powell drew an offensive foul on the Rebels' next possession.

Tre Kelley's dish to Rocky Trice under the basket put the Gamecocks (17-13) ahead 75-63.

The Gamecocks will host Georgetown in the quarterfinals.

Every time it looked as if South Carolina was going to put the game away, the Rebels hit a timely 3-pointer. The Gamecocks were slowed by 56.3 percent shooting from the free-throw line, but they were able to grab some offensive rebounds off the many misses.

South Carolina shot 38.5 percent from the field in the first half and used tenacious defense to force eight steals and limit the Rebels to 33.3 percent shooting.

UNLV (17-14) shot just 2-for-11 from behind the arc in the opening period, but shot 39.1 percent for the game.

The key run was highlighted by Kelley's steal off an inbounds pass, which led to an easy basket for South Carolina. The Gamecocks led by as many as 16 points in the first half and were up 37-24 at halftime.

Kelley finished with a career-high 9 assists.

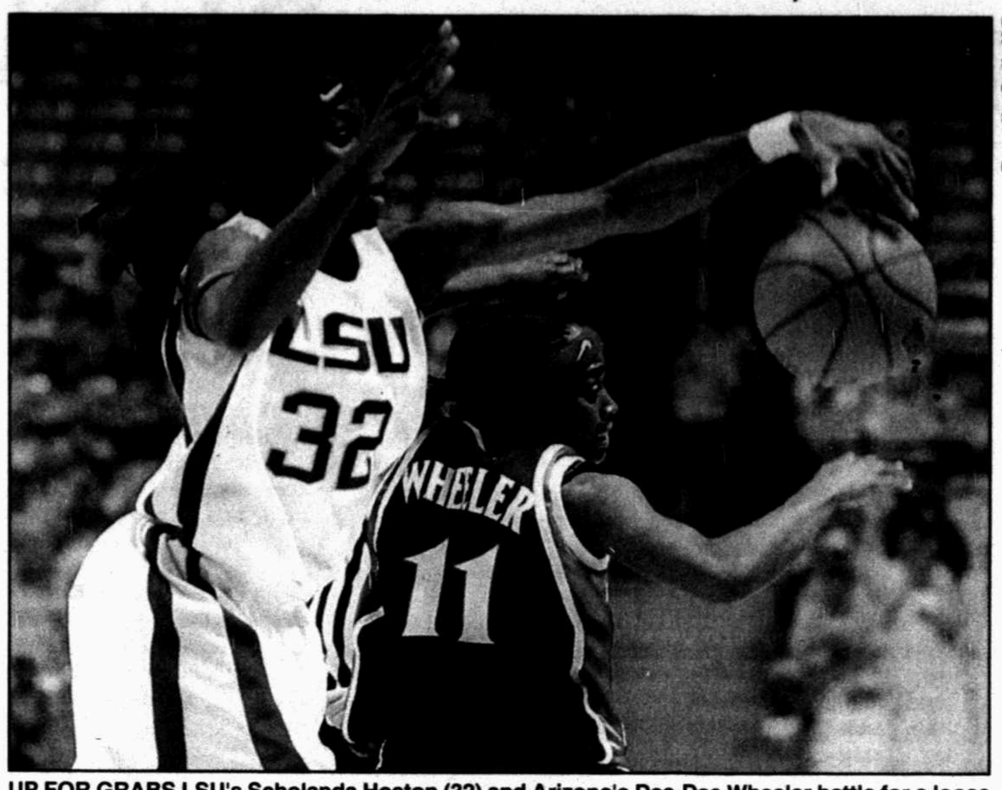
Romel Beck led UNLV with 21 points.

South Carolina scored the first four points of the second half, but two 3-pointers by Odartey Blankson and Beck trimmed the lead slightly. UNLV got within 10 points on Michael Umeh's 3-pointer with 10:08 to go.

But Tarence Kinsey countered with a 3 on the Gamecocks' next possession and Kelley made a layup to put South Carolina ahead 60-47 with 7:44 remaining.

Kelley's no-look pass to Trice gave the Gamecocks their biggest lead at 41-24 about two minutes into the second half.

In the first half, UNLV went 4:22 without a basket, and finished the opening period with 11 turnovers. Blankson, who is averaging 17.7 points, scored just five and finished with 10.



Rogelio Solis/AP

UP FOR GRABS LSU's Scholanda Hoston (32) and Arizona's Dee-Dee Wheeler battle for a loose ball during a second-round NCAA tournament game in Knoxville, Tenn., on Tuesday.

Lady Tigers pummel Arizona

Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — LSU's Temeka Johnson is making the most of her last chance for a national championship.

The Lady Tigers' senior point guard scored all 14 of her points in the first half and had 10 assists to help LSU rout Arizona 76-43 on Tuesday night in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

LSU (31-2), the tournament's No. 1 overall seed, will face 13th-seeded Liberty in the Chattanooga Regional semifinals on Saturday. Liberty upset fifth-seeded DePaul 88-79 on Tuesday night in College Park, Md.

Johnson had a perfect shooting night, going 4-of-4 from the field, including two 3-pointers, and 4-of-4 at the foul line. She did not attempt a shot in the second half, and it wasn't needed.

LSU scoring leader Seimone Augustus finished with 18 points on 7-of-18 shooting before she went to the bench with about 10 minutes left. Scholanda Hoston added 12 points for LSU.

The Lady Tigers are trying to cap the most successful regular season in school history by making a second straight run to the Final Four. The Lady Tigers are in the final 16 for the ninth time.

The ninth-seeded Wildcats (20-12) were in a big hole early and never recovered.

With Arizona unable to match LSU's speed and hustle in transition, the Lady Tigers ran out to an 11-0 lead and had a 20-point advantage with 7:22 left in the half.

The Wildcats made a dent in the lead after switching to a zone defense and had a quick 8-0 run to cut it to 14 before halftime, but that was as close as Arizona would get.

Johnson had six assists in the first 6 1/2 minutes of the game.

The shortest player on the court at 5-foot-3, Johnson scored inside and outside. She got one of her baskets before halftime driving the baseline and past 6-5 Shawntinice Polk in the paint.

Arizona trailed by 25 at the break, its largest halftime deficit of the season. LSU outscored the Wildcats 8-0 to open the second half to go ahead by 33. Arizona's set a season low with its 43 points, and the margin matched the biggest loss of the season. Arizona also lost by 33 at Ohio State earlier this season.

Dee-Dee Wheeler led the Wildcats with 13 points, and Polk had 10. Danielle Adefeso added 12 rebounds. Arizona had only four assists.

Arizona's band tried to drum up support for the flailing Wildcats by playing Tennessee's "Rocky Top," and Lady Vols fans who arrived early for the Tennessee-Purdue game briefly cheered against their Southeastern Conference foe.

■ Women's NCAA Tournament Roundup

Ohio St. 75, Maryland 65

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Brandie Hoskins scored 22 points, and Ohio State advanced to the round of 16 for the first time since 1993.

Jessica Davenport had 15 points and nine rebounds, Caity Matter scored 16 points and Stephanie Blanton added 12 for the second-seeded Buckeyes (30-4), who will face Rutgers on Sunday in Philadelphia in the regional semifinals.

Crystal Langhorne had 22 points and 16 rebounds for seventh-seeded Maryland (22-10).

Chattanooga Regional
Duke 70, Boston College 65

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Monique Currie scored 21 points, and sophomore center Alison Bales scored 10 of her 16 points down the stretch to help Duke reach the round of 16 for the eighth straight year.

Mistie Williams added 12 points for the second-seeded Blue Devils (30-4), who will face sixth-seeded Georgia on Saturday in Chattanooga.

Clare Droesch scored 23 points for Boston College (20-10).

Kansas City Regional
Connecticut 70, Florida St. 52

STORRS, Conn. — Ann Strother scored 19 points, and Jessica Moore had 11 points and 12 rebounds for three-time defending national champion Connecticut.

UConn (25-7), in the round of 16 for the 12th straight year, has won its last 20 NCAA games since falling to Notre Dame in the 2001 national semifinals. The Huskies will play second-seeded Stanford in the Kansas City Regional semifinals Sunday.

Roneeka Hodges had 28 points for the sixth-seeded Seminoles (24-8).

Tempe Regional
North Carolina 71, George Washington 47

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Ivory Latta scored 17 points, and Nikita Bell added 16 points, nine rebounds and six steals for top-seeded North Carolina.

The Tar Heels (29-3), who have won 15 straight games since an overtime loss at Florida State in January, will play fifth-seeded Arizona State on Saturday in the regional semifinals on the Sun Devils' home court.

Kenan Cole scored 11 points for the ninth-seeded Colonials (23-9).

Bogut leads AP All-America voting

By Jim O'Connell
AP Basketball Writer

Andrew Bogut was just another international player when the college basketball season started, not even meriting an honorable mention in the preseason All-America balloting.

All that has changed now for the 7-foot sophomore from Australia. The Utah center was the leading vote-getter on The Associated Press' All-America team announced Tuesday.

Bogut, who averaged 20.4 points and was second in the country in rebounding at 12.4, was joined on the first team by senior forwards Wayne Simien of Kansas and Hakim Warrick of Syracuse, junior guard J.J. Redick of Duke and sophomore guard Chris Paul of Wake Forest.

The voting was done on a 5-3-1 basis by the same 72-member national media panel that selects the Top 25 each week. The balloting was conducted before the NCAA tournament began.

Bogut received 60 first-team votes and 330 points, 22 more than Redick, who had 53 first-team votes.

Simien and Paul each had 289 points with Simien getting 45 first-team votes, one more than Paul. Warrick also had 44 first-team votes and got 283 points.

Bogut was the only member of the first team not to have received any recognition after last season. In fact, he was the only one of the five not to have been at least an honorable mention selection in the preseason All-America balloting. Now Bogut is considered a sure lottery pick, and the possible top pick, if he decides to declare for the NBA draft.

"The thing that impresses me the most about Andrew is his ability to get better as the year went along," first-year Utah coach Ray Giacoletti said. "I've never seen a guy his size with the versatility he has and the will to win he has."

Bogut showed off his passing skills with a season-high seven assists in the Utes' second-round win over Oklahoma last Saturday, a game in which he has a season-low 10 points on just seven shots. That led the Utes into the round of 16 for the first time since their 1998 run to the national championship game.

"We were just trying to have a successful year and do our best," said Bogut, Utah's first All-America since Andre Miller in 1999. "It just all came together these last couple of weeks."

Redick is one of the best shooters in the game from long range — 40.5 percent on 3-pointers — and the free throw line — 93.7 percent. The 6-4 Redick averaged 22.1 points and played 37.3 minutes per game for the short-handed Blue Devils, who won the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament for the sixth time in seven years and are in the round of 16 for the eighth straight year.

"J.J. has become a complete player," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "Everyone watches his shooting ability. He's found different ways to score; he's become our best off-the-ball perimeter defender; he's handled the ball; he's become a leader for us."

Redick is the first Duke All-America since Jason Williams was selected in 2001 and 2002.

The other three All-Americas all were eliminated from the NCAA tournament on the opening weekend.

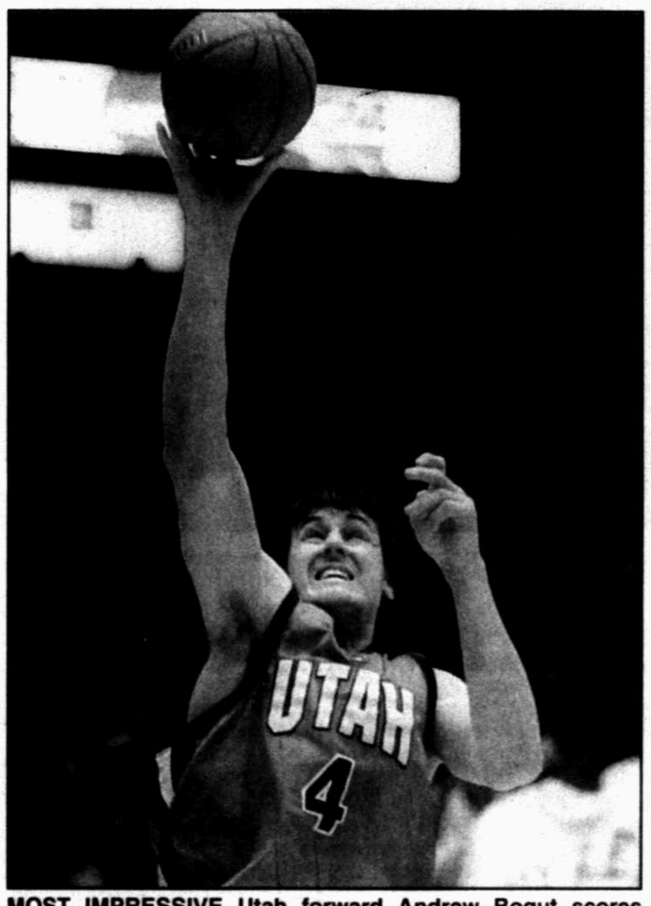
The 6-0 Paul had one of the most impressive stat lines in college basketball. He averaged 15.3 points, 4.5 rebounds, 6.6 assists, 2.4 steals and shot 47.4 percent on 3s and 83.4 percent from the free throw line.

He was the leading vote-getter on the AP's preseason All-America team and he's Wake Forest's first postseason selection since Tim Duncan repeated in 1997.

"I just love the way he commands a game," Wake Forest coach Skip Prosser said. "He's not without flaws, but I wouldn't trade him for any point guard in the country."

The 6-9 Simien had an outstanding career despite what seemed like constant injuries. He missed 28 games over his first three years with various injuries and he missed four games this season after having surgery on his left thumb. Still, he averaged 20.3 points and 11.0 rebounds while shooting 55.2 percent from the field and 81.6 percent at the free throw line to become the Jayhawks' first All-America since Nick Collison in 2003.

The 6-8 Warrick, one of the key players in Syracuse's 2003 national championship run, averaged 21.4 points and 8.6 rebounds while shooting 54.8 percent from the field, a stat augmented by his spectacular dunking ability.



AP file photo

MOST IMPRESSIVE Utah forward Andrew Bogut scores against Oklahoma during a second-round game of the NCAA Tournament on Saturday in Tucson, Ariz.

AP ALL-AMERICANS

2004-05 AP All-America Basketball Team

FIRST TEAM

Andrew Bogut, Utah, 7-0, 240, sophomore, Melbourne, Australia, 20.4 ppg, 12.2 rpg, 62.9 fg pct, 1.9 blocks (60 first-place votes, 330 points).

J.J. Redick, Duke, 6-4, 190, junior, Roanoke, Va., 22.1 ppg, 37.3 minutes, 40.5 3-pt fg pct, 93.7 ft pct (53, 308).

Chris Paul, Wake Forest, 6-0, 175, sophomore, Lewisville, N.C., 15.3 ppg, 4.5 rpg, 6.6 apg, 83.4 ft pct, 47.4 3-pt, fg pct, 2.4 steals (44, 289).

Wayne Simien, Kansas, 6-9, 255, senior, Leavenworth, Kan., 20.3 ppg, 11.0 rpg, 55.2 fg pct, 81.6 ft pct (45, 289).

Hakim Warrick, Syracuse, 6-8, 209, senior, Wynnewood, Pa., 21.4 ppg, 8.6 rpg, 37.5 minutes, 54.8 fg pct (44, 283).

SECOND TEAM

Dee Brown, Illinois, 6-0, 185, junior, Maywood, Ill., 13.2 ppg, 4.5 apg, 50.8 fg pct, 44.6 3-pt fg pct (32, 242).

Sean May, North Carolina, 6-9, 266, junior, Bloomington, Ind., 16.8 ppg, 10.8 rpg, 55.4 fg pct (23, 237).

Salim Stoudamire, Arizona, 6-1, 179, senior, Portland, Ore., 18.6 ppg, 51.1 fg pct, 5 .3 3-pt fg pct, 91.4 ft pct (18, 189).

Ike Diogu, Arizona State, 6-8, 250, junior, Garland, Texas, 22.6 ppg, 9.8 rpg, 36.4 minutes, 57.5 fg pct, 2.3 blocks (12, 164).

Luther Head, Illinois, 6-3, 185, senior, Chicago, 15.7 ppg, 4.0 rpg, 3.8 apg, 41.0 3-pt fg pct (6, 102).

THIRD TEAM

Deron Williams, Illinois, 6-3, 210, junior, The Colony, Texas, 12.1 ppg, 6.6 apg (3, 88).

Sheldon Williams, Duke, 6-9, 250, junior, Forest Park, Okla., 15.4 ppg, 11.3 rpg, 58.5 fg pct, 3.8 blocks, (2, 81).

Nate Robinson, Washington, 5-9, 180, junior, Seattle, 16.6 ppg, 3.9 rpg, 4.6 apg (1, 73).

Raymond Felton, North Carolina, 6-1, 198, junior, Latta, S.C., 12.6 ppg, 4.0 rpg, 7.0 apg, 44.1 3-pt fg pct (3, 69).

Joey Graham, Oklahoma State, 6-7, 225, senior, Brandon, Fla., 17.5 ppg, 6.1 rpg, 53.2 fg pct, 46.0 3-pt fg pct, 88.9 ft pct (1, 61).

HONORABLE MENTION

Eddie Basden, Charlotte; Brandon Bass, LSU; Turner Battle, Buffalo; Tim Begley, Pennsylvania; Mike Bell, Florida Atlantic.

Josh Boone, Connecticut; Seamus Boxley, Portland State; Darren Brooks, Southern Illinois; Pat Carroll, Saint Joseph's; Taylor Coppenrath, Vermont.

Travis Diener, Marquette; David Doubley, Pacific; Jared Dudley, Boston College; Nick Fazekas, Nevada; Channing Frye, Arizona.

Francisco Garcia, Louisville; Ryan Gomes, Providence; Danny Granger, New Mexico; Caleb Green, Oral Roberts; Blake Hamilton, Monmouth.

Kevin Hamilton, Holy Cross; Chuck Hayes, Kentucky; Chakowby Hicks, Norfolk State; Julius Hodge, North Carolina State; Jarrett Jack, Georgia Tech.

Willie Jenkins, Tennessee Tech; Alex Loughton, Old Dominion; John Lucas III, Oklahoma State; Ed McCants, Wisconsin-Milwaukee; Rashad McCants, North Carolina.

Juan Mendez, Niagara; Adam Morrison, Gonzaga; Yemi Nicholson, Denver; Pele Paelay, Coastal Carolina; Anthony Roberson, Florida.

Lawrence Roberts, Mississippi State; Craig Smith, Boston College; Steven Smith, La Salle; Joe Thompson, Sam Houston State; Obie Trotter, Alabama A&M.

Ronny Turiaf, Gonzaga; Eric Williams, Wake Forest; Kennedy Winston, Alabama; Brendan Winters, Davidson.

13th-seeded Liberty reaches Sweet 16

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) — As the final seconds wound down on Liberty's second straight stunning upset, the Rev. Jerry Falwell broke into a smile as the fans around him yelled, "Sweet 16! Sweet 16!"

One upset simply wasn't enough for the never-say-surrender Flames, who followed their first NCAA tournament victory by shocking DePaul 88-79 on Tuesday night.

Katie Feenstra had 29 points and 13 rebounds, and Liberty weathered a 16-0 run in the second half to become only the second 13th seed to advance to the round of 16 — duplicating Texas A&M's feat in 1994.

"I'm so excited," Liberty coach Carey Green said. "They had determination, they were strong, they were courageous."

The Flames were 0-8 in NCAA tournament play before beating fourth-seeded Penn State 78-70 on Sunday. For an encore, they beat fifth-seeded DePaul, limiting the nation's highest-scoring team to 32-percent shooting.

Falwell, the school's chancellor, watched in a front-row seat at midcourt. Falwell and the school band were absent from the opening-round game, but both made the trip north this time to see if the Flames could pull off another upset.

And that's exactly what happened.

Liberty (26-6) advanced to the Chattanooga Regional to face top-seeded Louisiana State, a 76-43 winner over Arizona on Tuesday night in Knoxville, Tenn.

Khara Smith scored 27 points, and Jenni Dant had 26 for fifth-seeded DePaul (26-5). Allie Quigley, the second-leading scorer on the team, had four on 1-for-15 shooting.

The Blue Demons launched 89 shots, in part because they collected 33 offensive rebounds. But they simply couldn't put the ball in the basket.

"In our fast-break situations we did not convert," said Dant, who missed 14 of 23 field-goal tries. "I was trying to go too fast. I was too aggressive, too eager."

Liberty led 35-33 at halftime, the first time this season that DePaul trailed at the break.

SUMMITT

(From 1C)

orange on the front.

"That's what it's all about," Summitt said. "We talk about the wins and the trophies, but it's all about the people. The players have influenced me more than I have influenced them."

Top-seeded Tennessee (28-4), seeking its seventh national title under Summitt, advanced to face fourth-seeded Texas Tech in the semifinals of the Philadelphia Regional on Sunday.

"First and foremost, we're going to the Sweet 16," Summitt said.

Ninth-seeded Purdue (17-13) tried its best to stall Summitt's chase, hanging tough with the Lady Vols in the first half.

But Tennessee's defense was too much for Purdue in the second half. The Boilermakers didn't have a field goal in the first 6:35 of the second half, while the Lady Vols pushed their lead to 20 with a 19-6 run.

Tye'sha Fluker tied a career high with 18 points and had 10 rebounds while Shyra Ely added 16 points, Shanna Zolman 15 and Nicky Anosike 11.

Sharika Webb had 16 points and 10 rebounds and Katie Gearlds added 13 for the Boilermakers, who made only four field goals in the second half.

Summitt overtook Texas' Jody Conradt as the winningest women's college coach early in the 2002-03 season.

She holds nearly every NCAA tournament record for a women's coach including most NCAA titles (six), Final Four appearances (15), Final Four wins (17), tournament appearances (24), tournament games (104) and tournament wins (87).

"A lot of players come and go, but the great ones leave and other great ones arrive," Summitt said. "They wear the orange with tremendous pride."

And many of her tournament runs have started in Knoxville, where the Lady Vols improved to 46-0 in NCAA games.

An amazing chunk of Summitt's wins have come against ranked teams. In her 1,051 games, 494 of those were against ranked opponents and she won 353 of them. She has never lost to an unranked team in Thompson-Boling, which opened in 1987.

Summitt took over the women's program at Tennessee in 1974 at age 22 when there were no scholarships and she had to wash the uniforms and drive the team van. The Lady Vols nickname didn't even exist.

A mere 53 fans watched Summitt win her first game, a 69-32 victory over Middle Tennessee on Jan. 10, 1975.

Thousands of orange-clad supporters came to see Summitt reach 880 on Tuesday, creating an atmosphere even more electric than usual.

The fans are likely to see many more wins. Summitt's record could stretch well past 1,000 before she retires.

Summitt is the second college coach to pass Smith this season.

Harry Statham of McKendree College in the NAIA did earlier this year and finished the year with 896 wins.

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Kinder Morgan seeks new acquisitions while reviving SACROC, Yates fields

By Mella McEwen
Oil Editor

Having utilized its expertise in tertiary oil recovery to revive the SACROC and Yates fields, Kinder Morgan CO2 is looking for new territory.

"We want more properties like SACROC and the Yates," said Tim Bradley, president of Kinder Morgan CO2 Company as the company was honored with a reception by the Midland Wildcatters Committee.

The company, he said, is preparing to announce details of a recent acquisition that he stressed is not on the scale of the SACROC or Yates fields.

Having acquired the SACROC field in Scurry County in mid-2000, Bradley said the company has invested $200 million a year in 2002, 2003 and 2004 and will invest as much this year. That investment includes not only new CO2 injection and producing wells and recompleting existing wells but CO2 injection equipment and gas processing equipment, he said. That investment has resulted in a production increase from 8,500 barrels per day when the field was acquired to its current 34,00 barrels a day.

This summer the company will put online a power plant designed to power much of the field's compressor systems. The plant will be powered by gas produced from the field which, Bradley explained, contains more nitrogen than pipelines find acceptable.

Kinder Morgan acquired Marathon Oil's interest in the Yates field and last year placed it on CO2 injection, increasing production to 25,000 barrels a day.

"We don't know that the SACROC Unit can produce more than 40,000 barrels a day and we expected the Yates to produce 20,000 barrels a day and it's now at 25,000 barrels a day, so we're quite pleased."

Nevertheless, Bradley said, the company focuses on its CO2 operations, producing CO2 from the McElmo Dome in Colorado and shipping it 1,500 miles via pipeline to West Texas, where he sees demand beginning to move upward.

Oil prices, he observed, began to recover in 2000 but for about three years, operators didn't believe prices would remain strong in the high-20s. Then, last fall prices topped $55 a barrel and the impact is being seen across the oil patch.

Rig availability is tightening, Bradley said, service costs are beginning to rise and he sees demand for CO2 beginning to firm.

Last year the company had a record year for deliveries from the McElmo Dome, which briefly topped 1 billion cubic feet a day and averaged about 900 million cubic feet. So far this year, Bradley said, deliveries are averaging 980 million cubic feet a day and the company is getting signals from companies that they are looking hard at CO2 projects.

Amerada Hess, for instance, inquired about Kinder Morgan's ability to deliver 200 million cubic feet of CO2 to its operations at Seminole. The Permian Basin historically uses over 1 billion cubic feet a day of CO2, he pointed out, so Amerada Hess's inquiry would be a significant percentage.

The company also gathers oil from near McCamey and its SACROC field at Snyder, collects it at its Wink hub and ships it, via the Kaston pipeline, now the Wink Pipeline, that it acquired last year, to a refinery in El Paso. From El Paso, Kinder Morgan ships the finished products — gasoline, finished fuels and other products — to Phoenix and on into California.

As far as the Permian Basin, Bradley said the company, while looking for acquisitions or to partner with operators who want to establish CO2 projects, is hiring engineers and other technical professionals and expects continued strength in the industry for the time-being.

"That's what's great about Permian Basin oil production — its production decline profile is nowhere near that of other areas. Its decline is flat, compared to the steep declines in other areas," he continued.



David Karp/AP

AXNIOUSLY WAITING News about the Federal Reserve Bank increase a key interest rate by a quarter-point is seen on a monitor on the trading floor at the New York Stock Exchange Tuesday, March 22, while traders work.

Fed delivers seventh quarter-point rate increase

By Martin Crutsinger
Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The Federal Reserve on Tuesday pushed a key interest rate up by a quarter-point to 2.75 percent as it continued its campaign to gradually nudge rates high enough to make sure that a rebounding economy does not trigger unwanted inflation.

The increase in the federal funds rate, the interest that banks charge each other, marked the seventh time the central bank has pushed rates higher since it started its current credit tightening campaign last June. At that time, the funds rate stood at a 46-year low of 1 percent.

The Fed kept language that it has used with every rate increase, saying that future rate hikes would occur "at a pace that is likely to be measured," language seen as indicating continued quarter-point moves at the central bank's regular meetings.

Some economists had suggested that the "measured" pledge might be dropped at this meeting, given the recent surge in oil prices to above $57 per barrel.

The Fed's action quickly translated into higher borrowing costs for millions of consumers and businesses, with commercial banks pushing their prime lending rates up by a similar quarter-point to 5.75 percent. The action was led by announcements from Wells Fargo and Cleveland-based KeyCorp.

The Fed's brief statement kept the pledge to move rates at a "measured" pace and kept the assessment that the risks going forward were balanced between the threat of inflation and the threat that the economy might soften unexpectedly.

However, the Fed did indicate somewhat more concern about inflation, saying, "Though longer-term inflation expectations remain well contained, pressures on inflation have picked up in recent months and pricing power is more evident."

But the Fed said that it did not believe that the rise in energy prices had "notably fed through to core consumer prices."

Analysts said this comment supported a view voiced by Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and other Fed officials that while energy prices have been increasing, those higher costs have not triggered higher overall inflation pressures. But economists said they detected slightly more concern about inflation in the Fed's new statement.

"I think the tone is slightly more hawkish and it could lead to slightly higher interest rates by year's end," said economist David Jones, the author of four books on the Greenspan Fed.

Wall Street also focused on the Fed's inflation comments. The Dow Jones industrial average, which had been up by 42 points before the Fed's mid-afternoon announcement, dipped into negative territory after the announcement as investors feared more aggressive rate hikes in the months to come.

Jones said that he now expected the funds rate could be as high as 3.75 percent by the end of the year, meaning one more quarter-point rate increase than he had been expecting before Tuesday's meeting. He said that 30-year mortgage rates, currently near 6 percent, could be at 6.75 percent by year's end, still a low-enough level that the housing industry should remain strong this year.

Analysts said the Fed had to be pleased by recent signs of economic strength including the report that 262,000 new jobs were created in February, the biggest gain in four months.

Many economists believe the economy has been growing at a rate above 4 percent in the January-March quarter.

So far, the so-called core rate of inflation, excluding volatile energy and food prices, has stayed well-behaved at the retail level.

While core inflation rate at the wholesale level shot up by 0.8 percent in January, the fastest pace in more than six years, the government reported Tuesday that these price pressures eased significantly in February, with core wholesale prices rising by only 0.1 percent.

Many analysts are looking for oil prices to retreat in coming months, helping inflation pressures to subside.

TIPS, DIPS & BLUE CHIPS

Stocks slip after Fed announcement

NEW YORK - Wall Street rolled back its gains after the Federal Reserve's decision to raise interest rates was announced Tuesday, leaving stocks mixed as investors worried that the Fed might not be doing enough to combat inflation.

The statement was surprising in its tone, given that many on Wall Street had looked for the Fed to take a more aggressive stance against inflation.

Broader stock indicators were narrowly higher. The Standard & Poor's 500 index was up 0.87, or 0.1 percent, at 1,184.65, and the Nasdaq composite index gained 3.18, or 0.2 percent, to 2,010.69.

The bond market tumbled sharply after the Fed's announcement, with the yield on the 10-year Treasury note rising to 4.58 percent, up from 4.53 percent late Monday. The dollar fell against major currencies in Europe, and gold prices slid as well.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by nearly 8 to 5 on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume came to 900.16 million shares, compared with 935.04 million at the same point on Monday.

The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies was up 4.71, or 0.8 percent, at 626.28.

Dollar, gold fall in Europe

LONDON - The U.S. dollar was lower against other major currencies in European trading Tuesday. Gold prices fell.

The euro was quoted at $1.3208 in European trading, up from $1.3180 Monday. Later, in midday trading in New York, the euro bought $1.3205.

Other dollar rates in Europe, compared with late Monday, included 104.95 Japanese yen, down from 105.06; 1.1749 Swiss francs, down from 1.1770; and 1.2001 Canadian dollars, down from 1.2111.

Gold closed in London at $430.90 bid per troy ounce, down from $431.05 on Monday. In Zurich the bid price was $431.28, down from $431.60. Gold fell $4.80 in Hong Kong to close at $430.95.



BUSINESS SCENE

Lack's Furniture set to unveil remodeled, recently expanded Midland store

LACK'S FURNITURE CENTER is set to unveil its remodeled and expanded Midland store, located at 311 W. Cuthbert Ave.

Melvin Lack, president and chief executive officer of the Victoria-based company said the Midland store has been expanded by 10,000 square feet.

"A Dollar General moved in next door and only wanted the front part," he explained. "We were able to break down the wall and go in behind the Dollar General."

The new store is now 60,150 square feet and, in addition to the new square footage, has been remodeled inside to add more display space, Lack said. With the completion of renovations, Lacks will debut the new Martha Stewart Gallery and a redesigned Design Gallery featuring leather upholstery and solid wood bedrooms and dining rooms. There will also be a full youth bedroom department, a bedding shop, television department, home office, appliance section and extensive bedroom and dining room displays.

With the interior remodeling, Lack said, "there's new lighting, new walls, new vignettes. Instead of displaying items by category, we're displaying them by style. For example, the contemporary area will have contemporary bedrooms, dining rooms and living rooms. Then you move over to the traditional area."

Lack and his wife will be on hand at ribbon-cutting ceremonies kicking off the grand opening celebration for the Midland store. The ribbon cutting will be at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 2. The celebration will continue through early May and will benefit the American Cancer Society. During the celebration period, a portion of all sales will be donated to the American Cancer Society, and the organization will place in the store material about cancer and the services the society provides. Gift cards will also be available so customers can make donations to the society in honor of or memory of someone special or give a gift to fund a specific need.

Lack's, founded in 1938 in Beeville, came to Midland in 1993.

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Midland contractor **MASTER BUILDERS** has become its own client, beginning construction on a new office complex at 6112 N. State Highway 349 just across from Midland Country Club.

The construction effort was begun to provide a shop and additional office space for the contractor, currently located at 4400 N. Big Spring St. At the request of clients, space for other offices has been added to the complex in what could be the first phase of construction. The offices are expected to be completed in mid- to late May. Master Builder officials say interest is so strong they may then add a second phase comprised of more offices and retail space. And, they say, if demand is strong enough, they'll sell the new facility and remain in their current location.

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Just opened on Meta Drive in The Village Shopping Center behind Walgreens is **VEB SCRUBS**.

VEB Scrubs, which also has a store in Lubbock, offers scrub tops, pants and lab coats and accessories like stethoscopes.

If needed, special orders — of special styles or sizes — are available as are layaway and payroll deduction plans.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

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Midlander Shirley Stephenson has opened her own massage studio, **A MASSAGE**, at 310 Secor.

While she said she offers deep tissue massage, she mostly offers Swedish massage.

"I prefer relaxing massage," she said.

She has been doing massages for six years "and I just love it. It's a passion, not a job. I'll be 70 next month and I do this in lieu of retirement."

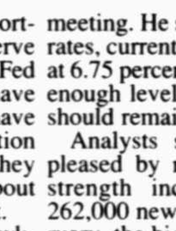
Hours are 9 a.m. to 5;30 p.m. Monday through Thursday but other appointments are available by calling 688-5115.

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Settled into larger quarters is **DESERT WEST FINANCIAL**, now located in the Courtyard Shopping center, 4410 N. Midkiff Road, Suite D3.

Owned by Monty and Karen Pulliam, the mortgage lender has direct relationships with a vast network of lenders to provide competitive rates, terms and service to find individual customer needs. Financing is offered to A+ through D credit borrowers.

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Name	Div	Last	Chg
A-B-C			
ABB Ltd	...	6.44	-.08
ACE Ltd	.84	41.86	-.97
AES Cp	...	16.95	-.27
AFLAC	.44f	37.30	-.74
AK Steel	...	12.58	-.02
AMR	...	**9.50**	**+.47**
AT&T	.95	18.60	-.13
AU Optron	.36r	13.62	+.18
AbtLab	1.10f	43.76	-.11
AberFitc	.50	54.34	-.15
Accenture	...	24.28	+.27
AdamsEx.93e		**12.81**	**-.04**
AMD	...	15.38	-.37
Aegon	.53e	13.53	-.18
Aetna s	.02	73.93	+.25
AffCmpS	...	**52.12**	**+.57**
Agere	...	1.51	+.05
AgereB	...	1.50	+.05
Agilent	...	22.58	
AirProd	1.28f	63.22	-.20
AirTran	...	8.79	-.03
Albertsn	.76	19.50	-.20
Alcan	.60	38.84	-.94
Alcoa	.60	30.96	-.50
AlligEngy	...	20.46	-.40
AlliedCap	2.28a	25.54	-.32
Allstate	1.28f	52.80	-.32
Alltel	1.52	54.67	-.66
AlphaNRs n	...	29.26	-.78
Altria	2.92	63.55	+.27
Amdocs	...	27.48	-.67
AmHess	1.20	95.55	-.90
AMoviL	.19e	53.05	-.20
AEP	1.40	32.93	-.66
AmExp	.48	51.18	-1.11
AmIntGp	.50	56.20	-1.70
AmStd s	.60	46.85	-.43
AmTower	...	18.39	-.19
Amerndt	...	23.55	-.49
Amphenol	**.12**	**38.31**	**-2.09**
AmSouth	1.00	24.75	-.36
Anadrk	**.72f**	**75.34**	**-.57**
AnalogDev	.24	35.83	+.12
Anheusr	.98	47.26	-.21
AnnTaylr s	...	25.75	-.32
Aon Corp	.60	22.77	-.35
Apache	**.32**	**61.81**	**-.82**
Aquila	...	4.06	-.07
ArchCoal	.32	45.33	-1.02
ArchDan	.34f	23.70	-.15
Assurant	.28	33.87	-.07
ATMOS	**1.24**	**26.89**	**-.48**
AutoNatn	...	18.69	+.03
AutoData	.62	44.97	+.07
AutoZone	...	84.96	-.27
Avaya	...	11.98	+.08
Avon s	.66f	40.70	+.36
BB&T Cp	1.40	37.76	-.45
BHP BillL	.46e	29.36	-.65
BJ Svcs	.32	50.36	+.72
BP PLC	**1.77e**	**63.52**	**-1.30**
BakrHu	.46	43.87	+.07

NASDAQ NA

Name	Div	Last	Chg
A-B-C			
ADC Tel	...	1.98	-.09
ASML Hld	...	16.82	+.21
ATI Tech	...	16.56	-.21
aaiPharma	...	0.78	...
Abgenix	...	7.96	+.02
AccHme	...	34.78	-.42
Activisn	...	22.49	-.50
AdobeSy	.05	66.36	-.34
Aeroflex	...	9.50	+.20
Affymet	...	41.79	-.10
AkamaiT	...	12.35	+.29
Akzo	**1.44e**	**u44.70**	**+.32**
Alamosa	...	11.51	-.32
Alkerm	...	10.58	+.32
AlteraCp	...	19.17	-.16
Amazon	...	33.15	-.52
AmCapStr	2.92	31.50	-.13
AEagleO s	.20f	27.57	-.54
APwCnv	.40	24.01	-.20
AmrTrde	...	10.28	-.18
Amgen	...	**58.18**	**+.11**
AmkorT	...	4.05	-.08
Amylin	...	20.39	-.35
Anadigc	...	**d1.61**	**-.18**
Andrew	...	11.94	-.26
AndrxGp	...	22.35	-.48
Angiotch g	...	14.79	-.17
ApolloG	...	74.26	-.81
AppleC s	...	42.83	-.87
ApldMatl	...	**15.81**	**-.20**
AMCC	...	3.15	-.06
Arotech	...	1.26	-.05
Arris	...	6.69	-.02
ArrowInt	.60f	36.02	+.46
ArtTech	...	1.14	-.01
AscentSoft	...	18.33	-.11
AskJvs	...	26.19	-.48
Atari	...	3.29	-.06
AthrGnc	...	**13.69**	**+.69**
Atmel	...	2.96	-.01
Autodsk s	.06	28.91	-.17
Avanex	...	**1.19**	**-.09**
AvidTch	...	54.25	-2.36
Axcelis	...	7.26	-.04
BEA Sys	...	8.12	-.07
BedBath	...	36.14	+.35
Biogenldc	...	38.10	-.17
Biomet	.20e	38.75	-1.50
Biopure	...	**.35**	**-.01**
Borland	...	7.80	-.18
Brdcom	...	29.41	-.24
Broadwing	...	d4.21	+.02
BrcdeCm	...	5.83	+.09
CBRL Grp	**.48**	**43.39**	**+.07**
CMGI	...	2.19	-.09
CNET	...	9.18	-.12
CNS	.20	17.00	-1.08
CTI Mole	...	20.34	-.01
CareerEd	...	35.23	-1.31
Celgene s	...	32.93	-.01
CellThera	...	4.25	+.01
Ceradyne s	...	23.44	+.13
ChartCm	...	1.41	+.06
ChkPoint	...	20.80	-.49
ChipMOS	...	6.29	-.20
Chiron	...	35.65	-.30
CienaCp	...	1.89	-.06
Cintas	.32f	40.87	-.75
Cipnco	...	4.28	+.24
Cisco	...	17.92	-.02
CitrixSy	...	23.27	-.24
ClayEng	...	26.38	+1.31
CogTech s	...	45.66	+.78
Coherent	...	**32.86**	**+.91**
Comcast	...	u33.72	-.26
Comc sp	...	u33.31	-.21
CompsBc	1.40f	44.49	-.85
Compuwre	...	7.29	+.32
Comvers	...	24.55	-.37
Conexant	...	1.53	-.03
Corillian	...	**3.32**	**+.19**
CorinthC	...	15.75	-.10
Costco	.40	43.43	+.20
Crayinc	...	2.37	+.01
CredSys	...	7.33	-.09
Cree Inc	...	21.35	-.41
Cyberonic	...	38.82	-.39
Cytyc	...	21.70	+.05
D-E-F			
Dataram	...	4.72	-.15
DataTrak	...	**17.29**	**-1.34**
Dawson	...	25.08	+1.20
Dellinc	...	38.04	-.38
Dentsply	.24	53.37	+.62
Dgimpct	...	**2.09**	**+.10**
DigRiver	...	30.95	+1.01
DobsonCm	...	2.01	-.03
DlrTree	...	27.97	+.23
eBay s	...	35.88	-.25
ErthLink	...	8.92	-.10
EchoStar	1.00e	28.54	-.40
EdgrOnl	...	**u3.51**	**+.38**
Eidos	...	**1.04**	**+.19**
ElectArts	...	**55.15**	**-11.20**
ElecBtq	...	39.66	-1.45
EncysiveP	...	10.75	-.28
EonLabs s	...	30.22	-.10
EricsnTl	.36e	28.31	-.16
Expdlntl	.22	53.70	-.35

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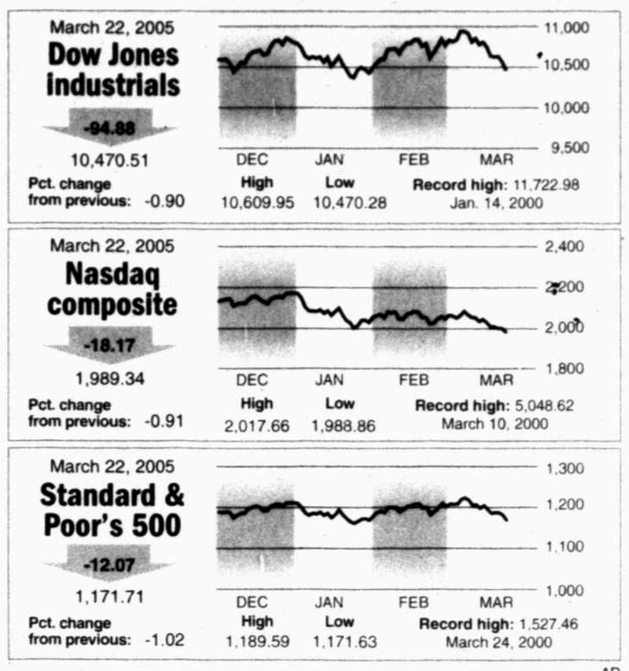
Name	Div	Last	Chg
AbdAsPac	.42	6.46	-.08
Ableauctn	...	.66	...
Abraxas	...	**2.58**	**+.02**
Adventrx n	...	1.51	+.07
Avitar	...	**.11**	**+.01**
B&GFds un	.44p	u15.70	+.20
BernaGold	...	2.75	-.03
BiotechT	.03e	142.05	-.81
CalypteB n	...	.29	-.01
Cambior g	...	2.25	-.11
CanArgo n	...	**1.33**	**-.08**
CapRock	...	25.24	+.21
CFCda g	.01	5.50	-.05
CoreMold	...	**u4.54**	**+1.28**
Crystallx g	...	3.68	-.10
DHB Inds	...	9.65	-.33
DJIA Diam	2.25e	104.53	-.89
DSL.net h	...	**.15**	**+.01**
DesertS gn	...	1.73	+.01
EagleBbnd	...	**.40**	**+.05**
EV LtdDur	1.61	18.01	-.03
EldorGld g	...	2.91	-.14
Everlnco	1.65	13.97	-.17
GascoEn n	...	3.43	+.03
GoldStr g	...	2.79	-.13
GreyWolf	...	u5.66	+.05
Gurunet n	...	**18.20**	**-1.79**
Harken	...	.47	+.02
iShAstla	.58e	17.65	-.31
iShBrazil	.46e	22.45	-.67
iSh HK	.27e	11.60	-.16
iShJapan	.04e	10.82	-.07
iSh Kor	.10e	32.31	-.31
iShMalasia	.16e	6.74	-.10

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Name	Div	Last	Chg
A-B-C			
ABB Ltd	...	6.44	-.08
ACE Ltd	.84	41.86	-.97
AES Cp	...	16.95	-.27
AFLAC	.44f	37.30	-.74
AK Steel	...	12.58	-.02
AMR	...	**9.50**	**+.47**
AT&T	.95	18.60	-.13
AU Optron	.36r	13.62	+.18
AbtLab	1.10f	43.76	-.11
AberFitc	.50	54.34	-.15
Accenture	...	24.28	+.27
AdamsEx	**.93e**	**12.81**	**-.04**
AMD	...	15.38	-.37
Aegon	.53e	13.53	-.18
Aetna s	.02	73.93	+.25
AffCmpS	...	**52.12**	**+.57**
Agere	...	1.51	+.05
AgereB	...	1.50	+.05
Agilent	...	22.58	...
AirProd	1.28f	63.22	-.20
AirTran	...	8.79	-.03
Albertsn	.76	19.50	-.20
Alcan	.60	38.84	-.94
Alcoa	.60	30.96	-.50
AligEngy	...	20.46	-.40
AlliedTch	.24	23.93	+.95
Allergan	.40f	70.89	+.21
AlliedCap	2.28a	25.54	-.32
Allstate	1.28f	52.80	-.32
Alltel	1.52	54.67	-.66
AlphaNRs n	...	29.26	-.78
Altria	2.92	63.55	+.27
Amdocs	...	27.48	-.67
AmHess	1.20	95.55	-.90
AMovilL	.19e	53.05	-.20
AEP	1.40	32.93	-.66
AmExp	.48	51.18	-1.11
AmIntGp	.50	56.20	-1.70
AmStd s	.60	46.85	-.43
AmTower	...	18.39	-.19
Americdt	...	23.55	-.49
Amphenol	**.12**	**38.31**	**-2.09**
AmSouth	1.00	24.75	-.36
Anadrk	**.72f**	**75.34**	**-.57**
AnalogDev	.24	35.83	+.12
Anheusr	.98	47.26	-.21
AnnTaylr s	...	25.75	-.32
Aon Corp	.60	22.77	-.35
Apache	**.32**	**61.81**	**-.82**
Aquila	...	4.06	-.07
ArchCoal	.32	45.33	-1.02
ArchDan	.34f	23.70	-.15
Assurant	.28	33.87	-.07
ATMOS	**1.24**	**26.89**	**-.48**
AutoNatn	...	18.69	+.03
AutoData	.62	44.97	+.07
AutoZone	...	84.96	-.27
Avaya	...	11.98	+.08
Avon s	.66f	40.70	+.36
BB&T Cp	1.40	37.76	-.45
BHP BillLt	.46e	29.36	-.65
BJ Svcs	.32	50.36	+.72
BP PLC	**1.77e**	**63.52**	**-1.30**
BakrHu	.46	43.87	+.07
BkofAm s	1.80	43.66	-.64
BkNY	.80a	29.40	-.53
Baxter	.58e	33.37	-.40
BearSt	1.00	99.58	-2.29
BearingPt	...	8.77	...
BeazrHm	.40	155.29	-.10
BectDck	.72	58.62	-.47
BellSouth	1.08	25.12	-.15
BerkHa A		**...86802.00**	**-**
698.00			
BerryP	**.48a**	**56.03**	**-.99**
BestBuy	.44	51.51	+.14
Beverly	...	u12.56	+.29
BlackD	1.12f	80.01	+.91
BlkHlCp	**1.28f**	**u32.63**	**-.31**
BlockHR	.88	49.83	-.19
Blockbstr	.08a	9.50	+.40
Boeing	1.00f	57.22	+.38
BoydGm	.34	55.05	+.10
BrMySq	**1.12**	**24.71**	**+.49**
BrownFA	**.86**	**54.30**	**-.20**
BrownFB	**.98**	**53.56**	**+.06**
Brunswick	.60f	45.64	-.61
BurlNSF	.68	55.20	+.19
BurlRsc s	.34	49.82	-.14
CIGNA	.10	85.00	-1.36
CIT Gp	.52	37.40	-1.33
CMS Eng	...	12.91	-.28
CSX	.40	u42.95	+.60
CVS Cp	.29	52.45	+.13
CablvsnNY	...	29.59	+.03
Cadence	...	14.57	+.20
Caesars	...	19.82	-.20
CampSp	.68	28.40	-.15
CapOne	.11	75.64	-1.32
CardnlHlth	.12	55.46	-.52
CaremkRx	...	38.48	+.45
Carnival	.60	52.55	+.96
Caterpillr	1.64	94.71	-1.47
Cemex	1.10e	37.71	+.34
Cendant	.36	20.40	-.28
CenterPnt	.40a	11.84	-.34
Centex	.16	58.70	+.06
CntryTel	.24f	33.08	-.22
ChesEng	.18	21.80	-.66
ChevTex s	**1.60**	**59.17**	**-.85**
Chicos s	...	27.14	+.14
Chubb	1.72f	75.51	-2.29
Chubb unB1	75	29.01	-.56
CINergy	1.92f	39.34	-.61
CircCity	.07	15.35	-.11
Citigrp	1.76f	44.44	-1.32
CitzComm1	.00a	12.59	+.18
ClearChan	.50	32.99	-.70
ClevCif s	.40	80.84	+2.02
Coach	...	56.28	+.48
CocaCl	**1.12f**	**41.40**	**-.20**
CocaCE	.16	20.66	-.31
ColgPal	**1.16f**	**50.59**	**-1.07**
Comerica2	.20f	55.04	-.61
CmcBNJ s	.44	29.69	-.03
CmclMtl s	.24	33.25	+.57
CVRD s	1.15e	32.70	-.30
CVRD pf s	.47e	26.74	-.46
CompAs	.08	27.31	-.41
CompSci	...	45.50	-.22
ConAgra	1.09	26.48	-.42
ConocPhil	**2.00**	**107.03**	**-2.07**
Conseco	...	19.95	+.10
ConsolEgy	.56	47.46	-.85
ConEd	2.28f	41.58	-.34
CtlAir B	...	11.16	+.42
CoopCam	...	55.43	+.26
CooperTire	.42	18.35	-.34
Corning	...	10.97	+.15
CntwdFn s	.56f	32.03	-.37
Crompton	.20	14.72	-.14
CrosTim	**2.70e**	**43.35**	**-.45**
CrownHold	...	16.49	-.27
CypSem	...	13.14	+.12
D-E-F			
DR Hortn s	.27	29.91	-.37
DST Sys	...	46.28	-.44
Danaher s	.06	54.12	-.35
Darden	.08	27.55	+.04
Deere	1.24f	67.32	-1.32
Delphi	.28	4.51	+.15
DeltaAir	...	4.27	+.07
DevonE s	.30f	46.81	-.68
DiagPdct	.28	47.57	+.42
DiaOffs	.25	49.94	+1.01
DirecTV	...	d14.51	+.06
Disney	**.24f**	**27.78**	**-.40**
DollarG	.16	21.66	+.15
DomRes	2.68f	u74.39	-1.16
DonlleyRR	1.04	30.75	+.31
DoralFin	**.72**	**22.55**	**-1.35**
DowChm	**1.34**	**52.28**	**+.36**
DuPont	1.40	51.74	+.36
DukeEgy	1.10	27.35	-.20
DukeRlty	1.86	30.34	-.46
Dynegy	...	4.08	...
ETrade	...	12.08	-.16
EMC Cp	...	12.19	-.27
EOG Res s	**.16**	**46.60**	**-1.06**
EKodak	.50	32.03	-.26
EdisonInt	1.00	34.08	-.67
ElPasoCp	.16	10.53	-.30
Elan	...	7.28	-.05
EDS	.20	20.59	-.17
EmrsnEl	1.66	66.40	-.32
EmpDist	**1.28**	**23.10**	**-.68**
EnCana g	.40	68.20	-.91
EgyEast	**1.10**	**25.23**	**-.26**
EnPro	...	**27.81**	**-.12**
ENSCO	.10	38.02	+.32
EqOffPT	2.00	29.83	-.52
EqtyRsd	1.73	31.20	-.67
Exelon s	1.60	44.42	-1.16
ExxonMbl	**1.08**	**60.90**	**-1.25**
FPL Gp s	1.42	39.40	-.65
FactsetR s	.20	32.01	-.79
FairchldS	...	15.36	-.29
FamDlr	.38f	31.05	+.62
FannieM	lf1.04md	53.96	-.92
FedExCp	.28	94.65	-.17
FedrDS	.54	61.45	-.87
FidelFin	1.00a	40.58	-.42
FstAmCp	.72	31.31	-.69
FirstData	.24f	40.32	-.24
FstHorizon	1.72	40.69	-1.17
FstMarb	...	56.40	-.10
FirstEngy	1.65	40.69	-.51
FleetEn	...	8.76	+.16
FordM	.40	11.17	-.34
ForestLab	...	36.75	-.18
FrankRes	.40a	69.93	-1.63
FredMac	1.40f	63.69	-.82
FMCG	1.00a	40.07	-.25
FreescB n	...	17.55	-.06
FriedBR	1.36	16.22	-.38
G-H-I			
GATX	**.80**	**31.90**	**-1.23**
GabGloM	**.48**	**10.20**	**-.10**
GameStp	**...**	**19.50**	**-1.11**
Gannett	1.08	78.90	-.96
Gap	.09	21.30	-.04
Gateway	...	4.00	-.07
Genentch s	...	57.49	-.51
GAInv	**1.17e**	**30.80**	**-.35**
GenDyn	1.60f	106.00	+.73
GenElec	**.88**	**35.50**	**-.51**
GnGrthPrp	1.44	33.21	-.78
GenMills	1.24	49.42	-2.10
GnMotr	2.00	29.54	-.15
GM db32A	1.12d	23.42	-.08
GM db32B	1.31d	18.70	-.20
GM db33	1.56	21.52	-.11
Genworth n	.26	27.56	-.54
GaPacif	.70f	35.66	-.59
Gillette	.65	49.60	-.72
GlaxoSKln	1.53e	46.59	-.33
GlobalSFe	.30	37.20	+.72
Goldcrp g	.18a	14.41	-.47
GoldWF s	.24	58.51	-.90
GoldmanS	1.00	107.99	-1.61
Goodrich	**.80**	**38.56**	**+.56**
Goodyear	...	13.52	+.09
GrafTech	...	6.11	-.15
GrantPrde	...	23.85	-.42
HCA Inc	.60f	48.87	+.23
HRPT Prp	.84	12.06	-.04
Hallibtn	**.50**	**43.46**	**-.08**
Hanover	**...**	**12.29**	**-.10**
HarleyD	.50	59.60	-1.05
HarmonyG	.11e	8.52	-.17
HartfdFn	1.16	68.07	-1.15
Hasbro	.36f	20.20	-.43
HltMgt	.16	u24.57	+.67
HrstArT	**.28f**	**25.64**	**-.10**
Heinz	**1.14**	**36.22**	**+.07**
HewlettP	.32	20.01	-.14
HomeDp	.40f	37.82	-.17
HonwlIntl	.83f	38.24	-.05
HostMarr	.32f	16.42	-.08
HovnanE	...	51.98	+.55
Humana	...	31.22	-.34
ICICI Bk	.33e	20.80	-.56
ImpacMtg	3.00	d16.76	-.53
INCO	...	40.74	+.12
IngerRd	1.00	83.52	-.54
IBM	.72	89.50	-.01
IntlGame	.48	d26.55	-.37
IntPap	1.00	37.55	-.94
IntRect	...	45.07	-.64
IntlSteel	...	40.99	+.07
Interpublic	...	11.76	+.03
J-K-L			
JPMorgCh	1.36	35.06	-.73
JanusCap	.04	13.93	-.18
JohnJn	**1.14**	**66.79**	**-.06**
JohnsnCtl	1.00	55.67	-.59
KB Home	1.50f	118.60	+1.90
Kellogg	1.01	42.76	-.29
KerrMc	**1.80**	**80.30**	**-1.43**
KeyEng lf	...	11.51	-.04
Keycorp	1.30f	31.69	-.55
KimbClk	**1.80f**	**64.65**	**-.29**
KindMorg	**2.80f**	**75.61**	**-1.30**
KingPhrm	...	d8.95	-.02
Kinross g	...	6.27	-.18
Kohls	...	50.30	-.05
Kraft	.82	32.20	+.06
KrspKrm	**...**	**8.87**	**+.66**
Kroger	...	15.68	-.04
L-3 Com	.50f	71.53	+1.22
LSI Log	...	5.82	-.15
LabrRdy	...	18.95	+.06
LabCp	...	45.76	+.55
LVSands n	...	46.49	-1.82
LehmBr	.80f	u94.40	-.75
LennarA	.55	55.60	+.73
Lexmark	...	79.63	-.37
LibtyMA	1.93f	10.43	-.13
LillyEli	1.52f	51.84	-.14
Limited	.60f	23.60	-.53
LionsGt g	...	11.10	-.04
LockhdM	1.00	59.90	-.05
Loews	.60	71.54	+.49
LowesCos	.16	56.25	-.31
Lubys	**...**	**7.17**	**-.13**
Lucent	...	2.74	-.07
Lyondell	.90	30.52	+.74
M-N-O			
MBNA	.56f	24.29	-.43
MEMC	...	13.48	-.20
MagnHunt	...	16.33	-.08
Marathon	1.12	45.82	-1.31
MarlntA	.34	64.59	-.37
MarshM	.68m	29.80	-.79
MStewrt	**...**	**20.39**	**-1.50**
Masco	.80f	34.12	+.17
MassCp	**2.16e**	**27.60**	**-.40**
MasseyEn	.16	42.98	-.88
Mattel	.45f	20.35	+.01
Maxtor	...	5.39	+.14
MayDS	.96	36.46	-.29
Maytag	.72	14.22	+.07
McCorm	**.64f**	**34.21**	**-2.55**
McDnlds	**.55f**	**31.45**	**-.23**
McGrH	1.32f	87.80	-.28
McKesson	.24	37.40	+.25
McAfee	...	23.16	-.34
MeadWvco	.92	32.79	+.31
MedcoHlth	...	46.95	+.60
Medtronic	.12	d29.05	-.06
Medtmic	.34	51.84	-1.22
MellonFnc	.72	28.96	-.18
Merck	1.52	31.98	+.14
MerrillLyn	.64	58.64	-.75
MetLife	.46f	38.51	-.83
MGM s	...	11.93	+.02
MichStr s	**.28**	**34.54**	**-.32**
MicronT	...	10.10	-.12
MitsuTkyo	.06e	9.13	-.05
MobileTel s	.55e	36.04	+.54
Monsnto	.68f	59.49	-.16
MorgStan	1.08	55.70	-1.31
Muniyld	**.99**	**13.83**	**-.08**
Mykrolis	...	14.16	+.38
MylanLab	.12	17.69	-.07
NRG Egy	...	36.02	-1.38
NatlCity	1.40	33.00	-.71
NatGrid	**1.84e**	**46.74**	**+.03**
NOilVarco	...	48.39	-.49
NatSemi s	.08	20.29	-.16
Navistar	...	39.15	-.35
NwCentFn	6.20f	45.12	-.08
NY CmtyB	1.00	18.14	-.11
NewellRub	.84	21.03	-.05
NewmtM	.40	42.71	-.81
NewsCpA n	.16e	17.47	-.42
NewsCpB n	.06e	17.90	-.46
NiSource	.92	22.39	-.34
NikeB	1.00	82.54	-1.36
NobleCorp	...	56.20	+.03
NokiaCp	.44e	15.69	-.27
NorflkSo	.44f	u38.20	+.42
NortelNet	...	2.82	+.03
NoFrkBc s	.88	27.49	-1.01
NorthrpG s	.92	52.41	-.09
Novartis	.86e	46.81	-.59
NovaStar5	.60a	36.81	-1.55
Nucor s	.60f	u62.63	-.70
NvMAd	**1.00a**	**14.85**	**-.20**
NvPMI	**.89a**	**13.54**	**-.07**
NuvPI	**.92**	**13.88**	**-.07**
NSTFI3	**.65a**	**12.75**	**-.11**
NTXQI	**.92**	**14.82**	**-.43**
OcciPet	**1.24f**	**71.17**	**-1.45**
OfficDpt	...	22.78	-.02
OfficeMax	.60	33.49	-.23
Owensill	...	24.73	+.17
P-Q-R			
PG&E Cp	1.20	34.35	-.72
PMI Grp	.18	39.22	-.59
PNC	2.00	51.61	-.33
PanASat	n.04p	17.50	-.20
ParTch	**...**	**14.54**	**+.14**
ParkDrl	...	5.78	+.33
PeabdyE	.60	97.27	-1.83
Penney	.50	46.30	-.09
PenRE	**2.16**	**39.93**	**-.08**
PepsiBott	.20	27.63	-.21
PepsiCo	.92	52.10	-.46
PetrbrsA	.71e	37.73	-1.05
Petrobrs	2.80e	43.25	-1.32
Pfizer	**.76f**	**25.42**	**-.29**
PhelpD	1.00	104.37	-1.53
PioNtrl	.20	42.66	-.43
PlacerD	.10	16.30	-.64
PlainsAA	**2.45f**	**39.91**	**-.87**
PogoPd	**.25**	**48.37**	**-.44**
Praxair	.72f	47.55	+.14
Premcor	.08	58.89	+.66
PrideIntl	...	25.80	-.11
PrinFncl	.55	37.90	-.60
ProctG s	**1.00**	**52.05**	**-.69**
ProgrssEn	2.36	41.10	-.90
Providian	...	17.50	-.12
Prudentl	.63f	57.05	-2.00
PulteHm	.20	72.71	+.34
Quiksilver	**...**	**29.74**	**-3.46**
QwestCm	...	3.77	-.08
RadioShk	.25	24.30	-.19
Raytheon	.80	37.92	-.23
RegionsF n	1.36f	32.25	-.51
ReliantEn	...	11.40	-.18
ReynldsAm	3.80	77.95	-.07
Rhodia	.52e	2.25	+.03
RiteAid	...	3.90	-.18
Rowan	**.25e**	**29.97**	**+.07**
RylCarb	.52	44.36	-1.41
RoyalDut	2.26e	60.91	-1.00
Ryland s	.24	64.27	+.06
S-T-U			
SAP AG	.24e	39.31	-.37
SBC Com	1.29	23.04	-.17
SLM Cp	.76	50.52	+.36
STMicro	.12e	16.82	-.12
SabnR	2.88e	37.90	-1.22
SabreHold	.36f	21.06	-.61
Safeway	...	17.92	-.24
StJoe	.56	68.82	-.48
StJude s	...	37.06	+.36
StPaulTrav	.88	35.89	-.52
Saks	2.00e	15.56	-.31
SalmSBF	**.14e**	**12.57**	**-.15**
SaraLee	.79	21.36	-.08
SchergPl	.22	17.94	+.26
Schlmb	.84f	71.52	+.35
Schwab	.08	10.18	-.20
ScAtlanta	.04	27.66	-.79
SeagateT	.32f	19.47	-.36
Sears	.92	57.74	-.24
SempraEn	1.16f	39.46	-1.08
SilcnGph	...	1.17	+.03
SimonProp	2.80f	60.17	-1.60
SmithIntl	.48	62.55	-.07
Smucker	1.00	48.65	-.55
Solectm	...	4.50	-.07
SonyCp	.24e	41.47	+.64
Sothbys	...	15.76	+.43
SouthnCo	1.43	31.50	-.40
SwstAirl	.02	14.12	-.19
SprntFON	.50	22.56	-.55
StateStr	.68	43.95	-.49
StewStev	.34	u22.66	+.23
sT Gold n	...	42.65	-.44
Stryker s	.09	46.11	+.45
Suncor g	.24	u40.30	+.11
SunGard	...	u31.75	+.68
Sunoco	1.60f	100.61	-1.40
SunTrst	2.20f	70.71	-1.45
Supvalu	.61	32.21	+.09
SymbolT	.02	14.62	-.30
Sysco	.60	33.88	+1.24
TECO	.76	15.40	-.44
TJX	.18	24.30	-.14
TXU Corp	2.25	77.55	-2.26
TaiwSemi	.09e	8.28	-.17
Target	.32	50.44	+.16
TelNorL	.73e	15.10	-.36
TelefEsp	**1.47e**	**53.05**	**-.37**
TelMexL	1.20e	35.03	-.36
TelspCel	...	d5.79	-.26
TempleInl	1.80f	80.89	-.91
TenetHlt	...	10.52	-.01
Teradyn	...	14.41	-.17
Tesoro	...	34.84	-.21
TexInst	.10	25.00	-.22
ThermoEl	...	25.33	-.66
Thornbg	**2.72f**	**28.02**	**-.26**
3M Co	1.68f	85.38	-.29
Tidwtr	.60	39.52	+.34
Tiffany	.24	32.67	-.33
TimeWarn	...	18.05	-.37
TollBros	...	76.85	+.68
Too Inc	...	23.85	-.55
Trchmrk	**.44**	**50.82**	**-1.19**
ToyRU	...	26.09	+.03
Transocn	...	u50.20	+1.22
TriContl	**.20f**	**17.57**	**-.16**
TriadH	...	45.28	+.31
Turkcell s	.13e	15.87	+.57
TycoIntl	.40	34.76	+.07
TylerTech	**...**	**7.28**	**-.18**
Tyson	.16	16.87	-.20
UICI	**.50a**	**25.90**	**-.25**
USEC	.55	u18.33	+.49
UnionPac1	**.20**	**u69.35**	**+3.28**
Unisys	...	d6.76	-.12
UDefnse	.13p	73.40	+.30
UtdMicro	.32f	3.26	-.07
UPS B	1.32f	73.00	-.48
US Bancrp	1.20	28.40	-.61
USSteel	.32f	55.79	-.62
UtdTech	1.76f	102.74	-1.09
UtdHlthGp	.03	92.05	+.42
Univision	...	26.93	-.77
Unocal	**.80**	**60.74**	**-1.06**
UnumProv	.30	17.20	-.61
V-W-X-Y-Z			
ValeroE s	.32	69.03	+.36
Ventas	1.44f	25.64	-.70
VerizonCm	1.62f	34.46	-.49
ViacomB	.28	35.50	-.73
VintgPt	.20	u34.10	+.51
Visteon	...	5.89	+.01
Vodafone	.55e	26.35	-.30
VulcanM1	**1.16f**	**56.52**	**+.53**
Wachovia	1.84	49.91	-1.10
WalMart	.60f	d50.90	-.27
Walgrn	**.21**	**u45.75**	**+.48**
WalterInd	.16	u45.72	+1.32
WA Mutl	1.84f	39.71	-.71
WsteMInc	.80f	29.39	+.12
Weathflnt	...	58.37	+.54
WellPoint	...	122.10	+1.81
WellsFrgo	1.92	58.38	-.81
Wendys	.54f	39.18	-.33
WDigitl	...	u11.91	-.14
WstnGR s	**.20**	**35.65**	**-.27**
Weyerh	1.60	68.64	+.12
Whirlpl	1.72	67.02	+.42
WmsCos	.20	18.41	-.39
WmsSon	...	36.59	+1.51
Winnbgo	.28	32.33	+.03
Wyeth	**.92**	**40.40**	**+1.49**
XTO Egy s	.20	33.00	-.64
XcelEngy	.83	16.91	-.32
Xerox	...	14.71	+.27
YumBrds	.40	50.98	+.03
Zimmer	...	79.70	-.54

A DAY ON WALL STREET



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NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Citigrp	439617	44.44	-1.32
Lucent	419320	2.74	-.07
GnMotr	313610	29.54	-.15
AmIntGp	291820	56.20	-1.70
Pfizer	245697	25.42	-.29

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Chiquta wt	9.78	+1.01	+11.5
Delphi pfA	18.88	+1.43	+8.2
KrspKrm	8.87	+.66	+8.0
Baimco	11.28	+.80	+7.6
Zapata	72.95	+4.84	+7.1

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Quiksilver	29.74	-3.46	-10.4
EnerSys n	12.20	-1.06	-8.0
McCorm vot	34.00	-2.65	-7.2
McCorm	34.21	-2.55	-6.9
MStewrt	20.39	-1.50	-6.9

DIARY

Advanced	946
Declined	2,379
Unchanged	122
Total issues	3,447
New Highs	61
New Lows	80
Volume	2,117,180,520

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
SPDR	849997	116.90	-1.20
SemiHTr	262164	32.04	-.44
SP Fncl	200970	28.18	-.53
iShRs2000	152534	123.10	-.85
iShJapan	126225	10.82	-.07

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CoreMold	4.54	+1.28	+39.3
Oragenic n	2.25	+.43	+23.6
EmersonR	3.39	+.29	+9.4
AlldHldg	2.28	+.16	+8.6
TriValley	10.67	+.82	+8.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
MexcoEn	9.92	-1.43	-12.6
HyperSp n	3.75	-.44	-10.5
Gurunet n	18.20	-1.79	-9.0
ArenaR wt	6.40	-.60	-8.6
Milestone	3.35	-.27	-7.5

DIARY

Advanced	333
Declined	600
Unchanged	81
Total issues	1,014
New Highs	13
New Lows	29
Volume	328,454,625

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Nasd100Tr	1093542	36.13	-.45
Microsoft	1008405	23.99	-.21
SunMicro	822676	4.03	-.18
Cisco	539340	17.92	-.02
Intel	485227	23.02	-.48

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
EliteKLtd	3.75	+1.83	+95.4
UFP Tch	5.95	+1.38	+30.2
StFncl	36.42	+6.41	+21.4
EdgarOnl wt	2.00	+.35	+20.9
Forward	11.41	+1.78	+18.5

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
GdyFarm	9.05	-1.89	-17.3
AmLckr	5.95	-1.23	-17.1
ElectArts	55.15	-11.20	-16.9
Avistar	2.14	-.39	-15.3
Britesmie	3.44	-.56	-14.0

DIARY

Advanced	1,202
Declined	1,888
Unchanged	140
Total issues	3,230
New Highs	63
New Lows	75
Volume	1,843,877,887

INDEXES

52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Net Chg	% Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
10,984.46	9,708.40	Dow Jones Industrials	10,470.51	-94.88	-.90	-2.90	+4.04
3,889.97	2,743.46	Dow Jones Transportation	3,754.23	+4.76	+.13	-1.15	+35.87
363.82	259.08	Dow Jones Utilities	351.89	-7.02	-1.96	+5.06	+27.41
7,455.08	6,211.33	NYSE Composite	7,158.97	-70.23	-.97	-1.26	+11.54
1,539.14	1,150.74	Amex Index	1,467.50	-3.49	-.24	+2.31	+18.81
2,191.60	1,750.82	Nasdaq Composite	1,989.34	-18.17	-.91	-8.55	+4.60
1,229.11	1,060.72	S&P 500	1,171.71	-12.07	-1.02	-3.32	+7.11
656.11	515.90	Russell 2000	618.58	-2.99	-.48	-5.06	+10.28
12,108.93	10,268.52	Wilshire 5000	11,577.67	-105.95	-.91	-3.29	+8.27

PERMIAN BASIN STOCKS

How stocks of local interest fared

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
ADC Tel	...	25	1.98	-.09	-26.1
Abraxas	**...**	**...**	**2.58**	**+.02**	**+11.2**
AdamsEx	**.93e**	**...**	**12.81**	**-.04**	**-2.4**
AffCmpS	**...**	**18**	**52.12**	**+.57**	**-13.4**
Agere	...	...	1.51	+.05	+10.2
Akzo	**1.44e**	**...**	**44.70**	**+.32**	**+5.2**
AmIntGp	.50	13	56.20	-1.70	-14.4
Amgen	**...**	**32**	**58.18**	**+.11**	**-9.3**
Anadrk	**.72f

AROUND TOWN

■ **Midland Odessa Christian Women's Club** is to meet 11:15 a.m. April 5 at Green Tree Country Club. Guest speakers are to be Karen Norris, musical therapist with Rays of Hope Grief Centre, and Leslie Kinchen of Waco. Cost of the luncheon is $11. A free nursery is provided at a local church and mothers are asked to bring a sack lunch for their child. For more information, or to make luncheon and nursery reservations call Linda at 694-7014 or Alva at 520-4502.

■ The **stamp club** will meet 7 p.m. March 31 in conference room at general mail facility at Midland International Airport. For more information, call Mike at 699-0202.

■ Bill Engvall of the Blue Collar Comedy Tour and Blue Collar TV is to perfrom 8 p.m. April 16 at Chaparral Center for the benefit of the **Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center.** Tickets are $22 and $27.50 and are available at Ski Skeller and Luskey's, 42nd Street and Dixie in Odessa, online at www.centralticketoffice.com or by calling 1-800-462-7979.

■ **National Osteoporosis Foundation Permian Basin Support Group** is to meet 1 p.m. March 30 at Mabee Aquatic Center. For more information, call Janet Rutledge at 684-7755 or 697-4981.

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Editor's Note: To be included in Around Town, events and meetings must be open to the public.

Decorate cake for festive look

Associated Press

Shredded coconut and almond paste give this cake a rich texture and taste, and a little easy decoration can add a light, festive look. Frost with whipped cream, scatter tiny pastel candy flowers over it, or dust with powdered sugar for a special finish. For Easter, perhaps circle the cake plate with miniature colored-marzipan eggs.

"Things with coconut just remind me of Easter," recipe developer Pam Simmons says, "and I am not sure why, except it's the only time of the year our family, or my husband's family, serves anything with coconut, like ambrosia and coconut custard pie. Or perhaps it's the time of the year one can buy coconut-filled Easter eggs, which are my favorite."

This year, she says, her family's Easter desserts will include her new coconut almond cake.

Note: You will need an electric mixer and a 9-inch springform pan.

Coconut Almond Cake
45 to 48 minutes to bake, 20 minutes to assemble

7-ounce package almond paste, grated
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup butter (1 stick), room-temperature
6 large eggs
1/2 teaspoon coconut extract
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 cup sweetened, shredded coconut flakes
1/2 cup coconut milk
For frosting:
1 1/4 cups heavy (whipping) cream
1/4 cup powdered sugar
Optional garnish: tiny candy flowers, shredded coconut

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Grease and flour pan.

Beat grated almond paste and sugar on low speed until combined into small crumbs. Add butter and beat on high until well mixed. Add eggs one at a time, beating between each addition. Add coconut extract and beat on high for 3 minutes.

In a medium-sized bowl whisk together flour, baking powder and salt. Add coconut flakes and mix until combined. Add coconut milk and flour mixture to almond-paste mixture. Mix on low speed until just combined. Pour batter into prepared pan.

Bake 45 to 48 minutes or until toothpick inserted near center pulls out clean.

Cool pan on wire rack for 10 minutes and unmold ring. Cool cake completely before frosting.

To make frosting: Beat cream until frothy. Add sugar and beat until cream will hold firm peaks.

For an extra pretty presentation divide cake in half, and frost middle, top and sides of cake. Decorate with tiny, pastel-colored candy flowers, or garnish with extra shredded coconut, as desired.

EASTER

(From 1D)

salt until soft peaks form. Gradually add sugar; beat until stiff peaks form. Fold in the vanilla, pecans and remaining cracker crumbs.

Spread the meringue onto the bottom and up the sides of prepared pan. Bake at 300 degrees for 45 minutes. Turn oven off and do not open door; let cool in the oven overnight.

Melt chocolate and butter; drizzle over shell. Let stand 15 minutes or until set. Top with berries. Whip the cream and confectioners' sugar until soft peaks form; spoon over berries.

Rainbow Egg Cookies
From "Betty Crocker Celebrate"

1 pouch (1 pound 1.5 ounces) sugar cookie mix
1/2 cup butter or margarine, melted
1/4 cup all purpose flour
1 egg
3 food colors
White coarse sugar crystals or granulated sugar, if desired
1/2 tub (16-ounce size) vanilla ready-to-spread frosting

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Stir cookie mix, margarine, flour and egg until soft dough forms. Divide dough evenly among three bowls. Tint each dough by stirring in a few drops of desired food color.

Shape 1/3 cup of each color of dough into a rope about 5 inches long and 1 inch in diameter. Place ropes side by side and a little more than 1/4 inch apart on floured surface; roll until 1/4 inch thick. Cut with 2 to 2 1/2 inch egg-shaped cookie cutter so each cookie has three colors. Sprinkle with sugar. Place 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Repeat with remaining dough. When rerolling dough scraps, carefully lay matching colors together. For marbled cookies, mix colors of dough scraps, but do not mix colors too much or they will not be distinct.

Bake 7 to 9 minutes or until edges are light golden brown. Cool 1 minute; remove from cookie sheet to wire rack. Cool completely, about 30 minutes. Spread frostings on bottoms of half the cookies. Top with remaining cookies.

Orange Cake
From "Vineyard Seasons"

Orange filling:
6 tablespoons sugar
1 1/2 tablespoons cornstarch
Pinch of salt
1/2 cup water
1/2 teaspoon grated orange peel
1/2 cup fresh orange juice
1 egg yolk, slightly beaten
1 tablespoon butter, melted
1/2 cup crushed pineapple

In double boiler, over boiling water, mix sugar, cornstarch and salt. Gradually add water, orange peel and juice, and then egg yolk. Cook, stirring, until smooth and thick. Fold in butter and pineapple. Chill.

Cake:
4 tablespoons butter
1 cup sugar
2 eggs, separated
1 1/2 cups flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
Pinch of salt
1/2 cup fresh orange juice

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cream butter and sugar. Add egg yolks and beat until thick and lemon-colored. With a fork, mix together dry ingredients and add them alternately with the orange juice. Fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Pour into two buttered 8-inch cake pans and bake at 350 for 20 minutes. Cool completely and remove from pans.

Icing:
Zest of 1 orange
Juice of 1 orange
1 1/2 cups powdered sugar
1 teaspoon white rum
Coconut for garnish, optional

Lightly grate rind of orange and bring it and the juice to a boil. Strain the juice and pour as much hot juice over sugar as needed to make right consistency for spreading. Stir in rum.

To assemble cake: Put the chilled filling between layers. Frost with orange icing, allowing some to dribble over the edges. Sprinkle on coconut if you like.

Pebbles Hoppin' Bedrock Bunny Treat
From "Kraft Spring Celebrations"

1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter or margarine
1 package (10 1/2 ounces) mini marshmallows (6 cups)
1 package (13 ounces) Post fruity, cocoa or cinna-crunch Pebbles Cereal (about 8 1/2 cups)
Assorted decorating icings and candies (optional

Spray 4-quart microwavable bowl and two 8 or 9 inch round cake pans with non-stick cooking spray. Microwave butter in prepared bowl on high 45 seconds or until melted. Add marshmallows; stir to coat. Microwave 1 1/2 minutes or until marshmallows are melted and smooth, stirring after 45 seconds. Add cereal; stir with wooden spoon to coat well.

Press cereal mixture firmly and evenly into prepared pans, dividing mixture equally. Cool completely. Remove from pans. Cut one of the rounds as shown; leaving one cereal round whole. Arrange cereal treat pieces on a large tray, cutting board, baking sheet or foil-covered cardboard. Decorate with assorted icings and candies.

Mandarin Orange Salad
From: "Best of Lone Star Legacy"

1 carton (8-ounces) sour cream
1 small package (3-ounces) orange gelatin
1 can (11- ounces) Mandarin slices drained
1 can (20-ounces) crushed pineapple, drained
1 carton (8-ounces) whipped topping, thawed

Mix sour cream and powdered gelatin thoroughly. Add drained fruit to sour cream mixture. Stir in whipped topping. May be served immediately or can be refrigerated for later use. Serves 8.

Variation: use strawberry gelatin, strawberries, and bananas.

Lime Cottage Cheese Salad
From "Annie's Recipes"

1 small package sugar-free lime-flavored gelatin
2 cups boiling water
2 cups cold water
2 tablespoons low-calorie mayonnaise
1 cup low-fat cottage cheese
1 (8-ounce) can crushed water-packed pineapple, drained
Vegetable cooking spray
Lettuce leaves, optional

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water in a medium bowl, stirring well. Stir in cold water. Chill until mixture is the consistency of unbeaten egg white. Fold low-calorie mayonnaise intogelatin mixture. Add cottage cheese and pineapple, stirring well. Pour gelatin mixture into a 6-cup mold coated with cooking spray.

Chill gelatin mixture until firm. Unmold salad into lettuce leaves, if desired. Makes 10 servings.

Lemon Chess Pie
From "Best of the Best of Kentucky"

1 1/2 cups sugar
1 tablespoon flour
2 tablespoons cornmeal
4 eggs
1/2 cup melted butter
4 teaspoons grated lemon rind
1/4 cup milk
1/4 cup lemon juice

Combine sugar, flour, cornmeal and eggs. Blend thoroughly. Add butter, lemon rind, milk and lemon juice. Mix well. Pour into 9-inch unbaked pie shell. Bake in 425-degree oven 10 minutes. Reduce heat to 325 degrees and bake 40 to 45 minutes longer.

Raspberry-White Chocolate Mousse
From "Allrecipes Dinner Tonight"

1 (10-ounce) package frozen raspberries, thawed
2 tablespoons white sugar
2 tablespoons orange liqueur
1 3/4 cups heavy whipping cream, divided
6 ounces white chocolate, chopped
6 drops red food coloring

Process berries in a blender or food processor until smooth. Strain mixture into a small bowl and discard seeds. Add the sugar and liqueur and stir until sugar dissolves.

In a heavy saucepan on low heat, warm 1/4 cup of the cream and the white chocolate, stirring constantly until chocolate melts. Let mixture cool until lukewarm. Stir in 1 tablespoon raspberry sauce and the food coloring. Transfer to a large bowl.

In a medium bowl, whip remaining 1 1/2 cups cream to soft peaks. Fold into melted chocolate mixture, 1/3 at a time, until no streaks remain.

Serve in stemmed clear glass ice cream dishes and top with a raspberry and mint leaf. Yield 4 cups mousse, 1 cup sauce.

Note: Save additional sauce to drizzle on top of mousse or use later as a topping on a cake.

Cherry Macaroon Parfaits
From "Taste of Home Cooking School"

1 package (3.4 ounces) instant vanilla pudding mix
3 cups cold milk
1 can (21 ounces) cherry pie filling
1/4 teaspoon almond extract
6 macaroon cookies, crumbled
Whipped topping, optional

In a bowl, prepare pudding with milk according to package directions. In a small bowl, combine pie filling and almond extract. Alternate layers of pudding, crumbled cookies and fruit filling in parfait or dessert dishes. Garnish with whipped topping if desired.

Yield: 6 servings.

Brownies

What is your favorite brownie? Do you like traditional brownies or do you prefer exotic types with chocolate chunks, marshmallows or other additions?

Send your recipes to: foodetcmrt@aol.com or mail to the Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Avenue, Midland, TX 79701, attn: Food Etc./Joan Huff or fax to 570-7650. Please include your name, phone number and source of the recipe.

Deadline is Friday.

Cooking students learn about maple syrup

MONTPELIER, Vt. (AP) — Maple sugaring season is a favorite time for students at the New England Culinary Institute in Montpelier, a time when this natural and flavorful ingredient is literally flowing in their back yard.

"Maple sugaring means many things to Vermonters, including the thawing of winter and hopes for summer, said NECI chef instructor Bill Koucky. "It's a time to teach our students about one of Vermont's finest delicacies."

Students visit local maple sugar makers to learn how maple sap is collected and boiled down into maple syrup, and they also study cooking with it, in the kitchens of the six restaurants the school operates around Vermont (these kitchens go through 25 gallons of maple syrup a week).

In taste and flavor class, students learn how to use the sweet ingredient in savory creations as well as sweet. Here is one of the institute's recipes adapted for the home cook.

Maple Cream Scones

3 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
3/4 cup cake flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup maple sugar
3 teaspoons baking powder
2 sticks unsalted butter
3 large eggs (for scone mix)
1/2 cup heavy cream
1/2 cup dried currants
1 large egg (for egg wash)
1/2 cup maple syrup

Preheat oven to 325 F.

Sift and mix flours, salt, sugar and baking powder in one bowl.

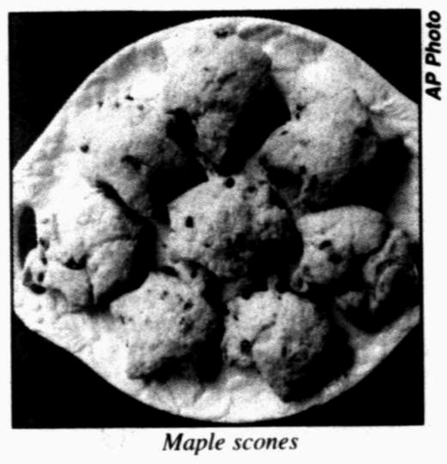
Cut the butter into the dry ingredients, using a pastry cutter until the mixture resembles crumbs.

Beat together 3 eggs and the cream, just until the two ingredients are incorporated. Add the eggs and cream to the dry ingredients. Mix with hands until the dough comes together.

Add currants and mix until the currants are incorporated; do not overmix.

Flour a workspace and roll out the dough to 1 inch thick.

Use a 2 1/2- to 3-inch maple leaf cutter or standard biscuit cutter to cut out scones and place on a parchment-lined cookie sheet. Break 1 egg into a bowl and add a drop or two of water; mix thoroughly and brush on tops of scones. Bake scones for 12 to 15 minutes or until golden.



AP Photo

Maple scones

After scones have cooled, drizzle with maple syrup and serve.

Glaze variation: Mix together 1 cup confectioner's sugar, 2 teaspoons maple syrup and 3 tablespoons milk until smooth. Add more milk if the mixture is too thick or more confectioner's sugar if too thin. Drizzle this glaze on tops of scones.

Makes 8 to 12 scones.

Maple syrup tips

■ When substituting maple syrup for sugar in cooking, syrup is sweeter and adds extra moisture to the recipe.

■ To substitute maple syrup for sugar, generally use only 3/4 cup maple syrup to each cup of sugar.

■ To substitute maple syrup for sugar while baking, use the same proportions, but reduce the other liquid called for in the recipe by about 3 tablespoons for every cup of syrup substituted.

■ Maple syrup can be a good alternative for honey and molasses.

■ Grade B maple syrup has a stronger flavor and will yield more maple flavor in a flour batter. In an icing or other cooking where delicate flavors are required, use Grade A Light, Medium or Dark Amber.

■ Maple syrup can sometimes cause baked goods to brown more quickly than sugar would. To compensate, reduce temperature by 25 degrees.

■ Light maple syrup (Grade A) can be used in drink recipes such as coolers, daiquiris, sours or margaritas that call for simple syrup (or sugar syrup). Using maple syrup is simpler than cooking the mixture of sugar and water needed for simple syrup.

■ Maple syrup can be boiled to produce maple cream, maple sugar and maple candy.

Source: New England Culinary Institute

STARR

(From 1D)

after opening in the fall of 2000. It remains the place to go for Penn recruitment lunches, alumni cocktails and special dates.

Perhaps no Penn student has been as taken with Starr as Jenna Fisher, who ate and drank her way through all 10 of his existing restaurants in a single night to mark her spring 2004 graduation from the Wharton business school.

Fisher, her husband and another couple started with 4 p.m. drinks at Pod and wrapped up — a few thousand dollars later — with a 1 a.m. cosmopolitan at The Continental. Along the way, they sampled marlin rainbow ceviche at Alma de Cuba, orchid-laden sashimi at Morimoto and her favorite Starr menu item, "Dip Sum" doughnuts at Buddakan.

"It was pretty indulgent," admits Fisher, who admires Starr's ability to run so many unique restaurants. There's no one to match him in San Francisco, where she now works as an executive recruiter, she said.

This year, Starr is expanding beyond Philadelphia for the first time, taking the Continental and Buddakan brands to Atlantic City and Buddakan and Morimoto to New York's trendy meatpacking district. And he's eyeing other opportunities, including The Meadowlands in northern New Jersey.

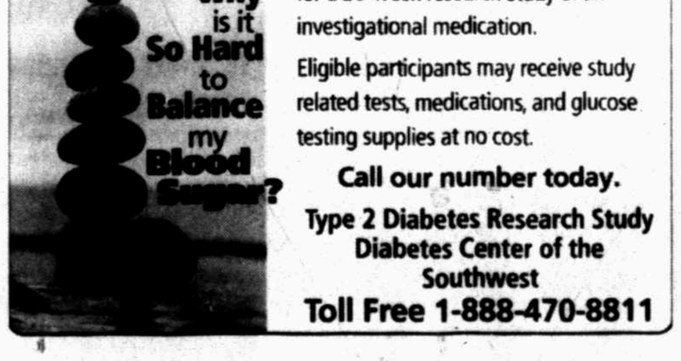
While critics see Atlantic City as a safe bet, they wonder how he'll fare amid stiff competition in New York. And they question the longevity of restaurants that cheekily sell (as Jones does) a slice of Duncan Hines chocolate cake with a glass of milk.

"They probably won't age well," Wilson said. "You can't stay hip forever."

Starr's proteges, though, are now starting well-reviewed bistros and BYOBs of their own.

And less than a decade after opening The Continental, Starr finds himself reflecting on his legacy.

"I believe we really changed the way the city dines and goes out at night," he said. "And that's great, and I'm very happy about it, and it's a little scary."



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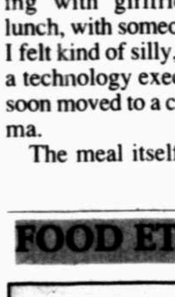
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Cooks have options besides regular table salt

By Debr Hale-Shelton
For AP Weekly Features

CONWAY, Ark. — Adding salt "to taste" isn't so simple in these days of specialty foods, exotic ingredients — and probably more kinds of salt than you, and certainly your grandmother, ever dreamed of.

Salt connoisseurs aren't just shaking out the stuff. They're carefully "pinching" it, savoring the texture and color as much as the taste of often-coarse, usually hand-harvested crystals of white, pink, red, gray, golden, even black salt.

Take Rob Seideman, owner of the Internet business Salt Traders, www.salttraders.com. He and his wife and business partner, Kelly Hall, keep 14 kinds of salt in their kitchen pantry.

"I have them all in my kitchen because there is no such thing as the best salt," Seideman says, interviewed by phone. "There is only the best salt for the purpose at hand."

Visit a specialty food store, and you can find everything from sea salt to flake salt, smoked salt to rock salt, kosher salt to table salt. There's fine and coarse salt. There's even salt like the Vikings once made.

There's inexpensive salt for routine cooking, and wallet-busting salt best used as a precious garnish.

The salt from France known as fleur de sel is the delicate-flavored pale "caviar of salt," says Patty Erd, co-owner of The Spice House in Chicago, Evanston, Ill., and Milwaukee. It smells of the sea and violets and is excellent as a garnish on roasted asparagus or cherry tomatoes.

There's the golden-brown, almost jewel-like Danish Viking smoked sea salt. Seideman was recently selling an ounce of it for $9.75. It's so delectable and unusual in taste that Seideman says, "I don't refer to it as my favorite salt because it's so much more than a salt. I really refer to it more as my favorite ingredient." He suggests using it as a dry rub for meat. Some restaurants use it to give other foods a smoked taste.

Indeed, I found the Viking salt to be the one of several sampled that was so delicious and aromatic (it conjured up for me a favorite back-home barbecue spot) that I not only ate a few stand-alone crystals but reached for seconds.



SPECIAL SALTS Five kinds of salt are displayed at Rob Seideman's home in Aspen, Colo., on March 2. Clockwise from left, they are Hawaiian red alae, Danish Viking smoked salt, Cyprus sea salt flakes, Cyprus Black sea salt flakes, and Australian Murray River salt flakes. Salt connoisseurs savor the texture and color as much as the taste of often-coarse, usually hand-harvested crystals of white, pink, red, gray, golden, even black salt that are now available.

Photos by Jim Noelker/AP

Unlike many other salts, this one, created with evaporated seawater and a smoky fire of juniper, cherry, elm, beech and oak, has a mild yet full taste. My palate is in good company: A Saveur magazine article described the Viking salt as tasting "like a bonfire."

Some salts are as exquisite in color as taste.

There's peach-colored salt from the Australian Murray River, which gets its water from the snowy Australian Alps. This salt's light flakes have a mild flavor and work well as a finishing salt, on a baked potato for instance.

There's Hawaiian red alae sea salt, which appears apricot when fine rather than coarse. It has a strong, more lasting taste and makes for a gorgeous presentation. The salt, after being dried, is combined with baked Hawaiian red clay for added minerals. Chef Tom Colicchio of New York City's Gramercy Tavern finishes white-fleshed turbot with it.

This salt and Hawaiian black lava sea salt, evaporated with purified black lava rock to add minerals and then combined with activated charcoal for color and detoxifying effects, are the hottest-selling salts at the Spice House, which offers 13 varieties of salt.

Seideman says one New York restaurant serves slivers of raw black bass sprinkled with black lava sea salt. He also suggests trying it rimmed on the glass of a mango margarita.

Seideman acknowledges that basically "salt is salt" — 97 percent sodium chloride to be specific.

Still, there are distinct taste differences, related to the crystals' color, texture and shape. Seideman likens salt to Parmesan cheese: Put cheese shavings on one salad and finely grated cheese on another, and the salads will taste different even though the cheese came from the same wedge. "Salt is the same way," he says.

"Texture is critical to all good cooking," he points out. "It's why a baked potato topped with butter and sour cream tastes different than mashed potatoes made with the very same ingredients."

Seideman explains that salts, depending on the region from which they come, have widely varying crystalline structures and, hence, the decidedly different textures and tastes.

Like a good wine, pairing is important.

"If you take a hundred-dollar bottle of wine and you pair it incorrectly," Seideman says, "it is not going to taste good." The same goes for salt.

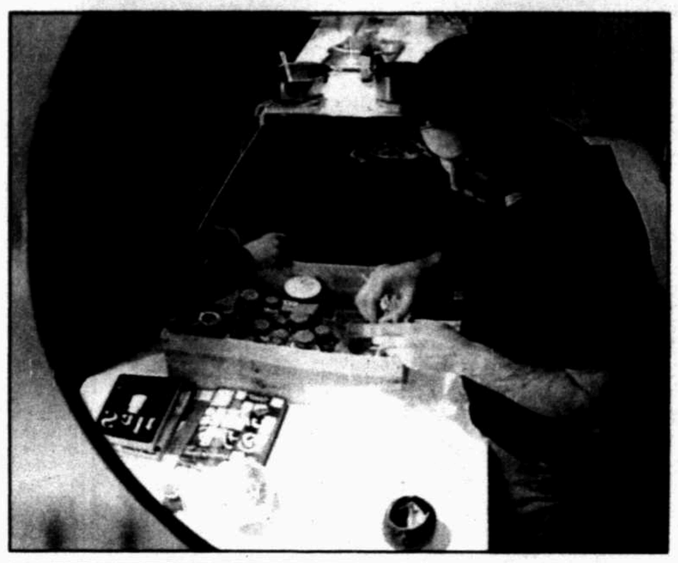
Some chefs, for example, sprinkle fleur de sel on top of chocolate cake — a topping that in Seideman's opinion is better than icing. But take care: He warns that sel gris (gray salt) will ruin that cake, although "There's nothing better sprinkled on broiled, buttery prawns than moist and crunchy sel gris."

Or consider the lovely Peruvian pink salt, harvested from a spring 10,000 feet high in the Andes Mountains and hauled down on burros. It may look genteel. But it has a very mineral taste and would be far better on "a big fat piece of tenderloin" or on raw vegetables, such as thick slices of a Jersey tomato.

When it comes to making french fries or homemade tortilla chips, items where "saltiness is key," Seideman says you can't beat Mexican Benequenes, a white salt originating from a small brine well more than 2,000 years old. The brine is "cooked" in iron pangas (huge skillets) atop wood-burning adobe ovens. As the salt forms, it is packed into straw-matting tubes, which form benequenes, or loaves of salt.

Erd believes smoked salts will be "the next wave of the salt movement." She recently was adding two such salts to her inventory: fumee de sel, or chardonnay- and oak-smoked fleur de sel, and a Balinese sea salt smoked over a fire of coconut shells covered with kaffir lime leaves. This latter process makes for a crispy flavor without the aftertaste that a liquid smoke might have, she explains.

Mike Zoske, too, who cofounded the Redmond, Wash.-based SaltWorks which does 60 to 70 percent of its business on the Internet, has noticed the growing popularity of smoked salts. "Our biggest gourmet food salt right now is Alderwood smoked salt, which we smoke ourselves," also using chardonnay and oak chips, he says.





SALT EXPERT ABOVE: Salt specialist Rob Seideman — reflected in an overhead mirror — works in his Aspen, Colo., kitchen where he teaches cooking classes. LEFT: Seideman uses smoked sea salt in barbecued baby back ribs.

Zoske says his company's gourmet salt sales have risen fourfold in the past year.

"People are always looking for something new and something different, and it finally worked its way to salt," he says.

Seideman uses Danish Viking smoked sea salt in the following rib recipe, adapted from his Web site.

Barbecued Baby Back Ribs

2 racks ribs
2 tablespoons smoked sea salt
1/4 cup red wine vinegar
1/4 cup Worcestershire sauce
1/2 cup freshly squeezed lemon juice, about 2 lemons
3/4 cup water
12-ounce jar chili sauce
3 tablespoons plus 1 teaspoon yellow mustard
1/2 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup ketchup

Place ribs bone-side down in a high-sided baking dish. Add about 1/2 inch of water. (You don't want to cover the ribs so that they stew. You just want them sitting in enough water that they will steam.) Season the ribs with the smoked salt. Cover very tightly with foil, and place in a preheated 325-degree oven for 2 to 2 1/2 hours.

Meanwhile, combine remaining ingredients in a bowl to make barbecue sauce.

When ribs are done, remove from oven. Place on the grill and baste with the sauce as they cook. Grill until crispy.

Makes 4 servings.

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Stephen Starr's restaurants define Philadelphia nightlife

By Maryclaire Dale
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Marcy Rost was out for lunch at a hot new restaurant near her office when she found herself in an awkward spot.

As the Center City lunch crowd streamed in, Rost and her colleague were led to a table on the second-story mezzanine, where they were seated in hanging rattan basket chairs.

Rost started swaying. In a suit. With an order of soup in mind.

"It would be fun, maybe, if it was Friday night and I was drinking with girlfriends. But for lunch, with someone I work with, I felt kind of silly," said Rost, 42, a technology executive who was soon moved to a chair on terra firma.

The meal itself, at impresario Stephen Starr's $8 million Continental Midtown, did not disappoint. "The food was amazing," Rost said.

Her experience suggests both the appeal — and the occasional risk — of Starr's high-concept restaurants, which have become synonymous with Philadelphia nightlife.

Pod, Buddakan, Alma de Cuba, El Vez, Morimoto — when suburban couples or Center City colleagues want a night on the town in Philadelphia, they almost invariably enter Starr's hip, playful universe.

Pod, a '60s-era space odyssey where sushi arrives by conveyer belt, helped revitalize the University of Pennsylvania's once-dim West Philadelphia campus when it opened four years ago.

Zagat voters named pan-Asian Buddakan the city's most popular restaurant last year, and Cuban-themed Alma de Cuba and Morimoto (of "Iron Chef" fame) ranked eighth and ninth.

At witty El Vez and regal Striped Bass, Starr brought life back to darkened restaurants that failed in other hands. And the $100 Kobe beef cheesesteak has grabbed headlines for new steakhouse Barclay Prime.

"There's him and then there's everybody else in terms of restaurateurs in Philadelphia. He basically is Philadelphia dining," said food and travel writer Jason Wilson, who reviewed Starr's kitschy, comfort-food diner, Jones, last year for Philadelphia Magazine.

The 50-year-old Starr — a TV repairman's son from South Jersey who studied radio, TV and film at Temple University — booked concerts early in his career and talks of capping it off with a turn as a film producer. But for now, he spends 15 hours a day running his sprawling, 1,100-employee empire.

Starr views restaurants as stage sets, and gives each a unique design element to inspire buzz: the glittery motorcycle above the bar at El Vez; the giant martini olives adorning booths at The Continental; the massive, golden Buddha that lords over diners at Buddakan.

"My job is to get people in the restaurant. I promise every manager that the day we open we will be packed," Starr said. "The managers have to make sure they keep coming back."

His first restaurant, The Continental, debuted in the Old City neighborhood in 1997, luring the young and stylish to its martini bar. But the focus — like Starr's — increasingly moved to the food, and today the retro diner draws a lunchtime crowd for gyro popsicles ($14), crab pad Thai ($9.75) and bottled water ($4.50).

In comparison, at Striped Bass, which Starr took over from bankrupt rival Neil Stein last year, the expense-account set can savor wild striped bass with caviar ($36) and a bottle of Chateauneuf du Pape ($83-$190) amid the marble gravitas of a former bank near Rittenhouse Square.

"It's less me than my other restaurants," said Starr, who wants to steer his company toward more casual dining.

Starr has made mistakes along the way, including poor hires, cost overruns and failed concepts like a French bistro and Russian bar, but he's survived through volume and venture-capital funding. The 275-seat Continental Midtown should take in $13 million alone this year.

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Stephen Starr, owner of 10 Philadelphia-area restaurants

His success is not only good for Starr and his backers, it's helped fuel the resurgence of once-struggling neighborhoods. When University of Pennsylvania officials sought to anchor their emerging retail district in the late 1990s, they banked on Starr to make a splash.

Pod vaulted to icon status soon

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EASTER SWEETS Easter treats include Pebbles Hoppin' Bedrock Bunny Treat, from left, orange cake and mandarine orange salad.

Light, fluffy desserts are on Easter menu

By Joan Huff

Colors as varied as the assortment of Easter eggs delivered by the Easter bunny can be included in the dessert you serve for your Easter meal. Pastels, vibrant reds and other hues will make everyone feel that spring has truly arrived.

Light and fluffy desserts are on the menu for this time of year — fruit-filled, aromatic cakes, airy meringues, mousses and parfaits.

The recipe for "Strawberry Meringue Pie" uses a meringue crust instead of a traditional dough pie crust. Strawberries and chocolate are then layered on top of this for a unique dessert.

Here are two recipes that are specifically geared toward having the kids help in the preparation. "Rainbow Egg Cookies" can be made any color your children can imagine. Three different strips of dough are made, dyed, and rolled out side by side. Using egg-shaped or other Easter cookie cutters, cut the cookies, making sure to get all three colors in your cookie. The recipe says to bake them and then ice one and top with another one, but you could make single-layer cookies and sprinkle them with sugar if you prefer.



Midlander Joan Huff collects recipes and enjoys cooking and entertaining with her family. She may be reached at foodetcmrt@aol.com.

Many of us remember the bunny-shaped cake we made as kids using two round cake pans. Try this variation using colorful fruity cereal. Use one round for the bunny's head and cut the ears and bow tie out of the other one as shown in the photo. Decorate with assorted candies and you have a vibrant centerpiece and a flavorful dessert the kids will enjoy. Kids may need some supervision when melting the marshmallows in the microwave, but other than that, this recipe is very kid-friendly. When working with melted marshmallows and cereal; it is easier to stir the mixture if you will first spray your wooden spoon with non-stick cooking spray. Also, when pressing the mixture into the pans, hold a piece of waxed paper that has been sprayed. This will eliminate the mixture from sticking to everything.

I made the "Orange Cake" and we all thought it had a wonderful orange flavor. I have to admit that I used store-bought orange juice instead of fresh squeezed as called for in the recipe. This cut down on the time required making the cake. I made the filling and cake at night and assembled it the next morning. I would suggest removing the cake from the refrigerator about 15 or 20 minutes before serving.

If you are not a dessert type person, try a salad instead. Two such recipes are "Mandarin Orange Salad," which is very simple to make and can be served immediately. Personally, I like this salad better if you refrigerate it before serving so it is cold. You can also substitute strawberries and bananas for the oranges and pineapple. The "Lime Cottage Cheese Salad" is low-calorie, but by looking at the fluffy combination of fruits and cottage cheese, you would never know it.

Strawberry Meringue Pie
From Taste of Home
June/July 1997"

1/3 cup finely crushed saltines (about 12 crackers), divided
3 egg whites
1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar
1/8 teaspoon salt
1 cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/2 cup chopped pecans, toasted
1 package (4 ounces) German sweet chocolate
2 tablespoons butter
4 cups strawberries, halved
1 cup whipping cream
2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar

Sprinkle 2 tablespoons cracker crumbs into a greased 9-inch pie plate. In a mixing bowl, beat egg whites, cream of tartar and

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Billy Jerald Dillon deceased, were issued to Myrlene Dillon, Independent Executrix, on March 4, 2005, in the proceeding styled "Estate of Billy Jerald Dillon," Deceased," No. P14,453 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, which is still pending and that said person now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in Midland County, Texas are hereby required to present the same to said Independent Executrix at #4 Churchill Way, Midland, Texas 79705 before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such Estate is closed, and within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Myrlene Dillon, Independent Executrix of the Estate of Billy Jerald Dillon, Deceased, Cause No. P14,453 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

The deadline for applications from nonprofit 501c(3) Health and Human Services organizations desiring to participate in the Combined Federal Campaign in Ector and Midland Counties is changed from April 1, 2005 to 5:00pm., April 15, 2005. All other information in the application kits that were distributed remains unchanged.

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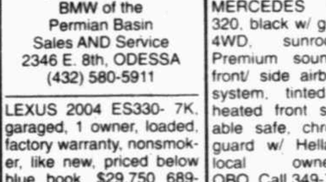
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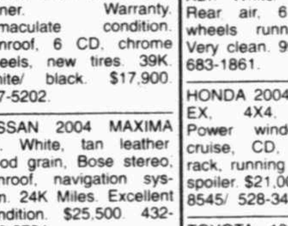
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310 General Help Wanted

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310 General Help Wanted

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RN Director of Nursing

Do you like working with the elderly? Would you like working in a small nursing home? Then, come to Alpine Valley Care Center. Alpine Valley Care is non-profit home located at 1003 Loop Road in Alpine, Texas. Come and share your love and skills with the elderly of the Tri-county area. Alpine Valley is accepting applications for a DON. For immediate consideration fax your resume to 432-837-7076 or call 432-837-3343. Alpine Valley Care Center is an E.O.E.

310 General Help Wanted

Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation

Field Unit Supervisor
Garden City Zone Office
127 Keathley
www.tx.bollweevil.org

Desirable qualifications:
•Cotton Background
•Ability to relate to public
•Supervisory skills
•Strong computer skills

Must have valid driver's license and be insurable under the Foundation's fleet insurance policy.

Reply to:
HR Dept., P.O. Box 5089
Abilene, TX 79608
Fax: (325) 672-5034
Email: jobs@txbollweevil.org

Equal Opportunity Employer
Drug-Free Workplace
Pre-employment drug testing required

THE BAR is now accepting applications for waitstaff, Lunch only and or evening shifts. Apply between 8- 10am or 2- 4pm Monday- Saturday. No phone calls!

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60 Vending Units.
Prime locations,
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WORK AROUND your schedule. Earn $450- $1,500 monthly part time or $2,000- $4,500 full time. www.OurAnswer.com

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ALBERTSONS Pharmacy is looking for full/ part time Certified Technician. Contact Pharmacy at 689-8708 or come by 3317 North Midland Drive.

HIRED

CNA- Six months experience with Dementia Alzheimers. Bilingual helpful. Current on CNA, CPR, TB and drivers license. Will drive bus. No nights, no weekends. Call (XXX)XXX-XXXX

DENTAL ASSISTANT Experienced Only For fast pace office. Top pay! Fax resume to 325-224-4085.

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Our friendly family dental practice has an immediate opening for a responsible, energetic, chairside assistant with at least 3 years experience. Call 682-0786 between 9:00am and 3:00pm Tuesday through Thursday for more information.

LAB TECHNICIAN needed for doctor's office. Mail resume to P.O. Box 4935, Midland, TX 79704.

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NEEDED LVN/ RN's Full and part time for Pediatric cases in Midland. Also nurses needed for Medicare visits. Competitive pay and benefits available. Complete Home Health Care, (432)570-8899 or come by 2402 W. Wall, Midland.

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Hilton Midland Plaza
117 Wall
Midland, TX 79701

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BILLING CLERK. Experience with QuickBooks, Excel required. Top pay and benefits with local growing company. Send resume to Box M-1027 c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

EXPERIENCED BOOKKEEPER needed for busy office. Quickbooks and P.O.S. software, Accounts Receivable/ Payables and payroll experience a must. Mail resume to P.O. Box 11323, Midland, TX 79702.

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Other restrictions may apply, ask consultant for details.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

→NEW TODAY←
LAWN MOWER and bar-b- q pit for sale. 689-7235.

PATIO TABLE and 4 chairs. Table has glass top. Great condition. $100. 684-6151.

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SMALL OUTDOOR Little Tikes plastice slide. Good condition. $20. 699-6166.

2 CEMETERY PLOTS at Resthaven North $1,200 for both. Gary 683-8774 or 557-1927.

GRACO PAK-n-play. Bassinet/ play pen. Like new, $50. Call (432)684-1173 after 10 am.

25 HUNTING/ OUTDOOR books (antique- new). $175 set OBO. 520-2357.

TREES! TREES! TREES! Delivered and Planted. (432)685-5058

HONDA 21 inch self propelled, used only one time. $150. Call 683-2947, leave message.

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SINGER FEATHERWEIGHTS (2). Singer 301 in Singer cabinet. 694-7937 or 528-5893.

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FREE PHONE!
Easy credit. Free long distance $40- 1200 Minutes, $75- Unlimited; Call Rolen 631-3381.

Wednesday March 23, 2005

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WEDDING GOWN, size 12, ivory, beaded, with train. $300. 694-7937 or 528-5893.

413 Jewelry & Furs

BUYING MAJOR diamonds, Rolex watches, estate items, sterling flatware, gold and silver scrap, etc. Williams Jewelry Buyers. Wadley and Midland, 10- 6, Monday- Friday, 689-2300.

FREE WHOLESALE diamond list #LO2784. 1-888-827-9755. Email fjewels1@msn.com.

LADIES ENGAGEMENT ring, 7/8 ct., white gold, Princes cut, $1,500. Please call (432)556-9091 for details.

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415 Miscellaneous Wanted

SOUTHWEST Rapid Reward Tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687–5039.

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WILL PAY for use of a pit to put concrete slab debris into. Preferably on north side of Midland. (806)296-7444.

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BUYING OLD American guitars and amplifiers, any condition. 556-5760, 697-6447, 689-0550.

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WANTED: Experienced chainsaw craftsman to create 2 life size in-ground chainsaw bears from 6' pine tree stumps. Must have references. Call 432-520-6262.

430 Household Goods

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FOR SALE beige/ carpet. 225 square yard, $2 per square yard. Very good condition. Call 697-4001.

432 Household Furniture

SERTA king size mattress and box spring. Two sets Like new. $250- $225. (432)262-5771, (432)889-8711

HIDE- A- BED SOFA and matching love seat. Formal sofa. Dining room table. Brand new secretary armoire. For more information call 697-2413.

QUEEN SIZE pillow top mattress sets, $179. Reddells Mattress Discounts, 432-522-1372, 432-694-9823.

TRIPLE DRESSER with mirror, armoire and night stand $600. Glass top rectangular dining table with 6 chair $450. 685-0069.

FULL SIZE bedroom suite, dresser with mirror, night stand- $200; queen size waterbed 6 drawer set, $25; King size waterbed frame & headboard- $50. After 5:00. 520-4605.

TWO BAR stools $40, natural wicker seats no arms. Call 697-1523.

COUNTRY STYLE dinette set, table and 5 chairs and hutch $300. for all. Call 689-4452.

→NEW TODAY←
LIKE NEW 33" oak roll top desk-$250, two oak book shelves- $75.00 each. GE 18.2 cubic foot refrigerator-$200. Sofa and love seat-$100 each. 689-4953 or 239-9596.

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ETHAN ALLEN bedroom suite: $550; armoire-$850, dresser & mirror-$450; 2 night stands-$150 each. Cherry wood sofa table-$175; large ornate mirror-$150. 689-4953 or 238-9596.

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LANE SECTIONAL sleeper with recliners, Neutral tones.. Very good condition! Paid $2,200, asking $1,100. 432-686-7322, 432-425-1254.

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FORMAL DINING, 8 chairs, six months old $1,700. (432)213-5388 after 5 pm.

METAL FRAME futon with black cushin, $50. 699-7669.

HIDE- A- BED SOFA and matching love seat. Two beige recliners and full size bedding. 694-2389.

WOOD BUNK beds. Has ladder and safety rail. Great condition. No bedding included. $200. 684-6151.

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WEIGHT BENCH with 60 lb. weights. $50. 699-7669.

SKI MACHINE, $40.00 cash only. 3407 W. Louisiana, or please call (432)694-2225.

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GOLD BRANSEN-Equinox 280, music computer, beautiful tone, nice looking piece of furniture. $1,500. (432)689-0301

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SHARP MINI- stereo system, 3 CD, dual cassette, AM/ FM radio. $50 cash. 352-7852. Odessa

480 Computers/ Accessories

IBM THINKPAD with Pentium 3, 15" screen, CD rom, DVD. $475. 432-570-5442 or 664-9116.

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SBF, 23, smoker, full-time mommy of 2, loves scary films, reading, and writing. Seeking patient BM, 21-28, who likes kids, for LTR. ☎491759

TALK TO ME
SHF, 26, CNA, seeking an attractive, intelligent SM, 18-40, for fun and conversation, possible relationship. ☎495692

LET'S TALK
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SBF, 24, seeks honest, sweet, communicative, open-minded, easygoing SM, to share night life, cuddling, good talks, romance and possible LTR. ☎517430

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SWF, 45, 5'7", N/S, mother of 2, looking for SCM, 43-56, N/S, who enjoys camping, walks, family time, for serious LTR. ☎541042

LIMITED TIME OFFER
SWF, 21, 5'10", smoker, blonde/blue, thick build, pretty tall for a girl, seeks SWM, 19-25, smoker. ☎547233

OUT AND ABOUT
SHF, 23, 5'9", brown/brown, average build, Gemini, smoker, seeks man, 23-35, for friendship, possible romance. ☎559227

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SWF, 48, looking to meet SWCM, who's interesting, loves playing golf, watching movies, cooking and truly enjoys life, someone who would love to love and be loved. ☎564501

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DHM, 25, 5'7", 120lbs, two children at home, ready to try dating again. Seeking outgoing, honest lady, 21-34, who likes having fun. ☎112045

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WHERE ARE YOU?
HM, 20, 6'1", bald/brown, likes going to movies, the mall, walks, more. If you want to talk, leave me a message. ☎623438

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JOY OF LIVING
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FUTURE LOVE
Hard-working WiWM, 55, N/S, ISO single woman, 35-56, who is nice, compatible, steady and down-to-earth. Kids ok. ☎594737

TAKE MY LEAD
SWM, 22, 6', smoker, blond/hazel, looking for outgoing, fun woman, 18-25, who wants to hang out and have a good time. ☎598765

LOTS OF UNDERSTANDING
Light-complected SBM, 28, smoker, ISO special woman, 20-31, who has her life where she wants it to be. Sound like you? Get in touch. ☎600841

DREAM A LITTLE DREAM
SHM, 21, 5'10", N/S, average build, looking for the right SHF, 18-30, to talk with and share some dreams. ☎602315

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WM, 57, 5'11", 195lbs, interested in meeting a lady who is honest and attentive towards her mate. Please be fit, 45-55, and have a good heart. ☎204578

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SWM, 39, Taurus, N/S, 5'7", 170lbs, hazel eyes, bald head, very romantic, enjoys candlelight dinners, holding hands, seeks woman, 37-50, for dating and possible relationship. ☎525443

SHARE MY LOVE
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Cute HM, 24, fit, peppy style, braids, plays college baseball, seeking a sweet SHF, 19-34, who is nice, with a cute smile, is attractive. ☎496854

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SWM, 25, 6'3", brown/blue, truck driver, seeking the right SF, 20-35, to spend time with. ☎499245

HONEST AND UNDERSTANDING
SBM, 27, Scorpio, smoker, seeks a BF, 25-45, who is understanding and honest, for dating. ☎499851

IN MY FREE TIME
SWM, 28, 6' 2", Libra, N/S, appliance repairman, would enjoy some company in his free time, seeks SWF, 21-28, N/S, for LTR. ☎500307

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SBM, 32, 6'1", 170lbs, smoker, social drinking, seeking a fun-loving, outgoing spontaneous female, ethnicity unimportant, who knows herself, is not afraid to take a chance. ☎502065

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Male, 20, smoker, with son (6 months), independent, self-sufficient, seeks woman, 18-24, smoker, for dating, etc. ☎504857

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SHM, 33, 5'7", 160lbs, N/S, seeks SHF, 22-38, for friendship first, more if the connection is there. Call me up, it won't hurt! ☎508640

GOD-FEARING MAN
SBM, 38, seeks SCF, 25-50, to enjoy life, be romantic, be loved and give love. ☎507923

GOOD RELATIONSHIP
SWM, 32, wants someone to be honest, faithful, and truthful, someone to have fun with, to go out and have a good time, someone to talk to who's understanding. ☎510931

LET'S TALK
SHM, 25, no children, employed, loves playing sports and the great outdoors. Seeking active, honest, cute, responsible, strong SF for friendship and fun. ☎515775

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SM, 40, N/S, enjoys movies, dining out, seeking a SF, 35-40, with whom he can have a good time, and share good times. ☎520335

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OF THIS EARTH
SM, 46, deep green eyes, nice looking, works in sales, easygoing, down-to-earth, commitment-minded, enjoys watching sports, playing sports, time at home, gardening, racquetball, seeking SF, 28-46, similar qualities and interests ☎521341

LET'S MEET!
SM, 29, great sense of humor, likes making new friends, movies, fishing, going out, having fun. Seeking SF, 21-31, for possible relationship. ☎530137

HOLLER BACK
SHM, 19, Sagittarius, N/S, athletic, looking for someone, 18-29, N/S, who loves to dance, wants to have fun, who enjoys one-on-one attention. ☎546758

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SM, 32, seeking that special woman, to be his lifetime companion, must be honest, outgoing, have sense of humor, respect for others. ☎550043

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SWM, 25, Capricorn, N/S, seeks an outgoing WF, 20-27, with whom to hang out, watch movies, and have fun. ☎550817

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to get along with. SWM, 32, N/S, works for a local tv station, loves hard rock music. Seeking WF, 25-35, for friendship, possible romance. ☎552859

GIVE ME A JINGLE...
this holiday season. SWM, 18, 5'9", 185lbs, Capricorn, smoker, seeks woman, 18-24, for hanging out and chatting. ☎554126

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SWM, 24, smoker, never married, no kids, wants to meet someone new to talk with. Looking for SWF, 18-27, who likes alternative music, hanging around the house. ☎555750

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