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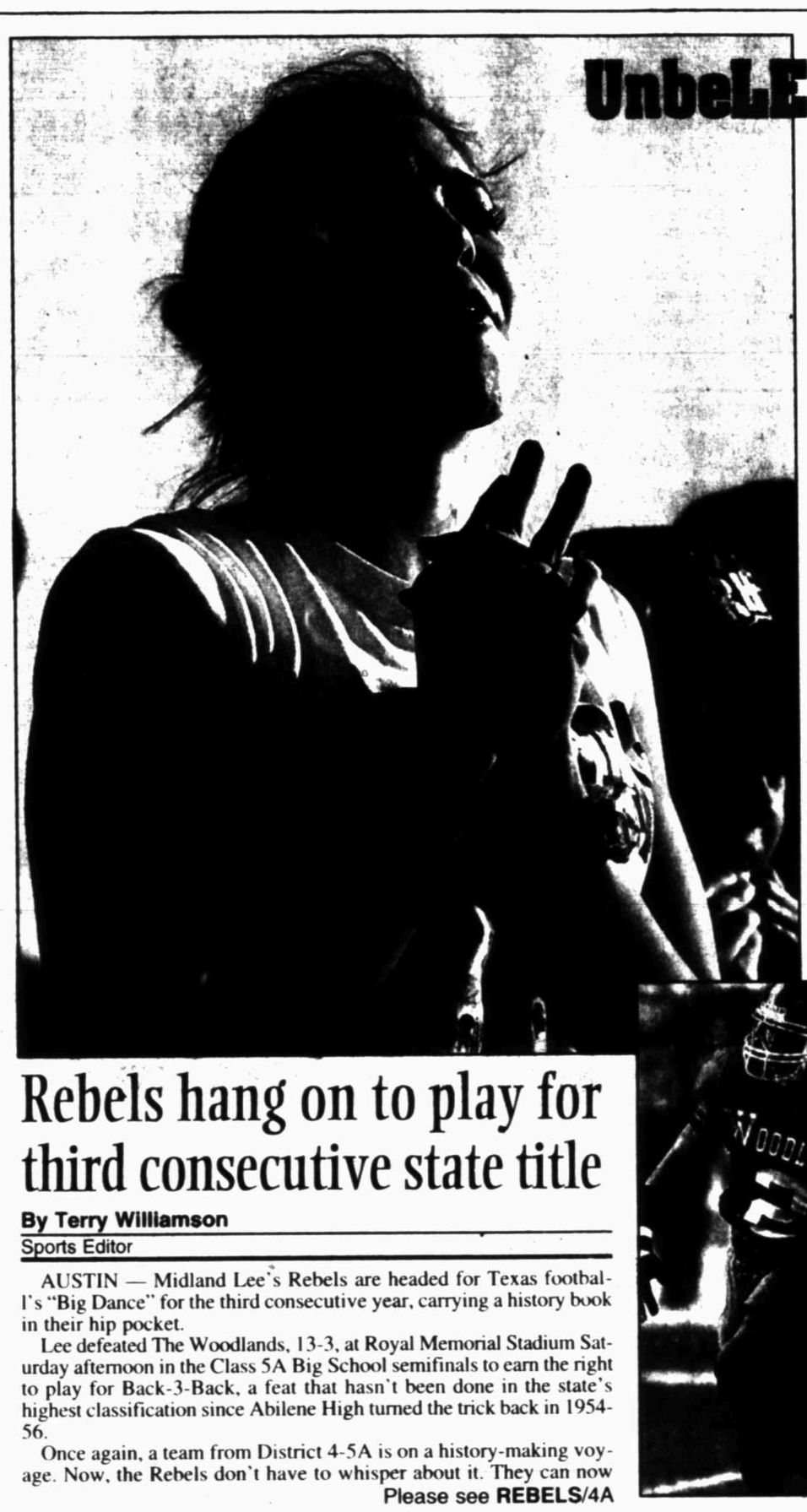
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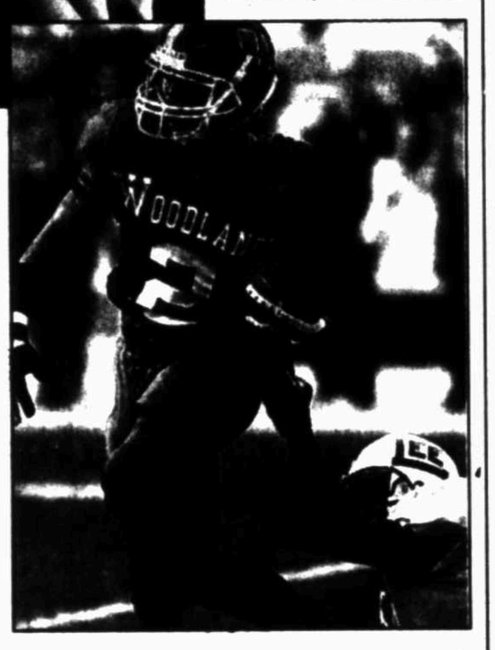
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Left: Lee junior Jenna Bloemendahl watches as Lee drives onto position for a field goal late in the game. Below: Lee's Tim Norman drags down The Woodlands' Brian Carter on the opening kickoff of Saturday's Class 5A Big School semifinal. Lee defeated The Woodlands 13-3.

Photos by Brian Adamcik



Rebels hang on to play for third consecutive state title

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

AUSTIN — Midland Lee's Rebels are headed for Texas football's "Big Dance" for the third consecutive year, carrying a history book in their hip pocket.

Lee defeated The Woodlands, 13-3, at Royal Memorial Stadium Saturday afternoon in the Class 5A Big School semifinals to earn the right to play for Back-3-Back, a feat that hasn't been done in the state's highest classification since Abilene High turned the trick back in 1954-56.

Once again, a team from District 4-5A is on a history-making voyage. Now, the Rebels don't have to whisper about it. They can now

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Supreme Court grants Bush's petition to halt Florida recount

By Terence Hunt
Associated Press

The U.S. Supreme Court ordered a temporary halt Saturday in the Florida vote count on which Al Gore pinned his best hopes of winning the White House. Justice Antonin Scalia said the court's 5-4 decision suggests George W. Bush stands a "substantial probability of success" next week in a case that could settle the presidency.

The court's schism was the latest and most dramatic in a long season of political division. Justice John Paul Stevens said the majority "has acted unwisely" in cutting off the weekend Florida vote count which put Bush 177 votes ahead in an unofficial Associated Press count.

Bush heard of the ruling in a telephone call to his Texas ranch and was "very pleased," an aide said.

It was a sharp setback to Gore who believed he could overtake Bush in Florida. The state's 25 electoral votes will determine the 43rd president and end the deadlock from the Nov. 7 election.

Gore attorney David Boies expressed keen disappointment, speculating that if the counting were to go forward "it looks like Vice President Gore and Senator (Joseph) Lieberman would win the popular vote in Florida just like they won it outside of Florida."

Gore was awarded a weekend recount Friday by the Florida Supreme Court, prompting a flood of Republican lawyers to press an appeal. They were unsuccessful at the state level and federal appellate levels before the U.S. Supreme Court intervened.

The court's decision froze the examination of thousands of ballots in dozens of Florida counties just hours after it had started.



AP Photo

Workmen construct platforms in front of the White House for the inauguration of the 43rd president of the United States on Jan. 20, 2001. The outcome of the presidential election between Republican George W. Bush and Democrat Al Gore remains in doubt.

The high court ordered both sides to present oral arguments at 11 a.m. EST Monday on the underlying legal issues in recounting disputed ballots. Bush's top attorney, James A. Baker III, noted that the court hadn't ruled on any of these issues in halting the vote, but he took note of the remarks of Justice Scalia, one of the court's most conservative justices, regarding the eventual result.

"It suffices to say that the issuance of the stay suggests that a majority of the

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MISD board discusses district planning, magnets during retreat

By Danielle Belton
Staff Writer

The Midland Independent School District board of trustees met Saturday as part of their planning retreat.

The board met with their consultant, William Nemir of the Texas Association of School Boards, to discuss the board's long-term plans for the school district. Later on they met with plaintiff intervener Dr. Viola Coleman to discuss the magnet school lottery system.

During the meeting, Nemir helped the board refine their priorities for the district as well as, "define the specific outcomes expected for each priority and develop a document for the district to work from in addressing priorities.

Board members narrowed down the district's future needs to five main goals that consisted of achieving recognized status, promoting equity in education for all students, encouraging more community support and involvement, improving facilities and improving district financing and funding process.

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— Dr. Viola Coleman

After some discussion the board decided an ideal goal for the district would be to try to reach the state accountability status of recognized by August 2006.

In their meeting with Dr. Coleman, the board asked her various questions about the lottery system that would determine which students would attend the magnet schools. Board vice president Dale Strauss asked Dr. Coleman to clear up some issues revolving around how involved the plaintiff interveners were in any other issues outside of the magnet schools and the lottery process.

Dr. Coleman said the plaintiff interveners worked on the magnet schools and the magnet schools only. Dr. Coleman also explained again the interveners' reasoning for designing the lottery system the way they did.

"Our position has been whatever we do for one student in this district you should do for the other," Dr. Coleman said. "It would have been hypocritical to give preferential treatment to the students at Pease and Washington (Elementary.)"

MISD Superintendent Joseph Baressi Jr.said Pease and Washington Elementary were selected by the board to be magnet schools because of their low enrollment. Since they had the lowest enrollment, the least amount of students would be disrupted by the process.

Board member James Fuller also said parents of Pease and Washington students should be concerned about their children's academic achievement more so than about integration issues.

"Their kids going to either Greathouse, Fannin or Scharbauer, excluding the inconvenience of bussing doesn't put them in a vicarious position," Fuller said. "It's the education that concerns me more than the integration. Sitting next to a child of another race doesn't guarantee instruction."

The MISD board of trustees will meet Dec. 12 at 4 p.m. in the board room at MISD's central office to vote on the magnet schools' lottery system.

A look inside

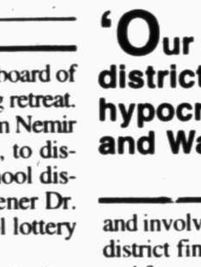
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Gary Ott



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Craddick attends MARC legislative forum

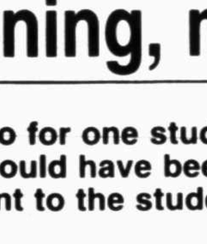
By Timothy V. Kreitz
MRT correspondent

According to statistics provided by the Community Services Coalition, a nonprofit advocacy group for citizens with mental retardation and their families, Texas ranks 43rd in the nation in funding for mental health and retardation services.

In a recent legislative forum hosted by the Midland Association for Citizens with Retardation, District 82 State Rep. Tom Craddick listened to the concerns of agency personnel and families who have been adversely effected by the lack of available state resources in order to more effectively bring attention to the problem in the upcoming legislature, which begins in January.

"Our surplus funds won't be as big in 2001 as they have been in the past," Craddick said. "But I intend to place issues like these at the forefront for receiving increased support."

One by one, the parents of mentally retarded children, as well as case workers, and even some MARC clients themselves stepped up to the podium in the MARC Opportunity Center to give testimony. Concerns ranged from the extremely long waiting list for entering MARC group homes, insurance availability for the mentally challenged, budgeting and dealing with the unending labyrinth of state bureaucracies.



'I'm hopeful we can find ways to solve the majority of these problem. I'm very thankful for the opportunity to hear the concerns and be given the chance to help.'

— State Rep. Tom Craddick

Guy McCrary said the waiting list for receiving home and community based services (currently about eight years) is a sleeping dragon that needs to be dealt with effectively before it awakens. "There are many mentally challenged people out there that the system doesn't even know about," McCrary said. "My daughter, for example, is not currently on any waiting list for services. However, as she gets older and attempts to go out on her own, she will need at least some assistance." McCrary said there are likely thousands more cases like his in Texas, and the system could eventually become overwhelmed if funding and services are not increased.

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New census race data add categories, controversy

By Genaro Armas
Associated Press

MONTCLAIR, N.J. — The Census Bureau is adding a host of new ingredients to its statistical melting pot.

Results from this year's census will, for the first time, include the number of people who indicate they are of more than one race or ethnicity. A person whose mother is black and father is white, for instance, could check off boxes next to each of those choices this year.

The first detailed race data from the 2000 count on a state-by-state basis will be released in March, with national figures due late next year. With 63 racial combinations now possible, Census officials say those results will show an American society more diverse than ever.

Proponents of the hard-fought addition of multiple-choice boxes for racial identity are reluctant to predict how many people checked off more than one box. But there is no question these figures are crucial because government agencies make many decisions based upon them.

Irene Rotenberg has a more personal reason for liking the change. Rotenberg, who is white, wants her two teen-age sons, whose father is black, to be classified accurately.

"People in interracial families took it seriously because we just wanted to be counted," said Rotenberg, a member of the Montclair, N.J.-based Getting Interracial Families Together.

But a leading Hispanic advocate saw it differently.

"It would have been easier and simpler to have a single race option," said Eric Rodriguez, director of the economic mobility project for the National Council of La Raza, a nonprofit advocacy group for Hispanic Americans. "The census has a very distinct purpose to collect broad data on (populations). It's not there for collecting people's identity."

Until now, the Census Bureau kept no official numbers on multiracial Americans. A Princeton University study earlier this year estimated that as many as 16.5 million people, or 6 percent of the country's population of 275 million, are multiracial.

Most of those people, Census officials say, live in America's big cities or their suburbs, such as Montclair, a tree-lined, well-to-do community in northern New Jersey about 12 miles west of New York City.

This year's census forms allowed respondents to mark one or more of 14 boxes representing six races and subcategories or "some other race." The change was necessitated by the Office of Management and Budget's revised standards for collecting and tabulating data on race and ethnicity.

Americans now have the option of classifying themselves as white and black, Native American and Asian, or many other combinations.

"Hispanic" is officially considered an ethnicity, not a race; as a result, people of Hispanic descent can count in any race. Besides the 63 racial possibilities, multiracial Americans also had the choice to say whether they are "Hispanic" or "non-Hispanic."

Beyond the dry statistics, Jeff Hitchcock, president of the Montclair group, said he feels the real effect of the change will be felt after his sons — ages 8 and 10 — and other multiracial children in their generation are old enough to feel comfortable with how they label themselves.

Hitchcock is white, his wife is black. This year, they checked off both boxes for their sons.



AP Photo
Elmore Reese applies skin cream to his daughter, Jane during a support group for interracial families held in Montclair, N.J. last month. This year, the Census Bureau, for the first time, will include the number of people who are of more than one race or ethnicity.

"This is a monoracial society. You go where you can change the system. The census was an ideal target and still is," he said as his sons scampered around a gym, playing catch with other boys.

Someone who in 1990 selected black and now chooses black and white will not count as a black person in the 2000 census. He or she will be counted as a person who picked two races.

The result could be that, at least statistically, the number of people who list themselves as minorities could shrink.

Some critics have said the change in this year's census form could have an adverse impact on civil rights enforcement. Others envision a conspiracy to water down the number of minorities in the country, said Haunani Apoliona of Honolulu.

A flood of e-mails went out in Hawaii before Census Day, April 1, telling people not to check off more than one box.

"At this point, we couldn't say with certainty what the outcome will be," said Apoliona, head of a panel that advises the Census Bureau on the Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander populations. She supported the change.

"From our perspective, it's important to check off what applies," said Hilary Shelton, director of the Washington, D.C., bureau of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

"What's equally, or more important for us is enforcement," he said. "The bottom line" is how the new options affect it.

Seeking to clarify the issue, OMB in March issued new guidelines for federal agencies to follow for civil rights monitoring and enforcement.

Still unresolved is how federal officials will "bridge" the new categories back to 1990 figures to detect statistical changes. A decision is expected next year.

Hostage standoff ends involving Canadian officer, 13-year-old boy

ONTARIO, Calif. (AP) — Police rescued a 13-year-old boy Saturday after a 10-hour hostage standoff that ended in the death of the federal officer who was suspected of kidnapping the youth.

The body of David Clairmont, who had barricaded himself inside a hotel room bathroom, was found after shots were fired during the rescue. It was not known if he committed suicide or had been struck by police gunfire.

The boy was unhurt, suffering only the effects of tear gas that officers pumped into the room after negotiations deteriorated.

Clairmont, 32, was a police officer with the Department of Veterans Affairs in Los Angeles. He was due in court Monday to face felony charges of sex crimes related to the boy.

Clairmont, who was wearing his uniform, forced the boy into his car Friday morning at a school bus stop and then eluded police during a freeway chase at speeds up to 110 mph, Lohman said.

The standoff began about 11 p.m., when an employee at the Country Suites Hotel told authorities he recognized Clairmont from news reports.

Officers found Clairmont's service gun in the trunk of his car, but he told negotiators he had another weapon, Lohman said.

Part of the hotel was evacuated and hostage negotiators talked through the night with Clairmont and the boy, Lohman said.

Police sent tear gas under the bathroom door and the boy was pulled to safety through a window, Lohman said.

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Requests pour in to Clinton as days in office dwindle

WASHINGTON (AP) — A lawyer for convicted Whitewater figure Susan McDougal said Saturday he is taking "every and any course of action" possible to get a presidential pardon for the Clintons' former real estate business partner.

Separately, The New York Times reported that a pardon application by convicted former Wall Street financier Michael R. Milken has been raised with the president by California supermarket magnate Ron Burkle, among Clinton's most generous political supporters and among those pledging to contribute to Clinton's presidential library in Arkansas.

In the McDougal matter, attorney Mark Geragos said in an interview, "My client has told me to please go full-speed ahead and see if I can make it happen." He declined to provide any details.

Presidential pardons frequently are sought through filings with the Justice Department. But lawyers in high-profile cases sometimes make such requests directly of the White House — a procedure that lawyers in the Iran-Contra scandal used successfully eight years ago in the waning days of the Bush administration.

In the Whitewater investigation, McDougal was convicted of four felonies related to a fraudulent $300,000 federally backed loan that she and her husband, failed savings and loan owner James McDougal, never repaid. Some $30,000 of the loan was used as down-payment on property briefly placed in the name of Whitewater Development, the Arkansas real estate venture of the Clintons and the McDougals.

McDougal served 18 months in prison for refusing to answer questions before a federal grand jury and she served 3 1/2 months of a two-year prison term for her four felony convictions before a federal judge released her because of a back problem.

In the Milken matter, Burkle has spoken directly about the matter with Clinton and has forwarded a copy of Milken's pardon application to Bruce Lindsey, a White House associate counsel and perhaps Clinton's closest adviser, according to the report published Saturday.

The White House declined comment Saturday on all questions about possible pardons. A White House spokesman did say in late November that Clinton would review pending requests for executive clemency before he leaves office in January, including that of Leonard Peltier, the American Indian activist convicted of murdering two FBI agents in South Dakota.

The spokesman said at the time it was unlikely the president would be able to review any requests made late in the year.

The Times also reported that Whitewater figure Webster Hubbell is seeking a pardon.

Hubbell pleaded guilty to a felony in 1999 that accused him of conspiring to conceal his and Hillary Rodham Clinton's legal work on a fraudulent Arkansas land development of Jim McDougal and Hubbell's father-in-law.

Hubbell, the former No. 3 official at the Justice Department in 1993-94, denies knowing of any wrongdoing by the first lady. Hubbell also pleaded guilty and served a prison term for stealing some $400,000 from his law firm and its clients.

Ed Todd

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California power shortage dimming some holiday lights

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Power shortage or not, Lori Bledsoe doesn't like the idea of turning off the Christmas holiday display at her Valencia home.

The glittering 16-foot Ferris wheel, light-strung candy canes, the tree festooned in green bulbs — for five years they've been a tradition.

"It takes my husband two weeks to put it up," she said.

California's unprecedented winter electricity shortage has been dimming some of the holiday cheer around the state. Homeowners were urged to wait a few extra hours after dark before turning on their outdoor holiday lights.

The twinkling lights that festoon trees and rooftops around the state consume as much additional power as 1 million homes, said Lorie O'Donley, a spokeswoman for the California Independent System Operator, which controls the power grid for much of the western United States.

"We don't want to spoil Christmas, but here we are," said Jim Detmers, ISO's managing director of operations.

He said holiday usage is up in the past few years because of the popularity of "icicle lights," curtains of tiny bulbs that drape homes which, in years past, might have made do with a single string of colored lights.

Cold weather, the shutdown of some generating plants for repairs and the effects of utility deregulation have combined to create the energy crisis.

The phased-in deregulation of California's $20 billion electrical power industry was supposed to lower prices by increasing competition. But demand for electricity has outstripped supply, in part because of a growing population and a booming high-tech economy.

Bledsoe said she would hate to shut down her family's display, which draws up to 50 cars a night to the suburban enclave north of Los Angeles.

"I would just sob, because I have small children," she said. "My husband and they made all these things together."

Even the larger public light displays have not been spared.

Gov. Gray Davis presided over the state's official Christmas tree lighting on Tuesday, then switched off the lights to save power. And at Sea World in San Diego, the 2,000 holiday lights on its 320-foot tall tower remained off for a third night Friday.

"We pulled the plug," spokesman Bob Tucker said. "It sends a very positive message to the community about being extra energy conscious."

In Long Beach, plans were going ahead for a Sunday light show to inaugurate a 65-foot-tall decorative lighthouse in the works since 1997, although how long the lights will remain on is an open question.

"This is one day at a time, maybe an hour at a time," city spokeswoman Kathy Parsons said. "We're hopeful that we'll be able to shine."

In Alameda, Monte Boscovich and Peter Romualdez were cutting back on the operating hours, but not the size of their Christmas display. Their cottage was decorated with more than 4,000 lights, an 8-foot tree covered in light-up snowflakes and a dancing Santa and Mrs. Claus.

To compensate for some of the power usage, they changed their indoor lights to lower-wattage bulbs.

"Every night the same kids come by with their parents to look," Boscovich said of the display. After all, he added, "It's once a year. That's what Christmas is all about."

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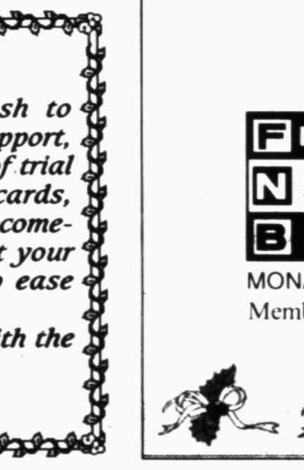
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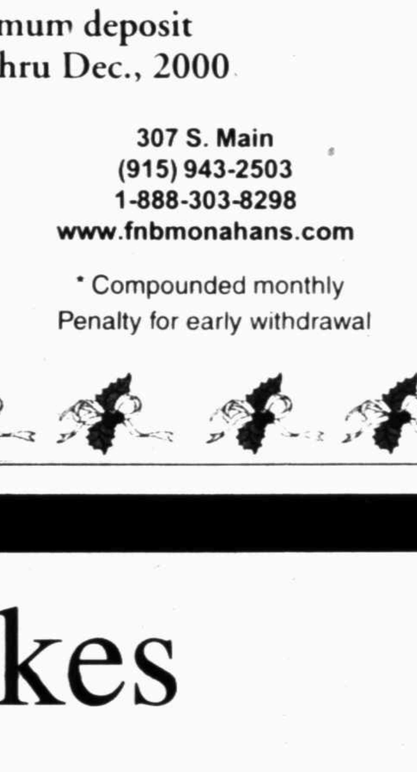
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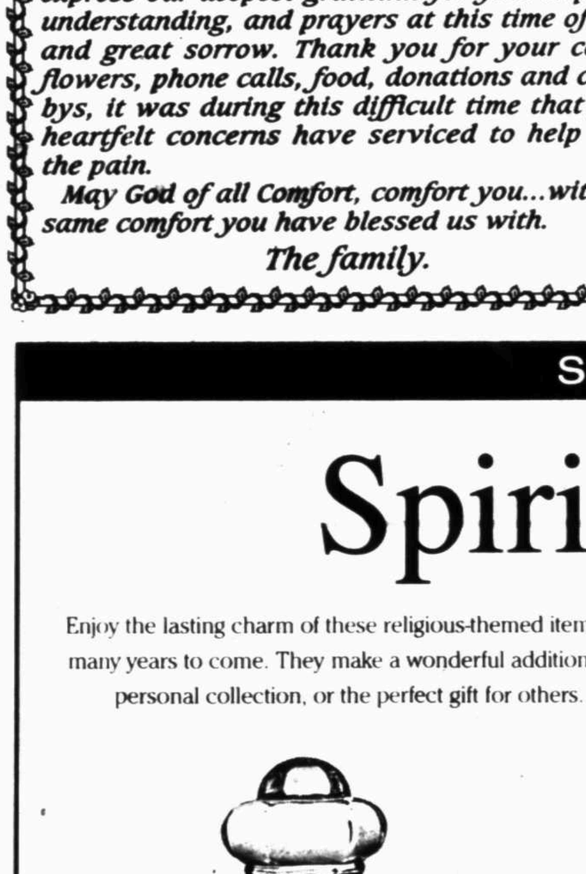
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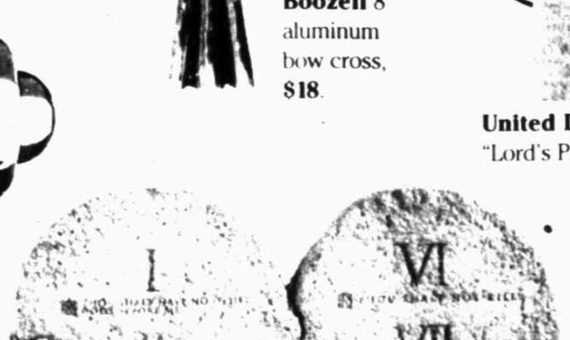
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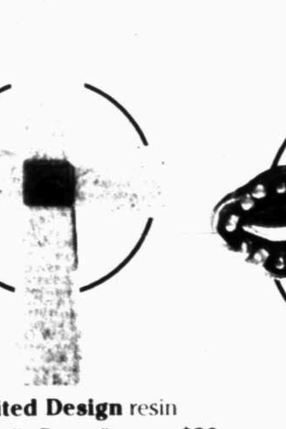
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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today	Monday	Tuesday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Mostly cloudy
High 70	High 55	High 48
Low 45	Low 34	Low 33

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies. The high will be 70 with a southwest wind of 10-20 mph, according to the National Weather Service in Midland.

Tonight's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies with a low near 45.

Monday's forecast calls for increasing cloudiness and cooler with highs from 45 to 55.

Monday night should be mostly cloudy with a low in the mid-30s.

Tuesday's forecast should be mostly cloudy and colder with a slight chance of rain or snow. The low will be in around 20 and the high will be in the 30s.

After a low of 45, Saturday's high was 69, compared to the record high of 81 in 1970. The record low of 13 was set in 1978.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Saturday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Friday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.16 in.
Total for year	9.48 in.
Normal total (year to date)	14.22 in.

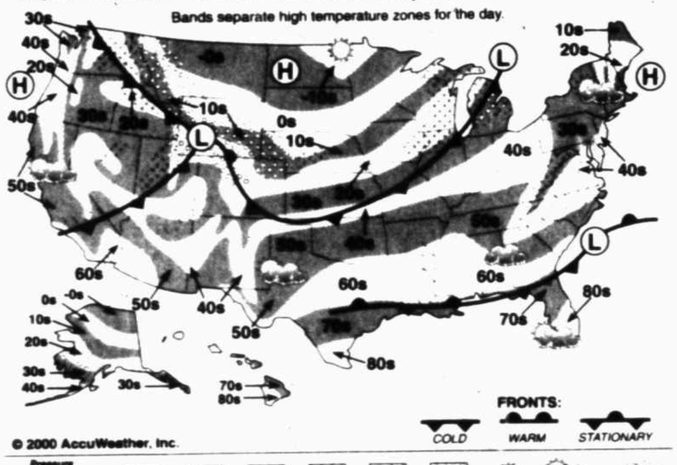
Yesterday's temperatures

High	69
Low	45
Normal high	59
Normal low	32

Sunrise ... 7:38 a.m.
Sunset ...5:45 p.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Sunday, Dec. 10.



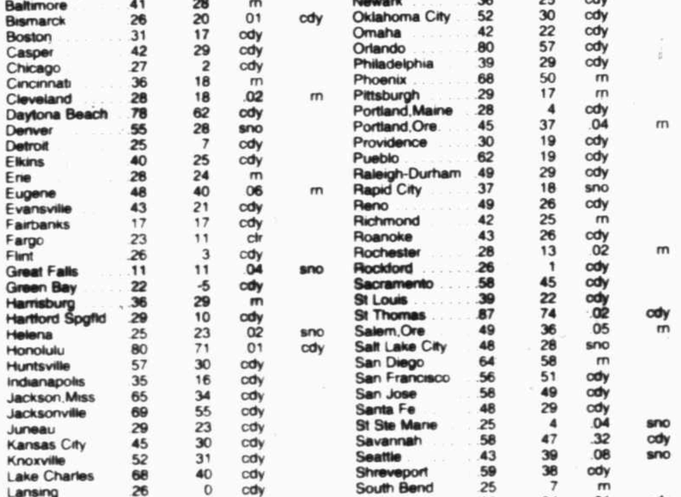
Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Atlanta	49	42	.06	cdy
Atlantic City	40	18	cdy	
Baltimore	41	28	rn	
Bismarck	26	20	.01	cdy
Boston	31	17	cdy	
Casper	42	29	cdy	
Chicago	27	2	cdy	
Cincinnati	36	18	rn	
Cleveland	28	18	.02	rn
Daytona Beach	78	62	cdy	
Denver	55	28	sno	
Detroit	25	7	cdy	
Elkins	40	25	cdy	
Erie	28	24	rn	
Eugene	48	40	.06	rn
Evansville	43	21	cdy	
Fairbanks	17	17	cdy	
Fargo	23	11	clr	
Flint	26	3	cdy	
Great Falls	11	11	.04	sno
Green Bay	22	-5	cdy	
Harrisburg	36	29	rn	
Hartford Spgfld	29	10	cdy	
Helena	25	23	.02	sno
Honolulu	80	71	.01	cdy
Huntsville	57	30	cdy	
Indianapolis	35	16	cdy	
Jackson,Miss	65	34	cdy	
Jacksonville	69	55	cdy	
Juneau	29	23	cdy	
Kansas City	45	30	cdy	
Knoxville	52	31	cdy	
Lake Charles	68	40	cdy	
Lansing	26	0	cdy	
Las Vegas	61	44	cdy	
Lexington	41	20	cdy	
Lincoln	44	26	cdy	
Little Rock	46	31	cdy	
Los Angeles	65	57	rn	
Louisville	42	23	cdy	
Memphis	56	33	cdy	
Miami Beach	81	72	.01	cdy
Milwaukee	25	0	cdy	
Mpls-St Paul	25	7	.02	cdy
Mobile	71	54	.02	cdy
Montgomery	54	50	.19	cdy
Nashville	48	26	cdy	
New Orleans	68	50	cdy	
New York City	35	29	cdy	
Newark	36	25	cdy	
Oklahoma City	52	30	cdy	
Omaha	42	22	cdy	
Orlando	80	57	cdy	
Philadelphia	39	29	cdy	
Phoenix	68	50	rn	
Pittsburgh	29	17	rn	
Portland,Maine	28	4	cdy	
Portland,Ore	45	37	.04	rn
Providence	30	19	cdy	
Pueblo	62	19	cdy	
Raleigh-Durham	49	29	cdy	
Rapid City	37	18	sno	
Reno	49	26	cdy	
Richmond	42	25	rn	
Roanoke	43	26	cdy	
Rochester	28	13	.02	rn
Rockford	26	1	cdy	
Sacramento	58	45	cdy	
St Louis	39	22	cdy	
St Thomas	87	74	.02	cdy
Salem,Ore	49	36	.05	rn
Salt Lake City	48	28	sno	
San Diego	64	58	rn	
San Francisco	56	51	cdy	
San Jose	58	49	cdy	
Santa Fe	48	29	cdy	
St Ste Marie	25	4	.04	sno
Savannah	58	47	.32	cdy
Seattle	43	39	.08	sno
Shreveport	59	38	cdy	
South Bend	25	7	rn	
Spokane	26	24	.01	cdy
Syracuse	26	13	.01	cdy
Tallahassee	74	58	cdy	
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	81	64	cdy	
Toledo	24	2	rn	
Topeka	44	32	cdy	
Tucson	67	43	cdy	
Tulsa	44	29	.05	cdy
Tupelo	60	30	cdy	
Washington,D.C.	42	31	rn	

State forecast



Via Associated Press

Texas temperatures

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

	High	Low	Pcp.
Abilene	66	37	
Amarillo	64	31	
Arlington	65	41	
Austin Bergstrom	65	35	t
Austin Mabry	65	40	
Beaumont	68	43	
Brownsville	80	52	0.01
College Station	66	39	
Conroe	67	42	
Corpus Christi	78	47	0.01
Corsicana	67	41	
Dallas Love Field	63	43	
Del Rio	67	38	
Denton	60	34	t
DFW Airport	62	40	
Dryden	69	37	
El Paso	64	41	
Fort Stockton	74	39	
Fort Worth Meacham	62	38	t
Galveston	67	53	0.02
Georgetown	64	36	
Guadalupe Pass	60	38	
Harlingen	80	51	
Hondo	64	38	
Houston Hobby	67	50	
Huntsville	65	44	
Junction	71	34	
Kingsville	79	43	
Laredo	72	45	
Longview	59	37	
Lubbock	67	31	
Lufkin	67	39	
Marfa	66	32	
McAllen	79	49	0.01
McKinney	58	34	
Mineral Wells	66	34	
Navy Corpus	76	46	
New Braunfels	68	41	
Palacios	73	47	0.01
Paris	54	37	
Rockport	75	51	0.01
San Angelo	72	36	
San Antonio	64	42	t
San Marcos	66	41	
Terrell	60	40	
Tyler	61	40	
Victoria	75	45	
Waco	66	37	
Wichita Falls	60	34	t
Wink	71	30	

FLORIDA: Demonstrators hold signs saying 'It's over stupid'

(From 1A)

court, while not deciding the issues presented, believe that the petitioner has a substantial probability of success," wrote the justice in an unusual accompanying statement. The majority order itself was contained in one brief paragraph.

Outside the court, about 100 protesters gathered Saturday night, chanting "every vote counts" and "pro-choice, pro-Gore." They were organized by a group that supports the right of women to have abortions.

The five votes to halt Florida's weekend vote count came from Chief Justice William Rehnquist and Justices Anthony Kennedy, Clarence Thomas, Sandra Day O'Connor and Scalia. Stevens, Stephen Breyer, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and David Souter dissented.

Stevens, writing for the minority, said, "To stop the counting of legal votes, the majority today departs from" the precedents of judicial restraint.

Asked about Scalia's prediction that Bush would prevail with the high court, Boies said, "Obviously we think the dissent had it better ..." Gore, during the campaign, had sharply faulted Scalia's positions on abortion and affirmative action.

Robert Levy, a constitutional scholar at the libertarian Cato Institute, said whatever sympathies Scalia may have, "it's not clear those sympathies are shared to the same degree (by the other justices)."

He said there was no exaggerating the significance of the case. "If they vote in Bush's favor, I think it's quite clear they decide the election for Bush." He added things would get complicated if the court rules for Gore and orders the vote count resumed.

Saturday's decision was the latest turn in an election marathon of uncertainty and suspense.

Baker said Bush has been through an ordeal. "One day you're up. One day you're down," he said.

Across Florida, election activity came to a halt.

"No need for us to go any further," said Pam Iorio, supervisor of elections in Hillsborough County, one of dozens of counties involved in the recount effort.

"This is surreal," said Republican attorney Jim Post in Duval County, where officials had been deliberating how to proceed. "This has been quite a roller coaster ride and I don't think it's over yet."

Republican demonstrators, outside the vice president's mansion, chanted, "Get out of Cheney's house" and carried signs reading, "Notice of eviction" and "It's over stupid."

Gore attorney Ron Klain said the vice president was pleased with the recounts that were done and said they put the vice president on a path "to make up the difference and to pull ahead." Spokesman Chris Lehane said the vice president looked forward to Monday's hearing "because we are confident that our argument is based on the fundamental principle of one person, one vote."

Before the court's intervention, a still-ebullient Gore held a conference call with supporters. "Years from now, we'll be telling our grandchildren about this," he said. "You all will be able to take pride in the fact that, despite great pressure, you fought valiantly for our democratic values."

Returning to the confusion of dimpled, swinging and hanging chads, election officials had been examining thousands of ballots where counting machines failed to register a vote for president. They operated under the watchful eye of Republican and Democratic observers and under a gag order imposed by the state judge who imposed a deadline of 2 p.m. Sunday.

Bush attorneys implored the courts to stop the process, arguing that the month-old ballots had "degraded" to the point of being untrustworthy. Gore lawyers said the "will of the voters" must be heard. The vice president holds a small but distinct lead in the nationwide popular vote and Democrats believe he will overtake Bush in Florida if the recount is completed.

Gore has a slight lead in the Electoral College but stalled short of the 270 vote majority. Bush will win the presidency if he holds Florida's electoral votes, awarded to him two weeks ago when the secretary of state certified a state count. That prompted Gore's successful challenge Friday before the divided state Supreme Court.

In Tallahassee, Florida's Supreme Court held its ground Saturday, refusing Bush's appeal to stop the count. But that decision was negated by the Supreme Court ruling in Washington. The state court had split 4-3 Friday in ordering a new look at about 45,000 so-called undervotes.

Bush also took his case to a federal appeals court in Atlanta, which also refused a stay.

Bush running mate Dick Cheney took his wife to lunch and a movie, "Proof of Life," and got word that the Supreme Court had acted when aides' cellphones started going off in the theater.

Thirty-two days after the election, there was plenty of uncertainty in a race that had seemed likely to end Friday with a Bush victory. The court-ordered count resurrected Gore's hopes and threw the race into uncharted political and legal territory that could make Congress the final arbiter of who will be the nation's 43rd president.

Democrats and Republicans flooded into Florida to monitor the count and jockey for television time. Bush sent campaign chairman Don Evans and chief strategist Karl Rove to Tallahassee. President Clinton, at the White House, applauded the Florida Supreme Court's ruling.

"The more people feel there was an accurate count, the more legitimacy will be conferred on whoever the eventual winner is," he said.

New York Gov. George Pataki, a Republican, said that reexamining tens of thousands of votes "is certainly not just chaotic but completely wrong and it cries out for someone — and it has to be the federal courts — to say this is not right."

Gore campaign manager Donna Brazile said Republicans were trying to "incite chaos ... even before they get back to the counting."

Gore spoke to three-dozen Democratic contributors and supporters and, according to an aide, he said, "a vote is not just a piece of paper, a punched card or a chad. It is a human voice and we must not let those voices be silenced — not for today, not for tomorrow, not for as long as this country stands for the principle that the people must be heard and heeded."

Implementing the Florida Supreme Court's order, Leon County Circuit Judge Terry Lewis had set a 2 p.m. Sunday deadline for completing the recount, that would have given the court time to certify Florida's electors by Tuesday, the deadline for states to name the electoral slates.

However, the Republican-controlled Florida Legislature also is prepared to vote by midweek on its own slate of electors, loyal to Bush. If Gore prevails in the state count, there could be two slates of electors, creating a constitutional clash where Congress — deeply divided itself — would be forced to pick.

At the start of the day, Bush led Gore by 193 votes statewide out of 6 million ballots cast. When the counting stopped, an unofficial AP tally put Bush's lead at 177.

In Washington, Bush and Gore flooded the Supreme Court with motions. Bush's lawyers filed an appeal Friday to stop the count, and Gore's attorneys responded Saturday morning. Bush lawyers returned to the court to answer Gore's team.

"If this confusing, inconsistent and largely standardless process is not stayed pending this court's review, the integrity of this presidential election could be seriously undermined," Bush argued.

"Whatever tabulations result from his process will be incurable in the public consciousness and, once announced, cannot be retracted," no matter how flawed, Bush lawyers said.

In reply, Gore's lawyers said, "Their surprising assertion is that a candidate for public office can be irreparably harmed by the process of discerning and tabulating the will of the voters."

Analysts in both camps said Gore stands to gain from scattered recounts. That's because Democratic voters tend to live in areas using antiquated voting machines that misread the most ballots.

REBELS: Lee manages to put together game winning drive

(From 1A)

play for another state championship, the rare three-peat, next week. They will return to Austin to face Austin Westlake, ranked No. 1 in the state.

Although Lee's first two state titles ran through gritty minefields, this year's Lee team may have conquered the toughest path to the state finals as any. At least, it sure looked tougher here Saturday, facing a Highlander team that thought defense meant war.

Lee's offense could barely muster a first down, much less a consistent drive, but there in the fourth quarter, somehow, someway, Lee managed to put together a 70-yard game winning drive. Going to the Big Dance for a third time was like having a dance partner that stepped on your toes with every maneuver around the dance floor.

"This was just a hard fought battle with a high class team and we just came out on top," said Lee center Brad Stovall. "It's one of those games where you can enjoy it after it's over."

Lee coach John Parchman has always said getting to the Big Dance is the tough part because "you know they are going to play hard in the Big One. It's the getting there that is the tough part."

But Parchman knew the Rebels had survived a test of state destiny in this one. And it was the two previous state titles he pointed to.

"I think if we had played this kind of game for the first time, we wouldn't have been able to win this game today," he said. "A lot of seeds were planted the last two seasons for this team to get where it is today. We have been blessed and I don't know the reason for it, but we are grateful."

Lee defensive tackle David Dakil agreed with his coach, "I feel like this was the toughest game we ever played in. They had the best defense I've ever seen. But our thinking was that if they couldn't score, they couldn't win."

Quarterback Nick Hand, a junior who guided that winning drive by Lee, said, "Oh, I'm really excited about next week. I got to go to the state championship last year, but I didn't get to play. It was the greatest thing I'd ever been to and I didn't even get to play. Now, it's going to be even better to be on the field."

Stovall agreed, "Next week is a big game for me. Playing as a starter will be very special. I've thought about what it would be like for a long time now."

Lee linebacker Paul Gonzales, who had a late interception, said, "I'm so happy. I've been to two state championship games and I didn't get to play in either one of them. Now, I'm going to get my chance to play."

A lot will probably be written and said over the course of the next week of how The Woodlands' defense held Cedric Benson to only 92 yards rushing, ending a string of 33 games with at least 100 yards rushing, and 36 games of scoring at least one touchdown. But in many ways, that was the major positive in this win.

"I'm sure Cedric is disappointed because he will be going to here (University of Texas) next fall to play football, and I'm sure he wanted to perform well while playing on this field," Parchman said, but added, "Still, we had some people step up like (fullback) Shawn Murphy and Nick Hand to make some plays that made a difference in the game. We found a way to put some points on the board. We told our defense at the half to hold on and we would find a way to score some points. And these kids did."

Linebacker J.R. Brown said, "It was a long, tough day. It was four quarters of smash-mouth football. Our offense was scoring a lot of points so the defense had to step forward. You aren't a team if you don't help each other out. That's what this game was all about."

Brown, who also blocked a punt in the first half to help stake Lee to an early 3-0 lead, played last year in the state title game No. 2. No. 3 is a little hard for him to fathom.

"I guess it hasn't hit me yet," he said. "I've never really experienced what we are doing and I don't think we as a team realize what's taking place here. I just know we'll be prepared to play come next Saturday."

Defensive tackle Fred Thrweatt said, "I want to be like Michael Jordan. He won three championships and then went back and won three more. You never want to stop winning championships."

But Gonzales seems to realize what it's all about.

"We've come this far. We don't want to blow it up now. It's right there. We need to win it again."

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MARC Executive Director Bob Rose agreed, likening the situation to a ticking time bomb. "Many parents decline to put their mentally challenged child on the waiting list because at the time, they don't need any help," Rose said. "But as both the parents and children get older, the family dynamics change. Suddenly, families are in dire need of at least some degree of service and assistance, but can't get them for years after."

Joanne Mundy, director of the Texas Department of Health's Children with Special Health Care Needs division (CSHCN) said that in her program, budgetary issues are causing major problems in the provision of the services she provides. "The way our budgets are currently funded needs to be reformed," she said. "Many times, I can't even go out into the field to provide services because there isn't enough travel money available. We need to consider not only how much money is allocated to certain programs, but what specifically it is allocated for and how to optimize efficiency."

Craddick said he has always considered the MARC to be an important organization, and would continue to push for ways to make it even more viable in the future. "I'm hopeful we can find ways to solve the majority of these problems," he said. "I'm very thankful for the opportunity to hear the concerns and be given the chance to help."

McCrary said Craddick's accessibility and involvement in such community issues are a credit to all of district 82. "Tom has been in office for 30 years because he takes time for issues like this and always lends an ear to his constituents," he said. "We're lucky to have him representing us."

The 77th legislature convenes Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2001.

Pick 3 Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

7-3-2

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The Lotto Texas winning numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

3-4-12-42-47-54

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket would have been worth an estimated $4 million.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $6 million

Many Americans search for ways to relieve 'holiday card guilt'

CHICAGO (AP) — Gary Fine remembers his mother's annual ritual well: notes lovingly penned on crisp cards, tucked in envelopes, addressed and sent to scores of family members and friends in time for Christmas.

Nearly half a century later, the Northwestern University sociology professor is having a hard time checking his list once, let alone twice. He figures he and his wife will be lucky to send 30 holiday cards this year.

"In essence, it has become a chore," says Fine.

As much as we enjoy sending and receiving them, holiday cards have become a source of angst for many who feel snowed under by the expense and time the tradition can mean.

"I resigned from seasonal stress," says Bonnie Russell of Del Mar, Calif., who sends homemade cards to only her closest friends.

"I'm a copycat holiday card sender — you send me one; I'll send you one," says New Yorker Judy Katz. "Otherwise, I'm not interested in sending little cardboard cutouts with 'cheer' all over them."

Still, some have had little luck limiting their lists.

The Christmas season accounts for nearly a quarter of all holiday-type cards sold, according to the Greeting Card Association, a trade association for the more than 2,000 card publishers nationwide. On Monday alone, U.S. Postal Service officials expect to postmark a whopping 280 million pieces of mail — part of an estimated 3 percent increase in volume over last year's holiday season.

"I can't stop," says Donna Hardwick of Boston, noting that it's the only way she stays in touch with some friends. "And hey, it makes me feel good!"

Some greeters are turning to the Internet to keep up, sending free "electronic cards" that incorporate graphics and sometimes even video from sites like Amazon.com, BlueMountain.com and Yahoo!

Traditional card companies such as American Greetings and Hallmark have their own lines of "e-cards," as do nonprofit sites like www.newdream.org, which uses children's artwork in its cards. The industry expects computer users to send as many as 100 million e-cards this season.

If you're still a paper card fan, some companies will do much of the work for you.

This year, JaYing Wang took a photo of her 4-year-old daughter LiLi, had it scanned onto a computer disc at a photo processor and shot it off to a company called CardStore.com.

Wang then uploaded addresses from her computer and used the company's Web site to type slightly modified personal messages. The company assembled the cards and messages, addressed and stamped the envelopes and sent them in bulk to Wang and her husband, who are adding their personal signatures.

She says the whole process took two hours and about $180 for about 100 cards — compared with 10 hours and $150 last year.

"It just makes you feel like a load has been lifted off your shoulders," says Wang, a mosaic artist in Alameda, Calif.

But not everyone is embracing technology — or even trying to save time or money.

Georgette Mosbacher, the CEO of New York-based Borghese Cosmetics, sends fancy needlepoint pillows with holiday messages to her friends. Hyde Danforth & Co., a human resources consulting firm in Dallas, gives small reproductions of oil paintings to clients as holiday cards.

Sometimes, there's a true payoff for all that effort.

Rita Fisher, who runs a resume-writing business in Columbus, Ind., is convinced that one client paid an overdue bill because she sent him a holiday card and fancy pen as a gift.

Most go to the effort to send holiday greetings for a pretty basic reason, says Jack Santino, a professor of folklore and popular culture at Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

"It's part of a wish to connect," says Santino, who wrote the book "All Around the Year: Holidays and Celebrations in American Life."

On the Net:
Greeting Card Association:
http://www.greetingcard.org
U.S. Postal Service:
http://www.usps.gov



AP Photo

JaYing Wang and her daughter LiLi Pigott sit in their Alameda, Calif., home Wednesday, and look over one of the 100 custom Christmas cards they ordered from an online card store. High-tech solutions are one way people pressed for time are addressing the need to send out Christmas cards this year.

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U.S.-trained troops gear up for drug fight

LARANDIA ARMY BASE, Colombia (AP) — Helicopters thunder past a reviewing stand and out over a river snaking through the world's cocaine heartland. Rows of grim-faced troops trained by U.S. Green Berets snap to attention.

Martial music plays, diplomas are presented, and a Roman Catholic priest sprinkles holy water on the soldiers, the vanguard of a U.S.-backed military push to wipe out cocaine.

Graduation day in the war on drugs.

The soldiers honored Friday at this sprawling army base in Colombia's rolling southern plains — a 620-man battalion prepared by U.S. special forces troops based at Fort Bragg, N.C. — have their work cut out for them.

Under the offensive backed by a $1.3 billion U.S. aid package, the battalion will venture out any day now into jungles and Amazonian tributaries teeming with heavily armed guerrillas. Major operations are expected to get under way by January at the latest.

The 15,000-strong Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, is deeply involved in the cocaine trade, yielding the rebels mounds of cash — and making them a key target for U.S. and Colombian efforts to stamp out the narcotics industry.

The elite, U.S.-trained battalions, coordinating with police and prosecutors, aim to seize and destroy coca fields and laboratories, arrest suspects who give themselves up, and attack anyone who fight back, whether they are insurgents or common criminals.

"The bottom line is this," said the commander of U.S. military operations in Latin America, Gen. Peter Pace, who attended the ceremony at Larandia, located about 255 miles southwest of Bogota. "If that person, male or female, is trafficking in drugs regardless of what ideology they have, they are drug traffickers."

The battalion, christened Friday is the second of three Colombian army units to be prepared and trained into battle-ready forces by U.S.-donated combat helicopters.

A third battalion should be ready by the middle of next year, completing training of nearly 3,000 troops and service personnel under President Andres Pastrana's so-called Plan Colombia.

The specialized army battalions involve the Colombian military as never before in counter-drug operations. The U.S. training program brings the American military into a close partnership with Colombian forces long accused of human rights abuses against civilians in fighting the rebels.

But officials are promising a clear operational and no direct U.S. troop involvement in the fighting.

In addition to general soldiering skills such as marksmanship, Green Beret trainers said they are teaching the troops police-style tactics such as handcuffing suspects and bagging evidence that could be used in trial.

Human rights instruction and "target discrimination" are also being emphasized to prevent unarmed civilians from getting killed in raids on drug laboratories or coca fields.

In Putumayo province, the first state to be targeted in the offensive, tens of thousands of farmers and coca harvesters live among the rebels, drug traffickers and right-wing paramilitaries.

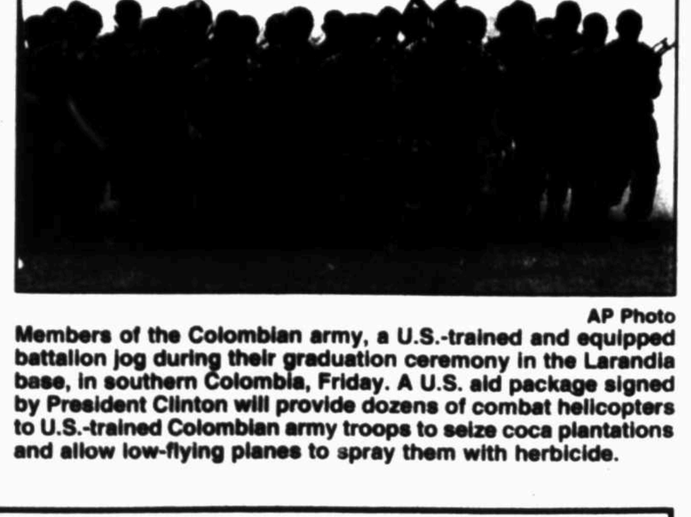
The Green Berets at Larandia work under tight security and say they cannot leave the base or participate in operations.

Human rights monitors remain skeptical of the program. Peace activists say a military push into the FARC's main southern stronghold could trigger heavy fighting and derail peace talks to end the 36-year war. Negotiations are headquartered just a three-hour drive from Larandia.

The guerrillas view the U.S. assistance as counterinsurgency aid being provided under a thin drug-fighting guise. American officials maintain the purpose is strictly to stem the export of an estimated 520 tons of cocaine a year from Colombia — the world's main producer of the drug.

But they, too, increasingly recognize that these two wars are becoming impossible to separate.

"I don't try to make a distinction like that," said Gen. Pace, a veteran of the Vietnam War and of the U.S. military mission in Somalia. "It is clearly true that many of the guerrillas, if not all, traffic in drugs, so trying to define that line is very difficult."



AP Photo

Members of the Colombian army, a U.S.-trained and equipped battalion jog during their graduation ceremony in the Larandia base, in southern Colombia, Friday. A U.S. aid package signed by President Clinton will provide dozens of combat helicopters to U.S.-trained Colombian army troops to seize coca plantations and allow low-flying planes to spray them with herbicide.



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Russia's president says he likely will pardon U.S. businessman

MAGNITOGORSK, Russia (AP) — Seeking to avoid a dispute with the United States, Russia's President Vladimir Putin indicated Saturday he will soon pardon American businessman Edmond Pope, whose espionage trial and conviction brought angry protests from Washington.

Putin said he could not ignore a recommendation by Russia's presidential pardons commission that Pope be freed. The commission cited the 54-year-old Pope's weak health and his wish to see his dying father — and said a pardon would prove to the West that Russia has broken with its totalitarian past.

The White House, which had called Pope's 20-year prison sentence unwarranted and demanded his release, cheered the apparent decision to let him go home to State College, Pa. So did Pope's family, which fears his bone cancer has returned during his eight months in Moscow's grim Lefortovo prison.

"It will be a great relief to all Americans when Mr. Pope is finally freed and reunited with his family," President Clinton said in a statement.

Putin, during a tour of industrial facilities in the Urals region Saturday, said: "The (pardon) commission consists of well-known and respected public figures, so I cannot but heed their opinion.

"In making this decision, we will also consider the high level of relations between the Untied States and Russia," he said. "We are not aiming to look for a reason to worsen these relations."

A Moscow court sentenced Pope, a former U.S. navy intelligence officer, to a maximum prison term of 20 years on Wednesday on charges of obtaining information about a top-secret Russian navy torpedo. Prosecutors also wanted him to pay a staggering fine for damaging the struggling Russian military.

Pope insisted he was not a spy, and that information about the high-speed torpedo was not classified and freely available. The American runs a company that specializes in information about foreign maritime technology.

It was the first time in 40 years that an American had been convicted of espionage in Russia, and it raised questions about what is secret in today's Russia.

The case also fueled questions about the extent of Russia's desire for close relations with the West at a time when Putin — a former KGB agent — is trying to resurrect his country's diminished global clout while reviving the investment-hungry economy.

On Thursday, Pope sent Putin an emotional appeal for freedom. The pardons commission on Friday recommended that Pope be sent home.

Putin said he discussed the case by telephone on Friday with Clinton, who had expressed concern about Pope's health. Putin said he told Clinton that he respected the pardon commission recommendation.

Putin said Pope's release could come some time after Dec. 14, because he must wait until the verdict comes into effect Dec. 13.

> **'In making this decision, we will also consider the high level of relations between the Untied States and Russia.'**
> — Russia's President Vladimir Putin

The U.S. State Department said it was working on details of Pope's release.

Pope's mother, Elizabeth Pope, said from her home in Grants Pass, Ore., "It's been a horrible nightmare and we are so happy it's going to be over. It was such a travesty of justice."

Defense attorneys and independent observers criticized the Moscow court, saying it had been biased in favor of the Russian security services.

Pope stood in the suspect's cage of the dingy Moscow courtroom for seven weeks, a Russian Federal Security Service translator his only connection to the proceedings. His key accuser recanted his statements implicating Pope, but that appeared to have little effect on the proceedings.

Despite repeated U.S. pressure to free Pope since his April arrest, Putin had insisted that the judicial process would have to be completed before he would intervene. Observers say his stance has allowed the security services to flex their muscles while leaving the way open for him to demonstrate humaneness.

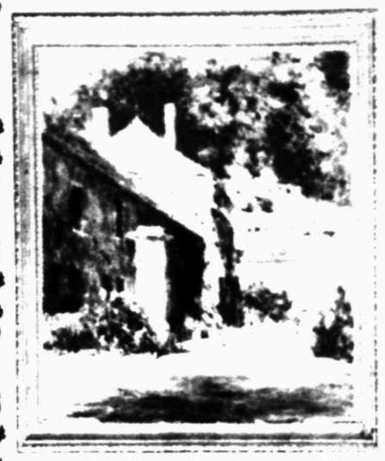
Pardons commission member Marietta Chudakova had said Friday's unanimous decision by the commission was a protest against "alarming signs in the atmosphere today."

"The investigative and judicial organs of our country have remained in the Soviet era to a greater extent than society (as a whole)," the Interfax news agency quoted her as saying.

Commission head Anatoly Pristavkin said members of the pardons commission had found the court's verdict quite harsh. "But we do not judge or discuss the court's decision, but instead base our actions on the laws of charity and humanity," he said.

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Putin to visit communist Cuba decade after Soviet collapse

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For decades, thousands of Russians and other Soviet citizens worked and lived in the futuristic concrete structure, arming communist Cuba with missiles, aid and ideology during the Cold War against the "imperialist" enemy to the north.

But when Vladimir Putin arrives Wednesday as the first Russian leader to visit since the Soviet Union dissolved, he will find that once powerful presence is now little more than the creaking Soviet vehicles left behind: tens of thousands of boxy sedans, huge sugar harvesters, buses spewing black smoke.

After years of chilly relations between Cuban leader Fidel Castro and former Russian President Boris Yeltsin, Putin's three-day visit is expected to freshen relations between two states that have taken differing paths over the last decade.

Trade, rather than aid, will be on the agenda. Also to be discussed are ways to erase the $11 billion debt Cuba owes to Russia, much of it dating from the Soviet era.

"Cuba is a country that had a 30-year relationship with the Russians that was very special," said Philip Brenner, a Cuba scholar and international relations professor at American University in Washington.

"The special relationship has ended, but Russia knows the important role that Cuba still plays in the Third World," Brenner said in a telephone interview from Washington. "One never knows when Cuban influence might be important."

Cuba's influence was not a priority for Yeltsin, who never visited the island. Instead, he invited a Castro enemy — the now-late Jorge Mas Canosa of the Miami-based Cuban American Foundation — to Moscow.

"In a way, Yeltsin used his relationship with Cuba as a symbol of his break with the old Soviet regime," said Brenner. "This is Putin's way of demonstrating a break with the Yeltsin years."

Russia, nostalgic about its past as a world power, may also use the Cuba trip to promote its image as an international player, said Wayne Smith, who was chief diplomat at the U.S. mission in Havana during the Carter and Reagan administrations.

"Putin could breathe new life into the old Cuba-Russia relationship," and thus further his country's standing on the global stage, Smith said this past week during one of his frequent visits to Havana.

The Soviet-Cuba relationship lasted three decades, beginning shortly after Castro declared his country socialist in 1961. Soviet cash, troops and technicians were shipped to the new ally so close to the United States.

U.S. officials once calculated Soviet economic assistance at 20 percent of Cuba's gross national product.

But Cuba's client state status was ending even before the Soviet Union broke apart at the end of 1991. The superpower had begun cutting its satellites loose to focus on its own economic troubles and by the time Soviet Premier Mikhail S. Gorbachev made his only visit to Cuba in March 1989, the special relationship was all but over.

Gorbachev made all trade cash-and-carry, eliminating an annual subsidy worth $2 billion that had let Cuba trade sugar for Soviet oil on highly advantageous terms. Left desperately short of oil and virtually all consumer goods, Cuba plunged into an economic crisis that it is still struggling to overcome.

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LETTERS

Recount is Gore's right to ensure fair election

However one voted, I think most people want to know the truth: Who actually got the most votes in Florida, the pivotal state this time around.

As of this date no one knows because Florida's Secretary of State Catherine Harris chose to go back to the first results of machine count done Nov. 7. She even refused to add the county certified votes that resulted after some recounting, which was quickly stopped.

That the count was flawed was obvious even to the most partisan. The Gore camp's call for a recount is their right — nothing unusual for a close race to be recounted, even by hand. It's done all the time from local races to larger ones. Texas has such a law signed by Gov. George W. Bush recommending hand counts. In most states, if not all, recounts of contested races are statutorily provided for.

The Bush camp from the beginning has fought recounting as though it were a dreaded disease. This does not sit well with me. And what stinks the most is Florida's officer who certified the vote is Bush's Florida campaign manager. She is wearing two hats. Those in charge of the Florida hierarchy are all Republicans and part of the Bush team from Gov. Jeb Bush down the appointment line. Talk about the fox in the hen house.

Americans have a strong sense of fair play. This looks rigged to me and to others. At this point I don't care who becomes president except that he be the one who received enough legitimate electoral votes to be the winner.

My request to Florida courts: Just count the ballots including those that are clearly marked of the 180,000 the machines threw out that Tuesday evening. Just think...180,000 ballots cast by Florida voters some of which have never been counted — not even once.

Doris Duncan

Republicans should think about postition in politics

Corry Considine was right. The Reporter-Telegram is a Republican posing as a newspaper.

The Republican Party is anti-choice (pro-life), but is pro-guns, capital punishment, war and tobacco (pro-death).

Republicans spew their hateful rhetoric into public airways and incite unbalanced supporters to commit violence, while right-wingers brand those opposed to their views as liberal liars. The right-wingers try to impose rigid, limited morals on everyone. The Bible is replete with examples of Jesus telling people to mind their own business, specifically the last chapter of John, but those teachings are never quoted by those who would assume power over others. Christ chastised leaders of his time who tried to control people by demanding behaviors according to arcane religious laws.

Republicans scream for prayers in school, but Jesus advised his followers to go into their closets and shut the door to pray, specifically criticizing those who prayed in public solely to have others observe their piety. God doesn't need a microphone to hear sincere prayers.

America's oil industry has been in decline for years, from Ronald Reagan's era through the senior Bush era. Last year a delegation of oil people went to Austin seeking help from Bush, who refused to meet with them. Bush doesn't care about Midland, he would rather pollute Alaska than help Texas independents. Bush was not successful at running his oil business, how will he run the country? I am sure he will have lots of help from special interest groups. Remember when big business becomes big government, individuals lose basic freedoms.

Bush is recycling daddy's administration, those the American public turned out of office. Who will pull the strings and push the buttons in Junior's administration? Daddy's "good 'ole boys." This nation is divided and will remain divided as long as right-wingers try to force people to live by their narrow-minded standards. This election very well may be the catalyst that awakens the American public from its apathy, and I don't think that bodes well for the Republicans.

Mary Kniffen

MISD needs change in attitude to serve better

If those who write editorials for the Reporter-Telegram want Midlanders to work together to improve our schools they have a strange way of expressing that view. Tuesday's editorial questions the sincerity of Citizens for Fiscal Responsibility and takes a cheap shot at Commissioner Valencia. The basic charge was that such groups and individuals only "sit on the sidelines and criticize."

Obviously the MRT staff is unaware that past CFR president Richard Bowdon submitted a number of written suggestions, proposals and detailed analyses, all of which were ignored with little or no response from MISD. I personally have been involved on too many occasions to mention offering my suggestions, as have many other citizens, only to be ridiculed, ignored or insulted by those in charge.

If you need a more current example, the public meeting to seek neighborhood comment on the two proposed magnet schools was a classic. On the 10 p.m. news we were treated to MISD officials and supporters ridiculing and sharply criticizing citizens who had the audacity to suggest they would prefer a neighborhood school for their children. Is it any wonder most people don't want to take that kind of abuse to deal with the arrogance of MISD?

The obvious conclusion is that without a change in attitude on the part of those in charge, meaningful citizen input will not occur. As a result our community will continue to suffer from a school system that, taken as a whole, does not serve our children well.

Ernest Angelo Jr.

Safety of children is main concern of local parents

Police officers, do you need to meet your ticket quota for the month? Have I got a deal for you. The eight-block stretch from Wadley to Neely on Ward is your hot spot, and the school zone located between Frontier and Terrace is your pot of gold.

I do not feel safe letting my children ride their bikes, scooters or for that matter walk to school because of the high volume of traffic and the speeding on Ward, especially in the morning.

I have called the city of Midland Traffic Department to inquire about the possibility of placing stop signs somewhere along this stretch of Ward. Gary Saunders, traffic department coordinator, informed me stop signs were not used to control speed, but the situation would be looked into.

A week later, traffic department employee Danny Gonzales was counting traffic and kids at the intersection of Ward and Fannin. He said that there was a high volume of traffic, with excessive speed, but not many kids; to which I replied, "What parent would feel safe knowing that their child has to cross a busy street with speeding on top of that?"

I then asked if it was going to take an accident before something was done. Come on, get us a more obvious school zone and crosswalks on the Ward Street Freeway; use street buttons (preferably more than one row), a flashing light or both. I urge all parents of school age children west of Ward to contact Saunders at 689-7280 to find out why nothing has been done.

Christina Montanez

Recycling, street repair not getting attention

A short while back, you wrote a story about recycling in Midland, and how much it has increased. The truth of the matter is that Midland's system of recycling is next to none at all. There are towns in this country that are about a fourth of the size of Midland, and recycle about twice as much as Midland does.

Maybe we should concede 300 North Loraine as the location for our next land fill, because at the rate we are going, we will be looking for a new land fill before you know it. With the present recycle system we have here in Midland about only 10 percent of the people of Midland are presently recycling.

While I'm at this, there is something else that I would like to know. What happened to our street repair department in Midland? If you don't know what I am talking about, then go check out some of our streets, such as South Garfield, from Wall to Front, or maybe Williams Street from Wall to Midkiff, Louisiana from Andrews Highway to Powell, or maybe Roosevelt from Midkiff to Midland Drive, and the intersection at Midland Drive and West Illinois. That's all I am going to say to Mayor Bobby Burns and long-time friend and other members of the City Council: It's time to wake up and start cleaning up. Let's put some pride back into the city of ours.

Ed Bolton

Nation being governed by power, not people

I once entered my position for the council seat in a small town. I was informed I would discover who my friends were. If I was elected, I had no friends. I was made to learn that the saying was true.

Through the years, as our nation has progressed, it is hard to get anything done that is compatible with most residents. The controlling elite are pulling all the strings whatever the city, county, state or federal office is ... our vote does not count.

We have been downtrodden recently by the most devastating shame that has ever hit our nations. "This Election."

One candidate has been dogged with a stagnated environment for eight years. We do not know for sure of his countenance. Maybe good or maybe bad. The other candidate was so unsure of his success he would not commit to the position until he was sure all the powers that control our government were behind him.

Anyone with the brain of an alligator would never place themselves in a position to mingle with the slop that has been dumped in our federal politics. After the hub dub that has been doing on, I wonder if we can see any trust in either person.

The entire conglomeration puts doubts in our minds if the elections have always been honest. There is room for doubt.

The Civil War has been over for over 150 years but there is animosity that still exists and we have seen the results between the Republicans and Democrats. For the past eight years we have had only fighting in Washington and nothing has been done except depriving the people of our freedom.

The federal government has removed many powers from our states and we have to bow to their rules, otherwise we don't get our commodities. This is my own opinion and my convictions. The power controls, not the people.

James W. Abernathy

Poorest children deserve health care insurance

Texas' future will largely be determined by the choices we make about our children today. Our state's ethnic makeup and our economic base are changing. We will soon be a "majority minority" state, and though we have a booming economy for many, our poverty rate for children remains extraordinarily high, especially among Hispanics and African-Americans. This presents a substantial challenge to building the well-educated, healthy families and workforce Texas needs to continue to prosper.

While important progress is being made in education, we are falling behind in covering our children's health needs. Despite bold and positive steps by our state leaders in the past four years, there are more uninsured children in Texas today than before 1997.

These children —1.4 million — go without basic checkups, frequently delay seeking care until easily treatable problems become more serious, and often simply live with chronic problems that affect their ability to read and perform in school. The new Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) is available for many children above the poverty line. However, approximately 600,000 other children, those living in the poorest families, are eligible not for the new CHIP program, but only for Medicaid.

It is time for our state leaders to take the next step in getting equal access to health care for our poorest children. This is a matter of wise investment. It is a matter of fairness as well. Our poorest children deserve the same access to health services that we have for our higher income CHIP children. If we want families to work and successfully stay off welfare they must have help with health insurance when it is not available through their employer.

Rev. Michael D. Pfeifer
Bishop of Diocese of San Angelo

Overseas votes should be counted in election

To the person who wrote "Why is George Bush afraid to count ...?" How many recounts are enough? There have already been three. Would 20 be enough? How about 100? We all know the answer to that question, don't we? You want just enough recounts so that enough votes can be selectively counted and/or manufactured to put Gore ahead. Gore has lost! In spite of the thousands and thousands of dead Democrats who were so inspired by Gore's speeches that they rose from the grave to vote. In spite of the sudden mobilization of service people in Florida to be sent overseas just before the election.

These are the same votes Gore wants thrown out. I can tell you that those service people are doing more to benefit this country than either you or me.

So now we can agree. Let's count all the votes!

Bob Presley

Democrats miss out not once, but twice with Gore

One question: Why are the Democrats working so hard to make Al Gore president now and refused to support the impeachment vote of Clinton earlier? They missed their chance for Gore's presidency BOTH times!

James Terrence Purcell

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Democracy kept strong through political debate

As we try to look on the bright side in the wake of the fiasco that has dogged our nation since Nov. 7, many of us are taking comfort in the fact Americans have gone through a thorough civics brush-up over the past several weeks.

We have been reminded every vote counts. We have had a reminder about the way in which lower courts, state supreme courts and the U.S. Supreme Court interact. We have seen that America is truly a free nation in which opposing parties can disagree, but we don't have to draw our weapons.

But we also have been made well aware of the political scheming and strategizing that is said to be going on in the background among Democrats and Republicans.

Democrats have been rumored to be eager to pull the plug on Al Gore in an attempt to shore up their opportunity to seize control of Congress in two years. Hillary Clinton, who will soon represent New York in the U.S. Senate, is said to be casting her shrewd political eye on a run for the White House in 2004. President Bill Clinton told a magazine writer this past week that he would have run for a third term if there hadn't been an amendment to the Constitution preventing him from doing so.

As our next president enters the White House ... we disagree with those who argue our nation will be divided for four years. We believe the majority of Americans are eager to move forward and will respond instead to the leadership offered by our new commander in chief.

We are now looking at a lame duck session of Congress. That's too bad.

Our nation's working men and women could probably use a little tax relief, that also might put a little sizzle back into our economy. Our Medicare program appears to be ailing and we will need to take steps to try to nurse this vital program back to health.

Again, probably the most important lesson we can take from the ongoing ballot-counting battle between Al Gore and George W. Bush is that our democracy remains strong.

In addition, more Americans appear to be focused on the functions of its court system and for several weeks have gotten daily lessons in the way in which our two major political parties can disagree and still not upset the balance of the safe and stable lives we Americans have come to enjoy.

As our next president enters the White House — and we remain confident that it will be George W. Bush — we disagree with those who argue our nation will be divided for four years. We believe the majority of Americans are eager to move forward and will respond instead to the leadership offered by our new commander in chief.

As always, we will hear in the coming months the discussions we hear every four years. What role will third parties have in the next election? Is it time to abandon the Electoral College system? Should we review and revise our political primary system?

As we have said before, this is all part of a healthy democracy.

JACK ANDERSON

Bipartisan efforts may go ignored

WASHINGTON — The Washington political maneuvering is heating up in some strange ways. The prospect of a Bush presidency together with a Republican-led Congress offers both peril and opportunity for the Grand Old Party. George W. Bush campaigned as a "compassionate conservative," dedicated to restoring the GOP's centrist credentials and rescuing it from the grip of the far right. Yet in the party's congressional leadership elections, conservative activists with roots in the Gingrich Revolution were re-elected, while bids from more moderate members in the Senate were turned back.



Anderson

"I've been waiting all my life to have a Republican president and a Republican Congress," exulted Texas Sen. Phil Gramm. Never mind that the feisty Gramm was first elected to Congress as a Democrat. With control of both branches of government, however shaky, he and other conservative stalwarts believe that cherished Republican goals can be accomplished.

"If Bush wins, they're gearing up for another Gingrich era — but on thinner ice," a Gore advisor predicted recently.

The first casualty could be the costly cleanup of New York's Hudson River, proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency. Lobbyists in Washington hail the Republican restoration as likely to bring relief from governmental regulation.

All that sunny talk about bipartisanship falls on deaf ears among House conservatives. Majority Whip Tom DeLay doesn't think the presidential election was a tie. He says the Republicans established themselves as the majority party, and he'll act on that mandate. Known as "The Hammer," DeLay doesn't seem chastened by the closeness of the election. "We'll write conservative bills and ask the Democrats to participate," he said.

With friends like these, Bush could have a tough time delivering on his promise to be "a uniter, not a divider." Bush's best course might be to marginalize DeLay and cultivate moderates.

Democrats John Breaux and Charles Stenholm are not household names, but they would be in a Bush administration. Centrist Democrats, they hold the keys to victory for Bush in terms of reaching out and building coalitions. Louisiana Sen. Breaux is famous for once saying, "I can't be bought, but I can be rented." Texas Rep. Stenholm was one of a handful of Democrats who voted to impeach President Clinton. The two lawmakers together could be a bridge to Democrats in a Bush administration.

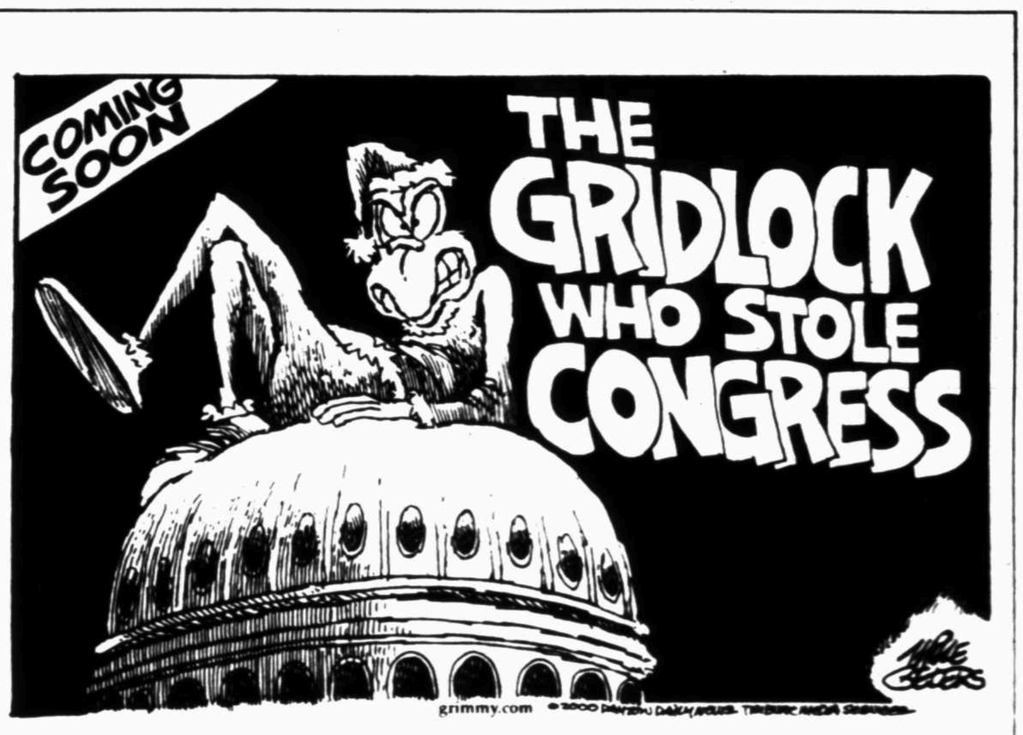
Conversely, if Vice President Gore were to somehow prevail, they could serve as his emissaries to the Republican opposition.

Traditionally, the Senate acts as a brake on the more impulsive House. With a Bush victory, the Senate will be divided exactly in half, with 50 Republicans and 50 Democrats, and gridlock is likely. The Republicans, angling for some slight advantage, have speculated that Breaux could join a Bush administration as Energy Secretary. Underlying this bipartisan generosity is the knowledge that Louisiana's Republican governor would appoint a Republican to replace Breaux and give the GOP a 51-seat edge.

Democrats have equally cynical scenarios that would give them control. With a half-dozen senators over 70 years of age, it's possible the grim reaper will claim some members. South Carolina Sen. Strom Thurmond turned 98 earlier this month, and North Carolina Sen. Jesse Helms, 79, is in notably failing health. But the two Carolinians have cheated the actuarial tables so far, and a generation of aspiring politicians have waited in vain for their turn.

In an election this closely contested, a coalition government sounds appealing. But Republicans who have been frozen out of the White House for eight years will find it hard to share power with Democrats. And Democrats will be reluctant to take appointments in a Bush administration, especially if a Bush victory is seen as tainted by a reluctance to fully count the votes in Florida.

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COKIE & STEVE ROBERTS

Will Bush be our 'Delegator-in-Chief'?

"I set goals. And I delegate. And I hold people accountable for achieving the goals." That's how George W. Bush described his management style to CBS News in his first extensive post-election interview. If Bush ends up as president, Washington will be in for a shock — the style he describes could not be more different from the detail-devouring Bill Clinton. It's not necessarily better or worse, say those who've worked in past White Houses, but it's definitely different.

That's because Clinton's background is in politics and Bush's is in business, says former Democratic Congressman Jim Jones. Jones served as White House chief of staff at the end of the Johnson administration, where he remembers a president who wanted "to know every fact, every bit of gossip and see everything through." Bush's approach, according to Jones, who also put in time as head of the American Stock Exchange, is "much more a CEO mentality, where you develop people of talent, put them in charge of carrying out the business of the company while you work the board." And who's the board in the case of the president? "Congress," answers Jones.



Cokie & Steve Roberts

It's a style that many old capital city hands have compared to President Reagan's, but some members of the Reagan administration bristle at the analogy. "Ronald Reagan was very wise, that's the difference," insisted one of the former president's intimates. "I don't know whether this guy's wise or not."

Another Reagan devotee put it this way, "Bush doesn't have the fully formed views and philosophy that Reagan developed over a lifetime."

These men argue that a delegator-in-chief only works effectively if the president has the capacity to inspire the public, the way Reagan did. And they worry that Bush's appearances since the election have been less than inspirational.

Bush once explained to us his theories about spending political capital in order to amass more of it. Having clearly reflected on his father's failure to use his high approval ratings after the Persian Gulf War to achieve something here at home, George W. Bush took that lesson in squandering capital to heart as governor. He told us he used the political capital from his victory in the election to get a few things done. Then, by getting those things done, he acquired more political capital and was able to get bigger things done. It's a model Bush is sure he can replicate if he gets to Washington.

"It's going to be tough, given the fierceness of the partisanship and the closeness of the election. "A big tax cut's not likely," says former Reagan chief of staff Ken Duberstein, "but Bush might enact the leftovers agenda. He might find common ground on HMO reform, prescription drugs for seniors, the marriage penalty, the death tax and maybe education reform. Then people would say he's learned the ways of Washington and demonstrated he can govern, and then maybe he can get big things done." That sounds a lot like Bush's own formula for success.

And that success depends on "working the board" in Jim Jones' term — spending a lot of time cozying up to both parties in Congress. But first he would have to show he is serious — by appointing a cabinet that's bipartisan and ethnically diverse — then it might work just fine if he would let the cabinet worry about the details.

It's a time that might suit George W. Bush just fine. He doesn't seem to want to plan great plans or dream great dreams. He does want to get some things done and bring people together in the process of doing them. If he succeeded, it would be a lot more than presidential management style that changed in Washington.

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GEORGE WILL

Gore's attorney should receive more scrutiny

WASHINGTON — Americans have seen David Boies, Gore's lawyer, inflict wear and tear on the rule of law. Boies' behavior has not received proper scrutiny, partly because many roundheeled journalists have a crush on Boies, who plays them as effortlessly as Paganini played a Stradivarius.

Which brings us to Gore's Florida month of living dangerously, and evidence that Clinton's and Gore's practice of playing fast and loose with truth and law is communicable disease.



Will

Florida's post-election chaos deepened when Boies convinced Florida's credulous Supreme Court of a crucial falsehood. He said that in an Illinois election case 10 years ago, a judge ordered that stray, random — so-called "rogue" — dimples be counted as votes. But in fact such markings were *not* counted. The judge counted dimples as votes only if the voter left a pattern of dimples, indicating an intent to vote but a failure to follow directions. Florida's court, combining judicial activism and intellectual sloth, did not trouble itself with anything as recondite as independent verification of this assertion by an interested party.

Next, to influence the Broward County canvassing board, Boies had someone associated with the Illinois case awakened around midnight to send an affidavit confirming Boies' misrepresentation. A day later, the sender's memory refreshed, he sent a revised affidavit. But Boies' team did not advise Broward County of the second affidavit. Broward counted hundreds of Gore votes by following the misrepresented standards from the Chicago case.

Days later, in Judge Sauls' court, Boies, arguing that Palm Beach County's punch-card voting machines failed to register votes for Gore, presented as an expert witness a Yale statistician. The statistician testified that there are more "undervotes" (ballots on which no candidate for an office is voted for) when candidates for that office are listed in a ballot's left-hand column. To validate his theory, the expert relied on Palm Beach County's 1998 ballot. Boies' team [illegible] filed a "proffer" advising the court the local statistician would testify that "a close inspection of the (1998) Palm Beach County ballot reveals that the senatorial race was recorded in the first column and the gubernatorial race in the second column."

But the senatorial and gubernatorial candidates were listed in the same column. The statistician examined that 1998 ballot, [illegible]. He said he relied on "facts supplied by" Gore's legal team. Not wise.

In a court [illegible] the same subject, the statistician [illegible] judgment in a way [illegible] Boies' team, saying that to be certain of the conclusion that Boies' team [illegible] study would be required. But Boies' team [illegible] include the qualifying [illegible] document presenting the [illegible] to the court.

When [illegible] from Judge Sauls' [illegible] Florida Supreme Court, Boies [illegible] the rule of law. How should [illegible] that? Perhaps. Another [illegible] in the spirit of Boies [illegible]. Well, that is one option.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, Dec. 10, the 345th day of 2000. There are 21 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On Dec. 10, 1950, Ralph J. Bunche was presented the Nobel Peace Prize, the first black American to receive the award.

On this date:

In 1520, Martin Luther publicly burned the papal edict demanding that he recant or face excommunication.

In 1817, Mississippi was admitted as the 20th state.

In 1869, women were granted the right to vote in the Wyoming Territory.

In 1898, a treaty was signed in Paris officially ending the Spanish-American War.

In 1906, President Theodore Roosevelt became the first American to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, for helping to mediate an end to the Russo-Japanese War.

In 1931, Jane Addams was a co-recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize, the first American woman so honored.

In 1948, the U.N. General Assembly adopted its Universal Declaration on Human Rights.

In 1964, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. received the Nobel Peace Prize during ceremonies in Oslo, Norway.

In 1967, singer Otis Redding died in the crash of his private plane in Wisconsin.

In 1980, Rep. John W. Jenrette, D-S.C., resigned to avoid being expelled from the House following his conviction on charges relating to the FBI's Abscam investigation.

Ten years ago: A stand-in for Mikhail Gorbachev accepted the 1990 Nobel Peace Prize. Industrialist Armand Hammer died at age 92. The space shuttle Columbia returned from its 10th mission. The Food and Drug Administration approved Norplant, a long-acting contraceptive implant.

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Belfast 'peace lines' endure as signs of conflict, mistrust

By Laura King
Associated Press

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — They live only a few hundred yards apart, these two hospitable and soft-spoken women with hair almost the identical shade of red. But they doubt they will ever meet.

Their working-class neighborhoods — one Roman Catholic, one Protestant, both relentlessly grim despite gaily colored Christmas decorations adorning the low-slung buildings — are separated by a high wall of solid brick, corrugated metal and wire mesh.

And neither woman would even think of visiting the other side.

"Peace lines," these barriers are called. They're a legacy of three decades of bitter sectarian conflict that has claimed hundreds of lives. More than a half dozen miles of the fortified walls snake across Belfast's cityscape, cutting through backyards, slicing residential streets, dividing desolate no man's lands.

Both sides say the walls provide a much-needed buffer between neighborhoods that have again and again been flashpoints for fighting. But they also serve as an emblem of a psychological divide: the mistrust that persists despite Northern Ireland's hard-won progress toward peace.

The province's landmark 1998 peace accord — to be commemorated in a visit this week by President Clinton, who worked tirelessly to bring the two sides together — is largely holding, but old hostilities die hard, and setbacks have mounted in recent months.

Paramilitary groups, including the Irish Republican Army, are supposed to be gradually disarming, but the IRA accuses Britain of lagging on promised troop withdrawals and police reforms.

And sectarian violence still flares despite the cease-fires. On Wednesday, a Catholic construction worker was shot dead and a Catholic taxi driver seriously wounded less than 24 hours after a Protestant cabbie was slain. No group claimed responsibility for any of the shootings.

On opposite sides of the "peace lines," even a dramatic ebb in the overall level of violence can take a long time to translate into life's daily realities.

Laura McAnoy, a 40-year-old Catholic mother of five, should know. Her back garden directly abuts a "peace line" that separates her neighborhood, known as the Falls, from the Protestant area called the Shankill, each named for the main road running through it.

"Well, it's really more of a battle line, isn't it?" McAnoy says.

The glass in her back windows is bulletproof, and heavy metal grills cover the upstairs windows. The back wall is scorched black where firebombs have sailed over the barrier, and small stones litter the tiny yard.

On the Shankill side, 43-year-old Elizabeth Weir opens her door reluctantly to a stranger — but is soon offering tea and recalling her childhood, when children played stickball in the street that now dead-ends where the fortified wall cuts across it.

"We'd just play together, all of us," she says, shaking her head in wonder. "It's hard to imagine now."

Weir crosses the "peace line" for one reason only: to go to Belfast's best hospital, the Royal Victoria, on Falls Road. Even though it would be only a short walk from her home, she takes a taxi — trembling hard, she says, as soon as it passes through the wall's metal gates.

Like so many zones of conflict, Belfast's scale is startlingly small, its geography intimate. Much of the worst violence of recent years has taken place within a few square miles. Traveling by car, a trip of only minutes can take you from a staunchly Protestant stronghold into a Catholic enclave and back again.

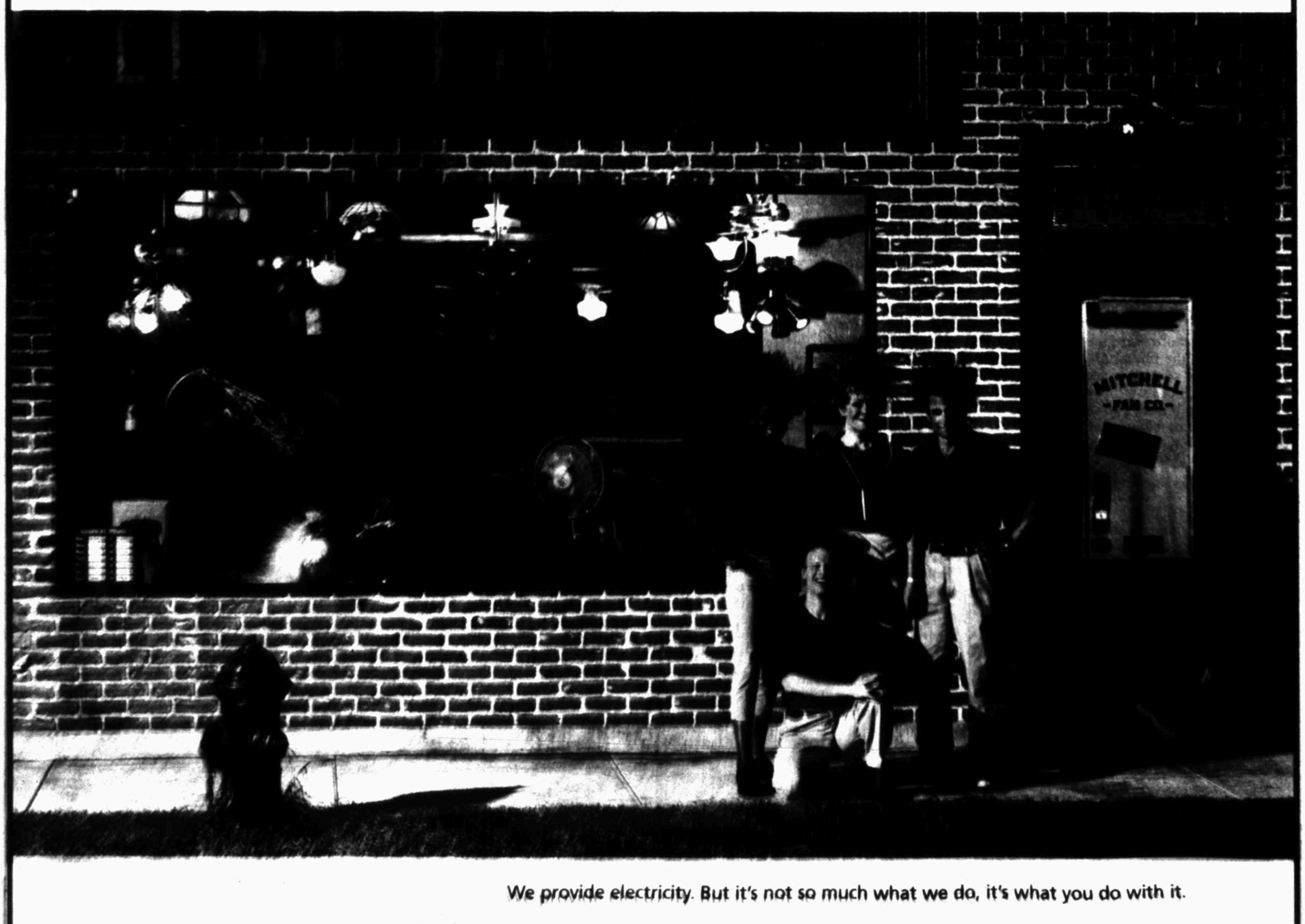
These days, less and less of Belfast lives the strictly segregated lives that McAnoy and Weir do.

In well-to-do outlying areas, Catholics and Protestants live peacefully side-by-side, united by a solid suburban concern for keeping up property values. Several religiously integrated schools have opened in recent years, although they draw only about 4 percent of the city's pupils, most of them from middle-class homes.

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Gunman kills 20 worshippers in Sudan

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP) — A gunman who killed 20 worshippers in a mosque had a long-standing grudge against their Islamic sect and had threatened its members, a police chief said Saturday.

Police shot dead the gunman, Abbas al-Baqer Abbas, after he walked up to the al-Sunna al-Mohammediyya Mosque in the village of Garaffa on Friday evening and fired an automatic rifle through its window.

He killed 20 people and wounded 33 others, including a policeman, police spokesman Gen. Osman Yakoub Ali said.

Abbas belonged to a militant Islamic group, Takfir wal Hijra, Khartoum police Gen. Osman Gaafar said. He had formerly belonged to al-Sunna al-Mohammediyya, but had left this sect owing to religious differences, Gaafar said.

After he joined Takfir wal Hijra, Abbas repeatedly made violent threats against members of his former group. In 1998, police detained him for four months because of these threats. He was released after saying that he repented, Gaafar said.

On Saturday, President Omar el-Bashir visited the mosque in Garaffa, a village north of Omdurman, the twin city of the capital Khartoum. He paid his condolences to relatives of the victims and said legislation would be passed to control fanatical religious groups.

On Friday night, a crowd had gathered outside Omdurman University Hospital, where the wounded were admitted, demanding revenge against Takfir wal Hijra, Egypt's Middle East News Agency reported.

Police spokesman Ali said Abbas appeared to act alone. "Up to now our investigations and assessment suggest that the attacker was one person," he said.

Ali said Abbas, who came from the central region of el-Gezira, was a former member of the Popular Defense Forces, a government unit that fights southern rebels.

Takfir wal Hijra, whose name literally means "Repentance and Flight," advocates isolation from the sinful world. The name was used in Egypt in the early 1970s by a violent offshoot of the Muslim Brotherhood. The name was subsequently adopted by groups in other Arab countries.

In Sudan, Takfir wal Hijra has carried out several attacks on rival Muslim sects. In 1994, gunmen from the group killed 16 in an attack on a mosque. Three years later, its members killed two worshippers in another attack.

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Palestinians bury dead as cold, rainy weather keeps many off streets

JERUSALEM (AP) — Palestinian mourners shouting anti-Israeli slogans marched through the West Bank streets of Jenin at a mass funeral Saturday for five Palestinians killed in one of the deadliest attacks since the clashes began in September.

Also, Israel intensified its clampdown around Palestinian towns, further restricting travel, and a 13-year-old Palestinian boy was seriously injured after being shot in the abdomen by Jewish settlers in Hebron in the West Bank, witnesses said.

The deaths of 10 people on Friday — seven Palestinians and three Israelis — raised fears of retaliatory violence on Saturday. However, heavy rains and cold weather in many areas kept crowds off the streets, and only small-scale clashes were reported as of Saturday evening.

Still, thousands turned out in Jenin, carrying the coffins of the five men killed Friday when an Israeli tank fired on a police guard post. Four of the dead were policemen, the fifth was a civilian.

"Fight, fight, until the end of the Israeli occupation," chanted the crowd. Some wore masks and carried guns. Others waved Palestinian flags.

"We are going with the martyrs to Jerusalem," they shouted.

Yasser Abed Rabbo, the Palestinian information minister, said Friday's attack was a "deliberate step to escalate the current Israeli aggression in order to serve political objectives."

The Israeli army said the tank fired shells after soldiers spotted four armed figures in the distance. Mohammed Hijazi, a policeman who was standing near the site of the attack, said the Israelis fired without provocation.

The five fatalities made it one of the deadliest single attacks since the violence erupted 10 weeks ago. More than 300 people, the vast majority Palestinian, have been killed over that period.

In renewed violence Saturday, a Jewish settler shot Mansur Dshaber, 13, near Hebron, according to Dshaber's uncle, Ata Dshaber. The Israeli army sent a helicopter to evacuate the youth to a Jerusalem hospital and said they were investigating the incident.

Also, Palestinian gunmen and Israeli troops traded gunfire in Hebron and Ramallah, according to the army and witnesses. No injuries were reported.

Meanwhile, the Israeli army imposed a strict closure on areas under the full control of the Palestinian Authority in the West Bank, further limiting Palestinian travel. A general closure imposed since the fighting broke out has banned Palestinians from entering Israel.

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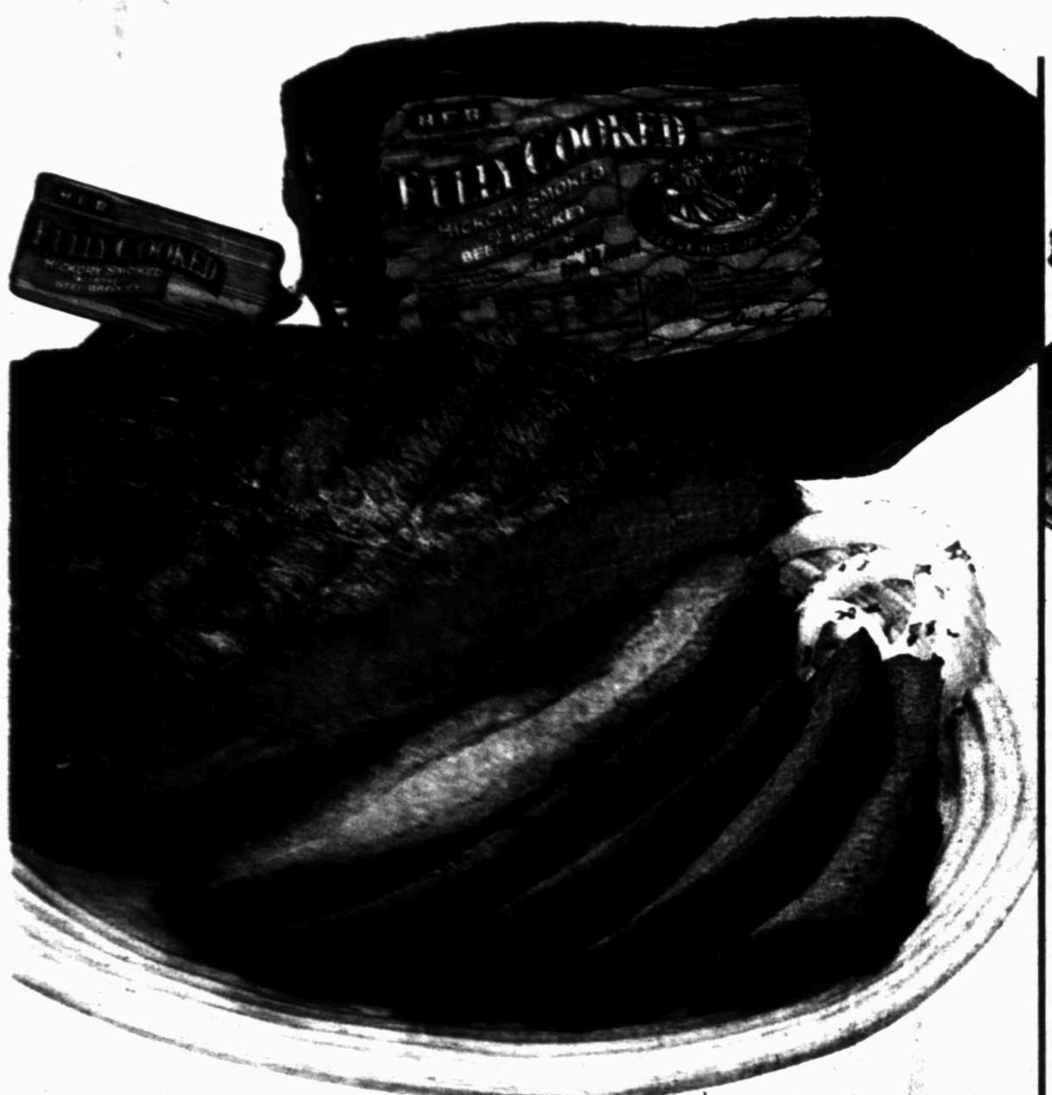
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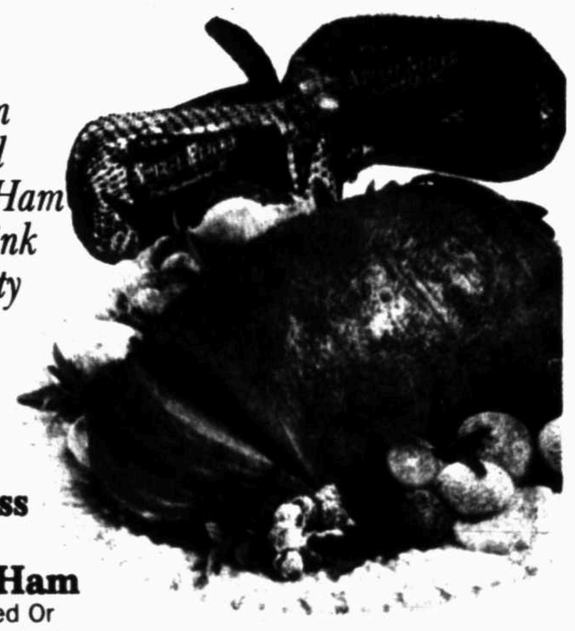
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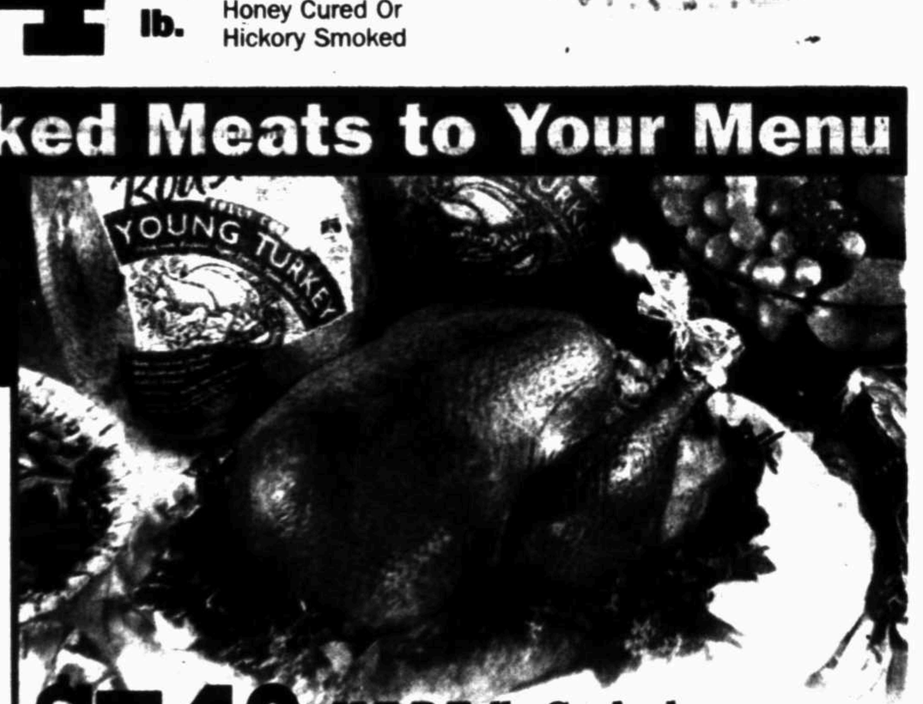


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Law officers on lookout for drunk drivers

By Richard Acosta
Staff Writer

Some law enforcement officials around the Permian Basin are planning to increase patrols and putting out the word, 'If you drive drunk, you will go to jail.'

Nothing can ruin a holiday gathering like a drunk driver parking his car in your living room or hearing that a co-worker or friend was involved in an auto accident while drinking and driving.

It's no laughing matter that each year hundreds of accidents are caused by drivers who tried to make it home after a night out on the town.

To help discourage this type of behavior, some law enforcement officials around the Permian Basin are planning to increase patrols and putting out the word, "If you drive drunk, you will go to jail."

The plan for the Midland Police Department will be to increase the number of officers on the force's Special Traffic Enforcement Program or STEP.

The STEP program uses grant money to pay officers overtime for patrolling the streets specifically looking for drunk drivers.

Traffic Lt. Brian Bogart said the STEP program operates to some capacity all year long but he plans on increasing the number of officers on patrol for the holidays.

The Odessa Police Department has its STEP program under way as well. OPD spokeswoman Sherrie Thompson said its program runs from Sept. 1 until May 31.

"We don't send out any extra officers because the ones out there are only looking for drunk drivers," Ms. Thompson said.

Big Spring police will increase their patrol traffic around New Year's Eve, but not during Christmas.

"We like to have a few more officers out during New Year's because of all the parties and things like that," Big Spring Police Department Lt. Terry Chamness said.

If you're traveling outside the Midland/Odessa area, be ready to see lots of police cars. The Department of Public Safety will kick in "Operation Holiday" during Christmas and New Year's.

"We put all of our troopers out on the road," said DPS Cpt. David Baker. "We limit the officers' office time and keep them out to have a visible presence. A visible presence means greater compliance of traffic laws."

Baker said Operation Holiday will run from Friday, Dec. 22, until the end of the shift on Monday, Dec. 25. Then it will start up again on Friday, Dec. 29, until the end of the shift on Monday, Jan. 1, 2001.

Troopers will be primarily looking for speeders and drunk drivers.

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AT LEFT: Following a presentation by Midland County Library employee Darla Bushman, students and parents gathered in small groups to sort through books on possible projects. ABOVE: Norma Rios of Midland, right, reads through a book of possible experiments with her 10-year-old daughter, Karem Rios Saturday at the library. The program kicked off preparations for the Texaco Super Science 2000 science fair.

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Simple tricks now can save on taxes later

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Bringing up the subject of taxes during the holidays may be akin to inviting the Grinch to Christmas dinner.

But local accountants and Texas Tech tax experts say giving the subject a little thought as the year draws to a close can ease the tax burden.

Lawrence Prucka, a Midland certified public accountant, said here are some easy steps taken that can save tax dollars.

"Make sure to make your mortgage payment so the interest will accrue," he said. "And if you pay your property taxes in December, even though they're not due until January, you can deduct them if you itemize your return."

Fellow CPA Martha Dunham agreed that property owners who pay their property taxes before Dec. 31 can claim that deduction.

She also advised saving medical bills and making charitable contributions before the end of the year.

"When a charge is made [illegible] the date the charge is made, [illegible] another," she said. "If you have [illegible] on your credit cards, [illegible] that medical deduction, you can put it on your credit card, take the deduction and pay the bill next year. The same goes with equipment."

Robert Ricketts, professor of taxation at Texas Tech's College of Business Administration, pointed out that self-employed business owners who pay

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Stanton man named among 'The Greatest Generation of Texans'

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

STANTON — Bob Deavenport has been named one of 10 statewide winners of The Greatest Generation of Texans contest.

"This was a very pleasant surprise," said the 72-year-old Stanton community volunteer and retired Martin County judge.

The 10 honorees across Texas were selected in a contest based on essays submitted by people who know them well. The contest was sponsored by the Texas Department of Aging, Southwest Airlines, and Texas Monthly magazine.



Deavenport

Deavenport, a volunteer who runs the Martin County Community Fund's Food Pantry that is rooted in the Christmas Cheer program that Deavenport and his wife started 30 years ago, was nominated by Sally Carroll, director of the Martin County Senior Citizens Center.

"I see what he has done for other people, maybe those not as fortunate as he is," Ms. Carroll said. "He is a man of compassion. I've seen him help lots of people and expect nothing in return. He went way beyond the call of duty as county judge."

Deavenport served 18 years as judge in a county of about 5,000 people.

"If someone needs help, he doesn't care what they have done in the past or why they need help," Ms. Carroll said. "He doesn't judge and is very caring and unselfish."

His wife of 50 years, the former Dorothy Renfro, "stands by him," Ms. Carroll said. "She is always helping him whatever project he has going."

Mrs. Deavenport said her husband is "very deserving of

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A look back at 1970 ... It's my favorite year, but why?

Most of us, I suspect, have certain years that remain special to us. Be they the year we were born, the year we got married, the year we got divorced, the year we had our first child, the year we received that big promotion and so on and so forth.



Ott

All we have to do is hear that year mentioned and we automatically come to often then and start reflecting on where we were and what we were doing at the time.

For me it is 1970. That May I graduated from high school and three months later I left for college and in the next several years [illegible] backed back.

Yeah 1970. That [illegible] year. You can have all the others — even 1924, which is when [illegible] named this night — but give me 1970. It is the year I came of age, or at least turned the corner.

And what a year it was.

It was so historic, in fact, that [illegible] cause it's the immediate aftermath of it. And why not? There's what was going on at the time.

Richard Nixon was president and [illegible] unimaginable events to the nation, including [illegible] marijuana, drugs and boredom.

Most young people just laughed and said it was out of touch with reality.

But rock fans suffered great sadness later that year when two of their heroes died from drug overdoses.

It was Jimi Hendrix first, and then a few weeks later, it was Janis Joplin. Each was 27.

It made no sense. Suddenly, living on the edge didn't seem quite so attractive. Just the same, few young people altered their lifestyle. Drugs remained popular. And easy to find.

Vietnam was still raging and soon troops would move into Cambodia in what Nixon said would be a "limited incursion." Before 1970 had even begun, some 50,000 Americans had already been killed. Before the year ended, many more would be gunned down.

But it wasn't one-sided.

Americans did their share of killing too. It was after all, in 1970 that Lt. William Calley went on trial for his role in the My Lai massacre that left more than 500 Vietnamese civilians dead. In March of the following year, he was found guilty of murder and sentenced to [illegible] prison.

But that was not the only high-profile trial to take place that year.

There was the one for the Chicago Seven, for example — those rowdy radicals who had [illegible] disrupt the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago.

And just a few [illegible] Panther Party [illegible] Huey P. Newton [illegible] two years earlier. Now [illegible] Panther Party [illegible] Bobby Seale [illegible] with the help of their lawyer, attorney William Kunstler [illegible] courtroom into their personal stage [illegible] American legal system [illegible]

And, again, many people [illegible]

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OBITUARIES



Frances Newton

Frances I. Newton was born February 23, 1928 in Rotan, Texas, to Olhe D. McCombs and Bertha (Andress) McCombs. She married Lehman E. Newton, Jr. on September 7, 1947 in Rotan. They moved to Midland in 1963. She was a member of First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Lehman Newton of Midland; two sons, Lehman "Newt" Newton and wife, Banay, and Bob Newton and wife, Kim, all of Midland; two daughters, Frances and husband, Larry Stapp, of Midland, and Sue and husband, Steve Van Hoozer, of San Angelo, Texas; a brother, Billie Joe McCombs of Rotan, Texas; a sister, Geraldine Hawkins of Dallas, Texas; nine grandchildren, Stacey Cornett and husband, J.C., Brandy Tirey and husband, Jim, Emily Bush and husband, Jason, Phillip Newton, Adam Newton, Maggie Newton, Bradley Newton, Kevin Newton, and Jeffrey Newton; and four great-grandchildren, Addie and Andrew Cornett, and Grayson and Sawyer Tirey.

Mrs. Newton died Saturday, December 9, 2000, at her Midland residence.

Visitation with the family will be Sunday, December 10, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Ellis Funeral Home.

Memorial services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday, December 11, 2000, in First United Methodist Church with the Reverends Lane Boyd, Jan Reed, and Gale Wilson officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Honorary pallbearers are the members of the Partners Sunday School Class at First United Methodist Church.

The family requests that memorials be directed to Allison Cancer Center, 2200 West Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701; or Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, Texas 79702.



Ann Lindsey

Services for Ann Lindsey are scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday, December 11, 2000, at Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel with First Reader Read Johnston of First Church of Christ Scientist officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven North Mausoleum. Arrangements are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

Ann was born July 2, 1913 in Shelbyville, Illinois, to Frank and Rose Holland Taylor. She graduated from Shelbyville High School and Sparks Business College. She then worked for the State of Illinois in Springfield. She married Jesse Lindsey March 30, 1941 in Shelbyville, Illinois. Ann and Jesse then moved to Midland in February 1948. She loved baseball and followed the Midland team from the Cubs to the Rockhounds. She played in various bridge clubs and loved to sew and knit. Her three grandsons were the joy of her life. She followed their various activities as they grew.

Ann was a member of First Church of Christ Scientist.

Ann passed away Thursday, December 7, 2000, at her Midland residence.

Survivors include her husband, Jesse Lindsey of Midland; a son, George Lindsey and wife, Ann, of Arlington, Texas; a daughter, Sally Ann Melzer and husband, Steve, of Midland; and three grandsons, Scott Melzer and wife, Audrey, of Greenville, S.C., Mike Melzer of Houston, Texas, and P.J. Lindsey of Arlington, Texas; a brother, Stanley Taylor and wife, Martha, of Decatur, Ill.; and many loving nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers are Scott Melzer, Mike Melzer, George Eng, Don Jansen, Don Bell, Rudy Berg, Robert Garst, and Larry Melzer. Honorary pallbearers are Dr. Greg Bartha, Monroe Jackson, Larry Lawrence, Bill Hill, and the First Baptist Church Fellowship Class of Percy O'Quinn.

Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.



Bea Little

Eva Bea Little was born October 6, 1929 in Springer, New Mexico, to Lee and Eva Yarbrough. She was reared and educated in Roy, New Mexico. On November 26, 1946, she married Red Little in Tucumcari, New Mexico. They moved to Midland in 1950, where they owned and operated Red Little Motor Company and Ridge Heights Homes. She later owned and managed the Mr. M Food Store, until she retired in 1998.

Mrs. Little was preceded in death by her husband, Edgar M. (Red) Little, Jr. She is survived by her son, Ed Little of Culver, Indiana; and her daughters, Perrie Whalen of Midland and Katie Hobbs of Justin, Texas. She is also survived by her sisters, Martha Little of Silver City, New Mexico, and Geneva Richards of Ruidoso, New Mexico; and her grandchildren, Stephen Elliott, II of Aurora, Colorado, and Samuel Little and Jacob Little, both of Culver, Indiana.

She died Thursday, December 7, 2000, in Abilene, Texas, at a local hospital.

Visitation will be at Ellis Funeral Home Sunday between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 3:00 p.m. Monday, December 11, 2000, with graveside services at Fairview Cemetery with Rev. Tony Gruben officiating. A memorial service has also been planned for Mrs. Little on December 17, 2000 at 2 p.m. in Paint Rock, Texas, at the Brunson Community Center with Rev. Tony Gruben officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home in Midland.

The family requests that memorials be directed to the Paint Rock Memorial Library in Paint Rock, Texas 76866.



Bill White

William "Bill" White was born September 18, 1915 in Temple, Texas. He was reared in Corpus Christi. During World War II, he served with the Army Air Corp and was stationed in Hawaii. He achieved the rank of First Lieutenant. He married Margaret Wilson on January 16, 1975. Mr. White was employed with Sinclair Oil Company/Atlantic Richfield, and moved to Midland in 1965. After retiring in 1981, Mr. White then worked as an independent landman until 1998. He was a Certified Professional Landman, and a member of the American Association of Petroleum Landmen. In addition, he was a member of the Masonic Lodge, a 32-degree Mason of the Scottish Rite of El Paso, and a member of Suez Shrine of San Angelo.

Mr. White died at his home in San Angelo on Friday, December 8, 2000.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret White on August 20, 2000. He is survived by his son, Rick White of San Antonio; his daughter, Nancy Rogers of Midland; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services have been scheduled for Sunday, December 10, at 2 p.m. at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Tommy Potter officiating. Interment will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

The family requests memorials be directed to VistaCare Family Hospice, 1121 S. Bryant, San Angelo, Texas 76903; or other Hospices of choice.



Bebe Fisher

Bebe W. Fisher was born March 4, 1914 in Placcias, Texas, to Arthur and Marie Williams. She married Gus Wesley "Bud" Fisher. She was a secretary for Midland Community Theatre for twenty-seven years and was an honorary member of the Community Theatre.

Mrs. Fisher was preceded in death by her husband, "Bud" Fisher; and a son, Michael B. Fisher. She is survived by her sons, Thomas W. Fisher of Lewisville, Texas, and John C. Fisher of Austin, Texas; and her daughter, Mary F. Berry of Midland, Texas. Mrs. Fisher is also survived by her sisters, Jean Heard and Sue Edgerton, both of Refugio, Texas; six grandchildren, one great-grandchild, and 12 nieces and nephews.

She died Monday, December 4, 2000, at Manor Park Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Thursday, December 7, 2000, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Pat Baskin officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.



Kourtney Cates

Services for Kourtney Renea Cates are scheduled for 3 p.m. Monday, December 11, 2000, at Crestview Baptist Church with Reverend Rick Denson officiating, with Mr. Greg Simon and Mr. Jimmy Willis assisting. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

Kourtney was born April 7, 1996 to Fred and Barbara Cates in Midland. She died Thursday, December 7, 2000, at her Midland residence.

Kourtney was preceded in death by her four great-grandfathers, Harold Loyd Cates, Barney Smethers, Troy Willis, and Leroy Clarke; and her two great-grandmothers, Bertha Clark and Dorothy Munselle.

Survivors include her parents, Barbara and Fred Cates; a brother, Robert Harold Cates; and a sister, Deanna Kay Cates, all of Midland; grandparents, Jim and Vickie Cates, and Coy and Kay Willis, all of Midland, and Beverly Pedde of Washington; great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Merritt, Lena Smethers, and Pierce Munselle, all of Midland, and Lillie Mae Willis of Lubbock; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Pallbearers are John Calhoun, Bucky Moore, Marty Hill, Lester Randolph, Ricky Hobbs, and Randal Kirkland. Serving as honorary pallbearer is Gary Saunders.

Visitation is scheduled for Sunday from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the Pipkin Funeral Home.

DEATH NOTICES

Timothy Wallace

Timothy McGuire Wallace, 42, died Thursday, Dec. [illegible]

Memorial services will be 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, at St. Nicholas Episcopal Church on Princeton Avenue.

He was born Jan. 14, 1958 to Charles N. Wallace Sr. and Shirley Culbertson Wallace.

He was preceded in death by his father, Charles N. Wallace Sr., and a brother, William Alexander Wallace.

Survivors include his wife, Mandy, a daughter, Courtney Wallace, his mother, Shirley C. Wallace, two sisters, Katherine W. Schaubauer and Margaret W. Harris, and two brothers, Charles N. Wallace Jr. and Edward C. Wallace.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the W. Alex Wallace Memorial Fund, c/o Trinity School, 3500 W. Wadley, Midland, TX 79707.

Wilfred White

BIG SPRING — Wilfred L. White, 85, died Friday, Dec. 8, at a local hospital.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 11, in the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Lanny Hamby officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born April 15, 1915 in Howard County.

He was a lifelong resident of Howard County. He was a dairy farmer for 26 years, retiring in 1963, but remaining active in ranching. He was a member of Central Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Freddie White; a sister, Jimmie Maxine Galloway; two granddaughters, Paula Joyce White and Dusta Jean White; and a grandson, Charles Lee White.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline Matlock White; and a son, Perry L. White, both of Big Spring; a daughter, Carolyn Cox of Midland; two sisters, Velma Talkington and Christine Kauffman, both of Big Spring; two brothers, Ray White and Dalton White, both of Big Spring; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren.

Jose Suarez

FLOYDADA — Jose Carmen Suarez, 78, father of Midlander Linda Venzant, died Friday, Dec. 8, at a local rehabilitation and care center.

Rosary will be said at 6 p.m. today, Dec. 10 at Moore-Rose-White Memorial Chapel in Floydada. Mass will be 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 11 at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Floydada, with the Rev. John ohlig officiating. Burial will be in Floydada Cemetery, with arrangements under direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home.

He was born Sept. 25, 1922 in Zacatecas, Mexico to Francisco Suarez and Antonia Adame Suarez.

He moved to Floydada from Zacatecas in 1963. He was married to Marian Marin. He was a retired farmer and a member of the St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, of Floydada; four sons, Manuel Suarez, Martin Suarez, joe Suarez, all of Floydada; and Jesse Suarez of Levelland; eight daughters, Toni Martinez of Annona; maria Matilde Martinez of Clarksvile; Martina Santos and Elisa Medrano, both of Round Rock; Carmen Alvarez and Lupe Rivas, both of Floydada; Janie Guerrero of Mission; and Linda Venzant of Midland; a brother, Polo Suarez, of Zacatecas; a sister, Alejandrina Flores, of Zacatecas; 34 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Christopher Odom

Christopher Odom, 21, died Friday, Dec. 8.

Services are pending with Pipkin Funeral Home.

John Greany

John D. Greany, 80, died Wednesday, Dec. 6, at a Midland hospital.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

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FOOD ITEMS NEEDED

Our food pantry is running low on certain food items, and we'd appreciate any help you could give us on stocking up on macaroni and cheese, Ramen noodles, stick butter and canned vegetables (except corn). Donations will be gratefully accepted at our thrift store at 1301 Brinson or at our drop off box located in the foyer of St. Stephen's Catholic Church, 4601 Neely Avenue.

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SOREHEAD: Deavenport 'pleasantly suprised' by nomination

(From 1A)

the award. He is typical of the greatest generation."

Deavenport served in the Philippines with the U.S. Army Air Corps toward the end of the war.

"There were some real good people in my generation," Deavenport said. "I won't claim to be one of them."

Of his wartime service, "I'm glad I did it. I was young. I didn't have any worries."

But the "best thing I ever pulled off," he asserted, was marrying Dorothy Renfro.

"I knew her in elementary school (in Stanton)," he said. "I didn't have any interest in her until I came home from the service. She's sharp. She is."

Deavenport's community-service roles included that as Scoutmaster, Little League commissioner, American Legion post adjutant, American Red Cross board chairman, Salvation Army volunteer, and Martin County Chamber of Commerce president. He is a member of the Stanton Evening Lions Club and Martin County Fair Association.

In dealing with single mothers and low-income families, Deavenport took on the role of Stanton's coordinator for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

Before his tenure as county judge, Deavenport and his wife operated the Deavenport Department tore and operated an insurance business.

They have two children, Dr. Pug Parris of McMurry University in Abilene and Tommy Deavenport of Austin.

Butch Howard, a Tarzan cotton farmer and Martin County treasurer who has known Deavenport for more than 50 years, cited his friend's work ethic and said Deavenport is among "the most capable" of individuals.

"That's magnificent," Martin County Attorney Jim McGilvray said of Deavenport's honor.

"I really can't think of anybody more deserving," he said. "Bob has continued to give time to the community far in excess what most people give to their jobs. It's true."

Martin County Judge Charles "Corky" Blocker, 63, succeeded Deavenport as county judge in 1999 and in the 1950s was a scout in the Boy Scouts of America troop for which Deavenport was Scoutmaster for 28 years.

"He pretty well deserves it," Blocker said of Deavenport's honor. "He was a good Scoutmaster."

"Kept you young," Deavenport said of scout work.

Stanton community volunteer Brenda Kaye Kendall said Deavenport is "one of the most dedicated, hardest working people we have in Martin County."

"That's a nice way of saying I'm bullheaded," Deavenport quipped.

"We are truly blessed to have him," Mrs. Kendall said.

As one of the 10 winners in the "Greatest Generation" contest, Deavenport will be awarded two free Southwest Airlines round-trip tickets to any city served by the airline.

Deavenport said he and his wife would go to Washington, D.C., and spend a week at the Smithsonian Institution's museums.

"I've been up there on working trips but never as a tourist."

Others named among "The Greatest Generation of Texans" include:

- Nathan Tubb, an 82-year-old retired Levelland teacher and father of Dr. Terry Tubb of Midland.
- Brother Al Sutkus, a 77-year-old San Antonio priest who serves the needy.
- Nell Coleman, 70, of Dallas, founder of the Ms. Texas Senior Pageant.
- Clifford Bachman, 77, of Denison, World War II hero and volunteer who repairs homes for low-income seniors.
- Antonio "Tony" Ramirez, 68, of Harlingen, co-founder of a human services organization.
- Phill Parmer, 81, of Sunrise Beach, senior citizen advocate.
- Joy Feuge of Johnson City, proponent of low income housing.
- Juanita Manning of Fairfield, community fund raiser.
- Bert Markwardt, 79, of Richardson, businessman-volunteer.

TRICKS: At end of year evaluate amount held out from paycheck

(From 1B)

equipment now, if they were planning on spending the money anyway, can deduct the full value of the equipment, up to $20,000, without factoring in depreciation.

He also recommends filing for a refund as soon as possible.

Local experts also advise opening an IRA or, for the self-employed, a pension plan for themselves.

Ms. Dunham said some clients open an Individual Retirement Account for themselves and their spouse and take the deduction — taxpayers have until April 15 to open the account and take the deduction. Those clients especially who are expecting a large refund will file early, take the refund and fund the IRA, she said.

Ms. Dunham added "one thing that's real important is, at the end of the year, people should evaluate whether or not they're having the right amount held out of their check."

She explained at one time deductions were based on "the number of bodies in the house. Now deductions are calculated by the number of exemptions: Do you and your spouse both work? How many kids are in the house? How much does your spouse earn? How much do you earn?"

Employers can provide worksheets to help figure out the best amount to deduct, she said.

"Sometimes people will have too much taken out of their checks. They say it's a way of saving money, but it's not a good way because you don't get paid a dime to let the government use your money. You'd be better off keeping that money and putting it in a savings account," she said. "You should calculate your deductions so you break even when you file your returns. You should benefit from that money."

Such tricks, she said, can "absolutely" make a difference in a taxpayer's tax burden.

"For the self-employed especially," she said. "When they lower their income, it not only lowers their income tax but their self-employment tax."

A self-employed person, she said, can be hit with a tax rate as high as 43 percent when the income tax rate and self-employment tax rate are combined.

Most taxpayers, said Prucka, are generally fairly lax about planning ahead for their taxes "because it's one of the things no one relishes doing. But if you think about these things in advance, there are ways to save money. When you do your 2000 tax return in 2001, think of ways to save on your 2001 taxes. Sit down with your tax preparer at that time and plan for 2001."

Local church donates hams

From staff reports

After it was reported that thousands of families would not receive any meat in their West Texas Food Bank Christmas basket, local members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints rounded up 2,500 hams as a donation.

Unexpected problems kept a shipment of chicken from being sent to the West Texas Food Bank, Executive Director Dolly Neff said. But the 2,520 hams arrived Thursday, in plenty of time to be included in the Christmas baskets.

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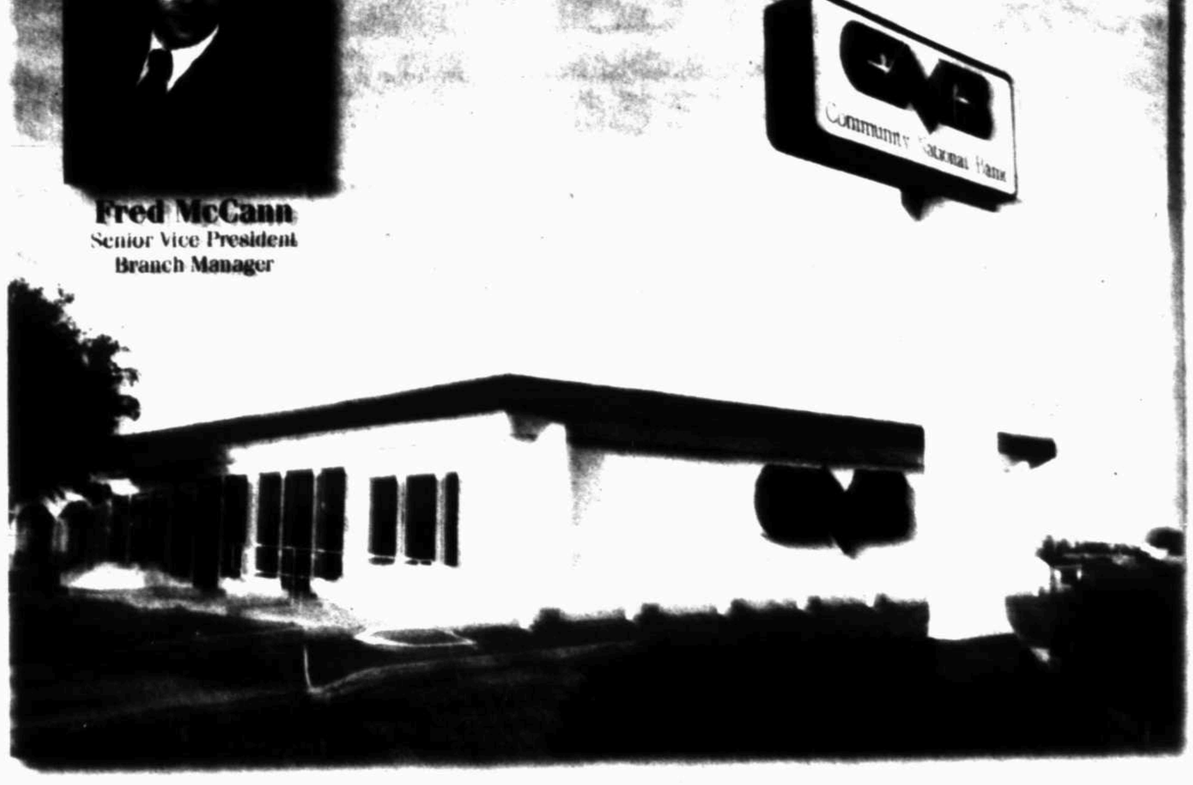
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ADVENTURES IN TEACHING

Do you believe in Santa Claus, Ariel?

By R. Eric Setzler

Now and then, something sweet happens at my school that renews my hope in my fellow man. Sheryl Livingston, an English teacher on my campus, sponsors an excellent student-produced newspaper. (As usual, names have been changed, in this case to protect the young at heart.)



Setzler

Although seventh and eighth grade kids do the reporting, word processing, and most of the editing, I have been very impressed by the quality of their product. Mrs. Livingston and her newspaper staff sell the paper to pay for some of the supplies. (Like everything else in education, I'm sure that Sheryl pays for part out of her own pocket.)

Fortunately, the Abell Eagle Eye newspaper is very popular with the other students and staff.

Before Christmas break, a reporter named Meagan O'Shea was going from class to class taking a poll for the school paper on how many eighth-graders believed in Santa Claus. In this case, I was surprised at the subject of the poll because the question was like asking if they had retained any of the open-minded sense of wonder and belief God gave them when they entered this world. As an adult, I am aware the cynical world around us starts to erode our innocence at an early age. Experience has shown there is nothing like a peer pressure to take the "kid" out a young person and replace it with something harder. Consequently, I flinched inside when Meagan interrupted my class to ask the seemingly innocent question, "How many of you believe in Santa Claus?"

One little girl's hand shot up instantly. My hand quickly followed. (In spite of what anyone thinks, I do believe in Santa Claus, in spirit and in person. Of course, there is a little bit of the jolly old elf in all of us. I believe in Kris Kringle.)

Apparently so did Ariel Wight, the eighth grade girl with the fast hand. Without raising their hands, the entire class just stared at us while Meagan the reporter started writing down Ariel's name.

Ms. Wight dropped her hand instantly and held it to her mouth. The concern in her eyes showed that she had betrayed herself. Although Ariel still believed in the big jolly red elf, she had never intended to let her friends and peers know it.

As one of the shyest students in school, Ariel Wight never wanted to be the center of attention. Hoping to distract the class, I stretched my arm higher in the air and waved my hand. Unfortunately, it didn't work. The students were too busy watching Ms. Wight as she turned red, looked down, and clenched both hands in her lap.

Sensing the young woman's obvious discomfort, a young man named Abel Quinten asked Meagan O'Shea, "What was that question again?"

The girl reporter patiently repeated, "How many people in this class believe in Santa Claus?"

Abel Quinten said convincingly, "Wait a minute. I guess I didn't hear you right. I thought you asked "How many people DO NOT believe in Santa?" Of course, I believe in Ol' Saint Nick. He visits my house every year."

In support, several other students agreed with a chorus of comments like, "Oh, I did too" and "I didn't understand it the first time," etc.

Abel Quinten continued, "I guess Ariel is the only one here who doesn't need to get her ears cleaned out in here. How many of the rest of you believe in Santa?"

The entire class responded by raising their hands. Smiling broadly, Ariel Wight looked around in wonder and quickly raised her hand too. Instead of being an outcast, she was accepted by her peers. This sense of approval brought out a new Ariel White — one who was willing to participate and take chances during the remainder of the school year.

Abel Quinten's action demonstrated understanding and sacrifice. He had no way of knowing if the rest of his classmates would follow his lead. However, he took a chance and made a difference in the life of a young woman as well as reinforcing my faith in young people. Perhaps author and newspaper E.W. Howe said it best when he wrote, "When a friend is in trouble, don't annoy him by asking if there is anything you can do. Think up something appropriate and do it."

Eric Setzler is science department liason at Abell Junior High School.

Braggin' Rights

Michael Entzminger, a graduate of Midland High School, was selected to sing as a bass in the Austin College A Cappella Choir for the 2000-2001 academic year. His parents are **David and Melanie Entzminger**. The choir has given former students appropriate training as they pursued professional careers in music. Many previous members are currently active in opera and concert in the United States, Canada and Europe, and Broadway.

Police file two murder charges in April deaths

DALLAS (AP) — A boarder who lived with an elderly West Dallas couple has been charged with their stabbing deaths eight months after the two and their great-grandson were found dead in the home.

Police charged Deloris G. Powell with two counts of capital murder Friday. She has been in custody on aggravated kidnapping and probation violations. She is being held without bail in the deaths of Nellie Faye Taylor, 73 and Manuel Gillens, 77. Corinthian Ransom, their 6-year-old great-grandson, also was killed.

Powell was arrested a day after the slayings apparently occurred in April. She was stopped in Rockwall County for driving erratically and a deputy found beer bottles, crack cocaine and Corinthian's 3-year-old brother on the floorboard of the truck.

The bodies of Taylor and Gillens were found on April 12 after worried family members broke into their home. Police found Corinthian's body a day later wrapped in a shirt in a closet.

Investigators said the case had been difficult to wrap up for several reasons, including Ms. Powell's refusal to talk and the fact that she had lived in the home. Police said it is difficult to collect evidence from such crime scenes because the suspect's hair, fingerprints and other evidence are everywhere.

"Those situations present unique challenges, but those challenges can be overcome," said Lt. David Elliston, head of the homicide unit.

Authorities also noted that the only person who might have witnessed the deaths was the 3-year-old.

"I just wish that whatever happened will be uncovered and everyone will be able to know," said Alberta Bagley. She is a cousin of the Taylor family and a neighbor to the victims.

William Mitchell III, who is representing Powell on the kidnapping and parole violations, said he couldn't comment on the case.

Powell had lived with the couple for more than a year, but a week before slayings, Taylor had ordered her to leave.

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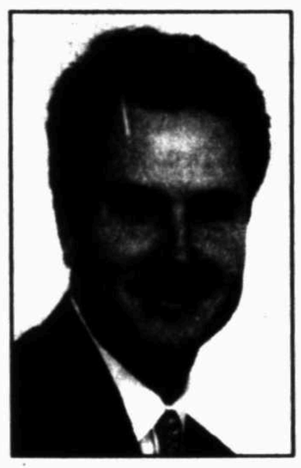
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Marine Corps Cpl. Cody W. Yates, son of **Dan K. and Pam K. Yates** of Seminole, completed the Marine Corps' Corrections Specialist Course.

The Marine Corps Detachment helps in teaching students all facets of the operations of brigs and correctional custody units.

Yates is a 1994 graduate of Seminole High School.

Cadet Dustin M. Navarro, a 2000 graduate of Midland High School, took part in the annual Plebe-Parent Weekend at the U.S. Military Academy in October. His parents are **Michael and Kathy Navarro** of Midland. The academy's mission is to educate, train, and inspire the Corps of Cadets to become commissioned leaders of character committed to the values of duty, honor and country.

Navarro plans to graduate in 2004 and be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

Navy Airman William T. McLaren, son of **Steve D. and Pamela D. McLaren** of Imperial, is assigned to the aircraft carrier USS George Washington. The carrier assisted in the recovery effort of Gulf Air flight 072 which crashed on its approach to Bahrain International Airport in August. Sailors and boats from USS George were on the scene, including divers and swimmers from SEAL Team TWO, an explosive ordnance disposal team, search and rescue swimmers from Helicopter Anti-Submarine Warfare Squadron 15 and the ship's medical team.

McLaren is a 1999 graduate of Buena Vista High School of Imperial.

Marine Corps Pvt. Suntrece N. Covington, daughter of **Richard K. and Barbara K. Covington** of Monahans, completed 12 weeks of basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. The training included a rigorous physical conditioning program, classroom and field assignments, and instruction on the Marine Corps' core values.

Ms. Covington is a 1998 graduate of Monahans High School.

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Jody L. Markham, son of **Jerry J. and Lanell J. Markham** of Monahans, reenlisted for three years while serving with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 40, Port Hueneme, Cal.

Marine Corps Pvt. John E. Crossman, son of **Jan E. and John E. Crossman** of Lamesa, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego. Crossman successfully completed 12 weeks of training with numerous hours in the classroom. He also completed a physical conditioning program.

Crossman is a 1999 graduate of Highland School of Gilbert.

Veterans of the U.S. 5th Army will tour the Italian battlefields of 1943, 1944 and 1945 in June. The tour will visit the Anzio Beachhead, the American Military Cemetery at Nettuno, The Monastery St. Cassino, Rome, Pisa, Florence, the North Appenines, Bologna, Venice and Trieste. The invitation is for the 1st Armored Div., 3rd Div., 10th Mt. Div., 34th Div., 45th Div., 82nd Airborne Div., 85th Div., 88th Div., 91st Div., 92nd Div. and all Support Groups. For information contact SY Canton, Exec. Director, 5th Army Association, 465 Shore Rd., Suite 7P, Long Beach, NY 11561 or call 516-432-3022.

Fort Worth considers letting officers buy motorcycles

DALLAS (AP) — Fort Worth motorcycle officers could soon be responsible for buying and maintaining their rides. They don't mind.

The City Council will vote Tuesday on a program that would allow each of the 18 motorcycle officers to buy the motorcycle they want in exchange for a $475 monthly stipend that would cover operating expenses and maintenance. Arlington and Houston police have similar programs.

"It's a pretty good deal for everyone," said Capt. Harry Jones, who is commander of the traffic division.

Jones said officer-owned motorcycles would eliminate the bid process and administrative costs as well as problems liquidating used motorcycles.

The city would pay $159,600 in stipends each year for 28 officers. Fort Worth plans to add 10 officers to the motorcycle unit in April. The city will pay for on-duty insurance and officers would have to have supplemental coverage for riding to and from work and to the maintenance garage.

Officer Keith Spargins has had his city-owned Kawasaki motorcycle for three years and it has 40,000 miles on it. He would rather be riding a new Harley-Davidson Road King, which has a bigger engine and a smoother ride, he said.

Arlington police have been buying their own motorcycles since the 1960s.

Lt. Travis Moore, head of the Arlington Police Department traffic division, said he was surprised more agencies didn't have such a plan. He said comfort level for the officers is important.

Fort Worth City Councilman Chuck Silcox said he supports the plan, but he wants it reviewed after it is implemented to make sure it is cost effective.

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Pipeline breaks causing worries

POST (AP) — A broken pipeline in a West Texas oil patch had ranchers worried about their animals Saturday as a poisonous flammable gas spewed from the line.

No injuries were reported, although three houses were evacuated, authorities said. Workers were repairing two leaks in the pipeline Saturday morning, and officials said they expected the line to be fixed by early afternoon.

"One large family that occupied three houses was evacuated, but other than that it is pretty desolate," Windy Mathews, Post Police Department communications director, said Saturday.

Although Post, 40 miles southeast of Lubbock, has a population of only 2,000, the area is home to many horses, cows and dogs, Mathews said.

"Some people are worried about their animals, but none have been injured," Mathews said. "There is a large horse farm in the area. We haven't evacuated the animals yet. It would just be too difficult."

The pipeline, which ruptured Friday evening about eight miles south of Post, is leaking hydrogen sulfide, a colorless gas used mainly in oil and gas drilling operations.

Mathews said about 15 miles of Farm-to-Market Road 609 south of Post was closed Saturday morning. She expects the road to open and the family to be allowed back in their homes later in the day, she said.

The gas can be deadly if inhaled or can cause an explosion if exposed to a spark, she said.

"The main thing we are worried about now is that this strong West Texas wind will pick up and blow the fumes to other areas," Mathews said.

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Young migrant farm workers return to South Texas schools

McALLEN (AP) — Sometimes the kids are ashamed, don't want to say where they've been.

But Primitivo Gonzalez is hard to fool. He picks them out in the hallways by their blackened ears, pinched faces, arms corded with muscle.

"You can see a special tiredness in their faces," said Gonzalez, a guidance counselor for the nearly 200 migrant students at Memorial High School. "You know that look? These kids have been through hell and back."

It's that time of the year: After summers stooped beside their parents in northern fields, the migrant kids pour into South Texas schools in great waves. When frosts fall and work dries up, many of the nation's migrant families rumble south in pickups and Greyhounds.

Their cross-country odyssey ends here, in the trailers and cramped homes strung along the Rio Grande.

For the youngest migrants, the work has just begun. Some have been studying at northern schools; some haven't. Many will give up and drop out before graduation rolls around.

They'll head north again as early as April. Migrants follow the whims of the weather, the turn of the seasons. Spring is seeding; fall is harvest. Winter is schooling.

"One day I'd like to go back and give everybody a Coke out in the fields," Eduardo Olvera says.

Beside him, Marcie Hernandez brightens.

"Yeah, I've thought about that too — bringing water so everybody can have a break," she giggles, then falls serious. "It's horrible out there."

Marcie and Eduardo live a few blocks apart, take the same bus across the railroad tracks to school. She picked Michigan celery this summer; he hoed rows of California tomatoes.

She's bubbly and lithe, pink sequins winking on her black T-shirt. He's quiet and deliberate, his hair shocked stiff with gel. They don't hang out together, not much.

But tucked side by side in Gonzalez's office, they finish each other's sentences, nod hard and mutter "yeah" when the other one talks.

"It's like that with all the migrants — it's weird," Marcie shrugs. "It's like a connection, we've been through the same things. We'll be talking and it's like, 'Oh, so what did you pick this year? Yeah, I've done that,' or whatever."

The return to school is not easy. Late arrivals are often shut out of popular computer, telecommunications and advanced placement courses.

"Sometimes we go ahead and overload the class," Dean of Instruction Armando Saenz said. "Other times we just can't."



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Brenda Estevez, right, grimaces as she and Letty Garza work to catch up on their schoolwork in the migrant lab classroom at Memorial High School in McAllen Saturday. Less than 30 percent of U.S. children of migrant farmers graduate from high school and less than 10 percent end up in a four-year college or university.

Migrant kids don't usually have time for classes like choir and painting — they spend two of the seven periods catching up in Gonzalez's "migrant laboratory."

Less than 30 percent of U.S. children of migrant farmers graduate from high school, according to the Cesar E. Chavez Institute for Public Policy at San Francisco State University. Less than 10 percent end up in a four-year college or university.

Thanks to an aggressive, $675,000 migrant program, McAllen does better than most school districts. In 1999, 88 percent of Memorial migrants earned diplomas.

A former migrant himself, Gonzalez worked his way through college pulling melons and onions from the Texas dirt. After graduation, he took a job with an oil company. But once his twin daughters were born, he headed back to school for a master's degree in counseling.

Gonzalez attacks the dropout rate with a simple strategy. It's too late to learn everything, he reasons. He pushes the kids to understand the general ideas, then move on.

"It's quality, not quantity," said Gonzalez, 49. "It's not a perfect way to learn it, but we try to hit the concept."

Not everybody buys into that approach. Some advocates prefer to see kids take a more painstaking path through school — even if it takes longer.

"(Schools) end up just baby-sitting them and marking time," said Roberto Haro, interim director of the Cesar E. Chavez Institute. "It's a marginal education because the schools don't want to hold them back. They don't want to pay for it, they don't want to deal with it."

But Gonzalez has seen plenty of kids throw down their pens and walk away for good. After all, it's a tempting trade. On the farm, each day pays a cash reward, sweet and certain as sunset.

The farm demands a strong back. School demands faith in the unseen.

In Steinbeck's day the hard luck cases flowed west, following the dust clouds along Highway 66. Today the human rivers run north and south, from Monterrey, Mexico, to the shores of the Great Lakes; from Brownsville colonias to Yakima, Wash., apple orchards.

"Migratory labor ... lives in material poverty. To a large extent indispensable, nevertheless it is commonly exploited and substandard," University of California professor Paul S. Taylor wrote in 1936. "It slips through stable and often rich communities, of which it is never an accepted part. It offers a breeding ground of social unrest."

In poorer days, people migrated because they'd lost everything. At the beginning of the 21st century, families hit the highways because they've got nothing to lose. Most are Mexican nationals, immigrants or the children of immigrants. They are digging at the root of the economy, eager for a chunk of American prosperity.

These days, one of every 10 U.S. farm laborers are migrants, the Department of Agriculture estimates. In the Rio Grande Valley, the ebb and flow of migrant labor is as familiar as the return of the cold weather.

"I remember asking my parents why we couldn't go, too," recalls Paul Toscano, 40, the son of a Harlingen lawyer. "All my friends in school would leave, and it seemed like fun. When you're a kid, you don't get it."

Migrant teacher Aaron Brenner walks a thin line. He works to ease the strains of migration — but he's wary of making kids feel ashamed or inferior if they end up following their parents to the fields.

"I get a little sick of people acting like it's the end of the world if these kids grow up and work on farms," he said. "I mean, they shouldn't have to. But what if they want to? It's good, honest work."

Marcie and Eduardo remember sun so hot it slams like a punch on the back of the neck. When 100 degrees shimmer in the dust, they wrap themselves in sweaters and hats because heatstroke is better than sunburn.

The meanest tasks — hoeing, hefting rocks and clipping vines — leave them wasted with weariness. But when the work is easy, the sun seems to slide even slower across the sky. There's no good way, and no use looking at a watch.

"It is so hard. If I end up doing farm work for the rest of my life, that's the last straw," said Marcie. Eduardo groans in agreement. "I don't care what I do. I'd work in Burger King before I went back to the fields. Really, I would do anything."

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Rebels cut down The Woodlands

Others emerge as Highlanders contain Benson

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

AUSTIN — The Woodlands did everything in its power to keep Midland Lee's Cedric Benson from beating them. And the Highlanders succeeded. Benson didn't.

LEE

Class 5A Big School Semifinal
Midland Lee 13
Woodlands 3

Championship Midland Lee vs. Austin Westlake, noon Saturday, Darrell K. Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium, Austin.

Shawn Murphy, Jacoby Kendrick, Nick Hand and a salty Midland Lee defense did.

For the first time in a long time, the shoe was on the other foot at Darrell K. Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium as Benson, a running back of legendary proportions around the state of Texas, finally met his match in the hard-hitting, run-blitzing Highlanders.

His playmaking ability, which netted 33-consecutive 100-yard games and 36 straight games with a touchdown coming into the game, wasn't gone. It had just rubbed off on his supporting cast. Because when the final gun sounded in this Class 5A Big School state semifinal, it was Benson's teammates who stepped up and gave Benson's back a much-needed rest. While he was the object of The Woodlands' attention, his teammates carried him and defeated the Highlanders, 13-3.

"It is weird not seeing Cedric score three or four touchdowns," said Hand, Lee's junior quarterback. "We came through when he needed us just like he always came through when we needed him."

The Rebels (12-2) are now one victory away from a history-making third-straight Class 5A title. They will return to Royal-Memorial Stadium at noon next Saturday to face Austin Westlake, a 45-0 winner over Aldine Eisenhower.

There may not be the talk of a win without a Benson touchdown in that game. Everyone knows a scoreless Benson is a rarity. It only happened once before in Benson's previous 44 games. However, it must be a relief, though, to see that Lee can win without No. 32 lighting the scoreboard up like a pinball machine. Lee lost that one game in which

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Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

Midland Lee quarterback Nick Hand tries to escape from the clutches of The Woodlands linebacker Drew Lessman during their game Saturday in Austin. Lee won earning a shot at a third straight championship next week against Austin Westlake.

Rebels trap Highlanders with non-Benson play

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

AUSTIN — In Rebel lingo, the play which decided Saturday's Class 5A Big School state semifinal is known simply as "30 Trap."

It is quite plain. Nothing fancy. Nothing a kid will dream about when in his back yard, unless that kid happens to be a fullback.

Maybe after Midland Lee's 13-3 victory over The Woodlands that will change, because thanks to "30 Trap," the Rebels solved the Highlanders' defensive riddle.

"They were overlooking the fullback a little bit, and we broke it last week against Duncanville, and it was similar to the situation last week," Midland Lee head coach John Parchman said.

In both cases, the Rebels had the ball at, or near, midfield. Unlike the 51-yard sprint by Jacoby Kendrick against Duncanville, the setting for "30 Trap" Saturday didn't look very good. It was the fourth quarter, and the Rebels faced second and [illegible] at the 50. Twice before in the half Lee had [illegible] the ball into The Woodlands territory and had been forced to punt. A third punt seemed [illegible] 1-of-9 on third downs, needing [illegible] down while Cedric Benson [illegible] Another third down seemed [illegible]

Lee fullback Shawn Murphy [illegible] With the eyes of The Woodlands defense [illegible]

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Midland High's Anthony Johnson (left) and El Paso Eastwood's Louie Casillas battle for a loose ball during the consolation championship of the Tall City Oilman's Tournament Saturday at Chaparral Center. Eastwood claimed consolation with a 77-72 win over the Bulldogs. Arlington Martin earned the actual championship.

FSU's Weinke wins Heisman

By Richard Rosenblatt
AP Football Writer

NEW YORK — Chris Weinke's age didn't matter — his sensational season did.

The 28-year-old Florida State quarterback capped a remarkable back-to-school story Saturday night, winning the Heisman Trophy in one of the closest votes in the history of the award.

In the final weeks leading up to the presentation of the award, age became such a huge issue that even Weinke was worried about it.

"If people wanted to leave me off the ballot because they didn't think I was the best player, that's OK," Weinke said after becoming the oldest player to win the Heisman in the 65-year history of the award. "But don't leave me off because I'm 28. It's too bad those things have to come up."

Weinke, who spent six years playing minor league baseball before returning to school in 1997, finished off a record-setting season by leading the Seminoles into an Orange Bowl matchup against No. 1 Oklahoma with a chance for a second straight national championship.

"With apologies to Lou Gehrig, I feel like I'm the luckiest man in the world," Weinke said, his voice catching with emotion at times during his acceptance speech. "I got to pursue two dreams. The first one, baseball, didn't work out the way I would have liked. But the second one, football, did."

The 6-foot-5, 229-pounder from St. Paul, Minn., led the nation with a school-record 4,167 yards passing, threw [illegible] touchdown passes and had only [illegible] interceptions. He recovered from a serious neck injury late in the [illegible] season to become the Atlantic Coast Conference's career passing leader with 9,559 yards.

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AP Photo

Florida State quarterback Chris Weinke holds the Heisman Trophy he picked up Saturday in New York.

NFL backs run wild in 2000

By Barry Wilner
AP Football Writer

From Robert Smith to Emmitt Smith to Emmitt Smith, NFL backs are running wild this season.

In these days of empty backfields and wide-open passing attacks made fashionable by the Rams and Colts, it's the rushers who are having the biggest offensive impact.

At least 7 runners have a good chance to break 1,000 yards, and most of them have a shot at 1,500 yards, considered more of a measuring stick nowadays. The NFL record for 1,000-yard rushers is 10, in 1986.

Many of this season's top ale prime receivers, but three are in the NFC's top five for rushing attempts.

Minnesota's Smith, having a career year, leads the league with 1,391 yards. Rogers Smith, who won the rushing title in 1998, is next at 1,308.

[illegible] Atlanta's Warrick Dunn, Chicago's Marcus Robinson, Tampa Bay's Mike Alstott, Philadelphia's Duce Staley and Dallas' Emmitt Smith.

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Minnesota's Robert Smith leads the NFL with 1,391 rushing yards.

[illegible] Eddie George of Tennessee (1,096), the [illegible] Stan Martin (1,084) of the Jets. [illegible] 1,000 yards. [illegible] Jets [illegible] that getting [illegible] with the Saints

Arlington Martin ends up on top in Oilman's

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

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LOCAL SPORTS

Hooptown Classic

The Robert Lee girls and the Reagan County boys were the winners of the Hooptwon Classic held at Midland Christian school this weekend.

The Robert Lee girls defeated Midland Christian, 76-66, in the championship game. Robert Lee made 13-of-16 free throws in the fourth quarter to hold off the Lady Mustangs.

In the boys title game, Reagan County defeated the Trinity Chargers 54-34 as the Owls took the lead from the opening quarter never looked back.

In a non-trophy game, Midland Christian defeated Sands 88-73 as Zach Schwarz scored a tournament-record 50 points in that game. For the tournament, Schwarz also broke the tournament record for most points scored in three game with 101.

Boys Championship
Reagan County 54, Trinity 34. For RC: Harrison 14. Owens 12. Goodloe 12. For Trinity: Justin Stasney 12.

Boys Third Place
Kermit 70, Coahoma 54. For Kermit: Eric Alvarado 31. Coahoma: Davis 13.

Boys Consolation
Greenwood 82, Robert Lee 39. Greenwood: Justin Hollums 11. Will Womack 17. Nathan Pinkerton 15. Jeff Adams 10.

Girls Championship
Robert Lee 76, Midland Christian 66. Robert Lee: Hewlig 19. Dickey 18. Midland Christian: Page West 14. Hayley Whiteside 12. Sasha Holler 13. Kristin Stallings 10.

Girls Third Place
Ira 40, Sands 34. For Ira: Morgan Clements 18. For Sands: Shelli Blagrave 14.

Girls Consolation
Greenwood 57, Presidio 43. Greenwood: Mikah Lewter 11. Megan Hatley 22. Presidio: Franco 20.

Non-trophy games
Boys
Midland Christian 88, Sands 73.
Girls
Greenwood 54, Alpine 25.
Stanton 54, Trinity 38.
Stanton JV 49, Alpine 41.
Presidio 43, Stanton 32.
Colorado City 45, Ira 35.

MTC results

The team of Kathy Schneiderwind and Darlene Gifford defeated the team of Carol Cockerman and Fern Thurston 6-3, 6-3 to win the finals of the Midland Tennis Club Women's Doubles Club Championship. Here are the rest of the results.

A-1 Bracket — Finals: Gloria Brun-Cathy Conkey def. Jeanne Laranue-Bonnie Hubbard 6-3, 6-3. Consolation: Golenda Adams-Laura Moss def. Stacy Whiting-Diann Mehl 6-3, 6-2.

B-2 Bracket — Finals: Minnie Satyavada-Narasse Maharaian def. L. Satyavada-Candace Joyce 6-1, 6-2, 6-2.

C-1 Bracket — Finals: Sureena Weir-Jamie McGowen def. Chixxy Satyavada-Chanshma Alur 6-0, 6-2, 6-1.

MCA hoops results

IMPERIAL — The Midland Classical boys won third place of the Buena Vista Tournament, defeating Sierra Blanca 58-55 as Dustin barker hit the shot at the buzzer to win the game.

Leading the way for MCA was Matt Tower with 23 points, David Dunn with 14 and Tyler Gillit with 11.

On Friday, Balmorhea defeated Midland Classical 60-54. MCA was led by Dunn's 22, Gillit had 12 and Tower added 10.

The MCA boys (3-5) will next play the Midland High sophomores Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

The Midland Academy girls finished in fourth place at the same tournament with a 38-31 loss to Dell City on Saturday. Hillary Posey had 13 points in the losing effort.

The MCA girls lost to Buena Vista, 56-33, Friday night as Kendal Doan led the way with 12 points.

Midland Classical Academy's girls (2-6) will next plays Sands at 7 p.m. next Friday.

Midland Classical Academy point totals
Boys vs. Sierra Blanca
Matt Tower 23, David Dunn 14, Tyler Gillit 11, Dustin Barker 6, Wally Dunn had 2, Ryan Bartholomee 2.

Boys vs. Balmorhea
Balmorhea 60-54. David Dunn 22, Tyler Gillit 12, Matt Tower 10, Dustin Barker 6, John Nelson 2, Ryan Bartholomee 2.

Girls vs. Dell City
Hillary Posey 13, Kendal Doan 5, Ruth Steele 5, Crystal Blakeney 4, Kasey Barker 2, Carrie Minor 2.

Girls vs. Buena Vista
Doan 12, Steele 6, Ronni Childress 5, Emily Minor 4, Megan McLane 3, Rachel Tuck 2.

Swimming, diving results

Here are diving results from last week's West Texas Diving Invitational.

Team Standings: 1. Lubbock Monterey 83; 2 Lubbock Coronado 63.50; 3. Abilene 49.50; 4. Amarillo 41; **5. Midland Lee 39**; 6. Lubbock 32; **7. Midland High 23**; 8. Amarillo Tascosa 21; 9 Evans 19.

Boys 3 meter diving: 1. Brandon Northcutt, Coronado, 212.10; **2. Jeff McDaniel, Lee, 189.05**; 3. Jaykin Ribordy, Monterey, 168.95.

Here are the results from Odessa Invitational 2000 held this weekend at Odessa Permian.

Combined team scores: 1. San Angelo Central 664; 2. Abilene 388; 3. Odessa Permian 319; **4. Midland Lee 300**; 5. Lubbock 297; **6. Midland High 295**; 7. El Paso Austin 164; 8. Abilene Cooper 146; 9. Odessa High 90; 10. Lubbock Coronado 62; 11. Socorro 37; 12. Lubbock Monterey 12; **13. Midland Christian 9**.

Female team scores: 1. San Angelo Central 298; 2. Abilene 252; **3. Midland High 173**; **4. Midland Lee 172**; 5. Odessa Permian 159; 6. Abilene Cooper 100; 7. Lubbock 98; 8. El Paso Austin 49; 9. Lubbock Coronado 26; 10. Odessa 23; 11. Socorro 18; 12. Lubbock Monterey 12; **13. Midland Christian 9**.

Male team scores: 1. San Angelo Central 366; 2. Lubbock 199; 3. Odessa Permian 160; 4. Abilene 136; **5. Midland Lee 128**; **6. Midland High 122**; 7. El Paso Austin 115; 8. Odessa 67; 9. Abilene Cooper 46; 10. Lubbock Coronado 36; 11. Socorro 19.

Girls 200 Medley Relay: **1. Lee, 2:03.92 (Kelsey Rule, Erin Spedinger, Kris Pequeno, Stevie Johnsen)**; 2. Cooper 2:09.79; 3. Permian 2:10.08. Boys 200 Medley Relay: 1. Central, 1:49.21; 2. Abilene, 1:50.85; **3. Lee, 1:53.29 (Patrick Mayne, Nick Shannon, Tyson Taylor, Coley Gevecker)**. Girls 200 Freestyle: **1. Erin Spedinger, Lee, 2:10.82**; **2. Braunwaun Babcock, Midland High, 2:12.12**; 3. Amy Bruton, Abilene, 2:12.93.

Boys 200 Freestyle: 1. Gregor Greiner, Abilene, 1:45.59; 2. Gregory Libert, EP Austin, 1:52.12; **3. Justin Fallin, Lee, 1:53.43**. Girls 200 IM: 1. **Emily Alvarado, Lee, 2:21.96**; 2. Sara Pape, Central, 2:22.68; **3. Kelly Rule, Lee, 2:25.11**. Boys 200 IM: **1. Dan McCarty, Lee, 2:15.87**; 2. Travis Fisher, Central, 2:16.01; 3. Mike Schwarzkoff, Coronado, 2:16.59.

Boys 50 Freestyle: 1. Wes Baugh, Central, 23.11; **2. Tyson Taylor, Lee, 23.66**; 3. Matt Armbruster, Abilene, 23.99. Girls 1 meter diving: 1. Amber Spry, Abilene, 166.88; 2. Brittany Spry, Abilene, 139.35; **3. Laura Newman, Lee, 136.80**. Boys 1 meter diving: **1. Wes Moore, Lee, 150.55**; 2. Heath Fisher, Permian, 135.60; **3. Jonathan Williams, Lee, 135.15**.

Boys 100 Butterfly: **1. Kris Pequeno, Lee, 1:05.59**; 2. Denise Moore, Permian, 1:06.31; **3. Becky Johnson, Midland, 1:17.28**. Boys 100 Freestyle: 1. Wes Baugh, Central, 50.66; **2. Coley Gevecker, Midland**, 52.09; 3. Sergio Hernandez, Central, 53.45. Girls 500 Freestyle: **1. Kelly Rule, Lee, 5:38.98**; 2. Sara Moodt, EP Austin, 5:48.77; **3. Braunwaun Babcock, Midland, 5:54.28**. Boys 500 Freestyle: **1. Justin Fallin, Lee, 5:09.15**; 2. Tim Maserang, Lubbock, 5:27.26; **3. Tyson Taylor, Midland, 5:32.70**.

Girls 100 Backstroke: **1. Erin Spedinger, Lee, 1:07.18**; 2. Denise Moore, Permian, 1:07.30; **3. Emily Alvarado, Midland**, 1:08.21. Girls 400 Relay: 1. Abilene, 4:01.49; 2. Central, 4:01.63; **3. Midland, 4:08.46 (Emily Alvarado, Braunwaun Babcock, Christina Rial, Audrey Nicholson)**. Boys Freestyle Relay: 1. Central, 3:33.39; **2. Lee, 3:46.10 (Justin Fallin, Dan Mccarty, Eric Pharr, Jason Moore)**.

Stewart makes tourney finals

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Midland Tennis Club pro Scott Stewart is in the finals of the 28th Annual Fiesta Bowl Tennis Championships after posting two wins on Saturday.

In the quarterfinals, No. 1-seeded Stewart defeated Chris Clackey of Oakland, Calif, 6-3, 6-2. Then in the semifinals, Stewart beat John Dyer of Portland, Ore., 6-2, 6-2.

The finals are today at 8 a.m. and Stewart will play No. 3 seed Gary Hattendorf of Chcago, Ill.

Wrestler Rose places first

Eric Rose of Midland High placed first in the 160-pound weight class at the Caveman wrestling tournament held in Carlsbad, N.M., this weekend. By winning his second tournament championship this year, Rose extended his record to a perfect 8-0 for the season. Cecil Matheson, also of Midland High, placed second in the 171-pound division.

Basketball

Individual statistics are points unless otherwise noted.

Freshman Boys
Dell City 55, Midland White 44. For White: M. Washington 13, Z. Davis 10, 10 assists; M. Maddox 10, 10 rebounds.

Midland White 58, Kermit JV 35. For White: Z. Davis 22, M. Washington 10, J. Taylor 10 steals.

Midland White 66, Buena Vista 45. For White: M. Washington 10, J. Taylor 10, Z. Davis 9, 10 assists. Won consolation.

Balmorhea 89, Midland Purple 64. For Purple: P. Mancha 17, D. Davis 12, P. Estrada 10, 10 rebounds; S. Ellington 10 assists.

Midland Purple 98, Buena Vista varsity 59. For Purple: Mancha 27, 10 steals; D. Davis 19, 11 rebounds; G. Whitfield 10, 10 rebounds.

Bonham 84, Midland Purple 81. For Purple: D. Davis 21, 10 rebounds; S. Van Buren 15; P. Mancha 10.

Freshman Girls
Lee Maroon 62, Crockett 40. For Lee Maroon: Christe Rasmussen 14, Jashae Fuller 14, T. Howard 10, Shelley Bishop 10, Caroline Brewster 12.

Red Raiders hand Western Michigan its 7th straight loss

Associated Press

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Cliff Owens and Jayson Mitchell scored 16 points each Saturday as Texas Tech handed Western Michigan its seventh straight loss, 68-59, in the consolation game of the Indiana Classic.

There were four lead exchanges in the final six minutes of the game before the Red Raiders (4-3) broke out of a 55-54 deficit with a 7-1 run.

Texas Tech's man-to-man defense held Western Michigan (0-7) to 20-of-56 from the field and 5-of-19 from behind the arc.

Jon Powell hit a 3-pointer with 12:35 to go to give the Broncos a 42-40 edge, but Texas Tech went on an 8-1 run to move ahead 48-43.

Western Michigan tied it at 48 with less than seven minutes to go, but center Andy Ellis scored four points to put the Red Raiders up 52-51.

After Ellis fouled out, the Broncos' Steve Reynolds made four straight free throws to give Western Michigan their last lead of the game.

Reynolds, who led the Broncos with 19 points, hit a jumper with three seconds remaining in the first half to tie it at 31 at the half.

UTEP 84, Alcorn St 76

EL PASO — Brandon Wolfram scored a game-high 34 points, leading Texas-El Paso past Alcorn State 84-76 on Saturday night.

Wolfram was 14-of-23 from the field and 6-of-7 from the free-throw line. Eugene Costello added 14 points and Roy Smallwood scored 10 for the Miners (4-0).

■ Texas Men's College Hoops

Marcus Fleming scored 28 points for Alcorn (0-5). Brian Jackson, with 17 points, was the only other Alcorn player to score in double figures.

Alcorn outrebounded UTEP 46-31.

UTEP held a 10-point lead at halftime.

No. 14 North Carolina 82, Texas A&M 60

HOUSTON — Joseph Forte scored 17 of his 23 points in the second half, and Jason Capel had 11 points and career highs with seven assists, three blocks and four steals to help No. 14 North Carolina beat Texas A&M 82-60 on Saturday night.

North Carolina (5-2) led 33-26 at the half and used an 8-0 run to start the second half to take charge.

Center Brendan Haywood finished the first half with three fouls and picked up his fourth with 9:30 left in the game and the Tar Heels leading 53-39. From that point, Capel and Forte combined for 10 straight Tar Heels points — six by Capel and four by Forte — and the Aggies (3-3) never made another charge. The Tar Heels had 14 steals and six blocked shots.

Haywood finished with 17 points and Kris Lange 12.

TCU 141, Cent. Oklahoma 92

FORT WORTH — Texas Christian's Ryan Carroll and Myron Anthony both had career nights in a 141-92 rout of Central Oklahoma Saturday night.

Carroll scored 40 points and Anthony 38, career highs for both. The Horned Frogs (5-2) broke a record for first-half points with 75. The old record was 73, set in 1997 against Texas-Pan American.

TCU led 75-48 at the half.

TCU guard Greedy Daniels (8 points) struggled from the field, shooting 2-of-10, but tied two school records with 16 assists and seven steals.

Baylor 84, St. Edward's 57

WACO — Terry Black scored 22 points, leading Baylor to a 84-57 win over St. Edward's on Saturday.

Wendell Greenleaf and DeMarcus Minor each added 17 points for the Bears (4-0). Minor also had 10 rebounds, resulting in his fourth career double-double.

Minor's score with 4:55 left in the first half put Baylor ahead for the rest of the game.

Ben Lyman led St. Edward's (5-3) with 15 points. Darien Burton had nine rebounds.

Shawn Lovorn added eight points for St. Edward's, and Bradley Burdick added 11.

South Florida 87, Texas 69

TAMPA, Fla. — Altron Jackson scored 29 points and B.B. Waldon added 27 points as South Florida beat Texas 87-69 on Saturday night.

Waldon scored 12 points, including consecutive baskets on transition, as South Florida (4-3) outscored Texas 25-18 over the first 12 minutes of the second half to take a 70-59 lead. Jackson later put South Florida up by 17 points, at 84-67, on a 3-point play with 2:38 left.

N.C. State edges Lady Raiders

AUSTIN (AP) — The chaos theory keeps working for North Carolina State.

While the offense wasn't much to brag about, the No. 21 Wolfpack's defense was about as good as it gets Saturday in a 59-51 victory over No. 8 Texas Tech.

North Carolina State (7-1) forced 28 turnovers and got Tech's top scorer, Plenette Pierson, to foul out with 11 minutes to play.

"We've been making a living on defense since the season started," said Wolfpack coach Kay Yow, who moved within four wins of 600 for her career.

"We have to help each other out and create chaos by scrambling. We're not a great offensive team, but we can get the job done defensively."

Carissa Moody scored 14 points and Adeola Olanrewaju had 11 for the Wolfpack. Moody also led N.C. State's stifling defense with seven steals.

"We wanted to focus on stopping the penetration. We wanted our post players to step up and plug up the gaps," Moody said.

Shooting just 39 percent for the season, the Wolfpack struggled again on the unfamiliar floor at the University of Texas' Erwin Center.

N.C. State hit just 18 of 52 shots from the floor and didn't hit a single 3-pointer. The Wolfpack were much better from the foul line, converting 23 of 30 free throws.

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NBA Results

Standings

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	15	4	.789	—
New York	14	8	.636	2 1/2
Miami	10	10	.500	5 1/2
Orlando	9	11	.450	6 1/2
Boston	8	11	.421	7
New Jersey	7	13	.350	8 1/2
Washington	4	17	.190	12

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	12	7	.632	—
Charlotte	13	9	.591	1/2
Toronto	10	9	.526	2
Indiana	10	10	.500	2 1/2
Detroit	9	10	.474	3
Milwaukee	9	11	.450	3 1/2
Atlanta	4	16	.200	8 1/2
Chicago	2	18	.100	10 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	16	4	.800	—
San Antonio	12	7	.632	3 1/2
Dallas	13	8	.619	3 1/2
Minnesota	12	8	.600	4
Houston	10	9	.526	5 1/2
Denver	10	11	.476	6 1/2
Vancouver	7	12	.368	8 1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Sacramento	13	4	.765	—
L.A. Lakers	14	7	.667	1
Phoenix	12	6	.667	1 1/2
Portland	13	8	.619	2
Seattle	10	11	.476	5
Golden State	6	15	.286	9
L.A. Clippers	6	16	.273	9 1/2

Saturday's Games

Indiana 99, Charlotte 96, OT
Cleveland 97, Atlanta 90
New York 96, Denver 86
Minnesota 85, L.A. Clippers 73
San Antonio 105, Chicago 81
Milwaukee 99, Washington 91
Utah 125, Golden State 114
Houston at Seattle (n)
Detroit at Portland (n)
Philadelphia at Vancouver (n)

Sunday's Games

Phoenix at Toronto, 2:30 p.m.
Denver at Boston, 5 p.m.
Dallas at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Miami at Sacramento, 8 p.m.
Detroit at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m.

Spurs 105, Bulls 81

CHICAGO (81): Artest 2-3 1-2 5, Brand 9-16 5-7 23, Tarlac 1-7 0-0 2, El-Amin 2-7 0-0 5, Mercer 8-17 0-0 18, Benjamin 5-12 1-1 12, Ruffin 0-1 2-4 2, Fizer 4-9 0-1 8, Crawford 1-3 0-1 2, Holberg 2-5 0-0 4, Bagaric 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-80 9-16 81

SAN ANTONIO (105): Elliott 5-6 3-4 16, Duncan 5-11 7-7 17, Robinson 4-5 1-2 9, A.Johnson 1-1 0-0 2, Anderson 6-11 3-4 16, Porter 2-2 2-2 7, Rose 2-4 4-6 8, Daniels 3-9 1-2 9, Scott 1-5 0-4 2, Ferry 4-8 0-0 9, Newble 2-4 0-0 5, Kerr 2-5 0-0 5. Totals 37-71 21-31 105.

Chicago	**19**	**17**	**28**	**17— 81**
San Antonio	**32**	**28**	**28**	**17—105**

3-Point Goals—Chicago 4-8 (Mercer 2-2, El-Amin 1-2, Benjamin 1-3, Holberg 0-1), San Antonio 10-18 (Elliott 3-3, Daniels 2-4, Porter 1-1, Anderson 1-2, Newble 1-2, Ferry 1-3, Kerr 1-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Chicago 38 (Fizer 6), San Antonio 59 (Duncan 10). Assists—Chicago 18 (Crawford 6), San Antonio 26 (A.Johnson, Porter 5). Total fouls—Chicago 25, San Antonio 17.

Cavaliers 97, Hawks 90

ATLANTA (90): D.Johnson 4-14 2-2 11, A.Henderson 5-14 0-0 10, Mutombo 4-10 3-4 11, Terry 14-23 4-5 32, Maloney 5-7 0-0 11, Robinson 1-6 0-0 3, Wright 1-5 0-0 2, Mottola 4-6 1-2 9, Crawford 0-0 0-0 0, Glover 0-2 1-2 1. Totals 38-87 11-15 90.

CLEVELAND (97): Murray 8-18 2-3 18, Weatherspoon 3-6 2-2 8, Ilgauskas 6-11 2-4 14, And.Miller 6-13 3-3 15, Harpring 4-9 7-9 15, C.Henderson 5-5 5-5 15, Gatling 2-8 2-2 6, Langdon 2-2 2-2 6, Traylor 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 36-74 25-30 97.

Atlanta	**31**	**20**	**20**	**19— 90**
Cleveland	**27**	**28**	**17**	**25— 97**

3-Point Goals—Atlanta 3-14 (Maloney 1-2, D.Johnson 1-5, Robinson 1-5, Glover 0-1, Terry 0-1), Cleveland 0-4 (Harpring 0-1, Murray 0-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 53 (Mutombo 14), Cleveland 43 (Gatling 8). Assists—Atlanta 24 (Maloney 7), Cleveland 19 (And.Miller 5). Total fouls—Atlanta 21, Cleveland 19. Technicals—Atlanta Illegal Defense, Cleveland Illegal Defense.

Knicks 96, Nuggets 88

DENVER (88): McDyess 8-15 5-6 21, Posey 3-6 0-0 8, LaFrentz 6-12 4-4 17, Lenard 2-11 0-0 4, Van Exel 8-17 5-6 24, McCloud 2-10 2-2 6, Clark 1-4 2-4 4, Abdul-Wahad 2-5 0-3 4, Pack 0-1 0-0 0, Bowen 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 32-81 18-25 88.

NEW YORK (96): Johnson 4-12 2-2 13, Rice 3-9 1-1 8, Camby 3-5 0-1 6, Houston 8-17 5-5 21, Sprewell 11-20 6-8 29, Childs 2-5 0-0 4, Thomas 3-9 2-2 8, Longley 3-5 1-1 7. Totals 37-82 17-20 96.

Denver	**31**	**16**	**19**	**23— 88**
New York	**22**	**24**	**26**	**22— 96**

3-Point Goals—Denver 6-20 (Van Exel 3-7, Posey 2-3, LaFrentz 1-3, Lenard 0-3, McCloud 0-4), New York 5-10 (Johnson 3-5, Sprewell 1-2, Rice 1-2, Houston 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Denver 51 (McDyess 15), New York 53 (Johnson, Camby 9). Assists—Denver 17 (Van Exel 7), New York 22 (Childs 8). Total fouls—Denver 20, New York 23. Technicals—Denver Illegal Defense 2.

Pacers 99, Hornets 99

CHARLOTTE (99): Mashburn 11-22 3-5 28, Brown 3-5 2-2 8, Campbell 5-14 8-8 18, Davis 5-15 4-4 15, Wesley 8-15 0-0 18, Magloire 0-2 0-0 0, H.Hawkins 1-3 3-4 5, Nailon 1-4 0-0 2, James 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 35-83 20-23 96.

INDIANA (99): J.Rose 14-21 8-10 36, Croshere 3-10 2-2 8, O'Neal 4-9 1-2 9, Miller 7-16 4-5 18, Best 4-13 6-6 14, McKey 0-0 0-0 0, Harrington 5-9 0-0 10, Perkins 1-2 0-0 2, Mills 0-2 0-0 0, Bender 0-3 0-0 0, Foster 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 39-86 21-25 99.

Charlotte	**26**	**17**	**21**	**22 10 — 96**
Indiana	**23**	**22**	**23**	**18 13 — 99**

3-Point Goals—Charlotte 6-12 (Mashburn 3-3, Wesley 2-3, Davis 1-4, Brown 0-1, H.Hawkins 0-1), Indiana 0-12 (J.Rose 0-1, Perkins 0-1, Bender 0-1, Croshere 0-2, Best 0-2, Mills 0-2, Miller 0-3). Fouled out—Davis. Rebounds—Charlotte 56 (Campbell 13), Indiana 46 (O'Neal 8). Assists—Charlotte 23 (Davis 9), Indiana 19 (J.Rose 8). Total fouls—Charlotte 24, Indiana 17. Technicals—Mashburn. Flagrant fouls—Mills.

Timberwolves 85, Clippers 73

L.A. CLIPPERS (73): Odom 4-13 0-2 9, Skinner 0-4 0-0 0, Olowokandi 5-13 0-0 10, McInnis 2-5 1-2 5, Richardson 4-10 4-4 12, Miles 2-7 1-2 5, Maggette 3-6 5-5 11, Rooks 3-5 0-1 6, Dooling 2-7 3-5 7, Piatkowski 3-7 2-2 8. Totals 28-77 16-23 73.

MINNESOTA (85): Szczerbiak 8-13 3-3 19, Garnett 8-17 7-8 23, Garrett 1-4 1-2 3, Billups 1-6 1-2 3, Brandon 6-17 3-3 15, Nesterovic 1-4 0-0 2, Peeler 3-10 0-0 6, Mitchell 0-3 0-0 0, Avery 0-0 2-2 2, Ellis 3-8 6-9 12, Hammonds 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-82 23-29 85.

L.A. Clippers	**12**	**19**	**15**	**27— 73**
Minnesota	**20**	**24**	**20**	**21— 85**

3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 1-10 (Odom 1-3, Piatkowski 0-1, Maggette 0-1, Dooling 0-2, Richardson 0-3), Minnesota 0-9 (Garnett 0-1, Peeler 0-1, Billups 0-3, Brandon 0-4). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 59 (Olowokandi 15), Minnesota 54 (Szczerbiak 12). Assists—L.A. Clippers 11 (Dooling 7), Minnesota 21 (Brandon 10). Total fouls—L.A. Clippers 27, Minnesota 18. Technicals—Garnett.

Jazz 125, Warriors 114

GOLDEN STATE (114): Porter 4-8 0-0 8, Jamison 10-23 4-4 26, Jackson 9-13 2-2 20, Sura 2-4 0-0 4, Hughes 9-19 9-11 27, Keefe 2-3 2-2 6, Blaylock 7-13 2-7 19, Curley 0-2 0-0 0, Del Negro 2-5 0-0 4. Totals 45-90 19-26 114.

UTAH (125): Russell 7-11 9-11 23, Malone 11-20 3-6 25, Polynice 3-4 0-0 6, Stockton 3-6 7-9 13, Starks 3-6 2-2 8, Vaughn 2-3 6-7 10, Lewis 5-14 1-2 13, Marshall 4-5 1-1 10, Manning 4-7 1-2 9, Ostertag 2-5 4-4 8. Totals 44-81 34-44 125.

Golden State	**36**	**29**	**26**	**23—114**
Utah	**31**	**36**	**24**	**34—125**

3-Point Goals—Golden State 5-18 (Blaylock 3-5, Jamison 2-6, Del Negro 0-1, Jackson 0-1, Sura 0-2, Hughes 0-3), Utah 3-8 (Lewis 2-5, Marshall 1-1, Starks 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Golden State 44 (Jamison 10), Utah 55 (Ostertag 9). Assists—Golden State 24 (Hughes, Jamison, Sura 5), Utah 31 (Stockton 14). Total fouls—Golden State 30, Utah 23. Technicals—Golden State Illegal Defense, Utah coach Sloan.

Bucks 99, Wizards 91

WASHINGTON (91): Howard 5-13 1-2 11, Nesby 3-10 3-3 10, White 2-7 0-0 4, Lopez 4-8 4-5 12, Strickland 4-10 8-10 16, Booth 4-10 0-0 8, Mc.Smith 0-2 1-2 1, Whitney 1-5 3-3 6, R.Hamilton 5-12 9-10 19, King 2-3 0-0 4, Profit 0-0 0-0 0, Ekezie 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-80 29-35 91.

MILWAUKEE (99): Caffey 2-4 0-0 4, Robinson 7-17 8-8 22, Pope 0-0 0-0 0, Allen 7-16 5-5 22, Cassell 8-12 2-2 19, Johnson 1-3 0-0 2, Thomas 3-8 3-4 10, Hunter 2-9 2-2 7, S.Williams 3-8 5-6 11, Kersey 1-2 0-0 2, Alston 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 34-80 25-27 99.

Washington	**25**	**16**	**21**	**29— 91**
Milwaukee	**30**	**29**	**23**	**17— 99**

3-Point Goals—Washington 2-6 (Nesby 1-2, Whitney 1-3, Strickland 0-1), Milwaukee 6-16 (Allen 3-7, Cassell 1-2, Thomas 1-2, Hunter 1-3, Robinson 0-1, Alston 0-1). Fouled out—Cassell. Rebounds—Washington 57 (Booth 8), Milwaukee 47 (Robinson 12). Assists—Washington 24 (Strickland 11), Milwaukee 23 (Robinson, Cassell 7). Total fouls—Washington 27, Milwaukee 32. Technicals—Kersey.

Transactions

BASEBALL
National League

COLORADO ROCKIES—Agreed to terms with LHP Mike Hampton on an eight-year contract.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association

DETROIT PISTONS—Placed F Jerome Williams on the injured list. Activated F Brian Cardinal from the injured list.

PHILADELPHIA 76ERS—Placed G Eric Snow on injured list. Activated G Pepe Sanchez from injured list.

Western Professional Hockey League

AUSTIN AVIATORS—Waived D Brian Rasmussen.

BOSSIER-SHREVEPORT MUDBUGS—Activated D Jim Sprott from injured reserve.

EL PASO BUZZARDS—Activated F Daniel Bienvenue from injured reserve.

FORT WORTH BRAHMAS—Placed F Bobby Pochyty on injured reserve.

Heisman Winners

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1935—Jay Berwanger, Chicago, HB
1936—Larry Kelley, Yale, E
1937—Clint Frank, Yale, HB
1938—Davey O'Brien, Texas Christian, QB
1939—Nile Kinnick, Iowa, HB
1940—Tom Harmon, Michigan, HB
1941—Bruce Smith, Minnesota, HB
1942—Frank Sinkwich, Georgia, HB
1943—Angelo Bertelli, Notre Dame, QB
1944—Les Horvath, Ohio State, QB
1945—Doc Blanchard, Army, HB
1946—Glenn Davis, Army, HB
1947—John Lujack, Notre Dame, QB
1948—Doak Walker, SMU, HB
1949—Leon Hart, Notre Dame, E
1950—Vic Janowicz, Ohio State, HB
1951—Dick Kazmaier, Princeton, HB
1952—Billy Vessels, Oklahoma, HB
1953—John Lattner, Notre Dame, HB
1954—Alan Ameche, Wisconsin, FB
1955—Howard Cassady, Ohio State, HB
1956—Paul Hornung, Notre Dame, QB
1957—John David Crow, Texas A&M, HB
1958—Pete Dawkins, Army, HB
1959—Billy Cannon, LSU, HB
1960—Joe Bellino, Navy, HB
1961—Ernie Davis, Syracuse, HB
1962—Terry Baker, Oregon State, QB
1963—Roger Staubach, Navy, QB
1964—John Huarte, Notre Dame, QB
1965—Mike Garrett, Southern Cal, TB
1966—Steve Spurrier, Florida, QB
1967—Gary Beban, UCLA, QB
1968—O.J. Simpson, Southern Cal, TB
1969—Steve Owens, Oklahoma, HB
1970—Jim Plunkett, Stanford, QB
1971—Pat Sullivan, Auburn, QB
1972—Johnny Rodgers, Nebraska, FL
1973—John Cappelletti, Penn State, HB
1974—Archie Griffin, Ohio State, HB
1975—Archie Griffin, Ohio State, HB
1976—Tony Dorsett, Pittsburgh, HB
1977—Earl Campbell, Texas, FB
1978—Billy Sims, Oklahoma, HB
1979—Charles White, Southern Cal, TB
1980—George Rogers, South Carolina, HB
1981—Marcus Allen, Southern Cal, TB
1982—Herschel Walker, Georgia, HB
1983—Mike Rozier, Nebraska, TB
1984—Doug Flutie, Boston College, QB
1985—Bo Jackson, Auburn, TB
1986—Vinny Testaverde, Miami, QB
1987—Tim Brown, Notre Dame, WR
1988—Barry Sanders, Oklahoma State, RB
1989—Andre Ware, Houston, QB
1990—Ty Detmer, Brigham Young, QB
1991—Desmond Howard, Michigan, WR
1992—Gino Torretta, Miami, QB
1993—Charlie Ward, Florida State, QB
1994—Rashaan Salaam, Colorado, RB
1995—Eddie George, Ohio St., TB
1996—Danny Wuerffel, Florida, QB
1997—Charles Woodson, Michigan, CB
1998—Ricky Williams, Texas, RB
1999—Ron Dayne, Wisconsin, RB
2000—Chris Weinke, Florida St., QB

Tennis

Honda Seniors

LONDON (AP) — Results Saturday of the Honda Challenge Seniors indoor tennis tournament at Royal Albert Hall:

Semifinals

John McEnroe, United States, def. Henri Leconte, France, 6-2, 7-5.

Pat Cash, Australia, def. Bjorn Borg, Sweden, 7-6 (4) 7-6 (6)

College Basketball

Top 25 Men

NO. 1 DUKE 104, MICHIGAN 61

MICHIGAN (2-5): Robinson 6-8 6-6 19, Young 2-4 3-6 7, Moore 1-3 0-2 2, Queen 1-8 0-0 2, Blanchard 8-16 3-3 20, Jones 0-3 1-2 1, Seawright 1-2 0-0 2, Dill 0-1 0-0 0, Gibson 0-0 2-4 2, Gottfredson 0-1 0-0 0, Garber 0-0 0-2 0, Groninger 1-2 0-0 2, Asselin 1-1 2-2 4, Adebiyi 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-49 17-27 61.

DUKE (9-0): James 4-7 1-2 12, Battier 7-14 4-5 21, Boozer 5-9 0-1 10, Williams 8-12 2-5 20, Dunleavy 4-9 2-2 12, Caldbeck 0-1 0-0 0, Sweet 3-5 0-0 6, Simpson 0-1 0-0 0, Buckner 0-0 0-0 0, Sanders 3-4 5-8 11, Duhon 4-5 0-0 9, Borman 0-0 0-0 0, Christensen 1-1 1-2 3, Love 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 39-70 15-25 104

Halftime—Duke 59, Michigan 18. 3-Point goals—Michigan 2-7 (Robinson 1-1, Blanchard 1-2, Jones 0-1, Groninger 0-1, Queen 0-2), Duke 11-25 (James 3-5, Battier 3-7, Dunleavy 2-3, Williams 2-5, Duhon 1-2, Sweet 0-1, Boozer 0-1, Love 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Michigan 31 (Blanchard 10), Duke 38 (Sanders 8). Assists—Michigan 14 (Queen 9), Duke 24 (Dunleavy, Duhon 5). Total fouls—Michigan 23, Duke 23. A—9,314.

No. 2 MICHIGAN ST. 103, Loyola, Ill. 71

MICHIGAN ST. (7-0): Richardson 6-8 3-4 17, Anagonye 4-5 1-2 9, Hutson 8-11 0-0 16, Thomas 1-2 0-0 2, Bell 8-13 1-1 19, Taylor 6-10, 2-2 15, Wolfe 1-2 0-0 2, Smith 0-1 0-0 0, Ishbia 0-0 0-0 0, Chappell 2-5 1-1 5, Andreas 1-1 0-0 2, Randolph 8-11 0-0 16. Totals 45-69 8-10 103

LOYOLA, ILL. (2-5): Blankson 1-5 1-3 3, Kerr 3-10 0-2 8, Radke 2-5 0-0 5, Bailey 9-14 6-7 25, Grant 2-6 0-0 5, Freeman 1-1 0-0 2, Telford 0-0 0-0 0, Smith 0-0 0-0 0, Minnifield 6-8 2-4 16, Parker 3-7 0-4 7, Plowman 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 27-58 9-20 71

Halftime—Michigan State 56, Loyola, Ill. 27. 3-Point goals—Michigan St. 5-12 (Richardson 2-3, Bell 2-4, Taylor 1-3, Chappell 0-2), Loyola, Ill. 8-18 (Minnifield 2-3, Kerr 2-5, Grant 1-2, Parker 1-2, Radke 1-2, Bailey 1-4). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Michigan St. 41 (Randolph 9), Loyola, Ill. 24 (Kerr 4). Assists—Michigan St. 32 (Taylor 9), Loyola, Ill. 15 (Bailey 6). Total fouls—Michigan St. 20, Loyola, Ill. 14. A—5,513.

No. 8 FLORIDA 79, RUTGERS 65

RUTGERS (5-2): Kent 4-8 4-6 12, Greer 9-14 2-3 24, Wright 1-3 0-0 2, Billet 1-13 0-0 3, Sherrod 3-9 2-2 8, Dabney 4-8 2-2 10, Tompson 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 1-3 0-1 2, Axani 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 25-62 10-14 65

FLORIDA (4-1): Parker 0-1 1-2 1, Wright 4-5 7-8 16, Haslem 7-12 6-7 20, Hamilton 2-5 4-4 8, Dupay 4-9 6-9 16, Greene 1-3 0-0 2, Nelson 5-9 0-0 14, Bonner 1-5 0-0 2, Halton 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 24-50 24-30 79

Halftime—Florida 33, Rutgers 29. 3-Point Goals—Rutgers 5-18 (Greer 4-7, Billet 1-9, Brown 0-2), Florida 7-20 (Nelson 4-5, Dupay 2-5, Wright 1-1, Halton 0-1, Parker 0-1, Hamilton 0-2, Greene 0-2, Bonner 0-3). Fouled out—Greer. Rebounds—Rutgers 36 (Kent 13), Florida 32 (Haslem 12). Assists—Rutgers 15 (Billet 5), Florida 18 (Bonner 5). Total fouls—Rutgers 23, Florida 19. A—9,897.

No. 9 ILLINOIS 87, No. 7 SETON HALL 79, OT

SETON HALL (5-1): Toney-El 4-6 6-8 14, Griffin 7-26 5-9 20, Dalembert 1-3 1-2 3, Barrett 1-5 0-0 2, Lane 9-21 6-6 31, Shine 1-9 1-2 3, Manga 1-1 0-1 2, garrett 0-0 0-0 0, Morton 1-2 2-2 4. Totals 25-73 21-30 79.

ILLINOIS (7-2): Cook 3-5 0-0 7, McClain 0-8 1-2 1, Griffin 9-18 6-12 24, Bradford 4-14 5-6 15, Williams 10-18 0-0 21, Melton 0-0 0-0 0, Archibald 2-4 4-4 8, Johnson 2-4 4-6 8, Harrington 1-4 0-0 3. Totals 31-75 20-30 87

Halftime—Seton Hall 42, Illinois 25. Regulation—Illinois 68. Seton Hall 68. 3-Point goals—Seton Hall 8-27 (Lane 7-14, Griffin 1-6, Barrett 0-3, Shine 0-4), Illinois 5-23 (Bradford 2-10, Cook 1-2, Williams 1-4, Harrington 1-4, McClain 0-1, Johnson 0-2). Fouled Out—Dalembert, Barrett. Rebounds—Seton Hall 44 (Griffin 11), Illinois 52 (Griffin 13). Assists—Seton Hall 14 (Barrett 4), Illinois 12 (Williams 5). Total fouls—Seton Hall 26, Illinois 24. Technical—Archibald. A—16,683.

MIAMI (OHIO) 73, No. 10 NOTRE DAME 64

MIAMI (OHIO) (4-4): Ensminger 7-11 2-2 16, Shorts 6-16 4-6 16, Jamerson 3-5 1-2 7, Grunkemeyer 4-12 2-2 12, J.Johnson 4-6 2-2 12, Seals 0-3 0-0 0, Allendorf 5-11 0-0 10. Totals 29-64 11-14 73.

NOTRE DAME (4-2): Humphrey 7-14 2-4 17, Graves 4-13 2-3 13, Swanagan 0-1 0-0 0, Carroll 5-8 0-0 12, Ingelsby 0-3 0-0 0, Murphy 7-14 7-10 22, T.Jones 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 23-54 11-17 64

Halftime—Miami 28-27. 3-Point Goals—Miami 4-9 (J.Johnson 2-2, Grunkemeyer 2-5, Jamerson 0-1, Seals 0-1), Notre Dame 7-23 (Graves 3-10, Carroll 2-4, Murphy 1-2, Humphrey 1-3, T.Jones 0-1, Ingelsby 0-3). Fouled out—Shorts. Rebounds—Miami 44 (Ensminger 10), Notre Dame 26 (Humphrey 6). Assists—Miami 11 (Grunkemeyer 5), Notre Dame 19 (Ingelsby 6). Total fouls—Miami 18, Notre Dame 16. A—10,770.

No. 15 CONNECTICUT 71, No. 5 ARIZONA 69

ARIZONA (5-2): Wright 4-6 10-11 18, Jefferson 3-8 2-2 8, Woods 3-12 3-6 9, Arenas 5-11 1-3 14, Gardner 4-7 0-0 10, Walton 2-4 2-2 6, Frazier 0-3 0-0 0, Wessel 1-1 0-0 2, Edgerson 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 23-55 18-24 69

CONNECTICUT (7-1): Butler 6-14 4-4 16, Saunders 2-3 0-0 4, Wane 0-2 3-4 3, Brown 4-8 2-4 10, Mouring 2-7 0-0 6, Brown 1-1 1-2 3, Hazelton 0-0 0-0 0, Robertson 6-9 2-2 14, Selvie 3-4 6-10 12, Cox 1-3 1-2 3. Totals 25-51 19-28 71

Halftime—Arizona 35, Connecticut 33. 3-Point goals—Arizona 5-12 (Arenas 3-6, Gardner 2-4, Jefferson 0-1, Walton 0-1), Connecticut 2-7 (Mouring 2-4, Cox 0-1, Butler 0-2). Fouled out—Edgerson. Rebounds—Arizona 33 (Wright 10), Connecticut 32 (Selvie, Wane 6). Assists—Arizona 15 (Gardner 6), Connecticut 12 (Butler 3). Total fouls—Arizona 22, Connecticut 21. A—10,027.

No. 17 WISCONSIN 65, OHIO 46

OHIO (2-2): Esterkamp 3-8 3-5 10, Hunter 2-9 0-1 4, Flomo 0-1 1-2 1, Ford 3-9 2-3 10, Jones 3-8 4-4 11, Howell 0-0 0-0 0, Crawford 0-1 0-0 0, Harris 0-0 2-2 2, Stephens 0-1 0-0 0, Sanderson 3-4 0-0 8, McVicker 0-0 0-0 0, Liastsos 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 14-42 12-17 46

WISCONSIN (5-1): Kowske 4-5 1-4 9, Wills 1-4 0-0 3, Penney 4-9 3-4 13, Kelley 2-6 6-7 10, Boone 6-10 4-4 17, Schmit 0-1 0-0 0, Ukawuba 0-0 0-0 0, Bower 0-3 0-0 0, Grusczynski 0-1 0-0 0, Owens 1-2 4-7 6, Mader 1-1 2-2 4, Vershaw 1-4 1-1 3. Totals 20-46 21-29 65

Halftime—Wisconsin 31-23. 3-point goals—Ohio 6-17 (Sanderson 2-3, Ford 2-6, Jones 1-3, Esterkamp 1-4, Crawford 0-1), Wisconsin 4-20 (Penney 2-5, Wills 1-3, Boone 1-4, Vershaw 0-1, Owens 0-1, Bower 0-2, Kelley 0-4). Fouled out—Sanderson. Rebounds—Ohio 31 (Esterkamp 9), Wisconsin 31 (Kowske 11). Assists—Ohio 6 (Hunter 2), Wisconsin 14 (Boone 4). Total fouls—Ohio 25, Wisconsin 21. A—16,190.

No. 19 MARYLAND 87, PENN 81

MARYLAND (5-3): Mouton 6-9 5-7 20, Morris 6-15 0-0 12, Baxter 3-8 3-6 9, Dixon 6-11 9-9 23, Blake 3-5 3-8 10, Nicholas 2-3 0-0 6, Miller 1-3 0-0 3, Mardesich 1-3 0-0 2, Wilcox 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 29-60 20-30 87.

PENN (0-6): Onyekwe 6-10 8-9 20, Archibong 2-6 5-6 9, Owens 7-8 0-1 14, Klatsky 4-9 2-2 13, Plummer 8-18 0-0 23, Copp 0-3 0-0 0, Solomito 0-1 0-0 0, Chubb 0-0 2-2 2, Sanger 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-55 17-20 81.

Halftime—Maryland 52, Penn 30. 3-Point goals—Maryland 9-13 (Mouton 3-3, Dixon 2-3, Nicholas 2-3, Miller 1-1, Blake 1-2, Morris 0-1), Penn 10-23 (Plummer 7-11, Klatsky 3-6, Solomito 0-1, Copp 0-2, Archibong 0-3). Fouled out—Archibong. Rebounds—Maryland 36 (Baxter 8), Penn 30 (Onyekwe 6). Assists—Maryland 14 (Mouton, Blake 3), Penn 10 (Onyekwe 4). Total fouls—Maryland 18, Penn 22. A—8,722.

No. 20 OKLAHOMA 100, NORTH TEXAS 72

NORTH TEXAS (1-6): Lucas 5-7 9-13 19, Miller 3-5 2-4 8, Davis 7-22 3-6 19, White 2-5 3-4 7, Mangrum 3-4 0-0 7, Smith 1-1 1-2 3, Rogers 0-0 0-0 0, Allen 0-0 0-0 0, McFall 0-0 2-2 2, Wright 0-0 0-2 0, Richardson 3-6 1-2 7. Totals 24-50 21-35 72.

OKLAHOMA (6-1): Griffin 3-8 4-4 10, McGhee 13-16 0-0 28, Johnson 5-11 2-2 12, Price 3-9 2-2 9, Newton 5-10 0-2 12, Cano 0-0 0-0 0, Raymond 0-1 0-0 0, Heskett 2-9 0-0 6, Ainooson 1-1 0-0 3, Selvy 6-10 0-0 12, Heywood 1-5 0-0 2, Szendrei 3-5 0-1 6. Totals 42-85 8-11 100

Halftime—Oklahoma 59, N. Texas 32. 3-point goals—N. Texas 3-11 (Davis 2-8, Mangrum 1-1, White 0-2), Oklahoma 8-20 (McGhee 2-2, Newton 2-6, Heskett 2-9, Ainooson 1-1, Price 1-2). Fouled out—Szendrei, Selvy, Raymond. Rebounds—N. Texas 35 (Lucas 12), Oklahoma 44 (McGhee 8). Assists—N. Texas 9 (White 5), Oklahoma 20 (Price 7). Total fouls—N. Texas 14, Oklahoma 30. A—9,764.

Texas Men

SOUTH FLORIDA 87, TEXAS 69

Texas (5-2): Mouton 5-15 0-0 12, Owens 5-8 7-11 17, Boddicker 0-5 0-0 0, Evans 6-18 7-7 22, McColpin 0-0 0-0 0, Williams 3-4 3-6 11, Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Thomas 3-5 0-2 6, Ivey 0-0 0-0 0, Wyatt 0-2 1-2 1, Odgen 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-57 16-28 69.

South Florida (4-3): Sanders 2-3 1-2 5, Waldon 10-14 6-12 27, Morris 0-1 0-0 0, Smith 2-6 3-4 7, Kohn 1-5 0-2 3, Jackson 12-22 3-5 29, Green 1-4 3-4 5, Reeves 2-2 1-2 5, Leather 0-0 0-0 0, Baxter 0-0 0-0 0, Asbury 2-3 0-1 4, Bernard 1-2 0-0 0. Totals 33-62 17-32 87

Halftime—South Florida 45, Texas 41. 3-Point goals—Texas 7-19 (Mouton 2-5, Boddicker 0-1, Evans 3-10, Williams 2-2, Wyatt 0-1), South Florida 4-13 (Waldon 1-1, Smith 0-1, Kohn 1-4, Jackson 2-7). Fouled out—Mouton, Owens, Williams, Sanders. Rebounds—Texas 36 (Owens 10), South Florida 42 (Waldon 10). Assists—Texas 14 (Williams, Ivey 4), South Florida 19 (Kohn 4). Total fouls—Texas 29, South Florida 25. A—7,017.

TEXAS TECH 68, WESTERN MICHIGAN 59

TEXAS TECH (4-3): Owens 6-8 4-7 16, Mitchell 6-14 2-2 16, Ellis 6-11 0-0 12, Brown 5-9 1-2 13, Hobbs 0-2 0-0 0, Bass 0-1 0-0 0, Shropshire 1-3 0-0 2, Emmett 2-7, 2-4 6, Marshall 0-2 3-4 3, Phillips 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 26-57 12-19 68

WESTERN MICHIGAN (0-7): Bro 3-5 0-0 6, Reynolds 5-14 9-14 19, Carter 1-5 1-3 3, Cavette 2-9 0-1 4, Berry 3-8 0-0 7, Slater 1-2 0-0 2, Collum 3-7 3-3 11, Cleland 0-0 0-0 0, Powell 2-3 1-2 7, Kann 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 20-56 14-23 59

Halftime—Western Michigan 31, Texas Tech 31. 3-point goals—Texas Tech 4-17 (Mitchell 2-7, Brown 2-5, Ellis 0-1, Hobbs 0-1, Shropshire 0-1, Marshall 0-2), Western Michigan 5-19 (Berry 1-3, Collum 2-5, Powell 2-3, Reynolds 0-3, Carter 0-3, Cavette 0-1, Slater 0-1). Fouled out—Mitchell, Ellis. Rebounds—Texas Tech 40 (Owens 8, Mitchell 8), Western Michigan 35 (Bro 11). Assists—Texas Tech 16 (Brown 6), Western Michigan 11 (Cavette 3). Total fouls—Texas Tech 19, Western Michigan 19. A—N.A.

TCU 141, CENT. OKLAHOMA 92

Central Okla. (5-2): Felton 3-7 5-8 11, McCoy 7-11 8-12 22, Pritchett 3-5 2-2 8, Dawson 4-21 2-3 12, Rowland 1-5 2-2 5, Nee 1-1 0-0 3, Earl 2-6 1-2 5, Tennell 5-18 1-4 12, Talley 0-1 0-0 0, Strodes 7-9 0-2 14. Totals 33-84 21-35 92.

TCU (6-2): McTyer 4-7 0-0 11, Davenport 11-14 1-4 23, Carroll 15-21 5-7 40, Anthony 16-23 6-8 38, Daniels 3-14 0-0 8, Smith 0-0 1-2 1, Allaway 3-6 0-0 7, Mernex 1-7 0-0 3, Dumont 4-7 0-2 8, Paulk 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 57-100 15-25 141

Halftime—TCU 75, Cent. Oklahoma 48. 3-Point goals—Central Okla. 5-28 (Dawson 2-13, Nee 1-1, Rowland 1-5, Tennell 1-6, McCoy 0-1, Felton 0-2), TCU 12-36 (Carroll 5-10, McTyer 3-6, Daniels 2-10, Allaway 1-3, Mernex 1-6, Anthony 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Central Okla. 51 (Tennell 12), TCU 55 (Davenport 16). Assists—Central Okla. 17 (Felton 6), TCU 39 (Daniels 16). Total fouls—Central Okla. 21, TCU 26. A—3,698.

Men's Scores

SOUTHWEST

BYU 59, Rice 49
Baylor 84, St. Edward's 57
North Carolina 82, Texas A&M 60
Oklahoma 100, North Texas 72
Oklahoma St. 74, Arkansas 73
SW Texas 78, Texas-Arlington 69
TCU 141, Cent. Oklahoma 92
Texas-San Antonio 71, Stephen F. Austin 61
UTEP 84, Alcorn St. 76

MIDWEST

Bowling Green 107, Urbana 68
Cent. Michigan 74, N. Iowa 66
Cleveland St. 87, Oakland, Mich. 73
Creighton 81, Georgia St. 74
DePaul

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Championship Bracket

Championship Game
Arlington Martin 60, Austin Westlake 39

Westlake: Curtis Howard 1 0-0 3, Erik Steenken 4 1-2 10, Ryan Hatch 2 0-1 5, Teddy Boxberger 0 1-2 1, Brad Buckman 3 3-6 9, Ricky Franey 2 0-1 4, Jonathan Pearce 3 0-0 7, Clinton Sayers 0 0-0 0, Justin Jones 0 0-0 0, Kyle Lancashire 0 0-0 0, Blair Pigg 0 0-0 0, Mark Gardner 0 0-0 0. **Totals: 15 5-12 39.**

Martin: Andy Dunleavy 0 4-6 4, Aaron Battle 3 3-4 11, Marcus Wright 1 2-2 4, Jeremy Woodard 8 4-5 20, Zach Comiskey 2 3-3 7, Caleb Mawire 1 0-0 2, Jay Landers 2 0-0 4, Joshua Stewart 2 2-2 6, Mo Wright 0 0-0 0, Anthony Bolivar 0 0-0 0, Patrick Bryan 1 0-0 2, Jacob Offutt 0 0-0 0. **Totals: 20 18-21 60.**

Westlake	16	9	7	7	—39
Martin	15	21	12	12	—60

Three-point goals: AW 4 (Howard 1, Steenken 1, Hatch 1, Pearce 1), AM 2 (Battle 2). Total Fouls: AW 15, AM 13. Fouled Out: None. Technical Fouls: None.

Third Place Game
Alamogordo, N.M. 56, Midland Lee 44

Alamogordo: Ricky Herrera 3 1-2 9, Jose Ronquillo 2 1-3 5, Mike Croker 3 4-5 10, Brian Wernle 3 4-4 10, Nick Paul 1 4-6 6, Justin Sweeney 1 2-2 4, Matt Croker 4 3-3 11, Mike Walker 0 1-2 1, Donal Codgell 0 0-0 0. **Totals: 17 20-27 56.**

Lee (6-5): Drew Coffman 3 0-0 8, Cornell Hunt 0 0-0 0, Wendell Smith 4 2-2 13, Art Garcia 2 1-2 6, Kyle Shatzer 2 0-0 5, Jermain Packer 0 0-2 0, Andy Brignon 2 1-1 6, Jake Kelley 0 0-0 0, Ben Webb 2 0-0 4, Ryan Vinson 0 0-0 0, Jason Watlington 0 0-0 0, Justin Horne 1 0-0 2, Paul Logan 0 0-0 0, Andy Watkins 0 0-0 0. **Totals: 16 4-7 44.**

Alamogordo	16	12	16	12	—56
Lee	9	7	10	18	—44

Three-point goals: A 2 (Herrera 2), Lee 8 (Coffman 2, Smith 3, Garcia 1, Shatzer 1, Brignon 1). Rebounds: A 20 (Ronquillo 5), Lee 21 (Shatzer 5). Turnovers: A 14, Lee 22. Total Fouls: A 11, Lee 20. Fouled Out: None. Technical Fouls: None

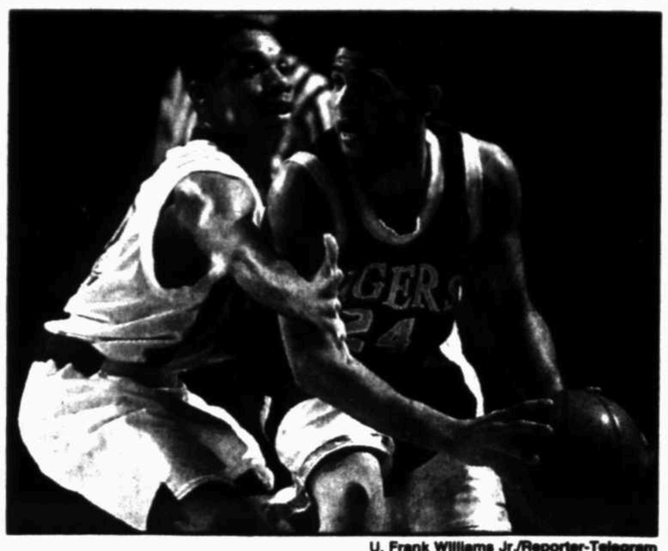
Fifth Place Game
Lubbock Monterey 61, Abilene Cooper 38

Monterey: Kris Hill 4 1-2 11, Isaac Mojica 1 0-2 2, Matt White 0 2-4 2, Nathan Nash 2 3-6 7, Jeff Pope 1 1-1 3, Justin Pope 4 1-1 9, Heston King 1 0-0 2, Josh Washington 5 5-6 15, Dwayne Davis 1 0-0 2, Kevin Anderson 2 0-0 4, Grant Gafford 1 0-2 2, Art Tennison 1 0-0 2. **Totals: 23 13-24 61.**

Cooper: Marcevia Ralston 2 0-1 4, Brandon Strout 1 0-0 2, Jarod Whitley 2 0-1 4, Nathan Barber 0 0-0 0, Ryan LaBrenz 1 0-0 3, James Peters 10-1 2, Chris Harris 2 2-2 8, Jon Warren 1 0-0 2, Zach Jones 1 0-0 2, Bob Hall 4 2-2 11. **Totals: 15 4-7 38.**

Monterey	19	14	13	15	—61
Cooper	10	8	11	9	—38

Three-point goals: LM 2 (Hill 2), AC 4 (LaBrenz 1, Harris 2, Hall 1). Total Fouls: LM 15, AC 17. Fouled Out: None. Technical Fouls: None.



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Midland Lee's Cornell Hunt, left, puts the pressure on Mike Croker of Alamogordo, N.M., during Saturday's third-place game, which Alamogordo won, 56-44.

Consolation Bracket

Championship Game
El Paso Eastwood 77, Midland High 72

Midland High (7-6): Jarvis Brown 4 2-4 13, Anthony Jackson 5 1-2 11, Roman Conner 4 3-5 11, Lucquente White 6 5-6 21, Blake Huggins 4 1-3 9, Roget King 1 1-3 4, Jason South 0 0-0 0, Aaron Saddler 0 0-0 0, John Alcala 0 0-0 0, Cedric Johnson 0 0-0 0, Colter Lange 1 0-0 3, Will Smith 0 0-0 0, Ollie Fitts 0 0-0 0. **Totals: 25 13-23 72.**

Eastwood (15-1): Adrian Urias 5 4-4 15, Kyle Razloznik 1 0-0 3, Ryan Razloznik 14 5-8 34, Art Tellez 7 2-5 17, Ralph Alba 2 2-2 6, Carlos Vega 0 0-0 0, Louie Casillas 1 0-0 2, Art Gonzalez 0 0-0 0. **Totals: 30 13-19 77.**

Midland High	8	14	26	24	—72
Eastwood	14	18	25	20	—77

Three-point goals: MHS 9 (Brown 3, White 4, King 1, Lange 1), E 4 (Urias 1, K. Razloznik 1, R. Razloznik 1, Tellez 1). Rebounds: MHS 21 (Jackson 7), E 23 (Tellez 8). Turnovers: MHS 17, E 18. Total Fouls: MHS 19, E 17. Fouled Out: None. Technical Fouls: None.

Other Consolation Bracket Games
El Paso Hanks 45, El Paso Irvin 41

Hanks: Dave Gasca 0 1-3 1, Josh Gutierrez 0 0-0 0, Mike Daniels 3 1-2 8, Frank Faber 5 1-2 11, Julio Padilla 2 2-2 6, Dustin Streitz 0 0-2 0, Dave Oguh 5 0-0 10, Chris Corral 3 3-4 9. **Totals: 18 8-15 45.**

Irvin: Tony Mata 1 0-2 2, Keith Sheeler 4 6-7 14, Bobby Minjarez 3 2-3 9, Danny Ordonez 0 0-0 0, Anthony Ramos 2 0-0 5, Danny Jaramillo 0 0-0 0, Anthony Sanchez 2 0-0 5, Roddell Sheeler 3 0-2 6. **Totals: 15 8-14 41.**

Hanks	10	15	8	12	—45
Irvin	6	6	16	13	—41

Three-point goals: H1 (Daniels), I 3 (Minjarez, Ramos, Sanchez). Total Fouls: H14, I 13. Fouled Out: Padilla, Corral. Technical Fouls: None.

San Antonio MacArthur 63, Lubbock Coronado 48

MacArthur: Nasser McCall 3 2-9 8, John Jefferson 2 4-4 8, Jesse Rojas 4 3-5 12, Lance Fielder 1 0-0 2, Lubbock Metz 3 0-0 7, Chris Goslin 0 2-2 2, Brad Beck 4 3-4 13, Terrance Monroe 1 8-9 11. **Totals: 18 23-32 63.**

Coronado: Colby Weaver 1 0-0 3, Carson Hood 1 0-0 2, Adam Purtell 3 0-0 8, Jerry Aguirre 0 0-0 0, Gabe Norwood 3 0-0 8, Kyle Ferguson 0 0-0 0, Kevin Wright 1 0-0 3, Ross McCuistion 0 0-0 0, LaCharlton Mann 0 0-0 0, Casey Abrams 5 2-3 12, Elliot Nixon 5 0-0 12. **Totals: 19 2-3 48.**

MacArthur	11	16	12	24	—63
Coronado	20	8	7	13	—48

Three-point goals: SAM 4 (Rojas 1, Metz 1, Beck 2), LC 8 (Weaver 1, Purtell 2, Norwood 2, Wright 1, Nixon 2). Total Fouls: SAM 11, LC 26. Fouled Out: Nixon. Technical Fouls: None.

Greenough closes in on his second world bareback title

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Deb Greenough won the eighth round of bareback Friday night in the National Finals Rodeo to move into contention for his second world championship.

Greenough, of Red Lodge, Mont., had an 89-point ride for his first victory in the $4.5 million rodeo. World leader Jeff Collins of Redfield, Kan., was second with an 84.

Greenough earned $13,133 to increase his eight-round total to $48,650 and push his season total to $86,654. He is fourth in the season standings, $42,216 behind Collins with two rounds left.

"I knew I had to win rounds and let the average take care of itself," said Greenough, the 1993 champion. "I need to keep it out of my head and just keep going for rounds. It looks like it'll come down to the wire.

"Earlier in the summer, I was wondering if I still had the desire to be in rodeo. I was thinking about all of the fun I've had with family and ranching, and it came from rodeo. Without rodeo, I wouldn't have that. I found a new spirit."

In saddle bronc, Tom Reeves of Eagle Butte, S.D., scored an 85 to win the round. Scott Johnston of Gustine, Texas, had 84, and Steve Dollarhide of Wikieup, Ariz., followed at 83.

Johnston leads Joe Beaver of Huntsville, Texas, by $10,138 in the world all-around standings.

Jesse Bail of Camp Crook, S.D., and Dan Wolfe of Redmond, Ore., tied for first in bull riding with 91s. Rob Bell of Canada was third with an 86.

In calf roping, Fred Whitfield of Hockley, Texas, was first with a 7.5-second run. Brent Lewis of Pinon, N.M., was second at 7.6 seconds, and Herbert Theriot of Poplarville, Miss., and Cody Ohl of Orchard, Texas, tied for third at 8.4 seconds.

NATIONAL FINALS RODEO

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Results and standings Friday after the eighth round of the $4.5 million National Finals Rodeo:

All-Around

World standings—1, Scott Johnston, Gustine, Texas, $196,277. 2, Joe Beaver, Huntsville, Texas, $186,137. 3, Fred Whitfield, Hockley, Texas, $173,885. 4, J.D. Crouse, Canon City, Colo., $167,611. 5, Blair Burk, Durant, Okla., $159,528. 6, Rich Skelton, Llano, Texas, $158,546.

Bareback

Eighth round—1, Deb Greenough, Red Lodge, Mont., 89 points, $13,133. 2, Jeffrey Collins, Redfield, Kan., 84, $10,380. 3 (tie), Chris Harris, Arlington, Texas, and Mark Garrett, Nisland, S.D., 82, $6,673 each. 5 (tie), Kelly Wardell, Bellevue, Idaho, and Darren Clarke, Weatherford, Texas, 81, $2,754 each.

Average leaders—1, Jeffrey Collins, Redfield, Kan., 659 points on eight head. 2, Deb Greenough, Red Lodge, Mont., 646. 3, Chad Klein, Jackson, La., 643. 4, Chris Harris, Arlington, Texas, 638. 5, Davey Shields, Canada, 636.

World standings—1, Jeff Collins, Redfield, Kan., $128,870. 2, Lan LaJeunesse, Morgan, Utah, $109,801. 3, James Boudreaux, Cuero, Texas, $91,567. 4, Deb Greenough, Red Lodge, Mont., $86,654. 5, Chris Harris, Arlington, Texas, $88,133.

Steer Wrestling

Eighth round—1, Rod Lyman, Victor, Mont., 3.9 seconds, $13,133. 2, Byron Walker, Ennis, Texas, 4.0, $10,380. 3, J.D. Crouse, Canon City, Colo., 4.3, $7,838. 4 (tie), Bryan Fields, Conroe, Texas; Rope Myers, Van, Texas; and Sid Steiner, Austin, Texas, 4.4, $3,672 each.

Average leaders—1, Sean Mulligan, Laramie, Wyo., 39.8 seconds on eight. 2, Trav Cadwell, Oakdale, Calif., 39.9. 3, Birch Negaard, Buffalo, S.D., 40.1. 4, Sid Steiner, Austin, Texas, 41.4. 5, Chad Biesemeyer, Stephenville, Texas, 41.5.

World standings—1, Rod Lyman, Victor, Mont., $106,818. 2, Frank Thompson, Cheyenne, Wyo., $107,295. 3, Byron Walker, Ennis, Texas, $102,492. 4, Teddy Johnson, Checotah, Okla., $100,403. 5, Sid Steiner, Austin, Texas, $94,872.

Team Roping

Eighth round—1, Jason Stewart, Royal City, Wash., and Bucky Campbell, Benton, Wash., 4.3 seconds, $13,133. 2 (tie), Kevin Stewart, Glen Rose, Texas, and Martin Lucero, Stephenville, Texas; and Joe Beaver, Huntsville, Texas, and Bret Gould, Pollok, Texas, 4.4, $9,109 each. 4, Charles Pogue, Ringling, Okla., and Britt Bockius, Claremore, Okla., 4.7, $5,508. 5, Lance Brooks, Shandon, Calif., and Dugan Kelly, Paso Robles, Calif., 4.8, $3,389.

Average leaders—1, Charles Pogue, Ringling, Okla., and Britt Bockius, Claremore, Okla., 60.9 seconds on eight head. 2, David Key, Ledbetter, Texas, and John Paul Lucero, Stephenville, Texas, 64.2. 3, Kevin Stewart, Glen Rose, Texas, and Martin Lucero, Stephenville, Texas, 75.4. 4, Daniel Green, Oakdale, Calif., and Allen Bach, Millsap, Texas, 75.8. 5, Jason Stewart, Royal City, Wash., and Bucky Campbell, Benton, Wash., 76.4.

World standings, heading—1, Speed Williams, Jacksonville, Fla., $150,133. 2, Bobby Hurley, Ceres, Calif., $87,173. 3, Wade Wheatley, Hughson, Calif., $86,762. 4, Charles Pogue, Ringling, Okla., $86,728. 5, Jason Stewart, Royal City, Wash., $85,438.

World standings, heeling—1, Rich Skelton, Llano, Texas, $150,133. 2, Kyle Lockett, Ivanhoe, Calif., $88,663. 3, Britt Bockius, Claremore, Okla., $87,576. 4, Tyler Magnus, Llano, Texas, $84,588. 5, Bret Gould, Pollok, Texas, $84,356.

Saddle Broinc

Eighth round—1, Tom Reeves, Eagle Butte, S.D., 85 points, $13,133. 2, Scott Johnston, Gustine, Texas, 84, $10,380. 3, Steve Dollarhide, Wikieup, Ariz., 83, $7,838. 4, Rod Hay, Canada, 82, $5,508. 5, Billy Etbauer, Ree Heights, S.D., 81, $3,389. 6 (tie), Glen O'Neill, Canada; Bret Franks, Goodwell, Okla.; and Cliff Norris, Glazier, Texas, 78, $706 each.

Average leaders—1, Tom Reeves, Eagle Butte, S.D., 636 points on eight head. 2, Ryan Mapston, Geyser, Mont., 634. 3, T.C. Holloway, Eagle Butte, S.D., 615. 4, Billy Etbauer, Ree Heights, S.D., 578 on seven head. 5, Steve Dollarhide, Wikieup, Ariz., 558.

World standings—1, Scott Johnston, Gustine, Texas, $171,569. 2, Billy Etbauer, Ree Heights, S.D., $167,137. 3, Rod Hay, Canada, $119,788. 4, Dan Mortensen, Manhattan, Mont., $115,994. 5, Glen O'Neill, Canada, $115,012.

Calf Roping

Eighth round—1, Fred Whitfield, Hockley, Texas, 7.5 seconds, $13,133. 2, Brent Lewis, Eloy, Ariz., 7.6, $10,380. 3 (tie), Herbert Theriot, Poplarville, Miss., and Cody Ohl, Stephenville, Texas, 8.4, $6,673 each. 5, Roy Cooper, Childress, Texas, 8.5, $3,389.

Average leaders—1, Brent Lewis, Pinon, N.M., 71.7 seconds on eight head. 2, Stran Smith, Tell, Texas, 75.7. 3, Clay Cerny, Eagle Lake, Texas, 77.6. 4, Doug Pharr, Resaca, Ga., 78.7. 5, Herbert Theriot, Poplarville, Miss., 79.5.

World standings—1, Fred Whitfield, Hockley, Texas, $169,411. 2, Blair Burk, Durant, Okla., $149,972. 3, Brent Lewis, Pinon, N.M., $135,049. 4, Clay Cerny, Eagle Lake, Texas, $115,140. 5, Herbert Theriot, Poplarville, Miss., $107,589.

Bull Riding

Eighth round—1 (tie), Jesse Bail, Camp Crook, S.D., and Dan Wolfe, Redmond, Ore., 91 points, $11,757 each. 3, Rob Bell, Canada, 86, $7,838. 4, Philip Elkins, Keller, Texas, 81, $5,508. No other qualified rides.

Average leaders—1, Cody Hancock, Taylor, Ariz., 512 points on six head. 2, Philip Elkins, Keller, Texas, 493. 3, Jesse Bail, Camp Crook, S.D., 414 points on five head. 4, Robey Condra, Dayton, Texas, 413.5, Lee Akin, Weatherford, Okla., 340 on four head.

World standings—1, Cody Hancock, Taylor, Ariz., $105,564. 2, Jesse Bail, Camp Crook, S.D., $97,603. 3, Robey Condra, Dayton, Texas, $97,595. 4, Rob Bell, Canada, $96,125. 5, Philip Elkins, Keller, Texas, $95,921.

Barrel Racing

Eighth round—1, Ruth Haislip, Acampo, Calif., 13.93 seconds, $13,133. 2, Kappy Allen, Austin, Texas, 13.99, $10,380. 3, Sherrylynn Adams, Marshall, Texas, 14.01, $7,838. 4, Charmayne James, Gustine, Texas, 14.03, $5,508. 5, Rachael Myllymaki-Sproul, Arlee, Mont., 14.04, $3,389. 6, Kristie Peterson, Elbert, Colo., 14.06, $2,118.

Average leaders—1, Kappy Allen, Austin, Texas, 111.78 seconds on eight runs. 2, Kristie Peterson, Elbert, Colo., 112.39. 3, Ruth Haislip, Acampo, Calif., 113.17. 4, Molly Swanson, Simms, Mont., 113.19. 5, Rachael Myllymaki-Sproul, Arlee, Mont., 113.57.

World standings—1, Charmayne James, Gustine, Texas, $136,626. 2, Kelly Yates, Pueblo, Colo., $111,104. 3, Kappy Allen, Austin, Texas, $109,404. 4, Kristie Peterson, Elbert, Colo., $103,501. 5, Sherry Cervi, Marana, Ariz., $97,974.

OILMAN'S: Rebels, Bulldogs both fall on final day of tourney

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comedown after winning two games Friday, falling to Eastwood, 77-72, in the championship game of the consolation bracket.

Martin clearly established itself as the class of the field, opening with a 50-43 win over Eastwood, then thumping two District 4-5A schools on Friday, Abilene Cooper (63-48) and Lee (63-41) to make the championship game. In a way, that preparation might have made Saturday's game easier.

"I think it helped today that we didn't play until 6 o'clock," said Alfred. "It gave us a chance to sleep in a little bit. We'd been going 10-deep in the first three games so I think that made us better rested today."

The Warriors looked as if they would have to fight against Westlake as the game was tight early as the Chaparrals led 16-15 at the end of the first quarter. But Jeremy Woodard and Aaron Battle combined to score 18 of Martin's 21 points in the second quarter as the Warriors led by as many as 13 points en route to a 36-25 halftime lead.

Woodard, who had a game-high 20 points, then scored six points during an 8-0 run to open the second half which gave Martin a 44-25 lead. Westlake never got any closer than 14 points the rest of the way.

Battle scored 11 points for Martin while Erik Steenken was the only Westlake scorer in double figures with 10.

Thursday's battle between Martin and Eastwood could have been viewed as the tournament's championship two days early, but it was also perhaps a glimpse of the Chap Center's not too distant future. Eastwood is probably the best team in El Paso while Martin definitely has to be considered a contender as one of two Metroplex representatives who could play in the Region I-5A tournament at the Chap Center in March.

"We were here two years ago and lost to Midland High in the semifinals (of the region tournament)," said Alfred. "It was a great experience but it's a different atmosphere. I'm not presumptuous enough to think we'll be here in March, but if we do make it back, I know it helps us to have been here."

Alamogordo has been a staple in the Oilman's for many years, and its solid zone defense hasn't come as a surprise to anybody. While the Rebels hit eight 3-pointers, they appeared out of sync against a type of defense they haven't seen much of this season.

"We didn't attack their zone very good," said Lee coach Mark Coffman. "We haven't seen that many zones this year and it was my fault I didn't prepare us for it."

Drew Coffman and Wendell Smith opened Lee's scoring with 3-pointers as the Rebels led 7-4 in the first quarter. But Alamogordo took the lead for good with a 10-0 run and the Rebels (6-5) never pulled any closer than three points.

Smith was the only Rebel in double figures with 13 points. Matt Croker came off the bench to lead Alamogordo with 11 points while Mike Croker and Brian Wernle scored 10 apiece.

Lee had two relatively meager offensive showings to end the tournament after scoring 79 to beat Midland High on Thursday, a win which broke Lee's 14-game losing streak against the Bulldogs in Coffman's first game against MHS.

"We've played two really good defensive teams and I think that's going to help us," said Coffman. "I don't think we played with the same fire after Thursday night but we still played hard."

Like Lee, Midland High had a strong night shooting threes against Eastwood, hitting nine, seven of which came in the second half after the Bulldogs trailed 32-22 at halftime.

But a look at the scoresheet for the first three quarters tells an even bigger story for the Bulldogs. Jarvis Brown, a consistent double figures scorer, didn't tally a single point and took only two shots in the first three periods because of foul trouble. In the fourth quarter, Brown came alive for all 13 of his points and hit three 3-pointers.

"He does not score in the first three quarters because he was in foul trouble and that did not help," said MHS coach Jack Stephenson of Brown. "I felt that was a big, big, big factor. He's one of our best players and we had to take him off the floor and sit him down."

Lucquente White led the Bulldogs with 21 points, including four 3-pointers, while Anthony Jackson and Roman Conner added 11 apiece. Ryan Razloznik had a huge game for Eastwood with 34 points while Art Tellez had 17 and Adrian Urias added 15.

Stephenson likes the bottom line of the tournament for his team.

"We beat two teams pretty soundly and we came up against the best team in El Paso and only lost by five points," said Stephenson.

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LEE: Rebels go for another title

(From 1C)

Benson didn't find the end zone. That was against Abilene Cooper during his sophomore season (38 games ago).

"I have heard a lot of people say, 'So goes Ced, so goes the Rebels,'" Midland Lee defensive coordinator Kelvin Ratliff said. "There is truth to that, but there are other kids with big hearts. Today, they showed that."

Especially in the pivotal fourth quarter.

That is when Lee's backup singers finally grabbed the lead microphone. The Rebels had driven the ball well in the third quarter, which meant getting into The Woodlands' territory. In the fourth quarter, that changed. Starting a drive on the 30-yard line, the Rebels moved the ball in familiar fashion — a five-yard carry by Benson, followed by a six yarder. Following a third Benson carry — for one-yard — Hand hit wingback Jernard Lee for 12 yards. Lee had a first down. A four-yard loss followed, then Lee called "30 Trap," a fullback carry up the middle which caught the Woodlands off guard. By the time the Woodlands players saw that Benson didn't have the ball, Murphy (a 5-foot-10, 240 pounder) was rambling through the Highlanders' secondary.

Thirty-eight yards later, No. 38 (Murphy) was pulled down at the 12-yard line. The Woodlands was caught cheating.

"That is what a bunch of teams in the past have done (focused on Benson)," Murphy said. "Now, they (teams) have got more things to worry about. Two are better than one."

One play later, Lee caught the Woodlands looking the wrong way again. Hand rolled out and hit Kendrick for a 12-yard touchdown pass.

"You worry about that (focusing too much on Cedric)," The Woodlands coach Weldon Willig said. "You know you have to stop him, and they hurt us with the bootleg pass and fullback runs. So what do you do? I guess you take your poison."

The Woodlands (10-3) held Benson to 92 yards on 28 carries, a Herculean effort to say the least. No team has held Benson to less than 100 yards since Lubbock Coronado did so in the bi-district round of the 1998 playoffs. That was 33 straight games coming into Saturday's contest.

"It is a hollow victory," Willig said. "We closed the best running back in Texas down and still don't get a win. Maybe, it was not supposed to be."

Lee finished off the Highlanders with a 62-yard drive that ended with a 20-yard field goal by Michael Wynn. During that drive, Benson had his yards (21 yards on five carries), and so did Hand, who completed two key passes to Winston and Kendrick respectively to convert two critical third-down conversions.

"Everyone knew someone had to step up besides Ced," Hand said.

"Give credit to the guys who rose up — Shawn Murphy breaking the trap and Nick completing critical pass plays and the effort those guys gave in the fourth quarter," Lee head coach John Parchman said. "That shows they have played in championship games before."

As much as the antics of the offense will draw praise, the defense "won the game" according to Parchman. The Rebel defense held The Woodlands defense to 176 total yards (96 rushing and 80 passing), but more importantly, it made statements when it had to. Three times in the first quarter, the Woodlands drove into scoring territory. Three times Lee held them off. The Woodlands had only three points to show for its effort.

First half success turned into second half domination. The Woodlands had three consecutive three-and-outs to start the half, so while Lee was moving the ball, the Woodlands offense was moving on and off the field.

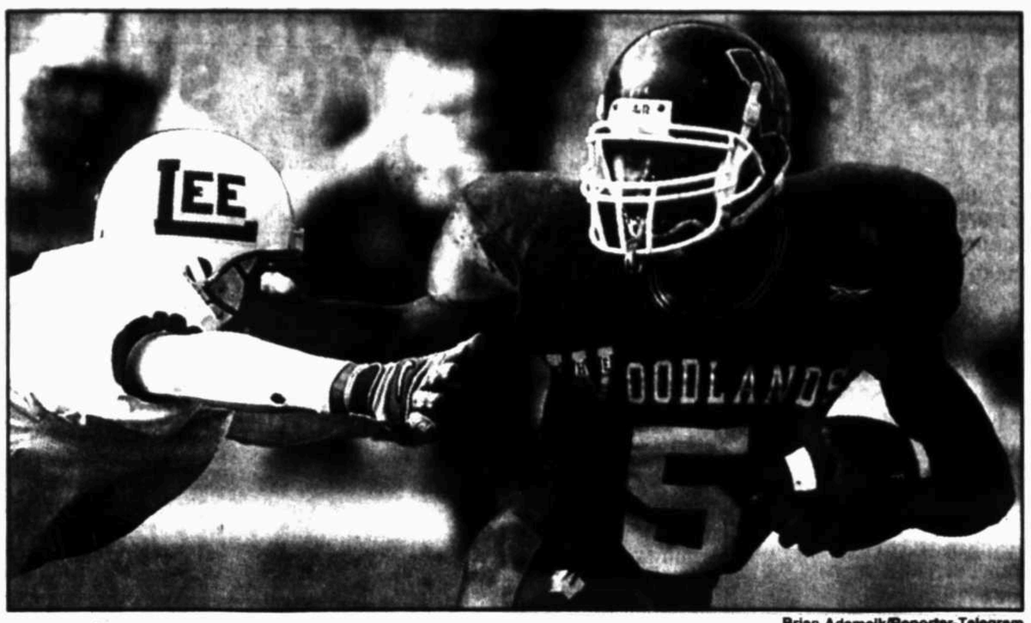
For the game, The Woodlands went three-and-out six times. More impressively, Lee stopped The Woodlands on all 10 of its third-down conversions.

"0-for-10 on third downs, what else can you say?" Ratliff said.

J.R. Brown, who blocked a first-half Highlander punt to set up a Lee field goal, had the words. Lee had bowed up against both Duncanville and The Woodlands, two top-10 teams, and had not allowed a defensive touchdown.

"That is what the team is all about," Brown said. "We got to help each other out. The offense wasn't pretty, but the defense came out and we had their backs. That is what it is all about. We helped the team out, rose to the occasion and have arrived. That is what 4-5A football is all about."

Game Notes: Lee is 4-0 in state semifinal games... The Rebels are 2-0 at Royal Memorial Stadium... The meeting between Westlake and Lee will be their first ever on the gridiron... Eisenhower, which lost to Westlake on Saturday, was the team that Lee beat in last season's championship game... The Rebels have won 15 consecutive postseason games... Benson has 8,168 career rushing yards...



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

Midland Lee defensive back Damon Johnson tries to grab The Woodlands' Chris Easley during the Rebels' 13-3 win Saturday.

Midland Lee 13, The Woodlands 3

Lee		The Woodlands
11	First Downs	10
48-172	Yards Rushing	21-96
79	Yards Passing	80
9-5-0	Att.-Comp.-Int.	22-8-1
3-0	Fumbles Lost	0-0
7-35.6	Punts-Avg.	7-32.0
5-43	Penalties-Yds.	2-10

Midland Lee	0	3	0	10	—13
The Woodlands	0	3	0	0	— 3

Second Quarter

Lee-Michael Wynn 20 FG, 6:52

The Woodlands-Luis Perez 31 FG, 0:14

Fourth Quarter

Lee-Jacoby Kendrick 12 pass from Nick Hand (Wynn kick), 8:37

Lee-Wynn 20 FG, 1:35

Individual Statistics

Rushing: Lee-Cedric Benson 28-92, Jacoby Kendrick 7-27, Nick Hand 7-(minus 4), Jernard Lee 3-14, Shawn Murphy 3-43.

Passing: Lee-Nick Hand 9-5-0-79-1. The Woodlands-Ben Barton 21-8-1-80-0, Brian Carter 1-0-0-0-0.

Receiving: Lee-Eric Winston 1-17, Cedric Benson 1-25, Jernard Lee 1-12, Jacoby Kendrick 2-25-1. The Woodlands-Brian Carter 4-39, Nick Schroeder 2-18, James Williams 1-7, Jay Dunn 1-16.

Missed Field Goals: The Woodlands-Luis Perez 45 (missed right), 41 (missed left)

Interceptions: Lee-Paul Gonzales 1-0

FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Results of this weekend's high school football playoff games and pairings for next week's games:

Class 5A

Division I
Semifinals

Midland Lee (12-2) beat The Woodlands (10-2), 13-3

Austin Westlake (14-0) beat Aldine Eisenhower (12-1), 45-0

Championship

Midland Lee (12-2) vs. Austin Westlake (14-0), 12:07 p.m. Saturday, Royal-Memorial Stadium in Austin.

Division II
Quarterfinals

Arlington Lamar (9-4) beat Abilene Cooper (10-4), 34-28 (2OT)

Tyler John Tyler (11-3) beat Waco (7-6), 28-21 (OT)

Katy (14-0) beat Alief Elsik (8-5), 54-14

SA Marshall beat SA MacArthur, 26-23

Semifinals

Arlington Lamar (9-4) vs. Tyler John Tyler (11-3), TBA

Katy (14-0) vs. SA Marshall, 2 p.m. Saturday, Kyle Field, College Station

Class 4A

Division I
Semifinals

Denton Ryan (12-2) beat Wolfforth Frenship (11-3), 55-22

Bay City (13-1) beat SA Roosevelt (10-4), 28-12

Championship

Denton Ryan (12-2) vs. Bay City (13-1), TBA

Division II
Quarterfinals

Wichita Falls (14-0) beat Southlake Carroll (9-5) 41-21

Ennis (12-2) beat Jacksonville (11-3), 48-13

West Orange-Stark (14-0) beat La Marque (10-4), 10-6

CC Calallen (13-1) beat Rockport-Fulton (13-1), 39-16

Semifinals

Wichita Falls (14-0) vs. Ennis (12-2), TBA

West Orange-Stark (14-0) vs. CC Calallen (13-1), TBA

Class 3A

Division I
Semifinals

Abilene Wylie (14-0) beat Everman (12-2), 20-13

Gatesville (14-0) beat Bandera (11-3), 30-9

Championship

Abilene Wylie (14-0) vs. Gatesville (14-0), TBA

Division II
Quarterfinals

Muleshoe (14-0) beat Greenwood (10-4), 43-13

Forney (10-4) beat Commerce (13-1), 24-14

Marlin (11-3) beat Cameron Yoe (11-3), 27-26

La Grange (12-2) beat Mathis (12-2), 55-14

Semifinals

Muleshoe (14-0) vs. Forney (10-4), TBA

Marlin (11-3) vs. La Grange (12-2), TBA

Class 2A

Division I
Semifinals

Sonora (14-0) beat Pilot Point (11-3), 34-6

Blanco (10-4) beat Arp (13-1), 20-14

Championship

Sonora (14-0) vs. Blanco (10-4), TBA

Division II
Quarterfinals

Stanton (12-2) beat Albany (11-3), 31-13

Celina (14-0) beat Whitewright (12-2), 31-14

Mart (14-0) beat Corrigan-Camden (10-4), 20-6

Refugio (14-0) beat Rogers (12-2), 24-14

Semifinals

Stanton (12-2) vs. Celina (14-0), TBA

Refugio (14-0) or Rogers (12-1), TBA

Class A

Quarterfinals

Stratford (14-0) beat Iraan (10-3), 50-20

Collinsville (11-2) beat Roscoe (13-1), 27-20 (2OT)

Beckville (13-1) beat Wortham (9-5), 48-14

Burkeville (9-4) beat Shiner (13-1), 41-8

Semifinals

Stratford (14-0) vs. Collinsville (11-2), TBA

Beckville (12-1) vs. Burkeville (9-4), TBA

6-Man

Semifinals

Highland (14-0) beat Whitharral (11-2), 76-52

Panther Creek (14-0) beat Aquilla (11-3), 60-44

Championship

Highland (14-0) vs. Panther Creek (14-0), TBA

Westlake thrashes Eisenhower, 45-0

Staff Report

HOUSTON — The No. 1 Austin Westlake Chaparrals used a balanced attack to defeat Aldine Eisenhower 45-0 to set up Saturday's noon showdown against Midland Lee in Austin for the Class 5A Big School state championship.

The Chaparral defense held Eisenhower to just 135 of total offense while the Westlake offense racked up 372 total yards.

Brandon Dewan rushed for 78 yards and scored three touchdowns to lead Westlake (14-0).

Westlake only led 7-0 at the half before exploding for 24 points in the third quarter.

Westlake		Eisenhower
24	First Downs	8
175	Yards Rushing	84
197	Yards Passing	51
23-14-0	Att.-Comp.-Int.	10-3-1
0-0	Fumbles Lost	7-3
2-36.0	Punts-Avg.	4-37.7
3-35	Penalties-Yds.	4-26

Westlake	7	0	24	14	—45
Eisenhower	0	0	0	0	—0

First quarter

W - Duke Hasson 1 run (James Baker kick)

Third quarter

W - Brendan Dewan 1 run (Baker kick)

W - Baker 29 FG

W - Dewan 5 run (Baker kick)

W - Scott Ballew 2 run (Baker kick)

Fourth quarter

W - Dewan 2 run (Baker kick)

W - Aaron Garza 11 pass from Chad Schroeder (Baker kick)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: W. Dewan 18-78, Ballew 15-57, Brad Beavan 7-30; E. Tony Frazier 6-34, Ricky Murphy 5-22, Derrick Gilford 5-21.

Passing: W. Hasson 11-17-0-150, Schroeder 3-6-0-47; E. Trey Harris 2-3-1-54, Murphy 1-5-0-(minus-3).

Receiving: W. Ballew 5-62, Hunter Coleman 3-33, Christian Campbell 2-19, Garza 2-19; E. Dann Gudry 2-54.

TRAP: Murphy's run proves to be a key

(From 1C)

on Benson, Murphy was given the ball. He took the handoff and rumbled his 240 pounds right of center down the field for 38 yards.

"He almost pulled away from him (the defender)," Lee tight end Eric Winston said of Murphy, who teammates call "Ghudda." "I have never seen him run that fast."

The play almost had a different outcome.

"Nick made a great call on that," Winston said. "Coming to the line, we had 31 called and that is to the left and we saw the defense and he checked opposite to run it to the right and Ghudda just broke it open."

It was success for a second time, and success when Lee needed it. All eyes at Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium were on Benson. That included the sets of eyes on the Highlanders' defense.

"That was one of the turning points in the game, I think," Murphy said.

The end result was the ball on The Woodlands 12-yard line. One play later, Kendrick caught a roll out pass from Hand and scored. It was a huge blow to The Woodlands, and a third consecutive trip to a state final for the Rebels.

Delta State overpowers Bloomsburg for D-II title

Associated Press

Josh Bright ran for 175 yards and three touchdowns as Delta State won its first NCAA Division II title with a 63-34 victory over Bloomsburg on Saturday in Florence, Ala.

With Bright operating the triple-option attack to perfection, the Statesmen (14-1) amassed a championship game-record 524 rushing yards. They didn't have a punt and scored TDs on eight of their first nine possessions, and that one ended with the first half.

The Huskies (12-3) saw their 12-game winning streak end when they finally ran into their offensive match.

The Statesmen gained 649 total yards, another championship record, and had six players rush for TDs.

Eric Miller was 23-of-39 passing for 261 yards and three TDs, and scored on a 1-yard run. Tierell Johnson caught five passes for 101 yards.

In the Division I-AA semifinals, Georgia Southern beat Delaware 27-18, and Montana edged Appalachian State 19-16 in overtime. The championship game is next Saturday in Chattanooga Tenn.

In the Division III semifinals, Mount Union of Ohio beat Widener of Pennsylvania 70-30, and St. John's of Minnesota defeated Hardin-Simmons of Texas 38-14. The championship game is next Saturday in Salem, Va.

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National best sellers are from Publishers Weekly.

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   James Patterson
2. **The O'Reilly Factor**
   Bill O'Reilly
3. **The Beatles Anthology**
   The Beatles
4. **The Mark**
   Jerry Jenkins & Tim LaHaye
5. **Guiness Book of World Records**
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   Robert Jordan
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   Spencer Johnson
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   Tom Clancy
9. **Deck the Halls**
   Carol Higgins Clark & Mary Higgins Clark
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    Danielle Steel

Local Paperback

1. **Timeline**
   Michael Crichton
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   Dean Koontz
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209 years later, 'Almanac' still a favorite

THE OLD FARMER'S 2001 ALMANAC, SOUTHERN EDITION
Edited by Judson Hale
(Yankee Publishing Inc., 2000, $4.99, 256 pages)

Review by Katie Boden

Before actually reviewing "Old Farmer's 2001 Almanac," let's take a look at the history of North America's oldest continuously published periodical.

"The Old Farmer's Almanac" was first published by Robert B. Thomas in 1792 during George Washington's second presidential term. Thomas died in 1846 at the age of 80. Since then there has been a succession of eleven publishers, the most recent being Judson Hale. Thomas' name, however, still appears on the front cover of every issue.

At the time of "The Old Farmer's Almanac's" early publications, other almanacs were being printed, but Thomas' publication survived them all.

I went to "The Old Farmer's Almanac" Web site hoping to find a clue as to the success of the publication. Incidentally, the whole idea of the Almanac now being part of the cyber-world system of dot coms put me off a little. Somehow, it takes the romance out of the "Old Farmer's" part of the title.

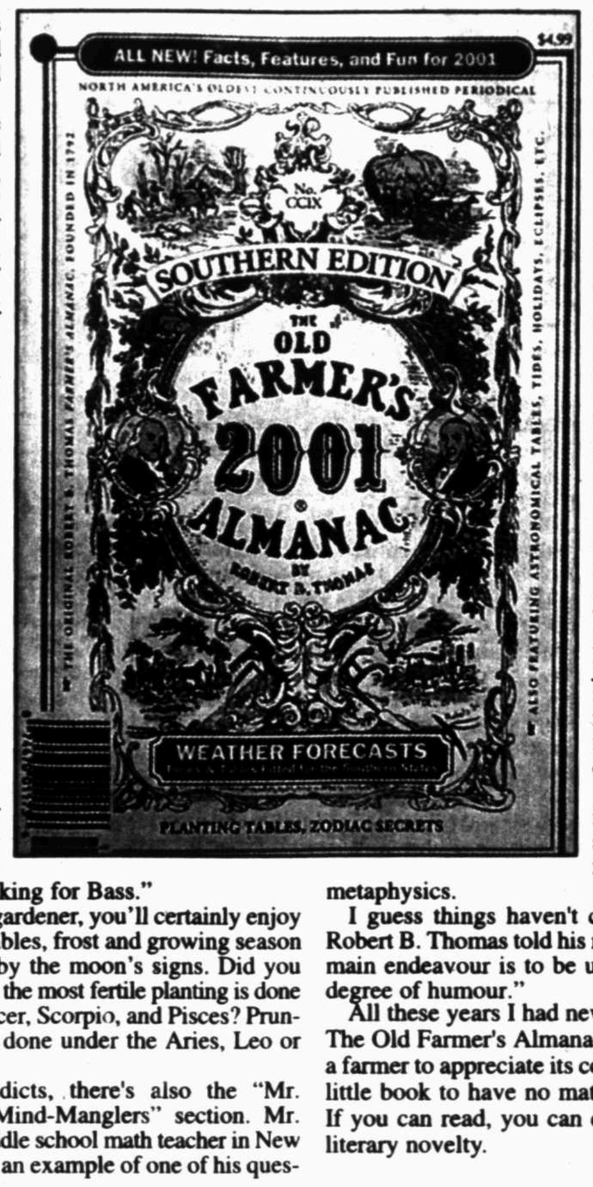
Nevertheless, according to the site, the Old Farmer's Almanac has survived because "Thomas's astronomical and weather predictions were more accurate, the advice more useful, and the features more entertaining."

The old secret weather forecasting formula, which is said to be 80 percent accurate, used an elaborate series of natural cycles. That formula, to this day, is locked away somewhere at the Almanac's offices in Dublin, N.H. The Almanac's current weather predictions are based on data generated by Richard Heat, a former NASA chief scientist and solar physicist.

The forecasts continue their 80 percent correct consistency. In addition, there have been several miraculous predictions, including the near-perfect prediction of hurricane Andrew that hit southern Florida in 1992.

The Almanac is published annually, in four editions: National, Southern, Western and Canadian.The familiar cover design, featuring a drawing of the four seasons on each of the four corners came about in 1853. It was dropped for three years, then was reinstated in 1855 and is still being used today.

The first page begins, " 'The Old Farmer's Almanac', calculated on a new and improved plan for the year of our Lord, 2001, being 1st after leap year and (until July 4) 225th year of American Independence." Is that a charming way to begin a book or what?



The book's contents feature weather forecasts (divided into 16 U.S. and Canadian regions) charts, tables, tidal information, astronomical data, consumer information, recipes and cooking tips, best days for fishing, and numerous ads. The 2001 edition contains an amusing selection of articles with titles like, "Checking Out the Goddess of Love," "Cooking for Your Cat," and "Jigger-Poling and Doodlesocking for Bass."

If you are a serious gardener, you'll certainly enjoy the outdoor planting tables, frost and growing season tables and gardening by the moon's signs. Did you know, for example, that the most fertile planting is done under the signs of Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces? Pruning, of course, is best done under the Aries, Leo or Sagittarius moon.

For the puzzle addicts, there's also the "Mr. Smith's Maddening Mind-Manglers" section. Mr. Smith is a real, live middle school math teacher in New Hampshire, and here's an example of one of his questions: "If you roll a die three times, what is the probability that the three rolls will not all show the same number?" The answer is on page 222 of the same issue. I'm not telling. You'll have to get your own copy to find out.

The book has those nice, comfortable, newsprint pages. It's old looking. The photos, the borders and the print type are all what you might expect to find in a book found in an antique store. It's not a book to read from cover to cover, but rather, to read at a leisurely pace, skipping from section to section.

One very interesting aspect of this book is the ads. There are so many. And they are so strange. The 2001 issue contains ads for herbal elixirs, apple juicers, composting toilets, sensual products and choir robes. There's even an ad for a cannon - yes, you, too can own a carbide cannon!

The classified ads include catalogs for personalized candy bars and mail order degrees for metaphysics.

I guess things haven't changed much from what Robert B. Thomas told his readers back in 1829; "Our main endeavour is to be useful, but with a pleasant degree of humour."

All these years I had never much paid attention to The Old Farmer's Almanac. I thought one had to be a farmer to appreciate its contents. Not true. It's a fun little book to have no matter what your profession. If you can read, you can enjoy this American-born literary novelty.

'The World Almanac for Kids 2001 has 'lots of cool facts'

THE WORLD ALMANAC FOR KIDS 2001
Edited by Elaine Israel
(World Almanac Books, 2000, $10.95, 336 pages)

Review by Wesley Dearen

"The World Almanac for Kids 2001" is an interesting book because it has cool facts.

There are 35 chapters including Calendars and Time, Computers and the Internet, Health, Holidays, Inventions, Language, Law, Nations, Numbers, Population and Religion.

In the chapter about calendars and time, it talks about how Pope Gregory changed the Julian Calendar to the Gregorian Calendar which is the calendar that is used by most people today. Two other calendars that it discusses are the Jewish and Islamic calendars. It also discusses the time zones. There are six time zones in the United States including Alaskan and Hawaiian time zones.

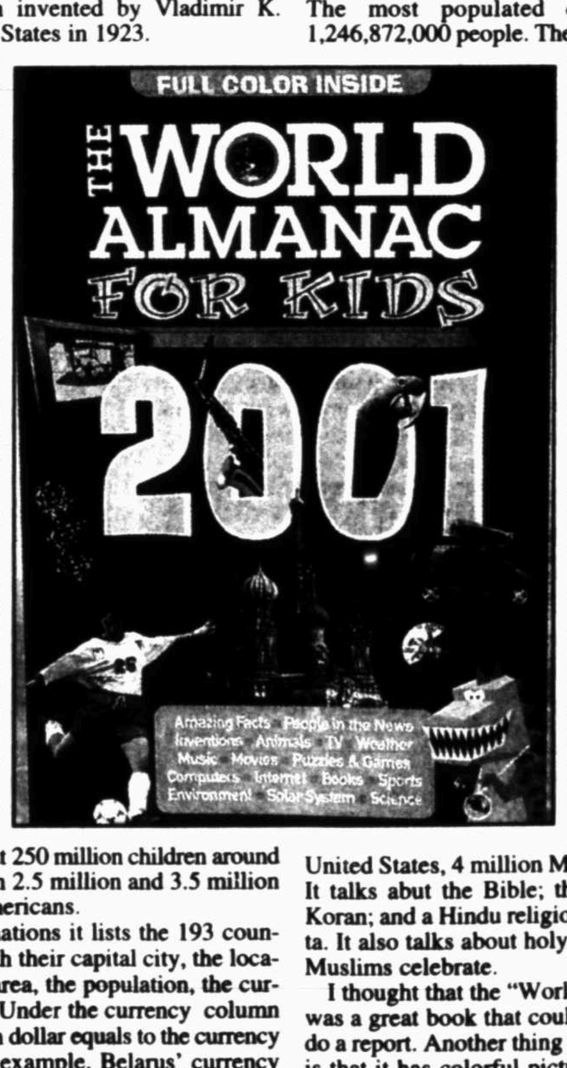
The chapter about computers and the Internet talks about different computer-related words, including e-mail. Another thing it discusses is the binary code. Every symbol in the binary code has just zeroes and ones. Also, it talks about safety tips when using the Internet.

The chapter on health talks about different parts of the body including the lungs, the heart, the brain and the kidneys. It talks about AIDS. Information about AIDS includes ways people can get AIDS and ways that people can't get AIDS — such as you can't catch the disease by shaking the hand of someone who has AIDS. It also explains what different doctors do. Another thing that the health chapter has is telling about how people get cavities.

The chapter about holidays tells about different holidays that are celebrated in the United States and around the world. It says that the costume part of Halloween got started when Druids wore costumes to scare off evil spirits. One holiday that is celebrated by a specific group of people is Kwanzaa. It is celebrated by African Americans. Another holiday that it explains about is Bastille Day which is celebrated by the French. Bastille Day is in honor of the prison Bastille that fell when the French Revolution started.

The chapter about inventions talks about different kinds of inventions. One kind of invention that it has is transportation, including automobiles. Automobiles were invented in 1892 by Americans Charles and Frank Duryea. Another kind of invention it talks about is health-related inventions, including the X-ray, made by Wilhelm Roentgen from Germany in 1895. Another kind of invention is communication inventions including the telephone invented by Alexander Graham Bell of the United States in 1876. The chapter also has inventions that make our lives easier, including refrigeration invented by Jacob Perkins of England in 1834. There are also entertainment inventions including the television invented by Vladimir K. Zworykin of the United States in 1923.

The chapter about language talks about idioms such as "raining cats and dogs." Other things it talks about are oxymorons, including "jumbo shrimp," and English words that come from foreign languages, such as pizza. It also lists the 10 most spoken languages in the world. English comes after Mandarin Chinese, Hindi and Spanish. Then it has the 20 languages that are spoken at home in the United States. Only 198,601,000 Americans speak only English at home.



In the chapter about law, it talks about what happens to kids and adults when they break the law. It also has just plain silly laws such as in Marshalltown, Iowa, horses may not eat fire hydrants and in Oregon, dead people may not be made to serve on a jury. Another thing it has is that 250 million children around the world work. Between 2.5 million and 3.5 million of these children are Americans.

In the chapter about nations it lists the 193 countries that exist, along with their capital city, the location of the country, the area, the population, the currency and the language. Under the currency column it lists what one American dollar equals to the currency of another country. For example, Belarus' currency is the ruble. One American dollar equals 32 thousand rubles. Other things it has are landmarks in different countries, maps and the flags of the countries.

In the chapter about numbers it has the symbols for different numbers in ancient civilizations. It also includes reading and writing large numbers. The number googol has 100 zeroes.

In the population chapter it has the population of the 25 most populated countries. Another thing it lists is the population of the 10 largest cities in the world. The most populated country is China with 1,246,872,000 people. The biggest city is Tokyo. The population is 26,959,000. It also lists the population of the 10 largest cities in the U.S. The largest city is New York City. It has 7,420,166 residents. It also has the 16 states with the most American Indians and how many Indians live in each. California has the most: 308,571 Indians. It also discusses immigrants. The number of immigrants that came to the United States in 1998 was 660,477.

The religions that the Religion chapter lists are Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam and Judaism. There are more than 350 million Buddists in the world. There are almost 2 billion Christians, 800 million Hindus, about 1 billion Muslims and about 14 million Jews. In the chapter there is a pie chart that shows religious membership of Americans. There are more than 166 million Christians in the United States, 4 million Muslims and 6 million Jews. It talks abut the Bible; the Muslim holy book, the Koran; and a Hindu religious writing, Bhagavad Ghita. It also talks about holy days Christians, Jews and Muslims celebrate.

I thought that the "World Almanac for Kids 2000" was a great book that could help kids if they have to do a report. Another thing that is good about the book is that it has colorful pictures. Don't be surprised if your kids like it because there were kid contributors. There is nothing I didn't like about the book.

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Multi-author book signing scheduled

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Waldenbooks at Midland Park Mall will host Midlanders Wayne Barton, Patrick Dearen and Eileen Wilks at a book signing scheduled for 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

Barton is the author of "Fairchild's Passage," a fiction based on historical facts relating to the Oregon Trail. This book relates the saga of two young men and one woman who experience the conditions of traveling the Oregon Trail in 1859. Barton's other books include "Lockhart's Nightmare," a western-based mystery story set in the 1880s. In this tale, a man is falsely accused of a crime and tries to prove his innocence.

Barton is a native of West Texas, having attended school in Odessa, and has lived in Midland since 1975.

Dearen is well-known for his historical fiction and non-fiction books based on the Southwest. His latest book is "Halff of Texas" about pioneer rancher Mayer Halff instrumental in early Midland County. His ranches included the Quien Sabe near Midland, the JM in the Sheffield-to-Rankin area and the Circle Dot the Big Bend. The book is also a study of the Texas cattle industry.

Dearen's books include "Portrait of the Pecos Frontier," "Crossing Rio Pecos," "Cowboys of the Pecos," "The Last of the Old-Time Cowboys" and the novel "When Cowboys Die."

Ms. Wilks, also a long-time Midlander, has 10 books in print and anticipates four more within the year. She writes romances for Silhouette Books.

She is a member of the Permian Basin Poetry Society and has been a speaker at Word Shop seminars.

She will be signing her recent release,"All I Want For Christmas," an anthology of romance stories.

Children's Chapter Books Best Sellers

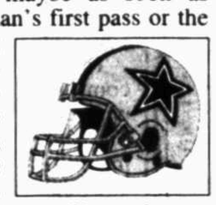
From the New York Times

1. **Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire**
   J. K. Rowling
2. **Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkabon**
   J. K. Rowling
3. **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone**
   J. K. Rowling
4. **Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets**
   J. K. Rowling
5. **The Amber Spyglass**
   Philip Pullman
6. **Lord Brocktree**
   Brian Jacques
7. **Bud, Not Buddy**
   Christopher Paul Curtis
8. **Homeless Bird**
   Gloria Whelan
9. **The Annotated Wizard of Oz**
   Frank Baum
10. **Little Lit**
    Edited by Art Spiegelman & Francoise Mouly

Sanders' return, Robiskie's debut add spice to game

By Jaime Aron
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Some time Sunday afternoon, maybe as soon as Troy Aikman's first pass or the first punt by the Dallas Cowboys, the drama around the Washington Redskins will no longer involve a meddling owner, a new coach or a demoted quarterback.



It'll be Prime Time.

Playing as an opponent in Texas Stadium for the first time since the 1994 NFC championship game, Deion Sanders is sure to do something to draw attention to himself.

Although he's playing down his return, and probably had no choice considering the tumultuous week for the Redskins, it would be out of character for Sanders not to have a plan to take center stage.

"He played there many years, won Super Bowls, so obviously he's going to be real excited to go back home," Washington receiver Irving Fryar said. "When he got here, he talked about how he'll be real excited to go back and how he's looking forward to it and how he wants to make sure we play well when he went back."

Sanders and Aikman weren't exactly tight the five years they were teammates. He missed the chance to intercept Aikman when the teams met in September because the quarterback was hurt.

Aikman has said he won't hesitate to throw in Sanders' direction. That probably hasn't changed, despite Aikman having been intercepted 14 times this season and carrying the lowest QB rating among NFC starters.

"I've done it before," Sanders said. "I think a couple of times."

Sanders has returned just one punt the last seven games, but don't be surprised if he talks new coach Terry Robiskie into sending him out there — especially if Washington need a spark.

"If I was him, I would look forward to playing against the Cowboys and make something big happen in Texas Stadium," said Dallas running back Emmitt Smith. "I'd try to show the Cowboys fans what they truly miss."

Smith could have a big day himself as he's closing in on two incredible milestones: a 10th straight 1,000-yard season and 15,000 yards overall.

He needs 13 yards to join Barry Sanders as the only players to break 1,000 for an entire decade. He's 50 yards from joining Sanders and Walter Payton in the 15,000-yard club.

If Smith gets those, expect standing ovations to follow. How the crowd will treat Sanders isn't as easy to predict.

He could get a warm welcome, considering fans wildly cheered his every move when he was here. Or, simply because he's wearing the colors of the dreaded Redskins, there's as good a chance they'll turn on him.

Either way, this game should bring back some of the sizzle that's been missing from this once-great rivalry.

Much of the angst was gone the last seven years because former Cowboys offensive coordinator Norv Turner was the Redskins' coach. His firing on Monday by owner Dan Snyder not only opens the door for the bitterness, but the way Snyder treated Turner surely has created more ill will for the Dallas players and coaches who remain close to Turner.

The Cowboys (4-9) also have taken some of the fun out by winning the last six meetings and four in a row in Texas Stadium. Neither team has ever beaten the other seven straight.

This time, the Redskins (7-6) have more at stake.

Despite the most expensive payroll in NFL history, Washington could be eliminated from the playoffs if it loses and Detroit, Tampa Bay, St. Louis and New Orleans win. While that may be a stretch, it shows how precarious the Redskins' postseason chances are.

Another novelty in the 82nd Dallas-Washington game is the inexperience of both coaches.

The four combined victories for Robiskie and Dave Campo of the Cowboys are the fewest since the teams first met in 1960. That day, a winless rookie coach named Tom Landry guided the expansion Cowboys to a loss against the Redskins and Mike Nixon, who won for the fourth and last time in his two seasons in charge.

How Robiskie, who was promoted from passing-game coordinator to interim coach, does in his debut and the last two games will be closely watched by Snyder.

Players are happy he's getting the chance and are feeding off his fiery attitude, something Turner lacked.

"He's definitely the right choice for us," cornerback Darrell Green said. "Three games, six games, 10 years — I think he's got that type of potential."

NFL Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Miami	10	3	0	769	270	166	5-1-0	5-2-0	8-2-0	2-1-0	4-2-0
N.Y. Jets	9	4	0	692	287	246	5-2-0	4-2-0	6-4-0	3-0-0	6-2-0
Indianapolis	7	6	0	538	334	283	4-2-0	3-4-0	6-4-0	1-2-0	3-3-0
Buffalo	7	6	0	538	243	270	5-2-0	2-4-0	5-4-0	2-2-0	2-4-0
New England	4	9	0	308	222	277	3-4-0	1-5-0	4-6-0	0-3-0	1-5-0

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Tennessee	10	3	0	769	256	188	5-1-0	5-2-0	7-3-0	3-0-0	6-2-0
Baltimore	9	4	0	692	262	135	4-2-0	5-2-0	8-3-0	1-1-0	8-2-0
Pittsburgh	7	6	0	538	253	201	3-4-0	4-2-0	7-5-0	0-1-0	5-5-0
Jacksonville	6	7	0	462	284	272	3-4-0	3-3-0	5-6-0	1-1-0	5-4-0
Cincinnati	3	10	0	231	158	294	2-5-0	1-5-0	2-9-0	1-1-0	1-7-0
Cleveland	3	11	0	214	137	360	2-4-0	1-7-0	3-9-0	0-2-0	2-7-0

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Oakland	10	3	0	769	372	256	5-1-0	5-2-0	7-3-0	3-0-0	5-2-0
Denver	9	4	0	692	409	316	4-2-0	5-2-0	7-3-0	2-1-0	5-1-0
Kansas City	5	8	0	385	307	304	3-3-0	2-5-0	4-7-0	1-1-0	4-3-0
Seattle	5	8	0	385	246	308	2-4-0	3-4-0	3-6-0	2-2-0	2-4-0
San Diego	1	12	0	077	223	352	1-6-0	0-6-0	1-9-0	0-3-0	1-7-0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
N.Y. Giants	9	4	0	692	253	198	3-3-0	6-1-0	8-3-0	1-1-0	6-1-0
Philadelphia	9	5	0	643	300	214	4-3-0	5-2-0	8-4-0	1-1-0	5-3-0
Washington	7	6	0	538	245	210	3-4-0	4-2-0	5-5-0	2-1-0	2-4-0
Dallas	4	9	0	308	249	300	2-4-0	2-5-0	3-7-0	1-2-0	2-4-0
Arizona	3	10	0	231	190	366	3-4-0	0-6-0	2-9-0	1-1-0	2-5-0

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
x-Minnesota	11	2	0	846	330	267	7-0-0	4-2-0	8-2-0	3-0-0	5-2-0
Tampa Bay	8	5	0	615	320	204	5-2-0	3-3-0	6-4-0	2-1-0	4-3-0
Detroit	8	5	0	615	264	251	4-3-0	4-2-0	7-3-0	1-2-0	3-3-0
Green Bay	6	7	0	462	277	268	4-2-0	2-5-0	5-4-0	1-3-0	2-3-0
Chicago	3	10	0	231	•169	301	2-5-0	1-5-0	2-8-0	1-2-0	2-5-0

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
New Orleans	8	5	0	615	279	245	2-4-0	6-1-0	7-2-0	1-3-0	5-0-0
St. Louis	8	5	0	615	439	383	4-3-0	4-2-0	5-4-0	3-1-0	4-3-0
Carolina	6	7	0	462	257	221	4-3-0	2-4-0	5-7-0	1-0-0	4-4-0
San Francisco	5	8	0	385	335	353	3-3-0	2-5-0	3-7-0	2-1-0	1-6-0
Atlanta	3	11	0	214	216	377	2-5-0	1-6-0	3-8-0	0-3-0	3-4-0

x-clinched playoff spot

This Week

Today's Games

Detroit at Green Bay, noon
New England at Chicago, noon
San Diego at Baltimore, noon
Tampa Bay at Miami, noon
Carolina at Kansas City, noon
Pittsburgh at N.Y. Giants, noon
Arizona at Jacksonville, noon
Cincinnati at Tennessee, noon
Philadelphia at Cleveland, noon
Seattle at Denver, 3:05 p.m.
Washington at Dallas, 3:15 p.m.
Minnesota at St. Louis, 3:15 p.m.
New Orleans at San Francisco, 3:15 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Oakland, 7:35 p.m.
Open: Atlanta

Monday's Game

Buffalo at Indianapolis, 8 p.m.

Next Week

Saturday, Dec. 16

Washington at Pittsburgh, 11:30 a.m.
Oakland at Seattle, 3:05 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 17

Atlanta at New Orleans, noon
Denver at Kansas City, noon
Detroit at New York Jets, noon
Green Bay at Minnesota, noon
Jacksonville at Cincinnati, noon
New England at Buffalo, noon
San Diego at Carolina, noon
Tennessee at Cleveland, noon
Chicago at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Arizona, 3:15 p.m.
Indianapolis at Miami, 3:15 p.m.
New York Giants at Dallas, 7:35 p.m.
Open: Philadelphia

Monday, Dec. 18

St. Louis at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.

HEISMAN: Weinke didn't get punished for advanced age

(From 1C)

Weinke edged Oklahoma quarterback Josh Heupel for college football's most coveted individual prize by 76 points in the seventh tightest Heisman race. The closest Heisman vote was Bo Jackson's 45-point victory over Chuck Long in 1985.

Weinke had 369 first-place votes and 1,628 points; Heupel, who passed for 3,392 yards and 20 touchdowns, had 286 first-place votes and 1,552 points.

"I don't think age should have been a factor to determine it — it's for the best college football player in the country," Heupel said.

Oklahoma running back Billy Sims was the previous oldest Heisman winner — he was 23 when he won in 1978.

Purdue quarterback Drew Brees was third, followed by TCU running back LaDainian Tomlinson and Northwestern running back Damien Anderson in voting by 796 of the 922 eligible Heisman voters.

A breakdown of the voting showed Weinke won four of the six regions — the Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, the South and the Midwest. Heupel won the Southwest and the West.

When his name was called, Weinke, wearing a black suit and silver tie, smiled, stood up and walked to the podium to accept the 25-pound bronze trophy.

"I don't think I've ever been this nervous," Weinke said. "I was talking to Josh and LT and we all said we weren't nervous, but he stood up to read the results everyone said their heart started pounding."

In Tallahassee, Fla., the Seminoles were having their annual awards banquet, and a crowd of 2,500 watched on TV as Weinke won the Heisman.

"There was simultaneous screaming and applause when they heard 'Chris,'" Florida State coach Bobby Bowden said by phone. "None of us heard 'Weinke.'"

Over the past six weeks, Weinke's age became a Heisman issue even though voters are simply asked to cast their ballot for the "Outstanding Football Player of the United States." Some voters indicated they would leave Weinke's name off the ballot because the quarterback's age gave him an unfair advantage over his younger rivals. Voters list their top three choices, with a first-place vote worth 3 points; second place 2 points; and third place 1 point.

"It would be a travesty if age kept him out," Bowden said before Saturday night's announcement at the Downtown Athletic Club.

The "travesty" was avoided when Weinke finished with 83 more first-place votes than Heupel.

"Success in college football is not about age but about experience," Weinke said, his receding hairline apparent as he leaned over to check his notes during his speech. "Had I stayed at Florida State when I was first recruited in 1990, I might not have played a down.

"People in this area know about Charlie Ward. Who would have thought that seven years apart two guys who were recruited together would both win the Heisman Trophy."

Ward, now a point guard for the New York Knicks, won the award in 1993.

When the season began, it was surprising Weinke was still around because even his coaches thought he was off to the NFL. However, Weinke decided to stay, saying he wanted to win another national title, work on improving his game and finish off his degree — he graduates Dec. 16 with a 3.4 grade-point average in sports management.

In the first few weeks of the season, Weinke was among a handful of Heisman contenders, with Heupel an afterthought — at best. Virginia Tech quarterback Michael Vick was the front-runner, but when he sprained an ankle and was unable to play much in the Hokies' loss to Miami, Weinke moved into the favorite's role.

Heupel, though, was rapidly climbing the list. The lefty's pinpoint passing in dominating wins over Texas, Kansas State and Nebraska in consecutive games catapulted the Sooners into the No. 1 ranking.

Weinke, meanwhile, was piling up amazing numbers. Even in the Seminoles' only loss — 27-24 to Miami on Oct. 7 — Weinke threw for 496 yards and three TDs despite playing with a sprained left foot protected by a hard plastic covering.

And in Florida State's biggest game of the season — against Florida on Nov. 18 — Weinke came down with flu-like symptoms but still passed for 353 yards and three TDs in a 30-7 win. The victory clinched Florida State's spot in the Bowl Championship Series' title game against Heupel's Sooners.

Weinke, who twice this season threw for more than 500 yards to help boost his record as the Seminoles' starter to 32-2.

Vick was sixth, followed by Miami receiver Santana Moss, Washington quarterback Marques Tuiasosopo, Oregon State running back Ken Simonton and Auburn running back Rudi Johnson.

The last four quarterbacks to win the Heisman played for a team from the state of Florida — Danny Wuerffel (Florida, 1996); Ward; and Gino Toretta (Miami, 1992).

The journey to Heisman fame was a long one for Weinke. He was a 1990 Parade All-American, showed up at Florida State for four days and then signed a $350,000 contract with the Toronto Blue Jays organization. But Bowden wrote and told him if he ever wanted to return just give a call and a scholarship would be waiting.

Six years later, his lone baseball claim to fame was being the first baseman when NBA great Michael Jordan got his first hit in the minors. Discouraged about his chances of making it to the major leagues, Weinke's interest in football returned.

True to his word, Bowden gave Weinke a shot, and the Seminoles passed on signing Drew Henson.

NFL Injury Report

NEW YORK (AP) — The updated National Football League injury report for this week's games, as provided by the league:

Sunday

ARIZONA CARDINALS (3-10) AT JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS (6-7) — Arizona OUT: DE Thomas Burke (abdomen); LB Ray Thompson (knee). QUESTIONABLE: RB Thomas Jones (pleurisy); QB Jake Plummer (ribs). PROBABLE: S Tommy Bennett (hamstring); DT Russell Davis (ankle); TE Terry Hardy (quadricep); G Matt Joyce (chest); RB Michael Pittman (toe); DE Mark Smith (shoulder). Jacksonville OUT: LB Lonnie Marts (groin-injured reserve); LB Hardy Nickerson (knee-injured reserve); LB Erik Storz (thumb). DOUBTFUL: S Fernando Bryant (ankle); DE Larry Smith (knee). QUESTIONABLE: DE Emarlos Leroy (back); S Erik Olson (ankle); G Brenden Stai (knee).

CAROLINA PANTHERS (6-7) AT KANSAS CITY CHIEFS (5-8) — Carolina OUT: RB William Floyd (ribs). DOUBTFUL: RB Tshimanga Biakabutuka (toe). PROBABLE: WR Isaac Byrd (hamstring). Kansas City OUT: T Marcus Spears (forearm). QUESTIONABLE: DT John Browning (foot); CB James Hasty (knee); T John Tait (knee); DT Dan Williams (thigh). PROBABLE: TE Kendall Gammon (knee); C Tim Grunhard (ankle); TE Kendall Gammon (knee); DT Steve Martin (leg); DT Chester McGlockton (back); G Will Shields (ankle).

CINCINNATI BENGALS (3-10) AT TENNESSEE TITANS (10-3) — Cincinnati OUT: DE Vaughn Booker (knee); CB Rodney Heath (shoulder-injured reserve). DOUBTFUL: RB Cliff Groce (knee); RB Curtis Keaton (ankle). PROBABLE: T Willie Anderson (back); TE Tony McGee (wrist); LB Armegis Spearman (shoulder). Tennessee OUT: DE Kenny Holmes (knee/shoulder). QUESTIONABLE: QB Steve McNair (ankle/knee); S Marcus Robertson (leg); CB Damon Sidney (hamstring).

DETROIT LIONS (8-5) AT GREEN BAY PACKERS (6-7) — Detroit OUT: CB Marquis Walker (wrist). DOUBTFUL: S Kurt Schulz (ankle); WR Brian Stablein (knee). QUESTIONABLE: QB Charlie Batch (ribs); WR Germane Crowell (foot); S Ron Rice (quadricep). PROBABLE: DE James Hall (knee); RB Brock Olivo (hamstring). Green Bay OUT: WR Corey Bradford (knee); T Earl Dotson (back); RB Dorsey Levens (knee); DT Steve Warren (thigh); LB Brian Williams (knee). QUESTIONABLE: LB Na'il Diggs (ankle). PROBABLE: WR Antonio Freeman (back); DE Vonnie Holliday (ankle); C Frank Winters (arm).

MINNESOTA VIKINGS (11-2) AT ST. LOUIS RAMS (8-5) — Minnesota OUT: S Orlando Thomas (shoulder). QUESTIONABLE: LB Dwayne Rudd (shoulder); St. Louis OUT: S Rich Coady (neck); WR Tony Horne (toe). QUESTIONABLE: DT D'Marco Farr (knee). PROBABLE: LB Todd Collins (ankle); WR Az-Zahir Hakim (knee); CB Todd Lyght (sternum).

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (4-9) AT CHICAGO BEARS (3-10) — New England: OUT: G Joe Andruzzi (knee-injured reserve); DT Brandon Mitchell (leg-injured reserve). QUESTIONABLE: WR Troy Brown (leg); S Tony George (toe); LB Rob Holmberg (shoulder); LB Ted Johnson (thigh); RB J.R. Redmond (ribs); DE Greg Spires (leg). PROBABLE: T Bruce Armstrong (knee); QB Drew Bledsoe (thumb); QB John Friesz (knee); CB Ty Law (shoulder); DT Henry Thomas (knee). Chicago OUT: CB Walt Harris (knee). PROBABLE: TE Dustin Lyman (neck); S Frankie Smith (knee); T Rex Tucker (calf); S Sean Wooden (shoulder).

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS (8-5) AT SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS (5-8) — New Orleans: OUT: WR Jake Reed (fibula); RB Ricky Williams (fibula). DOUBTFUL: LB Phil Clarke (quadricepricep); DT Norman Hand (feet); RB Jerald Moore (neck). QUESTIONABLE: RB Chad Morton (shoulder). San Francisco: OUT: S Lance Schulters (knee). DOUBTFUL: RB Garrison Hearst (ankle). QUESTIONABLE: S Pierson Prioleau (hamstring). PROBABLE: T Derrick Deese (knee); TE Brian Jennings (calf).

NEW YORK JETS (9-4) AT OAKLAND RAIDERS (10-3) — New York Jets: DOUBTFUL: WR Laveranues Coles (knee). PROBABLE: RB Richie Anderson (finger); TE Anthony Becht (neck); WR Wayne Chrebet (throat); CB Marcus Coleman (back); DE Shaun Ellis (toe); T Jason Fabini (knee); LB James Farrior (back); DT Jason Ferguson (knee); CB Aaron Glenn (ankle); LB Dwayne Gordon (calf); DE Rick Lyle (foot); CB Ray Mickens (arm); G Randy Thomas (ankle). Oakland: QUESTIONABLE: CB Darnen Gordon (toe); RB Randy Jordan (toe). PROBABLE: DE Regan Upshaw (knee).

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES (9-5) AT CLEVELAND BROWNS (3-11) — Philadelphia: QUESTIONABLE: TE Mike Bartrum (concussion). PROBABLE: RB Darnell Autry (shoulder/calf); LB Barry Gardner (spine); LB Ike Reese (shoulder); CB Bobby Taylor (Achilles). Cleveland: OUT: QB Spergon Wynn (knee). DOUBTFUL: C Dave Wohlabaugh (ankle). QUESTIONABLE: DB Corey Fuller (foot); DB Lewis Sanders (ankle); TE O.J. Santiago (knee); QB Kevin Thompson (ankle). PROBABLE: DE Courtney Brown (calf); DL Keith McKenzie (shoulder); WR David Patten (shoulder); QB Doug Pederson (ribs); RB Travis Prentice (shoulder); DL Orpheus Roye (thumb).

PITTSBURGH STEELERS (7-6) AT NEW YORK GIANTS (9-4) — Pittsburgh: OUT: C Dermontti Dawson (hamstring); RB Chris Fuamatu-Ma'afala (foot). QUESTIONABLE: LB Mike Vrabel (knee). PROBABLE: RB Jerome Bettis (glute); TE Mark Bruener (Achilles/tendonitis); T Wayne Gandy (shoulder); WR Courtney Hawkins (knee); QB Kordell Stewart (calf); CB Deshea Townsend (abdominal); DL Kimo von Oelhoffen (knee); WR Hines Ward (ankle). New York Giants: QUESTIONABLE: T Lomas Brown (back); WR Ike Hilliard (sternum/lung); RB Joe Montgomery (thigh); RB Damon Washington (hamstring).

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS (1-12) AT BALTIMORE RAVENS (9-4) — San Diego: OUT: S Michael Dumas (ankle). DOUBTFUL: G Kevin Gogan (knee); DE Neil Smith (knee). QUESTIONABLE: LB Gerald Dixon (calf); WR Jeff Graham (jaw). PROBABLE: RB Terrell Fletcher (ribs); RB/KR Ronney Jenkins (thigh); WR Reggie Jones (knee); QB Moses Moreno (knee); LB Shannon Taylor (thigh). Baltimore: DOUBTFUL: T Harry Swayne (thigh). QUESTIONABLE: WR Jermaine Lewis (chest).

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS (5-8) AT DENVER BRONCOS (9-4) — Seattle: QUESTIONABLE: QB Brock Huard (bruised kidney). Denver: OUT: CB Ray Crockett (hamstring); QB Brian Griese (shoulder). RB Terrell Davis (leg). QUESTIONABLE: DE Lester Archambeau (knee); WR Scott Montgomery (knee). PROBABLE: RB Mike Anderson (knee); TE Desmond Clark (arm); LB Ian Gold (knee); WR Ed McCaffrey (calf/ankle); LB John Mobley (thumb); DE Kavika Pittman (shoulder).

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS (8-5) AT MIAMI DOLPHINS (10-3) — Tampa Bay: OUT: RB Mike Alstott (knee); LB Al Singleton (knee). QUESTIONABLE: RB Aaron Stecker (knee). PROBABLE: CB Donnie Abraham (hip); DE Chidi Ahanotu (knee); QB Shaun King (groin); WR Keyshawn Johnson (neck); G Frank Middleton (shoulder); DT Warren Sapp (back). Miami: OUT: WR Leslie Shepherd (knee). QUESTIONABLE: DE Rich Owens (back); CB Terrance Shaw (knee); T Todd Wade (calf). PROBABLE: G Mark Dixon (finger/groin); G Kevin Donnalley (neck); LB Twan Russell (ankle); CB Jerry Wilson (ankle).

WASHINGTON REDSKINS (7-6) AT DALLAS COWBOYS (4-9) — Washington: QUESTIONABLE: T Ed Ellis (knee). PROBABLE: RB Larry Centers (knee); WR Albert Connell (knee); RB Stephen Davis (arm); CB Darrell Green (calf); G Keith Sims (Achilles); WR James Thrash (thigh). Dallas: OUT: DT Leon Lett (knee); C Mark Stepnoski (knee); DE Peppi Zellner (knee). DOUBTFUL: S Darren Woodson (arm). QUESTIONABLE: QB Randall Cunningham (groin); TE David LaFleur (knee). PROBABLE: G Jorge Diaz (hamstring); TE Jackie Harris (knee).

Monday

BUFFALO BILLS (7-6) AT INDIANAPOLIS COLTS (7-6) — Buffalo: OUT: S Keion Carpenter (ankle); LB Sam Cowart (ankle); LB Sam Rogers (groin). QUESTIONABLE: T John Fina (knee); DB Donovan Greer (ankle); LB Fred Jones (ankle); RB Sammy Morris (ankle). PROBABLE: NT Ted Washington (finger). Indiana: DOUBTFUL: DT Josh Williams (ankle). QUESTIONABLE: LB Cornelius Bennett (hand); DB Chad Cota (head); WR E.G. Green (knee); LB Dwight Hollier (shoulder). PROBABLE: DE Chad Bratzke (leg).

No. 3 Lady Chaps beat San Jacinto

Staff Report

LUFKIN — The No. 3 Midland College women closed out their fall basketball schedule with a tougher-than-expected 74-60 win over San Jacinto on Saturday.

"We just didn't play well," said MC coach Ron Jones. "Our execution wasn't very good and we kind of went through the motions. But I am kind of happy that we won."

The Lady Chaps were tied with San Jacinto 31-31 at the half before they picked up their intensity for the second half.

"(In the second half) we got the ball inside and did some things offensively. Overall, I was disappointed with our concentration level."

For Midland College (14-1), Amisha Carter and Veronique Aless'e had 13 points, Sylvia Butler had 11, and Loren Mostacilla and Chanovia Rhodes each chipped in with 10.

The Lady Chaps return to action Jan. 9 when they travel to Jacksonville to face Lon Morris College and Jacksonville Community College on back-to-back nights.

Midland College 74, San Jacinto 60

Midland College (14-1): Loren Mostacilla 4 2-4 10; Lindzi Martin 0 0-0 0; Delilah Gray 1 0-0 2; Heidi Lange 2 0-0 5; Amisha Carter 5 3-10 13; Kanedria Wilson 0 0-0 0; Courtney Feagler 1 1-2 4; Veronique Alesse 6 1-4 13; Chanovia Rhodes 4 2-4 10; Sylvia Butler 5 1-1 11; Chanie Sutherland 3 0-0 6. **Totals: 32 10-25 74.**

San Jacinto (9-4): Denmon 8 5-6 22; Menor 0 4-6 4; Olumoko 2 0-1 4; Navarro 3 0-0 6; Howard 8 1-4 18; Blackmon 3 0-0 6. **Totals 24 10-17 60.**

Halftime: MC 31, SJ 31. **3-Point Goals:** MC 2 (Lange 1, Feagler 1); SJ 2 (Denmon 1, Howard 1). **Total Fouls:** MC 17, SJ 15. **Fouled Out:** None.

Spurs get needed win against Bulls

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Coming off two straight losses, the San Antonio Spurs could not have found a better opponent Saturday night than the Chicago Bulls.

Tim Duncan led the Spurs with 17 points and 10 rebounds in a 105-81 victory over Chicago, which is a league-worst 2-18.

"I was happy with the guys," Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said. "They stayed in the game mentally. That was the best part. We've let a few games go this year. The focus was great. It was one of those games where you could lose it."

Sean Elliott and Derek Anderson each added 16 points.

"We came out and established a good flow," Spurs center David Robinson said. "We'll see how it carries over. This week will tell if we improved."

The Spurs face two tough Western Conference opponents on the road next week — at Utah on Monday and at Phoenix on Wednesday.

The Spurs held their biggest lead at 72-39 about three minutes into the third quarter.

"We played an exceptional basketball team," Bulls coach Tim Floyd said. "When they make everything from the perimeter, that creates problems because they're so strong inside."

With 10 3-pointers in 18 attempts, the Spurs set season highs in each category.

"We're an inside-out team," said Elliott, who made all three of his 3-point shots. "Our first look will always be down low. We also have some guys who can shoot the ball when the look down low isn't there. Tonight, we were able to find the guys outside."

The Spurs entered the game averaging 4.17 three-point field goals in 10.67 attempts.

"We haven't shot that many, as I'm sure we probably haven't made that many," said Popovich. "But they were there tonight."

Elton Brand scored 23 points to lead Chicago, which has five players who would still have college eligibility if they hadn't turned pro. Brand has struggled with a hyperextended left knee and his start Saturday night was a game-time decision.

Duncan registered a double-double for the 17th time in 19 games this season. Robinson added nine points and nine rebounds.

"We want to contain those big guys at all times," Brand said. "But those guards really stepped up and hit a lot of big shots."

Elliott scored six straight points early in a 17-2 run for the Spurs right after the Bulls scored the game's first basket. The Spurs extended their lead to 30-13 with 1:34 remaining in the first period on a 3-pointer by Antonio Daniels.

Anderson scored nine points in the first period, during which the Spurs shot 70.6 percent (12 for 17). The Spurs were ahead 60-36 at halftime, even though foul trouble limited Duncan and Robinson to a combined 25 minutes in the half.

Notes: The Spurs are 9-3 when their opponent scores fewer than 90 points and 3-4 when the opponent scores 90 or more.

Rockets 111, SuperSonics 104

SEATTLE — Gary Payton became the Seattle SuperSonics' career scoring leader Saturday night in a losing effort.

The Houston Rockets tied an NBA record with nine 3-pointers in the second quarter and then used two clutch baskets by Steve Francis to beat Seattle 111-104.

Payton, an 11-year veteran and a six-time All-Star, supplanted Fred Brown as the No. 1 scorer in the 34-year history of the Seattle franchise. Payton's 35 points gave him 14,044 for his career.

Brown scored 14,018 points in 963 games from 1971-84. Payton has played 808 games.

Francis led the Rockets with 21 points, including a 3-pointer that put them ahead to stay at 102-99 with 3:09 left. Francis also made a 15-foot jumper over Vin Baker with 2:28 on the clock to give Houston a 104-99 edge.

■ Texas NBA

RUNNING: Ground-based attacks come back in style

(From 1C)

(10 years) and Eric Dickerson (seven) have achieved that. Dillon held the single-game rookie rushing mark (250) before Anderson broke it last week with 251.

But Dillon already had moved higher, breaking Walter Payton's 275-yard record by getting 278 against Denver.

Of course, comparing Dillon to Payton or Jim Brown, who held the rookie record before Dickerson surpassed it in 1997, is ridiculous. Even Dillon admits as much.

"It's funny that my name is even mentioned when I'm clearly not the caliber of player they were," he says. "I mean, I hope to be. But as far as right now, I'm not even in their league. That's something I want to work on. I want to be there with them when my career's said and done."

Of the current crop of superior runners, Emmitt Smith is the dean. He needs 50 yards for 15,000, a level only Payton and Sanders reached, and 13 yards to join Sanders as the only players to gain at least 1,000 in 10 consecutive seasons.

But Smith, now in his 11th season, and Seattle's Ricky Watters (10th) have big-time seniority over the other 1,000-yarders of 2000.

Pittsburgh's Jerome Bettis and Robert Smith (eighth season), Garner (seventh) and Martin are in their primes. Davis should be, too, if he could stay healthy. Same for Washington's Stephen Davis.

And with such youngsters as James, Dillon, Anderson, Lewis, Williams, Dunn, Fred Taylor and James Stewart piling up the yards, there's no reason to believe the rush to rush won't last.

Jets coach Al Groh believes the wide-open attack popularized last year by the Rams — with Faulk as the focal point, of course — has contributed to better running games. Four 200-yard rushers on one day got his attention.

"All four of those teams won, that's central to it," Groh says.

"Teams are trying to get the sacks on first down and second down and are in more of a pass-rush mode. Sometimes that creates some running lanes that might not be there in a more run-oriented defensive call."

As the season winds down and cold weather becomes more of a factor, so do running attacks. From icy Buffalo to frigid Green Bay to the wind-swept Meadowlands, teams want to run.

Even in the RCA Dome in Indianapolis, the more temperate Adelphia Coliseum in Tennessee and the downright pleasant temperatures at Pro Player Field in Miami, teams want to run.

And it's no passing fancy.

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Woods, Duval take 3-shot lead in World Cup of Golf

Associated Press

BELLA VISTA, Argentina — Tiger Woods and David Duval took full advantage of the best-ball format in the third round of the World Cup of Golf.

With Duval making up for Woods' sluggish start and Woods closing strong, the U.S. duo combined for eagle and 10 birdies Saturday to take a three-stroke lead.

"We kind of bailed each other out. And that's what you need to do in this type of format," Woods said.

"With the wind blowing as hard as it was today, you really had to hit the ball solid. And I felt like I was able to make some good, solid shots."

Woods' eagled the par-5 14th hole to give the team the lead in the 24-team tournament at the Buenos Aires Golf Club. Woods and Duval finished with a 12-under 60 for a 30-under 186 total.

"I think that the format lends itself to really feeling like you can make up for errors on the other half of the team," Duval said.

New Zealand's Frank Nobilo and Greg Turner and Argentina's Angel Cabrera and Eduardo Romero were second after 65s.

The winning team will earn $1 million in the $3 million event that closes Sunday with an alternate-shot round.

Woods hit into a lake on the 209-yard eighth hole. He and his caddie scoured the lakeside reeds, but couldn't find the ball. Duval parred the hole.

Woods found the water again on the 456-yard 10th hole. His approach shot seemed to be sailing smoothly to the green but fell short, bouncing back into the lake at the green's edge. Duval birdied the hole after hitting his approach shot within 7 inches.

The large gallery following the Americans shouted "Let's Go Tiger!" after his eagle. He went on to finish with two more birdies, on the 16th and 17th holes.

At one point on the 11th hole, Woods had missed such an easy putt that he threw his putter to the ground.

Turner had four birdies and Nobilo added three for New Zealand. Cabrera eagled the 17th hole to move Argentina into the second-place tie.

"Today we were not very lucky," Romero said. "We had many putts that should have gone in but went out, and we can change that tomorrow."

Canada's Mike Weir and Glen Hnatiuk were fourth at 195 after a 62, and Ireland's Padraig Harrington and Paul McGinley shot a 66 for a 196 total.

Last year, Woods and Mark O'Meara teamed for a five-stroke victory over Spain in Malaysia. Woods won the individual title by nine strokes with a 21-under 263 total, both tournament records. The individual portion of the tournament has been eliminated.

Nelsons lead Father-Son Challenge

PARADISE ISLAND, Bahamas — Larry and Drew Nelson combined for a 13-under-par 59 on Saturday to take a two-stroke lead after the first round of the Office Depot Father-Son Challenge.

"It's good to see Drew playing well," said Nelson, who won six times this year and topped the senior money list. "It certainly adds to whatever I can do."

Dave Stockton hit the pin with approach shots three times as he and son Ron birdied three of the last four holes en route to a 61 in the scramble round on the Ocean Club at Atlantis Resort.

Hubert and Myatt Green also shot a 61, while Raymond and Robert Floyd were another stroke back along with Jerry and Wesley Pate.

Drew Nelson, 25, an aspiring professional who competes on the mini-tours, holed birdie putts ranging from 6-to-10 feet on the first six holes as the Nelsons opened with seven straight birdies.

Larry finally made a 12-footer at the seventh, and holed a 15-foot eagle putt at the par-5 13th hole following a 6-iron approach by his son.

"Drew played solidly and putted so well. When he missed one I got nervous because I wasn't used to having a turn," Larry Nelson said.

The younger Nelson credited a Titleist putter he had built in his garage two weeks ago.

"I've been struggling with my putting and I was just messing around with some clubs," Drew Nelson said. "A piece here and a piece there and I got something that just feels good in my hands."

Craig and Kevin Stadler were among a group of four teams at 63, including Jack and Jack II Nicklaus.

Focus of baseball's meetings turns to Rodriguez, Ramirez

Associated Press

DALLAS — Now that Mike Hampton has signed with the Colorado Rockies, Alex Rodriguez and Manny Ramirez have become the focus of baseball's winter meetings.

Hampton's record $121 million, eight-year contract was formally announced Saturday, a deal that left other teams scrambling for second-tier pitchers such as Darren Dreifort and Kevin Appier, who was involved in discussions with the New York Mets.

As the meetings neared the completion of their second day, there still hadn't been a single trade.

In the only other major news Saturday, catcher Todd Hundley reached a preliminary agreement on a $23.5 million, four-year contract with his hometown Chicago Cubs.

Hampton's contract — the longest for a pitcher since Cleveland gave Wayne Garland a 10-year deal in 1977 — was the focus of an industry still trying to figure out how high salaries will go this offseason.

"It's more money than Mike will spend in his lifetime," said the pitcher's agent, Mark Rodgers.

Sandy Alderson, an executive vice president in the commissioner's office, ripped the Los Angeles Dodgers two years ago for giving Kevin Brown a $105 million, seven-year deal, calling it an "affront to baseball."

"The spin to which that deal was subjected, I think, was just an embarrassment," he said.

He then criticized Hampton for saying he made the decision because of family.

"Announce the deal," Alderson said. "He's an outstanding pitcher. It's a lot of money. Case closed. I don't want to hear about the Wheat Ridge (Colo.) school system."

To him, it was another instance of a team giving in to a player.

"There is a benefit to saying no from time to time," Alderson said. "It would be nice for baseball to experience that benefit occasionally."

Rodriguez and Ramirez, the top two position players in this year's free-agent class, figure to get even more, possibly breaking the $200 million barrier.

Rodriguez's agent, Scott Boras, kept up his meetings with teams, but the winnowing down process had not yet begun. Ramirez's agent, Jeff Moorad, was in California meetings with the Red Sox. While Boston offered $100 million-plus, Ramirez wasn't ready to make a decision and Moorad was due to arrive in Dallas on Sunday.

Hampton, a 28-year-old lefthander acquired by the New York Mets from Houston a year ago, had four offers of $100 million-plus, turning down St. Louis, the Chicago Cubs and the Mets.

"What it boils down to is a family decision," Hampton said. "As a whole, this was the place I could move my family to without taking my kid out of school every three months or so."

Hampton, who lived in a rented apartment at Trump Tower in Manhattan, had little interest in staying with the NL champions, who are now desperate for pitching. Mets general manager Steve Phillips, like Alderson, didn't think much of Hampton's claim that his decision was about family, not dollars.

"It's always the money, especially when it's not about the money," he said.

Added Alderson: "When it got to $120 million, no, I don't think money was an issue."

Rodgers maintained all the final offers were equivalent.

"The New York media wants to rake him over the coals," the agent said. "That's fine, but it's not justified."

Hampton's deal breaks the record for total package set in February by Ken Griffey Jr.'s $116.5 million, nine-year contract with Cincinnati. It gives him baseball's third-highest average salary, trailing Toronto first baseman Carlos Delgado ($17 million) and New York Yankees pitcher Roger Clemens ($15.45 million).

But it also means he will pitch about half his starts in Coors Field, a pitcher's graveyard.

"There's no doubt it's the toughest place to pitch," he said. "It's a test I look forward to and something that I think will make me a better pitcher in the long run."

The field for Rodriguez appears wide, with Seattle trying to keep him and as many as seven teams trying to lure him away, a group that includes Texas, Los Angeles and possibly the Chicago White Sox, among others.

Boston has been the most aggressive team in its pursuit of Ramirez, who asked Cleveland for $200 million over 10 years and rejected a $119 million, seven-year contract offered by Cleveland. Phillips said the Mets had only slight interest.

"We're not going to get crazy on the Manny Ramirez chase," he said. "We feel that mortgaging our future for an outfielder is not in the best interest of the club."

Dreifort has attracted much interest at the meetings and it appears he will get a contract for five years or more averaging $10 million or higher, with the Dodgers the leading contender.

Spain takes 2-1 Davis Cup lead

Associated Press

BARCELONA — Spain's 79-year wait for the Davis Cup could be over.

The best tennis country never to have won the silver, double-decked trophy took a 2-1 lead Saturday over defending and 27-time champion Australia as Alex Corretja and Joan Balcells manhandled Sandon Stolle and Mark Woodforde 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

Like the deafening sellout crowd of 14,000 at Palau Sant Jordi, history is on Spain's side in the best-of-five-matches competition. In the last 22 Davis Cup finals, the team that won the doubles has claimed the 101-year-old cup. The last time it didn't happen was 1977 when Italy won the doubles but lost the tie to Australia.

On Friday, Lleyton Hewitt defeated Albert Costa 3-6, 6-1, 2-6, 6-4, 6-4 in a 4-hour, 10-minute marathon before Juan Carlos Ferrero leveled the competition by leading Pat Rafter 6-7 (4), 7-6 (2) 6-2, 3-1 when the Australian retired with cramps in his forearm, thigh and hip. He was expected to be ready for Sunday's reverse singles.

Spain always had the upper hand against the defending and 27-time champions in the doubles. When Stolle netted a forehand return to end the 2-hour, 10-minute match, Balcells grabbed Corretja, lifted him off the red clay and kissed him as the crowd cheered "Es-pa-na, Es-pa-na."

Balcells, the least known member of the Spanish team who teamed with Corretja for a bronze medal in doubles at the Sydney Olympics, won his first tournament on the ATP Tour only this year in Bucharest. He isn't even listed in its media guide and plays mostly second-level events.

The lanky 6-foot-3, 25-year-old with the 1970s sideburns is now 4-1 in Davis doubles and repeatedly came up with quick-reflex volleys, return winners and passing shots from both sides to steady a not-quite-as-solid Corretja — Spain's top player this season.

"We played up to a very high level," Balcells said. "We took advantage of all the chances we had and we were very motivated. The dream is about to come true. Having won today, we've got the edge."

The Australians weren't picked off.

"It wasn't a surprise," Stolle said. "He's a big guy. He takes a lot of the court, so it makes it difficult for us and he has great experience in this sort of situation."

Australian captain John Newcombe and his players admitted they'd been outplayed, but were furious about the crowd's hissing and jeering — usually after Australian errors — and numbed by the ear-shattering corp of 10 drummers and cymbal players.

WEST TEXAS SPORTS

Booster Clubs...

The **Midland High Girls Softball Booster Club** will meet the first Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. in Conference Room A at Midland High School. For further information please contact David Askew at 686-7025 or 664-0212.

The **Lee High Softball Booster Club** is meeting the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Lee cafeteria. For more information, call Tommy Thompson at 694-5432 or Tommy Kuykendall at 694-6215...

The **Midland High Soccer Booster Club** will meet at 6 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in Conference Room A at Midland High School. Anyone interested in supporting the girls or boys programs at Midland High at invited to attend. For more information, call Curt Pervier at 684-0993...

The **Lee High Boys and Girls Basketball Booster Club** will meet the first and third Mondays of each month in the Lee cafeteria at 7 p.m. All Runnin' Rebel and Lady Rebel basketball supporters are urged to attend...

The **Midland Lee Soccer Booster Club** will meet in the library at 7 p.m. on Jan. 8, Jan. 22, Feb. 5, Feb. 19, March 5, March 19, April 2 and May 7. For more information, call Darrell at 915-687-1127 ...

The **Greenwood Basketball Booster Club** will meet on Monday nights at 6 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Call 620-0707 for more information...

Football...

The Reagan County Independent School District has a **head coaching opening.** Reagan County is a Class 2A school located in Big Lake. Anyone interested in the position may call Ron Mayfield at 1-915-884-3705...

Needs games...

Trinity is looking for basketball games for seventh and eighth grade boys and girls (Jan. 22, Jan. 25, Jan. 29); eighth grade boys and girls (Jan. 11); and seventh and eighth grade boys (Jan. 20).

Basketball...

The YMCA girls junior high basketball registration is underway for girls in the seventh and eighth grades. The cost is $25 for members and $38 for non-members. Contact the Central YMCA for more information at 682-2551...

Baseball...

The **Midland Winter Camp** will be held Dec. 27-29 at Zachry Field. The cost is $40 per day or $100 for all three days. Sessions for players aged 7-12 will be held fom 9:30 a.m.-noon, and sessions for players 13-18 will be held from 1:30-4 p.m. For more information, call coach Barry Russell at 689-1337, 689-1100 or 570-6681...

Lone Star Baseball/Softball is conducting an **evaluation camp** for baseball and softball players in Brenham Dec. 16-17. Each athlete will be evaluated and will be tutored on how to approach college coaches and be seen. Camps are open to all high school athletes. For more information, call Frank Dorner at (281) 469-6721...

Red Raider Holiday Camps for baseball players from age six up through high school seniors are scheduled for December at Texas Tech. A session for players 6-13 is scheduled for Dec. 16 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. with registration at 8:30 a.m. at the athletic training center. Sessions for players 14 and up are scheduled for Dec. 29-30. A pitchers and catchers camp will be the 29th and a hitters camp will be the 30th. For more information, call Greg Evans at (806) 742-3355...

Softball...

Midland JAG, a competitive 12-under girls softball team will conduct tryouts this fall for the spring season. Any girl born in 1988 or 1989 is eligible to play. Call Shannon White at 699-1948 or David Wright at 699-5238 for information...

The University of Oregon Duck Softball Camp comes to Midland for players 12-under on Dec. 16 and for players 13-up on Dec. 17. Oregon softball coach Rick Gamez and his staff will run the camp. There is a $50 fee. Call Freddie Ezell at 694-5508 for more information...

Fast-pitch umpires are needed to work high school softball games in West Texas. Towns include Alpine, Andrews, Big Spring, Coahoma, Colorado City, Fort Stockton, Greenwood, Hermleigh, Kermit, Lamesa, Midland, Monahans, Odessa, Pecos and Snyder. For more information, call Mack and (915) 520-5961 or Freddie at (915) 694-5508...

Tennis...

The Midland Tennis Club will start its **spring leagues** Jan. 30 and Feb. 1. Play will be at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays at Ranchland Hills Country Club and at 9:15 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Midland College. Leagues will run for 10 weeks, skipping March 12-16, which is spring break. New members should send $15 to Jennifer Wilson, 3609 Springmont Dr. Midland, Texas 79705. For more information, call Birdie Fioretti at 699-5631...

The Midland Tennis Club will sponsor **Icicle Freeze Play** from 9-noon on Jan. 23 at Mid... College. For more information, call Rene Hannon at 683-7335...

The **Midland Tennis Club** will hold a mixed doubles tournament Jan. 20-21. For more information, call Darlene Gifford at 563-1333...

Running...

The **Permian Basin Road Runners Club** is a non-profit organization for runners living in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico. The club, which promotes distance running as a helpful exercise and a competitive sport, is a member of the Road Runners Club of America and the Athletics Congress. Membership is open to all runners regardless of experience. For information, call Greg Hubbard at 520-0953 or Penny Wasem at 697-6391. Web site is www.pbrrc.com...

Swimming...

Pre-competitive swimming is being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. The program will teach elementary age swimmers techniques of competitive swimming while improving their strokes. It is open to swimmers who can swim at least 25 yards of freestyle and backstroke. The cost is $40 per month on a year-round basis. For more information, call 684-7755...

COM Aquatics is holding **water aerobics classes** Monday through Saturday at Mabee Aquatic Center. Classes are at 6:15 a.m., 7:15 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Classes on Saturdays begin at 8:15 a.m. All classes are open to the public and swimming skills are not necessary. COM provides all necessary equipment. Cost is $45 per month, $65 for a couple. For information, call Jeni Wood at 684-7755...

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The **COM Masters Swimming** is Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5-6 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. Cost is $40 per month and includes stroke instruction and cardiovascular training. Call 684-7755 for more information...

COM Diving offers a full range of diving instruction from beginning lessons to elite team training and competition. All ages and ability levels are invited to participate. Lessons are offered at various times. For information, call 684-7755...

The Midland YMCA offers **year-round 30-minute swim lessons** for parents and children and 45-minute lessons for youth. For more information, call Leaf Faller at 682-2551...

Midland YMCA is offering **water aerobics classes,** including Hydro-fit and Deep Water aerobics. Classes are available both morning and evening. Call Leaf Faller or Deborah Posson at 682-2551 for more information...

Cycling...

The **Permian Basin Bicycle Association** meets monthly — at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of each month — at the Knights of Columbus Hall at the intersection of FM 1788 and WCR 602. Rides are held weekly, including Tuesday & Thursday at 6 p.m., fast/hard ride from corner of Loop 338 and State Highway 191 in Odessa; Tuesday at 6:15 p.m. from Peyton's Bikes in Midland (beginner's ride); Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. from Peyton's (medium and fast paced groups); Saturday at 7:30 a.m. from Loop 338 & Highway 191 in Odessa; Sunday at 7:30 a.m., breakfast ride from Golden Corral in Odessa; Sunday at 2 p.m., Flag Ranch Ride Mountain Bike Ride. Membership dues are $25 or $30 for a family. Call Peyton's Bikes at 699-1718 for more information...

Soccer...

The Midland Soccer Association will hold its **Spring Sign-up** until Feb. 16. Prospective players must be at least four years old by Dec. 31, 2000. For more information, call 684-KICK...

The Midland Soccer Association will hold **referee clinics** over the next few months. Clinics for certified referees will be held Dec. 15-17 and Feb. 2-4, and prospects must be 14 years old by March 15, 2001. A clinic for linesmen will be held Jan. 27, and prospects must be 11 by March 15. A clinic for recreational referees will be held Jan. 20, and prospects must be 12 by March 15.

The **University of Texas of the Permian Basin** is starting an intercollegiate women's soccer team in the fall of 2001. The team will participate in the NAIA as part of the Red River Athletic Conference. A coach is expected to be hired soon. Individuals interested in coaching should contact athletic director Steve Aicinena at (915) 552-2675 or fax a resume to (915) 552-3675...

Tryouts for the **West Texas Olympic Development** program will be Saturday, Dec. 16 in San Angelo's SASA complex. The boys and girls '88 session will be from 10 a.m.-noon (registration begins at 9 a.m.). The boys and girls '87 session is from 2-4 p.m. (registration begins at 1 p.m.). Cost for this tryout is $20. For more information contact Danny Kiser or Tad Ladford at 915-942-7069 or 915-650-1177.

Archery...

An **Indoor Archery** facility, with targets mounted in front of Celotex boards to protect your arrows from damage, is now ready for use at 2900 W. Front. The building can host parties and has foosball, ping pong, pool and air hockey games. Indoor Archery opens at 6 p.m. daily. For a limited time, $5 can buy unlimited use. Call 528-4478 for more information...

Hill knocks out Triozzo to capture WBA cruiserweight championship

VILLEURBANNE, France (AP) — American Virgil Hill knocked out Fabrice Tiozzo of France in the first round on Saturday and won WBA cruiserweight championship.

Hill, 36, floored Tiozzo three times, ending the fight in Villeurbanne in central France.

It was only the second loss of Tiozzo's career. His only other loss also came in a split decision against Hill seven years ago.

Hill opened the fight with a series of punishing left punches, as Tiozzo attempted to dodge his faster opponent.

Tiozzo, 31, went down for the first time 30 seconds before the end of the round on a right hand. As soon as he got up, he was floored again with a left.

Sensing victory, Hill swarmed in with a volley of right and left hooks to drop Tiozzo a third time, prompting the referee to stop the fight.

"I'm quitting boxing," Tiozzo told French state television France-3 after the match.

But moments later, the Frenchman was less certain. "Maybe I spoke a bit too soon, we'll see," he told France-3.

Hill is now 46-3, with 22 knockouts, and Tiozzo is 42-2 with 28 knockouts.

The title bout was Hill's first fight since May 1999, when he outpointed countryman Glenn Thomas in a 10-rounder in Minot, North Dakota.

It had been more than 2 1/2 years since Hill faced a world class opponent and four years since he had beaten one. He was knocked out in four rounds by Roy Jones Jr. in 1998.

Saturday's fight had been delayed a number of times, most recently in September when Hill fractured his right wrist a week before the fight. Last week, Hill said the injury was healed.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable Mayor and City Council of Midland, Texas, will be received at the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Midland, Texas until 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, February 6, 2000 for furnishing all necessary materials, machinery, equipment, superintendence, and labor for constructing certain improvements at Scharbauer Sports Complex, Midland, Texas. These improvements are contained in the plans and specifications entitled, "City of Midland, Texas, Scharbauer Sports Complex, Stadia Construction," dated December 2000.

Immediately following the closing time for receipt of bids, proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

The principal items of work are set forth in specific detail in the proposal section of these specifications; however, the work items may be generally described as: construction of a new football and baseball field complex and associated utilities and amenities.

The work will also include other miscellaneous materials, equipment, machinery, superintendence and labor for constructing these improvements for the City of Midland, Midland, Texas.

A bid proposal guaranty is to accompany the bid, thereby guaranteeing the good faith of the bidder and that the bidder will enter into the written contract. The guaranty is to amount to five percent (5%) of the total bid and must be in the form of cash or certified check, issued by a bank satisfactory to the City of Midland, or a bid bond. If in the form of cash or certified check, it is hereby expressly understood and agreed the City of Midland is given the right to retain such as liquidated damages if such bidder withdraws its bid anytime after such bid is opened and before official rejection of such bid, or, if successful in securing the award thereof, such bidder fails to enter into the contract and furnish satisfactory performance bond and payment bond. If a bid bond is submitted, it shall be executed on forms contained in these contract documents by a corporate surety authorized to do business in the State of Texas; acceptable to the City of Midland and accepted according to the latest list of companies holding certificates of authority from the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States of America. Proposals submitted without bid guaranty in the form of cash, certified check or bid bond for 5% of the maximum bid will not be considered.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond each in the amount of the contract, written by a responsible Surety Company authorized to do business in the State of Texas, and satisfactory to the Owner, as required by Chapter 2253 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.

All lump sum and unit prices must be stated in both script and figures. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive formalities. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating the prices in the bids, the Owner reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid. Unreasonable (or "unbalanced") unit prices will authorize the Owner to reject the bid.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions. Bidders are also required to attend a mandatory Pre-Bid Conference to be held at 2:00 P.M., Thursday, January 11, 2001 in the Midland City Hall Council Chambers.

Minimum wages and labor rates for the construction of the proposed work have been established by the Secretary of Labor. A schedule of labor classifications and wage rates to be paid are included in the specifications and will be made a part of the contract. The bid form shall contain a statement that the prices bid are based on such wage rates.

Information for bidders, proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file in the offices of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 5214 Thomason Drive, Midland, Texas 79703, phone (915) 697-1447, and at the office of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4010 Avenue R, Lubbock Texas 79412, phone (806) 747-0161.

Copies of the plans and specifications may be secured at the office of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 5214 Thomason Drive, Midland, Texas 79703, phone (915) 697-1447, at a cost of $500.00 for a set of specifications and full size plans. Upon return of the complete set of plans and specifications $250.00 of the deposit will be refunded if returned within 30 days of the bid opening.

CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS
Kaylah McCord
City Secretary

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Midland Independent School District will receive Proposals for Computer Workstations. Proposal #1P-0002, addressed to Mr. Leon Hartter, Director of Purchasing, 7201 W. County Road 60, Midland, Texas 79707 until 5:00 p.m. CST, January 3, 2001. Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained by calling (915) 689-1752.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

To satisfy Landlords Lien, Per Chapter 59, Texas Property Code. Contents of Unit(s):
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for **ELECTROMYOGRAPHY/ EVOKED POTENTIAL MEASUREMENT SYSTEM** for Midland Memorial Hospital, Midland, Texas.

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Midland Memorial Hospital on or after Monday, December 11, 2000.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "RFP #449-120700 ENCLOSED."

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FAXED PROPOSALS FROM RESPONDENTS BE ACCEPTED.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE MATERIALS MANAGER BY 12:00 P.M., Tuesday, January 16, 2001.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE PRICE PROTECTED UNTIL May 16, 2001.

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Director of Materials Management
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Memorial Hospital
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Midland, Texas 79701

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Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for **PEST CONTROL SERVICES** for Midland Memorial Hospital, Midland, Texas.

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Midland Masonic Lodge #623
1600 W. Wall
Reg. stated meetings 2nd & 4th
Thurs. 7:30 pm
Paul M. Thompson, W/M
Robert G. Kiker, Sec.

Midland Shrine Club
2019 Trade
Dr.- 689-7003
Reg. Meeting
3rd Thurs.
Hosp. 6:30 pm, dine 7 pm, Bus. meeting 8 pm
Copper Daugherty, Pres.
Gary Anderson, Secty.

Midland Chapter #253
Order of Eastern Star
1600 W. Wall
12-12-Christmas, Mtng. 7:30pm, No Mtng. 12-26
WM Verla Carpenter
WP Tom Carpenter

Centennial Lodge #1448
1600 W. Wall
NO MEETING 12-02-00
GRAND LODGE IN SESSION
Wayne Reddin, W.M.
Bob Ellwood, Sec.

Acacia Masonic Lodge #1414
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2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.
Keith Hughes, W.M.
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150 Lost & Found

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LOST IN Saddle Club/ Polo Park area- 6 to 8 month old spayed female cat, tiger striped with white stomach, chest & paws, blue collar. Child's pet! tc 5651.

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LOST Miniature Schnauzer, grey/ silver. Emily is her name. Reward! Lost on the corner of Crestgate and Gateway. 694-0085.

LOST Miniature Schnauzer, silver & white, answers to Pepper, lost at 3400 block of Travis Ave. Call 520-5769.

LOST Chocolate Lab, one year old, male with 3 dark spots on side, vicinity of Garfield, Bluebird Lane (Polo Club Area). Lost Friday, has Austin dog tags, blue mesh collar, answers to Bryson. Call 682-3234 if found. Reward $500.

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FOUND: Black & white Spaniel, vicinity Parker Elementary Area. Please call 522-1562.

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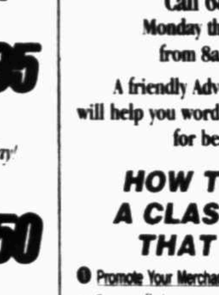
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BUICK 1986 REGAL- New engine, body interior, great shape! $1,250 obo. 570-6239 12-6pm.

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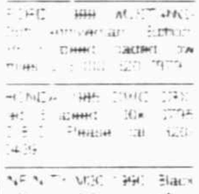
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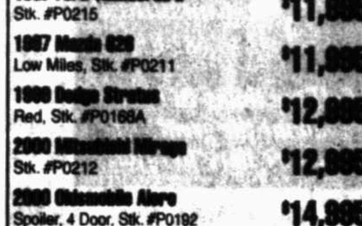
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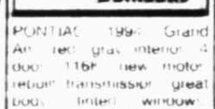
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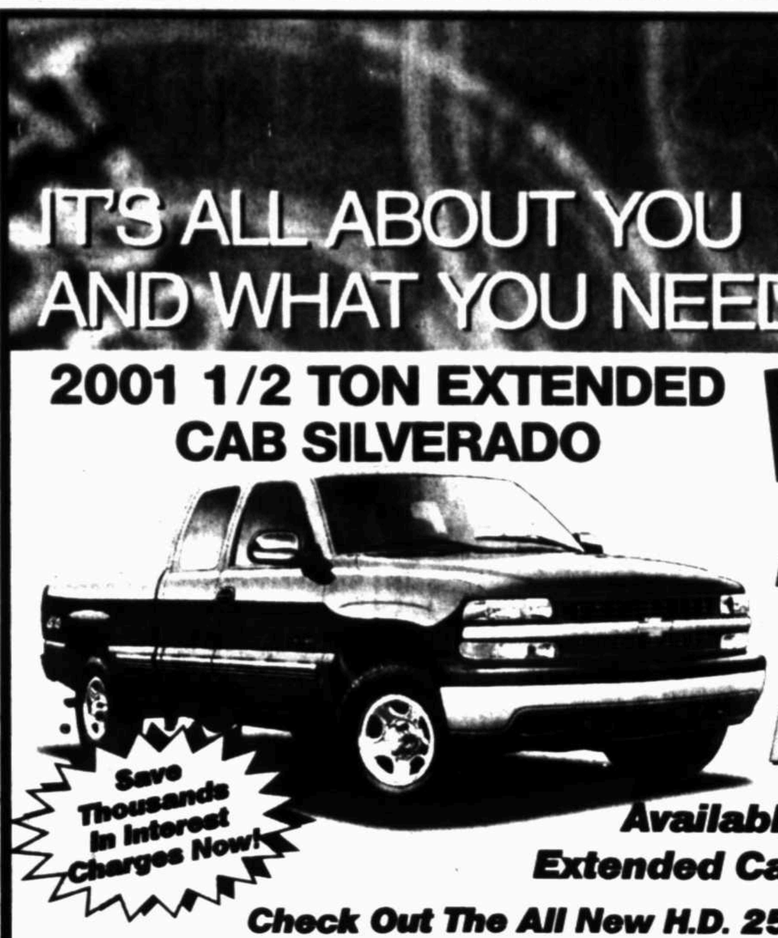
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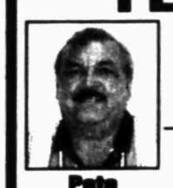
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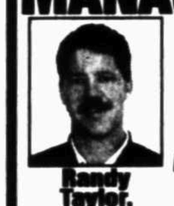


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Needed for part time position. Hours flexible. Experienced in analyzing documents for oil and gas properties. Word and excel required. Fax resume or call for appointment. No Fee.

Temporary Resources
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A position is available in Midland, Texas for wellsite sales and service in the West Texas area. We offer a competitive salary, sales incentive program, and an excellent benefits program. It will also include a company vehicle with business expense reimbursement.

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Prevent Blindness Texas, a statewide health service organization has an excellent opportunity for the position of Permian Basin Executive Director. College graduate. Experience to include 3-5 years of fund raising with special emphasis on fund development, special events, & planned giving. CFRE a plus. Salary commensurate with experience. Send resume with references and salary history to: Executive Director, Prevent Blindness Texas, P.O. Box 130485, Houston, TX 77219 or fax to 713-529-8310. EOE. Email: PBTXHOUSTON@compuserve.com Web Site: www.preventblindness.org/TX

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Full Charge Bookkeeper

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
Oil & gas knowledge. Work with V.P.'s. Proficient w/WordPerfect, MS Word & Excel. Confidentiality a MUST. $12/hr+ (DOE). No fee
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Printing exp a plus. Bank industry exp. preferred. 10 key/numeric, mathematically inclined & self motivated. No fee
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Executive Secretary
Part-time assignment in the Big Spring area. Need computer literate, strong communication, self-motivated, professional secretary that has a pleasing personality. Must have experience
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Data Entry
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Phillips Petroleum Company

RESERVOIR ENGINEER

The reservoir engineer will work as part of a multi-discipline team whose primary objective is to find and exploit gas and primary, secondary oil drilling and production enhancement opportunities within Phillips Petroleum Company's Permian operations. Responsibilities include opportunity recognition, project and acquisition economic justification analysis, monitoring and evaluating partnership operations, developing reserves estimates, well completion design and implementation, and field on-site assistance as required.

Candidates must have a Petroleum Engineering Degree and a minimum of 5 years of reservoir engineering experience including transient analysis, hydraulic fracture stimulation and on-site quality control, material balance and decline curve reserves estimation, risk analysis and economic evaluation. Some reservoir simulation experience desired. Permian Basin reservoir engineering experience and strong reservoir engineering computing skills are preferred. Must be able to perform in a multi-disciplinary integrated team where Geoscience, Reservoir Engineering, Production Engineering, Drilling, and Operations personnel work together.

Phillips Petroleum Company offers a competitive salary and an excellent benefits package. Qualified applicants should submit resumes postmarked no later than December 15, 2000, to:

Phillips Petroleum Company
Human Resources Department
4001 Penbrook
Odessa, TX 79762

NOTE: Only applicants who are contacted for interest will be notified when the position is filled.

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Midland based independent Oil & Gas Company seeking Engineering Tech with 5+ years experience. Candidate must be proficient using ARIES economic system and have reserve analysis experience. Permian Basin experience is a requirement.

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P O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702

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Bachelor's degree in psychology, social work or related field required. Assist eligible individuals in accessing medical, social, educational and other services. Assist in crisis prevention and management. Provide monitoring, assessment and service planning and coordination to include identifying, arranging, advocating, collaborating with other agencies and linking for the delivery of services and supports. Salary $2,000 per month.

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INFORMATION SYSTEM SPECIALIST

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A BS/BA degree preferred. Ability to converse in Spanish would be a plus.

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c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
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EOE/m/f

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Fishing Tool Operators — West Africa

Africa Oilfield Services Limited is a very successful and profitable oilfield service company with an extensive drilling and fishing tool rental business in West Africa.

The company has a requirement to recruit a number of experienced fishing tool operators to meet increased demand in this rapidly expanding market.

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The company offers a full expatriate benefits package including home based medical insurance and pension plan and is prepared to offer either resident or 35/35 rotation status.

Applications should be addressed in confidence to the company's advisors Beeson or Specialist Search in fishing @aosltd.com

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The Courtyard
Smith Street, London
SW3 4EE
Fax: +44(0)20 7730 7138
E-Mail: md@dengen.demon.co.uk

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Drilling Engineer [illegible]

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Permian Basin Tech/Assistant

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Roustabout Openings

Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc.

Pioneers is current seeking three Roustabouts to assist in relieving pumpers and repairing and maintaining a variety of equipment and facilities in the field. This position requires substantial physical labor in an outdoor environment under adverse conditions and may be required to regularly work in excess of 40 hours per week. High School Diploma or equivalent and have a current valid driver's license with an acceptable driving record. Must have basic computer skills and two years oil field experience.

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Pioneer Natural Resources
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JIM'S GOLF CLUBS "Tight- Lie" woods, $60 each "Hawk- Eye" irons, $184/ set (clones) Reshaft, Regrip, low prices 3115 Haynes 694-1334

LIKE NEW Treadmill Paid $400, Asking $200 Please call 522-1562 for more information

TRIMLINE 2200 Treadmill Great condition Paid $1,400, asking $400 Call 685-0694

BRAND NEW Kona Mountain bike Front & rear derailleur, free wheel, InSync fork, $425 firm 520-3625

460 Antiques & Arts

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JUDY JACKSON'S Estate Sales An experienced professional working for you! 689-3536, 682-6147

→NEW TODAY←
FINDERS KEEPERS Antiques, Gifts & Collectables- 1605 W Industrial Ave 686-9090 Open Today, 1-5 pm Sunday

INDIVIDUAL WILL pay fair prices for your antiques and collectibles No furniture please 571-3222/ 694-7508

465 Collectibles

BREYER HORSE Models and Madam Alexander Dolls Older editions Inquires call 694-6356, 8 am to 4 pm

TEXACO TRUCK Banks- #2 through #15, excluding #13 Also wings of Texaco two each 1 through 4 Serious inquires only please 570-5444

470 Musical Instruments

CHRISTMAS SALE- Fine violins- cases- banjos- student guitars- tambourines- harmonicas- thumbpianos- miniharp Waltrip Music open afternoons 694-7524

LIKE NEW 1989 Lowrey Genius Organ Model G260 2 keyboard style with country, contemporary & variety cassettes, excellent condition, make offer Excellent 7 pieces pearl drum set, make offer 915-354-2282

YAMAHA U3 UPRIGHT Piano- Polished ebony Excellent condition! $4,995 Call 687-3567

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485 Electronics

ADVENT Wireless stereo speakers, brand new $175 553-3594

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COMPUTER DESK- 5 pieces, solid oak corner unit Like new! Great for home office! $1,100 699-6606

NEW 15" EMC Monitor, never used Paid $129 will sacrifice $90 559-6500 with offers

SERVICE AFTER THE SALE Computers- New and used, upgrade and repair Night Owl Computers, 10am- 8pm, 1015-B N Midkiff 520-5917, 686-8835

495 FOR FREE

YOUNG MALE Black Lab mix, to good home 686-9031

9 MONTH OLD Rottweiler, Needs a good home! Please call 522-1814 4:00 pm- 8 00 pm

PUPPIES- HEELER/ Border Collie mix, males, females Call 694-4044

MY DOG need your boy Cocker/ Setter mix, 5 yrs old, current shots Mon.- Fri 8- 5 688-3402 evenings, weekends 699-4158

BEAUTIFUL, loving young part Border Collie needs good home Great with kids & other dogs 699-5815/ 697-3889

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8 MONTH OLD black lab mix female all shots, spayed, to good home! 620-8248

500 Pets and Supplies

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BOSTON TERRIERS- 2 males, 1 female, 6 weeks old Call 570-6176

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PUPPIES and Dogs, Cats and Kittens Dalmatians too Come se at Pet's Mart Sunday 11- 5

JUST IN time for Christmas, Healer puppies, beautiful blue melers, and red Healers, female and males, excellent with children, both parents on property 683-7712 for details

AKC, YELLOW Labs just in time for Christmas $250 each Please call 620-0250

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Puppies- Registered, out of working parents, six weeks old, weaned Males- $150, females $200 (915)693-2789

AKC MINIATURE DACHSHUND, 3 females, 3 males all red smooth coated and 1 male black and tan long hair Will hold for Christmas, $200 each, 2 for $375 915-337-5186 or 528-4110

AKC TEA Cup Poodle- Male, Chocolate, 7 weeks, shots & wormed $350 682-8073

THREE YEAR old pure bred Persian female, gray tip Sealpoint $300 firm 664-8389

MINIATURE SCHNAUZER puppies for Christmas! AKC registered, champion bloodline, 6 weeks old and way too cute! While they last males $350, females $400 Cash only- no checks Leave message at 570-8965

AKC SHIH TZU Puppies, just in time for Christmas 3 males, 2 females $300 550-0455

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Rocking Around the Christmas Tree with a New Puppy!

Big Spring Humane Society

Boots- Mix Breed female, 10 weeks old. **Samson-** Black/ brown male, 10 weeks mix breed. **Deliah-** Black female, mix breed, 10 weeks. **Pockets-** Black/ white toed male, mix breed, 10 weeks. **Delbert-** black/ white feet, 10 week mix breed male. **Coco-** Male, brown Lab mix, 5 mo. **Scruffy-** Small Terrier mix, red brown, 4 mo. male. **Kelly-** Pointer mix female, 8 mo. spayed. **Sassy-** Black Chow mix, beautiful, loving, spayed female, 3 yrs. **Marmaduke-** Lab/ Dane mix, black, neutered male, very loving, 2 yrs.

Dogs Adopt for $60. Cats Adopt for $60. Full blood Dogs for $100. This includes all shots, spaying/neutering, and CBC Testing.

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500 Pets and Supplies

PIT BULL Puppies for sale, males and females. Must see to appreciate! 520-2046.

PLEASE REMEMBER a dog is for life not just for Christmas.

AKC BOXER Pups- Only 3 left. 1 Male Brindle- $450. 1 Female Reverse Brindle- $450, 1 Female Fawn- $350. Will be ready 12/07/00. Sire & Dam on premises. Call 570-6488 or page 495-9259.

AKC LAB Puppies- Black & Yellows. First Shots. Call 684-9662.

GIVE SOMETHING SPECIAL for Christmas- Discus absolutely gorgeous pair of mated and breeding Pigeon Blood Discus Each about 5 inches long and bright orange Also Oceanic 55 plus show tank with hood, lights and an A miracle trickle filter $400 Call Denise at 682-0951

BLACK MOUTH Cur puppies, parents work cattle and catch hogs Great family pets Call 686-8217

AKC WEST Highland White- Terriers $375 each Ready in time for Christmas 699-1166

AKC STANDARD Poodle puppies Show Champion sired, ready now! Home raised, cream and black $500 (915)235-2330, vivl@camalott.com

505 Livestock & Poultry

4X5 BALES OF HAY AVERAGE WEIGHT 900 POUNDS Bermuda and Dallas grass $35 a roll 687-2717

510 Office Furniture & Misc.

SWINGLINE No. 6357 computer paper burster, Pops apart all sizes of computer paper 683-3032, ask for Loretta.

DRAFTING TABLE, light table, drafting chair, supply file cabinet, large paper cutter, map racks drafting supplies 697-4095.

525 Business/Shop Equipment

BEAUTY SHOP equipment for sale 682-3221

550 Portable Buildings

We move, buy, sell and rent portable buildings. MORGAN (915) 563-1860

FOR SALE or Trade 14'x26' portable office or playhouse with restroom, heat, a/c Heavy duty built, $12,000 Call 694-7603

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Conventional with High Prime Bases fro electrical motors.
Complete including Weight Guards & Portable Concrete Bases.
Excellent condition
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FULL- TIME Service/ Meter Technician needed, must have previous experience with meters, valves & pumps Must have clean driving record, able to pass pre- employment drug test Electrical knowledge required Apply in person or mail application to Linco Electromatic, inc 11231 West County Rd 127 Odessa, Texas 79765 Attn Service Department/ West 915-561-9822

→NEW TODAY←
WellSite Supervisors Needed
Midland based consulting firm is in need of experience wellsite supervisors for drilling, completion and workover operations Only persons with actual on-site supervision experience need apply Send resume and references to Box E-4257 c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram P O Box 1650 Midland, TX 79702

320 Skilled Trades

BUILDING ENGINEER needed to handle A/ C, Plumbing & Electrical issues for commercial office buildings Must be self starter with a customer service attitude Send resumes and salary requirements to Box P-6100 c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram P O Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702

EXPERIENCED SHOP and FIELD WELDERS NEEDED
Apply in person at
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804 Collins
Midland, TX

JOURNEYMAN MACHINIST needed 401(K), insurance, Uniforms, Paid Vacation, Holidays & Overtime paid after 8 hours daily Engine Lathe experience required Apply in person or mail resume to 340 S Meadow Odessa, TX 79761 Attn Machine Shop Foreman

Classified Can! 682-6222

320 Skilled Trades

Duke Energy Field Services
A New Kind of Energy

Duke Energy Field Services is seeking candidates for a Utility/Plant Operator Relief at its Waha/Coyanosa Asset Prefer candidates living or willing to relocate to, within 40 miles of this facility

Utility/ Plant Operator Relief

Operations, oilfield or mechanical/craft type background preferred Applicant must have a satisfactory safety record, a thorough knowledge of safety rules and practices, and be able to perform duties in a safe manner Must be open to learning, have a history of being able to work as part of a team, take pride in a job well done, enjoy working hard, and be extremely dependable and reliable Must be willing to work shift work, respond to off-hours call-outs and work overtime as needed Must have a reliable means of contact for call-out purposes

Applications will be taken and pre- employment testing conducted at the Waha Plant on Monday, December 18, 2000 The plant is located 5 miles Northwest of Coyanosa, turn West off 1776 at the Duke Energy Filed Services sign Applications will be taken at 8:30 a m Testing will begin at 9:30 a m and no applications will be accepted after the testing has begun

DEFS is an equal opportunity employer

→NEW TODAY←
INDUSTRIAL MAINTENANCE MECHANIC

Minimum of 2 years experience in industrial electrical & mechanical maintenance Must be able to read electrical schematics PLC a plus

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(800)580-5487 ext 286
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Highly creative, self-motivated individual to prepare plans and drawings for our engineering and manufacturing of products Skills to include AutoCAD 2000 with 3-5 years of drafting experience Salary DOE Some travel may be required

Health, vacation, and retirement benefits Resumes maybe mailed, faxed or emailed to Gwen Lovan, Human Resource Department, TOMCAT USA, Inc , PO Box 550, Midland, TX 79702 (915)689-3805 glovan@tomcatusa.com Interviews will begin January 2,2000

320 Skilled Trades

STRUCTURAL IRON WORKERS needed 5 years continuous experience $16 an hour, health insurance, pension, 401k and vacation check Call 915-772-3241

TWO- WAY Radio Technician/ Installer Experience preferred Salary based on experience Petro Communications is an authorized Motorola Sales and Service Company Been in business 40 years Please call (915)683-4786 for appointment Petro Communications Inc 2425 E Hwy 80 Midland, Texas 79706

336 Adult Care Providers

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Loving Home Care
Give us a call and we can take care of your families needs Call 915-268-1704 or 661-0682

A & D SITTING Service Affordable and dependable care for the elderly 24 hour service! Call Joann 570-8142

ADULT PERSONAL Care Home has openings, 24 hour care or sitting service Affordable! Call 699-6388

341 Child Care Providers

LOVING MOM of 2 will watch your children in my home Call 520-7259, ask for Joanna

TODDLERS OPENING- Established Home Day Care Meals loving & learning environment Excellent reference # 694-9871

CHRISTIAN HOME has opening for your child 699-4534

CHILD CARE in my home Monday- Saturday, newborn through age five Have references 563-0796, (c)631-0498

LOOKING FOR a child care provider that has experience, excellent references, non- smoking environment, dependable and has the most affordable rates in town? Call 682-8940

LITTLE TOTS College now has openings for 2 to 5 year olds Join today! 561-5198

CHILD CARE- 7 to 5:30 Monday thru Friday CPR trained, loving, learning environment, references 687-1923

24 HOUR CHILD care- Week ends also! After school pickups Rusk District welcome Beeper 567-5165

350 Business Opportunities

SPORTING GOODS Business- Established 10 years Retail- screen printing, embroidery, awards Priced to sell! (915)267-3540

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17 VENDING machines on location Established route for sale Serious inquiries please call- 915-570-9083

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Style Greeting Card Route
100 Established Locations
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Occasionally ads found in this section come from distant points & the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract/ or giving out your credit card or bank information

MAIL BOXES ETC.
Franchises for sale
877-MBE-SALE
www.mbe.com

Get your Real Estate license quickly short day, weekend, evening classes Southwest College 697-7277

GOVERNMENT & POSTAL JOBS
Start $14 10/ $21 80 Hour For Job Information & Application
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75 Established Locations (Local)
Proven Income
(Free Info)
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FIRST ANNUAL YEAR-END CLEAN YOUR YARD SALE!!!
Auction- December 15- 16 2000 Now accepting consignments Oilfield, construction, trucks, trailers, pickups, cars, tools, industrial, commercial, real estate Hanway Auctioneers Lic #7753 561-9992 4500 S County Road 1310 Odessa

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635 Condo/Townhome Furnished
640 Condo/Townhome Unfurnished
650 Mobile Furnished
655 Mobile Unfurnished
660 Mobile Home Space for Rent
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680 Out of Town
685 Hunting Leases
690 Oil/Gas Leases
695 Oilfield Misc

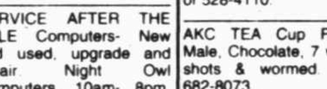
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This space will be reserved only for you!!

No more hiding your ad among the other ads, let everyone enjoy your sale right off the bat!

Call your very own Classified Consultant and she'll build an eye catching ad for you.
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79703

✔ **3606 WEST LOUISIANA**

In home sale!
Hardback books and LP records

Sunday only! 1:00- 5:00

79705

2100 CULVER, Saturday 10:00- 4:00. Sunday 1:00- 5:00. Rummage Sale, twin bed, pet clippers, Holiday dresses, clothing, craft supplies, Christmas Tree and decorations, MHS Graduation Gown, Linens, 10 speed bike. No early birds.

79705

The Deadline to place an Ad in our Saturday Garage Sale Section is Noon Friday. Call 682-6222 to place your ad today.

3208 W. WADLEY- FRIDAY, Saturday & Sunday 8am. Children's toys & clothing, etc. New items added Saturday.

79707

3804 MARK LANE. One Day Only! Sunday 9am- 3pm. Clothes, games, books and more!

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

DON'T MISS OUT!
The deadline for a Saturday Garage Sale ad is Friday at Noon.
Please be sure to call 682-6222, before noon, to ensure your ad will be in Saturday's paper.

$20.50 $20.50 $20.50 $20.50

GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE
$20.50

- **7 Lines (approx. 28-35 words)**
- **2 Days**
- **Stand Out Emblem**
- **Garage Sale Kit**
  (includes Signs, Stakes, Marker, Balloons, Helpful Hints $6 Value!)
- **Package of Flavored Drink Mix**
  (for the Kids to Open a Drink Stand!)
- **$3 Off Classified Coupon**
  (Place an ad to sell those left-over garage sale items & get $3 off!)

Or Get 3 Days for Only $24.50!

Call 682-6222 Today!

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400 Auctions | 400 Auctions | 400 Auctions | 400 Auctions | 400 Auctions

Bankruptcy-Foreclosure, Surplus
TWO-DAY AUCTION
DEC. 15-16 (FRIDAY-SATURDAY) 9 A.M. EACH DAY
AT HANWAY AUCTIONEERS FACILITY — 4500 S. COUNTY RD. 1310
ODESSA, TEXAS

***PREVIEW:** THURSDAY, DEC. 14, 9:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.*

NO MINIMUM, NO RESERVES, NO BUYER'S PREMIUM. Irrevocable Bank Letter of Guarantee required with checks. No drafts, no credit cards.

All Oil and Gas Items will be Offered Friday, December 15. Generator Sets, Pumping Units and Related Items will be Sold at 1:00 P.M., December 15.

NEW GAS GATHERING & GAS TRANSMISSION ITEMS: ***AUCTIONEERS' NOTE: $1.5 Million Dollars of New Equipment Related to the Gas Gathering and Gas Transmission Business. (1250 Pallets) Materials Included But Not Limited To: Orifice Plates of All Sizes, Flanges, Weld Fittings, Forged Steel Screwed Fittings, Flanged Studs, Pipe Nipples, Relief Valves, Valves (Plug, Steel, Gate, Butterfly & Ball), Phenolic Flange Gaskets, Joint Protection Bands, and Thousands of Related Items Too Numerous to List.*** • Fittings: Rigid Galvanized, Explosion Proof, Pipe Conduit, Crouse, Hinds, Appleton, Theron, Ogednew & Killark • Pressure Switches, Temperature Probes, Timers, Murphy, ITT, Dual Snap, SOR, CCS, Neodyne & Square "O" • Sodinoid Valves, Skinner, ASCO & Versa • Thermometers, Thermo Switches, Thermo-Loeus, Thermostats, Wekster, Weston, Fenwall, Honeywell, Trend & Taylor • Relays: Stauthers, Dunn, Potter, Baumfield, Agastat, & GE • I/P, Pressure & Temperature 4-20 MA Transducers, Rosemount, Foxboreau, Helse, DOR, Fairchild & Moore • Test Gauges: Ashcroft, 3-D, Helicold, Marshall, Town, Wika, Grayco, Mansor & Dead Weight • Gas Measurement Devices: Turbine Meters, Orifice Plates, Mercury, Graphic, Cantrocs, ITT, Barton, Daniels, Guclon, Equipmeter, Bristol & Rockwell • Gas Gravitometers: Kimray, & Crosby • Circuit Breakers: GE, SOD, Westinghouse, Cutler Hammer • Infared Heaters: Bruest • Motors: GE, National, Westinghouse, Reliance, Siemens, Dayton & Marathon • Cathodic Protection: Caldweld, Rio, Universal, Goodall, Link Seal, Fink, Flange Insulating Kits • Phase Converters: R&K • Electrical Control Panel Parts: SOD, Westinghouse, Cutler Hammer, Siemens, & Allenbradley • Lighting Equipment & Ballasts: Advance & Killark • Ignition Systems: Altronic, Speed Switch, Magneto Test Station • Valve Accuators & Position Indicators: Arnti & Shaefer • Regulars, Large Valves & Needle Valves: Fisher, Grove, Equimeter, Rockwell, Daniel, CC, Kimray, Kits, Cameron & Matheson • Communications Equipment: Phoenix, Motorola, Mitsubishi, Signal • Gas Flame & Smoke Detectors: General Manitoes, ITT Systems & Honeywell • Disconnect Switches: Cutler Hammer & Square "O" • Large Cylinder Hone Kit • Various spools & Sizes of Wire

PACKERS • (1) 7-5/8" "R" D.G. • (2) 7" "R" D.G. • (7) 5-1/2" "R" D.G. • (7) 4-1/2" "R" D.G. • 7-5/8" LOK Set • (2) 7" LOK Sets • (12) 5-1/2" LOK Sets • (5) 4-1/2" LOK Sets • (7) 7" AD1's • (10) 5-1/2" AD1's • (10) 4-1/2" AD1's • 4" AD1 • 3" AD1 • 5-1/2" 32A • 4-1/2" 32A • (5) 4-1/2" Arrow Set II's • (5) 5-1/2" Arrow Set II's • (2) 7" Arrow Set II • (2) 4-1/2" Arrow Set I's • (2) 5-1/2" Arrow Sets I's • 7" Arrow Set I • 4" Arrow Set I • (3) 4-1/2" Elder TST • 4-1/2" Elder Sur Lok II • 5-1/2" Elder Sur Lok II (New) • 7" Elder Sur Lok II (New) • 7-5/8" Elder Sur Lok II (New) 2-7/8" Halliburton R-4 • 7" Guiberson Uni Pak VI • (2) 5-1/2" Guiberson Uni Pak VI • (4) 4-1/2" Guiberson Uni Pak VII • 4-1/2" Guiberson ER • (2) 5-1/2" • (4) 4-1/2 – 5-1/2" Uni Pak V's • (2) 4-1/2" Uni Pak I's • (2) 4-1/2" Halliburton R-4's 7" Red Arrow Full Bore • 5-1/2 Retrievmatic • 4-1/2" Dowell Treating Packer • 7" Arrow RBP (Incomplete) • (2) 4 1/2" Arrow SL's • (3) 5-1/2" Arrow SL's • 7" Arrow SL • (5) 5-1/2" Otis Perma Trievs • (4) 4-1/2" Otis Perma Trievs • 3-1/2" Otis Perma Trieve • (2) 4-1/2 Otis MH-2's • 7" Elder Full Bore • 5-1/2" Model "G" Plug • 4-1/2" Model "G" Plug • (2) Model "G" Plug Retrieving Heads • (2) Cast Iron Plugs • (2) 2-3/8" Elder UN Loaders • (2) 2-7/8 Elder UN Loader • 2-7/8" Arrow UN Loader • (4) 5-1/2" Baker Tandem Tension Packers • 4-1/2" Baker Tandem Tension Packer • (12) 4-1/2" – 5-1/2" - 7" FL On Off Tools w/Profiles • Misc. Packers (Guiberson, Baker, Otis, Elder, Brown, Larkin, TIW • 7-5/8" Elder Sur Lok II • (2) 5-1/2" Arrow 32A's • 4-1/2" Arrow 32A • (3) 5-1/2" Elder Full Bore's • 7" Elder Full Bore • 2-7/8" Elder UN Loader • (4) 5-1/2" Baker Lok Sets • 5" Baker Lok Set • (2) 7" Arrow Type "B" RBP w/Ret. Heads • 5-1/2" Arrow HD • (2) 4-1/2" Elder TST's • (3) Arrow Set II's • 4-1/2" & 5-1/2" Tension Packers & Tubing Anchor Catchers • 9-5/8" Arrow Set I • 9-5/8" Otis PL • 9-5/8" Guiberson G-6 w/FL Tool & Profile • Float Equipment • Centralizers • Assortment of Packers & Tubing Anchor parts & Assortment of Packer Rubbers Model "R" Lok Set, AD1 • Misc. Packers (Guiberson, Baker, Otis, Elder, Brown, Larkin, TIW) • Assortment of Packer & Tubing Anchor Parts & Assortment of Packer Rubbers, Model "R" Lok Set & AD1

NEW PACKERS • (2) Otis 9-5/8" 40-47# RDH Dual Hydraulic Set w/2-3/8 EU 8rd Pin (LS & SS) w/2-7/8 EU Primary Threads • Otis 9-5/8, 43-53.5# RH Hydraulic Set Packer w/3.920 ID w/2-3/8 EU 8rd Box & Pin • (4) Otis 9-5/8, 36-53.5# Ratch Latch Tubing Hangers w/2-3/8 EU 8rd Pin w/4.629 ID • (2) Otis SHR Ratch Latch Seal Assemblies, 4.629 Bore w/2-3/8 EU 8rd Box • Otis 7-5/8 26.4-39# Ratch Latch Tubing Hanger w/2.970 ID Seal Bore & 3-1/2 Hydrill CS Pin • (2) Otis CCS Collet Catcher Subs w/1.92 ID w/2-3/8 Otis B X Otis A Threads • (19) Otis CCS Collet Catcher Subs w/2-3/8 ID w/2-7/8 EU 8rd B & P • (2) Otis CCS Collet Catcher Sub w/2.41 w/2-7/8 Otis B X Otis A Threads • (5) Otis Misc. Sized Telescoping Swivel Subs • Otis 3.25 Bore Tubing Seal Assembly w/3 Seal Units w/2-3/8 EU 8rd Box X Blank Bottom • (32) Misc. Cross-Over Subs, Pup Joints & Profile Nipples

TUBING ANCHORS & RELATED EQUIPMENT • 7-5/8" "B" • (5) 7" "B" • (20) 5-1/2" "B" • (12) 4-1/2" TM's • (5) 4-1/2" "B" • (7) 5-1/2" TM's • (5) 4-1/2" TM's • (5) 4-1/2" TM's • (5) 4-1/2" - 5-1/2" POT • (3) 4-1/2" Pengo • (3) 2-3/8" Shut-Off Valves • (2) 2-3/8" JO Valves • 2" 10M Halliburton Valve • Chart Recorder • Baker Packer Vise • (6) 2-7/8" TIW Safety Valves • (6) Fire Extinguisher • (6) 5-1/2" Torque Anchors • (40) Centralizers

MISCELLANEOUS TOOLS • Ridgid 18's, 24's, 36's, & 48 • Snatch Blocks and Hooks • (2) Ridgid Chain Vises • Ridgid Threaders (New) • Flies, Tie Downs, 1000's Drill Bits • Press Drill Bits • Lathe Tools • 18-2' x 3' x 8' Metal Shelving • Carts, Tables • 350 Plastic Shipping Crates w/Flip Tops • 12-4' 4' x 4' Metal Wire Shipping Crates • Forklifts — (2) 3000# Forklifts

WELL HEAD EQUIPMENT • 13-3/8" Slip On X 8-5/8" Fig. 92 Casing Head w/2" Outlets • (2) Sets 8-5/8" Slips, Upper & Lower Packing Plates & Pack Offs for 13-3/8" Fig. 92 Head • Set 8-5/8" Slips for 13-3/8" Fig. 92 Head • Set 7" Upper & Lower Plates for Fig. 92 Head

GENERATOR SETS • (2) Boss Power P75 and (2) Boss Power P30 Generator Sets (All Slound Attenuated, Trailer Mounted, Package Diesel Generator Set, Premium Control Panel, Auto Start/Stop, Electronic Governor, Safety Shutdowns, Battery Charger, Alternator, Circuit Breaker, Dual Voltage Capability, Convenience Receptacles, 60-Gal. Fuel Tank, Galvanized Tandem Axle Trailer) • (2) 130kw Generator Sets • Numerous Generator Ends

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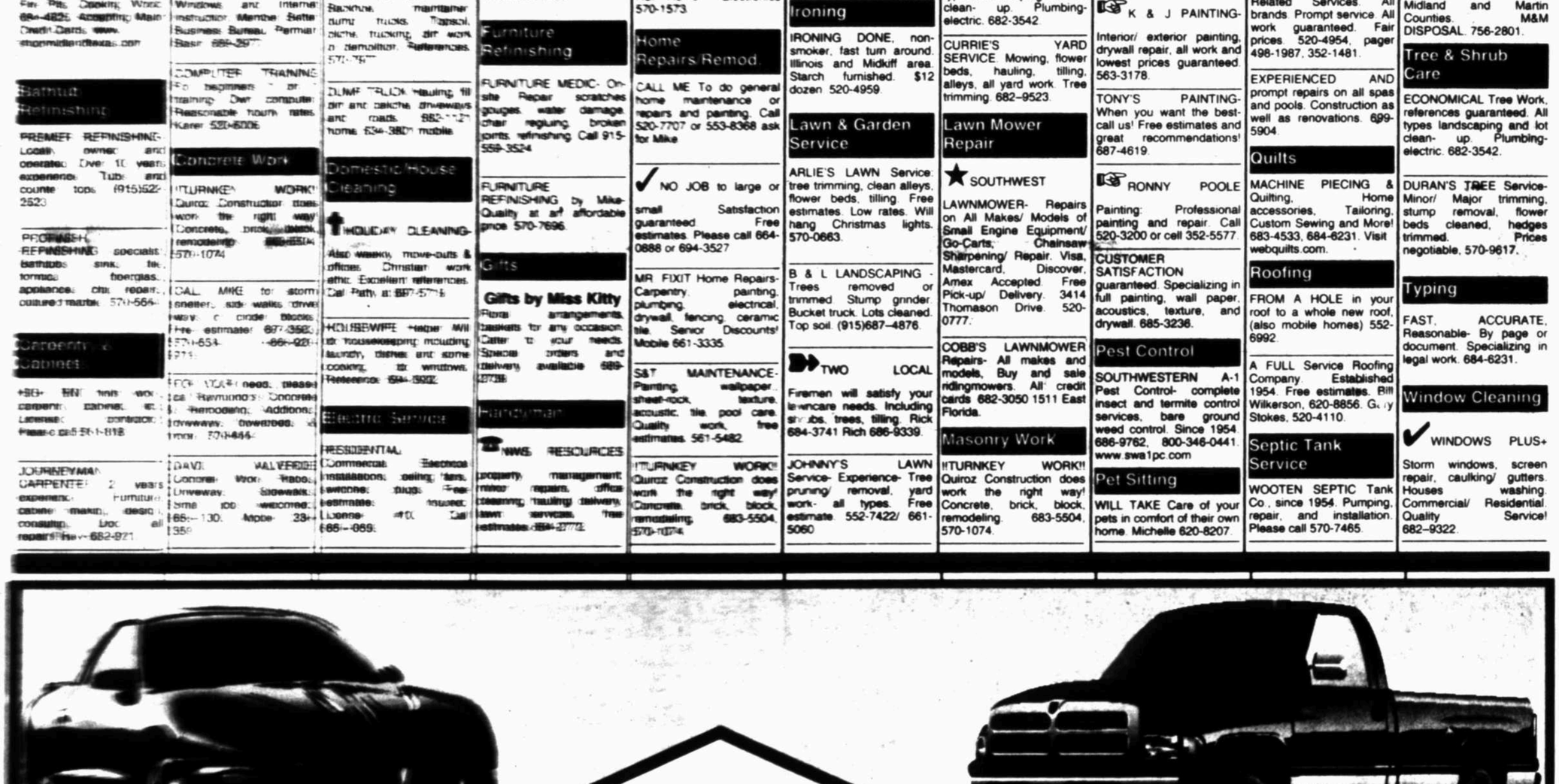
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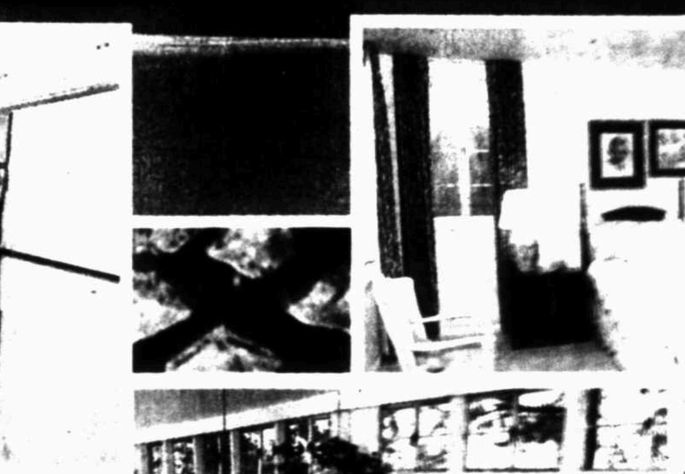
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SIMPLE PRECAUTIONS TO KEEP YOUR HOLIDAYS HAPPY


Sutton

The smell of evergreens, the warmth of a roaring fire, and the sound of carols evoke vivid images of the holidays. Christmas is often the busiest time of year for grown-ups who are shopping for gifts, decorating homes, and preparing for visitors. For children the holidays mean that school is out and presents are on the way. So whether you are lighting a Christmas tree, Menorah, or Kwanzaa candles, be sure you don't get so caught up in the festivities that you forget about some common safety precautions.

Kay Sutton, Realtors suggest the following tips to keep your season happy and healthy.

Lights and Candles:

Inspect the lights on your tree for exposed or frayed wires, loose connections or broken sockets. Don't overload extension cords with lights. Use no more than three strings of lights on one extension cord, and never run an electrical cord under a carpet. Be sure to secure electrical cords so that children and pets cannot pull them and so that no one else will trip over them. Also:

- Turn off the tree lights when you go to bed or leave the house.
- Keep burning candles, matches and lighters out of children's reach.
- Do not place candles near draperies or anything that might easily catch fire.
- Teach children not to touch burning candles but to admire their beauty form a safe distance.
- After building a fire in the fireplace, always use a screen and never leave young children unattended in the room.

Poisons

The holiday season introduces unique chemicals and poisons into the home - many of them come in innocent and unexpected forms.

- Keep poisonous plants out of reach. Some poisonous holiday plants include: amaryllis, azalea, boxwood, castor beam, Christmas cactus, Christmas rose, crown of thorns, English and American Ivy, Jerusalem or Jimson weed, Christmas cherry, mountain laurel and pokeweed. Watch for the holly and mistletoe berries that fall on the ground because they are poisonous, too. Contrary to popular belief, poinsettias are not poisonous, but they may cause skin irritation and intense gastrointestinal distress.
- Keep alcoholic drinks and containers out of reach. Holiday beverages such as eggnog that contain alcohol may be sweet and inviting to young children. Do not leave alcoholic drinks unattended since they may be harmful to young children if swallowed.
- Keep common baking ingredients such as vanilla and almond extract out of reach. They contain high levels of alcohol may also be harmful to young children if swallowed.
- Beware of fire salts used in fireplaces to produce colored flames. They contain heavy metals and cause intense gastrointestinal irritation or vomiting if eaten.
- Dispose of colored wrapping paper immediately. It may contain lead and other materials toxic to small children if chewed. Teach your young children that decorations are not food to be put in their mouths.
- Avoid using artificial snow sprays to decorate. They can cause lung irritation and should not be inhaled.

By factoring safety into your holiday, it can remain full of happy anticipation, wonder and surprise as you share your time and love with friends and family.

Story submitted by Kay Sutton, broker/owner of CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton, Realtors.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Enjoy the Cold Winter Months in Comfort

Creaking walls and floors in your home? Ghosts? No, probably not, but it could be possessed by a case of severe dryness, common during the winter months. "Humidity, or the lack of it, is an often overlooked essential in the preservation of structural materials, furniture and even personal comfort," says Bill Scott, president of the Permian Basin Board of REALTORS®. The importance of proper humidification during colder months is due to the fact that cold air holds far less moisture than warm air. When cold air enters a heated space, it's moisture-holding capacity is increased. If heated air is not supplied with moisture, it tries to correct the imbalance by pulling moisture from every available source, including plants, furnishings and people. That's why in the winter you may often awake with an irritated throat and nose and dry, itchy skin.

In a home lacking proper humidification, furniture can warp and loosen at joints, plaster may crack, wall paper may peel and floors creak. "Problems can arise with any substance that can absorb moisture: paper, plaster, carpets, leather, wood, artwork," Mr. Scott said. "Basically, if any of these substances can upset deterioration causing you to repair or replace them before their time. Taking steps to prevent drying, it's a home that can save the homeowner time and money."

"Placing containers of water on hot radiators or filling water trays, a 'do-it-yourself' method frequently utilized in older homes or apartments. While this method, along with water vapor from cooking, bathing and laundering will add some moisture to the air, it generally is not enough to humidify the air to prevent damage or discomfort. If the problem is noticeable, a humidifier could be the answer," continued Mr. Scott.

Humidifiers vary greatly in size and type, ranging from table-top models to central systems to the furnace. The proper type of humidifier will depend largely on the size of your home and the amount of air leakage. "Consult a qualified contractor to help you select the right model for your home," advises Mr. Scott. "Proper humidification can help pass these cold months a bit more comfortably as well as add to the value of your home," concluded Mr. Scott.

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CLEAN UP THE CLUTTER!


Noles

Real estate agent Ofie Noles suggests that property owners get their home organized before placing it on the market for sale. By cleaning up the clutter buyers are able to get a real look with the are buying. It makes their decision to choose a home much easier.

Home buyer can be the same thing when making a purchase offer. Imagine how sellers would feel if a buyer offered 75% less than the asking price with the seller to pay all closing costs. Unbelievable. Or seller accepted a real low ball offer only to find out the buyer wanted the appliances, drapes and all the furniture in the dining room.

The buyer expects to be allowed to look at the property before closing and to pay no rent during that time. The sellers are also expected to carry a substantial second mortgage at very liberal terms.

Sound like an unreasonable and confusing purchase offer? Clearly it is. Not only may it be unacceptable it may also be upsetting to the seller resulting in a curt "NO!" rather than a reasonable counter-offer.

The message here? When making a written offer, clean up the clutter. Make it easy for the sellers to understand and accept. Keep special conditions to an absolute minimum and avoid inserting emotionally charged demands. The result can be a quick and favorable "YES" answer and a mutually rewarding transaction.

This article submitted by Ofie Noles, Broker/Owner of RE/MAX of Midland.

SELL HOME YOURSELF?


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QUESTION: Should I make some repairs before I put my home on the market? What about painting? Carpeting? Window treatments? Landscaping? Should I hire a professional stager?

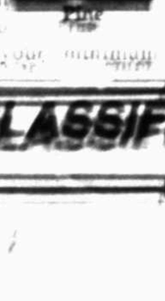
ANSWER: Maybe. It all depends on the condition of your home. If you're like most homeowners, you've lived in your home for a while. Over time, you've grown accustomed to its flaws. You've gotten used to the dated wallpaper in the bathroom. You've learned to live with the carpet stain in the hallway. You've even stopped noticing the cracked tile in the kitchen.

Not your home buyer. Your home buyer is seeing all of these flaws for the first time. And, chances are, your home buyer is comparing your home to others in the area that he or she is considering purchasing. Your home buyer is looking for the best value for the money. And your home buyer is looking for a home that is in move-in condition.

Now, you're probably thinking, "Great! I'll just paint the bathroom, replace the carpet in the hallway, and get a real estate agent to stage my home. That should do it." Well, it might. But it might not. Before you start spending money, you should consult with a real estate professional who is familiar with your neighborhood and the current market conditions. He or she can help you determine which repairs will add the most value to your home and which ones you can safely skip.

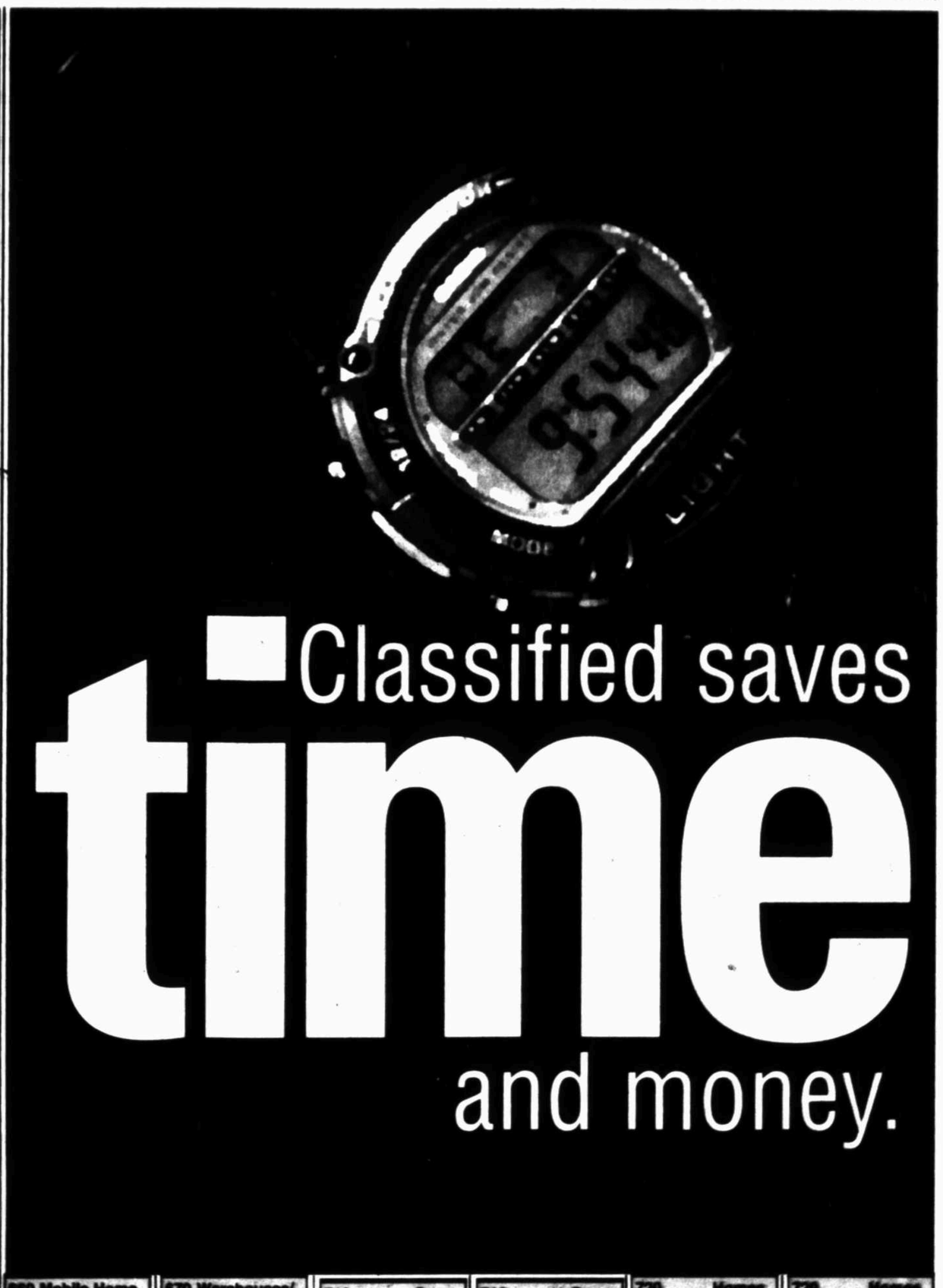
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FAILING TO RECOGNIZE A GOOD OFFER


Kline

Buyers don't always make a written offer that is best. Many times that true buyer offers [illegible] a good offer when they [illegible] a good offer consists of a financially [illegible] buyer, a buyer who [illegible] approved for a loan [illegible] is best with a willing to [illegible] a price above your minimum [illegible]

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SWF, 29, 5'1", dark blond hair, blue eyes, enjoys outdoors, movies, music, dancing, dining out and family times. Seeking a fun-loving SHM, 29-42, with same interests Ad# 1315

GIVE ME A CALL
SWF, 21, 5'8", 110lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, college student. Looking for SWM 20-25, who likes the outdoors, trucks, animals and country music Ad# 1305

IT COULD BE YOU
Humorous, SBF, 33, 155lbs., dark brown hair, enjoys cooking, cleaning, walks in the park, romantic dinners. ISO SWM, 35-45, with similar interests, for possible LTR Ad# 1308

THE GAL FOR YOU
Friendly, outgoing, outspoken, creative SHF, 22, 5'2", 127lbs., dark eyes, reddish brown hair, enjoys hanging out with friends, movies, music, drives in the country, reading, swimming, skiing, football, and basketball. ISO honest, organized SWM, 22-29 Ad# 1309

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Creative, romantic, SWF, 44, 5'8", blonde, blue eyes, enjoys photography, movies, seeks SWM, 40-50, for possible relationship Ad# 1301

TOUCHED BY AN ANGEL
Caring, fun, single, white Christian female, 48, 5'4", 121lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys her profession, reading, movies, museums and the arts. Seeking a similar single, white, Christian male, 46-55, with strong values and integrity Ad# 1303

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BE MY FRIEND
Fun, humorous, SBF, 25, 5'11", black hair, brown eyes, enjoys horseback riding, movies, walks, talks, seeks SM, 24-44, for friendship Ad# 1290

FOR YOUR COOKIE
Is this sweet, fun-loving, SHF, 18, 5'1", who likes clubbing, cruising, dancing, movies, dinners out. You, SM, 18-22, humorous and happening. Ad# 1280

NO COUCH POTATOES!
Active, family-oriented, retired, SWCF, 62, 5'5", 160lbs., seeks respectful, upbeat, SWM, who likes travel, walks, country/western dancing, sports, fun Ad# 1272

FRIENDS FIRST
SWF, 19, 5'8", strawberry blond hair, likes writing, drawing, hanging out with friends, seeking a kind SM, 19-27, who can make me laugh Ad# 1260

CAN WE TALK?
Funny, spontaneous, SBF, 32, 5'6", 115lbs., with long brown hair, likes singing, reading, writing and enjoying life. Seeking a romantic, honest, caring SWM, 28-36 Ad# 1299

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Funny, SBF, 19, 5'3", 125lbs., blond hair, student, likes movies, long walks, parks, seeking a similar SBM 18-23 Ad# 1283

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BEST FOR LIFE
SWF, 21, 5'7", 110lbs., brown hair, green eyes, reading, and intellectual pursuits, likes movies, dining out, and romantic evenings, seeking a fun-loving SWM, 19-31 Ad# 1242

DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY
DANCE, SHF, 21, 5'9", 124lbs., blond hair, blue eyes, likes outdoors. Looking for a friendly, outgoing SWM, 20-40, who loves driving Ad# 1241

SPORTS ORIENTED GAL
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Sociable SW mom, 32, 5'5", 115lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, seeks outgoing, kind, romantic SM, 35-45, who likes horseback riding, sporting events, dining, dancing and fun. Midland area Ad# 1202

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Fun-loving, single, white Christian female, 50, 5'5", 140lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys gardening, cooking and dancing, seeking an honest, caring, single, white Christian male, 48-60, with similar interests Ad# 1127

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Outgoing SWF, 24, 108lbs., blond hair, enjoys outdoor activities, shopping, skating, going to church, arts, crafts, going to the park. Searching for an honest SM, 20-28, for LTR Ad# 5193

HONEST MOM
Easygoing SWF, 32, 5'4", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys horseback riding, dancing, outdoor activities, music, movies, arts, crafts. Seeking an honest SWM, 35-45 Ad# 5191

GROW YOUR HEART
Humorous, SWF, 43, 5'5", 135lbs., enjoys walking, working out, outdoor activities, gardening, good conversation, and traveling. Seeking for honest, fun-loving, humorous SWM, 42-45 Ad# 5195

CALL ME
Caring, single, white, female, 45, 5', brown-haired, blue-eyed, enjoys outdoors, crafts, watching sports. Seeking for kind, non-smoker, sensitive single male, 45-50 Ad# 5156

WALK WITH ME
Sweet, single, black female, 31, 5'5", 277lbs., enjoys walking, movies, going to the park. Seeking an honest, single, black male, 40-50, non-drinker! Ad# 5160

ARE WE COMPATIBLE?
Fun, outgoing, SHF, 44, 5'6", 195lbs., brown hair/eyes, hobbies include fishing, gardening and quiet times. SO, SHM, 50-57 Ad# 5171

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Easygoing, SWF, 38, 5'11", dark hair, loves reading, movies and skating. She would like to get acquainted with a friendly, SWM, 38-45. Ad# 5168

BE SURE TO CALL
Meet this bubbly, kind-hearted, SHF, 38, 5'3", full-figured, brown hair, green eyes, enjoys sports, music and dancing. She hopes to share her life with a kind, understanding, family-oriented, SHM, 38-45 Ad# 5147

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CAN I TRUST YOU?
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R U GOOD, DECENT?
Sociable, outgoing, SWF, 62, 5'5", 115lbs., brown-hair, likes dancing, movies, dinner, horseback riding. SO a decent SWM, 55-71 who likes kids. Ad# 5151

ROMANCE IS IN THE AIR
Meet this fun-loving, very pretty SW mom, 32, 5'5", 120lbs., with long blonde hair, blue eyes, wants to share a meaningful friendship with a tall, handsome SHM, 19-30, who loves music and dancing. Ad# 5140

MAKE A MOVE ON ME!
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Sweet, easygoing, single, white, female, 5'4", 150lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, likes long walks on the beach, movies, dining out, and romantic evenings. Seeks SWM, 5'8" and taller, for LTR Ad# 5124

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Single, white, female, SBF, 115lbs., brown hair, green eyes, searching to meet a humorous, single, Texan, male 18-28, who enjoys fishing, movies and dancing Ad# 5127

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Quiet-minded, quiet, Hispanic female, 20, brown hair/eyes. Seeking a honest, single, Hispanic male, 18-28, who enjoys horseback riding and swimming. Ad# 5056

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Sincere, single, Hispanic female, 6', 5'8", 350lbs., brown hair, green eyes, would like to meet a single, white male, 6'-6'5", who shares the interests in dancing, country and movies. Ad# 5070

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Are you a single white male, 48-60, who enjoys theatre, seeking and will to travel with this independent, single white female, 53, 5'5", black hair/eyes, whose looking for you. Ad# 5071

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Spontaneous, single white female, 37, 5', interested in meeting a single white male, 40-50, who enjoys outdoor activities and music. Ad# 5076

SEEKING ROMANCE
Single, white, female, 150lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, 32, like hope's to meet a romantic, single male, 30-40, who shares the interests in walks and dining. Ad# 5079

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Single, Hispanic female, brown hair, hazel eyes, loves shopping and dancing. She's in search of a single male, 30-40, with similar interests Ad# 5082

SEARCHING FOR LOVE
Sincere, single, Hispanic female, 5'4", 154lbs., brown hair, green eyes, likes dancing, movies and traveling, hoping to meet a caring, single male, 22-45, for a possible relationship Ad# 5091

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And call this fun, outgoing, fun-loving, spontaneous, attractive, single, Hispanic female, 18, enjoys movies, fishing and sports. She's looking for an open-minded, height/weight proportionate, single, white male, 18-26, who's honest, respectful and humorous Ad# 1200

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This pleasant, single, white professional female, 45, 5'8", 120lbs., blond hair, loves the outdoors, theater, traveling, concerts, art and more, seeking an honest, single, white professional male, 45-55 Ad# 1193

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Shy, yet delightful, single, white female, 23, 5'8", brown hair, hazel eyes, likes cooking, the outdoors and traveling, hoping to meet a well-rounded, single, white male, 25-30, with similar interests Ad# 1187

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Personable, single, white female, 27, 5'4", 180lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, likes movies and romantic walks, looking to meet that special, single, white male, 21-35, to spend time with Ad# 1170

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This, humorous, single, Hispanic female, 25, 5'4", brown hair/eyes, searching to meet a passionate, single male, 22-45, who likes spending time with friends, swimming and bowling. Ad# 1184

IS IT YOU?
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Congenial, full-figured, single female, 29, 5'5", with a nice smile, likes dancing, theater and traveling, looking for an honorable, single, white male, 28-34, for fun times Ad# 5090

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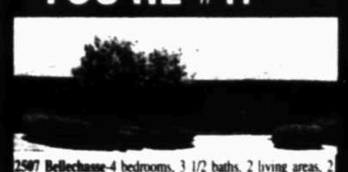
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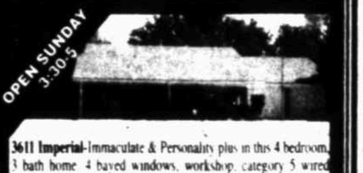
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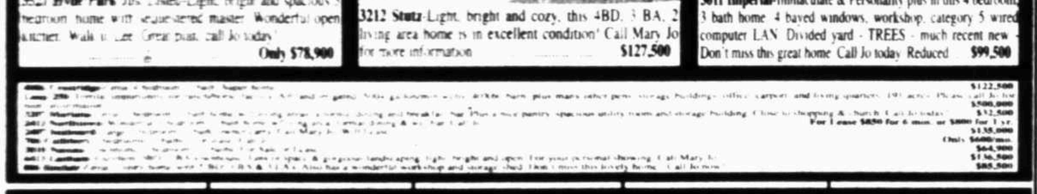
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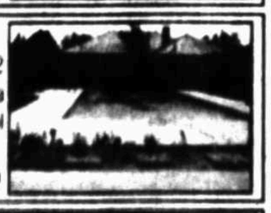


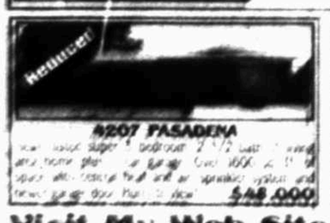
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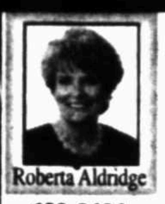
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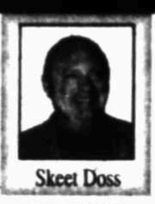
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5 BEDROOMS
4008 Fairwood-Study, Pool, 5 bdrm, custom home, Fabulous! $420,000
7 Hialeah-Pool, gated community, pretty updating $259,500

4 BEDROOMS
3204 Racquet Club Dr.-Classic elegance; superb plan $470,000
6935 Sunrise Ct.-Custom on golf course-4 bedrooms, game room $365,000
5009 Mira Vista-New, 4BD, 4BA, flagstone floors $299,900
1700 Storey-Totally Updated & Unique, Must See! $299,500
2002 L-Traditional 2 story in Warwick, Great pool $285,000
5013 Mira Vista-New 4BD, custom architecture, dazzling! $269,900
3600 Trinity Meadows-Huge rooms, wet bar, new carpet $235,000
4316 N. Co. Rd. 1241-Country living at its best. Sale or Lease $232,525
5404 Drexel-Custom 2 Story, Open floorplan $194,000
2200 Stratford-Polo Park, Gorgeous yard, New paint! $157,900
4800 Bishops Castle-Beautifully mantained, grand den and kitchen $156,900
5502 Highland-3 baths, 2 living, office $154,900
4912 Lancashire Rd.-3.5 bath, high ceilings, open plan $139,900
6006 Allandale-Very special custom home on quiet cul-de-sac $135,000
12 Chatham-Professionally Decorated, Updated to a "T" ..... U/C ..$128,900
3608 Pinemont-Open floor plan, Fairmont Park $114,500
10809 E. Co. Rd. 109-Greenwood Schools, move-in condition $97,500
1602 Bedford-Wonderful Old Midland location, nice updating $90,000
4713 Cindy Pl.-Completely Remodeled w/mature oak trees & landscape $89,900
1004 Sinclair-Established "Old Midland", warm & inviting $88,900
5008 E. Hwy. 158-GREENWOOD-4.3 acres, updated, 2 baths $79,900
911 W. Michigan-Gleaming hardwoods, great yard. Super $77,500
2608 Goddard-Nice plan, convenient neighborhood $69,900

3 BEDROOMS
2004 Seaboard-Great location, wonderful condition, fabulous decor $325,000
1926 Crescent Pl.-Lovely townhouse with pool $260,000
2109 S. Co. Rd. 1129-Minutes from the city $269,500
809 Canonero-Saddle Club Townhouse with pool $229,500
1911 Crescent Pl.-Great one story plan, bring all offers $225,000
2501 Sinclair-Contemporary, Beautiful Townhouse $209,500
9 Oaklawn Park-Traditional & spacious, bonus room $185,000
5811 Grassland-Super master suite, study, custom kitchen $179,500
3708 N. Co. Rd. 1243-Under Contract $149,900
3527 Lonoke-New Townhouse, Lovely Features, Wonderful! $124,500
2508 Bedford-Updated ..... U/C ..$119,900
2809 Dengar-3/2, Huge Rooms, Very Nice! $117,300
1300 Godfrey-Beautiful 3 bed, 2 bath, low maintenance $116,500
3202 Lockheed-Completely remodeled, 2 1/2 ba $109,900
4905 Purple Sage-Kahler Constr., Cul-de-sac $104,900
1207 Bedford-Fabulous yard, many updates $104,900
2910 Sandhill Circle-Gorgeous 2 ba on cul-de-sac $106,900
2608 Hughes-With guest house or office in rear $99,900
2506 Idlewilde-Open floorplan w/seq. master $94,900
1411 Sparks-Traditional & Charming "Old Midland" $89,900
3412 Rosemont-Open floorplan, neutral colors $89,900
1009 Neely-Updated inside & out $87,500

1210 Missouri-3 bath, Museum district $87,000
2503 Frontier-Much new, 3 LA, pool!/ Bring Offers! $87,000
2007 Westwind Drive-Like new TH! Tall ceilings, tile $79,900
4501 Falcon-Cul-de-sac, Northgate Addition ..... U/C ..$78,000
3909 Douglas-Loft & Formal Living $74,500
1100 McDonald-Large rooms, corner lot, new garage door $69,900
3500 Canemont-Fabulous Fairmont Park, Look at this price $69,900
2406 Northtown-Low maintenance home, good condition $69,900
702 Broadway-Guest house, hardwood floors, FP, Wonderful! $69,900
1607 Shell-Location! 3/2, 2LA, 2 Gar, New Carpet and Tile $69,900
4506 Patman-Good plan, pretty decor, Ready to Sell $67,900
4303 Country Club-Totally updated, gorgeous yard $67,000
3602 Storey-Great 3/2, lots of windows, new carpet $64,900
1708 E. Co. Rd. 145-3 Acres, Workshop, Neat! $64,900
3213 Shandon-3/2/2, new carpet/paint/tile, ref. A/C to be added! $62,900
812 W. Spruce-Great Starter Home, Nicely Updated $58,750
4309 Harvard-Updated, 2 baths, 2 living, 1 car garage $53,500
3221 W. Michigan-Plus adjacent lot, to be sold "as is" $49,500
4501 Monty-2 Living Areas, New carpet & vinyl flooring $45,000
4503 Amigo-Darling! Redone! Ref. A/C $44,900
5122 S. Co. Rd. 1183 1/2-3 bdrm, 3 bath, fireplace, Mobile Home $35,000
402 Hart-Nicely updated, owner to pay closing costs $33,000

2 BEDROOMS
21 Oaklawn Park-2B/2.5 5BA, A Dream Come True! $269,900
15 Oaklawn Park-Fabulous, updated townhouse $195,000
2202 Western-Huge master, completely re-done townhouse $110,000
4407-4409 Crocket-Investment Property, 4-Plexes ..... $80,000 ea.
1002 Louisiana-Charming, updated, 1 1/2 baths $64,500
1206 W. Scharbauer-2 story townhome, 2 1/2 baths $62,500
801 North "A"-Charming! Could be 3 bdrms $59,500
1501 Kentucky-Charming bungalo $33,500
2410 College-1 1/2 baths, open floorplan $29,900
1304 College-Charming, hardwood floors $29,900

LAND
2408 Bluebird-6+ Acres $250,000
N. Garfield-40 Acres, Great potential $172,800
FM 150-160 Acres $144,000
3900 Sinclair-5 Acres, Zoned Residential $100,000
FM 1379-Approx 250 Acres $99,000
2106 N. N-Great lot in the heart of Midland $62,000
1000 Cuthbert-Zero lot line, patio home areas ..... $49,500 ea.
Derby Lane-7 acres - trailer pad $25,000
4511-4519 Crockett-Res. Lots ..... $6,000 ea.
Co. Rd. 58-Trailer Space $4,000

LEASE
4225 Siesta-2 bed, 1 1/2 baths, like new ..... $600 mo.
3222 Camarie-3-4 Bedroom, Fannin area ..... $800 mo.
1201 Michigan-3 bed, 2 bath ..... $550 mo.

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Summer Never Ends...
In this attractive 4 bedroom in Trinity Meadows featuring heated in-ground pool with relaxing waterfall surrounded by mature landscaping. Inside find spacious bedrooms, 3 living areas, formal dining, hardwood floors, crown molding, roomy kitchen and many recent updates. Made to enjoy. $178,000. Always call Vicky Garrett, 570-8889

Twelve movers moving,
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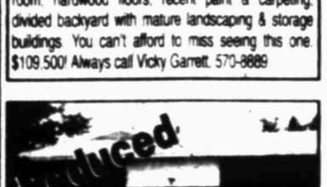
This One is SPECIAL!
Everything about this home is superior from finish work to location. Enjoy soaring ceilings, upgraded carpeting, plumbing & light fixtures, large sequestered master suite, outstanding kitchen with beautiful whitewashed cabinetry, private patio overlooking relaxing fountain, lush yard and much, much more. Invest in the best. $193,700. Always call Vicky Garrett, 570-8889



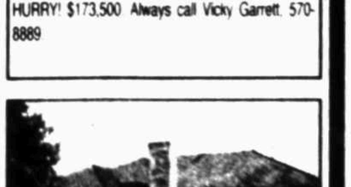
Big House, Even Bigger Value!
Magnificent older home in distinguished neighborhood affords 4 charming bedrooms, huge living/dining combo, family room, updated kitchen, huge utility room, hardwood floors, recent paint & carpeting, divided backyard with mature landscaping & storage buildings. You can't afford to miss seeing this one. $109,500! Always call Vicky Garrett, 570-8889



Pi[illegible] Polo Park
Outstanding [illegible] bedroom, 3 bath, 3 car garage with 3000 + sq. ft., sequestered master, in-law plan, formals. All waiting for you to make it yours, so HURRY! $173,500. Always call Vicky Garrett, 570-8889



Superior Interior!
Adorable 3 bedroom home in sharp condition with spacious living/dining featuring tile flooring & recessed lighting, bright kitchen offering updated plumbing fixtures, Lennox A/C, Trane heat, humidifier, R.O. unit, water softener. Outside find motion security lights, outdoor gas grill, storage buildings. Everything you could want at a price you can afford! $37,000. Always call Vicky Garrett, 570-8889



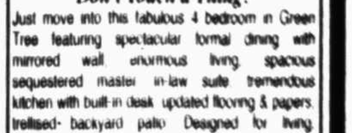
Don't Touch a Thing!
Just move into this fabulous 4 bedroom in Green Tree featuring spectacular formal dining with mirrored wall, enormous living, spacious sequestered master, in-law suite, tremendous kitchen with built-in desk, updated flooring & papers, trellised- backyard patio. Designed for living. $140,000. Always call Vicky Garrett, 570-8889



Easy on Your Heart.
No strenuous maintenance with this 2 bedroom/2 bath townhouse offering generous living, separate dining, handy kitchen, spacious bedrooms, utility room and convenient location. Short term lease. $650. Always call Vicky Garrett, 570-8889



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1:30 - 3:00 p.m. — **5503 Drexel Ct** — **$162,500 - 4/3/2** — Great Open Plan Fresh Paint/Carpet Wood Flooring in Kitchen & Breakfast

1:30 - 3:00 p.m. — **4603 Meadowwood** — **$172,500 - 3/2.5/1** — New by Isbell Very Nice Open Plan Lots of Tile Work Plantation Shutters

1:30 - 3:00 p.m. — **211 Skywood Cir** — **$198,500 - 4/3/1** — New Isbell Home Master Suite has Sitting Room and Fireplace

1:30 - 3:00 p.m. — **3617 Wadley Av** — **$110,000 - 3/2/1** — Gorgeous Totally Redone Townhome Beautiful Waterfall Unbelievably Pretty

1:30 - 3:30 p.m. — **4204 Merrill Dr** — **$96,000 - 3/2/2** — Atrium and Large Reception Area Great Home for Entertaining

3:00 - 4:30 p.m. — **4414 Roosevelt Dr** — **$55,500 - 3/2/2** — What a Cute Home! Many Updates in '98 Kit appliances, vinyl, carpet, paper, paint

3:00 - 4:30 p.m. — **3203 Seaboard Av** — **$129,500 - 3/3/2** — One-Owner "Old Midland is well-maintained. Large beautiful trees!

3:15 - 4:15 p.m. — **4413 St Andrews** — **$91,500 - 3/2/1** — Pretty Drive-Up Clean & Well-Maintained Formal Dining, too!

3:15 - 4:30 p.m. — **3612 Jordan Av** — **$81,500 - 3/2/1** — Lots of Decorator Touches Huge Den/Seq Master Bedroom

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BREEZEWAY	New Whitley: 5 bd-3 ba-3 liv-Upstairs Gameroom-Downstair Mstr-On the Course	$ 385,000
COUNTRY CLUB	Spectacular! 5 bd-3.5 ba-3 liv-Totally Remodeled-PRICE REDUCED!	$ 279,000
VERDE GLEN		UNDER CONTRACT
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RADCLIFF	Paul West Resale: 5 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Large Kit-2 Fpl-Seq.Master w/Study-Shutters	$ 224,500
HILLCREST		UNDER CONTRACT
SKYWOOD	New Isbell Home: 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Great Mstr Suite has Sitting Rm w/Fireplace	$ 198,500
CHESLEY CT	Pretty: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Green Tree North Cul de Sac-Seq.Master & in-Law Plan	$ 189,000
MEADOWWOOD	New Isbell: 3 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Much Tile-Hydromulched Yard-Sprinklers	$ 172,800
DREXEL	Very Pretty: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Fresh Paint/Carpet-Wood Flooring in Kit/Brk	$ 162,500
WHITMAN	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Good Plan	$ 145,950
LOS ALAMITOS	Great Floorplan: 4 bd-3 ba-1 Liv-Gorgeous Mstr-$2,000 BUYER ALLOWANCE	$ 145,000
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-3 liv-Game Room	$ 143,500
WHITMAN	By Whitehead: 4 bd-2 ba-3 liv-Can be 5 BR	$ 143,500
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Pick Your Colors & Options	$ 142,950
MEADOWWOOD	Patio Home: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Gourmet Kit-Wonderful Mstr Suite-Mint Condition	$ 139,900
CRISTA		UNDER CONTRACT
STANOLIND	New Construction: 3 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Many Amenities-Recessed Lighting-Lots of Tile	$ 139,000
N. H.	Light/Bright: 3 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Circle Drive-Sparkling Pool-Saltillo Tile	$ 138,000
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Roomy Plan	$ 137,950
BRIGHTON	Fabulous Seq.Mstr: 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Huge Liv.Area-Large Bdrms-4th Bdrm Could be Office	$ 133,000
CLAYTON	NEW LISTING	$ 132,900
	Pretty New Jackson Patio Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors Now-Wonderful Great Room	
CRESTGATE	Wonderful & Large: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Pretty Carpet-Fresh Entry Tile-Great Space	$ 129,900
SEABOARD	'Old Midland': 3 bd-3 ba-2 liv-1 Owner 30+yrs-3 Level-Beautiful Tree	$ 129,500
TERRA	Wow! 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Awesome Mstr Suite-Great Storage-Recessed Lighting Throughout	$ 127,000
WADLEY		UNDER CONTRACT
WADLEY	New Jackson Patio Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Spacious Kitchen-Oversized Master	$ 119,900
CASTLEFORD	Stone Fireplace: 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Could be 3 bd-Rec.Roofing-Alarm Systm	$ 117,000
FIELDS	Cul-de-Sac: 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Good Kit-Plantation Shutters-Great Drive-up Appeal	$ 116,400
CRESTGATE	Nice: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Tile Flooring-Neutral Carpet-ASK ABOUT HOME WARRANTY	$ 114,900
WADLEY	Gorgeous Townhome: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Totally Redone-Beautiful Waterfall	$ 110,000
SHERWOOD	Ready to Occupy: 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Nice Corner Lot	$ 109,975
SINCLAIR	Spacious Bedrooms: 3 bd-2 ba-3 liv-Huge Workshop-$1,000 BUYER INCENTIVE	$ 109,900
SHELL	Heritage Homes New Townhome: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-High Ceiling-Tile Fireplace	$ 108,000
SHELL	New Heritage Homes Twnhm: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Open Plan-Kitchen Skylight	$ 106,000
STUTZ	Warm & Beautiful: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Sep.Formal Dining + Brk Area-Wood Flooring	$ 107,900
STANOLIND	Hot Tub: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Twnhm w/Private Patio-Lots of Saltillo Tile-Low Maint	$ 106,000
AMHURST	Wow! 4 bd-2.5 ba-3 liv-Large Bedrooms, Rec Carpet-Large Trees	$ 104,975
BEDFORD	Cedar Closets: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Hardwood Flooring-Wired Shop-2% BUYER INCENTIVE	$ 99,900
BISHOPS CASTLE	Quiet Neighborhood: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Seq.Master-Formal Din-Rear Ent-Gar	$ 99,900
LAVACA	Great Large Home: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Nice Sunroom-4 Pecan Trees-Hobby Room	$ 98,900
MERRILL	Entertaining Home: 3 bd-2 ba-2 Liv-Bright Atrium Entry-Jacuzzi-Zoned Heat & A/C	$ 96,000
APPERSON	Beautiful Home in Kimber Lea: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Large Bdrms-Wonderful Decor	$ 95,000
NEELY	Nice/Spacious: 4 bd-2 ba-3 liv-Well for Yard-Sec.System-1 Bdrm Could be Study	$ 95,000
STUTZ	Great Location: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Livable Floor Plan-Large Patio under Large Trees	$ 95,000
PRINCETON	New Patio/Twnhme: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Low Maintenance-by Dan Garner	$ 95,000
SHERWOOD		UNDER CONTRACT
ST ANDREWS	Well-Maintained: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Formal Dining-Nice Closets-Rear Entry Gar	$ 91,500
HUGHES	Great Open Floor Plan: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Seq.Mstr-Enc.Patio-Storage Shed-Wkshp	$ 89,900
CANADIAN	Gourmet Kitchen: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Kit.Island with Sink-Beautiful Fireplace Wall	$ 88,500
CLAREMONT		UNDER CONTRACT
WYDEWOOD	Beautiful: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Large Rooms-$5,000 DECORATING ALLOWANCE	$ 87,500
CASPER	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Could be 4 BR	$ 86,000
SPENCE	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Make Selections	$ 86,000
RIO GRANDE	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Open Plan	$ 86,000
CASPER	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick all Options	$ 86,000
KNIFFEN		UNDER CONTRACT
BRUNSWICK		UNDER CONTRACT
STANOLIND	Great Home/Many Redo's: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-$1,000 BUYER ALLOWANCE	$ 83,900
FLOYD	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Plan Yours Now	$ 83,900
JORDAN	Decorator Touches: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Nice & Clean-Huge Den-Seq Mstr-Corner Lot	$ 81,500
GARFIELD	Charmer: 2 bd-2 ba-3 liv-Huge Screened Porch-Circle Drive-Mstr Bath Redone!	$ 79,900
COUNTRY CLUB	Recent Redo! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Tons of Storage-Hardwood Den Floor-French Doors	$ 79,900
BEDFORD	So Pretty: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Large open Formal Dining/Living-Tile in Kit & Den-Pool	$ 79,900
PRINCETON	Open Plan: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Great Covered Patio-Front Sprinkler-Water Well	$ 79,900
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Huge Bedroom w/Bath	$ 79,300
HUNTINGTON	Mature Trees: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Wrkshop or 3-car gar-Berber Carpet-Huge Kit	$ 79,000
TREVINO	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick all Options	$ 78,800
EMERSON	Great Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Rec.Int/Ext Paint,Carpet,Vinyl-HOME WARRANTY	$ 78,500
GULF	Great Location: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Updated Paint/Tile-Whitewashed Cabinets	$ 78,000
CONCHO	Great Floorplan! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-POOL-Rec.Ext Paint-HOME WARRANTY	$ 76,900
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Can be 3 Bedroom	$ 76,400
LEHIGH	Nice Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Large Liv.Area w/Fireplace-Good Front Drive Access	$ 76,000
RIO GRANDE	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Options Available	$ 75,500
KANSAS	Pool with Waterfall: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Rec.Roofing-Fresh Paint-Quiet Neighborhood	$ 74,995
CASPER	By Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors-Pick Options!	$ 72,900
SPENCE	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Carefree Plan	$ 72,800
GLENEAGLES		UNDER CONTRACT
CAMARIE	Totally Adorable & Immaculate! 3 bd-2.5 + 5 ba-2 liv-Fresh Paint & Carpet	$ 71,500
GRAHAM	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Make it Yours	$ 70,200
GREENBRIAR		UNDER CONTRACT
DENTON	NEW LISTING	$ 69,900
	See-Thru Fireplace: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-spacious Yard-Bonus Room for Computer/Study/Bdrm	
MICHIGAN	Homey Den: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Cinder Block Fence & Storage-Very Nice	$ 69,500
GRAHAM	By Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Convenient Plan	$ 69,200
IMPERIAL	Cozy Neighborhood: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Spacious Kitchen-Large Fenced Backyard	$ 67,500
N. D	Much Recent & Fresh: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Remodeled Master Bath	$ 66,900
SHELL	Clean! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Rec.A/C,Heat,Roofing,DW,Kit/Den Ceramic Tile	$ 59,900
PECOS		UNDER CONTRACT
LOUISIANA	Old Midland Charm: 3 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Hardwood Floors-Sitting Porch-2 car gar	$ 58,900
MICHIGAN	Cute/Livable: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Fresh Int.Paint/Tile Flooring/Formica/DW-Move in Ready	$ 57,500
LAURA	NEW LISTING	$ 57,000
	Cute and Cozy: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Berber Carpet-Tile in Kit/Utility-Home Warranty	
CRENSHAW	Nice Floor Plan: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Separate Formal Dining Area	$ 55,900
ROOSEVELT	Cute: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Updates in '98: Kit.Appliances,Vinyl,Carpet,Paper Paint	$ 55,500
KANSAS	'Old Midland' Cottage: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Beautiful Hardwood-This Starter Twinkles!	$ 55,000
PLEASANT	So Neat/So Clean: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Seq.Master-Added Insulation	$ 54,900
PARKDALE	Great Updated Kitchen: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Huge Living Area-Workshop in Garage	$ 49,900
STOREY	Immaculate Yards: 3 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Great Appeal-Lush St Augustine Grass	$ 44,000
BENTON	Interior Updates: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Ceramic Tile-Ceiling Fans-Fenced Yard	$ 42,000
HARLOWE	First Home or Investment! 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Fresh Ceramic Tile/Carpet-Neutral Colors	$ 36,900
DELANO	Cute House: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Well Maintained-Big Divided Backyard	$ 36,000
PECOS		UNDER CONTRACT
ROOSEVELT	NEW LISTING	$ 32,900
	Look Here: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Alum.Siding-Wtr Well-Roomy Lot-Starter/Investment Possibilities	

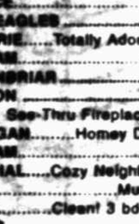


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W. 4TH	Mob Home: 4 bd-1 ba-1 liv-approx .27 Ac-approx 14x70' w/addition approx 432 sq.ft.	$ 22,900

NEW LISTINGS

11645 W 23rd (Odessa) - $32,000: Westridge Addition. This great 2 bdrm, 2 bath home includes almost 5 acres. You'll also find an approx 500 sq.ft. enclosed sunroom that could be converted to additional living space as required. MHU space with separate electric meter and septic system and water well. Call Norm Carnett 570-8200/evening 686-8737.

1007 Denton St - $69,900: Spacious Yard gives you lots of room for play and entertaining with this 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 living area home. Feel the luxury of the see-through fireplace that warms the 2 living areas. There's a bonus room to use for computer, study or a 4th bedroom. Call CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton Realtors 570-8200.

3301 Roosevelt Dr - $32,500: Starter Home or Investment - You Choose. This 2 bdrm, 1 bath, 1 living area home has easy-care aluminum siding. There's a water well for the yard that's spacious enough for pets, play or gardening - if you've got a green thumb. Call CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton Realtors 570-8200.

4718 Laura Dr - $57,500: Cozy! The recently installed Berber carpet has just been cleaned in this 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 1 living area home. The kitchen-utility area has tile flooring. The home warranty will transfer to buyer at closing. Call CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton Realtors 570-8200.

4800 Clayton Ct - $132,900: Hurry, Hurry so you can Pick Your Colors! This pretty new patio home by Mike Jackson is going to have wonderful greatroom arrangement. There's a formal dining area plus the more casual breakfast area. You'll love the sequestered master suite with its jacuzzi tub and walk through closet. More amenities are lots of tile, loads of windows, plantation shutters and wood blinds. Call CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton Realtors 570-8200.

SUBURBAN LISTINGS

N. CO RD 1130	Must See! 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Approx 4 ac-Shop w/Guest Qtrs-HOME WARRANTY	$ 175,000
E. CO RD 102	New in Greenwood: 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Fiesta Ranch Est-Approx 2.59 Ac-Great Plan	$ 154,900
KNIFFEN		UNDER CONTRACT
N. CO RD 1136	Cute/Private: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Nice Kit-Large Liv-Greenwood Sch-Approx 5 ac	$ 82,800
S. CO RD 1183	Pecans,Pecans & More Pecans: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Approx 5.27 Ac-Drip System	$ 52,900
W. CO RD 53	Come Inside: 3 bd-2 ba-1 Liv-Hardwood Flooring-Large Closets-Approx 2 Acres	$ 29,900
S. CO RD 1195	Storm Cellar: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Mob.Home-Approx 3 Ac-6' Fencing Around 2 Ac	$ 28,500
S. CO RD 1210	Large Foyer: 4 bd-1 ba-2 liv-Approx .56 Ac-Concrete Block Fence	$ 24,900

LOTS & LAND

DORIS (Odessa)	Res.Rural Lot-Approx .46 ac-Horses & Mobile Home OK	$ 1,200
W. CO RD 1127	Two Rural Lots: Each Approx 1 Ac - No Mobile Homes!	$ 3,500 ea
S. CO RD 1127	Rural Residential Lot-Approx 1.533 Acres-Greenwood Acres-No Mob Homes	$ 6,000
S. CO RD 1312	Ridgewood Addition Unimproved Lot-Mobile Homes OK-Approx .28 Acre	$ 7,000
E. CO RD 106	Corner Lot behind Greenwood School-Approx .5 Acre-Great Access	$ 8,000
W. 87th (Odessa)	Residential Lot Northwest Odessa-Approximately .79 Acre	$ 8,500
S. CO RD 1122	19 Lots in Super New Subdivision-Reata Ranch Estates-Pick Yours Today!	$ 9,000 ea
S. CO RD 1209	Approx 3.75 Acres /Rural Residential/Partially Fenced	$ 16,000
WESTMINSTER	Two Res Lots-Skyline Terrace West Addition-Great Location-Both Approx 1/4 Ac	$ 15,000 ea
W. CO RD 123 (Odessa)	Ridgewood Subdivision-Approx .66 Ac	$ 19,500
S. CO RD 1218	Approx 10-Ac-Horses OK-No Mob Homes-Deed Restricted to Min 1200 Sq.Ft Home	$ 24,900
HWY 137 (Stanton)	Approx 19.91 Ac-Res or Agricultural Use-No Mob Homes-No Comm Hog Raising	$ 25,000
S. CO RD 1218	Approx 10+Ac-Horses OK-No Mob Homes-Deed Restricted to Min 1200 Sq.Ft Home	$ 25,000
I-20	22+ Acres-Prime I-20 Frontage	$ 385,000
COWDEN ADDN	10 Lots in 1800 Block of Keith-To be Sold as Package-Land Only	$ 400,000
PARKLEA ADDN	12 Lots in 200 Block of Cuyler Drive-Zoned Light Retail	$ 480,000
E. LOOP 250 N	Approx 640Ac-Develop for Country Estates	$ 1,248,000

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JASMINE	I-20 Accessible - Zoned IP	$ 8,000
BOULDER	Three Fairmont Condos: Each = 1 bd-1 ba-2 liv-Perfect for Single/Couple/Investor	$ 9,250 ea
KANSAS	Duplex: Each side = 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Washer/Dryer-Ready to Occupy	$ 19,400
JASMINE	Great I-20 Access - Zoned IP	$ 19,500
S. CO RD 1218	Building-Trailer Hookup Available-Paved County Road	$ 21,000
BILLING SLEY	Planned for Storage Facilities-RV Parking Approx 2.7 Acre	$ 68,500
ANDREWS HWY	Hot Corner Location-Near Hospital-High Visibility & Traffic Count-Great for Drive Thru	$ 75,000
W I-20	Commercial Retail Location on I-20 Exit Access-Approx 3.04 Ac To Be Sold "As Is"	$ 90,000
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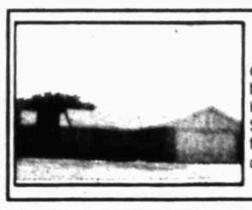
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VISIONS OF SUGARPLUMS
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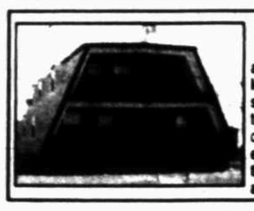
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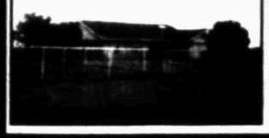
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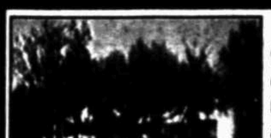
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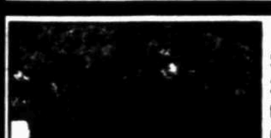
VERY NICE
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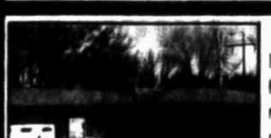
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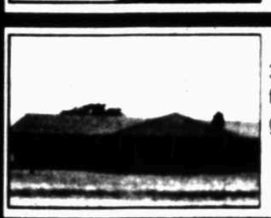
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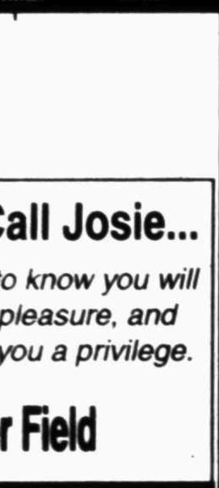
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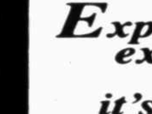
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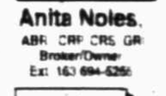
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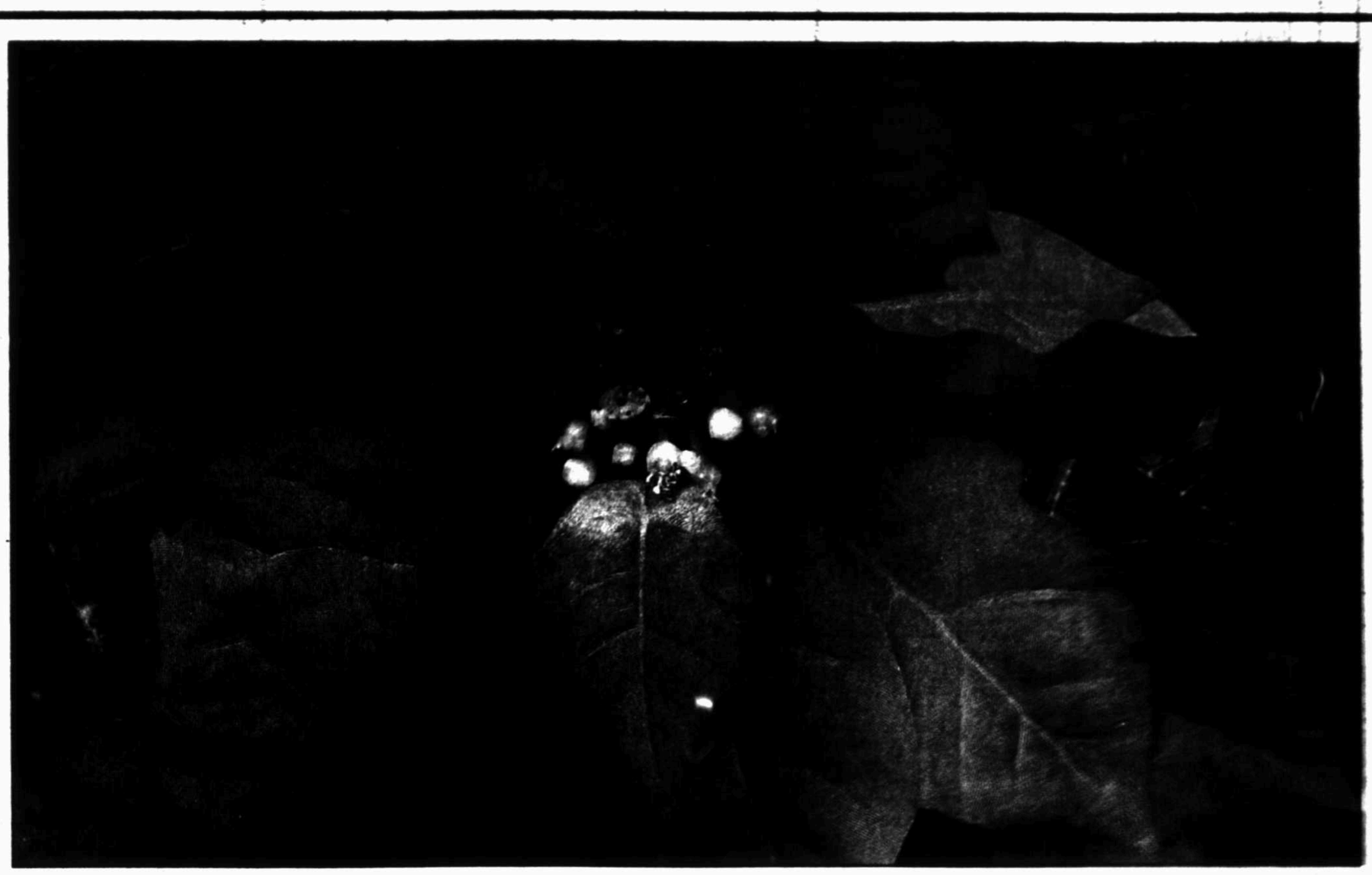
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Symbols of the season

By Emily Baker



Thoughts of Christmas conjure up images of Christmas trees, mistletoe and of course jolly ol' St. Nick. Everyone from small children to the elderly can name such loved Christmas symbols, but do you know where those symbols came from and how their association with the holiday came about?

Many of the symbols actually have pagan celebrations behind them. Most originated in central Europe in medieval times, though some go back to the Romans.



Christmas trees

The ancient Romans believed that bringing evergreens into the home brought good luck, according to the book "Christmas Customs and Traditions" by Frank Muir. The tradition of growing ivy and evergreens in the home for good luck continued for many years until St. Boniface, an English missionary went to Germany. Legend has it that St. Boniface cut down a sacred oak tree on Christmas Eve. This oak tree was one under which human sacrifices were made. As the oak tree fell, a young fir tree sprung up in its place. St. Boniface suggested that the tree was a symbol of the new faith he had brought to Germany.

Decorating Christmas trees is said to have originated when Martin Luther took a stroll through a forest one night. As he stars shown their light on the fir trees, Luther was struck by the beauty. When he got home he put candles on the tree's branches to remind him of the love Christ had for him.



Holly

The Catholic Church adopted holly as a Christian symbol during medieval times, according to Muir's book. The sharp leaves and the blood-red berries were said to be symbols of the crown of thorns placed on Jesus' head by the Romans before His crucifixion.

The druids also had a tradition that dealt with holly. A sprig of holly was brought into the home to ward the evil spirits away. The sprig had sharp, spiny leaves. The master of the house hung a sprig with smooth leaves. The mistress of the house hung a sprig with berries on it. Around these sprigs of holly the children might have played in the house. Later, mistletoe and ivy

Wreaths







HAVE YOU HEARD?

Christmas lighting party just around the corner

By Marilyn McKnight Harrison

The Scarborough-Lineberry House's third annual Christmas lighting party, held the Sunday after Thanksgiving, was a wonderful way for Midlanders to usher in the holiday season.

The rooms of the historic home, located at 802 S. Main St., were beautifully decorated for the occasion, and the resplendent outdoor lighting was turned on in time for the festivities. Guests were encouraged to look around at their leisure and then to partake of refreshments, which included gingerbread men, assorted cookies, Christmas candies, and wassail. Docents were on hand to answer any questions pertaining to the residence and its history.


Harrison

The open house turned out to be a multigenerational affair. Among the families seen in the crowd were **Mildred (Mrs. Robert O.) Burkett, Linda (Mrs. David) Whitaker, Karen (Mrs. Jerry) Orndorff, and Britni Young; Martha (Mrs. Dan) Kallas with Eilizabeth Kallas of Tampa, Fla.; Sharri Ketcham, Wendy (Mrs. Steve) Power, and Amber Power; Gayle (Mrs. Doc) Dodson, Kelly (Mrs. Todd) Hullender, Jamie Dodson of New Braunfels, and Blair and Mills Hullender.**

Frances Stapp, curator of the home, was joined for the festivities by her family, including her husband, **Larry, and her daughters and their families, Stacey, Pete, Addie and Andrew Cornett of Plainview, and Brandy, Jim, Grayson and Sawyer Tirey of Eastland.**

AFTER A FULL week of festivities, former Midlander **Julie Kay Swift and Maurice van de Laar** were married on Nov. 18 at Miami Beach Community Church in Florida.

We've been told the music during the service was absolutely magnificent. It was performed by five soloists from the Miami Grand Opera. Among the selections were Schubert's "Ave Maria" and "The Lord's Prayer."

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Delano Hotel in Miami's South Beach. The band, the dinner and dancing were all enjoyed poolside. The guests began arriving the Wednesday prior to the wedding from Africa, Europe, Texas and other parts of the United States. The bride, her mother, Midlander **Joy Swift, and her sister, Carol (Mrs. Bascom) Bentley of Palestine**, entertained throughout the week at their poolside bungalow at the Delano.

On Thursday, the men participated in a deep sea fishing trip, during which the groom caught a seven-foot sailfish. Meanwhile, the women enjoyed a luncheon at the Blue Door Restaurant hosted by **Carol Bentley and Julie's aunt, Jane (Mrs. Ken) Collins of Woodland Hills, Calif**. The celebrating continued that evening at Level's VIP Room. Friday's rehearsal dinner at Mark's consisted of a five-course dinner with toasts and Netherlands style skits. On Sunday, guests enjoyed Sacher torte flown in from Vienna.

Midland guests included **Julie's mother and Allison (Mrs. Jamie) Small.**

The couple reside in New York City, where Julie is pursuing her acting and dancing career, and Maurice is with the United Nations. They are planning a sailboat cruise on the Mediterranean and a visit to Monte Carlo next summer.

THE FALL WEDDING of Midlanders **Nicole Patton and Jeff Rashall** took place in the beautiful setting of the T-bone Ranch at Valera, Texas. The couple exchanged vows on the veranda of **Millie and Travis Goree's** ranch house overlooking a tri-level pool.

After the ceremony, the bride's parents, **Brenda and Ronny Patton of Midland**, hosted a candlelight dinner and a moonlight dance. Music was provided by the **Lariat Band** from Abilene. (In a side note, the ranch is home to many imported, exotic animals, as well as pet deer, including one who decided to join in the wedding festivities).

The groom's parents, Midlanders **Glenda and Wallace Rashall**, hosted the rehearsal dinner on the lawn in front of a historic rock house located on the ranch and owned by the **Gorees. A Midland friend, Della (Mrs. Joe) Neal**, entertained with the bridesmaids luncheon at their home on the JD Ranch at Valera. Prenuptial parties began here with a bridal shower at the home of Janet Allison. The hostesses were **Stacy (Mrs. Brad) Hanlan, Katie Fletcher, Regina (Mrs. Chris) Compton, Allison (Mrs. Brian) McKinley, Dawn (Mrs. Mark) Rashall, Connie Griffice, and Sue (Mrs. Craig) Shelton.** In addition, a "Honey-Do) shower was held at the home of **Donna Gore, with Melissa and Cody Wicker** cohosting, and a lingerie shower was given poolside at the home of **Wendy (Mrs. Kirk) Farquhar. Co-hostesses for the latter event were Susan Ellis and Nancy (Mrs. John) Butler.** The couple honeymooned at St. Lucia in the West Indies.

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DEAR ABBY

Family is torn apart when widow, widower get together

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: You have probably heard everything, but here goes. My sister-in-law died last summer. She had been very ill for a year. My brother-in-law, "Tom," took excellent care of her, but not too long before her death, she had to be put in a nursing home. While visiting his wife there, Tom struck up a friendship with a woman I'll call "Dolly." Tom is in his 70s. Dolly is in her 80s. Dolly's husband died about the same time as my sister-in-law.


Van Buren

Get this: While Tom and his family were receiving friends at the funeral home, Dolly showed up and announced to one and all that she was Tom's girlfriend.

To make matters worse, at the funeral, she also told everyone at church she was Tom's girlfriend. She even sat with us in the family pews, right behind Tom.

How could anyone be so brazen as to not even wait until the spouse is buried to announce their affair?

One week later, Tom bought her an engagement ring. Two weeks after that, they eloped.

Do you think we should exclude them from our annual holiday dinner? Several family members have said they will not attend if she's there. Our family has always been very close, but this has torn us apart. How should I handle this? — ONE FOR THE BOOKS

DEAR ONE FOR THE BOOKS: Because your family is still grieving — and upset over Tom's swift remarriage — consider scaling down your organized holiday events this year. You all need more time to heal.

Tom and Dolly obviously bonded while visiting their dying spouses. Please try not to judge them too harshly. They may have been lonely and vulnerable watching their spouses slip away day after day.

I agree that Dolly's timing was off. However, Tom and Dolly witnessed death firsthand. Because of their ages, they've chosen to live the rest of their lives to the fullest. Try to be happy for them and wish them well. After all, they're family.

DEAR ABBY: I have very eclectic tastes and have always prided myself on having things that are unique to me. However, I have one friend who constantly robs me of my individuality.

I have two cats — and she acquired two cats. I got a hamster for my boyfriend — and she got two hamsters for her husband and put them in a more elaborate cage. I bought a water dragon — she got two and put them in a fancier tank. I bought a dragon print for my living room — she bought three dragon prints. I am an avid gardener and mentioned that someday I would like to have a water garden. Well, guess what — she now has a water garden. She constantly tries to outdo me. It goes on and on.

It infuriates me when our friends comment and praise her for HER style and taste. We are both in our 30s, but suddenly I feel I'm back in high school.

I don't want to be petty, but I feel like my identity is being stolen. What can I do to stop it? — COPIED IN CONNECTICUT

DEAR COPIED: Tell your friend you're turning your living room into a shrine for Elvis — then let her.

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Abigail Van Buren's column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

SYMBOL: Why are the stockings hung by the chimney with care?

(From 1E)

would make his rounds in a sleigh pulled by reindeer, according to "The Everything Christmas Book," which was edited by Michaelle Bevilacqua and Brandon Toropoo. Rudolf and his red nose come from a 1939 story by Robert L. May and was made popular by Gene Autry's song, "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," which was first released in 1949.

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Stockings

This tradition of Christmas stockings comes from the real St. Nicholas, according to "The Everything Christmas Book." He knew of three women who couldn't be married because they had no dowry. St. Nicholas wanted to help anonymously, so one night he threw bags of gold coins down the chimney of the girls' house. The bags landed in stockings that were hanging by the chimney to dry.

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Christmas bells

Bells were used by the pagans during their mid-winter solstice festival to scare away evil spirits, according to "The Everything Christmas Book."

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Poinsettias

The symbol of poinsettias originated in Mexico. A tradition in Mexico involves putting gifts for Jesus on the altar at Christmas, according to "The Everything Christmas Book." Legend has it that a poor boy couldn't afford a gift so he knelt to pray. A poinsettia bloomed where he prayed.

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Wassail

Wassail, a Christmas drink, comes from Victorian times, according to "The Everything Christmas Book." The drink, which is made of eggs, curdled cream, nuts, spices, roasted apples and mulled ale, was used with a toast, "waes hael," which means, "to your health."

The pagans of this time used the drink for agricultural festivals. They soaked apple trees with the drink to ensure a good harvest

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Candles

Candles also originated in Victorian times, according to "The Everything Christmas Book." The pagans used candles to scare off evil spirits. Christians placed candles in their windows as a sign of concern for poor people. It was an invitation to poor people to stay at the house for the night.

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Christmas carols

Christmas carols are said to have been an attempt by Christians to fulfill the Great Commission, a command by Christ to spread the news of him to all corners of the globe, according to "All About Christmas" by Maymie R. Krythe.

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Candy canes

Candy canes come from the 17th century, according to candyusa.org. The choir master at the Cologne Cathedral in Germany handed out sugar sticks to keep children quiet during choir practice. He had the sticks bent into the shape of shepherd staffs during Christmas time to represent the shepherds who came to visit Jesus when he was born.

It wasn't until the 18th century that the peppermint flavor and the red stripes were introduced. The red stripe symbolizes the Lord's sacrifice for mankind.

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Gingerbread

Gingerbread can be traced to 11th century England. Crusaders brought a new spice, ginger, back to England from the Middle East, according to christmas98.com. It became very popular. Though gingerbread isn't bread, it is called bread because the Latin word for ginger, "zingebar," sounds somewhat like gingerbread. The term "gingerbread" wasn't used until the 15th century.

Gingerbread became associated with Christmas because of European markets. Special shops would open specifically for Christmas, especially in Germany. Gingerbread became popular through these Christmas markets.

Seed for Thought

By Deborah Benge Frost

Landscapes should be designed with all four seasons in mind, but unfortunately winter is often overlooked. There are many plants with beautiful silhouettes, flaking bark, evergreen foliage and fruit to make them quite showy in the dormant months.

Berry laden plants are particularly useful in the winterscape. Besides the fabulous color they provide, they are often a food source for birds and other forms of wildlife contributing further to their value in the winter landscape.

Here are a few good landscape plants, well adapted to area landscapes that have beautiful berries.

American Beautyberry, Callicarpa americana, is a 4 to 5-inches by 4 to 5-inches deciduous shrub that has an arching growth habit. Beautyberry is a rather ordinary green shrub during the growing season, but in late summer and fall it begins to exhibit the most fabulous bunches of berries located at the nodes along the stems. These berries are an unusual and beautiful rich purple. The berries will remain quite showy until spring, unless they are eaten by birds...which they often are. Beautyberry can be grown as an understory shrub or in full sun and they need well mulched moist soil.

Pyracantha, Pyracantha coccinea, are semi-evergreen shrubs that get no less than 6-foot by 6 foot and can get quite larger. They are limited in the home-landscape because of their sheer size and vicious thorns. They bloom with clusters of small white blooms in the spring and set fruit afterward. In late summer and fall the fruit begins to color red, orange, yellow depending on the variety and species. The berries often will stay until January.

This is a most attractive fruiting shrub that should be grown in full sun and in a location where there's lots of room to grow in its natural shape.

Don't shear or prune during the growing season.

Coralberry, Symphoricarpos or biculatus, can be used as a shrub or almost as a tall groundcover, growing 3-foot by 4-foot tall and spreading by runners.

The plant is deciduous and blooms with small pink to white blooms which are followed by clusters of magenta red berries. The berries become quite showy in late summer and remain that way through spring. The contrast of the red berries and the chartreuse new growth is quite attractive. The birds will eat the berries, but many times they escape being eaten altogether.

This is a delightful plant that will grow quite well with verylittle attention after it is established. It will grow in full sun or a great deal of shade. The branches grow in a somewhat herringbone pattern that is quite attractive. The leaves are thumbnail size and oval. This is definitely a plant that needs to be used more often in area landscapes.

It's a little hard to find, but it is offered by several local garden centers.

Indian Hawthorn, Raphiolepis indica, is a very popular evergreen shrub that grows 3 to 6-feet tall depending on the cultivar. This beautiful shrub is grown mostly for it's evergreen and spring flowering characteristics, but it also has attractive blue berries. This shrub grows in full sun or partial shade. It must have good drainage.

Oregon Grape Holly, Mahonia aquifolium, is an evergreen shrub that grows 3 to 6-feet by 6 to 8-feet, has attractive holly like foliage, yellow flowers in the spring and clusters of bluish black berries in the late summer, fall and winter. Foliage is purple-bronze colored in the fall and winter. Leaves are holly like, but not sharp. Grow in shade to part shade, keep soil moist but not wet, use a mulch and avoid excessively windy micro climates and high pH soils.

Cotoneaster, Cotoneaster species are quite suitable for land scaping and very attractive.

Please see SEEDS/3E

Club News

Ladies of the Petroleum Club

The Ladies of the Petroleum Club and their guests recently began the holiday season with a luncheon prepared by the Petroleum Club's new chef, Kelly Cook. Origin, the vocal jazz ensemble from Lee High School, presented a holiday music program.

Preceptor Epsilon Delta Chapter, B.S.P.

Preceptor Epsilon Delta Chapter, B.S.P. held its regular meeting at the Rape Crisis center., Nancy Young presided. Beverly Brock conducted a tour of the facility and adjoining Children's Advocacy Center.

Members brought stuffed animals for that service project, led by Sue Adams. Judy Jehring reported on plans for a dinner social at the Courtyard Cafe.

Rozann Milam gave a publicity report and read correspondence. Nancy Young was elected Chapter Sweetheart and Secret Sister gifts were exchanged. Pauline Heidel won the hostess gift. Barbara Adams served as hostess. Members and their spouses recently enjoyed a fall weekend in Cloudcroft, New Mexico.

Sprucing up for the holidays

From W magazine

'Tis the season for party-hopping. Here, three unique items to make you look and feel your best.

HOUSE OF SPIRITS

Helena Rubinstein's spirit must be doing a happy little jig.

First the entrepreneur's namesake skin-care and makeup brand was relaunched to great fanfare — including the splashy opening of the HR Beauty Gallery in Manhattan's SoHo.Now comes the line's first fragrance, Spirits, spiked with bergamot, pineapple, white pepper and ylang-ylang. Helena Rubinstein, (877) 447-7646.

COLOR WHEEL

There's no escaping the triumphant return of vibrant eye color, and Lancome couldn't be more pleased.

Its new Colour Focus Exceptional Wear Eyecolour collection is cute as can be — and the 30 velvety shades satisfy all cravings for bright hues.

ON THE CATWALK

Marc Beckman took inspiration for his new makeup collection from beauty's close cousin — fashion — and he named it Defile, after the French word for runway. Limited-edition leather beauty accessories, like the brush roll, merge function with style.

The luxurious makeup products come with names such as Couture and Front Row. Available at Sephora and Harrods.

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AROUND TOWN

■ **VAN-Visually Impaired Men's Support Group** will meet at Van House, 2908 W. Ohio, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Dec. 12. Sam Manriquez, a new client, will speak on the history of his background. An Open House will be held Dec. 13 for all interested clients, board of directors and present clients. For more information call 684-2648.

■ **The 45 Plus Dance Club** will host a country western dance with live music from 7:30 to 10 p.m. Tuesday nights, Dec. 12 and 19 at the Midland Downtown Lions Center, 200 Plaza. This is a non-smoking and non-alcoholic environment. Admission is $4 for members and $5 for non-members. Singles welcome. For more information call 699-5202 or 694-1869.

■ **The Midland County Public Library**, 301 W. Missouri, will host Legend, singing group from Midland High School at noon Dec. 13, Woodwind Quartet at 4:15 p.m. Dec. 14 and Crestview Handbell Choir at noon Dec. 18.

■ **Lee High School and Lee Freshman High School Orchestras** will perform in Winter Wonderland at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12 at Lee High School Auditorium. Admission is 2 samll cans of food to benefit Meals-On-Wheels Holiday Gift Basket Drive...

■ **Newcomer's Club** will host a Christmas potluck luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Dec. 14. Children from The Tumbleweed Tellers Storytellers Guild will present Christmas stories. A gift exchange will take place. Newcomers to the area are invited. For more information call 520-2040 or 697-0813.

■ **Kappa Delta Alumnae Association** will have its annual Mother/Daughter Christmas Tea Dec. 17 from 2-4 p.m. at 1004 Stanolind. Members are aksed to bring something for the refreshment table and have at Gayle's by 1:45 p.m. All area KD collegiates are invited to attend. Call 682-3376 for information.

■ **Permian Basin Bicycle Association** meets the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, intersection of FM1788 and WCR 60. Helmets are required for all rides. For information about weekly rides, mountain bike rides, racing or touring, see the website at www.bikeride.com or call Peyton's Bikes at 699-1718.

■ **The Ellen Noel Art Museum** of the Permian Basin in Odessa will be closed Dec. 24 and 25 for Christmas and Jan. 1 for New Year's Day.

■ **The Detour, United Ostomy Association,** will have its Christmas party at 1 p.m. today in the Senior Center at Kingsway Mall.

■ **The Midland Porcelain Art Club** will host its annual Christmas party from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. today in the home of Louise Jones. Members will exchange handpainted mugs and draw for the Christmas wreath that is decked with handpainted ornaments. For more information call 694-3044.

■ **PETsMART**, 4206 W. Loop 250, will be hosting Pet Photos with Santa "Claws," from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. today. Photo packages will be $9.95. The Lone Star SPCA will receive $5 from each package sold.

■ **First United Methodist Church,** 415 N. Lee, in Odessa, will host a Christmas concert "Pipe Dreams" at 2 p.m. today. Performers will be Lone Star Brass with Carol Deats, Jana Galloway, Ted Hale, Aaron Lovely and Michael Santorelli featuring Becca Sawyer on organ & Derron Bell on percussion. The event is sponsored by Caldwell Music. Tickets are $12 for adults, $10 for seniors, $5 for students and music students are free. For information call 563-0921.

■ **St. Luke's United Methodist Church** will present "Festival of Yuletide Carols," the Lee High School Choral Department Christmas Concert at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11. No admission charge. For more information call 689-1619.

■ **Kappa Delta** Alumnae Association will have its Christmas Party at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 11 at 6405 Driftwood. Special music will be provided by Greg Witt, and members are reminded to bring a gift to exchange and also a "goodie" for the refreshment table. RSVP to Linda Lilley at 520-4631.

12 days of Christmas: Add sweets to the holidays

By Beverly Levitt
Associated Press

The holidays are here again, but why aren't we all feeling jolly? Perhaps it's because after running ourselves ragged — shopping, schlepping, decorating and delighting everyone else — we wish we could get Santa's elves to magically prepare our Christmas dinner so the jolly old man could bring it down the chimney with him. While the holiday season is hailed as the most joyous of the year, it's often the most harrowing.

"Relax, it doesn't have to be that way," assures Colin Cowie, party planner and author of "Entertaining with Colin Cowie," (Harper/Collins 1996). According to Cowie, the simple answer to holiday jitters is punctilious planning — preparing and freezing food in advance, and having an impeccable checklist with every minute detail included. "Since the best gift of all for people we love is cooking them an exquisite meal, it's a joy to present a gorgeous Christmas dinner, and as a bonus, be a guest at our own party," says Cowie.

"Successful entertaining is about creating an atmosphere conducive to gaiety — great music, spectacular cocktails and incredible food," enthuses Cowie. "Christmas is the time to take out your crystal, china and all those priceless treasures you've been collecting all year. They've been hidden away in cupboards, wrapped in plastic far too long — now is the time to enjoy them.

"Set the pace of the party with music — it's the tool that shapes the energy flow," Cowie explains. "At first it should be mellow and welcoming — instrumental, jazzy, bluesy. After 10 or 15 minutes, as energy rises, complement it by putting on something more lively. During dinner, people are more relaxed — play mellifluous instrumentals so people can talk. When dessert is served, energy rises again — so should the music. Dig out the old Bing Crosby Christmas album!"

A tray of festive drinks such as brandy alexanders, grasshoppers, Christmas martinis with cranberry juice and currant vodka, even mint juleps or rum punch, all poured and shimmering, adds to the festivities. You might try the new "nonalcoholic" beverages which mimic wine but are made with fruit juices and Eastern herbs. There are also nonalcoholic drinks such as cranberry juice and soda, fruit punch, sparkling cider, mineral water with lime and virgin marys — bloody marys without vodka — perhaps the most appropriate offering of all. And the piece d'resistance — our aquavit ice mold centerpiece.

"Most importantly, pace yourself evenly," Cowie continues. "Don't rush through dinner like you're galloping on the back of a stallion, or worse yet, crawl around at a snail's pace. Even if you're running a tad late and have to lead people to the bar to pour themselves a drink while you attend to last-minute details, they will be basking in wonderful music, enjoying seductive smells flowing out of the kitchen and won't mind a bit," assures Cowie.

The worry that "something will go wrong and spoil the party" will evaporate into one of your ghosts of Christmas past if you follow our "12 Days of Christmas" timeline. If it looks daunting, it's because we've thought of every detail, so you won't have to. So, Merry Christmas, enjoy your party. Cheers and all that!

12th Day Before Christmas — Wednesday, Dec. 13 — Decide who the 12 guests at your party will be and issue invitations. Make half the Christmas cookies and freeze. Make food shopping list and divide into perishable and nonperishable.

11th Day Before Christmas — Thursday, Dec. 14 — Make table decorations and place cards.

10th Day Before Christmas — Friday, Dec. 15 — Make other half of Christmas cookies and freeze. Make cranberry vinegar. Order side of salmon to be picked up Dec. 21, ham to be picked up Dec. 24 — you are using a fresh leg of pork. Find out where to purchase glace cherries, puff pastry, mild herb veal sausage, castor sugar and vanilla essence.

9 Day Before Christmas — Saturday, Dec. 16 — Assemble all necessary pots, pans, cooking utensils, crystal, china, silverware, serving pieces, table linens. Make a list of what nonfood items you need to buy. Don't forget meat thermometer, parchment paper, flan mold, candles, cocktail napkins, aquavit and vodka for mold, drink mixes, bottled water, ice cubes.

8 Day Before Christmas — Sunday, Dec. 17 — Make tipsy tart and freeze. Wash and polish crystal, silver, china, bar glasses. Cover them to protect from dust. Make sure you have enough of everything.

7 Day Before Christmas — Monday, Dec. 18 — Make veal sausage rolls, cheese straws and freeze. Stock guest bathrooms.

6 Day Before Christmas — Tuesday, Dec. 19 — Purchase all nonperishable food including flowers for ice mold.

5 Day Before Christmas — Wednesday, Dec. 20 — Make ice mold. Have music tapes or CDs lined up. Start setting table.

4 Day Before Christmas — Thursday, Dec. 21 — Purchase salmon. Start gravlax. Make dill-mustard sauce and refrigerate.

3 Day Before Christmas — Friday, Dec. 22 — Finish setting table and finalize decorations. Assemble everything needed for bar area. Don't forget ice bucket.

2 Day Before Christmas — Saturday, Dec. 23 — Complete food shopping except ham. Make honey-mustard sauce and walnut vinaigrette sauce. Chop walnuts for salad and put in airtight plastic bag. Toast pine nuts and put in airtight plastic bag. Make second ice mold.

Christmas Eve — Sunday, Dec. 24 — Purchase ham and start marinating it in refrigerator. Make flan. Whip cream, cover and refrigerate. Slice gravlax thinly, put back in refrigerator. Wash lettuce if you haven't purchased ready-to-go greens, and put in plastic bags.

Christmas Morning — Monday, Dec. 25

11 a.m.: Defrost tipsy tart, cookies, breads, grind coffee beans, slice pears, squeeze lemon juice over them and refrigerate.

11:30 a.m.: Put ham in oven. Baste frequently.

12 noon: Do final check of table and bar. Have coffee and coffeepot ready to go.

1 p.m.: Drain cranberries from vinegar, place in pretty bottle.

1:30 p.m.: Steam asparagus, arrange on plate with chopped eggs, walnuts and refrigerate.

2:00 p.m.: Make brandy sauce. Cover and set on stove.

2:30 p.m.: Take your shower.

3:00 p.m.: Turn on music, have a glass of wine and relax.

3:30 p.m.: Defrost sausage rolls and cheese straws, assemble salad, put back in refrigerator.

4:00 p.m.: Put yams, shallots and fennel in oven. Whip cream, cover and place in refrigerator.

4:30 p.m.: Check ham to see if meat thermometer registers 180 F. Take out of oven and keep warm.

4:45 p.m.: Check roasted vegetables — if finished, take out of oven and keep warm. Open a few bottles of wine and set on bar. Don't forget ice cubes in ice bucket. Put cheese straws and half of sausage rolls in oven.

5:00 p.m.: Set gravlax, dill-honey sauce, hot Worcestershire sauce on cocktail table near bar. Place ice mold on bar. Prepare mixed drinks and set on tray on bar. Light candles. Put on bouncy, fun music. Put plates in warming drawer.

5:05 p.m.: Take cheese straws and sausage rolls out of oven, place on cocktail table. Bake second half of sausage rolls. Guests begin to arrive. Cocktail hour.

5:25 p.m.: Take second batch of sausage rolls out of oven and serve. Check aquavit to see if it needs refilling, or if napkin needs changing.

5:45 p.m.: Put flan in oven.

6:00 p.m.: Take asparagus out of refrigerator to bring to room temperature. Dress and serve salad. Change tapes or CDs to dinner music. Call guests to table.

6:20 p.m.: Collect salad plates. Serve roasted yams. Take flan out of oven, unmold and bring to table. Pour vinaigrette sauce on asparagus and serve.

7:00 p.m.: Heat brandy sauce on low flame for 15 minutes. Carve ham at table. Serve with honey-mustard sauce.

7:15 p.m.: Serve tipsy tart with hot brandy sauce and whipped cream, cookies and coffee.

OPTIONAL RECIPES:

FROZEN AQUAVIT IN ICE MOLD

(from Colin Cowie)

A gorgeous holiday decoration for the table.

1 bottle aquavit or vodka
1 round metal or plastic container 8 inches in diameter and 12 inches deep
fresh flowers — poinsettias, holly, mistletoe or any red flower — and foliage

Place bottle of aquavit or vodka in middle of container. Fill container with water 3 inches below neck of bottle. Add flowers and foliage. Use ice cubes to wedge some of the flowers in place. Place in freezer and allow to freeze for 8 hours.

Just before guests arrive remove ice mold from freezer. Place side of container under hot water and remove ice mold from container by slowly turning neck of bottle. Place ice mold on tray with folded napkin underneath to absorb any melting ice. The ice mold will last 4 to 5 hours, but the napkin should be changed frequently. If the bottle is empty you can simply refill it.

If using vodka, it can be flavored by adding lemon rind, chili peppers or berries directly into alcohol. When making ice mold, instead of flowers, use same ingredient as flavoring. For lemon vodka, add lemon halves, wedges and foliage to water. They will float and form magnificent patterns in the ice. For berry vodka, add berries and foliage to water. For chili vodka, add dried, whole chili peppers.

Once mold is set, you can store it in the freezer and refill container to start another mold.

GRAVLAX WITH DILL-MUSTARD SAUCE

(from Colin Cowie)

Gravlax will last for one week in the refrigerator. Leftovers make divine sandwiches.

1 side of salmon (4 to 5 pounds) boned, with skin intact
1 1-2 tablespoons brown sugar
1 1-2 teaspoons course sea salt
1 1-2 teaspoons freshly ground black pepper
1/2 cup dry dill weed
1 cup fresh dill weed, chopped
4 tablespoons vegetable oil
party rye
butter

Place salmon on platter skin side down. Remove any remaining small bones. Using large fork, prick salmon every couple inches to allow herb mixture to penetrate. Sprinkle sugar evenly over top side of salmon, followed by salt and pepper. Combine fresh and dried dill in mixing bowl. Mix well and spread evenly over top of salmon. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate for four days.

Please see **CHRISTMAS**/11E

SEEDS: Holly berry plant is queen

(From 2E)

Most of these shrubs are deciduous or semi-deciduous and range in size from 2 to 6-feet tall depending on the species. Most cotoneasters have small foliage and interesting branching patterns. They'll flower in the spring and set attractive berries that turn showy in the late summer, fall and winter. Some of the varieties to look for include rockspray, gray, hedge, spreading and bearberry cotoneasters.

Nandina, Nandina domestica, is a great evergreen shrub that is tough as a boot and beautiful as well. This shrub grows 4 to 6-feet by 3 to 5-feet, has lacy compound leaves and an upright growth habit. It spreads by an underground runner but is easy to control. Leaves are colorful during new growth and during winter, taking on reds, yellows, and chartreuse colors. White flowers occur in the spring which are followed by red berries in late summer, fall and winter. Berries are bright red and in clusters. This shrub will grow in full sun or deep shade and has great drought tolerance once it is established.

The queen of berry plants is the holly family with its various species and cultivars, Ilex species. Hollies are great plants for a variety of reasons; there are dwarf shrub, shrub and small tree forms, they are mostly evergreen, they are very hardy, they will tolerate full sun or shade and many have showy berries. A few hollies to consider include:

`Nellie R. Stevens' is a large shrub or small tree depending on how it is used and trained. It has beautiful deep green evergreen leaves and gorgeous red berries. It is tough and has good drought tolerance and thrives under a number of conditions.

Dwarf 'Burford' holly is a medium evergreen shrub or can be trained to a 5 to 6-feet accent with a tree form. This female has lovely red berries in the fall and winter.

Yaupon holly can be used as a large shrub or lovely small tree. It has very small, fine textured leaves especially when compared to the hollies listed above. The berries are smaller too, but very bright, shiny and numerous. Make sure you select a female when choosing a yaupon holly, like "Pride of Houston."

Possumhaw or Deciduous holly is very similar to the yaupon holly, except it drops its leaves in the fall. Female selections have limbs covered in red berries which can be quite striking especially with the right location and background.

Plan for the winter months. We have many days that are much too pleasant to spend indoors and landscaping with the winter months in mind will make your garden a wonderful place to be.

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The Permian Basin Master Gardener Program is planning an orientation 10 a.m. Jan. 10 at the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University, Odessa. For more information about classes, dates, times, cost and requirements, call the Ector County Extension Service at 498-4071.

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Deborah Benge Frost is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.







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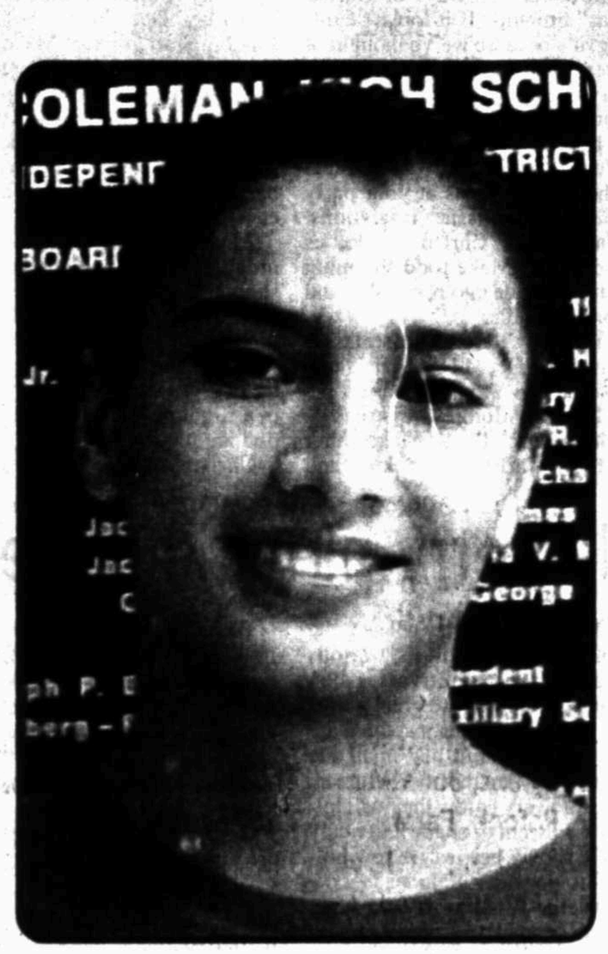
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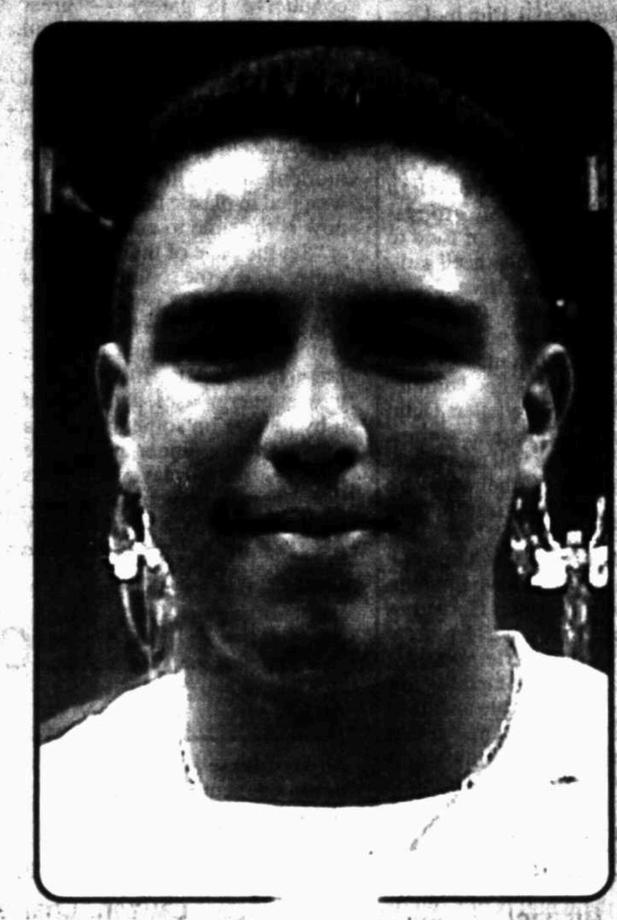
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WEDDINGS

LANT-DURRETT


Mrs. Stephen Robert Durrett

HOUSTON — St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Houston was the setting for 7 p.m. Nov. 11 wedding of Laura Elaine Lant and Stephen Robert Durrett, both of Houston. John Stelling officiated.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Michael M. Lant of Midland. Her grandparents are Elaine Lant of Columbia Falls, Mont., and the late Norman Edward Lant, and Mildred Waselus and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Waselus. The bridegroom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. R. Robert Durrett of Houston. His grandparents are Mrs. Ray M. Durrett of Houston and the late Ray M. Durrett and Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Leyrer.

Michelle Riddle was honor attendant for her sister, who was also attended by Deborah Arras, Michelle Hunter and Elizabeth Durrett, sisters of the bridegroom , and Mandy Prewit and Elizabeth Hunter.

Garrick Hatfield was honor attendant for the bridegroom. Ushers were Todd Riddle, Keith Lant, brother of the bride, and Tom Hunter.

After a wedding trip to the Eastern and Western Caribbean, the couple lives in Houston.

MUSSER-WILLIAMS


Mr. and Mrs. Gaylon Lynn Williams

ORANGE — Kathleen Lynn Musser of Orange and Gaylon Lynn Williams of Nederland were married 5 p.m. Oct. 28 at First United Methodist Church in Orange. The Rev. Dan Miller officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Michael T. and Shirley Musser of Orange. Parents of the bridegroom are Donald and Linda Williams of Midland.

Heather Thompson was honor attendant for the bride, who was also attended by her sister, Barbara Musser, Suzanne Chow and Jeannie Seligman.

Kemp Culbreth was honor attendant for the bridegroom. He was also attended by Reginald Delaney, Scott Kahla and Michael C. Musser, brother of the bride. Ushers were Rick Fodor, Greg Kennedy and Richard Hooks.

After a wedding trip to St. Lucia, the couple will live in Nederland.

MEHEDINTU-DAVIS


Mr. and Mrs. Casey Neil Davis

LUBBOCK — Despina Antoaneta Mehedintu and Casey Neil Davis, both of Lubbock, were married at 2 p.m. Nov. 4 at First Baptist Church in Lubbock. The Rev. John Ballard officiated.

Daniela Frazier and Crystal Ripkowski attended the bride.

The groom was attended by his brother Kenny Davis, and his father, Cecil Davis.

The bride is the daughter of Traian and Venera Mehedintu of Ploiesti, Romania. The groom is the son of Cecil and Sandra Davis of Midland. They both attend Texas Tech University.

After a wedding trip to Cozumel, the couple lives in Lubbock.

TOMLIN-CARNEY


Mrs. Thomas Brian Carney

Melissa Dawn Tomlin and Thomas Brian Carney were married at St. Ann's Catholic Church at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 9. The Rev. Timothy Murphy officiated.

Jackie Kennedy-Stafford served as honor attendant. Also attending the bride were Michelle Marcum-Anderson, Kim White-Buckner, Mary Cara Carney, sister of the groom, Shannon Burnett-Fagan, Amanda Mertink-Ingram, Sheryl Annette Lackey, Kyndal Lea Tomlin and Shelby Mayer Johnson.

Attending the groom were his father, Dr. Joseph Bernard Carney, William Kent Beach, Blakely Pratt Bozeman, Brett Merrill Murphey, Dr. Sean Kevin Roden, Darin Scott Sullivan, Lane Scott Swisher, brother of the bride, Dominick Eldon Tomlin, Brannon Dwain Tomlin and Coby Austin Tomlin.

Ushers were Greg Derek Downs, Peter Alan Haynes, Graham West Pollard, Scott Wesley King, Steve William Soule and Greg Shannon Tomlin.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Eldon Tomlin of Midland. The groom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Bernard Carney of Midland.

After a wedding trip to the British Virgin Islands, the couple lives in Midland.

ANNIVERSARIES

Couple celebrates 60th anniversary

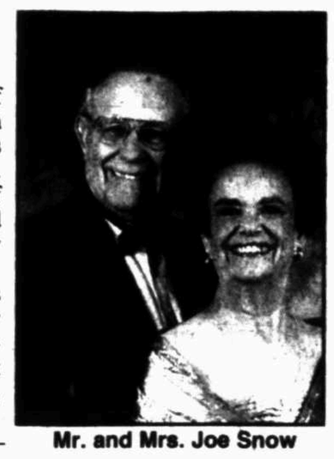

Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Schraeder

A. W. and Colette Schraeder of St. Lawrence recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a church service followed by a reception and supper. The event was hosted by their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Schraeder and the former Colette Hoelscher were married Nov. 18, 1940, at St. Boniface Catholic church in Olfen. The have eight children — Dennis Schraeder, Bill Schraeder, Betty Kohutek, Carol Eggemeyer, Kay Scott, Antoinette Pack, Gregory Schraeder and Theresa Pruit — as well as 23 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

They lived in Rowena before moving to St. Lawrence in 1947 and have been active in the Catholic Life Insurance Union and farming and ranching. They are members of St. Lawrence Catholic

Couple celebrates 50th anniversary


Mr. and Mrs. Joe Snow

Joe and Romona Snow of Midland celebrated their 50th anniversary with a trip to Las Vegas and Laughlin, Nev. Their children were the hosts of the event and also presented their parents with memory books.

The former Romona Willis and Joe Snow were married by the late Dr. Howard H. Hollowell at First United Methodist Church in Midland on Nov. 23, 1950.

They have three children — Rheta Page of Morgantown, W.Va., Duane Snow of Midland and Vickie Collette of Forest Grove, Minn. — as well as two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The couple has lived in Midland since they were married. Snow was an owner/partner in Rotary Labs in Midland from 1949 until 1991 when he retired.

Singers who once courted flame lift their voices heavenward

By Wil Haygood
The Boston Globe

BOSTON — That long and wonderful and mercurial snake known as fame never reached them. But it got mighty close. They were three Boston girls in that blue smoke of the late 1970s and early '80s. When Afros bobbed like tumbleweed. When Don Cornelius spoke the King's English on "Soul Train." And when Smokin' Joe Frazier, who had been boxing champeen of the world, was masquerading as a part-time soul singer. The trio sang backup on stage with Frazier for months on end. Once they were at some joint in Rhode Island. Joe was all gentleman, they say, but his voice was terrible. Matter of fact, it appalled them. But they needed the gigs.

So Margo Thunder and Leslie Jones and Wanda Perry climbed into Margo's "raggedy" car, as she puts it, and went anywhere to sing. The nightclubs were filled with soul music, divas and dandies, up-and-comers. To be there was like being inside one big balloon — everyone was floating. Peabo Bryson singing "Feel the Fire" and Al Green moaning "I'm Still in Love With You" and Richard "Dimples" Fields crooning "She's Got Papers on Me" and Evelyn "Champagne" King howling "Shame" and Aretha — well, she was just being Aretha.

One day Fields, who hailed from Louisiana and sang ballads, came to Boston. Who were the best female soul singers around, he asked? He broke from a meal at Legal Sea Foods and got Margo Thunder on the phone. "There are three of us," she warned him. Then there they were, auditioning for him in her basement. And there they went, on the road with Fields. Soon enough, they were miles from Roxbury and Mattapan and Madison Park High School. Dreaming the big dream. Klieg lights and soul food and Fields swearing he'd make them stars.

"Ladies and gentleman," he would say to the public, "I proudly introduce three ladies I love. They're Boston's own Margo Thunder, Wanda Perry, and Leslie Jones. Presently, they're not a perfect 10. But we're working on it! In the meantime, will you settle for 9.9?"

And that's what they became known as, 9.9.

They made an album, had a hit record, made television appearances, and moved to Hollywood.

It was storybook wonderful.

"We were on the verge of making millions," says Wanda.

Which means they didn't. Because there was some hell to pay along the way — drugs, lawyers, songs they didn't want to record — and ravines to cross. They had to cross those though, to get to where they are today. Which is back together again, klieg lights dimmer than ever, singing for the Lord.

Soul of the '70s

In the mid-1970s, Boston was still imploding from its busing crisis. And sometimes anything that could take your mind off of busing, off of race, seemed a tonic in itself. "I hated school," says Wanda. "The busing thing was so traumatic." Leslie remembers police barricades and riot squads at her high school.

Word seeped out about the opening of a music school division at Madison Park High. Everyone had to audition to get in. "It was just word of mouth that I heard the music school was opening and I went down by myself to check it out," says Leslie.

In 1976 the three found themselves at Madison Park, in the newly created Roland Hayes music division of the school. "It was like being in college," says Wanda. "Your major was music." They'd leave school with books under their arms and lyrics in their throats. "We'd sing on the Boston Common," says Leslie, on the Green Line, and on street corners.

It happened in the girls' room at school, their coming together. "You know this song?" Margo asked Wanda, who had started singing along with her, and then both turned to look at Leslie, who had joined in. The three locked eyes. And boom, just like that, "soon as we heard each other sing," remembers Margo, "we said, 'Oh my God, we should be a group.' "

They placed an ad in The Boston Phoenix: "Three Female Singers Looking for a Band." They found their band and took out-of-town gigs. "We sang in clubs we weren't supposed to," recalls Leslie. Margo would take buses to see their names on marquees. It gave her a thrill.

It wasn't as if each of them hadn't walked up to that girls' room mirror with their own teenage dramas unfurling inside.

"When I was nine years old I went to the Apollo Theater," says Margo. "Won a talent contest. The night I went, Aretha Franklin was the headliner. They used to make you stay downstairs until it was time for you to come up. But I snuck upstairs and saw Aretha Franklin. I sang 'Bridge Over Troubled Water.' She came out to the balcony and said, 'Get that girl.' So I met her." Margo wondered if her career was already sealed.

Wanda Perry's aunt, Mamie Lee, was a contract singer for MGM living in Los Angeles in the 1970s. Wanda considered her a mentor. One day Lee left home and didn't return. Bedeviled relatives found her at the morgue. It was a hit-and-run. So Wanda wondered if her singing dream died with her aunt.

Leslie Jones's mother died when she was 12. Leslie became a teenage mother. Times were hard and she ended up on welfare. So Leslie wondered if any dream was worth dreaming.

The girls looked in the mirror and beat back some angst, nervousness, demons. And found themselves auditioning as backup singers for Joe Frazier.

"We were all up and down the East Coast," says Wanda.

"We didn't make any money," says Margo. "We sang 30 songs a night."

"Forty-, 45-minute sets," interrupts Wanda. "Five sets."

It was a Vegas-style show. Joe worked them hard.

"People were like: Joe Frazier, the heavyweight champion, singing!" says Wanda. There's still astonishment in her voice.

"I'll tell you the truth," says Margo, "when I was lisetening to him, it was hard to keep back the laughter."

"He wasn't musically inclined," says Wanda.

"But," says Margo, "he was a gentleman."

So they were happy to find themselves riding over to the Lenox Hotel in 1981 to pick up Richard "Dimples" Fields when he called to audition them as singers. "We sang for him in our basement," says Margo. "I think we left with him on tour the next day."

California dreamin'

"We lived right off Sunset," Margo says about Los Angeles.

"Right between LaBrea and Fairfax," says Wanda.

They had all saved money from the tour. Fields was writing songs for them. There were lean months and they took some temp jobs. Anyway, time was just time. There was plenty of it to go around.

On Aug. 6, 1985, their first album, titled "9.9," came out. One cut, "All of Me for All of You," became a hit on the Billboard charts. They sang Peabo Bryson's "Feel the Fire" on the album. When they performed, audiences wouldn't let them leave the stage until they heard it.

They did "Soul Train" and "American Bandstand." When they came back east, they performed at the Red Parrot in New York City. Their pictures got into magazines.

But then there were arguments with Fields. They thought his writing was too old-fashioned. "The stuff he wrote, well, Southern women could relate to it," says Margo. Deep down, the group could not.

"It was like the chitlin circuit," says Wanda. "We were used to doing more challenging things."

"He produced us like we were 40 and 50 years old," says Margo. "We were 20. That's where we bumped heads."

Because of contractual problems involving Fields and RCA, they never got to do a follow-up album. By 1983 there was brooding, worry, and desperation. Wanda suffered the most. She started talking about Lord Jesus Christ. There'd be a joint in one hand and biblical verses on her lips.

"I was lower than I had ever been," she says. "I didn't have the will to get out of bed. Probably every sin I ever committed I was confronted with. I didn't want to do drugs anymore." She says the drug use had begun in her early teens.

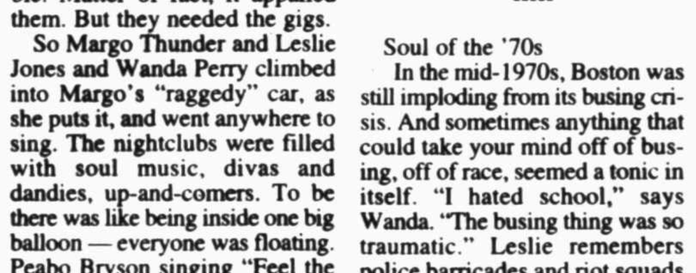
For Margo, the problem might have been too much self-involvement. There were weeks when she didn't even call home. Her Achilles' heel had to do with chasing fame and leaving the whole world behind, even fami-

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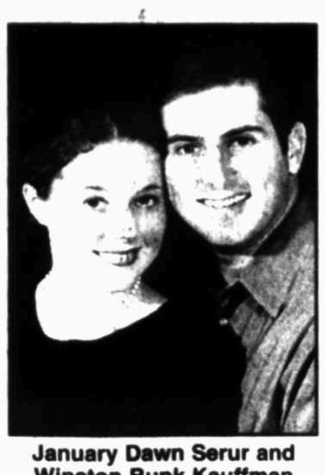

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SERUR-PFIESTER



January Dawn Serur and Winston Bunk Kauffman Pfiester

January Dawn Serur and Winston Bunk Kauffman Pfiester, both of Dallas, are planning a 6 p.m. Jan. 6 wedding at the First United Methodist Church in San Marcos.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Warren Serur of San Marcos. The future bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. San Lee Pfiester of Georgetown and formerly of Midland.

Ms. Serur is a 1995 graduate of San Marcos High School and a 1998 graduate of Baylor University. She is a member of Delta Delta Delta.

Pfiester is a 1994 graduate of Georgetown High School and a 1998 graduate of Baylor University. He is a member of Delta Tau Delta.

BROWN-WINDHAM



Stacy Michelle Brown and Kennard Cavness Windham

Stacy Michelle Brown and Kennard Cavness Windham, both of Midland, are planning a wedding for 7 p.m. Feb. 10 at First Baptist Church in Midland.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Vicki Brown of Midland and the late Kelley I. Brown. She is a 1994 graduate of Lee High School and a 1998 graduate of Hardin-Simmons University. She is employed with Midland College.

The groom-elect is the son of James Kennard Windham and Janas Morin of Midland. His grandparents are James and Bettye Windham of Midland. He graduated from Permian Basin High School in 1992 and attended Texas Tech University. He is a local rancher and a member of Delta Tau Fraternity and U.S. Judo Association.

HOWLE-CULVER



Jennifer Bernice Howle and Jason Julian Culver

Jennifer Bernice Howle and Jason Julian Culver, both of Midland, are planning a wedding for 6 p.m. Jan. 6 at the Club Mission Dorado in Odessa.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Enos Ray and Lois Virginia Howle of Midland. She graduated from Lee High School in 1992 and is a student at Midland College.

The groom-to-be is the son of Rosario and Patricia Falbo of Rio Rancho, N.M., and Neil and Vicki Culver of Garland. He graduated from Cibola High School and is employed with Standard Structures Inc.

WORRELL-HULBERT



Laila Jeannine Worrell and Michael John Hulbert

Dr. and Mrs. John Worrell of Midland are pleased to announce the engangement of their daughter, Laila Jeannine, to Michael John Hulbert. Hulbert is the son of Larry and Donna Hulbert of Dallas.

The bride-elect graduated from the Keystone School in San Antonio She received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Texas at Austin where she was enrolled in the Plan II honors program. She then received a master's of business administration degree from Harvard University. She is director of business development for Space.com in New York City.

The groom-elect graduated from Plano Senior High School in Plano. He received a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from the University of Texas at Austin, where he served as student body president. He also received a master's of business administration from Harvard University. He is a principal with PRTM, a consulting firm in Stamford, Conn.

LINDSAY-DYER



Janet Lindsay and Blake Lane Dyer

Robert F. and Debbie Lindsay of Midland announce the engagement of their daughter, Janet, to Blake Lane Dyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Dyer of Midland.

The bride-elect is a 2000 graduate of Lee High School. She is majoring in aviation management at Westminster College in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The groom-elect is a 1996 graduate of Lee High School and is studying mechanical engineering at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

BROOKS-KNEPPER



Paula Michelle Brooks and Matthew Glenn Knepper

Paula Michelle Brooks and Matthew Glenn Knepper, both of Alexandria, Va., plan to be married 2 p.m. April 7 at the Holiday Inn Select in Old Town Alexandria, Va. Parents of the bride-elect are Paul and Joan Brooks of Midland. She is the granddaughter of Lucille Brooks and Bess McGloin, also of Midland. The future bridegroom is the son of Glenn and Barbara Knepper and the grandson of Merle Knepper and Pearl Klinger, all of Bridgeport, W.Va.

Ms. Brooks graduated in 1990 from Midland High School and graduated from Texas Tech University in 1994. She is an education manager with NATSO and is a member of Delta Gamma Sorority. Her fiance graduated from Bridgeport High School in 1988. He graduated with a degree in mechanical engineering from Penn State University in 1992. He is a senior engineer with Washington Gas.

Lifestyle Guidelines

Deadline for all items to be published in the Lifestyle pages is 2 p.m. Friday, the week (beginning on Monday) before said items is to be published.

AROUND TOWN

Items submitted for the Around Town column will be published at least once; more than once if space allows. Around Town is published Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Deadline for all Around Town items is 2 p.m. each Friday for items which will be published the following week, beginning on Monday. The space is free of charge and is offered on a first-come/first-serve basis.

CLUB NEWS/LUNCHEONS/ FASHION SHOWS

Deadline for all Club News items (which are published on Sunday) as well as announcements of luncheons and fashion shows, is 2 p.m. Friday, 10 days before the item will appear.

MILESTONE EVENTS

The Reporter-Telegram publishes announcements of milestone events — including engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements; quinceneras; and bar mitzvahs and bat mitzvhas — free of charge.

Deadline to have an announcement published in the Sunday paper (including wedding, engagement and anniversary announcements) is 2 p.m. Friday 10 days prior to the publication date.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS: There is no limit as to how early in advance of the wedding an engagement can be announced. However, engagements should be published in the paper no later than two weeks before the wedding date.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS: Wedding announcements must be published up to six weeks after the event. Names of no more than 25 attendants for the bride and 25 attendants for the bridegroom will be published. Cities of residence for wedding attendants will no longer be published. Relationships will be published only for brothers and sisters, parents (or grandparents) or children of the wedding couple. For those wishing to list more, advertising space may be purchased.

ANNIVERSARY ANNOUNCEMENTS: Anniversary announcements — 25th or higher — are also accepted for publication up to six weeks after the anniversary date or celebration.

PAGEANTS

Announcements of pageant winners are published for teen-age and adult winners only. Photographs are published of winners, not runners-up or contestants. These announcements will be published on a space-available basis.

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Forms for weddings, engagements and anniversaries are available in Lifestyle office.

All materials should include the signature and telephone number of the person submitting them. Photographs may be submitted with wedding, engagement and anniversary announcements, but are not required. A portrait of the bride-elect or engaged couple may be submitted with engagement announcements. Portrait photographs of the bride only or of the wedding couple may be submitted with wedding announcements. A different photo must be submitted for engagement and wedding announcements.

Anniversary photos should be current. Vertical photos are preferred. Both black and white, and color studio quality portraits are acceptable from wallet size up to 8x10. Polaroid shots are not accepted.

Photos can be picked up from lifestyle department, or a self-addressed, stamped envelope can be enclosed for the photo to be returned by mail.

Chad enough? Little bits of history can be yours

By Daniel J. Vargas
Houston Chronicle

Before reading this story, firmly place your tongue in cheek. Now, proceed. An Internet site (www.votechad2000. com) is selling commemorative election chads — you know those petite pieces of punched-out ballot cards that have helped throw this presidential race into disarray.

For weeks, Americans have watched Democrats and Republicans punch it out over hanging, pregnant and dimpled chads in Florida. There hasn't been this much talk about chads since actors Chad Lowe and Chad Allen. On second thought, scratch that.

"Chad has been hanged, dimpled, impregnated," says 40-year-old Max Burton, a St. Louis businessman who knows how to make a quick buck. "The victim here is chad, so we needed to come rescue chad. Chad has rights."

So he and his business partner, Terry Hinkle, formed The Bipartisan Committee for CHAD Collection.

"Own a piece of Presidential history and bring in the New Year with these little guys who brought you the presidency," reads text from the Web site.

Burton says the site has gotten 20,000 to 30,000 hits (not punches) a day since Thanksgiving. He says there have been thousands of orders but couldn't say exactly how many without conducting a recount. Never mind, it's not that important.

For $5.95, chad buyers will receive 6 ounces of alleged presidential chads in a red, white and blue, window envelope. Add $1.50 for shipping and handling (as if these paper punch-outs weren't manhandled enough).

The commemorative chad is a blend of one part Bush chad, two parts Gore chad, a tad of Nader and Buchanan chad and a pinch of rare Florida chad that fell off during hand counting.

(Insert tongue in cheek again.)

"It's good chad," Burton says. "We have people scouring the country right now looking for lost and abandoned chads from polling places and the bowels of this election."

And just in time for the holidays, Burton and Hinkle will soon offer Christmas cards in the form of a Florida election ballot.

The greeting will read: "Happy Holidays and a Happy New President?" Ten cards and envelopes will set you back $15.95 plus shipping and handling. Hey, it's cheaper than Gore's and Bush's legal fees.

Back to the chad.

Burton wants to clear up one common misconception about the chad.

"Chad is not an acronym," he says. "It does not stand for Counting by Hand for the Advancement of Democrats."

Touche.

VOICE: Doing drugs, singing contemporary gospel music

(From 6E)

ly. "There were weeks my mother didn't know where I was."

Leslie acknowledges that in high school she too dabbled in drugs, and that the habit scarred her in later years.

So they disbanded. In time they all returned to Boston. Margo found other groups and other songs. And 9.9 became distant memory.

Leslie struggled for a while. There had been a love of her life, but he died young, so she felt alone.

Wanda found herself humming in churches not long after her return. Then she met a man at Morningstar Baptist Church. Over time he loved her enough to ask her to marry him, and she did.

Soon she started singing gospel. She called Margo, looking for a few singers to perform with her on a demo album. Margo had a better idea: She'd put an entire choir together.

And now the choir, called Artists Inc., is planning an album of contemporary gospel.

These days

Earlier this year, Richard "Dimples" Fields died of a stroke, out in California. He was 58.

Wanda works these days as an assistant teacher. Leslie is raising her infant daughter. Margo teaches voice and hustles to get dates for Artists Inc.

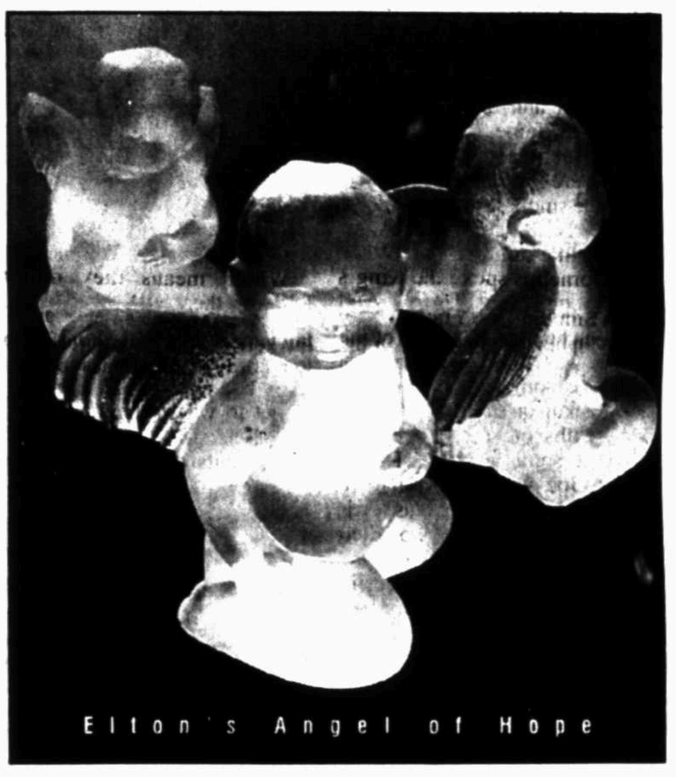
For 9.9, it's been a quarter-century's worth of friendship. Girls to women. Through the ups, the downs, deaths, lovers, family woes, drugs, and hell.

They are all soul survivors.

Several months ago, Margo had surgery to remove fibroid tumors. "I really believed I wasn't here," she says. "I was with God." At one point she lost control of her hands and muscles in her neck. One morning, recovering at home, she came downstairs and someone was in the kitchen. Frying something in a skillet. It was just Wanda, come to see after her in the early morning hours.

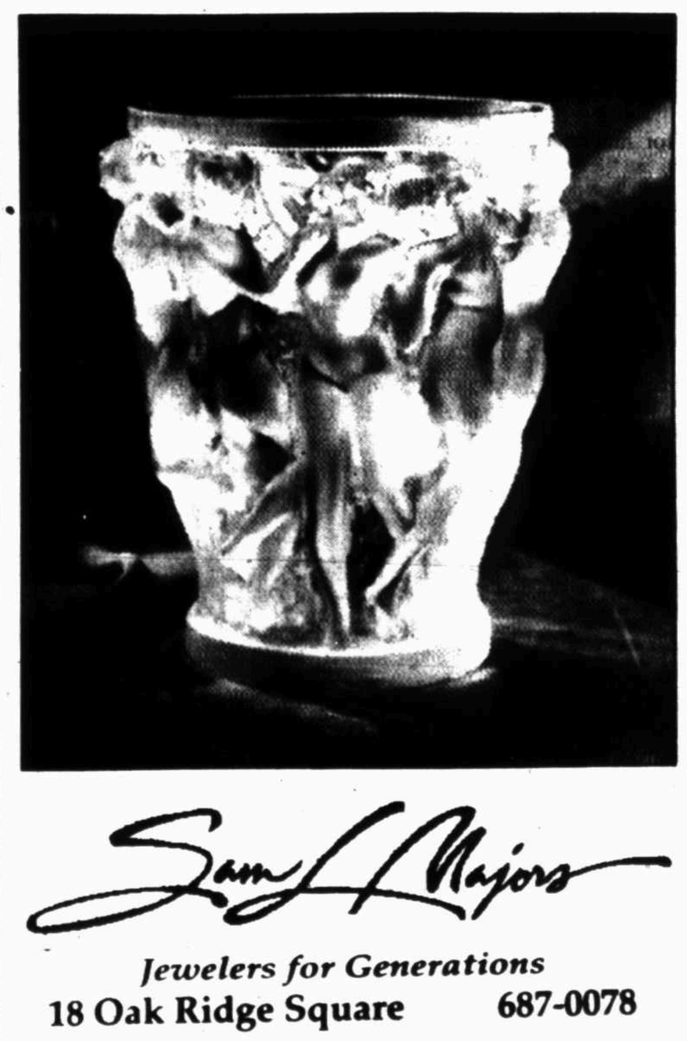
"Throughout it all we've remained friends and supported each other," says Wanda. "I know that's unusual for a lot of groups."

Recently, the three old-school soul singers were whiling away an evening at Margo's. They were listening to a gospel tune they had recorded and were singing along with it.



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Education

Making the grade



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Downtown Rotary Club — Chris McClaine, a senior at Midland Christian School, was selected as a Downtown Rotary Club Student of the Week. He is the son of Steve and Jena McClaine.

McClaine is active in the Science Club, Spanish Club, Baseball and is a Bible Study Group leader. He is a member of Golf Course Road Church of Christ Youth Group, a volunteer for Christmas-in-April, Habitat for Humanity and vacation Bible school teacher.

His accomplishments include being chosen to Texas Scholar, Who's Who Among American High School Students and a nomination to The National Technological Summit in Austin. McClaine will attend Abilene Christian University and major in Engineering Physics.

Midland West Rotary Club — Crystelle Miller, a senior at Midland Lee High School, was selected as a Midland West Rotary Club Student of the Week. She is the daughter of Mike and Nancy Miller.

Her school activities include National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Senior Girls, Business Professionals of America and Texas Scholars. Her community activities include Hospice of Midland, Rainbows Youth Program and Midland Morning Lions Club Princess. Her honors include A-honor roll three straight years and Midland College President's honor roll. Ms. Miller plans to attend Midland College and the University of Texas at Arlington.

Midland Downtown Lion's Club —Brian Dees, a senior at Midland High School, was selected as a Midland Downtown Lion's Club Junior Lion. His mother is Tracey Dees. His school activities include MHS band, 1st lieutenant of marching band, band equipment captain and leader of trombone platoon, National Honor Society and Texas Scholars. His community activities include member and co-chairman of mission committee for Grace Presbyterian Church, 1999 church elder, Presbyterian Youth Task Force and mission trips, church representative for Presbytery of Tres Rios 2000 meeting. His honors include all-region and all-state band on trombone, outstanding soloist award at the Texas State Solo and Ensemble contest, Division One Superior ratings at UIL region and state Solo and Ensemble contests, National Merit Commended Scholar, Who's Who Among American High School Students and A-honor roll.

Jennifer Flores, a senior at Lee High School, was selected as a Midland Downtown Lion's Club Junior Lion. She is the daughter of Jay and Patricia Flores. Her school activities include student council corresponding secretary, Texas Scholar, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Students in Philanthropy and Senior Girls. Her community activities include peer ministry, assistant teacher for Sunday school at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Casa de Amigo's summer program and various community services through Lee student council. Her honors include Who's Who Among American High School Students and Academic letterman.

Ms. Flores plans to attend a four-year university and pursue a law career.

Midland Daybreak Rotary Club — Jessica Brooks, a senior at Greenwood High School, was chosen as a Midland Daybreak Rotary Club Student of the Month. Her parents are Kevin and Darla Brooks. Her school activities include National Honor Society, student council representative, basketball and track. Her community activities include being a volunteer for Little Dribblers basketball and Midland Association for Retarded Citizens, and a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Her honors include Who's Who Among American High School Students, National Service and Leadership Award, National English Merit Award, Academic all-district and varsity basketball captain.

School menus

GREENWOOD
(week of December 11-15)
MONDAY

BREAKFAST: breakfast pizza, juice and milk

LUNCH: chicken nuggets w/dipping sauce, buttered corn, chilled fruit, funnel cake, milk

TUESDAY

BREAKFAST: eggs, bacon, biscuits, juice and milk

LUNCH (elementary): grill cheese sandwich, garden salad, chips, fruit salad, milk

(high school): beef stew, carrots/celery sticks, cornbread, chilled fruit, milk

WEDNESDAY

BREAKFAST: cereal, graham crackers, juice and milk

LUNCH: tacos, pinto beans, Spanish rice, lettuce-tomato salad, fruit, milk

THURSDAY

BREAKFAST: pancakes, bacon, juice and milk

LUNCH: hoagie sandwich, lettuce-tomato-pickles, chips, chilled fruit, milk

FRIDAY

BREAKFAST: cinnamon rolls, cereal, juice and milk

LUNCH: hamburgers, French fries, hamburger salad w/pickles, ranger cake, milk

MIDLAND
(week of December 11-15)
MONDAY

BREAKFAST: Corndog, juice, low fat milk

LUNCH: bbq on a bun or deli sandwich, whole kernel corn, veggies, rosy applesauce, fortified fruit drink, low fat milk

TUESDAY

BREAKFAST: sausage/biscuit, juice, low fat milk

LUNCH: pizza or oven baked chicken/wheat roll, French fries, vegetables, tossed salad, fruit drink, low fat milk

WEDNESDAY

BREAKFAST: cinnamon roll, juice, low fat milk

LUNCH: nacho grande or crispy tacos/cornbread, Spanish rice, pinto beans, lettuce & tomato, fortified fruit drink, low fat milk

THURSDAY

BREAKFAST: jumbo muffin, juice, low fat milk

LUNCH: chicken nuggets or steak fingers/wheat roll, potatoes, green peas, chilled pineapple, fortified fruit drink, low fat milk

FRIDAY

BREAKFAST: pig in a blanket, juice, low fat milk

LUNCH: hamburger or toasted cheese sandwich, homemade soup, French fries, lettuce & tomato, fortified fruit drink, low fat milk

EDUCATION DEADLINES

Deadline for all education items is 2 p.m. Friday that is 10 days before the Sunday the item is to run.

Deadline is the same whether the item is mailed in, brought in or sent by e-mail or over the computer modem. As with all free editorial items, education news is published on a first-come, first-served basis, as space allows.

The Reporter-Telegram reserves the right to edit all submissions to conform to Associated Press style and space allowances.

MAKING THE GRADE

Making the Grade section honors high school and college students' academic achievements. Items submitted for Making the Grade must be no more than **100 words in length.**

Items that are not accepted are:

- Announcements of students applying to colleges.
- Announcements of students being accepted to colleges.
- Students' places of employment or hobbies.
- United States Achievement Academy winners because USAA will not verify honorees.
- Junior high school honors.

Use of photographs:

- Photographs will NOT be used with scholarship announcements.
- Photographs will NOT be used to announce college graduations since we do not publish photos for high school graduations either.
- Photographs WILL be published for Students of the Week presented by Midland Lions Clubs and Rotary Club.

EDUCATION IN BRIEF

Included in Education in Brief will be:

- Announcements of all upcoming school and education-related events.
- Announcements of teacher academic honors.

Submissions should be no more than **100 words in length.**

OTHER

Photographs will NOT be published with "Top Dawg" and "Top Rebs" that are submitted for each six-week period.

Students are not announced individually for being named as Duke Talent Identification honorees or being named to Who's Who Among American High School Students. These students are announced as a group when the press releases are received from the organizations.

University Interscholastic League winners:

- Lists will be published of all UIL winners in all categories — speech, debate, writing, math, vocational technology, etc. — for students winning first through third places in all divisions — district, regional, state.
- Photos will be taken of students who win first place at state or who place in state categories which make them eligible for national competitions.

Cheerleader honors:

- Cheerleader awards from summer camps and competitons — including sweepstakes awards — are announced with education news.
- Squad photos will be published for first place in the state competition awards.
- Squad photos will be taken of cheerleaders leaving to perform at Rose Bowl, Orange Bowl and other prestigious events.
- Photos will not be taken of squads for just receiving invitations to attend such events.

Junior high school honor rolls:

- The Reporter-Telegram has had an agreement with MISD for many years to publish a lengthy list of junior high school honor roll students every six weeks.
- Other junior high school honors — including other academic achievements, end-of-year academic awards, academic pep rallies — will not be published.

High school honor rolls are not published; instead high school academic honors will be published in Making the Grade.

The Midland Reporter-Telegram and the United Way to co-sponsor the:

3rd Annual
Community Christmas Party
Tuesday, December 12
7-9 pm ~ Midland Center

Admission is Free, however, children who attend are asked to bring an unwrapped Christmas gift that is appropriate for a child their age and gender.
Adults are asked to bring new or gently used blankets or nonperishable food items.

Toys to be donated to children in need from
Big Brothers Big Sisters, Camp Fire Boys & Girls and Midland Fair Havens.

Blankets and canned food items to be donated to the Salvation Army

Parents or guardian of children who bring unwrapped toy items and adults who bring blankets will be entered into a drawing for a night's stay for two at the Holiday Inn and a gift basket from the Barn Door in Odessa. Those who bring canned food items or make a donation of $1.00 or more to the Midland Reporter-Telegram's Cheer Fund will be entered into a drawing for dinner for four at the Golden Corral

Children can also enter a coloring contest with top prize being a six-foot stocking full of toys.

Santa Will Be There To Hear Christmas Wishes

Seasonal Music provided by
Crestview Baptist Church Master's Ringers,
the MHS Legends Vocal Ensemble and
Henderson Elementary School
3rd and 4th Grade Choir

Cookies, Popcorn, Soft Drinks, Coffee, Cider and Games

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MIDLAND COLLEGE

BRIEFLY

Spring, Winter Interim registration underway

Early registration is underway for spring classes and the Winter Interim session at Midland College in the Student Services area of the Scharbauer Student Center. Students may early register for both sessions 8 a.m.-5 p.m. through Dec. 8.

The Winter Interim session, which lets students earn three hours of college credit in just 12 days, is Dec. 18-Jan. 4. Students also may register for the session 8-9 a.m., Monday, Dec. 18—the day classes start.

Scheduled classes are: Business Principles, Composition and Rhetoric, Technical Writing, Survey of American Literature, Federal and State Government I, U.S. History Since 1877, Integrated Software Application and Public Speaking.

Also, two other courses—Composition and Literature and Appreciation of Music are taken by computer over the Internet.

Sociology In Underdeveloped Countries, taught by Mike Schneider, is a sailing class to the West Indies.

Most of the classes will transfer to upper level institutions, but students should check with a counselor to insure that specific classes are transferable.

Classes will run for four and a half hours each day, between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. Class times may vary at the instructor's discretion.

All TASP requirements apply to courses taken during the interim session.

Spring semester classes begin Jan. 16. Registration for the spring session begins again, Jan. 2, after the Christmas break.

A special registration day with extended office hours, 8 a.m.-7:30 p.m., will be Wednesday, Jan. 10.

HSCE orientation

The Health Sciences Continuing Education program will hold an orientation for students interested in Medication Aide, Massage Therapy, Nurse Aide, Phlebotomy, Health Unit Coordinator and Food Service 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 14 in the Davidson Family Health Sciences Building at Midland College. For more information, please call 685-4603.

Continuing Education

A variety of Continuing Education computer classes are scheduled to start in January.

Interested participants should register for classes as early as possible. Registration for spring classes is through Friday, Dec. 15 and resumes Jan. 2 after the Christmas holidays.

Classes include Landscape Irrigation Review, Web Page Design I, Web Page Design II, Specialized Computer Applications/EBAY, EMAIL and Quickbooks. For more information or a schedule, call 685-4618.

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Painted Words...



...burst-blast from their canon of a saxophone.

—Joshua Lindsey-Hicks, Hilda Simmons Levitt Grand Award Winner

"There's no money in poetry, but then there's no poetry in money"—Poet and Novelist Robert Graves.

Robert Graves, meet the four Midland College student-poets who earned $1,100 in prize money for excellence in poetry writing during the 13th annual Hilda Simmons Levitt Poetry Contest.

The contest is held in memory of a former Midland poet Hilda Simmons Levitt. The contest awards are among the largest in Texas for a college poetry contest, according to William Feeler, interim Fine Art and Communications division chair and contest coordinator.

Mrs. Levitt graduated in journalism with honors from Louisiana State University where she also studied under poet Robert Penn Warren.

She lived in Midland from 1952 until her death in 1986.

She studied creative writing at Midland College while working actively in the Republicans Women's club, the American Association of University Women and other civic organizations.

In 1988 Stanley Levitt established the Hilda Simmons Levitt Poetry Contest in memory of his wife. Mr. Levitt died in 1994, and the couple's daughter, Carol Schwartz, continues to underwrite the contest.

Midland College student Joshua Lindsey-Hicks was awarded first place for his poems "Spangled," "Mosaic" and "Gauge."

Second place was awarded to Matt Adrain for his poems "Blotter" and "Freezing;" third place went to Caleb Kimpel for "Silence Is Golden." Fourth place was awarded to Carolyn Sheffield for her poem "Sleep."

Honorable Mention awards went to: Marissa Brown for "Kaleidoscope" and "Being"; Lindsey-Hicks for "Feral"; Adrian for "Stone" and "The Point"; Jennifer Earnst for "Fresh Air;"; Kimpel for "Micro/Macro/Me"; and, John K. Kimberlin for "A Life Not Lived."

Also winning Honorable Mention awards were Luis Torres for "One Sunday Afternoon"; Jake Sikorski for "Man Beast"; Cindy Shugart for "The End of Agony"; and, Jennifer Wright for "Justin's Silence."



Above: Joshua Lindsey-Hicks (left) the Hilda Simmons Levitt Poetry Contest Grand Award Winner hold his plaque and certificate. Other winners (left to right) are honorable mention winner Marissa Brown; second place winner Matt Adrain; third place winner Caleb Kimpel; and honorable mention winner John K. Kimberlin. Right: Contest Judge Dr. Christopher Ellery reads selections from his poetry during the awards ceremony. Dr. Ellery is Associate Professor of English at Angelo State University.



Poetry is the impish attempt to paint the color of the wind—

Maxell Bodenheim, poet, quoted in Ben Hecht's play, "Winkelberg," produced in New York, Jan., 1958.

A poet is, before anything else, a person who is passionately in love with language—

W. H. Auden, "New York Times," Oct. 9, 1960

"We are blessed at Midland College to have such a prestigious creative writing contest as the Hilda Simmons Levitt Poetry Contest," Feeler said.

"We are blessed in having such generous and caring benefactors as the late Stanley Levitt and his daughter, Carol Schwartz. Moreover, our judge this year, Chris Ellery, said that he had great difficulty in picking winners out of so many outstanding entries," he said.

Awards were $500 for the first place, $300 for second place, $200 for third place and $100 for fourth place.

In addition, the winners and other selected poems may be published in the College literary journal *Tableau*.

Dr. Christopher Ellery was judge of this year's contest. A recent Fulbright Lecturer in American Literature at the University of Aleppo, Syria. Dr. Ellery is Associate Professor of English at Angelo State University. Multi-published in poetry, fiction, and literary criticism, Dr. Ellery has also been poetry editor for ASU's Concho River Review and organized, participated in and presented at many conferences.

The awards for the Hilda Simmons Levitt 13th Annual Poetry Contest were announced Dec. 4 in the Roadrunner Room in the Scharbauer Student Center. Coordinators for this year's contest were Feeler, and English faculty members Dr. Glenda Lindsey-Hicks, Dr. Leslie Williams and Karen Pape.

Note: All poets' quotations are from "Contemporary Quotations," compiled by James B. Simpson, New York, Galahad Books, 1964.

That's the way I write a poem—getting a small piece of it in my hands and pulling it out and not knowing whether it is a man or a woman. I have never started a poem yet whose end I knew. Writing a poem is discovering.

Robert Frost, "New York Times," Nov. 7, 1955

Midland College People



Nancy Day (right) of the Petroleum Accountants Society of the Permian Basin presents a $1000 check from the association to Glenda Upchurch (second from left), Midland College accounting lab instructor, and Dale Westfall, accounting instructor.

Organization gives check to improve MC accounting lab

"Without the Petroleum Accountants Society of the Permian Basin (PASPB) we wouldn't be able to use the internet," Glenda Upchurch, Accounting Lab Instructor, said.

Upchurch referred to the organization's donations given yearly for four years to the MC accounting lab. Its help has provided the lab with six new computers, CD Rom drives for seven computers, soundblaster cards so economic programs can be run and two monitors of the type required for the economic programs. In addition, the PASPB will offer a scholarship next spring.

The PASPB raises money from its continuing education classes. MC accounting personnel plan to buy a new computer and a VCR to show videos in class with the money donated this year

"The Society has provided the lab with the majority of the computers," Upchurch said.

CHRISTMAS: Food makes the holiday merry

(From 3E)

After four days, remove salmon from refrigerator. Scrape dill away and slice thinly. Serve on slices of buttered rye with a generous amount of dill-mustard sauce on top. Garnish with a sprig of fresh dill. Makes 20 servings.

DILL-MUSTARD SAUCE

(from Colin Cowie)

12 ounces spicy brown mustard
1/4 cup brown sugar, tightly packed
4 tablespoons fresh dill, chopped

In small pan, gently heat mustard and sugar. When sugar has dissolved, add fresh dill. Simmer 5 minutes. Remove from heat and cool. Makes 1 1-4 cups.

VEAL SAUSAGE ROLLS

(from Colin Cowie)

1 pound mild herb veal sausage
2 potatoes, parboiled and diced
1 onion, peeled and chopped
1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon dried sage
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
1 box frozen puffed pastry sheet
1 egg, beaten slightly with 1 teaspoon water
Worcestershire sauce

Mix all ingredients together. Stuff mixture into piping bag or plastic sandwich bag with the corner tip cut off (width of one finger). Place sheet of puffed pastry on flat surface. Squeeze out 10 horizontal lines of sausage on top of pastry. Cut into 10 rectangular strips, cut each one in half. Each pastry sheet makes 20 1-inch rolls. Roll into sausage shape. Freeze on baking sheets. Defrost for 1 hour before baking. Brush with egg wash. Bake at 325 F for 20 minutes until deep golden brown. Serve with dipping sauce of heated Worcestershire sauce. Makes 40 rolls.

CHEESE STRAWS

(adapted from the Silver Palate Cookbook by Julee Rosso and Sheila Lukins)

1 box frozen puff pastry sheets
3/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Roll out puff pastry dough into a 20-by-24-inch rectangle. Sprinkle half the Parmesan evenly over dough and gently press cheese into dough with rolling pin. Fold dough in half crosswise, roll it out again to 20-by-24 inches. Sprinkle on remaining cheese. Using sharp thin knife, cut dough into 1/3-inch strips. Take each strip by its ends and twist until evenly corkscrewed. Lay twists of dough on an ungreased baking sheet, arranged so they are just touching each other. This will prevent untwisting. Preheat oven to 350 F. Set baking sheet in middle of oven. Bake until straws are crisp, puffed and brown, 15 to 20 minutes. Remove from oven, cool for 5 minutes, cut apart with sharp knife. Finish cooling straws on a rack. Store them in airtight tin or plastic bags. They will stay fresh for a week. Makes 20 straws.

TOSSED SALAD WITH PEARS AND CRANBERRY VINAIGRETTE

(from Colin Cowie)

Choose the ready-to-use wild baby greens and supplement, if you wish, with curly endive, red curly leaf, red oak or your favorite greens.

2 pounds greens
6 winter pears such as Bosc, Winter Nellies, sliced
1 cup Gorgonzola cheese, crumbled
1 cup pine nuts, lightly toasted

Tear large leaves into bite-sized pieces. Toss gently with vinaigrette. Add more as needed until each leaf is coated. Toss with pears, cheese and pine nuts. Serves 12-14.

CRANBERRY VINEGAR

2 cups good white wine vinegar
1/2 cup red wine
1/2 cup fresh cranberries
1 teaspoon sugar

Place vinegar, cranberries and sugar into saucepan. Bring to boil, immediately lower flame. Simmer 3 to 5 minutes, until fruit is tender. Cool. Pour into sterilized jar. Store in cool, dark place for 10 days. Pour vinegar through strainer, removing cranberries. Pour gently into decorative glass jar or vinegar cruet for serving.

CRANBERRY VINAIGRETTE

1 cup extra virgin olive oil
2-4 tablespoons cranberry vinegar
1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
kosher salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

Blend ingredients together with wooden spatula or fork. Taste, add more vinegar if necessary. You may add fresh cranberries to jar so that it looks pretty on the table. You may also toss some fresh cranberries into salad for color. Makes 2 cups.

ASPARAGUS SPEARS WITH CHOPPED EGG AND WALNUT VINAIGRETTE

60 spears of asparagus
1 tablespoon shallots, peeled and chopped
3 tablespoons red wine vinegar
1 1-2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
salt and fresh cracked black pepper to taste
3/4 cup walnut oil
6 eggs, hard-boiled, peeled and chopped
1 teaspoon fresh chervil or parsley, chopped
1/2 cup walnuts, chopped

Steam or microwave asparagus until crisp tender. Plunge immediately into ice bath or run under cold water to stop cooking process. Refrigerate. Allow asparagus to come to room temperature before serving. Serves 12-14.

WALNUT VINAIGRETTE

In bowl, combine shallots, vinegar, mustard, salt and pepper. Beat with whisk, while slowly adding oil. Arrange asparagus on platter. Spoon vinaigrette generously over entire length of asparagus. Cover stems with chopped egg. Garnish with chervil, parsley and walnut pieces.

FRESH HAM (LEG OF PORK)

(adapted from Craig Claiborne's The New York Times Cookbook Times Books, 1979)

1 16-pound ham, unsmoked and uncured
2 tablespoons salt
1 cup onions, peeled and thinly sliced
1 cup carrots, peeled and thinly sliced
2 cloves garlic, peeled and thinly sliced
1 cup celery, coarsely chopped
1/2 cup shallots, peeled and coarsely chopped
6 parsley sprigs
1 teaspoon dried thyme
1 bay leaf
12 peppercorns
2 bottles (cups) dry white wine

Trim most of fat off ham, leaving just enough to help retain juices, about a 1/4- to 1/2-inch layer. Score with crisscross cuts, insert a whole clove in crossed point of each diamond. Place ham, skin side up, in roasting pan. Add salt, onion, carrots, garlic, celery, shallots, parsley, thyme, bay leaf and peppercorns. Pour wine over and around ham. Baste ham on top with all ingredients. Cover closely with aluminum foil. Place in refrigerator, let stand for 24 hours. Preheat oven to 400 F. Place uncovered ham in roasting pan, skin side up. Bake 45 minutes, reduce heat to 375 F. Bake 15 minutes, add reserved marinade — liquid and vegetables — to pan. Bake 2 hours, basting frequently, reduce heat to 350 F. Cover with foil, continue roasting 2 hours or until internal temperature is 180 F. It is best to allow ham to sit for 1/2 hour before carving.

To make gravy: Skim off surface fat. Pour sauce into sieve. Press solids with back of heavy spoon to extract juices. Add enough wine to remove remaining juice from pan. Heat in saucepan with 1 teaspoon flour until slightly thickened. Pour into a sauceboat, serve immediately. Pass honey-mustard sauce for those who want a sweet taste. Makes 12 to 20 servings.

ROASTED YAMS WITH SHALLOTS AND FENNEL

2 dozen baby yams, unpeeled and left whole
2 pounds shallots, peeled and left whole
3 fennel bulbs, quartered
1/2 cup olive oil
1 teaspoon dried thyme
1 teaspoon dried rosemary
1 teaspoon dried sage

Place yams, shallots and fennel in baking pan with 1/2-inch boiling water. Combine oil and herbs. Brush yams, shallots and fennel with oil mixture. Bake at 450 F for 45 minutes, brushing frequently with oil. If water evaporates, add more so vegetables don't stick to pan. Serves 12.

HONEY-MUSTARD SAUCE

1 cup Dijon mustard
1/2 cup honey
1/2 cup orange marmalade
1 tablespoon fresh or 1 teaspoon dried thyme

Mix ingredients together. Cover and refrigerate until ready to use. Makes 2 cups.

CARROT FLAN

Usually served for dessert, this provides a wonderful, sweet contrast to the ham.

1 1-2 cups whole milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup white sugar
2 10 1-2-ounce cans condensed milk (sweetened)
1/8 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon cumin
4 eggs, lightly beaten
1 1-2 cups carrots, cooked, then forced through a sieve

Scald whole milk with vanilla. Combine all other ingredients except carrots, whipping with a wire whisk. Add carrots, and simmer on low flame, stirring constantly, 3 to 5 minutes. Pour into 2 6-cup metal or enamel molds. Put molds in pan or pans of boiling water. Carefully transfer to oven. Bake at 350 F for 1 1-4 hours or until knife inserted into middle comes out clean. Remove from oven, place directly into another bath of cold water for 1/2 hour. Refrigerate. When time to unmold, run knife around sides, dunk bottom into hot water, then hold serving plate over mold and turn upside down. Serve warm. Serves 12.

TIPSY TART

(from Colin Cowie)

1 cup boiling water
1 cup dates
1 teaspoon baking soda
2 1-2 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 cup castor sugar
1 egg
1 1-2 cups flour
pinch of salt
3 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 cup pecans or walnuts, chopped
1/2 cup glace cherries
whipped cream

Line two 9-inch aluminum pie plates with parchment paper. Pour boiling water over dates, add baking soda. Cream butter and sugar. Beat in egg. Sift flour, salt and baking powder, add to creamed mixture. Combine with date mixture and add nuts. Divide between pie plates and bake in preheated oven at 180 F for 1 1-2 hours or until toothpick comes out dry. Remove from pie plate and remove parchment paper. Garnish with cherries and dates. Serve with whipped cream and brandy sauce. Makes 2 9-inch pies.

BRANDY SAUCE

1 cup sugar
1/2 cup cold water
1 tablespoon butter
1 teaspoon pure vanilla
1/2 cup brandy

In saucepan, bring sugar and water to slow boil, stirring frequently until sugar is dissolved. Boil for 5 minutes. Stir in butter and vanilla. Add brandy. Remove from heat and pour over hot tarts. When tarts are cool, put into plastic freezer bags. Expel air, seal and freeze. To serve cold: Remove from plastic wrapping and let thaw completely. Cover top with whipped cream. To serve hot: Remove from plastic wrapping and let thaw completely. Reheat in oven on low temperature until warm. Cover top with whipped cream.

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Collectible ornaments: Just gotta' have'em

By Syd Kearney
Houston Chronicle

More than 31 million Americans collect Christmas ornaments. That's according to those purveyors of prose at Hallmark. And they should know.

The Kansas City, Mo.-based greeting card company has created more than 3,000 different designs since it got into the ornament business in 1973 with six glass balls and 12 yarn figures.

This year, Hallmark introduced 200 new ornaments, including several millennium-themed decorations. No doubt, these are a delight to the members of Hallmark Keepsake Ornament Collectors clubs, which number about 600.

Talk about decking the halls: According to company stats, club members buy an average of 27 ornaments a year.

Many of the new ornaments are part of a series such as the 21-year-old Frosty Friends collection, which each year features a sweet-faced Eskimo.

"We know they are collectibles," Hallmark's Deidre Parkes says of the ornaments. "People love to trade and complete a series."

The oldest series — Here Comes Santa — is now in its 22nd year; this season's entry is Sleigh X-2000, which features Santa delivering toys from aboard a rocket ship. The series' first ornament — Santa in an old-fashioned motor car — sold for $9 when it debuted in 1979. Collectors are paying as much as $700 for it today.

Parkes says the company caters to Americans' passion for ornaments dedicated to American icons such as Barbie, Harley Davidson and Mickey Mouse.

Another pop culture favorite is Hallmark's Star Trek series. The latest entry is a Borg Cube that offers an audible greeting.

"(The Borg Cubes) are so popular. They've been flying off the shelves," Parkes says.

It seems, once again, resistence is futile.

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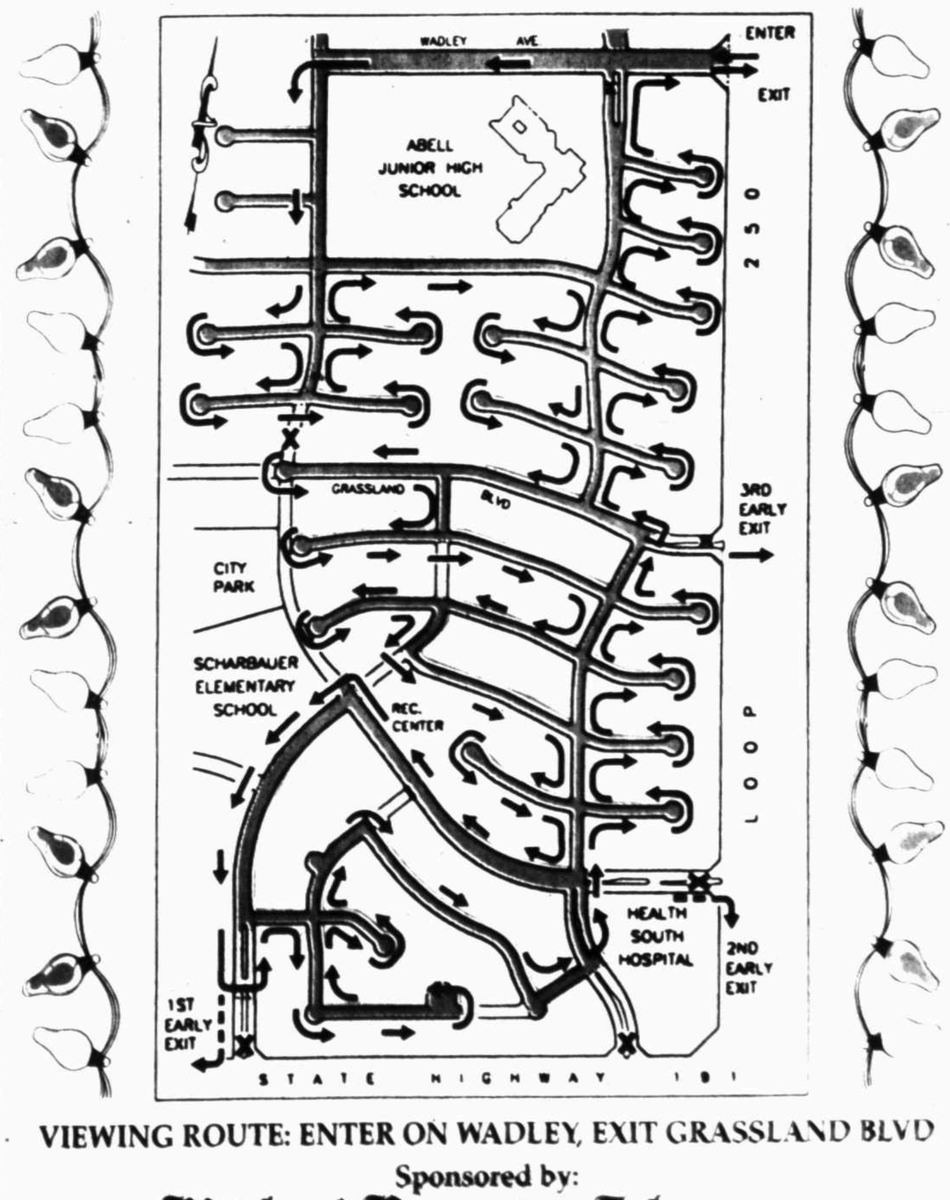


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By Norman Johnson



PITTS: Industry actually enhanced Alaskan wildlife

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didn't injure the wildlife in Alaska. It enhanced it."

Environmentalists said the Alaskan pipeline from Prudhoe to Valdez would be an environmental disaster because it would disturb the caribou migration routes, but that proved to be totally untrue. Pringle said caribou learned to love the pipeline. They scratch their backs on it to obtain a measure of relief from mosquito swarms. They stand in its shade in the summer and use it as a shield against the bitter winds.

Angus Gavin, an environmental expert, designed special crossings for the caribou so as not to interrupt their migration routes, but they soon proved useless because the caribou quickly learned how to crawl under the pipe. So much for the imaginary environmental disaster on the North Slope.

Pringle said that even the environmentalists finally had to confess that the oil industry had done a good job at Prudhoe. "We were put under some very stiff regulations. Some made sense. Some didn't. But America, Alaska, the natives, and the wildlife are better off for the oil fields at Prudhoe." With this track record in the Arctic, there is no reason to suspect that the proposed oil and gas exploration and development of one half of one percent of ANWR would be any less successful.

America now imports 56 percent of its crude oil. This not only accounts for the lion's share of the national debt but puts the security of the nation at extreme risk. George W. Bush is absolutely correct to propose the opening of ANWR. There is absolutely nothing sacred about ANWR, there is no danger to wildlife, and naturally there is not that much to "protect." The "unbrave" politicians with their irrational fear of noble-sounding, environmental rhetoric have dodged this critical issue too long. It is time to stand up for America. It's a matter of national security.

John Paul Pitts is oil editor of the Reporter Telegram

PRICES: Market problems lift prices

(From 1)

that approximately 20 percent of the new power demand is a result of the Internet. Demand is created by millions buying computers, printers, and scanners. Additional demand is created by getting online and creating power demand for servers and Internet traffic.

The added power demand has disrupted normal gas market cycles. The nation produces about 60 Bcf daily in summer, of which 42 Bcf is used to run the nation and the other 18 Bcf typically goes into storage for the winter months.

"The problem," says Munn, "is that much of the gas that would normally go into storage to meet winter demand is being flowed to meet current power demand."

According to the American Gas Association, the amount of gas in storage declined 73 billion cubic feet last week to 2,575 billion cubic feet, or 503 billion cubic feet under last year. One energy analyst said a normal winter would bring storage to the impossible number of -475 billion cubic feet.

While the Alliance Pipeline began flowing gas last week from Canada to the Chicago area, the event went almost unnoticed in the news. The pipeline has the capacity to flow 1 Bcf daily, but is estimated to be flowing only half that amount now. The time was when that amount of Canadian gas coming into the market would have backed up natural gas all across the U.S., but not in the present tight market.

"The reason," said Munn, "is that most of the industry has become convinced that no "new" gas is coming into the market. Gas that was already being shipped into the market by other pipelines is now coming in via the Alliance pipeline. That is another reason gas in California is trading at $25."

In an unusual switch, those prices in California have made the value of natural gas at the Waha Hub more valuable than natural gas traded at the Henry Hub. Gas experts say the California appetite for natural gas and tight supplies nationwide will bode well for the Basin, which is in the enviable position of being able to ship gas east or west and is now shipping approximately 1 billion cubic feet to California.

In another switch, Munn says $25 gas prices could prompt many power users to generate their own electricity.

"Nobody believes people can afford power at $370 for megawatt hour. Some companies are better off buying gas and generating their own power at $25."

ACQUIRE: Partnership gets start in building CO2 system

(From 1)

this new venture, working with experienced operators Barry Petty and the teams from Jordan & Pace and PetroCap," said John Schaeffer, managing director, GE Capital Oil & Gas. "Trinity Pipeline is well positioned to benefit from the growing demand for CO2 recovery systems in the maturing Permian Basin."

Trinity Pipeline is headquartered in Midland. Jordan & Pace are West Texas oil field developers. PetroCap provides financial operational services for companies in the upstream and midstream U.S. energy industry. GE Capital Oil & Gas is a unit of GE Capital Structured Financial Group, a leading equity investor and provider of innovative structured financial products and services to the global energy, telecommunications, industrial and transportation sectors. GE Capital, with assets of over $345 billion, is a global financial services company with 28 specialized businesses.

Forest Oil completes Forcenergy buy

DENVER — Forest Oil Corp. announced the completion of its merger with Forcenergy Inc. which was announced on July 10, 2000. Shareholders of both companies overwhelmingly approved the merger at special meetings of shareholders. Forest shareholders also approved a 1-for-2 reverse stock split of the Forest common shares.

The new entity will remain named Forest Oil Corp., with headquaters in Denver. Robert Boswell will serve as chairman of the board and chief executive officer and Richard Zepernick Jr. president and chief operating officer.

The board will be comprised of 10 Forest Oil directors and two former Forcenergy directors.

Forest Oil is engaged in the acquisition, exploration, development, production and marketing of natural gas and crude oil in North America and selected international locations. Forest's principal reserves and producing properties are located in the United States in the Gulf of Mexico, Louisiana, Texas, Cook Inlet, Alaska and in Canada in Alberta and the Northwest Territories. Forest's common stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange.

CMS LNG unit declares open season

HOUSTON — CMS Energy Corp. announced its CMS Trunkline LNG Company subsidiary will conduct an open season to offer firm, long-term, liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminal services in the growing North American natural gas market.

It is conducting the open season to determine market interest in contracting for firm, long-term capacity at its LNG terminal located in Lake Charles, La., North America's largest operating LNG terminal.

"An open season is an effective mechanism to determine our customers' long-term needs and how CMS Trunkline LNG can best meet those needs as an open access provider of energy services," said Christopher A. Helms, president of CMS Panhandle Pipe Line Companies. "The outcome of this open season will help CMS Trunkline LNG plan for the future use and potential expansion of its LNG terminal in Lake Charles, La. This terminal will be an important contributor in helping to satisfy the growing natural gas demand in the U.S. market."

The CMS Trunkline LNG facility has an existing capacity to receive approximately 90 ship cargoes per year at 2.8 billion cubic feet of natural gas per ship. CMS Trunkline LNG expects that, for the year 2000, it will have received 55 ship cargoes by year-end.

CMS Trunkline LNG will accept service requests for available send out capacity from 8:00 a.m. CST December 15, 2000 until 5:00 p.m. CST February 15, 2001 for firm, long-term, LNG terminal service under Rate Schedule FTS. Requests made during the open season will be accepted for service for a minimum length of 10 years with service beginning no earlier than January 1, 2002.

Meetings

Geophysicists plan monthly meeting

The Permian Basin Geophysical Society will hold its monthly meeting Wednesday at the Midland Center beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Speakers will include Robert Leibrecht with Conoco in Midland, speaking on "Exploration: What Does it Mean to Us Working in the Permian Basin?" along with Curtis Horn with Texaco, who will address "Mid-Concho Queen In Upton County" and Roger Freidline with Providence Technologies in Midland, speaking on "Albuquerque Basin."

Cost is $8 and reservations can be made by calling 684-3000.

Industry Briefing

Key reduces debt, expands in Argentina

EAST BRUNSWICK, N.J. — Key Energy Services Inc. announced that, as a result of continued operational improvements and strong cash flow in all geographic areas, the company will reduce its long term debt by approximately $12 million during the December 2000 quarter. The company was able to achieve this debt reduction while increasing capital expenditures in response to the strong demand for its services, particularly in natural gas producing regions.

The blended interest rate on the company's remaining bank debt has been reduced during the quarter. The company received an automatic 75 basis point price reduction on its involving credit facility and took advantage of the reduction by using revolver borrowings to repay fixed price term loan debt and thereby achieved a 125 basis point rate reduction on an additional $40 million of bank debt.

The company will add three workover rigs to its well service operations in Argentina and expects these rigs to be placed ito service during the March 2001 quarter.

Key has appointed John C. Hood chief information officer. He will be based in Midland and will initially focus on streamlining internal financial administration, developing new technologies to improve internal operating efficiencies and enhanacing communications with Key's customers. He previously served with BP as business and commercial systems manager in Houston.

Cross Timbers buys East Texas properties

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Cross Timbers Oil Co. will pay $115 million for gas-producing properties in East Texas and Louisiana.

Fort Worth-based Cross Timbers also said it will increase its capital budget next year by 20 percent, to $250 million.

The company said it is aiming to increase gas production 20 percent next year and an additional 20 percent in 2002.

President Steffen E. Palko said the company's stepped-up exploration plans don't depend on gas remaining at its current levels of about $5 per thousand cubic feet. He said $3.50 gas would still generate high returns.

A spokesman said the properties that Cross Timbers has agreed to buy from Herd Producing Co. of Tyler, Texas, are in Freestone, Limestone and Robertson counties in Texas and Claiborne and Union parishes of Louisiana.

Cross Timbers said the purchase would more than double its assets in the region to more than 500 potential drilling sites. The sites currently have more than 100 wells with estimated current production of 8.5 million cubic feet of natural gas and 220 barrels of oil.

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The Board of Directors of Warren Equipment Co. has promoted **DAVID W. MURDOCK** to president and chief operating officer of Compressor Systems Inc. He joined CSI in 1978 and most recently served as chief operating officer.

Warren Equipment Co. has named **KREGG CONDER** vice president of finance and treasurer of Warrren Equipment and all its operating subsidiaries. He most recently served as treasurer.

ODESSA — **BOB DEBUSK** has joined West Texas Cat as truck engine shop foreman. DeBusk was formerly with Empire Truck Sales out of Mississippi and Alabama. He will oversee all truck engine service performed in the Odessa store.

HOUSTON — CMS Energy Corp. announced that the CMS Panhandle Pipe Line Companies board of directors has approved a reorganization of its senior officers.

CHRISTOPHER A. HELMS has been named president and chief executive officer of CMS Panhandle Pipe Line Companies. Helms, formerly president and chief operating officer, is responsible for managing the operations and business activities of CMS Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, CMS Trunkline Gas Company, CMS Trunkline LNG, CMS Sea Robin Pipeline Company and the storage related to those systems.

JERYL L. MOHN has been named senior vice president of operations of CMS Panhandle Pipe Line Companies. Mohn, formerly vice president of operations and engineering, will be responsible for pipeline and storage operations, marketing operations and capacity management.

CYNTHIA C. ALBERT has been named vice president of regulatory affairs and information systems of CMS Panhandle Pipe Line Companies. Albert, formerly vice president of capacity management and information systems, will be responsible for regulatory and government affairs and information systems. She joined the company in 1988 and held various management positions in the pipelines' transportation and marketing departments.

ROBERT O. BOND has been named vice president of optimization of CMS Panhandle Pipe Line Companies. Bond, formerly executive director of commercial optimization, joined the company in this new position in February.

RICHARD E. KEYSER has been named vice president of operations and engineering of CMS Panhandle Pipe Line Companies. Keyser, formerly general manager of engineering and technical services of CMS Panhandle Pipe Line Companies, joined the company in 1974 in Kansas City as a senior engineering technician.

GARY W. LEFELAR has been named vice president and controller of CMS Panhandle Pipe Line Companies. Lefelar, formerly controller, joined the company in 1979 in the accounting department. He received a number of promotions and was named accounting supervisor for Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company and became director of accounting for Panhandle Eastern and Trunkline Gas Company before being named controller in 1998.

KEITH M. MEYER has been named vice president of marketing of CMS Panhandle Pipe Line Companies. Meyer, formerly commercial manager of CMS Gas Transmission Company and vice president of CMS Gas Transmission of Australia, joined the company in 1990 as director of business development.

HOUSTON — Noble Affiliates Inc. announced the election of **ALBERT D. HOPPE** as senior vice president, general counsel and secretary. Hoppe will assume the duties of **ORVILLE WALRAVEN**, currently corporate secretary and senior vice president-land, who will retire at the end of the year. In addition, Hoppe will lead new internal legal support services that will be provided to the operating divisions, as well as to the corporate offices.

Mr. Hoppe was most recently general counsel and secretary for Vastar Resources, a position he held since 1994.

HOUSTON — PetroCosm announced the appointment of two vice presidents to its management team.

CAREY LOWE has been named Vice President of Account Management. He brings 20 years experience in drilling management and oilfield services with Schlumberger Ltd. and Sedco Forex. He will be responsible for building and managing strategic customer relationships.

DAVID HAAKE has joined the company as Vice President of Sales. He brings 20 years of sales management experience to PetroCosm. During his career at SAP, Oracle and Foxboro Company, he held various senior management positions focused on sales, marketing and growing the company's oil and gas market. As Vice President of Sales, he is responsible for the expansion of the company's business.

HOUSTON — Spinnaker Exploration Co. announced that **ROBERT M. SNELL** will join the company as Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary. Snell replaces James M. Alexander, who in July announced his intention to retire from business.

Snell has been employed for the past 18 years by Bank of America, most recently as Managing Director focused on investment banking activities within the energy sector.

DENVER — **D. LEROY SAMPLE** has been appointed to the board of directors of Tipperary Corp.

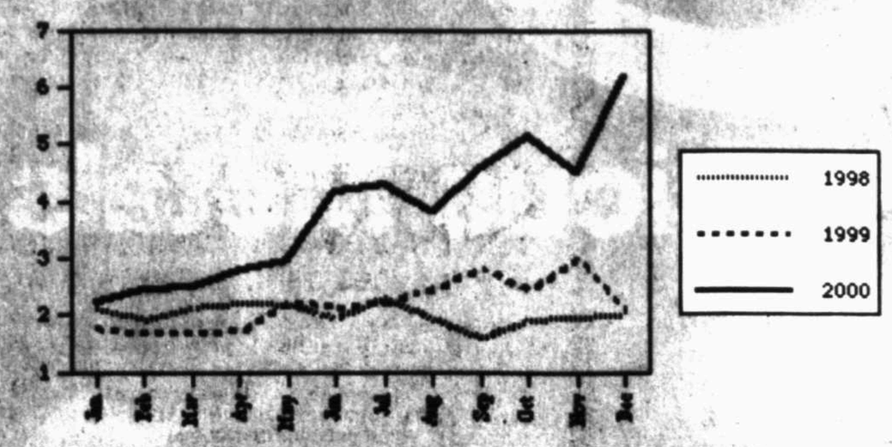
He retired from PricewaterhouseCoopers after 24 years as a general practice partner with significant involvement in accounting, auditing and financial reporting for both public and private companies. His appointment expands Tipperary's board from six to seven members.

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Waha Averages

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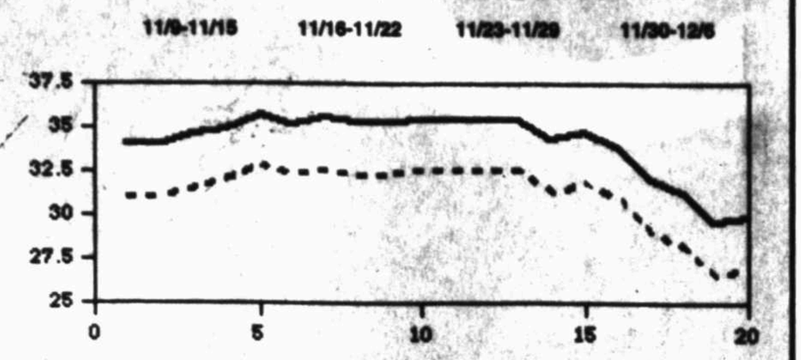
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Rainmaker #9
Wyatt-D; G. C. & S. F. RR Co./J. W. Odom; A-4916, Blk WX, Sec 32; 330 FNL 560 FWL of lse; 999 FSL 1880 FWL of survey; 15 miles NW of Ozona; obj: 1400; permit #501644; API #105-38480

Harrison Interests, LTD.
Robertson, W. B. Jr. #2
Ozona (Canyon Sand)-D; GC & SF RR Co.; A-4609, Blk M, Sec 16; 1980 FSL 660 FEL of lse; 1980 FSL 660 FEL of survey; 16 miles SW of Ozona; obj: 9000; permit #501642; API #105-38481

Devon Energy Prod. Co., L.P.
Couch 22 #10
Ozona (Canyon Sand) & Ozona, NE. (Canyon Sand)-D; HE & WT RR Co./S. E. Couch; A-5067, Blk QR, Sec 22; 925 FEL 1650 FSL of lse; 925 FEL 1650 FSL of survey; 8.30 miles SW of Ozona; obj: 7400; permit #498714; API #105-38418

Reagan County

Hallwood Pet., Inc.
Weatherby "H" #5
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; E. L. & R. R. RR Co. #1225; A-133, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 661.38 FNL 2280 FEL of lse; 1980 FSL 2280 FEL of survey; 10 miles NW'LY of Big Lake; obj: 7900; permit #500153; API #383-35095

Sutton County

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
Cusenbary 71 #14
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer (Canyon)-D; CCSD & RGNG RR Co. #71; A-40, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 1000 FSL 2060 FEL of lse; 1000 FSL 2060 FEL of survey; 17 miles SSE of Sonora; obj: 5400; permit #501767; API #435-35291

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
Cusenbary 36 #11
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer (Canyon)-D; HE & WT RR Co./D. B. Cusenbary; A-963, Blk C, Sec 36; 511 FSL 819 FWL of lse; 220 FSL 1800 FEL of survey; 16 miles SSE of Sonora; obj: 5400; permit #501766; API #435-35289

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
Cusenbary 36 #1
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer (Canyon)-D; HE & WT RR Co./D. B. Cusenbary; A-963, Blk C, Sec 36; 500 FNL 2180 FWL of lse; 500 FNL 2180 FWL of survey; 16 miles SSE of Sonora; obj: 5600; permit #501765; API #435-35288

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
Cusenbary 71 #8
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer (Canyon)-D; CCSD & RGNG RR Co. #71; A-40, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 2258 FNL 2030 FEL of lse; 1967 FNL 2030 FEL of survey; 17 miles SSE of Sonora; obj: 5500; permit #501764; API #435-35290

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
Wilson, Duke #1882R
Shurley Ranch (Canyon)-D; HE & WT RR Co./T. P. Gillespie; A-996, Blk C, Sec 188; 2150 FWL 3960 FNL of lse; 1320 FSL 900 FWL of survey; 11 miles SW of Sonora; obj: 8050; permit #501760; API #435-35287

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
Wilson, Duke #1878
Shurley Ranch (Canyon)-D; HE & WT RR Co.; A-473, Blk C, Sec 187; 3660 FEL 13640 FNL of lse; 1200 FE'LYSL 660 FE'LYEL of survey; 12 miles SW of Sonora; obj: 8400; permit #501759; API #435-35286

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
Wilson, Duke #1864
Shurley Ranch (Canyon)-D; HE & WT RR Co./J. W. Wilson; A-1697, Blk C, Sec 186; 3250 FWL 17940 FSL of lse; 2100 FSL 2000 FWL of survey; 13 miles SW of Sonora; obj: 8350; permit #501758; API #435-35285

Burlington Res. Oil & Gas Co.
Steen #46
Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; G. C. & S. F. RR Co.; A-147, Blk N/A, Sec 9; 4253 FSL 500 FWL of lse; 1600 FSL 500 FWL of survey; 6 miles NE of Sonora; obj: 6020; permit #501622; API #435-35279

Burlington Res. Oil & Gas Co.
Steen #47
Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; G. C. & S. F. RR Co.; A-147, Blk N/A, Sec 9; 6023 FSL 660 FWL of lse; 1900 FNL 660 FWL of survey; 6 miles NE of Sonora; obj: 6020; permit #501621; API #435-35280

Burlington Res. Oil & Gas Co.
Steen #48
Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; G. C. & S. F. RR Co.; A-147, Blk N/A, Sec 9; 5773 FSL 2510 FWL of lse; 2150 FNL 2510 FWL of survey; 6 miles NE of Sonora; obj: 6020; permit #501620; API #435-35281

Burlington Res. Oil & Gas Co.
Steen #49
Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; G. C. & S. F. RR Co./N. E. Stringer; A-1224, Blk N/A, Sec 10; 3453 FSL 5783 FWL of lse; 800 FSL 500 FWL of survey; 6 miles NE of Sonora; obj: 5770; permit #501619; API #435-35282

Burlington Res. Oil & Gas Co.
Steen #50
Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; G. C. & S. F. RR Co./N. E. Stringer; A-1224, Blk N/A, Sec 10; 500 FNL 7234 FWL of lse; 500 FNL 1950 FWL of survey; 6 miles NE of Sonora; obj: 5850; permit #501618; API #435-35283

Burlington Res. Oil & Gas Co.
Davis "A" #11
Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; E. L. & R. R. RR Co. #17; A-76, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 850 FSL 500 FEL of lse; 850 FSL 500 FEL of survey; 3 miles N of Sonora; obj: 6020; permit #501617; API #435-35284

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Andrews County

Nes Permian Basin, L.P.
Permian Brine---Grimmett Bros. #1A
Shafter Lake (San Andres)-D; PSL/T. W. Craddock; A-2225, Blk A-45, Sec 6; 623 FSL 470 FEL of lse; 623 FSL 470 FEL of survey; 2 miles N of Andrews; obj: 3000; permit #500619; API #003-38684

Ector County

Texaco E & P Inc.
Connell, W. E. NCT-2 #401
Penwell (Clear Fork)-D; PSL/H. Graham; A-942, Blk B-16, Sec 4; 1591 FNL 1507 FWL of lse; 1816.90 FSL 1507 FWL of survey; 4 miles SW of Penwell; obj: 4800; permit #501527; API #135-37906

Phillips Pet. Co.
South Cowden Unit #621
Cowden, South-Recompletion; T & P RR Co.; A-140, Blk 42, T3S, Sec 17; 2405.40 FSL 5941.50 FEL of lse; 2405.40 FSL 1981 FWL of survey; 5 miles SW of Odessa; obj: 5000; permit #501517; API #135-36847

Phillips Pet. Co.
South Cowden Unit #715
Cowden, South-Recompletion-Horizontal Well-Sidetrack; T & P RR Co.; A-594, Blk 42, T3S, Sec 18; 2753 FNL 6111 FWL of lse; 105 FNL 2000 FEL of survey; 6 miles SW of Odessa; obj: 4850; permit #501515; API #135-37273

Occidental Permian LTD.
Witcher, J. E. #97
Foster-D-Directional Well; T & P RR Co.; A-213, Blk 43, T2S, Sec 25; 1167 FSL 752 FWL of lse; 151 FNL 752 FWL of survey; 1 mile W of Odessa; obj: 4600; permit #501501; API #135-37905

Occidental Permian LTD.
Witcher, J. E. #98
Foster-D-Directional Well; T & P RR Co.; A-213, Blk 43, T2S, Sec 25; 1030 FSL 2030 FNL of lse; 292 FNL 2030 FWL of survey; 1 mile W of Odessa; obj: 4600; permit #501500; API #135-37904

Phillips Pet. Co.
Emmons Unit #626W
Cowden, South-D-Horizontal Well-Sidetrack; T & P RR Co.; A-646, Blk 42, T3S, Sec 17; 5 FNL 1410 FW (Off Lease) L of lse; 5 FNL 1410 FWL of survey; 5 miles SW of Odessa; obj: 4850; permit #501460; API #135-37903

Phillips Pet. Co.
South Cowden Unit #222
Cowden, South-Recompletion-Horizontal Well-Sidetrack; T & P RR Co.; A-135, Blk 42, T3S, Sec 7; 669.02 FNL 1320 FEL of lse; 1980 FSL 1320 FEL of survey; 5 miles SW of Odessa; obj: 4775; permit #501459; API #135-34622

Texaco E & P Inc.
Connell, W. E., NCT-1 #41
Jordan (Wolfca[illegible] & Penwell (Clear Fork)-Recompletion; PSL; A-000000, Blk B-16, Sec 13; 660 FNL 660 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 660 FEL of survey; 3.50 miles SW of Penwell; obj: 8620; permit #501381; API #135-01455

Pure Res., L.P.
Blakeney #21
Cowden, North (Deep)-D; T & P RR Co./T. R. Sevier; A-654, Blk 43, T1N, Sec 22; 50 FNL 2100 FWL of lse; 50 FNL 2100 FWL of survey; 17 miles NW of Odessa; obj: 5400; permit #501371; API #135-37902

Pure Res., L.P.
Blakeney #20
Cowden, North (Deep)-D; T & P RR Co./T. R. Sevier; A-654, Blk 43, T1N, Sec 22; 1316 FSEL 2050 FSWL of lse; 1320 FNL 2050 FWL of survey; 17 miles NW of Odessa; obj: 5400; permit #501369; API #135-37901

Howard County

Santa Fe Snyder Corp.
Stoker "88" #1
Signal Peak (Wolfcamp)-D; W & N W RR Co./A. G. Anderson; A-1228, Blk 29, Sec 88; 660 FSL 660 FWL of lse; 660 FSL 660 FWL of survey; 11.75 miles SE of Coahoma; obj:8300; permit #496279; API #227-35556

Atropos Prod. Corp.
Guthrie 87 #3
Signal Peak (Wolfcamp)-D; W & NW RR Co.; A-733, Blk 29, Sec 87; 480 FNL 639 FWL of lse; 2265 FSL 628 FWL of survey; 8 miles NE of Forsan; obj: 8100; permit #501423; API #227-35612

Atropos Prod. Corp.
Guthrie 86 #2
Sighal Peak (Wolfcamp)-D; W & NW RR Co./A. G. Anderson; A-1104, Blk 29, Sec 86; 752 FSL 566 FEL of lse; 752 FSL 566 FEL of survey; 8 miles NE of Forsan; obj: 8100; permit #501422; API #227-35611

Midland County

Stephens, Autry C.
Barron, J. E. #1014
Agar (Atoka, Lower) & Gladys Cowden (Strawn) & Midwest (Bend) & Spraberry (Trend Area)-Re-Enter; T &

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Wildcats

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Coke County

Southern Mineral Corp.
Robbins 397 #2
Wildcat-D; H & TC RR Co.; A-397, Blk 1-A, Sec 397; 550 FEL 870 FSL of lse; 2090 FWL 870 FSL of survey; 5 miles NW of Bronte; obj: 6000; permit #501682; API #081-31794

Runnels County

Sha-Jam Oper. Corp.
Angela #1
Wildcat-D; Thomas Fowler #440; A-177, Blk 10, Sec N/A; 490 FWL 1463 FNL of lse; 2112 FEL 1463 FNL of survey; 8 miles W of Winters; obj: 5000; permit #501628; API #399-34716

Schleicher County

TXP, Inc.
West "48" #2
Wildcat-D; T. C. RR Co./R. E. Martin; A-1026, Blk TT, Sec 48; 467 FEL 467 FSL of lse; 2188 FWL 467 FSL of survey; 10 miles NW of El Dorado; obj: 6800; permit #501752; API #413-32099

Tom Green County

B-J Oil Co.
Turner Ranch #44
Wildcat-Recompletion; H & TC RR Co./S. Turner; A-8490, Blk 5, Sec 44; 1093 FNL 471 FEL of lse; 2435 FNL 2168 FWL of survey; 5 miles SW of Carlsbad; obj: 7500; permit #501805; API #451-32350

Sha-Jam Oper. Corp.
Michele #1
Wildcat-D; W. C. RR Co. #101; A-4023, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 2138 FWL 3185 FNL of lse; 1731 FEL 482 FNL of survey; 13 miles NE of San Angelo; obj: 5700; permit #501627; API #451-32431

Upton County

Eog Res., Inc.
Amacker "68" #1
Wildcat-D; CCSD & RGNG RR Co./Mrs. L. A. Self; A-600, Blk C, Sec 68; 963 FWL 2221 FSL of lse; 963 FWL 2221 FSL of survey; 10 miles NW of Rankin; obj: 10100; permit #501670; API #461-34118

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Andrews County

ICA Energy Oper., L.L.C.
University IR1513 Unit #1
Wildcat-D; UL; A-000000, Blk 29, Sec 15; 680 FNL 680 FWL of lse; .00 FNL 1320 FWL of survey; 13 miles NW of Andrews; obj: 8800; permit #495604; API #003-38635

Crane County

Millwee Oil, Inc.
Edwards #1
Wildcat-D; PSL/Mrs. R. Thomason; A-312, Blk B-21, Sec 5; 467 FWL 800 FSL of lse; 467 FWL 800 FSL of survey; 25 miles NW of Crane; obj: 5300; permit #501676; API #103-34775

Glasscock County

Endeavor Energy Res. L.P.
Weaver, Mae #3
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co./N. H. Ellis; A-978, Blk 36, T2S, Sec 22; 467 FNL 467 FWL of lse; 467 FNL 2247 FEL of survey; 16 miles W of Midland; obj: 11300; permit #501703; API #173-33042

McDonald Oper., Inc.
Neste TXL #1
Wildcat-Re-Enter; T & P RR Co.; A-172, Blk 33, T5S, Sec 7; 200 FSL 200 FEL of lse; 500 FSL 500 FEL of survey; 8 miles SE of Garden City; obj: 10232; permit #501697; API #173-32084

Howard County

Santa Fe Snyder Corp.
Marchbanks "28" #2
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co./W. T. Roberts; A-1331, Blk 31, T1S, Sec 28; 1707 FEL 1707 FSL of lse; 933 FWL 1707 FSL of survey; 6 miles SW of Coahoma; obj: 8300; permit #501704; API #227-35613

Ward County

EOG Res., Inc.
Caprito '98' #1H
Wildcat-D-Horizontal Well; G & MMB & A; A-52, Blk F, Sec 98; 590 FNL 1584 FEL of lse; 590 FNL 1584 FEL of survey; 2 miles N of Pyote; obj: 14700; permit #501772; API #475-34678

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Hockley County

EOG Res., Inc.
Puma #1
Wildcat-D; R. M. Thompson; A-25, Blk A, Sec 89; 467 FSL 2050 FEL of lse; 467 FSL 2050 FEL of survey; 2 miles SE of Anton; obj: 10400; permit #501671; API #219-36553

Scurry County

Sharp Image Energy, Inc.
Ainsworth #1
Wildcat-D; H & TC RR Co./J. Stockton; A-2149, Blk 97, Sec 429; 470 FNL 1708 FWL of lse; 470 FNL 1708 FWL of survey; 2 miles SE of Fluvanna; obj: 8250; permit #501747; API #415-33834

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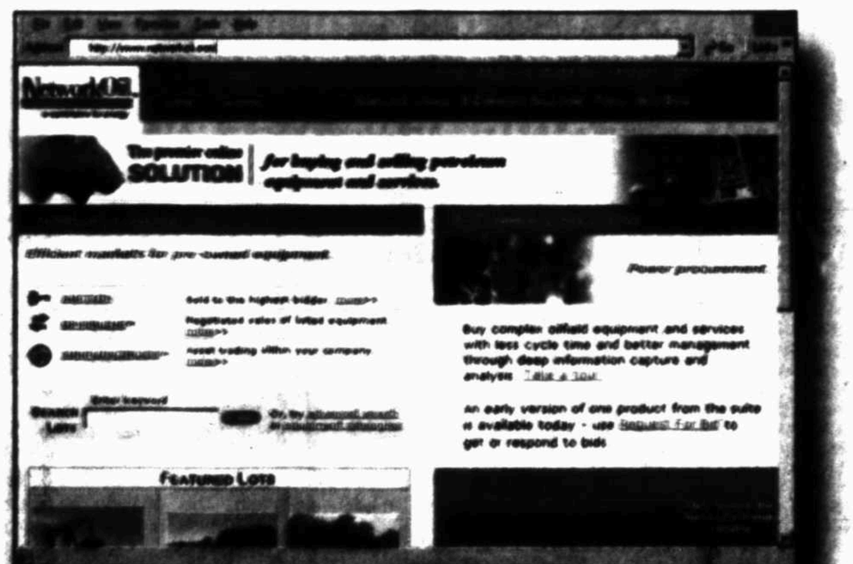
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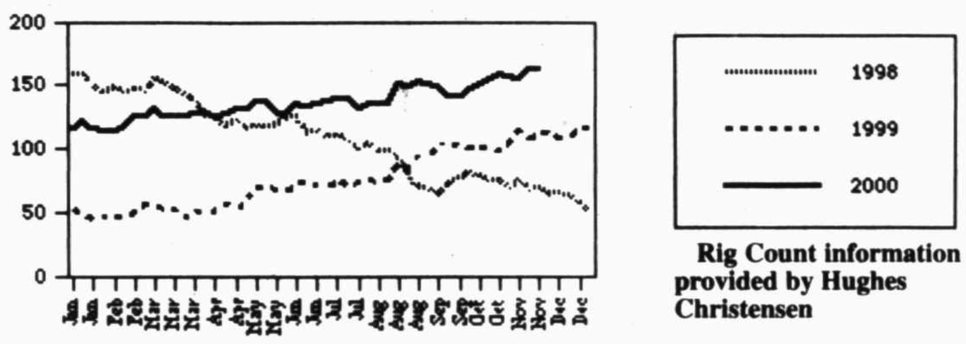
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U.S. Horizontal	65	63	51
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TEXAS		Howard	3	Garza	0
DIST. #7C		Hudspeth	0	Hale	1
Coke	0	Jeff Davis	0	Hockley	2
Concho	0	Loving	0	Kent	0
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Andrews	4	Cottle	0	Eddy	28
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				Year Ago	110

Rig Count Profile



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Development Wells

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P RR Co./B. M. Aycock; A-1388, Blk 40, T1S, Sec 14; 1320 FNL 1320 FEL of lse; 1320 FNL 1320 FEL of survey; 6 miles NW of Midland; obj: 11700; permit #481400; API #329-31576

Mitchell County

Crownquest Oper., LLC
Biegel #6W
Iatan, East Howard-D; T & P RR Co./I. T. Brennand; A-1415, Blk 29, T1S, Sec 2; 330 FSL 1787 FEL of lse; 330 FSL 2180 FWL of survey; 6.50 miles SW of Westbrook; obj: 3600; permit #501541; API #335-34195

Crownquest Oper., LLC
Biegel #7W
Iatan, East Howard-D; T & P RR Co./I. T. Brennand; A-1415, Blk 29, T1S, Sec 2; 560 FEL 660 FSL of lse; 660 FSL 1880 FEL of survey; 6.50 miles SW of Westbrook; obj: 3600; permit #501540; API #335-34196

Pecos County

Clide Oil Corp.
Smith "A" #27
Toborg-D; GC & SF RR Co.; A-4282, Blk 194, Sec 41; 620 FNL 1420 FWL of lse; 620 FNL 1565 FEL of survey; 8 miles NW of Iraan; obj: 450; permit #501567; API #371-37041

Clide Oil Corp.
Smith "A" #29
Toborg-D; G.C. & S.F. RR Co.; A-4282, Blk 194, Sec 41; 815 FSL 1451 FWL of lse; 2048 FNL 1529 FEL of survey; 8 miles NW of Iraan; obj: 450; permit #501534; API #371-37038

Clide Oil Corp.
Smith "A" #28
Toborg-D; G.C. & S.F. RR Co.; A-4282, Blk 194, Sec 41; 1215 FNL 1480 FWL of lse; 1215 FNL 1502 FEL of survey; 8 miles NW of Iraan; obj: 450; permit #501533; API #371-37039

Clide Oil Corp.
Smith "A" #30
Toborg-D; G.C. & S.F. RR Co.; A-4282, Blk 194, Sec 41; 1300 FNL 971 FEL of lse; 1300 FNL 971 FEL of survey; 8 miles NW of Iraan; obj: 450; permit #501532; API #371-37040

Winkler County

Texaco E & P Inc.
University "40-21" #1
War-Wink (Wolfcamp)-Recompletion; UL; A-000000, Blk 21, Sec 40; 1320 FWL 1320 FNL of lse; 1320 FWL 1320 FNL of survey; 5 miles SW of Wink; obj: 20323; permit #501574; API #495-31206

Energen Res. Corp.
University "38-21" #4
War-Wink (Cherry Canyon)-D; UL; A-000000, Blk 21, Sec 38; 1980 FNL 467 FEL of lse; 1980 FNL 2173 FWL of survey; 6 miles SW of Wink; obj: 8000; permit #501544; API #495-32818

Energen Res. Corp.
University "10-17" #1
War-Wink (Cherry Canyon)-D; UL; A-000000, Blk 17, Sec 10; 467 FNL 467 FEL of lse; 467 FNL 467 FEL of survey; 7 miles SW of Wink; obj: 8000; permit #501543; API #495-32819

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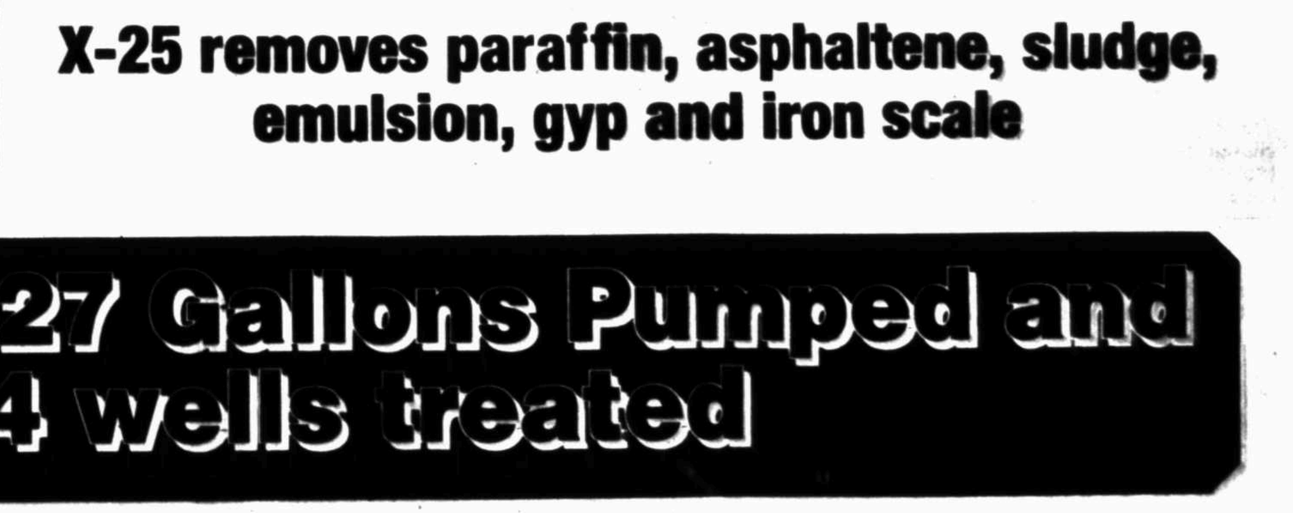
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penter; A-1132, Blk M, Sec 86; 5629 FNL 6682 FWL of lse; 1492 FNL 1373 FWL of survey; 3 miles SW of Welch; obj: 4910; permit #501502; API #115-32837

Dickens County

Alpine Pet.
Pitchfork-Toreador #1
Matador-Williams, W. (Tannehill)-D; R. M. Thomson; A-531, Blk AB, Sec 10; 467 FEL 743 FNL of lse; 1033 FWL 1000 FSL of survey; 13 miles E of Spur; obj: 4400; permit #501386; API #125-30735

Gaines County

Occidental Permian LTD.
Denver Unit #6447GC
Wasson-D; PSL/B. Anderson; A-996, Blk AX, Sec 51; 17644 FSL 9217 FWL of lse; 825 FNL 1250 FEL of survey; 1 mile SW of Denver City; obj: 5600; permit #501608; API #165-35652

Texaco E & P Inc.
Robertson, J. B. '16' #1
Robertson, N. (Clear Fork 7100)-D; PSL/W. W. Tucker; A-642, Blk A-21, Sec 16; 660 FSL 660 FEL of lse; 660 FSL 1980 FEL of survey; 8 miles SW of Seminole; obj: 6100; permit #501526; API #165-35651

Garza County

Burk Royalty Co.
Southeast Garza Unit #215R
Garza-D; D & SE RR Co./K. Aycock; A-615, Blk 5, Sec 1238; 3000 FWL 1700 FSL of lse; 340 FWL 340 FSL of survey; 2 miles S of Post; obj: 3499; permit #501579; API #169-33620

Burk Royalty Co.
Southeast Garza Unit #907
Garza-D; K. Aycock; A-490, Blk 5, Sec 5; 330 FSL 330 FEL of lse; 1325 FS'LYSL 1680 FEL of survey; 2 miles S of Post; obj: 3499; permit #501578; API #169-33619

Burk Royalty Co.
Southeast Garza Unit #823
Garza-D; K. Aycock; A-506, Blk 5, Sec 4; 2100 FEL 2100 FSL of lse; 1180 FEL 2800 FSL of survey; 2 miles S of Post; obj: 3499; permit #501577; API #169-33618

Burk Royalty Co.
Southeast Garza Unit #820
Garza-D; K. Aycock; A-509, Blk 5, Sec 3; 330 FEL 1500 FSL of lse; 330 FEL 1830 FS'LYSL of survey; 2 miles S of Post; obj:3499; permit #501576; API #169-33617

Burk Royalty Co.
Southeast Garza Unit #407
Garza-D; K. Aycock; A-509, Blk 5, Sec 3; 2000 FEL 6800 FSL of lse; 300 FS'LYWL 7230 FS'LYSL of survey; 2 miles S of Post; obj: 3499; permit #501575; API #169-33616

Brothers Prod. Co. Inc.
PLK #3106
Happy (Spraberry Lime)-D; T & NO RR Co.; A-255, Blk 2, Sec 31; 467 FSL 467 FEL of lse; 2187 FNL 467 FEL of survey; 10 miles SW of Post; obj: 5100; permit #501705; API #169-33621

Hockley County

Rogers, S. K. Oil Inc.
Campbell-Edwards #1
Hamilton (Clearfork)-Recompletion; Lamar CSL, LGE. 26, LAB. 13; A-14, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 550 FNL 694 FEL of lse; 550 FNL 694 FEL of survey; 2 miles SE of Levelland; obj: 8426; permit #501388; API #219-36112

Exxon Mobil Corp.
Coons, W. A. #60
Slaughter-D; PSL/S. Cowan; A-267, Blk X, Sec 11; 306 FWL 2289 FNL of lse; 306 FS'LYWL 3808 FS'LYSL of survey; 4 miles SE of Sundown; obj: 5500; permit #501630; API #219-36552

Kent County

Occidental Permian LTD.
Cogdell Canyon Reef Unit #1122
Cogdell (Area)-D; H. & T. C. RR Co.; A-309, Blk 97, Sec 771; N/A of N/A of lse; 2264 FSL 114 FEL of survey; 19 miles SW of Clairemont; obj: 7200; permit #501356; API #263-31681

King County

Hunt Oil Co.
Burnett, S. B. Estates "GG" #4
Big -S- (Strawn)&(Strawn 5400)-Recompletion; R. M. Thompson; A-653, Blk X, Sec 15; 10000 FEL 1130 FSL of lse; 539 FW'LYWL 1130 FW'LYSL of survey; 17 miles SE of Guthrie; obj: 6000; permit #495942; API #269-30778

Scurry County

Baytech, Inc.
Sorrells "64" #1
Mirage (Ellenburger)&(Strawn)-D; H & GN RR Co./J. E. G. W. Hanson; A-2748, Blk 3, Sec 64; 472 FNL 2000 FWL of lse; 2163 FSL 2000 FWL of survey; 2 miles SE'LY of Dunn; obj: 7900; permit #501488; API #415-33832

Kinder Morgan CO2 Co., L.P.
Sacroc Unit #145-1A
Kelly-Snyder-D; H & TC RR Co./G. T. Tucker; A-1845, Blk 97, Sec 294; 15100 FEL 21200 FSL of lse; 1921 FNL 1871 FEL of survey; 4.50 miles NW of Snyder; obj: 7200; permit #501484; API #415-33831

Kinder Morgan CO2 Co., L.P.
Sacroc Unit #150-4
Kelly-Snyder-D; H & TC RR Co./W. N. Davis; A-1950, Blk 97, Sec 293; 20100 FEL 13100 FNL of lse; 1082 FSL 1537 FEL of survey; 4.60 miles NW of Snyder; obj: 7200; permit #501483; API #415-33830

Kinder Morgan CO2 Co., L.P.
Sacroc Unit #175-1A
Kelly-Snyder-D; H & TC RR Co./G. L. Hendryx; A-2321, Blk 97, Sec 251; 16700 FEL 16100 FSL of lse; 1431 FSL 1354 FWL of survey; 4 miles NW of Snyder; obj: 7200; permit #501482; API #415-33829

Kinder Morgan CO2 Co., L.P.
Sacroc Unit #175-3
Kelly-Snyder-D; H & TC RR Co./G. L. Hendryx; A-2321, Blk 97, Sec 251; 17900 FEL 20100 FSL of lse; 1454 FSL 166 FWL of survey; 4 miles NW of Snyder; obj: 7200; permit #501481; API #415-33828

Yoakum County

Occidental Permian LTD.
Denve Unit #5521GC
Wasson-D; PSL/J. M. Powell; A-1788, Blk AX, Sec 37; 20886 FEL 16613 FNL of lse; 4798 FEL 820 FNL of survey; 1 mile SW of Denver City; obj: 5600; permit #501607; API #501-34478

Walsh Pet., Inc.
West Brahaney Unit #203
Brahaney-Recompletion; J. H. Gibson; A-274, Blk D, Sec 541; 3300 FEL 4290 FSL of lse; 2310 FNL 1980 FEL of survey; 5 miles SW of Plains; obj: 5500; permit #501645; API #501-32313

New Mexico

Chaves County

Reliance Energy, Inc.
Willow Spring "15" State #1
T4S, R25E, Sec 15; 660 FSL 1980 FWL of Wildcat; 23 miles NE of Elkins; Rot 4250 Abo; API #30-005-63299

Yates Pet. Corp.
Vista AVS State #3
T9S, R26E, Sec 21; 840 FNL 660 FEL of Wildcat; 13 miles NE of Roswell; Rot 1800 San Andres; API #30-005-63294

Yates Pet. Corp.
Vista AVS State #5
T9S, R26E, Sec 21; 330 FNL 330 FEL of Wildcat; 13 miles NE of Roswell; Rot 1800 San Andres; API #30-005-63298

Yates Drlg. Co.
Wager AWG State #1
T9S, R26E, Sec 34; 1980 FNL 1980 FEL of Foor Ranch; 13 miles NE of Roswell; Rot 6200 Pre-Permian; API #30-005-63295

Yates Drlg. Co.
Wager AWG State #2
T9S, R26E, Sec 34; 1980 FSL 660 FWL of Foor Ranch; 13 miles NE of Roswell; Rot 6200 Pre-Permian; API #30-005-63296

Yates Drlg. Co.
Wager AWG State #3
T9S, R26E, Sec 34; 1500 FSL 1500 FEL of Foor Ranch; 13 miles NE of Roswell; Rot 6200 Pre-Permian; API #30-005-63297

Eddy County

Saga Pet. LLC W
Henshaw Premier Unit #105
T16S, R30E, Sec 4; 1310 FSL 1310 FWL of West Henshaw; 14 miles NW of Maljamar; Rot 3000 Grayburg; API #30-015-31377

Saga Pet. LLC W
Henshaw Premier Unit #106
T16S, R30E, Sec 4; 1310 FSL 2590 FEL of West Henshaw; 14 miles NW of Maljamar; Rot 3000 Grayburg; API #30-015-31378

Saga Pet. LLC W
Henshaw Premier Unit #406
T16S, R30E, Sec 4; 2450 FSL 2581 FEL of West Henshaw; 14 miles NW of Maljamar; Rot 3000 Grayburg; API #30-015-31379

Texaco Expl. & Prod. Inc.
Skelly Unit #907
T17S, R31E, Sec 21; 2310 FSL 2310 FWL of Fren; 6.5 miles E of Loco Hills; Rot 5700 Paddock; API #30-015-31385

Anadarko Pet. Corp.
Baish Fed #12
T18S, R31E, Sec 9; 990 FNL 1650 FWL of North Shugart; 8.5 miles NW of Maljamar; Rot 12,200 Morrow; API #30-015-31376

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Shugart 18 Fed #1
T18S, R31E, Sec 18; 660 FNL 760 FEL of North Shugart; 6 miles SE of Loco Hills; Rot 12,200 Morrow; API #30-015-31383

Completions

New Mexico

Eddy County

Marbob Energy Corp.
"D" State #1
Artesia; T17S, R28E, Sec 25; 990 FSL 990 FWL; EL 3660 GR; TD 4500; PBTD 4321; Spud 8-14-00; Comp 9-8-00; production is through treated perfs:3922-4120; Treat:Acdz w/2200 gals 15% NEFE; IP:9-12-00 Pump 24 hrs 62 BO, 317 BW, 88 MCF; API #30-015-3125

Marbob Energy Corp.
BR-549 State #3
East Empire; T17S, R29E, Sec 27; 1600 FNL 990 FWL; EL 3548 GL; TD 4580; PBTD 4540; Spud 7-20-00; Comp 8-24-00; production is through treated perfs:4060-4305; Treat:Acdz w/2000 gals 15% NEFE; IP:8-29-00 Pump 24 hrs 30 BO, 274 BW, 34 MCF; API #30-015-31037

Vintage Drlg. LLC
Robinson Jackson Unit Tr 1 #36
GB-Jackson; T17S, R29E, Sec 27; 2220 FSL 1650 FEL; EL 3562 GR; TD 3622; PBTD 3564; Spud 3-2-00; Comp 3-20-00; production is through treated perfs:3140-3460; Treat:17,846 gals 20% acid w/29,773 gals 40# wtr frac followed w/2500 gals 15% Hcl; IP:3-28-00 Pump 24 hrs 72 BO, 195 BW, 60 MCF, GOR 80, Gty 37; API #30-015-30994

Marbob Energy Corp.
Birdie Fed #1
Loco Hills; T17S, R30E, Sec 17; 1650 FSL 380 FWL; EL 3639 GR; TD 4772; PBTD 4760; Spud 9-16-00; Comp 10-12-00; production is through treated perfs:4245-4532; Treat:Acdz w/2000 gals 15% NEFE; IP:10-17-00 Pump 24 hrs 36 BO, 695 BW, 98 MCF; API #30-015-31330

Lea County

Nadel & Gussman Permian LLC
Hulda #1
Townsend; T16S, R35E, Sec 4; 760 FSL 1980 FWL; EL 4023 GL; TD 12,218; PBTD 12,077; Spud 6-16-00; Comp 8-22-00; production is through perfs:11988-12012; IP:9-5-00 Flow 24 hrs 56 BO, 0 BW, 805 MCF, 12/64" Ch, TP 650, GOR 14375, Gty 55.5; API #30-025-35052

Louis Dreyfus Nat'l. Gas Corp.
Harrod "7" State Com #1
Tonwsend; T16S, R35E, Sec 7; 660 FNL 1050 FEL; EL 4048 GL; TD 13,110; PBTD 13063; Spud 6-1-00; Comp 9-24-00; production is through perfs:12557-570, 12891-909; IP:Flow 24hrs 20 BO, 2 BW, 1333 MCF, 22/64" Ch, TP 475; API #30-025-35032

Louis Dreyfus Nat'l. Gas Corp.
Toro 34 State Com #1
South Pearl; T19S, R35E, Sec 34; 1650 FNL 1930 FWL; EL 3703 GL; TD 13,270; PBTD 9645; Spud 2-25-00; Comp 8-9-00; production is through perfs:9036-9167; IP:8-23-00 Pump 24hrs 2 BO, 3 BW, 0 MCF; API #30-025-34911

Nearburg Prod. Co.
Python 3 Fed #3
Teas; T20S, R33E, Sec 3; 2200 FSL 1330 FEL; EL 3576 GL; TD 9613; PBTD 9650; Spud 7-10-00; Comp 9-12-00; production is through perfs:6642-660; IP:9-20-00 Pump 24 hrs 135 BO, 96 BW, 44 MCF; API #30-025-35081

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Crockett County

J. Cleo Thompson
Henderson 7-11 #4
University 31 (Strawn-Detrital gas)-Completion; T & ST K RR Co.; Blk SL, Sec 7; 358 FNL 1524 FEL of survey; 17 miles SW of Ozona, for a calculated, absolute open flow of 950,000 ft of dry gas daily; production is through treated perfs:8765-8917; TD 9048, where 4 1/2 in casing was set at 9040, PBTD 8949; GE 2238

Runnels County

DBO Oil Inc.
C.C. Grey #1
Beddo (Gardner oil)-Completion; ET RR Co. Sy No. 147 survey; A-159, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 1700 FNL 2800 FEL of survey; 4 miles NE of Ballinger, to pump 16 barrels of 42 gravity oil/day, plus 40,000 ft of gas daily, & 2 barrels of water, w/gas-liquid ratio of 2,500-1; production is through treated perfs:3870-3925; TD 3975, where 5 1/2 in casing was set at 3,975, PBTD 3975

Sutton County

Louis Dreyfus Nat. Gas Corp.
Kirby "183" #3
Sawyer (Canyon gas)-Completion; HE & WT RR Co.; Blk A, Sec 183; 685 FNL 2060 FEL of survey; 8 miles NW of Sonora, for a calculated, daily volume of 506,000 ft of dry gas daily; production is through treated perfs:7186-7237; TD 7537, where 4 1/2 in casing was set at 7452, PBTD 7394; GE 2323

Terrell County

Athanor Years, Inc.
Pakenham 67 #8
Pakenham (Wolfcamp gas)-Completion; TC RR Co.; Blk 1, Sec 67; 2300 FNL 2550 FEL of survey; 25 miles SW of Sheffield, for a calculated, absolute daily volume of 1,537,000 ft of gas daily, w/gas-liquid ratio of 240,000-1; Gravity of condensate is 53 degrees; production is through treated perfs:7525-8062; TD 8262, where 5 1/2 in casing was set at 8262, PBTD 8178; GE 2585

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Andrews County

Cross Timbers Oper. Co.
University "9" -CE- #E8
University Block 9 (Devonian)-Completion; UL; Blk 9, Sec 14; 600 FWL 700 FSL of lse; 11 miles SW of Andrews; Comp 10-13-00; Test 10-19-00 24 hrs tested, Sub Pump; Calculated 24 hr rate 181 BO, 145 MCF, 413 BW, 40.9 Oil Gravity, 801 Gas-Oil Ratio; Top of Pay 10,408; TD 10,700; PBTD 10,656; Perfs:10,408-10,420; Treat:1,250 g. 15% NEFE HCl acid; Perfs:10,470-10,488, 10,528-10,548; Treat:250 g. 15% NEFE HCl acid; permit #492784; API #42-003-38590

Pecos County

Pure Res., L.P.
Neal State #1401
Athey (Wolfcamp 10900)-Completion; T & St. L. RR.; Blk 143, Sec 14; 773 FNL 1860 FWL of lse; 18 miles NW of Ft. Stockton; Comp 11-2-00; Test 11-7-00 24 hrs tested, flowing; Calculated 24 hr rate 405 BO, 488 MCF, 6 BW, 42.8 Oil Gravity, 1205 Gas-Oil Ratio, 380 Flowing Tubing Pressure; Top of Pay 11,024; TD 12,020; PBTD 11,614; perfs:11,498-11,550; Treat:43,280 gal SFG 3000, 41440 lbs sand; Perfs:11,028-11,228; Treat:6,550 gal 15% HCL; Perfs:11,618-11,678; Treat:CIPB 11,614; permit #498323; API #42-371-37013

Texas RRCD 8A

Kent County

Merit Energy Co.
Godfrey #6
Michelle Kay (Cisco)-Completion; J. F. McKay; A-1030, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 660 FNL 660 FEL of lse; 17 miles W of Girard; Comp 11-1-00; Test 11-1-00 24 hrs tested, Pmpg; Calculated 24 hr rate 38 BO, 0 MCF, 4 BW, 37.2 Oil Gravity; Top of Pay 5634; TD 6000; PBTD 5950; Perfs:5634-5647; Treat:Perf. 2 spf., Acdz w/1500 gals 15% HCL w/30 ball sealers, Frac w/16000 gals SFG 3000 + 43520# 20/40 sand; permit #497477; API #42-263-31667

Cross Timbers buys gas properties

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Cross Timbers Oil Co. will pay $115 million for gas-producing properties in East Texas and Louisiana.

Fort Worth-based Cross Timbers also said it will increase its capital budget next year by 20 percent, to $250 million.

The company said it is aiming to increase gas production 20 percent next year and an additional 20 percent in 2002.

A spokesman said the properties that Cross Timbers has agreed to buy from Herd Producing Co. of Tyler, Texas, are in Freestone, Limestone and Robertson counties in Texas and Claiborne and Union parishes of Louisiana.

Burlington Resources plans $1 billion stock repurchase, budget increase

HOUSTON — Burlington Resources Inc. announced that its Board of Directors has authorized a stock repurchase program, providing for the company to invest up to $1 billion in its common stock.

The company intends to repurchase the shares in the open market and will determine the timing and amount of shares to be purchased based on an ongoing evaluation of market and business conditions. As of September 30, 2000, the company had 215,357,074 common shares outstanding.

In a separate action, the Board of Directors approved the company's 2001 capital budget of roughly $1.1 billion, excluding unidentified acquisitions, up over 10 percent from comparable expected capital spending in 2000.

The 2001 capital program will focus on high impact exploitation and development projects in core areas such as the San Juan Basin, Wyoming's Madden Field, western Canada, the East Irish Sea and Algeria. Approximately 20 percent of the 2001 base program will target focused domestic and international exploration.

Bobby S. Shackouls, Chairman, President and CEO commented, "We are very optimistic about our future and our strong cash generation gives us tremendous flexibility in providing returns for our shareholders. We are well positioned to execute a robust capital program and conduct a substantial share repurchase program, while retaining the financial capacity to pursue advantageous acquisition opportunities which may arise."

Steven J. Shapiro, BR's Chief Financial Officer added, "Going forward, investments in drill bit, acquisition and share repurchase programs will compete in a disciplined manner for the reinvestment of our sizeable cash flow."

Conoco confirms North Sea discoveries that could yield more than 100 million barrels

ABERDEEN, Scotland — Conoco announced that two appraisal wells drilled in the U.K. central North Sea have confirmed discoveries which when developed could yield estimated gross reserves of more than 100 million barrels of oil equivalent.

The company is now evaluating the discoveries, one consisting mainly of crude oil and the other of natural gas, with the intention of aggressive development leading to production in late 2003 or early 2004.

The development will add significantly to Conoco's existing holdings in the strategically important area around the Britannia gas condensate field, the largest in the U.K., in which the company already has the majority equity interest of 51 percent.

"The Greater Britannia area of the North Sea is very important to our portfolio," said Steve Theede, president of Conoco exploration production - Europe. "As a long-time partner and owner in the adjacent Britannia and Alba fields, we know the area well. These discoveries add yet more value to a Conoco core area, which we enhanced earlier this year by purchasing Saga UK Limited."

The oil discovery, known currently as Kappa, also has a small natural gas cap. The find was made in block 15/29b and extends into block 21/4a-North. It is located 125 miles northeast of Aberdeen. Kappa lies only 16 miles from the Britannia production platform and 13 miles from the Chevron-operated Alba oil field in which Conoco holds the largest equity interest of 23 percent.

Kappa was discovered late in 1999 and confirmed in November 2000 by appraisal well 15/29b-13, which encountered 135 feet of hydrocarbons. A 25-foot interval of reservoir was perforated for test purposes and the well flowed at a restricted rate of 1,400 barrels of oil per day through a 24/64-inch choke.

The reservoir quality is good, and it is expected that each Kappa production well could deliver up to 20,000 barrels of oil per day.

The natural gas discovery, which was made in 1985 in block 21/3a, lies 26 miles from Britannia and 23 miles from Alba. It was confirmed this year by the 21/3a-7 appraisal well, which encountered a 120-foot gas column. A drill stem test, carried out over an 87-foot interval, flowed at a rate of 20 million cubic feet of gas per day through a 44/64-inch choke.

It is expected that, once developed, the field will have a peak production rate of between 100 million and 200 million standard cubic feet of natural gas per day.

Conoco has 80 percent of 15/29b and 86 percent of 21/4a-North. It holds 75 percent of block 21/3a and is operator in both instances. Chevron U.K. Limited is the sole co-venturer in both licences.

In making the Kappa discovery, Conoco used advanced geophysical techniques to create seismic images and drilled what the U.K. petroleum industry is calling a finder well, which is designed to confirm the presence of hydrocarbons at a minimum cost.

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Mitchell to expand Bridgeport plant

THE WOODLANDS, Texas — Mitchell Energy & Development Corp. announced plans for a second expansion of its Bridgeport natural gas processing plant in North Texas next year, which will result in doubling its capacity between now and then.

Construction of this new processing train and a related residue sales pipeline is needed to accommodate rapidly growing gas production from Mitchell's Newark East Barnett Shale field.

The initial plant expansion, to be completed later this month, will increase processing capacity by 100 million cubic feet per day to 310 million cubic feet, with maximum production of natural gas liquids at Bridgeport to increase by 8,000 barrels per day to 27,000 barrels. Next year's expansion will bring capacity to 430 million cubic feet per day and 37,000 barrels per day, respectively, when completed in July.

"These projects are being driven by the continuing success of our development drilling and recompletion programs in the Barnett Shale, including the recent decision to increase the number of rigs drilling to 12 by this coming February," said George P. Mitchell, chairman and chief executive officer. "We expect Bridgeport to be operating at full capacity early next year, just months after the first expansion comes onstream. Likewise, we expect that the capacity to be added in July will be fully utilized no later than early 2002.

"While next year's volume forecasts for the company are still being finalized, the step-up in Barnett drilling and these plant expansions should enable us to exceed the previously-announced 20 percent volume growth targets."

This latest project, estimated to cost $64 million, also includes construction of a 49-mile, 24-inch-diameter pipeline and the addition of 27,000 horsepower of compression to move residue gas south from Bridgeport to two major gas transportation systems. This will give Mitchell complete flexibility to sell its North Texas gas production into all of the major interstate transportation systems as well as local intrastate markets.

Beta Oil announces two new discoveries

HOUSTON — Beta Oil & Gas Inc. and partners, Parallel Petroleum Corp. and Pease Oil and Gas Co. announce two new successful wells in the Expanded Yegua / Frio trend in Jackson County, Texas.

The first discovery is located in their Ganado project area, while the second discovery is located in their BWC project area.

The Ganado LF-1 was completed in the Frio formation and is selling gas at a rate of 1.8 million cubic feet of gas per day with approximately 10 barrels of condensate per day and flowing tubing pressure of 2,460 pounds per square inch. Logs and testing during drilling of this well also indicate an additional Frio sand behind pipe.

The BWC F-1A, also completed in the Frio formation, is selling gas at a rate of .8 million cubic feet of gas per day with 1,640 pounds per square inch of tubing pressure.

Beta owns a 20 percent interest in the Ganado well and a 12.5 percent working interest in the BWC well.

Murphy Oil increases budget 18 percent

EL DORADO, Ark. — Murphy Oil Corp. announced a capital program of $692 million for 2001. This represents an increase of 18 percent over projected capital expenditures in 2000.

Approximately three-quarters of the capital budget will be allocated to upstream operations.

Murphy's development expenditures are expected to rise 41 percent to $280 million, primarily driven by activity surrounding deepwater Gulf of Mexico discoveries in Mississippi Canyon Blocks 538/582 (Medusa, 60 percent) and Garden Banks Block 341 (Habanero, 33.8 percent), both slated to commence production in late 2002.

Off the East Coast of Canada, first oil from the Terra Nova field is scheduled for the third quarter of 2001 and will provide Murphy over 15,000 barrels a day of new oil production by 2002. Funds will also be provided to begin the Phase III expansion at Syncrude and for continuing development of Hibernia, heavy oil and natural gas fields in western Canada and Block 16 in Ecuador.

Exploration expenditures are estimated to rise approximately 12 percent to $238 million. In addition to a continuation of the Gulf of Mexico deepwater program, an expanded drilling program in western Canada, enhanced by properties received in the recent Beau Canada acquisition, will be pursued. Also planned are several wells for the natural gas prone Scotian Shelf as well as increased levels of drilling offshore Malaysia.

Capital expenditures for refining, marketing and transportation operations are budgeted at $168 million in 2001, up approximately 7 percent. The primary uses of the funds are for the ongoing Wal-Mart program and for the commencement of a "clean fuels" project at the Meraux, Louisiana refinery.

Approximately 300 low-cost, high-volume U.S. retail gasoline stations, located primarily in the parking areas of Wal-Mart Supercenters, will be in operation or under construction by the end of 2000, with an additional 100-125 slated for construction in 2001. The Meraux project will allow the refinery to meet future standards for ultra-low sulfur gasoline and distillate. The main components of the project include the construction of a hydrocracker and the revamp of several processing units, ultimately increasing the crude throughput of the refinery from 100,000 to 125,000 barrels a day upon completion in 2003. The 2000 figures include $27 million for the purchase of the minority interest in the Manito pipeline in Canada.

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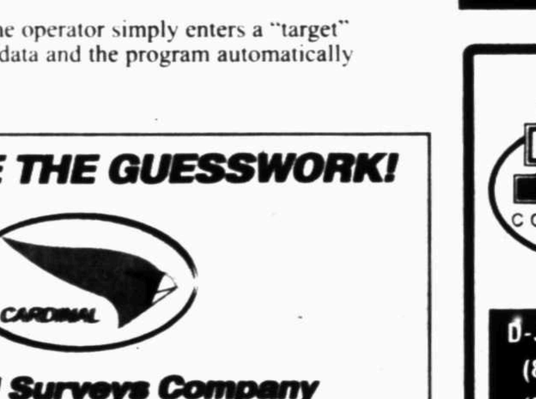
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'The NUTCRACKER'





By Georgia Temple

The November performance by Russian dancers of Tchaikovsky's famous ballet heightened interest in the upcoming Midland Festival Ballet production of "The Nutcracker," set for 8 p.m. Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Dec. 17 at Lee High School.

"Actually, we've had more inquiries earlier than we've ever had," said Judy Coleman, director of Midland Festival Ballet. "If anything, it has bolstered people's interest in 'The Nutcracker' and in ballet."

During the Cold War era, Ms. Coleman said, defections by Russian dancers received "a lot of publicity and that has always bolstered American ballet."

She cited ice skating as an example. "With the Olympics, so much more interest develops in that sport. Ballet doesn't get the same promotion."

Ballet is likely to receive more promotion in larger cities, Ms. Coleman said. "Out here, sports is so promoted. You're not going to have dance promoted as much unless you go to Dallas or Houston or Austin."

The Russian version of this ballet focuses less on the children in Hoffman's tale than does the American one.

This coming weekend, area audiences will see the American version, Ms. Coleman said. "We have a small-town version of 'The Nutcracker' without the big sets and the money to support something like that."

As an example of the cost of sets and costumes, Ms. Coleman cited Fort Worth Ballet selling its "old scenery and costumes for $90,000.

"And you think what it would take to put on the huge production they are doing now," Ms. Coleman said. "It's amazing. It would be well over $200,000 just in scenery and costumes if you had them made well."

The costumes and sets may not be as elaborate as the touring production brought here in November, but the Midland Festival Ballet production contains a major ingredient not found in the other show — live music via the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale.

"Live music brings warmth and expansion and an aliveness to the ballet," said Ms. Coleman. "The Russian ballet had just taped music. I think the most important thing is to do 'The Nutcracker' with an orchestra. It's good for the dancers, and it's wonderful as a treat for the audience.

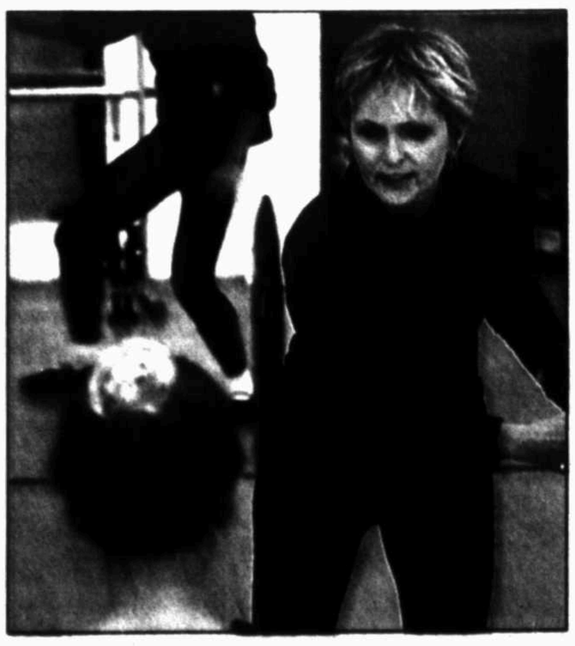
"And some people are coming to see it just because they want the musical experience with the orchestra. The snow sequence with the Chorale is just beautiful. And the grand pas is so sumptuous and full."

The production, made possible in part by grants from the Arts Assembly of Midland and the Texas Commission on the Arts, the Abell-Hanger Foundation, the O'Shaughnessy Foundation, The Hahl Proctor Trust, the Prairie Foundation, Texaco and Burlington Resources, features professional guest artists cast in leading roles. Soloists this year include Veronica Lynn of New York as the Sugar Plum Fairy, Cornel Crabtree of Chicago as her Cavalier, John Simons of Fort

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AT TOP RIGHT: Amy Cristiani, 8, can't quite make the catch on a block of cheese as it's tossed to her during a scene in which the Styrofoam blocks are tossed back and forth. Behind her, 11-year-old John Demis reaches around with a sword to make a stab at the cheese block. AT TOP LEFT: Girls pass the time between scenes goofing off and playing with their swords. AT RIGHT: Carissa Oei, who plays Clara, fingers a sword held by Rob Lowe, who plays the Nutcracker Prince. AT RIGHT CENTER: Judy Coleman directs. AT FAR RIGHT: Lauren Sauer practices for her role in the Nutcracker.

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Sunday Crossword Puzzle

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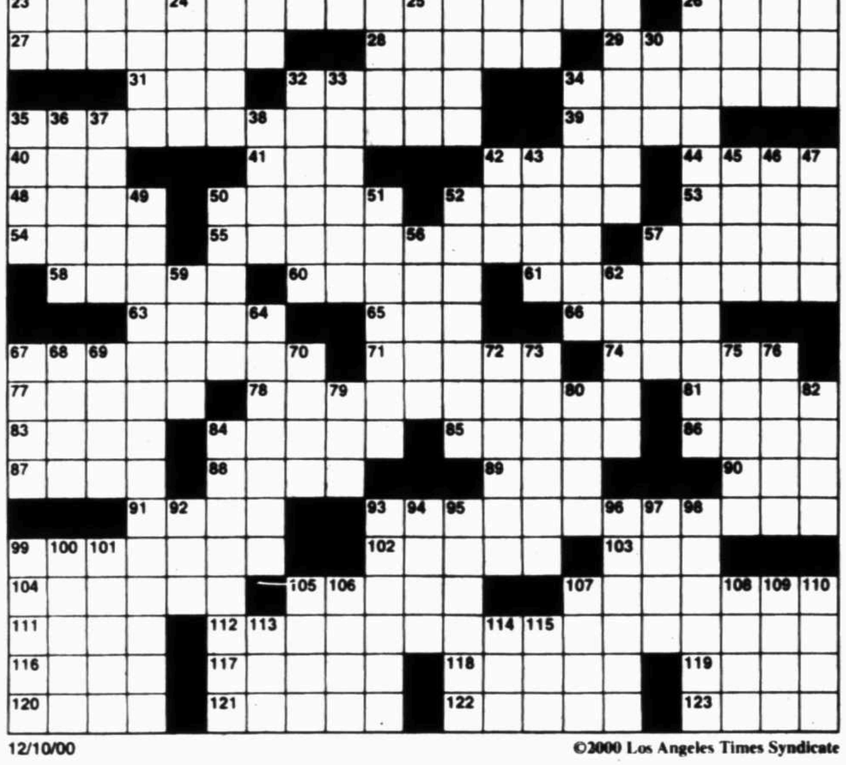
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Jacqueline Bigar's Stars

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Dec. 10, 2000

Let others come forward more often. Meanwhile, learn to step back. Sometimes confusion surrounds meetings and plans. Clarify and define. Don't assume that problems are bigger than they really are. Remain optimistic, creative and intuitive. Your caring naturally comes forth. If you are single, popularity soars to an unprecedented level, but you also might want to settle down. With so many options, you're bound to make a good choice. If you are attached, your partner blossoms and seems even more special this year. Sign up for a class in communication together. GEMINI naturally plays devil's advocate.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ Speak your mind, and expect a strong response. You're unusually creative and dynamic. Others recognize this trait in you. A disagreement becomes fertile ground for a new understanding and mutuality. Express your loving feelings. Tonight: Out and about.
This week: Deal with co-workers as if they are family. You can be unusually vulnerable at this time of year.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Deal head-on with a higher-up and his needs. Do not compromise what you know is right here. Understand that another might not be as clear or direct as you are. Confusion surrounds funds but is the basis for new clarity. Speak about financial facts. Tonight: Your treat.
This week: Your warm and friendly style melts away another's resistance. Build security. Think long term.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Your presence naturally makes someone imagine and think of possibilities. For a while, you could be out of sync. Confusion surrounds communication. You might feel insecure. Go right past any limits, and wonderful events will occur. Another does adore you. Tonight: Go for what you want.
This week: Work hard on Monday. You could be difficult to stop. You find great ways of making and spending money.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Put that special person on a pedestal. Let him know how very much you care about him. Confusion or a misunderstanding stems from insecurity. Reveal more of your feelings, and a relationship will finally bloom. Schedule time for some extra ZZZs. Tonight: A quiet night for two.
This week: You bloom as the week begins. Your charisma speaks, and you could become extravagant.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Aim high. Above all, don't let a minor setback with a friend or loved one get to you. Understand that once in a while, a misunderstanding is likely. You build intensity and caring in a relationship by working through an occasional hassle. Tonight: Where the good times are.
This week: Head into work early on Monday. Midweek, a lot goes on behind the scenes. On Thursday, you have reason to smile.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ All eyes turn to you. You make strong decisions that can make a big difference to your family and loved ones. Tension surrounds your decisions. You feel like something is off kilter. Be loving to those close to you. Tonight: Invite others over.
This week: Think in terms of responsibility. You succeed way beyond your expectations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ How another views a changing situation might have very little to do with what is going on. Walking in someone else's footsteps will open doors. Don't hedge anymore. Tell another exactly how you feel. Tonight: Say yes to an invitation.
This week: Once you get going, you won't have a moment to stop. You are the kingpin. You make a difference all week long.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You might not be sure about another. This causes much tension. What could be peaceful turns out to be a major squabble. Think about a long-term decision involving that special person in your life. Express caring. Tonight: Play follow-the-leader. You follow.
This week: Another pushes you with great financial insights, but you do your own research.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Others call the shots. You might not agree with what you hear, so re-evaluate decisions that surround you and another. Somehow, you might not be altogether in sync with plans. Express your feelings, and you'll reverse patterns. Tonight: Could be heavenly.
This week: Others knock on your door and seek you out. You deal best with finances. Intense conversation brings you the results you want.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Emphasize what you can get done. Work through stress by indulging in a preferred hobby or pastime. You might not be absolutely sure about your feelings involving a loved one right now. Give yourself time to sort through your emotions. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.
This week: Though you have great work intentions on Monday, by Tuesday you're easily distracted, which is odd for you. On Thursday, focus.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Express your playfulness. Do not be surprised, however, if another misreads you. A friend might not be on the same wavelength as you. You might be juggling a friendship with a love relationship. Be careful with someone who might be very fragile. Tonight: Be a kid again.
This week: Your mind pops out one idea after another. Co-workers seek you out as a resource. You gain in stature.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Family dominates your plans. You might not be sure about what you want to say to another. Juggle needs, with an eye to another's expectations. What starts out as a squabble could be the basis of a better understanding. Tonight: Order in.
This week: Distractions are plenty this week. You justify playing (as opposed to working) by the fact that if you aren't happy, nothing works.

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♠ A K 8
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◇ K 10 4 2
♣ 9 7 5 2

EAST
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♡ 9 3
◇ Q 7 6
♣ K 6

SOUTH
♠ Q 10 3
♡ K Q 10 8 5
◇ A J 9
♣ 8 3

The bidding:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♡
Pass	2♡	Pass	4♡
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Opening lead: King of ♠

Certainly the most prolific, and most consistent, writer of bridge books is former world champion Eddie Kantar. His new book, "Kantar Lessons IV," 180 pp., spiral bound. $25, post paid. Available from the author, 2700 Neilson Way, No. 334, Santa Monica, Calif. 90405. Autographed on request, has again won the "Book of the Year" award presented by the American Bridge Teachers' Association. Here is a sample:

The auction is straight textbook. Four hearts should be the universal choice and a high spade is certainly the right lead. It makes no difference whether you still lead the king from this holding or have switched to the ace from ace-king.

One look at dummy is all a good player should need to find the winning defense. Obviously, declarer will have no trouble setting up dummy's clubs to take care of any diamond losers, so it is essential to "git thar fustest with the mostest," in the immortal words of Civil War Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest. At trick two West must shift to a low diamond, declarer capturing East's queen with the ace. When declarer, after drawing trumps, takes the club finesse, East wins and reverts to diamonds, and the defenders take two diamond tricks for a one-trick set. No other defense will prevail, including a club shift and a diamond switch back.

Isn't leading away from a king dangerous? It definitely could well be, and often is, writes Kantar, but here an attacking defense is called for. When partner cannot be given the lead without setting up dummy's long suit, it is mandatory!

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Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: "The Star of Bethlehem: a Mystery Revealed," 3 p.m., Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin: CLASS: Mixed Media Collage, monthly Adventures in Art class, 3:30-4:30 p.m., ages 6-12. Tuition charged, prior registration required. EXHIBIT: All About Eve, ceramic sculpture by Jean Cappadonna-Nichols, through Dec. 31. Museum gallery hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. 4909 E. University, Odessa, 550-3811. Free admission.

First Presbyterian Church: MUSICAL SERVICE: "Sounds of the Season" features John Rutter's Magnificat, accompanied by members of Midland-Odessa Symphony, 5:30 p.m., 800 W. Texas, 684-7821. Free.

Gallery 1114: EXHIBIT: Former Gallery members from the past 17 years return for a special exhibit, through Jan. 21. Modern and contemporary art are featured. Gallery hours are 1-5 p.m. Thurs.-Sun. or by appointment, 1114 N. Big Spring, 685-9944. Free.

Thomas Kinkade Signature Galleries: EXHIBIT: 2101 W. Wadley, Suite 12, 682-9911. Hours are 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 12-5 p.m. Sunday. No admission charged.

Midland College: McCormick Gallery, Allison Fine Arts Bldg., 3600 N. Garfield. Gallery hours are Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 1-5 p.m. Call 685-4770. Free.

Midland Community Theatre: CLASSIC: "A Christmas Carol," 2 p.m., Davis Theatre I, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

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Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale: CONCERT: Christmas concert by the Lone Star Brass, 2 p.m., 1st United Methodist Church, 415 N. Lee, Odessa, 563-0921. Admission charged.

Museum of the Southwest: HOLIDAY EVENT: Third annual Christmas at the Mansion fund-raising event features holiday activities and exhibits including gingerbread houses, miniatures, caroling, Santa, shopping, and Southwest Express train exhibit. Free admission; charge for train exhibit. EXHIBIT: Reflections of a Journey: Engravings After Karl Bodmer, through Jan. 7, Southwing Galleries. EXHIBIT: Herb Rather: Watercolor, part of the Contemporary Artist Series, through Dec. 31, features the work of this nationally known artist from Lampasas, Texas, Here and Now Gallery. EXHIBIT: John James and John Woodhouse Audubon, through Jan. 7, 2001, Hogan Gallery. EXHIBIT: In the Third Dimension: Sculpture selections, through Jan. 7, 2001, Sculpture Gallery, Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., 683-2882. Free.

Odessa College LRC: 201 W. University. Call 915 335-6646 for Options Gallery schedule. Free.

The Permian Basin Petroleum Museum: EXHIBIT: Magic School Bus: Inside the Earth, through Jan. 8. Hours are Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., 1500 I-20 West, 683-4403. Admission charged.

Permian Playhouse: MUSICAL: "Nuncrackers," the Nunsense Christmas musical, 2:30 p.m., 310 W. 42nd, Odessa, 550-5456. Admission charged.

The Presidential Museum: Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Tues.-Sat., 622 N. Lee, Odessa, 915 332-7123. Admission charged.

Proteus Gallery: EXHIBIT: Despoblado, an exhibit of photographic images by Midlander Jim Geitgey, through Jan. 27, 112 W. 5th St., Odessa, 580-4244. Hours are 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Tues.-Fri., 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Sat. Free.

University of Texas of the Permian Basin: Gallery hours are Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 1-5 p.m., Sun. 1-5 p.m., 4901 E. University, Odessa. Call 552-2806. Free.

White-Pool House Museum: Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 112 E. Murphy St., Odessa, 915 333-4072. Free.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

First Presbyterian Church: CLASSES: Fine Arts School, fall semester Sept.11- Jan. 19, 800 W. Texas, 684-7821. Tuition charged.

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

Ellen Noel Art Museum: VIDEO: The Christmas Story in Art, Brown Bag Art Education Series, focusing this month on the subject of Christmas and art, 12-1 p.m., 4909 E. University, Odessa, 550-3811. Free.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: EXHIBIT: Splash! Bang! Boom! interactive science exhibit, exploring the properties of matter and energy. EXHIBIT: My Town, a two-story interactive cityscape, the latest permanent exhibit. EXHIBIT: Beach Babies, a toddler room built just for ages under 3. EXHIBIT: West Texas Keys, an aquarium exhibit. Museum hours are Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Free.

Lee High and Lee Freshman High Schools: CONCERT: Orchestras will perform "Winter Wonderland," 7:30 p.m., Lee High School Auditorium. Admission is 2 cans of food for Meals-On-Wheels.

Midland Palette Club: LUNCHEON: Annual Christmas party and meeting, 11 a.m., 907 W. Wadley. Each member is asked to bring a covered dish. Guests are welcome to stay for viewing a video of a selected artist. Call 694-0516 or 520-0432 for information.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

Midland County Public Library: PROGRAM: Entertainment by Legend, singing group from Midland High School, 1:15 p.m., 301 W. Missouri. Free.

Museum of the Southwest: CHRISTMAS AT THE MANSION: Featured today is a luncheon with caroling by local choirs, 1705 W. Missouri. Call Cindi at 683-2882 to reserve, necessary due to limited seating. Admission charged.

Parker House Ranching Museum: Permanent collection of Tom Lea and his work, also featuring area local history exhibits. Currently on display, Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys memorabilia. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Wed.-Sat., 1118 Maple, Odessa, 1-915-335-9918. Free.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

Midland Community Theatre: CLASSIC: "A Christmas Carol," through Dec. 17, 8 p.m., Davis Theatre I, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

Midland County Public Library: PROGRAM: Entertainment by Woodwind Quartet, 4:15 p.m., 301 W. Missouri. Free.

Museum of the Southwest: CHRISTMAS AT THE MANSION: Featured today is a tea with live musical entertainment, 3-4:30 p.m., 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: "The Star of Bethlehem: a Mystery Revealed," 8 p.m. every Friday except holiday weekends, Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Midland Community Theatre: CLASSIC: "A Christmas Carol," through Dec. 17, 8 p.m. Dulcimer players The Lydians perform from 7:15-7:45 p.m., Davis Theatre I, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: HOLIDAY EVENT: "Celebrations Around the World" include Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Las Posadas, a Victorian Christmas and a nativity. Attractions include make-and-take activities, games, and storytelling, today only, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged.

Globe Theatre: MUSICAL PROGRAM: Christmas Through the Years, featuring Cindy Ward, David Ward, Larry Purkey, Jane McKeel and Friends, 8 p.m., 2308 Shakespeare Rd., Odessa, 580-3177. Admission charged.

Midland Community Theatre: CLASSIC: "A Christmas Carol," through Dec. 17, 8 p.m., Davis Theatre I, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

Midland Festival Ballet and Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale: BALLET: "The Nutcracker," 8 p.m., Lee High Auditorium, 3500 Neely, 682-2653. Admission charged. Tickets on sale at Ann McCann's Children's Wear, Garfield and Loop 250.

Museum of the Southwest: CHRISTMAS AT THE MANSION: Bring your cameras for pictures with Santa from 2-5 p.m. Other attractions include gingerbread houses, carolers, Southwest Express train exhibit, and Christmas Shop. Season hours are 11 a.m.-5 p.m., 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Free admission; admission charged for train exhibit.

The **Arts Assembly of Midland** maintains a calendar of all arts-related activities. To avoid conflicts with other organizations, please call 687-1149, P.O. Box 3494, Midland, TX 79702; email artsmid@iglobal.net; http://www.iglobal.net/arts.

✔ The Week Ahead

Arts and Entertainment opportunities in the Permian Basin Dec. 10-16

Sunday, Dec. 10

Christmas show

Midland Community Theatre is presenting "A Christmas Carol" through Dec. 17 at Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.

Shows begin at 8 p.m. except Sunday 2 p.m. matinee performances. Tickets are $12. Call 682-4111 or 570-4011.

Artwork

Dollye Ballenger is showing her artwork in the Garden Room of the Midland Country Club, 6101 N. Highway. 349, through December.

Ms. Ballenger is a well known local artist.

Holiday concert

ODESSA — The Lone Star Brass Quintet performs its holiday concert "Pipe Dreams" at 2 p.m. today at First United Methodist Church, 415 N. Lee.

In addition to including the Quintet members — Carol Deats, Jana Galloway, Ted Hale, Aaron Lovely and Michael Santorelli — the performance features Becca Sawyer on organ and Derron Bell on percussion.

The quintet is a performing ensemble of the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale, Inc. The concert is sponsored by Caldwell Music. Tickets are $12 for adults, $10 for seniors, $5 for students and music students are free. For more information call 563-0921.

Ceramic exhibit

ODESSA — The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin, 4909 E. University Boulevard, is presenting "All About Eve," ceramic sculpture by Jean Cappadonna-Nichols, through Dec. 31.

Exhibitions are sponsored in part by the Connoisseurs. Admission is free. Hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday 2-5 p.m. The facility is closed Mondays. For more information call, 550-3811.

Musical

FORT WORTH — Casa Manana Children's Playhouse is presenting "Frosty the Snowman" through Dec. 17 at Casa Manana Theatre in the Fort Worth Cultural District, corner of West Lancaster and University.

The season features well-loved productions chosen to offer an assortment of life lessons and educational values to all theater lovers. Performances of this musical rendition of the classic tale will be at 7:30 p.m. Fridays, 2 p.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are $10 for all ages and can be bought by calling 817-332-2272 ext. 3, or at the box office, 3101 W. Lancaster in Fort Worth.

Musical

LUBBOCK — The last performance of Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" will be today at the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium in Lubbock. This is the same Tony Award winning, full-length Broadway musical including production numbers, costumes and songs.

Tickets range from $15 to $60 depending on performance time and seat location. To charge by phone, call 800-735-1288, go to a Select-A-Seat ticket outlet, or order online at www.selectaseatlubbock.com. Call 800-869-1451 for discounts on groups of 20 or more.

Gift packages

LUBBOCK — The Lubbock Symphony Orchestra has holiday gift packages for sale. They include the remaining four concerts this season (Jan. 12 and 13, March 30 and 31, April 21 and May 4 and 5).

Package prices are $52, $72 and $85. Student packages are $30 each. The gift packages must be purchased at the Lubbock Symphony offices, 1500 Broadway, Suite 1117, Lubbock, TX 79401. Individual concert tickets are available. For more information call 806-762-1688.

Christmas play

POST — The Garza Theatre, 226 E. Main, is presenting "Yes Virginia, There Is a Santa Claus" today, and Dec. 15 and 16. Curtain times are Friday and Saturday at 7:45 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. (with two performances on Dec. 16).

The production is partially funded by the Texas Commission on the Arts and the Caprock Cultural Association. Tickets are $8 for adults and $5 for children ages 6 to 12. Call 806-495-4005 for information.

Monday, Dec. 11

Christmas concert

The Lee High School Choral Department's Christmas Concert, a "Festival of Yuletide Carols," is set for St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3011 W. Kansas Ave., at 7:33 p.m. Monday.

No admission is charged. For more information, call 689-1619.

Tuesday, Dec. 12

Concert

The Lee High School and Lee Freshman High School Orchestras will perform "Winter Wonderland" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Lee High School Auditorium.

Admission is 2 small cans of food to benefit Meals-On-Wheels Holiday Gift Basket Drive.

Exhibit

The Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., is hosting an exhibition of Herb Rather's work through Dec. 31.

Rather's works have been displayed widely in many national exhibitions, are included in numerous public and private collections and have received national awards. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information call 683-2882 or 570-7770.

Christmas music

The American Family Radio, 89.5 FM, is playing all Christmas music through Dec. 25 and has a number of holiday specials planned as well.

On Tuesday at 7:05 p.m. listeners will hear "Majesty and Wonder," featuring guitarist Phil Keaggy with the London Philharmonic. And on Friday, at 7:05 p.m., a full hour of Christmas carols will be broadcast.

Other programs include "God Came Near," featuring worship music and thoughts from author Max Lucado, Dec. 19 at 7:05 p.m.; "Birth In Bethlehem," written by Dr. Donald Wildmon, Dec. 20 at 7:05 p.m.; "AFR Christmas Card," featuring the staff of American Family Radio, Dec. 23 at 12:05 p.m.; and "Like Christmas All Year Round," a Christmas worship with Dennis Jernigan, Dec. 24 at 6:30 p.m.

Art series

ODESSA — The next installment of the Art Education Series is set for noon to 1 p.m. at the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University.

The Christmas Story in Art will be presented and will include Christ's birth portrayed in paintings by Italian and Flemish masters of the Renaissance. Call Karen Hembree at 550-3811 for more information.

'Messiah'

AUSTIN — The Austin Symphony with the Austin Civic Chorus will perform Handel's "Messiah" at 8 p.m. Tuesday at Riverbend Church.

Tickets can be purchased for $10, $15 and $25 at the box office 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday or at Riverbend Church from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. the evening of the performance. To reserve tickets call 512-476-6064 or log-on to www.austinsymphony.org.

Exhibition

LUBBOCK — The Buddy Holly Center, 1801 Ave. G, is presenting Crafts Etc. through Jan. 6. The annual exhibition of fine crafts features Y2Klay, contemporary ceramic work created in celebration of the new millennium, and Full Deck Quilts, a traveling exhibition of 54 fine art quilts representing a full deck of cards.

For more information call 806-767-2686.

Wednesday, Dec. 13

Library events

The Midland County Public Library, 301 W. Missouri Ave., continues its holiday events with Legend, a singing group from Midland High School, at 1:15 p.m. Wednesday.

Other performing groups include Woodwind Quartet will perform at 4:15 p.m. Dec. 14 and Crestview Handbell Choir at noon Dec. 18.

Holiday travel

SAN ANTONIO — The Westin la Cantera Resort presents "Legendary Holidays," a walking tour complete with carolers, an authentic Texas storyteller and a flurry of the only guaranteed snow to be found in South Texas this season.

The event runs Wednesday through Dec. 24 and is free to the public. For more information contact Donna Butler at 210-558-2215.

Thursday, Dec. 14

Art display

Gallery 1114, 1114 North Big Spring St., is displaying works of former member artists Thursday through Jan. 21.

The exhibit includes painting, sculpture, photography and mixed-media. Artists whose work is included in the show are Mike Andrews, Paula Babb-Cox, Carol Bailey, Gary Bain, Mike Banschbach, Jane Becker, Travis Beckham, Brandon Borchert, Ramah Bosecker, Cristi Branum, Jean Cappadonna-Nichols, R.C. Ellis, Jam Foust-Hurt, Sam Hurt, Deborah Hamilton, John Harmon, Pat Harris, Boyd Harris, Karen Hembree, Jack Hickman, Olivia Hill, Ruth Hill-Ratcliff, Danny Holeva, Joyce Howell, Mary Lambeth, Michelle Mayberry, Sharon Navage, Susan Randle, Sharon Seay, Warren Taylor, Janet Whitman, Betsey Wiesenfeld, Lee Wiesenfeld, Susan Tomlinson and Tom Whiles.

Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, or by appointment. For information call 685-9944.

Comedy

ABILENE — Paramount Productions is presenting "A West Texas Christmas Carol," a funny adaptation of Charles Dickens' Christmas classic, Thursday through Dec. 17 at the Paramount Theatre of Abilene, 352 Cypress St.

For more information call (915) 676-9620 or visit the web site www.paramount-abilene.org. Tickets are now on sale for $5 each. All proceeds benefit the historic Paramount Theatre.

Friday, Dec. 15

Festival

SAN ANGELO — The historic Orient-Santa Fe Depot, 703 S. Chadbourne, is open for the 4th annual Santa's Santa Fe Christmas Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays throughout December (except Christmas Eve).

Regular hours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is $3 for adults and $1 for children under 12. For more information call 915-949-5888.

Saturday, Dec. 16

Broadcast

The Texaco-Metropolitan Opera Broadcast performances continue with Richard Wagner's "Der Fliegende Hollander" on Saturday at 1 p.m. over the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera International Radio Network. The broadcast will be heard locally over KCRS (550AM) and KNEW (88.7 FM).

Der Fliegende Hollander, Wagner's music-drama, is the story of a Dutch sea captain who is doomed to sail the seas for eternity unless his sins are redeemed by a woman who will remain faithful to him until death.

Upcoming operas being broadcast include "The Merry Widow," Dec. 23: and "La Traviata," Dec. 30.

Ballet

Midland Festival Ballet's production of "The Nutcracker" will be performed at Lee High School at 8 p.m. Saturday and again at 2:30 p.m. on Dec. 17.

Call 682-2653 for admission prices and more information.

Holiday event

ODESSA — The Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Road, will present "Christmas Through the Years" at 8 p.m. Saturday.

The event features holiday music for the family presented by Cindy Ward, David Ward, Larry Purkey, Jane McNeel and friends. Call 580-3177 for reservations.

Arts, crafts

MASON — Old Mason Market Trade Days will be held Saturday and Dec.17 just north of Mason on Highway 87. Over 150 antiques, arts, crafts and food vendors will display their wares.

Live entertainment will be provided. Hours are Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is $2 for adults, $1 for kids 6 to 12 and children 5 and under are free. For more information call 915-347-1840.

Auditions/ contests

Art entries

The Arts Assembly of Midland is accepting entries for 18th annual Celebration of the Arts. The deadline is Feb. 19. For the three-day event, 70 artists will be chosen to display and sell their art.

COA will be held May 18-20. For information or an entry brochure call 687-1149.

Photography show

The Texas Photographic Society is inviting amateur and professional photographers to submit slides of color and black and white works for the group's 16th annual Member's Only Show to open Feb. 17 at the Longview Museum of Art in Longview.

The deadline for submissions is Dec. 15.

The nonrefundable fee is $20 for up to 5 slides. Up to 5 additional slides may be entered for $3 per slide. For information on the entry process call 210-824-4123 or write to TPS President, D. Clarke Evans, c/o the Texas Photographic Society, PMB 174, 6338 N. New Braunfels, San Antonio, Texas 78209.

Arts competition

The Midland Arts Association is accepting entries for the 2001 MAA Spring Slide Juried Art until Jan. 26. The show will be held at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., March 8 to April 8. An opening reception for the show is set for 7 to 9 p.m. March 8. Cash awards of $2,500 will be presented at that time.

Juror for the show is Paul Milosevich, who will present a figure drawing workshop at the Palette Club March 9-11. Milosevich graduated from California State University, Long Beach.

For 10 years, he taught at Odessa College and Texas Tech University. His work is in seven national museums and numerous public and private collections. He has been featured in Southwest Art magazine, on the NBC Today Show and the Texas Country Reporter television show.

Call Doris Spires or Nancy Henderson at 682-8401 or 697-2479 for information on eligibility requirements for the show and for workshop registration.

Book award

AUSTIN — The Texas Historical Commission (THC) is accepting nominations for its annual T. R. Fehrenbach Book Award. The THC will award up to three $1,000 cash prizes to authors of Texas history books published in 2000.

The deadline is December 28.

The award was created to encourage original research of Texas history and is named for historian and THC commission member T. R. Fehrenbach of San Antonio. Fehrenbach is a leading authority of Texas history and author of 18 books.

For guidelines and a nomination form, visit the web site at www.thc.state.tx.us or call: (512) 463-6255.

Pageant

DALLAS — The Ms. Texas Senior Pageant 2001 will be held at the Ramada Market Center March 23 and 24.

The pageant provides a forum to recognize and honor women who have reached 60 years of age and older who exemplify dignity, maturity and inner beauty of all Texas senior women.

Contestants will be judged on evening wear, interview, inner beauty, talent and philosophy of life. Officials are seeking corporate sponsors and accepting applications of contestants. For information call 972-239-3342. or 972-270-5944.

Film festival

HOUSTON — The 34th annual Worldfest-Houston International Film Festival will offer more Internet involvement with a new streaming program along with the entry information and new strategic alliances with WritersScriptNetwork.com and Final Draft, the industry's leading software for writing screen plays.

The new initial entry deadline is Dec. 15 and the final deadline will be Jan. 15. (with a small late fee).

Worldfest promotes screenplays, short film, feature film, student, experimental, documentary, television and music video award winners. For more information and a free poster call 713-965-9955, fax 713-965-9960 or email worldfest@aol.com. The entry kit with forms can be found at www.worldfest.org.

Song contest

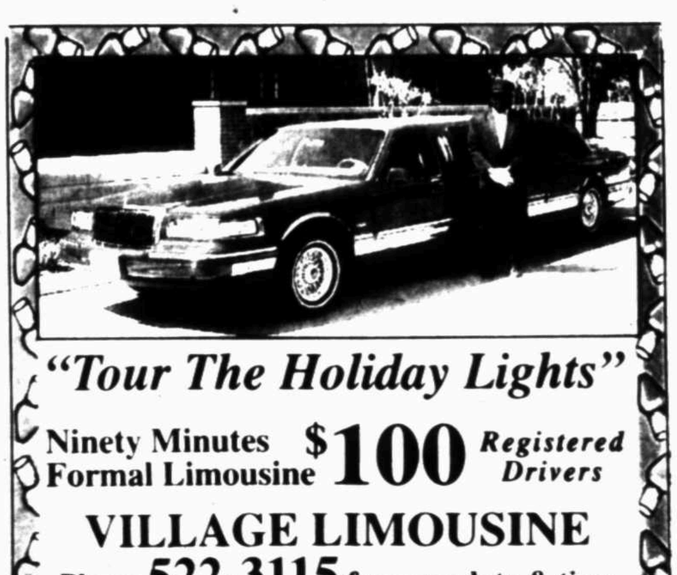
The Jagermeister-sponsored music site, jagermusic.com, announces its first Jager MP3 Song contest, which is open to all genres of music, from alternative to zydeco, and to individuals or bands residing in the United States.

Songs and applications must be received by 9 a.m. EST Dec. 30. Eligible songs will be posted to jagermusic.com where visitors to the site listen and vote for their favorite song! Voting ends at 9 a.m. EST, Jan. 30. A running tally of votes and a list of winners will be posted on jagermusic.com.

The grand prize winner wins $10,000 and will be flown to New York to play at a special jagermusic.com performance to be held in the spring of 2001.

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enter the Jager MP3 Song Contest for a list of rules. Contestants must be 21 years of age, no purchase necessary. For more information call: Amanda Lechner at (914) 633-5630.

Upcoming in Midland-Odessa

Concert

Christmas music will be presented by Crestview Baptist Church's worship choir at Crestview at 8:30 a.m. and again at 10:50 a.m. Dec. 17. Admission is free. Call 694-7701 for more information.

Caroling

Artwalk Midland will present Caroling in the City from 6-9 p.m. Dec. 21 in downtown Midland. Call 697-0701 for more information.

Benefit gala

The Midland Symphony Guild will hold its annual Gala Weekend benefit, "A Musical Kaleidoscope," Feb. 16 and 17 in the Holiday Inn Convention Center.

The weekend will feature a Gala Ball with the Senior Belle Presentation, a luncheon with a style show by Julian Gold, the Freshman Belle introduction and the music of harpist Reba McHaney.

The deadline to return donation cards and receive an invitation is Dec. 20. Reservations will be assigned in the order of return and postmark.

Concert

ODESSA — Dos Amigos will present Pat Green and his band on Dec. 20.

Green has five CD's to his credit, including his February release "Carry On." Cory Morrow and his band will open the show. KNFM 92.3 is sponsoring the event as part of its "Texas Music Concert Series."

Advance tickets will be $15 and are available to 18-year-olds and up, at Endless Horizons, Dos Amigos and Dollar Western Wear in Midland and Odessa. Tickets will be $18 on the day of the show. Persons 18 to 20 will have a $3 surcharge at the door. For more information call 915-368-7556.

Upcoming outside Midland-Odessa

Symphony

AUSTIN — Swing with the Austin Symphony at its Holiday Pops at Palmer Auditorium beginning at 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 30-31.

Songs from the Big Band era including Glen Miller's "Chattanooga Choo Choo," "Pennsylvania 6-5000" and "In the Mood" are on the program.

Tickets, which go on sale Dec. 14, can be purchased at the Symphony Box Office, 1101 Red River. Tickets cost $25 per seat for cabaret table seating and $15 per seat for balcony seats. The box office is open from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Solar eclipse

DALLAS — The Science Place IMAX will be open Dec. 25 for viewing of the partial solar eclipse. Staff will be outside the building at 10:30 a.m., and the exhibit halls open at noon.

Avoid looking directly at the sun during an eclipse for to do so may damage a person's vision. Eclipse glasses and pinhole cameras will be available for viewing. Eclipse glasses will be on sale at the Science Store for $1 a pair. For information call 214-428-5555 ext. 246.

Film special

ABILENE — The Paramount Theatre will present a special film on New Year's Eve beginning at 8 p.m. Songs of Rodgers and Hart including "Bewitched, Bothered and Bewildered" will be in the film. The film features performers like Frank Sinatra, Rita Hayworth and Kim Novak. Tickets cost $5. Call the Paramount Theatre at (915) 676-9620 for more information.

Holiday hours

MARFA — Holiday hours of the Chinati Foundation begin Dec. 18 and will continue until Jan. 13. Tours of collections will begin each day at 1 p.m. except Dec. 24, 25, 31 and Jan. 1. Appointments to join tours must be made in advance. Call Steffen Boddeker at 915-729-4362 for more information or to make an appointment.

Show

SAN ANTONIO — Washburn's San Antonio American Glass, China and Pottery Show will be held at Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Rd. from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Feb. 10 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 11.

This is the largest show of its kind in Texas. American glassware identification and appraisal, seminars and over forty major dealers from throughout the U.S. will be available. Guest authors will be Martha and Steve Sanford, Sanford Guide Series and special guest will be Laura Fisher, oil and watercolor artist.

Admission is $6 for both days or Sunday $5. For information on the show call 210-599-0635.

Rodeo

HOUSTON — The 2001 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo opens at Reliant Park (formerly the Astrodome), with the world's championship barbecue contest Feb. 8 through 10 and Go Texan Feb. 10 and 11. Rodeo-Houston and the Houston Livestock Show will be Feb. 13. All show events will conclude Mar. 4. For more information visit www.rodeohouston.com.

BALLET: Festival Ballet to present 'The Nutcracker'

(From 1F)

Worth as Drosselmeir and Regina Gonzales-Willoughby of Columbus, S.C., a former student of Ms. Coleman's, dancing the Arabian.

The role of Clara, the young girl who is given the Nutcracker on Christmas Eve by Drosselmeir, is being danced this season by Carissa Oei.

"This is my first time ever in 'Nutcracker,'" said Miss Oei, a native of Jakarta, Indonesia who came to the United States in 1999. In Jakarta, she studied tap, jazz and Indonesian traditional dance as well as ballet. "They teach better ballet here compared to Indonesia."

Miss Oei, who has been a student of Ms. Coleman's since January, saw her first "Nutcracker" ballet in 1999 when Midland Festival Ballet presented its annual production. Of the ballet, Miss Oei said, "I think the little kids like it a lot. My niece saw the ballet, and she liked it. I think the 'Nutcracker' appeals to little kids."

Miss Oei is one of 85 local dancers participating in the Midland Festival Ballet production. Tickets, priced at $10 for adults and $7.50 for seniors, students with college ID and children under 18, may be purchased through Ann McCann in the Colonnade Shopping Center, Garfield Street and Loop 250, between 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For more information call the ballet, 682-2653.

Featured local dancers and actors also include Audrie Borgen, Christy Carruth, Mary Lou Cassidy, Allison Fields, Michael Fields, Nicole Horn, Blair Irving, Courtney Leon, Rob Lowe, Rachel Malehorn, Josiah Nevarez, Kristen Payton, Lauren Sauer, Michael Sauer, Quincy Smith, Carolyn Sutton, Marianna Valle, Gabriel Zertuche and Charles Willett.

Dance is a fairly new interest for 15-year-old Rob Lowe, an active member of Midland Community Theatre's youth performing troupe, the Pickwick Players, and the Celebration Singers. Lowe is dancing the roles of Peter and the Nutcracker Prince.

"Dancing is a whole lot harder than it looks," Lowe said. "You don't have to just do it, you have to do it and make it look good. That makes it difficult."

Miss Payton is no newcomer to dance. She has studied ballet for five years and been in four "Nutcracker" productions. She finds dance to be "fun. And it's a really good way to get to meet people and a good way to stay in shape."

As for the "Nutcracker," Miss Payton said, "I like the music, and I like the whole experience of it." And the weeks of hours spent rehearsing are, Miss Payton said, "Worth it."

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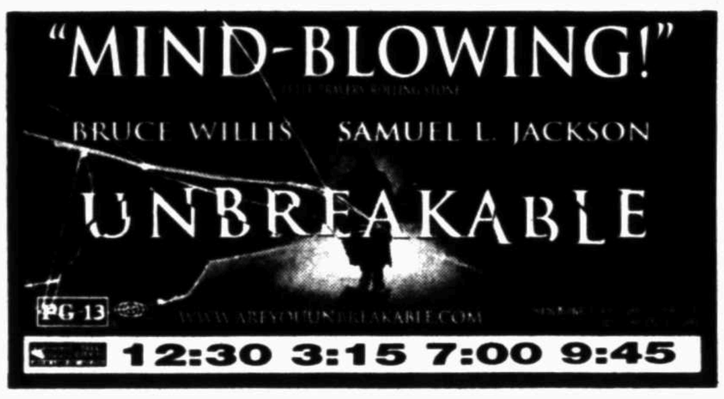
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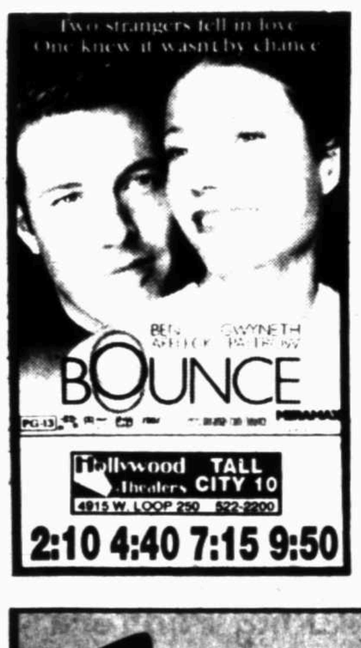


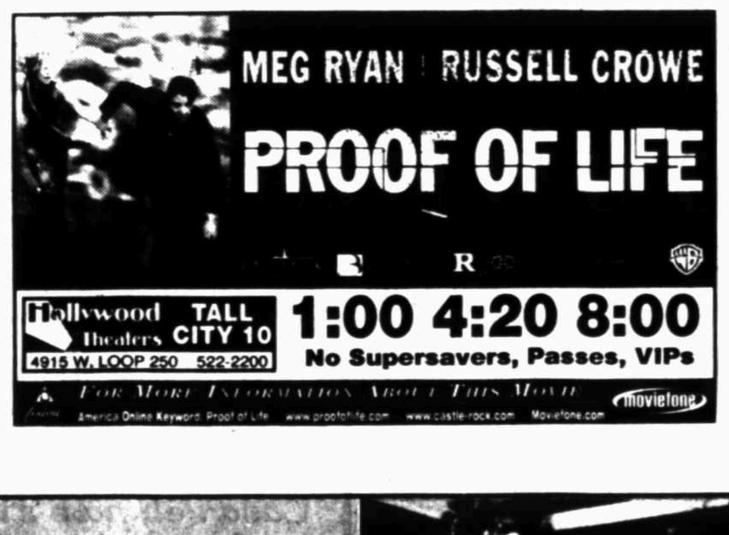












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