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Texas Scholars

To be named a Texas Scholar, seniors are required to do community service. Some volunteer at hospitals and schools./**1B**



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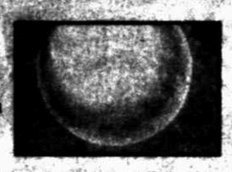
At the end of the afternoon, it could be said that both Midland teams carried something positive away from their matchup./**1C**

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TODAY
Sunny with a high around 72. Weather on 4A





Did you remember?

The official moment of the change was at 2 a.m. Sunday, switching an hour of summer daylight from mornings to evenings. Standard time returns Oct. 26 for most Americans. A few places choose not to switch to daylight time, including Arizona, Hawaii, part of Indiana, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and American Samoa.

I-Way change

The I-Way page is in today's paper instead of Saturday, April 5. Look for I-Way again in the April 12 edition of the Reporter-Telegram.

Poet dies

Allen Ginsberg, the counterculture guru who shattered conventions as poet laureate of the Beat Generation and influenced the next four decades of art, music and politics, died early Saturday at age 70.

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Our secret

Stratfield School was a magical place where happy children tested highest in the state and parents dreamed of the Ivy League.

The whole world wanted its secret.

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Campaign finance issue finds very little support

By Adam Clymer
N.Y. Times Service

WASHINGTON — For years, scholars have been saying that another scandal comparable to Watergate would get Congress to tighten the campaign finance laws.

Now they are not so sure.

For all the flaws in the system, most dramatically the Clinton presidential campaign's unrestrained pursuit last year of "soft money," the unregulated gifts to political parties from individuals, corporations and unions, many representatives and senators see the same redeeming virtue in leaving the laws alone: This system got them elected.

As one of the supporters of spending limits, Rep. Martin Meehan, D-Mass., said, "Members are not going to change a system that benefits them unless they feel they have no choice." Like other would-be reformers, Meehan hopes that Senate hearings in late spring may put heat on Congress.

But no proposal has widespread support. The measure Meehan backs, which would entice candidates into accepting voluntary limits on spending in exchange for free television time and discounted television time and mailings, has Common Cause and many editorial pages behind it, but almost no Republicans, except Sen. John McCain of Arizona and Rep. Christopher Shays of Connecticut.

But their Republican colleagues generally oppose spending limits and want to retain the soft money system, which the bill seeks to ban.

House Democrats have a bill patterned on the voluntary limit measure, but it seeks to preserve the role of political action committees, diminished under the Meehan-Shays bill. This bill, introduced by Rep. Sam Farr of California, also retains the practice of "bundling" checks, in which a com-

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Peace talks

Negotiators for Zaire's warring factions started their first face-to-face talks, throwing out terms like "peace" and "democracy." Story page 2A

Trouble in the Wild

Dallas physician speaks at wilderness seminar

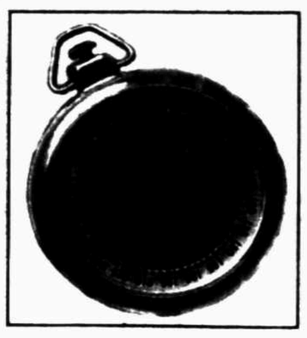
By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

For Dr. Beck Weathers — the 50-year-old Mount Everest survivor who has scaled mountains the world over in a decade of mountaineering — "the hardest part" about overcoming almost certain death, disfigurement, and high-adventure trauma is "living afterward."

"That is what takes courage," Weathers said Saturday at the Wilderness Medicine seminar, sponsored by Memorial Hospital and Medical Center and Ski Skeller Sports, at the Holiday Inn Country Villa.

Weathers characterized his surviving the May 1996 assault of Asia's Mount Everest as "raw survival" and as the evidence of miracles and the power of prayer. Everest — at more than 29,000 feet, or 5.5 miles above sea level — is the world's highest mountain.

Of the band of 38 climbers, eight of them — including professional climber and guide, Rob Hall — perished scaling the mountain's south face.



It was 43 years earlier, in May 1953, when mountaineers Sir Edmund Hillary of New Zealand and Tenzing Norgay of Nepal became the first climbers to conquer Mount Everest.

Many others have followed in the grand pursuit.

Weathers, a Dallas surgical pathologist who was a marathoner and an "exercise fanatic," was entranced about climbing the world's highest mountain.

"This was the seventh (major climb) for most of us" in scaling the world's most formidable peaks, Weathers said. "The key to the puzzle is Everest."

Weathers was aware of the dangers and recalled Hall's pre-climb admonishment about assaulting the mountain: "It doesn't count if you get to the summit and don't get down (alive)."

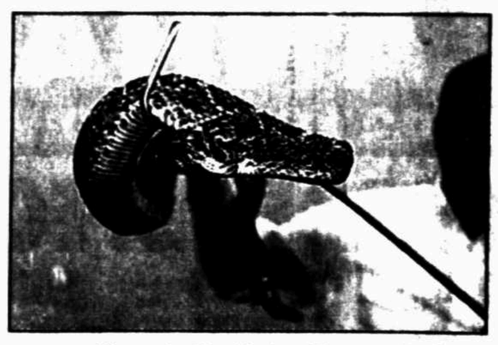
Weathers, who termed himself a "Walter Mitty-type climber" at the "grunt level," especially when he considers the professional climbers, recalled the mountain's "maze of crevices so deep you can't see the bottom of them. He cited skyscraper-size chunks of ice "moving all of the time" and the "Death Zone" above 25,000 feet where hurricane-force winds arise in the jet stream. At that level and beyond, temperatures can drop to a minus 100 degrees and instantly freeze exposed or ill-protected flesh and bone.

"It's kind of a scary thing to do," he said of bridging the icy crevices with light-weight ladders. While bridging the crevices, "You try to say something clever, something that would look good in print," should you plunge into oblivion.

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Rick Wilkinson of Sweetwater, exhibiting a diamondback rattlesnake, talked about what to do if bitten by a snake in the wilderness. Wilkinson was one of the speakers during the Wilderness Medicine seminar Saturday at Holiday Inn Country Villa.

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U.S. taking steps to recoup Vietnam losses

By Ian Stewart
Associated Press

HANOI, Vietnam— The communists are still paying for their victory over Saigon 22 years ago, this time to the tune of $146 million owed to the main ally of its vanquished enemy.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin arrives in Hanoi on Sunday to sign a pact obliging united Vietnam to pay for debts incurred in 1973 and 1974 by South Vietnam.

Rubin will be the highest-ranking American economic official to visit Hanoi since the end of the Vietnam War in 1975, a trip that may hail a new chapter in contemporary U.S.-Vietnam economic relations, business executives say.

The debt owed the United States is a financial burden willingly accepted by Vietnam, but the wartime price tag falls on top of millions dead and decades of isolation that left the victorious communist government a pauper.

"This is part of an international convention that regulates the responsibility of a government taking over another after a war," said Nguyen Manh Hoa, director of the Ministry of Finance's International Financial Relations Department.

"You can inherit interests, but also responsibilities of that government to the world," he said.

Paying back its enemy's debts is just part of Hanoi's effort to wipe clean the slate and begin a new era of cooperation with the United States.

"It's a very important step," said Virginia Foote, president of the U.S.-Vietnam Trade Council. "Economic normalization can't happen without clearing up old issues."

Rubin has described the debt agreement as "an important and meaningful signal to the international financial community that Vietnam takes seriously its obligations."

The pact clears one more hurdle blocking a trade agreement between Washington and Hanoi and moves Vietnam closer toward potential financing from the Export-Import Bank and other U.S. agencies, Rubin said.

Vietnam has emerged from its Cold War isolation rejuvenated by economic reform and liberalization, but a full trade deal with the United States remains elusive.

"This high level visit by the secretary of the Treasury certainly symbolizes that the relationship is moving into a new phase," said Brad LaLonde, the chairman of the American Chamber of Commerce in Hanoi.

Overdue debts are a lasting legacy for Vietnam, whose warring halves became heavily dependent on aid from Moscow and Washington during the Vietnam War.

Executive Oil Show topic is adding value

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

As production declines in the Permian Basin and other mature producing basins, oil and gas operators will be faced with one nagging question: "How to add value as assets decline in value."

That will be the topic of five panel discussion groups and the theme of the Executive Oil Show & Conference, set for April 17-18 at Midland Center.

"Adding value is the hot topic in today's market," said Dale Brown, president of Petroleum Strategies, co-sponsor of the two-day meeting, which is to bring top oil industry leaders together to exchange ideas.

Three of the main topics, which would be of special interest to Permian Basin pro-

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Negotiators shake hands, begin talks for peace in Zaire

PRETORIA, South Africa (AP) — Negotiators for Zaire's warring factions sounded diplomatic Saturday at the start of their first face-to-face talks, throwing out terms like "peace" and "democracy."

But the rebels, who control a third of the country and are still taking ground, seemed unwilling to compromise, and government negotiators stared stonily ahead when rebels said: "We want freedom, and we shall never negotiate that."

Still, the government's decision to talk with rebel representatives was seen as a step in the right direction, considering that the last time negotiators were in the same room — a week earlier in Togo — they wouldn't even speak to each other.

Saturday's meeting coincided with an agreement by rebel leaders to allow an airlift of sick and dying Rwandan refugees from eastern Zaire, where some 120 refugees are dying every day.

The U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, which led the international campaign to persuade the rebels to allow the airlift, has described some of the 100,000 refugees in the area south of of Kisangani as "walking cadavers."

UNHCR spokeswoman Pam O'Toole said in Geneva that it would probably take two days to organize the airlift, partly because they have to determine which refugees are the most needy but are still able to be moved.

U.N. envoy Mohamed Sahnoun, who is mediating the talks with South Africa's deputy foreign minister, Aziz Pahad, cautioned against optimism for a cease-fire.

While the negotiators shook hands and grudgingly started talking, the rebels' six-month military march continued.

Rebel leader Laurent Kabila denied reports that his forces had captured Mbuji-Mayi, the capital of Zaire's diamond industry, but told French radio they were nearby and also were closing in on the country's second-largest city, Lubumbashi.

"Be there on Monday, that's a good date," he said when asked when Lubumbashi might fall.

President Mobutu Sese Seko, in power for 31 years but suffering from prostate cancer and seeing his control slip, has previously demanded a cease-fire before peace talks, while Kabila has insisted on talks to work out a truce.

Now it appears both sides are willing to consider a cease-fire that would take place simultaneously with peace talks. But it was unclear if the initial discussions here would bring a halt to the rebel advance.

"We should have no illusions as to the ability of such meetings to produce spectacular results," Sahnoun said as the talks opened in Pretoria.

"But ... we will leave no stone unturned in laying the groundwork for durable peace, the process of democratization and a reasonable transition."

Zairian Embassy Charge d'Affaires Issa Ganda said the participants had broken up into groups. Some already had met, while others of would meet Sunday.

But he added that some members of the government delegation would not arrive until Saturday night and that talks would only get going in earnest on Sunday.

David Whaley, the coordinator for U.N. operations in South Africa, said he expected the talks to continue until Monday or Tuesday.

Richard Wenu, a member of the four-man rebel delegation, offered a bleak outlook when asked before the meeting if the purpose was to reach some kind of agreement or just pave the way for further negotiations.

"Neither," Wenu said. "We want to let them, for the last time, to understand our position, that we want democracy and elections."

The inclusion of opposition parties in the government delegation indicated that Mobutu, 66, was trying to make the talks a broad forum on Zaire's conflict instead of a showdown between his teetering regime and the rebels.

But Wenu questioned the group's credentials: "They do not represent the hopes and aspirations of the great majority of those who are suffering."

Zaire Foreign Minister Gerard Kamanda wa Kamanda, who is heading the government delegation, said in an opening statement that: "We would also like to see during these negotiations that you would help us create the conditions for the progress and development of our country, which cannot be done without democracy and freedom."



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Young soldiers of the Zairian rebel army sit on the tarmac of Goma airport, before the start of a military parade for which about 4,000 soldiers gathered Saturday. The parade was attended by rebel leader Laurent Kabila.

Witnesses: 12 villagers massacred in Algeria

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — Twelve villagers were massacred early Saturday, their throats slit and their bodies left by a road south of the capital, witnesses said.

No one claimed responsibility for the attack, which was not reported by authorities in the north African country.

The bodies were found Saturday on a roadside 12 miles south of Algiers, said the witnesses, who were travelers in the area and spoke on condition of anonymity. The victims had been killed hours earlier.

A member of a local self-defense group, who would identify himself only as Farid, said the attack may have been the work of Islamic militants passing through the area.

For the last two months, security forces have been engaged in an offensive against Islamic militants in a 62-mile radius around the capital. The government is seeking to create a favorable climate for legislative elections scheduled for June 5.

The planned elections will be the first since a 1992 vote was canceled just as the Islamic Salvation Front was poised to win. That triggered the current insurgency, in which an estimated 60,000 people have died.

The Islamic Salvation Front, banned since 1992, is not being allowed to run in the June elections.

Since mid-February, Farid said, "Islamic groups operating in the region have suffered big losses, their (weapons) caches and bomb factories have been destroyed, and those who haven't died have fled."

There has been no official death toll in the recent government offensive. Last week, about 20 armed Islamic militants were killed 37 miles east of Algiers, local inhabitants said.

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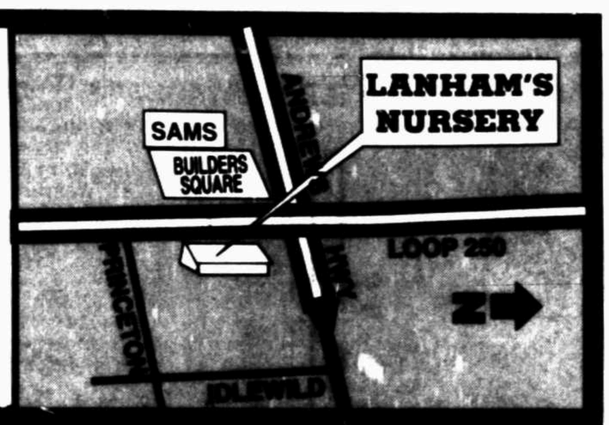
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Hong Kong defies pessimism about handover to China

By Joe McDonald
Associated Press

HONG KONG — Back in 1983, as Britain squabbled with China over the return of Hong Kong, skeptics predicted disaster.

Fear of life under communist rule caused a financial panic. The stock market plunged. Professionals emigrated by the thousands to Britain, Canada and Australia. The government had to tie Hong Kong's currency to the U.S. dollar to stop its steep decline.

Pessimists felt their worst fears were confirmed in 1989 when Chinese troops crushed the democracy movement at Tiananmen Square in Beijing.

Now, less than three months before Britain gives up its biggest remaining colony, Hong Kong has more than defied those gloomy scenarios, staging a stunning turnaround that makes it a dominant force in the fastest growing part of the world economy.

Trade and foreign investment are at record highs. Hong Kong harbor is jammed with freighters and cruise liners. The real estate and stock markets are soaring. Polls find confidence rising among investors and the 6.3 million people of Hong Kong.

Manufacturing has been driven out by rising costs over the past 10 years, but Hong Kong is thriving on finance, banking, professional services and trade with China.

"HONG KONG is going from strength to strength. It's more dominant in every area than it was five years ago, or 10 years ago," said William J. Overholt, managing director of the Hong Kong office of Bankers Trust Co. and author of "The Rise of China."

"An optimist would say that Hong Kong's role a decade from now will be what London's was in the early part of the century, or what New York's was in the two decades after World War II — it's where the action is," Overholt said.

The only dark cloud is the danger that stock and real estate prices, driven upward by an end-of-empire frenzy of speculation, could collapse at the first sign of an economic downturn.

But closer ties with China could cushion Hong Kong against a Japanese-style "bubble economy" crash, said Thomas Chan, director of the China Business Center at Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

"The takeover gives Hong Kong a golden opportunity to integrate into China and lay the foundation for long-term prosperity," he said.

Hong Kong has repeatedly proven its ability to cope with setbacks.

Devastated by the loss of China trade after the communist revolution of 1949, the colony quickly moved into making wigs, clothing, toys. Then came electronics.

IN THE late 1970s, when China started opening up to foreign investment, Hong Kong factories moved there for the cheap labor, and the transformation to a finance and services economy began.

Such flexibility has offered the chance of riches to people like Wong Kwan.

Wong arrived as a penniless immigrant 30 years ago, working in hotel kitchens until he saved $20,000 to start his own company. Today, at 48, he is chairman of Pearl Oriental Holdings, a $1.7 billion real estate developer with plans to build five hotels a year in Asia.

More recently, the colony has profited from unexpectedly strong Chinese growth after Beijing confounded observers by crushing double-digit inflation in the early 1990s without plunging the country into recession.

This year, the government says the economy should grow by 5.5 percent.

Incongruously, it was a former communist guerrilla, Deng Xiaoping, who led Hong Kong's resurgence by restoring faith in its future as a capitalist haven after 150 years of British rule ends at midnight June 30.

Under the slogan "one country, two systems," the Chinese leader promised in 1984 to keep Hong Kong capitalist and highly autonomous for at least 50 years.

Hong Kong has been promised its own courts, laws and currency, insulated from the communist giant by the same border that exists today.

CHINA HAS promised in writing to protect Hong Kong's $62 billion in foreign reserves from being plundered by mainland officials.

Also to stay is the respected, uncorrupt civil service, a key element in creating the world's eighth-largest trading economy, where average incomes are higher than Britain's.

Yet because some of China's commitments are still to be pinned down in detail, uncertainties loom.

Besides fears of Chinese corruption seeping in, one of the most worrisome points is the "rule of law" — the ability of Hong Kong courts to resist pressure to favor Chinese officials and companies.

"It is something on which we will only be able to reassure people when they see the transition and see how it works," said Jeff Muir, an executive of Seagram Asia-Pacific and vice chairman of the American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong.

Other uncertainties include news media freedoms and the status of tens of thousands of Hong Kong natives with foreign passports.

Eager to keep professionals from fleeing, China says natives with foreign citizenship are welcome to stay and tells Hong Kong and foreign investors that little will change.

THE BEST guarantee is that no one has more to lose from a bad transition than China itself, the colony's biggest foreign investor, with $25 billion in real estate, stocks and other assets.

Those assurances appear to be working. The Hong Kong government says its polls find that about three of every four citizens polled think the future will be prosperous and stable.

"China is not only going to seek to retain everything about the current economic system, but it's going to try actively to make it work well," said Overholt, the Bankers Trust executive.

The man picked as Hong Kong's first post-colonial leader is Tung Chee-hwa, a shipping magnate who radiates an aura of continuity by having deep roots in both the outgoing and incoming regimes.

A Western-educated refugee from Shanghai, Tung was a member of the colonial Cabinet until last June, and on Feb. 25 was the only regional Chinese leader shown by China's state television at Deng's funeral.

Does that mean he will have the clout to defend Hong Kong's interests against competition from other fast growing Chinese regions like his native Shanghai?

"I don't know. But I do know Mr. Tung does enjoy trust in Beijing. I do think he has influence," said businessman and legislator Allen Lee, a Tung ally.

HOME TO offices of 600 multinational companies and 1,200 smaller foreign firms, Hong Kong has strong advantages over rivals as the top business center in Asia — excellent telecommunications, access to China, English-language skills and a 16.5 percent corporate tax rate, the lowest in the region.

Its sheer industriousness is illustrated by simultaneous multibillion-dollar projects to build a new airport, convention center and cargo port to stay ahead of the competition.

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Monday
Partly cloudy
High 66
Low 43



Tuesday
T. showers
High 68
Low 46



Wednesday
T. Showers
High 72
Low 47

Today's forecast calls for mostly sunny skies with a high in the lower 70s. Winds will be from the north to northwest to west at 10-20 mph, according to the National Weather Service.

Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a low expected between 40-45.

Monday's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies with a high near 70.

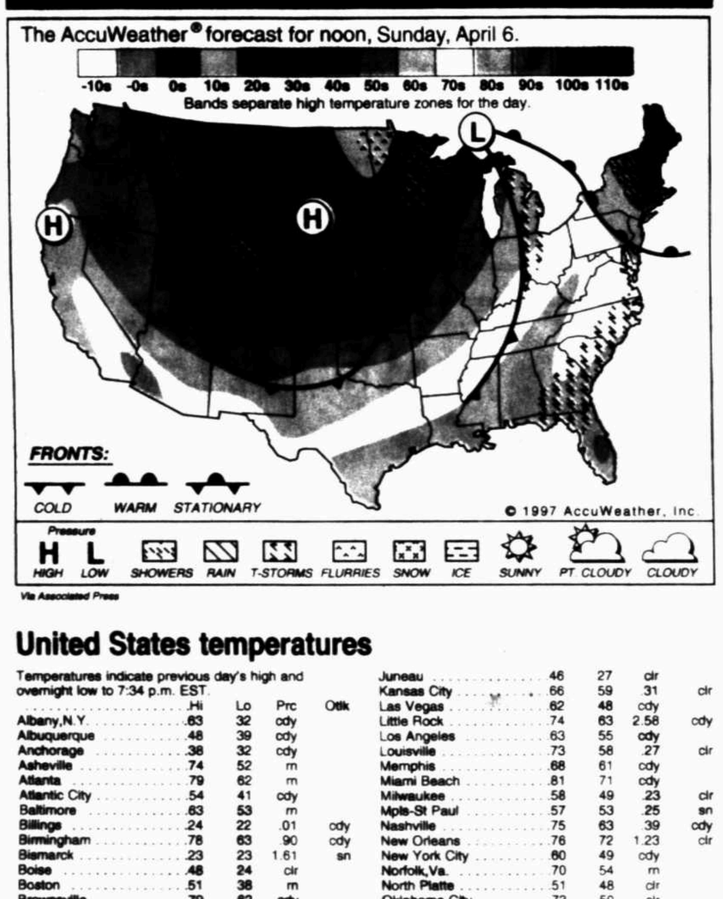
The high for Saturday was 73, compared with the record of 92, set in 1959.

Saturday's low was 45, compared to the record low of 28, set in 1970.

Yesterday's precipitation		Yesterday's temperatures	
Rainfall Friday	.09 in.	High	73
Rainfall Saturday	.00 in.	low	45
Total for month	.12 in.	Normal high	77
Total for year	2.28 in.	Normal low	46

Sunrise 6:31 a.m. Sunset 7:12 p.m.

National forecast



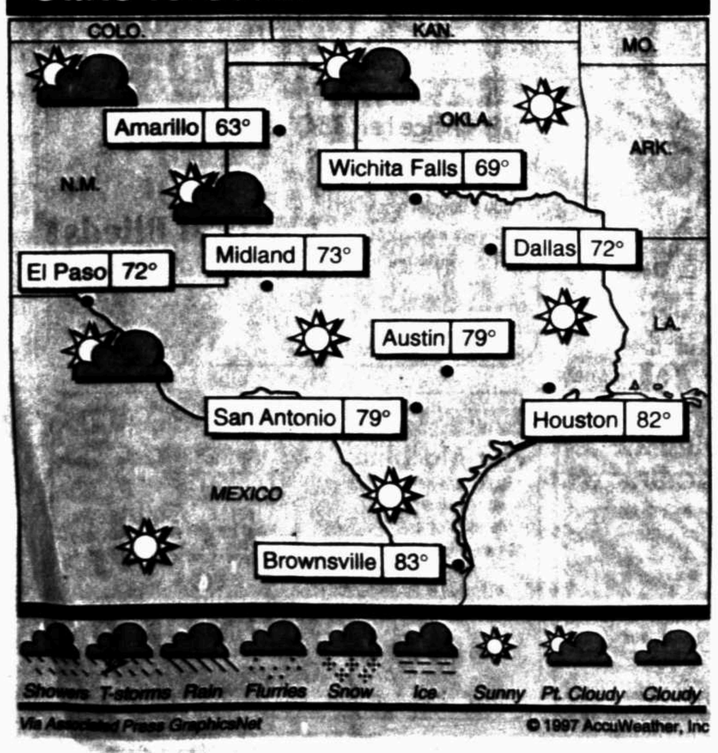
Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 7:34 p.m. EST.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albany,N.Y.	63	32	cdy	
Albuquerque	48	39	cdy	
Anchorage	38	32	cdy	
Asheville	74	52	rn	
Atlanta	79	62	rn	
Atlantic City	54	41	cdy	
Baltimore	63	53	rn	
Billings	24	22	.01	cdy
Birmingham	78	63	.90	cdy
Bismarck	23	23	1.61	sn
Boise	48	24	clr	
Boston	51	38	rn	
Brownsville	79	62	cdy	
Buffalo	69	48	.04	cdy
Burlington,Vt.	60	28	cdy	
Casper	22	20	.26	cdy
Charleston,S.C.	79	54	cdy	
Charleston,W.Va.	63	56	cdy	
Charlotte,N.C.	80	57	rn	
Cheyenne	22	20	.34	clr
Chicago	67	55	.30	clr
Cincinnati	72	56	.28	clr
Cleveland	67	57	.11	clr
Columbia,S.C.	83	57	rn	
Columbus,Ohio	69	57	.29	clr
Concord,N.H.	61	26	rn	
Dayton	70	56	.35	clr
Denver	35	27	.27	cdy
Des Moines	62	55	.81	clr
Detroit	61	51	.52	cdy
Duluth	42	37	.19	sn
Evansville	67	56	1.23	clr
Fairbanks	51	26	cdy	
Fargo	35	34	sn	
Flagstaff	36	28	clr	
Grand Rapids	63	54	.33	cdy
Great Falls	26	16	.02	cdy
Greensboro,N.C.	78	56	rn	
Hartford Spgfld	63	33	rn	
Helena	28	19	cdy	
Honolulu	83	72	cdy	
Indianapolis	69	54	.60	clr
Jackson,Miss.	72	65	1.32	cdy
Jacksonville	81	53	cdy	
Juneau	46	27	clr	
Kansas City	66	59	.31	clr
Las Vegas	82	48	cdy	
Little Rock	74	63	2.58	cdy
Los Angeles	63	55	cdy	
Louisville	73	58	.27	clr
Memphis	68	61	cdy	
Miami Beach	81	71	cdy	
Milwaukee	58	49	.23	clr
Mpls-St Paul	57	53	.25	sn
Nashville	75	63	.39	cdy
New Orleans	76	72	1.23	clr
New York City	60	49	cdy	
Norfolk,Va.	70	54	rn	
North Platte	51	48	clr	
Oklahoma City	73	50	clr	
Omaha	63	56	.77	clr
Orlando	84	54	cdy	
Philadelphia	62	49	cdy	
Phoenix	68	52	clr	
Pittsburgh	71	57	cdy	
Portland,Maine	52	28	rn	
Portland,Ore.	60	35	clr	
Providence	56	37	rn	
Raleigh-Durham	81	54	rn	
Rapid City	25	25	cdy	
Reno	53	21	cdy	
Richmond	74	54	rn	
Sacramento	71	45	cdy	
St Louis	71	59	.60	clr
Salt Lake City	42	28	.20	cdy
San Diego	64	58	cdy	
San Francisco	65	43	cdy	
San Juan,P.R.	82	73	.01	cdy
Santa Fe	44	34	cdy	
St Ste Marie	44	39	.07	cdy
Seattle	58	35	clr	
Shreveport	75	58	4.35	clr
Sioux Falls	56	51	1.03	cdy
Spokane	48	25	clr	
Syracuse	73	36	cdy	
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	85	66	cdy	
Topeka	68	59	.62	clr
Tucson	69	49	clr	
Tulsa	75	55	.20	clr
Washington,D.C.	67	56	rn	
Wichita	65	53	.75	clr

State forecast



Texas temperatures

Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours ending at 7 p.m. CDT:

	Hi	Lo	Pcp.
Abilene	75	50	0.01
Alice	84	53	
Amarillo	67	40	
Austin	78	50	0.59
Beaumont	74	57	0.44
Brownsville	79	62	
Childress	71	46	
College Station	76	50	0.21
Corpus Christi	77	57	0.06
Cotulla	80	49	M
Dalhart	64	37	
Dallas	77	53	0.48
Del Rio	77	44	0.02
Denton	73	51	0.19
El Paso	66	45	
Fort Stockton	74	42	
Fort Worth	76	51	0.54
Fort Worth	77	52	0.16
Galveston	73	59	0.21
Houston Hobby	76	57	0.57
Houston Intrcnl	76	56	0.48
Junction	71	46	0.11
Kingsville	80	54	0.02
Laredo	84	52	
Longview	75	55	M
Lubbock	69	44	
Lufkin	76	55	0.44
Marfa	64	36	
McAllen	79	57	
Midland	73	45	
Mineral Wells	78	54	0.19
Navy Corpus	82	60	0.02
Palacios	74	56	0.21
Paris	72	54	0.34
San Angelo	71	46	
San Antonio	75	48	0.61
Shreveport	75	57	4.35
Texarkana	75	56	0.62
Tyler	78	53	0.33
Victoria	78	53	0.13
Waco	74	51	0.52
Wichita Falls	78	52	0.01
Wink	73	49	

SPEND: Parties disagree on campaign reform

(From 1A)

mittee solicits many checks for a candidate from individuals and sends them along even though the total exceeds the PAC contribution limit of $5,000. Those provisions matter so much to particular clumps of House Democrats that they are worth blocking any legislation to defend.

Senate Republicans have shown no particular interest in any piece of legislation, but Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky said "a sticking point will be requiring organized labor to operate only with voluntarily contributed money." He said: "I hope that won't be a killer provision for Democrats. It's only elementary fairness." Democrats disagree.

That issue is emblematic of the problem in changing campaign laws. Republicans strongly dislike labor's ability to use union dues to buy television advertisements attacking their candidates. But they have survived it, and probably their collective desire to outlaw the practice is weaker than the Democrats' will to resist.

That is true of most of the 57 measures introduced in the first three months of this Congress. Almost every one seems to have at least some provisions that provoke more opposition than support.

It has been 23 years since Congress undertook big change when Watergate led to the adoption of public financing of presidential campaigns, while, at House insistence, rejecting the same for Congress.

So McCain, while conceding that the fight was still an uphill one, said the variety of bills was promising. "I view it very frankly, as a hopeful sign," he said. "I don't think they would be introducing them if there weren't pressure."

He is the sponsor, with Sen. Russell Feingold, a Wisconsin Democrat, of the most talked about of the 57 varieties of campaign legislation filed so far, and more on the way now that Congress' spring break is ending. McCain-Feingold has modest differences from the Meehan-Shays bill, mostly in the area of being less tolerant of candidates raising money in large contributions (more than $200).

But if action comes at all, it is likely to start in the Senate, where trouble-makers have freer rein. Feingold may exaggerate when he says theirs is "the only real proposal," but it tends to be at least a starting point for discussion.

One proposal that will be filed soon in the Senate is an honest-to-goodness public financing measure, supported by Democratic senators like Paul Wellstone of Minnesota and John Kerry of Massachusetts. They are working from a plan offered by Ellen S. Miller, a veteran campaign spending analyst who heads a group called Public Campaign.

If candidates agree to limit their spending, they would get public money and cut-rate television time. Supporters argue that the public would ultimately support such an approach, though their ability to put that hope to a test is uncertain in a day when Sen. Trent Lott, the majority leader, scoffs at public financing as "food stamps for politicians." They also want to strengthen the Federal Election Commission, which Congress created and maintains as a toothless tiger.

PERIL: Doctor speaks about surviving Everest

(From 1A)

Journalists were recording the May 1996 climb.

Weathers' Mount Everest reflections were spiked with the survivor's quips and then made tender wit his tears of sentiment, grief, and love.

BEFORE REACHING the Death Zone, "you scale up, and you scale down" in getting the body's respiratory system somewhat "fooled" into surviving on the high altitude's thin oxygen levels, which impairs moving, the thought process, and judgment.

"As you get higher and higher, your work at rest approaches your work maximum," said Weathers, who noted that the climbers carried supplemental oxygen.

Above 23,000 feet, "You are running on stored fuel," Weathers noted, "because you get to where you can't sleep, you can't drink, you can't eat."

And it was at midnight of May 9, 1996, when the climbers, now well beyond base camp, began their slow and tedious final climb to the summit. Their objective was to get there at noon on May 10 and quickly start their descent before hurricane winds closed in.

"You try to scurry up the top and get back before the hurricane winds get you."

But Murphy's law came into play. The timing was off, and not everyone kept their "promises" to help ensure the climbers' mutual survival. The event, which was being filmed and recorded by journalists, featured some high-profile climbers who were obsessed with making it to the top.

WEATHERS HAD scaled to within 400 feet of the summit when he, freezing and becoming blinded, opted to turn back.

As the sky was coal black, Weathers figured that "the sun would come up at sometime. It has every other day."

While Weathers was staying put at the behest of Hall — the Mount Everest guide with "enormous" climbing experience — Hall returned to the summit to try to rescue a collapsed climber, Doug Hanson. Hanson previously had failed to reach the peak and was "obsessed" with the victory.

"Doug Hanson got to the summit, turns around" to begin the descent, and collapses, Weathers said.

"It happens to some folks," Weathers said. "They use everything they've got to get up, turn around, and they lose it. Most all fatalities in mountaineering occur on the way down. You're exhausted. You have used up all of your focus."

Hall and another climber perished trying to rescue Hanson.

"It never occurred to me that Rob (Hall) would not come back," Weathers said. "I'm too much of a Boy Scout to give somebody my word on something and not do it. So, I failed to put that into the equation. That was probably the biggest mistake that I made at that point."

WEATHERS SAID that he had told Hall, " 'OK. Cross my heart and hope to die. I'll sit here'" until he returned from the summit. "It was inconceivable that these people wouldn't come back."

By mid-afternoon, Weathers figured that he had "overstayed my welcome" and had "been at the party a little too long" while waiting for Hall's return.

That "error in judgment" almost cost him his life and did cost him his right hand to frostbite. His left hand has been reconstructed for limited use of his thumb and divided, mitten-like hand. He also underwent facial skin grafts, especially on the nose. He has other "open wounds" that are still healing.

The Dallas physician and other climbers began edging down the mountain. All the while, he was aware that "If you are not moving, you are not generating heat."

"We are wandering around like a bunch of little kids playing soccer," Weathers recalled of their struggle.

VOICES OF the climbers grew faint. And Weathers, again, was alone, exhausted, out of supplemental oxygen, lost in the virtual whiteout, and exposed to the severe elements.

"I had now slipped into a hypothermic coma," Weathers said. "On the night of the 10th (of May), I died."

On the morning of May 11, a search party found Weathers and a petite Japanese climber, Yasuko Namba, who was covered in ice and "barely alive."

But the search party abandoned Weathers and Ms. Namba, thinking they had no prayer for recovery and would surely die and, and set out to save those lost climbers who could survive.

WEATHERS RECALLED that "at some point in there, my right hand started to freeze." He removed the outer glove "to stick my hand in the coat next to chest and thaw it out."

In a literal second, his "arm froze from the finger tips to the elbow ... like a sheet of fire. I was totally unprepared for that sensation. I lost my concentration. My glove took off and headed into outer space."

Weathers said that images of his children and wife sustained him and that he refused to let negativity claim him. "You need to get that entirely out of your mind and focus on what it takes to get you out of there."

However, "I became certain, in fact, that I was dead," Weathers said. "I didn't question that at all.

"I really thought I would be frightened, but I was not frightened at all. I did, at that time, have an enormous sense of melancholy."

Weathers feared that he would never again see his children and would never again tell his wife he loved her.

LOOKING LIKE a frozen mummy in a horror film and blind on one eye and barely focusing in the other, he "headed into the wind" toward what he reckoned would be the right direction to the camp.

He found camp but was placed in a tent to die.

"Most people would probably prefer to die with somebody, but they didn't give me the option," Weathers observed.

He astounded the other climbers by surviving, and soon was lowered to a camp at about 20,000 feet with another disabled climber. They needed "immediate" medical attention.

"There has never been a helicopter rescue on Mount Everest," Weathers said. "It has never happened. But my wife (in Dallas) didn't know it" and desperately sought out help through political and other avenues.

And a lone helicopter pilot took up the mission.

"He always believed he has a brave heart," Weathers said of the pilot, K.C. Madan, "but had never been taken to task to see if it were true."

CLIMBERS AT the camp made a brilliant "X" in the snow with Kool-Aid. To their amazement, the helicopter showed up but could only take one climber.

Weathers deferred to the other disabled climber. "I didn't think I wanted to live the rest of my life thinking about" going first on the helicopter. "Life is a long time to think about that."

The helicopter, barely gaining lift at the high altitude, returned for Weathers.

In reflecting over his Mount Everest trials, Weathers said that "I did not think to myself, 'You know, if I had bought that big Mercedes-Benz, I would be a happy man today.'"

Rather, "the only thing you think about at that point (of death) are the people you hold in your heart and those who hold you in theirs," Weathers said. "I have a sense now that miracles occur. I have a true sense that there is power in prayer."

Wilderness Medicine seminar focuses on improvisation

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

The Wilderness Medicine seminar, which was highlighted by Mount Everest survivor Dr. Beck Weathers of Dallas, featured programs on "Wilderness Improvisation," "Exposure — Hyperthermia," "Management of Snake Bites in the Wilderness," and a "Winter Survival" exercise.

The seminar was sponsored by Memorial Hospital and Medical Center and Ski Skeller Sports.

Marcos Paredes, a ranger and an emergency medical technician in Big Bend National Park, cited examples of death and injury by dehydration. People who get lost or stranded in the wilderness and are without enough water to survive the heat and exposure may die unless they are resourceful, he said.

"Exposure deaths aren't pretty," Paredes said.

On outings, people should carry at least one gallon of drinking water per person per day.

If stranded, their primary goal should be survival and to look for shade or shelter and signs of water, such as cottonwood trees, creeks, ponds, and animal trails and bird flights since animals know where to find water.

Without replacing the body's lost fluids, "your motor is going to seize up," Paredes warned. "Replacement parts aren't readily available."

In speaking on "Wilderness Improvisation," Petti Redding of Ruidoso, N.M., talked about proper outdoor clothing from socks to hats.

"I start with the toes and work up," she said.

For instance, she cited the benefits of wearing polypropylene-made socks next to the skin rather than cotton, especially for cold-weather outings.

"The problem with cotton is that it absorbs moisture," Ms. Redding said, and thereby cools the skin and "lowers your body temperature."

Polypropylene acts as a "wicking agent" ... to wick (moisture) away from your skin and into outer layers" of, for example, cotton and wool. "That (cotton) is fine as long as it is not next to your skin."

And of the value of headgear, Ms. Redding said that "If you cover your head with a hat, your feet will keep warm."

A hat will block the loss of body heat through the head.

Of handling rattlesnakes, Sweetwater snake-handler Rick Wilkinson said that "If you (handle vipers) very long, it is *when* you are going to be bit" and not *if*.

He had been handling rattlesnakes for 20 years when he was bitten.

His basic advice was two-fold:

n "If you come across a rattlesnake, stand still. Movement will cause him to strike. He is just as afraid of you as you are of him."

n If bitten, stay calm and get prepared for shock by reclining and propping up your legs. "People don't die at all from being bitten by a rattlesnake. It is going into shock" that is the killer — "total fear and shock of the body."

The "Weather Survival" program was an academic exercise in surviving freezing weather following an airplane crash in the wilderness. The focus was on clear-thinking and resourcefulness.

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TOPIC: Adding value to assets focus of show

(From 1A)

ducers, are "Adding value in the Permian Basin," "Adding value through new ideas for old fields," and "Adding value through new concepts in unitization."

Heading the panel on adding value in the Permian Basin is to be Eric Siegmund, director of business development for Arco Permian. Other panelists include Steve McVeigh with Altura Energy and Mike Grella, president and CEO of Costilla Energy Inc. Also expected to join the panel are representatives of Santa Fe Energy Resources and Texaco E&P. This panel group will focus on creative ways to grow companies and reserves in the Permian Basin.

Adding value to old fields through new ideas will be covered by John McCarty, A&D advisor for Conoco, and Danny Kellum, vice president of Parker & Parsley's Spraberry Division. Other participants include representatives from Arch Petroleum, Enserch Exploration Inc., and Union Pacific Resources Group. The panel will share the successes and failures of unlocking the value of old reservoirs.

Unitization has become a major issue in the Permian Basin as many maturing fields have been forced to form waterfloods or CO_2 floods. That controversial issue will be covered in a panel discussion led by Jim Henry, president Henry Petroleum and a leading proponent of state-assisted unitization. Also joining the discussion will be Steve Melzer, director of the Petroleum Industry Alliance; Bob Kiker, executive vice president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association; Douglass Robinson, attorney and senior land negotiator for Henry Petroleum; and Harry Spannaus, vice president of corporate services for Parker & Parsley.

A panel dealing with the business side of asset management is to discuss adding value through the terms of the trade. The focus is to be on what operators need to know before they sign.

The panel will be headed by Greg Hoffman, manager of corporate acquisitions for Santa Fe Energy Resources. He will be joined by David Oshel, general counsel for Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas; William Kerr, oil and gas attorney for Kerr & Ward; Michael Pierce, energy finance attorney for Thompson & Knight PC; and Randy Turner, oil and gas attorney for Turner & Davis PC.

On the heels of that panel will be a discussion on "Adding Value Through Funding of the Opportunity." It will cover available financial sources for acquisitions and developments and will be headed by Jim Orseth, vice president of operations for Collins & Ware Inc.

Other panelists include Richard Doleschеck, managing director of Bankers Trust Co.; Lon McLain, senior vice president of corporate finance for Petrie Parkman & Co.; Curt Taylor, senior vice president of the Stratum Group; and Robert Winkler, vice president of Norwest Energy Capital Inc., one of the sponsors of the Executive Oil Show and Conference.

"This is a very substantial lineup of panelists," Brown said. "They are all highly respected experts in their field, and their ideas can add value to any oper-

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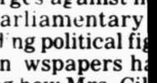
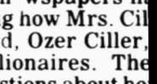
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Cloud of suspicion surrounds Turkey's former prime minister

By Stephen Kinzer
N.Y. Times News Service

ISTANBUL, Turkey — When Tansu Ciller became prime minister of Turkey in 1993, millions of Turks joined Western leaders in rejoicing. She seemed the ideal figure to lead her country toward the next century: an English-speaking economist, a woman in a Muslim country, and a dedicated secularist in a region where fundamentalism was making steady gains.

Much has changed in four years. Today, Mrs. Ciller is foreign minister and a leading member of a coalition government headed by a Muslim-based party. Many Turkish political leaders accuse her of forging the alliance to shield herself from a series of inquiries into her personal finances.

"They haven't formed a government partnership but a partnership in crime," asserted Mesut Yilmaz, the main opposition leader. Yilmaz was prime minister in a short-lived coalition with Mrs. Ciller that fell apart last spring after he indicated he would support an investigation of the charges against her.

Parliamentary investigators, leading political figures, and Turkish newspapers have been examining how Mrs. Ciller and her husband, Ozer Ciller, became multimillionaires. They have raised questions about her statement that she inherited more than $1 million in cash and gold from her mother, a woman whose former neighbors have described as a penniless pensioner.

MRS. CILLER'S critics have also examined the purchase of $1.5-million worth of properties in New Hampshire by an American company headed by her husband. They assert that Mr. and Mrs. Ciller enriched themselves through illicit use of government funds in her years as prime minister from 1993 to 1996.

Some opposition figures have even suggested that Mrs. Ciller once held American citizenship, which if true could complicate her political position here. They have sued in federal court in New York to obtain her passport records.

While the United States has declined to confirm or deny the existence of such documents, it is fighting the legal action. The State Department has said that disclosing any foreign official's passport records could cause "great disadvantage, and perhaps personal and familial danger, abroad."

Mrs. Ciller has denied any wrongdoing. Tim Platt, her New Hampshire lawyer, said she has never held an American passport or been an American citizen. Platt also said that her investments in the United States comply fully with American law.

Some aspects of Mrs. Ciller's rise to the status of a multi-millionaire, however, remain unclear. She has said, for example, that some of her wealth stems from wise investment of the $1.1 million inheritance from her mother, who died in 1995.

BUT NEIGHBORS of Muazzez Ciller said last week that she had lived near poverty in a shabby Istanbul apartment, and doubted that she could have left such a substantial sum.

"This poor woman was sick and barely had enough to eat," said one resident of the building where the elder Mrs. Ciller lived. "We used to do her shopping, wash her dishes, and help her cook because she couldn't afford a maid. She got in trouble with the landlord because she was always late with the rent. If she had any money, I'm sure she would have used it to make her life a little easier."

Platt said that the elder Mrs. Ciller had made "personal and life style choices" not to spend her savings. "The fact that she held cash at home or in a safe deposit box is not inconsistent with the practice of people in her society at the time."

Questions about Mrs. Ciller's finances were of little interest outside Turkey until June, when she astonished many world leaders by agreeing to join in a coalition government with the Islamic-oriented Welfare Party. Until then, she had bitterly attacked Welfare, calling it a fundamentalist threat and vowing never to cooperate with it.

Under the coalition agreement, the Welfare Party leader, Necmettin Erbakan, became prime minister and Mrs. Ciller became deputy prime minister and foreign minister.

AFTER THE alliance was sealed, Erbakan's supporters in Parliament helped Mrs. Ciller defeat a series of proposals — some of which they themselves had filed while in opposition — that would have referred questions about her wealth to the Supreme Court.

This has led critics to charge that a deal has been struck under which Mrs. Ciller keeps the Welfare party in power and, in exchange, it protects her against judicial investigation.

Charges of corruption and abuse of power began to swirl around Mrs. Ciller as she ended her term as prime minister. In recent months, the charges have become a major topic of public discussion. This year, Mrs. Ciller has faced a series of parliamentary votes on charges that she illicitly diverted funds from several government-owned companies, including an electric utility, an auto manufacturer, and a hotel chain. The closest vote, however, came not on motions based directly on those charges but on one that asked the Supreme Court to investigate the source of her wealth.

Mrs. Ciller agreed to an interview in February to discuss the charges against her, but canceled it moments after Parliament voted 270-263 not to send charges against her to the Supreme Court. The vote was along party lines. Afterward, her office provided a statement that said:

"THE PARLIAMENTARY commission conducted an extensive inquiry into Mrs. Ciller's finances, releasing publicly numerous confidential tax returns and financial documents which she provided voluntarily. The commission issued a report of over 300 pages and cleared her of any improprieties. The Parliament has confirmed that finding and the matter is now closed.

"Parliamentary inquiries into two other allegations, which were clearly of a political nature, have also resulted in a finding that she acted properly. She has been fully cleared of all charges. No other inquiries involving Mrs. Ciller are now pending."

Many former allies of Mrs. Ciller say they are furious at her for having formed a coalition with the Islamic party against which she had campaigned so strenuously. Among them is Husamettin Cindoruk, one of the patriarchs of Turkish politics, who is a former chairman of her True Path party and served as president of Parliament from 1991-95.

"TANSU CILLER is what allowed the Welfare party to come to power," Cindoruk said. "She agreed to form a coalition with Welfare because they promised they would shield her from investigations. This has brought great trouble to Turkey."

Mrs. Ciller has explained her decision to form the coalition government by saying she serves as a check on Erbakan, assuring that he does not stray too far from Turkey's secular traditions. There is evidence that she has succeeded on several occasions. Erbakan, for example, has bowed to her wishes and dropped his proposal to allow female civil servants to wear veils or head scarves.

Mrs. Ciller attended colleges and taught for a time in the United States, but she has steadfastly denied reports that she held a U.S. passport for a time. Her lawyer, Platt, said she could not have done so because she lived in the United States for less than the required five years.

A New York lawyer who represents a member of the Turkish parliamentary commission that investigated Mrs. Ciller, Jerrold Morgulas, has filed a lawsuit in federal court seeking release of Mrs. Ciller's passport and immigration records. A federal judge hearing the case expressed deep skepticism about that lawsuit in a recent hearing.

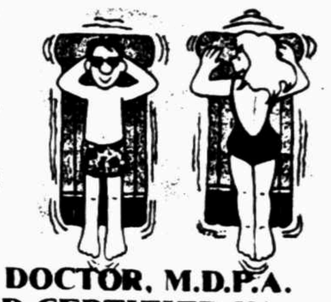
In addition to the accusations of financial impropriety, Mrs. Ciller has been touched by one of the most serious scandals in recent Turkish history, which began unfolding in November when a senior police official was killed in a car crash along with a convicted heroin smuggler who was being sought by Interpol.

Also in the car was an influential member of Parliament from Mrs. Ciller's party. Questions about what they were doing together quickly resulted in the resignation of the interior minister, a close ally of Mrs. Ciller, and led to a series of revelations about government sponsorship of death squads over the last 20 years.

Several of the most spectacular "mystery killings" occurred while Mrs. Ciller was prime minister, and some politicians say they suspect officials of her government may have ordered or approved them.

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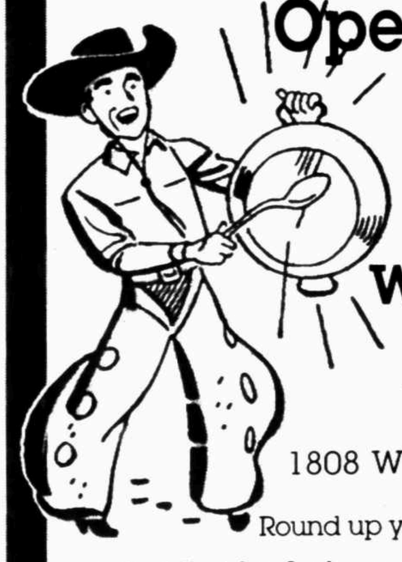
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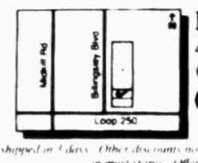
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Bomb threat forces cancellation of Grand National steeplechase

LONDON (NYT) — The running of the Grand National steeplechase — Britain's greatest horse-racing event — was abandoned on Saturday, and 60,000 people were evacuated from the course after telephoned bomb warnings were sent using recognized Irish Republican Army code words.

The calls, one to a hospital near the Liverpool racetrack and a second to a police control center, came an hour before the 3:45 p.m. starting time.

Through announcements, messages on electronic scoreboards, and public address system alerts from a helicopter overhead, the police ordered everyone, including Princess Anne, to leave the stands and the paddocks of the Aintree racetrack and move to the middle of the field away from buildings and then out one end into open fields.

The evacuation was orderly, and the large complex was empty of all but security people within 30 minutes. By nightfall, no bombs had been detected, though there were two explosions that the police said were deliberate detonations of suspicious items that had been left behind.

Saturday's action, the latest in a series of warnings and hoaxes attributed to the IRA over the last 10 days, drew the attention of a large audience. The BBC estimated that its broadcast of the event, the 150th running of the race, would have reached 250 million people.

The tactic also drew the condemnation of the leaders of the two principal British parties now in the campaign for the May 1 national election. While British policy in Northern Ireland is by traditional agreement not a campaign issue in national elections, the IRA is presumed to be trying to impress upon British politicians the need to include its political representatives, leaders of the Sinn Fein party, in talks they have been excluded from since the IRA abandoned a 17-month cease-fire.

IRA strategy for years has been to attack the British mainland to force British public opinion to put pressure on the government to find a solution to the 28-year-old conflict over Northern Ireland, which has cost 3,200 lives and billions of dollars in damage and disruption.

Prime Minister John Major emerged from his office at 10 Downing Street here to call Saturday's action "cynical and detestable." He said: "Every time they behave in this fashion, they put any chance of Sinn Fein's re-entering the talks back further than it was before."

Tony Blair, the Labor Party leader who is 25 points ahead of Major in the polls and will consequently most likely be the prime minister the IRA will be dealing with in a month, called the IRA campaign "contemptible" and accused it of trying to "introduce terror" into the British election.

John Bruton, the prime minister of Ireland, condemned the disruption and asked: "Have the leaders of the republican movement stopped to think how their actions at Aintree will make Irish people all over the world feel this evening?"

This was the third time in a little more than a week that the IRA brought chaos to Britain. On March 26, two explosions and a series of coded warnings paralyzed major railway routes. Two more bombs and more warnings did the same for the highway network on Thursday.

Arafat demands Israel stop building settlements

JERUSALEM (AP) — Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has written to President Clinton demanding that any U.S. peace initiative contain an Israeli pledge to stop building Jewish settlements on disputed land. His Cabinet said Saturday that U.S. credibility was at stake.

Their appeals come two days before Clinton is to meet with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

Clinton is trying to find ways to restart peace talks that broke off when Israel began construction last month of a Jewish neighborhood in disputed east Jerusalem, which the Palestinians claim as a future capital.

Clinton is to meet with Netanyahu in Washington on Monday. Israel radio also reported Saturday that a Palestinian Cabinet minister, Hanan Ashrawi, would hold talks with Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and Dennis Ross, the U.S. coordinator for the Middle East.

Saturday passed without major stone-throwing clashes in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, a sign that Arafat may be lowering tensions before new diplomatic efforts.

There have been daily riots in the West Bank since the March 18 start of construction in east Jerusalem, most of them organized by activists of Arafat's Fatah movement.

On Saturday, dozens of Fatah followers marched peacefully on the campus of Gaza City's Azhar University. Some carried a burial stretcher wrapped in white paper, with the words "peace process" written on it, and then set it on fire.

Arafat's letter to Clinton warned that if the peace process collapsed, Israel and the Palestinians would be headed toward confrontation, Israeli radio stations reported.

Both Israel and the Palestinians have set conditions for resuming talks.

Israel demands that Arafat move decisively to rein in the militants and halt the protests. The Palestinians say Israel must stop settlement construction in east Jerusalem, the West Bank and Gaza Strip, areas where they want to establish a state.

Arafat's letter said any U.S. plan for restarting the talks would have to contain five basic points, including a stop to settlement construction, recognition of the principle of land-for-peace and affirmation that previous agreements must be carried out, said Arafat spokesman Marwan Kanafani.

The Palestinian Cabinet said in a statement Saturday that the Clinton administration "must put real pressure on the government of Israel to stop the Judaization of Jerusalem and to stop settlement building in Abu Ghneim immediately."

Abu Ghneim is the Arabic name for the east Jerusalem area where Israel intends to build 6,500 homes for Jews.

Washington must move decisively now to stop construction, "and the credibility of the United States hangs in the balance," the statement said.

Clinton has informed Arafat that the United States is willing to move forward with a new peace initiative, and that he would coordinate with the Palestinian leader before making it public, Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat told Voice of Palestine radio Saturday.

U.S. officials signaled that the issues of violence and settlements would be raised in the Clinton-Netanyahu meeting.

Netanyahu reportedly has told senior Cabinet ministers that the new U.S. initiative would be based on his proposal to move up negotiations on a permanent peace agreement and try to wrap up talks in six to nine months.

During that time, the two sides would have to resolve the toughest disputes still facing them: the future of Jerusalem, Jewish settlements, final borders, and Palestinian refugees. The final phase could take place in a Camp David-style setting, with Netanyahu and Arafat negotiating face-to-face.

Under the current timetable, the deadline for reaching a final peace agreement is May 1999.

The Palestinians have been skeptical, saying they feared this was an Israeli ploy to get out of commitments made in earlier peace agreements.

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Robberies force some Albanians to live hand to mouth

SHKODRA, Albania (AP) — Ask the 12-year-old about the worst part of the unrest gripping Albania, and his eyes go sad. "No apples," he says.

Shkelqim Hoxha hasn't seen fresh fruit or produce for weeks — since anarchy descended on Albania a month ago and government trucks stopped coming to his orphanage because of food shortages and fears of being robbed.

The road between the capital, Tirana, and Albania's main northern town, Shkodra, shows the dangers of what has become everyday life in the impoverished Balkan country that wants Europe to help it out of its violent anarchy and need.

Young boys sell loaded submachine gun magazines, waving down those who need refills on the road.

Robberies occur daily on roads north and south of Tirana, illustrating both the need for the eight-nation, Italian-led force that Europe will send this month, and the perils facing it.

The outside troops are supposed to help make aid deliveries safer.

Some outside organizations have not waited. The International Red Cross started delivering aid to the south last week and plans to go to the more isolated north next week.

Allain Lennartz, the Red Cross representative to Albania, says his organization welcomes the idea of troops guarding ports and warehouses but rejects them riding shotgun.

"There is no way a Red Cross convoy will move with guns around it," he said. "You cannot put a gun next to each mouth to feed it."

The Red Cross is treading carefully.

Spokesman Michael Kleiner said at headquarters in Geneva that his organization tries to contact authorities or criminals in control of a particular town before starting to distribute. Sometimes, trucks have been forced to make unscheduled aid drops along their route, before being allowed to proceed.

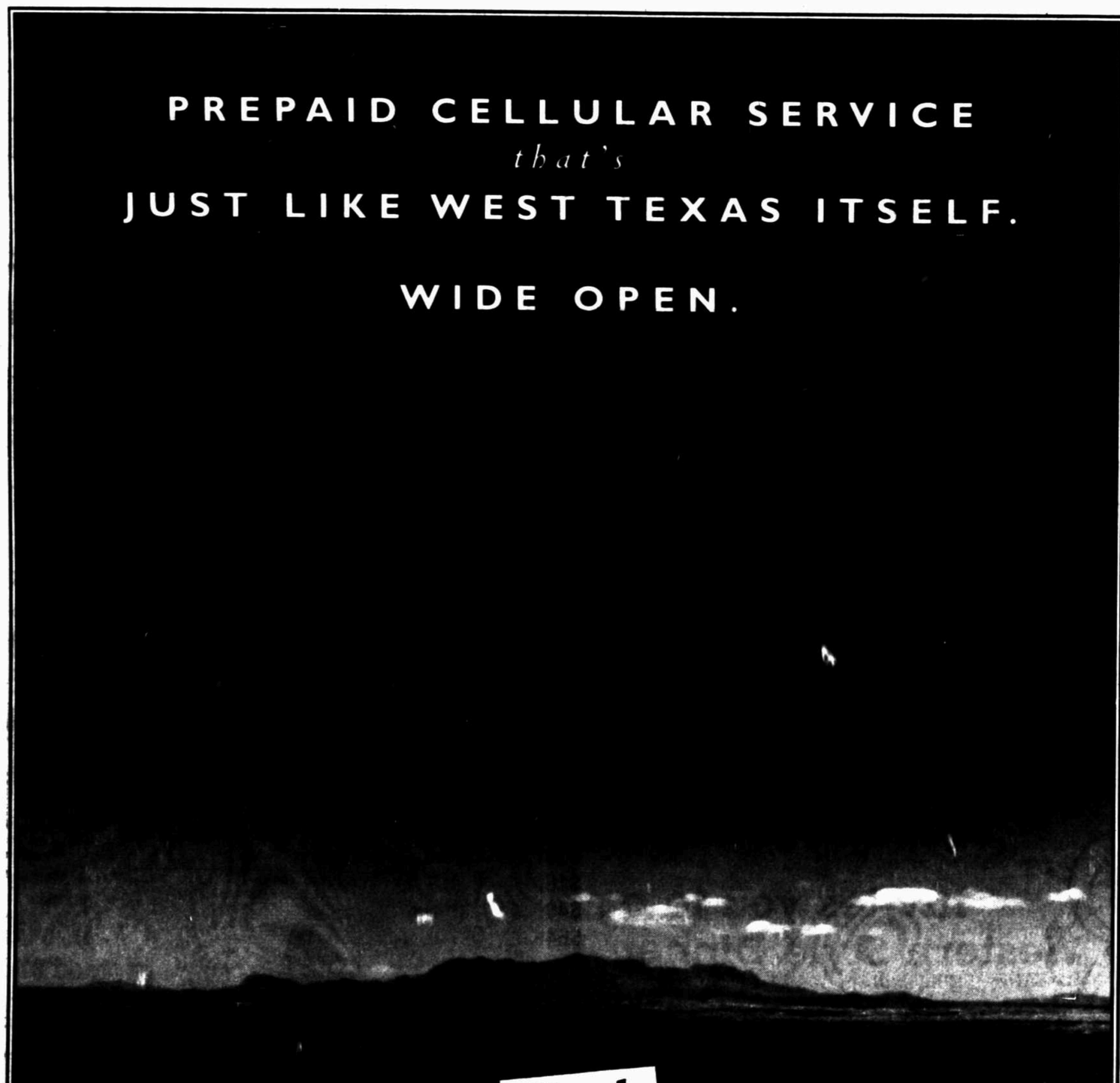
State trucks would have little to deliver, even if their drivers were prepared to risk the trip.

Granaries are nearly empty. Agriculture Minister Haxhi Aliko said about 140,000 tons of wheat and grain have been looted over the past four weeks from state stores, leaving only 10,000 tons behind. But the European Community has pledged to provide enough wheat, grain and other basics to feed the country until the July harvest and "there is no need to panic," he told The Associated Press.

Shkelqim and the 79 others in the Shkodra orphanage are not starving. A recent lunch consisted of soup and meat pie. Like tens of thousands of others who normally depend on the state, they are getting fed by townsfolk, or by outside humanitarian aid.

"There is no absolute disaster," said Lennartz. "But some of these institutions have serious problems — some were down to nothing before we arrived."

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Slow pace of House action riles Democrats, some Republicans

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two springtimes ago, House Republicans backed by their huge freshman class were racing to complete work on their "Contract With America." Now it's the Democratic newcomers' turn to step into the spotlight — and prod the GOP for moving too slowly.

"There are issues everyone cares about and they haven't even been able to get hearings," Rep. Darlene Hooley, a first-term Democrat from Oregon, said in an interview. Referring to balancing the budget, education measures and campaign finance reform, she added, "They should be on the horizon somewhere and at least scheduled for hearings."

"I think we're really not doing anything," said Rep. Jim Davis, D-Fla., of the beginning of the Congress.

> **'I think we're really not doing anything.'**
> — Rep. Jim Davis D. Fla.

Democrats aren't the only ones clamoring for action.

GOP lawmakers are tired of "wasting time" by "coming here and naming bridges," Rep. Matt Salmon, R-Ariz., said late last month after a handful of rebels inflicted a defeat on Speaker Newt Gingrich and their own leadership in a floor vote. The revolt was sort of a wake-up call to the leadership, Salmon and others said at the time.

For their part, Ms. Hooley and about two dozen other first-term Democrats sent a letter last month to Gingrich and House Majority Leader Dick Armey of Texas, urging that Congress "get to work" in a "productive, bipartisan relationship." With Congress returning this week from an Easter break, she and several other Democrats will make the same point at a news conference Thursday.

Democratic leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri and other party leaders are scheduled to attend, likely giving the event a more partisan tone. "The Gingrich Congress: All Rhetoric, No Action," was the title of a Democratic report on the GOP Congress issued late last month.

"Not only have Republicans failed to come forward with a budget or a campaign reform plan, but all of their major legislative efforts this session have failed miserably," the report said, a reference to the proposed constitutional amendment to require a balanced budget.

Figures compiled by the Democrats illustrate the slow start.

The House has taken 60 roll call votes this year, according to statistics distributed by the Democrats. That compares with 271 at this point two years ago — when the GOP was racing through its "Contract With America." In 1993, the last time the Democrats held a majority, the comparable number was 123.

Lawmakers have also been in session relatively infrequently.

The Democratic report said the House had been in session only 27 days in the first quarter of the year, compared with 53 days during the last Congress and 35 the last time Democrats were in power.

Republicans have been preoccupied since Congress convened with the fate of Gingrich. The Georgia Republican was re-elected speaker despite conceding ethics violations, and was later formally reprimanded and ordered to pay a $300,000 sanction.

Just back from a trip to China, Gingrich seems intent on shoring up his ties among conservatives whom he angered last month with talk of deferring tax cuts and continuing federal funding for the arts.

He called conservative radio talk show host Rush Limbaugh last week to say that he was siding with publisher-politician Steve Forbes against a little-known proposed Internal Revenue Service regulation.

"It is not acceptable to have them have secret back-door tax increases," the speaker said. "... It's what the American revolution was all about."

Forbes rushed out a statement praising "a clearly reinvigorated Newt Gingrich leading the charge for something that helps all Americans."

Ironically, his comments were faxed to reporters at the same time the conservative magazine, Human Events, was circulating an advance copy of next week's issue. In it, Forbes wrote that the talk of deferring tax cuts was evidence of "the political version of Mad Cow Disease" among Republican leaders.

Whatever Gingrich's fate, Armey has estimated it could be the first or second week of May at the earliest before Republicans bring a budget to the House floor.

In the meantime, there's scant legislative business to be done on the House floor.

The showcase measure for the coming week, for example, would ban the use of federal funds for physician-assisted suicide.

The other measures are of the non-controversial type that often pass with little or no debate and by voice vote. No bridge-naming bills of the type that Salmon derided late last month are among them. But one, for example, would convey a parcel of land in California to the Dos Palos Ag Boosters for use as a farm school.

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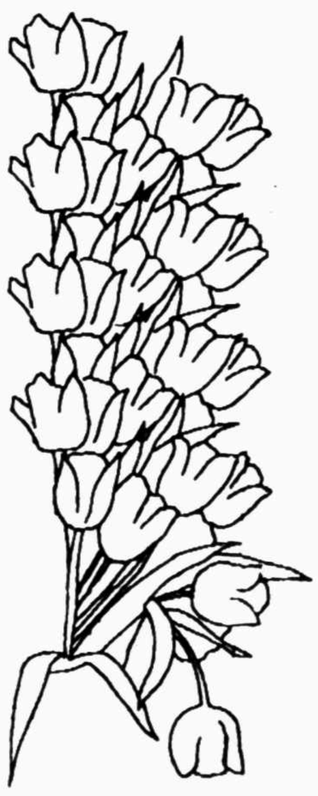
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Documents show Kennedy regretted pledge not to invade Cuba

WASHINGTON (AP) — To defuse the Cuban missile crisis, President Kennedy promised not to invade the island nation, but newly declassified documents show he later retreated from the pledge, fearing Cuba could become an "invulnerable base."

The change of heart meant that the U.S.-Soviet understandings that resolved the 1962 crisis were never made permanent.

When the crisis eased, Kennedy predicted in an Oct. 28 letter to Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev that the two sides could complete final arrangements "within a couple of days."

But, while both countries took some steps to implement the agreement, including Soviet removal of offensive missiles, attempts to reach a formal agreement ended in failure.

The crisis was triggered by the U.S. discovery in the fall of 1962 that Moscow had sent missiles to Cuba. The disclosure sent the two superpowers closer to nuclear war than at any time in their 46-year Cold War rivalry. An anxious world was uncertain whether Moscow and Washington would settle peacefully or reduce each other to ashes.

The tradeoff that ensured a peaceful outcome involved a Soviet promise to remove the missiles in exchange for an end to a U.S. quarantine of Cuba, coupled with a U.S. no-invasion pledge.

New details about the abortive effort to negotiate a final settlement are spelled out in the "Cuban Missile Crisis and Aftermath," a 934-page State Department compilation of documents from that era, virtually all of which were originally classified.

In the decades after the missile crisis, successive U.S. administrations were vague about whether the Kennedy-Khrushchev agreement was legally binding. The documents strongly suggest it wasn't because there was no formal settlement.

Less than a month after the late October agreements were announced, Kennedy's uneasiness about an unconditional no-invasion pledge were reflected in a message he wrote to Khrushchev: "There need be no fear of any invasion of Cuba while matters take their present favorable course."

In a Nov. 21, 1962, telephone conversation with George Ball, the State Department's third ranking official, Kennedy said he was worried about how a no-invasion pledge would affect the U.S. ability to respond if Cuba undertook a major arms buildup, shot down U.S. planes or attacked a pro-American country, such as Guatemala.

In response to the latter scenario, Ball said the United States had a right to take action under the Rio Pact, the common defense treaty of the Western Hemisphere. It authorizes collective action in cases of aggression. Kennedy agreed that a no-invasion pledge could not supersede U.S. rights under the Rio Pact.

Four hours after that conversation, Kennedy told a National Security Council meeting, according to a summary, that the U.S. objective "is to reserve our right to invade Cuba in the event of civil war, if there were guerrilla activities in other Latin American countries or if offensive weapons were reintroduced in Cuba."

And in early December, Kennedy was quoted as telling another NSC meeting that the United States was "not going to rat on an agreement with the Russians but we were not going to tie on to a no-invasion pledge in a way which allowed Castro to operate from an invulnerable base."

The promise of a Soviet removal of ground forces from Cuba was not enough to sway Kennedy.

"It's better for the United States to have Soviet units in Cuba than to give a formal no-invasion assurance," he said at another point.

Not surprisingly, the Soviets strongly objected to Kennedy's attempt to renege on his pledge and invoke the Rio Pact.

Top U.S. officials who spent 5 1/2 hours with Soviet diplomats at the United Nations in early December wrote an "eyes only" memo to Secretary of State Dean Rusk saying the Soviets interpreted it as an effort to give the U.S. commitment a "conditional character and hence is unacceptable." They also saw the United States as intent on having a "free hand so it will not have to keep its obligations," the memo said.

As seen by the Soviets, the United States could use the Rio Pact to attack Cuba "by alleging that Cuba had undertaken aggression not involving the use of armed force, including subversion."

The Soviets also pointed out that Kennedy had offered his original no-invasion pledge in return solely for actions by the Soviet Union.

Under the October 27 assurances, no actions were required or forbidden on Cuba's part, the Soviets noted.

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Cult's sites a stark contrast

World Wide Web pages believed linked to a group that committed mass suicide in California reveal two starkly different sides of the organization — a hard-nosed business site and a religious site that talks about leaving "this world."

The sites have achieved a level of popularity that they might never have otherwise reached. Both Web sites were jammed Thursday as thousands of people across the country tried to read them. Many users received error messages and were unable to see the sites because of the demand.

The "Heaven's Gate" Web site describes the group's desire to leave Earth and meet up with a spaceship behind the Hale-Bopp comet.

The site also includes references to Jesus and to the sieges at Waco, Texas, at Ruby Ridge, Idaho, and at Masada, where more than 900 Jewish zealots committed suicide in 73 A.D. rather than surrender to the Romans.

On the other hand, the business site, which is decorated with images of stars and space scenes and is called "The Higher Source," offered standard information that could be offered on hundreds of other home pages. It explained the organization's Web services, including graphic design, integrating video and audio, and programming work.

The site offers few hints about who is in the organization, except under a section labeled "The Difference." It reads: The "individuals at the core of our group have worked closely together for over 20 years."

"We try to stay positive in every circumstance and put the good of a project above any personal concerns or artistic egos." The Higher Source site is at http://www.highersource.com or http://www.cris.com/~Font. The Heaven's Gate site is at http://www.heavensgate.com.

Netscape test

Netscape Communications Corp. said it plans to release next week a test version of software used to write programs for corporate computer networks using Sun Microsystems Inc.'s popular Java language.

Netscape's Visual JavaScript is designed to make it easy to write programs that can be used on intranets, corporate computer networks based on Internet software. The software lets developers use existing components, or software building blocks, to write new programs.

Visual JavaScript also is designed to make it easy to develop programs that work with the messaging, scheduling and directory programs found in Netscape's own products.

Netscape specializes in selling software for the intranet market, where it competes with Microsoft Corp. and International Business Machines Corp.

Widespread creation of programs written with Sun's Java is important for the acceptance of Netscape's products, and Visual JavaScript is designed to fuel the creation of those programs, Netscape said.

Software programs written in Java can run on computers using any operating system. Netscape and Sun view the shift to network computing and away from the desktop as a potential threat to Microsoft, which dominates the software market.

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As online harassment grows, calls for new laws follow

■ Only four states criminally prohibit online stalking.

By John Hendren
AP Business Writer

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Jayne Hitchcock wanted to let other writers know about a New York agency asking for $225 to review her book, so she posted a warning on the Internet.

Before long, she was "mail bombed" with more than 200 electronic mail missives. Her name, telephone number and address appeared on racist and sex newsgroups, inviting suitors to call her or come to her home day or night.

None of this was illegal, although Maryland lawmakers have proposed a ban on anonymous messages that "annoy, abuse, torment, harass or embarrass" the recipients. Ms. Hitchcock considers it a national problem.

"If I have to go state to state to get something done, then I will," she said. "I guess they thought I'd just shut down my computer and go away."

Only a handful of states — Michigan, Alaska, Oklahoma and Wyoming — have made e-mail or Internet communications subject to the criminal laws that prohibit harassment or stalking.

It is relatively uncharted legal territory and authorities must be cautious, said James Love of the Washington, D.C.-based Consumer Project on Technology, founded by consumer activist Ralph Nader.

"It's one thing to say something shouldn't be permitted. It's another thing to say what the remedy should be," Love said. "A lot of annoying behavior should be protected."

Cynthia Armistead-Smathers of Atlanta believes she became a target during an e-mail discussion of advertising last June. She received nasty e-mails from the account of Richard Hillyard of Norcross, Ga., and then received messages sent through an "anonymous remailer," an online service that masks the sender's identity.

Hillyard's Internet service provider canceled his account, but Ms. Armistead-Smathers then received messages from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, where he worked. Then she got thousands of messages from men who had seen a posting of a nude woman, listing her e-mail address and offering sex during the Atlanta Olympics.

Police said there was little they could do — until she got an anonymous message from someone saying he had followed Ms. Armistead-Smathers and her 5-year-old daughter home from their post office box.

"People say, 'It's online. Who cares? It isn't real.' Well, this is real," Ms. Armistead-Smathers said. "It's a matter of the same kind of small-minded bullies who maybe wouldn't have done things in real life, but they have the power of anonymity from behind a keyboard, where they think no one will find them."

Hillyard, who was charged with stalking, acknowledged getting into an online argument with Ms. Armistead-Smathers over the summer, but said he didn't send the subsequent messages.

"All the messages she got received anonymously. She has no proof where they came from," he said. "It definitely wasn't me."

WWW can be fruitful site for fringe groups

By Anthony Flint
N.Y. Times News Service

The use of an Internet site to promote the Heaven's Gate cult — and to lure new members who in at least one case ended up being among the 39 suicide victims in California — raises disturbing questions about the power of the medium, technology specialists say.

Cults and fringe groups are taking advantage of the huge reach and free-flowing nature of the Internet to disseminate their ideas, often with such sophistication that even well-educated users can be sucked in.

"The Internet certainly facilitates the much more rapid spreading of all these ideas, especially as we approach the millennium, because of all the groups promoting visions of the apocalypse," said Chip Berlet at Political Research Associates of Somerville, Mass., who tracks fringe groups and their Web sites.

"We're in a period now where the most energetic of charlatans can dominate the discourse on the Web. It's like the "War of the Worlds" on early radio — people don't know how to judge what's rumor and what's truth," Berlet said.

That includes hate groups, fringe groups, cults, and extremists of all kinds, he said. "I don't think we should blame the medium. But people do need to be skeptical."

The Heaven's Gate cult was extremely clever in its effort to make the Web site easily available, specialists say. The cult "imbedded" dozens of words and terms on its home page — unseen on the computer screen — so that anyone conducting an Internet search that included words such as "UFO," "angels," "God" or "evolution" would wind up with the Heaven's Gate site in their search results.

Sherry Turkle, a sociologist who studies the virtual world at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, said the Internet is an "ideal medium" to recruit small groups of people, whether it is those who believe a spaceship is behind Comet Hale-Bopp or people with an obscure disease trying to find a cure, or people lobbying Congress for funding for a pet project.

"That's this medium's great strength," she said. "We have to confront that some of this recruiting is going to be for causes and purposes that not all of us feel comfortable with. But it is people's right to recruit."

Tufts University professor Sheldon Krimsky, who has written extensively on science and technology, said the medium is being exploited by "anyone promoting ideas — advertisers, hate groups, religious groups, political groups. They will all use the Internet and see how far they can go."

Krimsky said society must confront the use of the Internet by such groups on a case-by-case basis. "We have a new tool, and new freedoms, but with those freedoms come new responsibilities," he said.

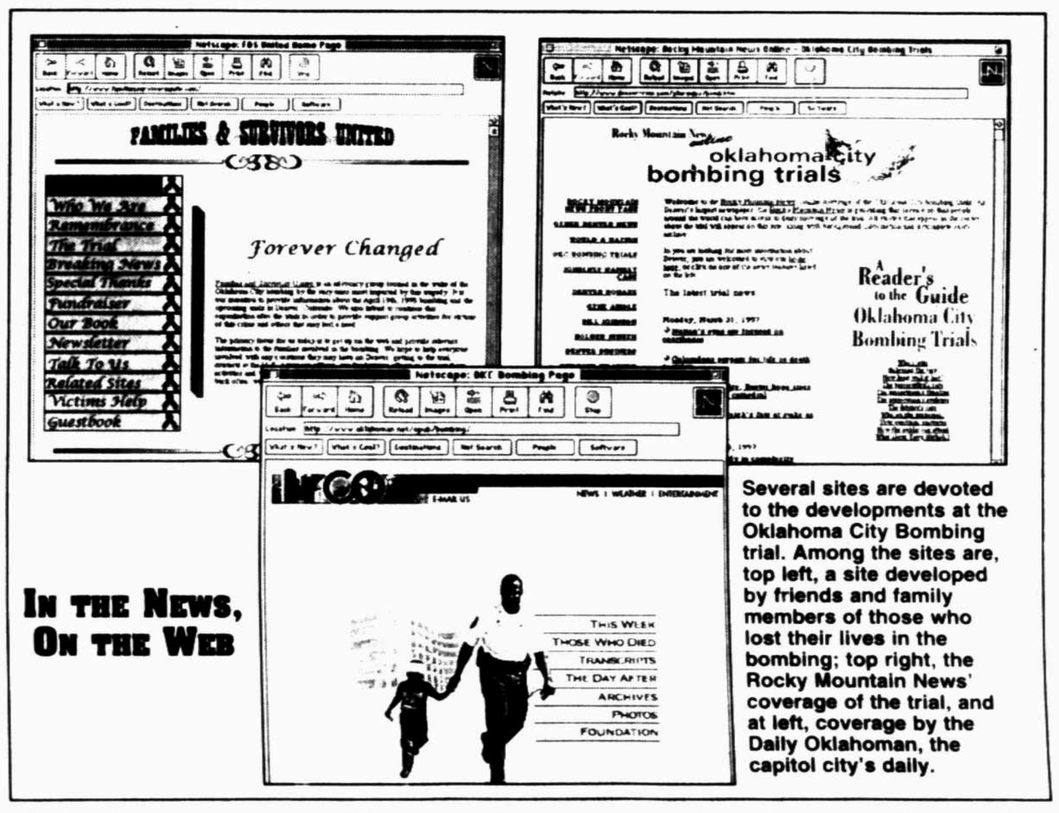
However, there is concern among Internet users that because the Heaven's Gate cult resulted in 39 deaths, calls for regulation and censorship of the medium will increase.

"This could be a classic case of kill the messenger," said Thomas McCain, director of the Center for Advanced Study in Telecommunications at Ohio State University. "This happened with comic books and dime novels and television and radio — society looks to the new medium as the purveyor of evil."

Jonathan Steuer, president of Cyborganic Corp., a San Francisco company, said it is not clear that Heaven's Gate used the Internet to lure many members in the first place.

However, the pastor of one of the suicide victims said she became interested in the cult initially through the Web site. But Steuer said the Internet is actually "a lousy medium for this kind of initial sales pitch. Cults need to keep people isolated from other ideas, and the Internet puts you in continuous access with thousands of other sources of information.

"To say the Internet is about meeting bad people," Steuer said, "that the Web has killed again — that's just absolutely wrong."



Several sites are devoted to the developments at the Oklahoma City Bombing trial. Among the sites are, top left, a site developed by friends and family members of those who lost their lives in the bombing; top right, the Rocky Mountain News' coverage of the trial, and at left, coverage by the Daily Oklahoman, the capitol city's daily.

Retailers use software to ease scheduling hassles

By Mark Babineck
Associated Press Writer

AMARILLO — When Hastings Entertainment has needed help for staffing woes at its chain of multimedia stores, it unwittingly tapped Rene Descartes.

The revered French mathematician and philosopher died nearly 350 years ago. However, Chicago-based Campbell Software likes to think it carried on his premise that math "could explain and predict events in the physical world."

Whatever the inspiration, Hastings credits Campbell's StaffWorks program for reducing its payroll by 1 percent to 2 percent.

"And because associates are scheduled based on customer traffic, we've seen a 50 percent decrease in customer complaints over long lines," said Pam Martinez, labor manager for Amarillo-based Hastings, which boasts more than 100 stores in 15 states west of the Mississippi River.

Whether its Hastings' array of software, music and books, The Gap's line of clothing or Starbucks coffee, Mike Campbell says retailers' staffing questions all look the same on paper: they're math problems.

"You go through school learning how to use mathematics using example after example," said Campbell, who founded Campbell Software in 1989. "Then you get into the real world where no one understands they have an optimization problem, and if they do they don't know how to solve it."

That's where Campbell comes in. The former rocket scientist began developing "applied optimization" software in the early 1980s, and his clients ranged from a finance planner to a hog feed company.

His wife offered the impetus to sharpen his focus.

"Every week she would come home and be difficult to live with for a couple of days while she did the schedule," said Campbell, whose wife was a Chicago-area retail manager at the time.

"We just kept failing, frankly. It would work for awhile, then stop working well."

Disney unveils subscription site for children

By Heather Green
N.Y. Times News Service

Walt Disney Co. unveiled a subscription Internet site for children and families, counting on its host of popular characters and news from ESPN Sports and ABC-TV to spark demand.

Disney's Daily Blast will be available on the Web next month for $4.95 a month and free to Microsoft Corp.'s MSN subscribers.

Disney said it signed a 10-month, exclusive distribution agreement with Microsoft, choosing the company's 2 million customers — who tend to have more powerful computers and faster modems — over America Online Inc.'s 8 million customers.

Media companies, including General Electric Co.'s NBC and Westinghouse Electric Corp.'s CBS Sports, are expanding their Internet offerings. Analysts said Disney has an advantage with its site because it faces limited competition and can depend on children's interest in its cast of well-known characters, ranging from Mickey Mouse to Aladdin.

"Disney is taking a pretty strong brand name to the Web," said Melissa Bane, an analyst at the Yankee Group, a market researcher.

The service, for children ages three to 12, offers games, news from ABC and ESPN designed for children, trivia quizzes and stories featuring Disney's animated characters.

As more children come on line, the market is expected to grow to $1.8 billion by 2002 from $306 million last year, Jupiter Communications said.

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Beat Generation poet Ginsberg dies at age 70

NEW YORK (AP) — Allen Ginsberg, the counterculture guru who shattered conventions as poet laureate of the Beat Generation and influenced the next four decades of art, music and politics, died early Saturday at age 70.

The bearded, balding Ginsberg died in his Lower East Side apartment surrounded by eight "close friends and old lovers," said his friend and archivist, Bill Morgan. The poet was diagnosed eight days ago with terminal liver cancer, and he suffered a fatal heart attack, Morgan said.

"He made us see that poets were pop stars," said Lenny Kaye, guitarist with the Patti Smith Group and a recent Ginsberg collaborator. "He had a sense of liberation — sexual liberation, philosophical liberation."

Ginsberg, whose blend of drug-inspired visions, hedonistic sex and gut-wrenching autobiography first emerged during the 1950s, spent several days in a hospice after his diagnosis. On Thursday, he suffered a stroke, fell into a coma and never regained consciousness.

He had returned to his apartment a day earlier after expressing a desire to die at home.

He wrote about a dozen short poems — one titled "On Fame and Death" — and "wore himself out talking to friends," Morgan said.

David Cope, a friend and fellow poet, received one of those phone calls.

"He called all of his old friends from many generations personally to make contact with us one last time, voice to voice," Cope said Saturday. "To me, it was a beautiful gesture."

Ginsberg's influence was almost inestimable. His extraordinary list of acolytes ran the gamut from Abbie Hoffman to Smashing Pumpkins singer Billy Corgan, Czech President Vaclav Havel to punk poetess Patti Smith, Yoko Ono to Bob Dylan.

"Dylan said he was the greatest influence on the American poetic voice since Whitman," said Gordon Ball, Ginsberg's editor and friend of 30 years. "I think that's certainly true."

During the conservative, McCarthy-era 1950s, when TV's married couples slept in separate beds, Ginsberg wrote "Howl" — a profane, graphic poem that dealt with his own homosexuality and communist upbringing.

"I saw the best minds of my generation destroyed by madness, starving hysterical naked," the poem began.

"Howl" then careened wildly through scores of surreal images: "a lost battalion of platonic conversationalists jumping down the stoops off fire escapes," people who "walked all night with their shoes full of blood on the snowbank docks waiting for a door in the East River to open a room full of steam heat and opium."

"Howl" was dedicated to Carl Solomon, a patient he met during a stay in a psychiatric ward. Forty years later, Ginsberg was reciting his poetry on MTV for Generation X-ers.

Ginsberg's poetry placed spontaneity over metered verse, frank language over flowery words. His work was often confessional, discussing his homosexuality, his mother's death, his relationships.

"Kaddish," one of his most famous works, was an Oedipal poem dealing with his mother's life and death in a mental hospital. It was written in his Manhattan apartment, stream of consciousness-style, fueled by a combination of amphetamines and morphine.

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— Allen Ginsberg
Beat Generation poet



His first exposure to the nascent counterculture came when he was a 17-year-old Columbia University freshman. There he met fellow future beatniks Jack Kerouac, William S. Burroughs and Neal Cassady. The group, disillusioned by conventional society, created their own subculture of drugs and hedonism.

"Basically, just a gang of friends who were very into being literate, and who were interested in art, and loved each other," Ginsberg once said of the Beat Generation's founding fathers. "Some gay, some straight."

Ginsberg was in the gay camp, and became a proponent of homosexual rights — one of many causes the activist poet embraced. In 1960, he went on television to call for the decriminalization of marijuana. He was arrested in 1967 for protesting against the Vietnam War in New York, and was tear-gassed a year later while protesting at the Democratic convention in Chicago.

He claimed that FBI director J. Edgar Hoover had placed him on a "dangerous security list" in 1965, a distinction that led to airport strip searches for several years whenever he returned to the United States.

Last year, he was one of the plaintiffs in a U.S. Supreme Court case aimed at knocking down federal regulations on the hours that "indecent programming" could air on television and radio.

Irwin Allen Ginsberg was born June 3, 1926, in Newark, N.J., the second son of poet Louis Ginsberg and his wife, Naomi. The family moved to Paterson, N.J., while Ginsberg was a youngster.

Ginsberg intended to follow his brother Eugene into the legal profession, and enrolled at Columbia. But while still a teen-ager, he fell in with a crowd that included Kerouac, Burroughs and Cassady — the leaders of what became known as the Beat Generation.

"I think it was when I ran into Kerouac and Burroughs when I was 17 that I realized I was talking through an empty skull," Ginsberg once said. "I wasn't thinking my own thoughts or saying my own thoughts."

Another seminal event in Ginsberg's life came in 1948: his vision of poet William Blake while he was lying on the couch of his East Harlem apartment. Ginsberg said he had a "hallucination in 3-D" of Blake reading his poem "Ah, Sunflower."

Ginsberg's first taste of notoriety came after the publication of "Howl" in 1956. Copies of the book were seized by San Francisco police and U.S. Customs officials, and publisher Lawrence Ferlinghetti was charged with publishing an obscene book.

In 1991 interview with The Associated Press — where Ginsberg briefly worked as a copy boy in 1948 — he recalled the '50s as a time of "total paranoia, suspiciousness, fear, the rich robbing the poor, and complaining about the poor. ... Marketized, mechanized fake emotions."

Ferlinghetti was acquitted in 1957, but the case generated enormous publicity for Ginsberg and his work.

Ginsberg experimented heavily with drugs, taking LSD under the guidance of the late Timothy Leary in the 1960s. But he was also a practicing Buddhist, began each day with a contemplative exercise followed by a cup of hot tea with lemon.

As he grew older, Ginsberg became a guru to the counterculture movement. He coined the term "flower power" during the mid-'60s. And he eventually became more accepted by the mainstream.

His National Book Award came in 1973 for "The Fall of America: Poems of These States, 1965-1971." He was a finalist for a Pulitzer Prize in poetry in 1995 for his book, "Cosmopolitan Greetings: Poems 1986-1992."

Weakening generator on Columbia could force emergency landing

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — A weakening electric generator on space shuttle Columbia could force the astronauts to cut short their 16-day science mission and make an emergency landing as early as Monday.

The generator, called a fuel cell, has been losing voltage since Friday's liftoff, maybe even before, NASA mission operations director Jeff Bantle said Saturday. If the loss continues at a high rate, the seven astronauts would have to turn off that fuel cell and land, he said.

Brief jumps in voltage were detected in that fuel cell shortly before launch, but shuttle managers determined the unit was working properly and cleared Columbia for flight.

Columbia's two other fuel cells are working fine, but National Aeronautics and Space Administration flight rules require that all three be operating properly in orbit.

Neither the shuttle nor crew was in any immediate danger, and laboratory operations were proceeding normally, Bantle said.

The fuel cells use hydrogen and oxygen to produce electricity and water in orbit. If those two fuels mixed — a possibility when voltage drops significantly in a fuel cell — the unit could explode.

Bantle cautioned that the fuel cell would be shut down long before there would be any chance for the fuels to mix.

And he emphasized that the voltage could stabilize at any moment, allowing the astronauts to remain in orbit the full 16 days. Columbia isn't supposed to return to Kennedy Space Center until April 20.

Most of the degradation occurred within the first 12 hours of the mission, a sign that it could begin to level off, Bantle said.

As soon as the problem was detected, NASA formed a special "tiger team" to assess the situation. And scientists began to reorganize their experiments, just in case.

The decreasing voltage could be caused by contamination in the fuel cell. The astronauts were purging the system in hopes of flushing out any possible contaminants.

A failed fuel cell forced Columbia to return to Earth three days early in 1981. NASA has had to cut short only one other mission because of equipment failure — a military mission by Atlantis in 1991.



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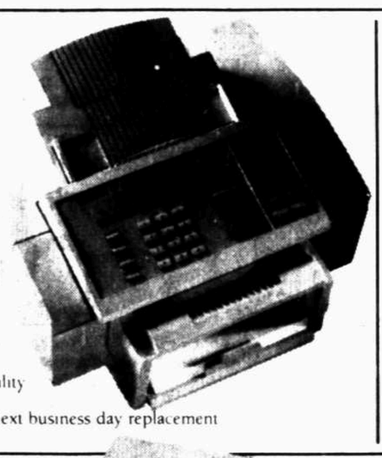
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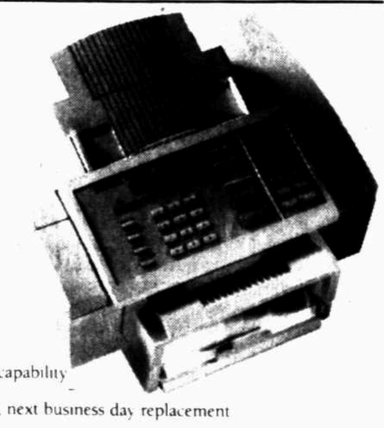
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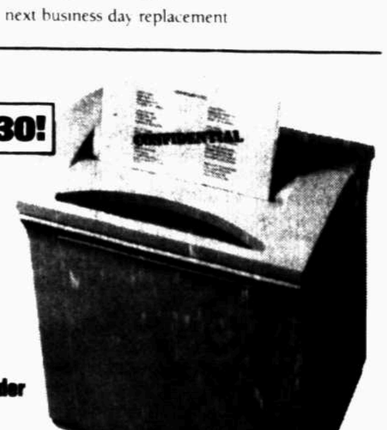


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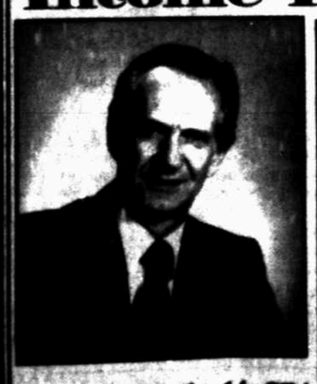
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School's secret to successful test scores turns out to be its shame

By Helen O'Neill and Denise Lavoie
Associated Press

FAIRFIELD, Conn. — Stratfield School was a magical place where happy children tested highest in the state and parents dreamed of the Ivy League.

The whole world wanted its secret.

It bewitched families from New York and Massachusetts, who bought $300,000 homes to be part of the mystique. It captivated educators from India and Japan, who traveled to Stratfield seeking answers. It nagged away at rival schools, at a loss to understand why their students lagged behind.

In a town with nine public elementary schools, why did Stratfield score up to 40 percent higher on standardized tests? What was so special about the Stratfield school?

The answer shattered the magic and broke young hearts. But there was no escaping the evidence:

Stratfield's secret was cheating.

The school's parents can't believe the spell is broken, that after all these years of being so special, their kids are the same as the rest. Why would anyone have tampered with their children's tests?

FAIRFIELD IS a pretty town of 53,000 on Long Island Sound, a place of stone walls and historic houses and well-paid professionals who commute to New York.

The elegant red brick elementary school on the hill has always exceeded expectations, delivering smart kids, dedicated teachers and prestigious U.S. Department of Education Blue Ribbon awards.

For years, it also delivered some of the highest scores in the state.

Parents knew the secret, or so they thought: It was the school's beloved 57-year-old principal, Roger Previs.

An unassuming man of gentleness and vision, Previs poured his heart into his students and his soul into winning awards.

He coached the kids in math and chess, taught roller skating and juggling after school, and snapped pictures of "my kids" every chance he got.

The corridors were lined with his photographs. The light in his office shone late on Sunday nights. He was, said one parent, like the inspirational hero of the movie "Mr. Holland's Opus."

But even the school board sensed he was more. Why, board member Jeffrey Matthews kept asking, can't all schools be more like Stratfield?

Matthews was introduced to Stratfield's special world three years ago when he dropped into the school for the first time. Troubled by the education his children were getting at another Fairfield school, he was determined to get some answers.

Watching Previs coach an academic team, hearing how he tracked each student's performance, seeing him monitor the noisy lunchroom, Matthews was inspired. He ran for the school board and became Previs' greatest ally.

OTHER SCHOOL officials were unsettled by Previs's popularity, unnerved most of all by his student's high scores.

Superintendent Carol Harrington was determined to find the secret. A year ago, she ordered her staff to check the tests themselves. Perhaps they would hold a clue.

Poring over the innocent scrawls of 8-year-olds, they unlocked Stratfield's secret.

The third and fifth-grade papers didn't look quite right. Too many answers had been erased, and most had been changed from wrong to right.

Puzzled, Harrington sent the 1996 Iowa Test of Basic Skills back to the national testing company. The report that returned was damning:

Stratfield's answers had been erased up to five times more than those of other schools. And of the thousands of erasures, 89 percent turned wrong answers into right.

The evidence was "clear and conclusive," the company said. Someone had betrayed the students and the town.

As shocking as it seemed, educators say Stratfield's case is not unique.

"Unfortunately," says Carole Kennedy, president of the National Association of Elementary School Principals. "Test scores are what the public expects and what the public understands."

Kennedy has suspected a teacher of cheating in her own school in Columbia, Mo. More recently, there had been cases in Illinois and Vermont.

But those are faraway scandals in faraway schools. They meant nothing to the parents who had bought into Stratfield's promise.

The discovery "shook us to the very core of our souls," says Sarah Lubarsky, who moved from New York City three years ago to enroll her daughters in Stratfield school.

AT FIRST, many parents simply didn't believe it. They ridiculed the testing company and demanded the school board spare no expense in exposing the mistake.

The simple explanation was that Stratfield students had always tested better, had always been encouraged to erase as much as they needed to. It was just the Stratfield way.

But the simple explanation was derided by others. Giant erasers popped up at other schools. Stratfield students, long envied as the smartest kids in town, were now taunted as "cheats."

The school board hired a detective agency to grill teachers and administrators. It called in state forensic scientist Henry C. Lee, who had testified at the O.J. Simpson murder trial, to examine the tests.

Old tests, dug out of a warehouse in Texas, showed signs of tampering.

A statistical analysis, prepared by a respected Michigan State University professor, concluded tampering had occurred.

Retested under strict security, Stratfield students' scores slipped below those of other schools.

Still, parents refused to believe.

"Show me some evidence, not just statistics," Lubarsky said. "Show me some proof."

In February, almost a year after the investigations had started, the state Department of Education did just that: It found the Connecticut Mastery Tests had also been tampered with — in 1993, 1994 and 1995.

And this time, the investigation pointed to the cheater.

"While there is no direct evidence of the principal's tampering with the test documents," wrote Betty Sternberg, associate commissioner at the state department of education, "his access to the test materials and his responses to inquiries leave us unable to exclude him."

EVEN IF Previs hadn't erased the answers himself, Sternberg wrote, as the person in charge of test security, he was to blame.

"Dad," asked Ryan Redler, "why did they lie to us?"

Michael Redler had no easy answers for his 9-year-old son. He was a true believer in Previs' brilliance.

"I'm willing to accept that the investigations seem to show tampering," he said. "But, in my heart, I'm still not certain. There is no conclusive proof that he did anything wrong."

But the headlines were getting ugly and so was the mood in town.

Neighbors hurled insults at each other in the local newspapers and across backyard fences. Plainclothes police officers were posted at the school. One parent even sued the testing company for devaluing his home.

Bewildered children, caught up in what the local media dubbed "Erasergate" tearfully apologized for cheating on tests they hadn't even taken.

Some parents darkly suggested it was all an evil plot, that Harrington had set out to bring Previs down. Others insisted that scores didn't matter anymore. What mattered was the magic of their school.

"I think when you've been told how special you are for so long ...," said Michele Waggner, whose children go to another school. "To suddenly find out that it that may not be so may be a bitter pill to swallow."

Previs denied the allegations from the start.

He took — and passed — a lie detector test. He promised that the cloud over Stratfield would be cleared. He faced his accusers at school board meetings, accompanied by supporters, 700 strong.

The same people who had once demanded no expense be spared in the search for the truth now screamed for an end to the probe. After $206,000 and a year of painful truths, they'd had enough.

SCHOOL BOARD Chairman John Madeo faced down the fury, grimly reminding everyone why they were there. The issue was cheating, he said, not protecting reputations or careers. For years, students at Fairfield's other schools had unfairly been held up to Stratfield's standards. They had been wronged as much as Previs and his school, he said.

"Somehow, that seems to get lost," he said.

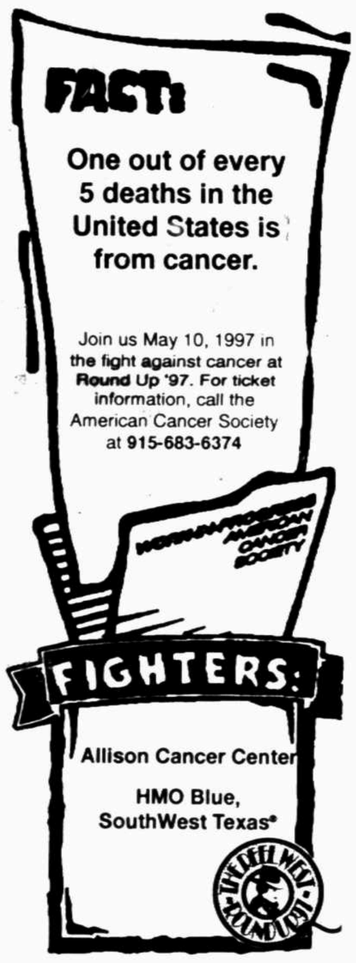
Head bowed, Previs sat stoically through the board's vote to suspend him. His sleeve was wet from the tears of parents and students who hugged him.

Watching the vote on cable television, 12-year-old Catherine Redler cried hysterically. "That's my principal," she sobbed. "We have to help him."

Today, Previs shuffles uneasily around a borrowed office in a convalescent home a few miles from the school he loves. A parent offered him the space — somewhere private to "deal with all the lawyers."

Still professing his innocence, he cut a $150,000 deal with the school board in March and retired. On the advice of lawyers, he won't discuss the scandal.

After 34 years, Previs' career as a nationally renowned elementary school educator is, as he says, "burned."



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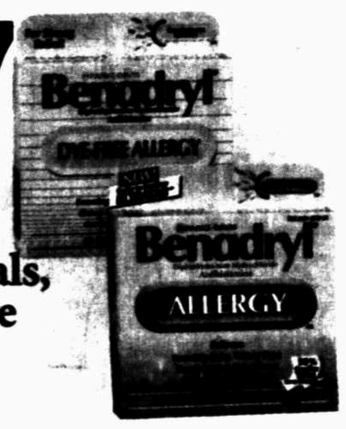
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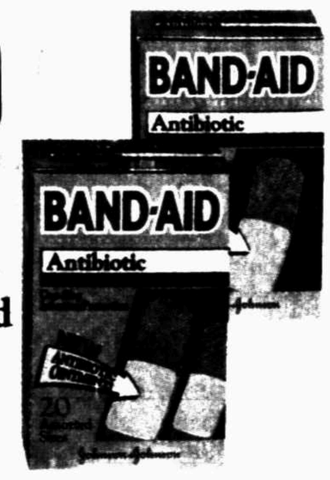
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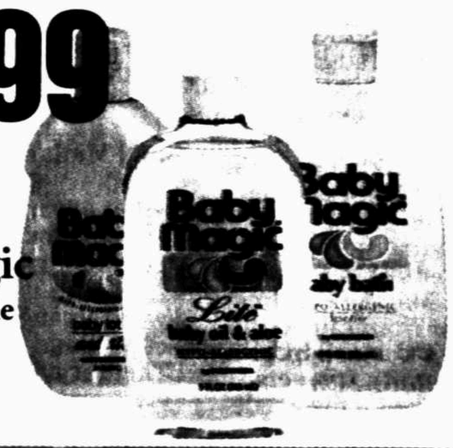
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Park is to honor longtime banker

When Bluebird Park was officially dedicated Saturday as the John P Butler Youth Sports Complex it truly was to honor a man who dedicated much of his life to the economic and social well-being of this community.

According to Tina Sanders, public information officer for the City of Midland, "Much of what we see today in modern Midland is the direct result of John Butler's leadership as a banker and civic leader."

That statement is accurate and Butler should be honored for all he did to make it happen.

After taking over the reins of First National Bank on Jan. 22, 1952, following the death of the institution's president, Marvin C. Ulmer, Butler maintained the same strong support for community projects exhibited by his predecessor.

Through his leadership the bank expanded its financial services to include the oil and gas industry, and during Butler's decades with the bank its support for the developing industry included numerous loans to small companies. That financial support benefited all Midland and First National Bank became the financial pillar of the community, widely known for its community support.

Butler's support for the community did not stop with his work in First National Bank. He helped to create the Building Fund Campaign in 1954, served in the Midland Chamber of Commerce, the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, the Texas New Mexico Railway Co., Midland Savings and Loan, Midland Development League, Western United Life Insurance Company and Midland Southwest Corp.

Yet even for all that support for the Midland community, Butler did more. He and his wife were strong supporters of Midland Community Theater and other local civic organizations.

In a nutshell, John P. Butler played a major role in the development of the entire Midland area — and dedicating this park in honor of him is a way for the community of Midland to thank him for all he did for it.

JACK ANDERSON

Nuclear waste issue comes up in Congress

WASHINGTON -- The members of the U.S. Senate, just back from a hectic two-week Easter break, will get back to the people's business this week by debating and voting on one of the most controversial nuclear waste measures to come along in years.



Anderson

But the bill might not even be coming up for a vote were it not for a failed attempt at some old-fashioned horse-trading by one senior Republican senator.

The result of Tuesday's scheduled vote on the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1997 is a foregone conclusion. The bill will pass, thus authorizing the creation of a temporary storage site in Nevada for 32,000 tons of nuclear waste. And once the bill clears both houses of Congress, it will face a near-certain veto by President Clinton.

According to sources opposed to the measure, however, the bill might not be on the table were it not for an ill-fated attempt by Sen. Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska, a chief sponsor of the bill, to cut a deal.

Early last year, sources say, Murkowski approached Democratic Sens. Harry Reid and Richard Bryan of Nevada with the following proposal: If the two Democrats would vote with Murkowski to open up the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil drilling, then he would try to "handle" the nuclear waste issue in return.

Both Bryan and Reid carefully considered the offer. It was a tempting one, since Murkowski heads the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee and thus could presumably make good on his vow.

And no issue is more important to Nevadans -- and their senators -- than killing the nuclear waste bill. Similarly, the opening up of the wildlife refuge has been at the top of Murkowski's wish list for years.

After months of deliberations, however, Bryan and Reid decided to pass on Murkowski's offer. They couldn't sell out their opposition to the drilling proposal, which had been vetoed by Clinton just the year before.

"Almost immediately" after that decision, the same sources say, Murkowski made the nuclear waste bill a top priority. This January, it was one of the first bills introduced in the Senate, and the bill's sponsors say they have the votes needed for passage.

Supporters want the federal government to build a four-foot thick slab of concrete in the middle of Nevada's desert, which would then house millions of barrels of nuclear waste that would be trucked in from around the country. This "temporary" facility -- which opponents fear will be virtually permanent -- would exist until a permanent facility is built at Yucca mountain, also in Nevada.

Environmentalists are predictably irate about the measure, in part because nuclear waste will be shipped to the temporary site long before scientists can determine if the permanent facility will meet safety requirements. Since that could take years to resolve, opponents worry that "temporary" in this case could be a long time.

The bill has also enjoyed the enthusiastic support of the nuclear industry. According to the Center for Responsive Politics, since 1991 nuclear power concerns have poured more than $100,000 into the coffers of senators who sit on the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee. Murkowski and Craig have seen a fair share of that cash -- $26,000 for Murkowski and $16,000 for Craig -- and the Nuclear Energy Institute even helped cohost a re-election party for Craig in early January.

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



GEORGE F. WILL

'Abuse excuse' undermines our justice system

WASHINGTON--O.J. Simpson has begun to pay the price of double murder: He must surrender his silverware. And this is not the most dismaying recent outcome from the criminal justice system.



Will

On Aug. 18, 1989, the Menendez brothers, Erik and Lyle, drove from Los Angeles to San Diego to buy shotguns and birdshot, using false identifications. That night they slept in their wealthy parents' Los Angeles home, and the next morning exchanged the birdshot shells for more deadly buckshot. Later that day they went boating with their parents. The next day they fired 15 shells--they had to reload--into their parents while the parents were watching television. The brothers collected $700,000 in life insurance and went on a shopping spree.

When they admitted the killings they argued that they killed because they were frightened victims of sexual and emotional abuse. About half the jurors were convinced by the excuse (convinced that the brothers had an honest but unreasonable fear for their lives) and refused to convict of murder.

This has moved James Q. Wilson, the social scientist especially knowledgeable concerning crime, to publish a timely, disturbing and valuable book, "Moral Judgment: Does the Abuse Excuse Threaten Our Legal System?" His answer to that question is: Increasingly it threatens not only the legal system but society's moral equilibrium and tranquillity. It undermines the concept of personal responsibility. And the legal system's increasing susceptibility to "abuse excuses" weakens the law's character-building capacity because it diminishes the law's power to strengthen the individual's often attenuated self-control.

It is a juror's duty to judge human behavior. It is a human tendency to want to explain behavior. Jurors are human. Hence a tension between judging and explaining. Into this tension intrudes, increasingly, the "expert witness." He is arguably a scientist and certainly an expert at making murky--on behalf of clients wealthy enough to hire him--the fundamental assumption of our legal system, that people are responsible for their actions.

What Wilson calls the "struggle between science and law" is often first a struggle between competing scientific claims, often with less real science involved than when experts clashed about DNA evidence during the Simpson trial. And what causes a judge to admit testimony such as that of the expert who testified that research on snails explained that the Menendez brothers' brains had been "rewired" by their experiences, as snails' brains can be?

One reason is the fear that, given our obsession with procedural perfection, cases that are not plea-bargained are ripe for appeal. Hence judges struggle to minimize grounds for appeals. Hence the circus of jury selection, which takes minutes in England and in the Simpson trial began with prospective jurors filling out 73-page questionnaires. Hence permissiveness toward "expert witnesses."

Another reason for excessive deference to "experts" is the therapeutic ethic--policy must cure, not judge--that arises from a disposition to assume that crime is socially or biologically caused. Plausible science (the proposition that all behavior is in some sense caused) can produce perverse law (the notion that, if behavior is caused, the individual is not responsible for it).

For example, when, as in the past, the law assumed that culpability was intensified when a crime was committed by someone intoxicated or caught up in mob hysteria, the law taught a duty to avoid loss of control. Now both intoxication and mob hysteria (remember Damian Williams and others beating the truck driver Reginald Denny nearly to death with bricks during the Los Angeles riots) are apt to be thought to mitigate guilt.

Indeed, many factors other than abuse of various sorts are said by "experts" to correlate with crime, hence to cause crime, hence to lessen responsibility for crime. These factors include among many other things--low verbal IQ scores, low levels of serotonin, elevated levels of testosterone, lead and manganese, the XYY chromosome pattern in men, fetal alcohol and fetal drug syndromes, extreme poverty, living in a single-parent family, use of anabolic steroids.

Wilson believes the law should hold (as the second Menendez trial held) that individuals are responsible for their actions "unless those actions are caused by a pure reflex or a delusional state utterly beyond rational control." Otherwise we will increasingly have what Wilson calls "a decline in the willingness of citizens to assume and ascribe personal responsibility for their actions."

This begets a tendency "to deny guilt, to expect rewards without efforts, to blame society for individual failings, and to exploit legal technicalities to avoid moral culpability." Thus does doubt about the capacity of individuals to govern themselves erode society's capacity for self-government.

George F. Will's column is distributed by Washington Post Writers' Group.

ANOTHER VIEW

Congressman elicits apology after 'beef'

Score one for U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry.

The second-term Republican lawmaker from Clarendon has extracted an apology from the secretary of the Smithsonian Institution over a magazine article that, according to Thornberry, "presents what can only be described as the virtue of vegetarianism and the vice of eating beef."

Talk about insulting an entire taxpaying, voting constituency!

The article appeared in a new publication, called MUSE, a children's magazine published by the Smithsonian. Thornberry wrote Smithsonian secretary Michael Heyman after the article appeared. The article implied strong criticism of the beef industry and it talked about how a vegetarian diet is better for people than a diet that included red meat. Yes, beef, the commodity grown in great quantities throughout the High Plains.

The article got Thornberry's dander up. And rightfully so. He posed a key question to Heyman: Did MUSE magazine receive any public funds from the Smithsonian, an institution supported by money from the pockets of ALL Americans — including, that's right, those who raise cattle and consume beef?

Heyman's written response to Thornberry said that "no federal funds are used for this magazine." But the congressman got the apology he deserved. "I fully agree with the concerns that you have raised and would like to apologize for the lack of balance in the article concerning the consumption of meat," Heyman wrote. "Clearly no magazine that bears the Smithsonian name should attempt to proselytize for a specific cause or viewpoint, and since this case violates that principle, I must offer my sincerest apologies and assurances that such a case shall not be repeated."

Apology accepted, Mr. Heyman.

— The Amarillo Globe-News

ANOTHER VIEW

Today is Sunday, April 6, the 96th day of 1997. There are 269 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 6, 1862, the Civil War battle of Shiloh began as the Confederates attacked Union forces in Tennessee.

On this date:

In 1830, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was organized by Joseph Smith in Fayette, N.Y.

In 1896, the first modern Olympic Games formally opened in Athens, Greece.

In 1909, explorers Robert E. Peary and Matthew A. Henson became the first men to reach the North Pole. The claim, disputed by skeptics, was upheld in 1989 by the Navigation Foundation.

In 1917, Congress approved a declaration of war against Germany.

In 1963, the United States and Britain signed an agreement under which the Americans would sell Polaris A-3 missiles to the British.

In 1965, the United States launched the "Early Bird" communications satellite.

In 1971, Russian-born composer Igor Stravinsky died in New York City.

In 1985, William J. Schroeder became the first artificial heart recipient to be discharged from the hospital as he moved into an apartment in Louisville, Ky.

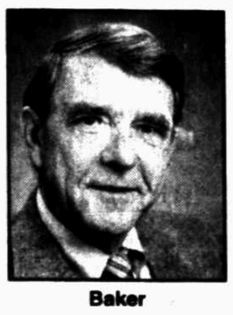
In 1994, Supreme Court Justice Harry A. Blackmun announced his retirement after 24 years.

RUSSELL BAKER

Why bother saying a good word for anybody?

The point of this exercise is to say a good word for baseball. My family has begged me not to do it, and who can blame them?

Saying a good word for anything or anybody nowadays can get you blackballed from the Society of Newspaper Columnists, not to mention the Pantheon of Talk-Radio Blabbery.



Baker

I can face that, but it is heart-breaking to see the fear in the children's faces. Little Ken-Boy, our youngest, asked with tear-stained face: "Does this mean you will never be invited to a Gridiron dinner to bask in the company of politicians delivering hilarious speeches crafted by professional joke writers?"

I could have spanked him for saying "crafted," and restrained myself only because he weighs 215 pounds and plays defensive tackle for State. I let him off with a stiff rebuke:

"Ghost-written speeches are not crafted, little Ken-Boy. They're just written."

My daughter Fiordiligi believes I am in the grip of a "martyr complex." Ever since changing her name from Annie to Fiordiligi she has accused me of harboring sundry "complexes," which she believes result from being psychically imprisoned in an Anglo-Saxon name.

"Change your name to Giangiacomo," she urged, "and this suicidal impulse to say a good word about something will pass, and you will be able to eat lunch in the National Press Club again."

(Editor's interruption: Where is this going? Let's move ahead to the baseball motif.)

"What's more, you're fed up with baseball," Fiordiligi sobbed. "That's why you didn't renew your season tickets to the Orioles games. You told me so yourself. 'I've had it with those crummy, overpriced seats,' you said. You washed your hands of the Orioles.

"I remember asking mother why you spent two hours in the bathroom that day, and she said: 'It is a great day in this house, Fiordiligi. Your father is washing his hands of the Orioles.'

"And I said, 'It takes two hours?' And she said, 'A man whose devotion to the Orioles started 60 years ago when Pooch Puccinelli played first base — those hands take a long time to wash.'"

(Editor's interruption: You're just kidding me, right? You're warming up for another heart-chilling piece on Whitewater, or Hillary, or Gore's stiff posture, or the Lincoln Bedroom, or Paula Jones, or liberals, or Gingrich, or right-wingers, or greedy CEOs milking their companies for those astounding salaries, or Disney or cops or cars or movies, right? Put plenty of bile into it.)

No, my dear editor and my beloved Fiordiligi, no longer will I contribute to the national well-poisoning. Someone has to start braking this national free fall toward despair. The Home of the Brave is turning into the Land of the Sour.

Hereafter when the Clintons are my subject, what will be celebrated will be Bill's devotion to his late mother and Hillary's fine relationship with her splendid daughter. As for Gingrich, his boyish enthusiasm will be emphasized. He will be warmly compared to rock stars who, like him, became too successful too soon, an all-too-common predicament in a land in love with youth.

(Editor: OK, at least give me just a little malarkey, please, about baseball: greedy owners and players ruining the American pastime, the usual hokum. It'll pass muster on opening day.)

So let this good word be said for baseball: When the great Pooch Puccinelli played for the Orioles his salary was $35. That was for the whole season. You could buy a fine seat behind first base, the better to study Pooch's moves at the initial sack, for 75 cents. I didn't have that kind of money the afternoon Pooch hit five home runs in one game, but hearing about it made my day.

That's one of the wonders of baseball. It has the power to make your day when you don't have 75 cents to spare. Recently I read that one of this year's Orioles may soon depart unless they pay him $7 million.

Naturally, only corporations can afford seats behind first base. What a glorious game! Let's watch it on TV.

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LETTERS

Midland lucky to have Pulitzer winner speak

How wonderful it was the evening of March 6th to be in the audience at Midland College Chaparral Center to hear David McCullough, the first speaker in the Davidson Distinguished Lecture Series. McCullough was brought to Midland by the Davidson Family Charitable Foundation and sponsored by Midland College.

McCullough is not only one of America's leading historians, but is also a wonderfully engaging speaker. One gets the feeling he is an old friend who has come home to regale you with his stories of the past, yet with a moral for today's times. Reading his books and re-watching Ken Burn's "The Civil War," which he narrated, will take on new meaning by having met him and hearing him speak.

One of the most poignant ideas he discussed was elevating teachers to greater importance and appreciating librarians and our national library systems. He thanked teachers and all those who give money and their energy to our library.

The people of Midland are very fortunate to have fellow Midlanders care so much about our community to give us this opportunity to hear a Pulitzer Prize-winning author. Also, thank you to all the people at Midland College who gave of their time to organize the evening.

Pat Epley

Older students didn't get enough time at concert

Hats off to Keith Leoffler, who in his March 30 letter to the editor said what so many parents were thinking after the choral concert at Midland College March 25. How disappointing for the junior high school parents to hear their kids sing only for about one-and-a-half minutes during an hour-and-a-half program. Our daughter sings for Goddard Junior High, and she takes this very seriously. After running home to grab a bite, changing into concert attire, going to piano class, then arriving at the Chaparral Center 30 minutes before concert time — then to sit for all that time to sing for only a minute — just didn't sit well. Please don't get us wrong — we think the elementary students were very good, but those of us having junior and high school children have already attended those shows. We wanted to hear our kids, who put so much time and effort into an elective course. Many of the older students will be continuing on to college to major in music and therefore take it very seriously. Midland Independent School District, please think twice next year about having two concerts — one for elementary, and one for junior and high school. Please be assured, choir students, that when you did sing, it was just outstanding. I'm so proud of you all.

Cheryl Macklem

Citizens should inform court about loud stereos

I would like to respond to R. Burroughs' letters about loud stereos that appeared in the March 30 Reporter-Telegram.

Burroughs wrote that he is tired of listening to other people's home stereos and also vehicle stereos. One complaint was of a neighbor who has been reported to the police dozens of times. Burroughs believes that police do not respond or that if they do, there is not enough priority placed upon it, because the people continue to play their stereo. Burroughs believes that if enough people call the police they will make it a large priority and start fining them to make them stop.

As a concerned citizen I decided to check with the police and municipal court. Most of the police with whom I spoke are tired of listening to loud stereos, especially in vehicles. They say that in addition to it being a nuisance a person would be unable to hear an emergency vehicle in the area, which could result in an accident. Most believe in writing citations for unreasonable noise, which is a city ordinance. A police employee did request a decibel meter to determine the loudness of the music, but as of this date one has not been purchased.

The municipal court's opinion was requested because that is where the citations are either dismissed or prosecuted. I was told that the judge does not like those kind of tickets nor does the prosecutor like to prosecute them. The court's opinion is that citizens who are tired of listening to others' stereos should not be so sensitive and should hire a private attorney to file a complaint in a civil court.

Police do respond to all complaints even if Burroughs does not believe that they do. He is correct that it is not a high priority call, but it will be answered.

I believe what it comes down to is that the local police are tired of the loud stereos also, but they have no support from the court. Maybe citizens should complain not only to the police, but to the municipal court. They need to know how the citizens feel. Maybe then the noise will stop.

Horace Slate

Kind words by 'angel' brightened difficult day

I still believe in angels. Recently during a grocery shopping trip, a gentleman overheard me giving my son instruction on organizing our shopping cart for the best use of space. He commented that I was doing a fine job and commended me on teaching my son the value of organization and planning. That particular day I was feeling down in the dumps and his kind words helped to brighten my day. Often, many fail to ever compliment or praise others, but will be the first in line to criticize even the slightest oversight or mistake.

I appreciated his kindness, but failed to properly thank this gentleman. Thanks for your kind words, sir. Yes, there are angels where you least expect them.

Shelley Edwards



Lujan's attack on rivals is a cheap, dirty tactic

I am writing in response to the article in the Reporter-Telegram on March 22 regarding Manuel Lujan's attempt to have both his opponents in the upcoming City Council election disqualified. I commend the Reporter-Telegram for reporting "the rest of the story."

I read the editorial/opinion section almost daily and have noted Lujan is a frequent writer to the editor. As was the circumstance in this case, his comments are usually negative, inaccurate and uninformed. He either does not have all the facts or chooses to ignore some of them to suit his needs. This recent attack appears to be a cheap, dirty tactic to eliminate his more worthy opponents and enable him to win by default.

I have known of the fine reputation of Juluis Brooks since he first opened Brooks' Bar-B-Que many years ago. I have followed his career as councilman and have been impressed with his achievements and contributions to Midland. He is not politically motivated but genuinely concerned and conscientious. I have become personally acquainted with Brooks and his family in the last couple of years and see those same fine qualities in his private life. When the Council members came to Brooks' aid after his accident, I thought that was a wonderful tribute to him and he must be well regarded.

The current mayor and council seem to work well and harmoniously together for the good of Midland in most cases. "If it's not broke, don't fix it" but if you feel it's bent or broken and a change is in order, Lujan isn't the positive vote.

I commend Joe Perales for also being man enough to run a clean race so far.

Cathy Bradley

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WILLIAM SAFIRE

Wordniks need fix on clone derivation

Headline writers, faced with the epochal news story of the first cloning of a mammal (everybody did it with frogs, but how many more frogs do we need?), sheepishly fell back on a pun on clown: "A Thousand Clones," "Send in the Clones" and other such cloning around.


Safire

But if we are heading into what Business Week calls "the Biotech Century," wordniks need a serious fix on clone.

The noun means "replica, duplicate"; in biology, "an organism produced asexually from a single ancestor" — which, up to now, most often meant "grafting," a nonpolitical term used by botanists. A duplicated cell can be good or bad: when the body produces cells to fight infection, they are clones; but so, on the other hand, are cancer cells. The essence of the word is "same genetic makeup" — more "replication" than "reproduction," and not involving sex.

The noun produced a verb, to clone, meaning "to propagate so as to form a genetic duplicate," which first appeared in the magazine Nature in 1959. The adjective clonal was coined in 1968 and slammed into the public consciousness in 1971, when the Nobel laureate James Watson titled a seminal article in The Atlantic Monthly "Moving Toward Clonal Man — Is This What We Want?" (The word seminal, meaning "original and influential," comes from semen, Latin for "seed," the fluid containing sperm cells, and my labored wordplay on asexuality is slipped in here to assert its correct pronunciation, SEE-menul, contrary to what you hear from bowdlerizing academics on the air.)

Confusion surrounds the coinage of clone. The Century Dictionary, first published in 1889, cited a scientist named John Ashburner, "Constitutions differ according to degrees of tone and clone." This referred to "the condition of clonus," or spasmodic contraction and relaxation of muscles, rooted in the Greek klonos, "violent confused motion, turmoil." That clonus can be found in the most recent Merriam-Webster.

In 1893, first-edition Oxford English Dictionary lexicographers took a look at the Century's clone and decided one citation was not enough to rate an entry. They preferred an adjective found in an 1849 citation, clonic spasm. But in the 1972 OED Supplement, the word clone appeared with a different meaning and a different Greek root (for "twig"), coined in 1903 by the botanist H.J. Webber. The wide meaning: "Any group of cells or organisms produced asexually from a single sexually produced ancestor."

Clone already has grafted its way onto political metaphor. "Britain's Tony Blair is a Bill Clinton clone" is not a genetic analysis but a semantic stretch: in such use, the meaning of clone is imitator, or in its slang form, wannabe. Another sense is "robot, automaton, android" (and I'll be beamed up by Mr. Spock's fans for that). In cyberlingo, a clone is "a computer designed to run the same software as a competitor's computer."

The propagation of this word is global: the Germans write their noun Klon, and the French clone (but they pronounce it their special way). The Russians lengthen it to klonirovanie. Japanese use a phonetic approximation — kuron, though some prefer bunshi-kei, which means "branching system," akin to the Greek for "twig." That linguistic creativity is also apparent in Chinese: fu zhi is represented by the characters for "copy" and "produce."

As its frequency of use rises, the intercourse-free meaning accents the sexual activity associated with the verb reproduce.

TEA WITH MILK

Without fear or favor, this department will continue to correct errors of all sides in connection with (pick your slug) the campaign money scandal, or Asian Connection, or Indogate, or — as the White House prefers — necessity-driven administration White House countermoves to the obscene Republican fund-raising advantage.

In an otherwise insightful thumb sucker about campaign finance, a rosy-cheeked analyst at The New York Times quoted Tip O'Neill, the late House speaker, as having said: "Money is the mother's milk of politics." Error in attribution; it was another large Democratic politician, Jesse Unruh, the California state treasurer, who uttered that immortal apothegm in the mid-'70s. Tip's aphoristic contribution to the political quotation book was "All politics is local."

In a variation on the use of coffee to describe a meeting at which coffee and cake were served, Marie Ridder, widow of a founder of the Knight-Ridder newspaper chain, told The New York Times food reporter Marian Burros of her White House visit: "I was invited to high tea, and the petits fours were fabulous. It was like a Viennese pastry shop."

Correction comes from Gary Glynn of New York. "I have seen three references to high tea recently when the speaker or writer meant afternoon tea."

We all know what the food at afternoon tea is: pastries, round or triangular quick bread called scones, and smoked salmon and cucumber slices on bread with the crust removed called "finger sandwiches" — not, as popularly believed, so named by cannibals. When served about 4:00 with a nice pot of tea, including a "slop bowl" nearby, the traditional if fattening repast is called afternoon tea.

But a special sense of the word high — as in the British usage high street, meaning "main road" — takes us to a different kettle of fish. "High tea is actually supper," explains Glynn, "a substantial evening meal of hot food and tea. I believe there is a working-class connotation to high tea, but dictionaries are too polite to mention it."

A 1981 story in The New York Times, quoting a person with an English accent at a Bronxville gathering, confirms this: "High tea means kippers, ham and eggs, treacle. It's what the working class eats instead of supper."

The error in America probably stems from considering the fine afternoon service to be "high-class tea." If, however, one is invited to the White House for high tea, expect to stay overnight in the Lincoln Bedroom. On second thought, that's now out; better assume they mean afternoon tea.

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SPEAKING OUT

Lawmakers spending more time in Washington, but doing less

Ed Thompson formerly was executive vice-president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association.

As David Brinkley wrote in his book, "Everyone Is Entitled to My Opinion," Parkinson's famous law — that work expands to fill whatever time is available for it — an hour's work will take an hour, if that is all the time there is. If there are four hours, it will take four hours. Etc.


Thompson

Nowhere is that law more obvious than in Washington, D.C. (could that stand for DeCeit?) When I started going to our capital some 35 years ago, Congress was in session from January 1 through May 15th. Our representative, the Honorable George Mahon, and his wife Helen, stayed in a small hotel on Capital Hill, as did most of the others unless they lived in the Washington area. Then, as Brinkley pointed out, "They air-conditioned Washington." Big mistake, say I!

Since that time, Parkinson's Law really has come into full flower. Congress started staying in Washington each succeeding session — and today, they stay the year round. Don't get any more, if as much, work done — just stay longer. There are still 435 representatives and 100 senators, but now they are housed in three rather magnificent buildings. That's three for the House and three for the Senate. And, with the continuing sessions, those suckers have managed to mismanage our government into a $5 trillion debt (that's a 5 and 14 zeroes). It, the national debt, was barely $1 hundred billion 50 years ago, and our annual deficit runs somewhere in the neighborhood of $2 hundred billion per annum, with about one-third of the budget going to pay the interest on said national debt.

Maybe, just maybe, instead of Bill Clinton proposing and Newt Gingrich disposing, these outstanding representatives of the Democrats and Republicans should get their respective acts together, sit down and thrash out their differences, vote them up or down, and get the heck out of Washington, back home. Of course, we realize that home, in most cases, won't prove nearly so exciting, or even as comfortable, as their posh Washington offices, or their equally posh residences in Maryland, Virginia or outer Washington. Makes one wonder if, in fact, having established permanent residency outside their home states, they can qualify to run for (or even vote for themselves) the offices they now hold!

Although they are spending a vast majority of their time in Washington (except during elections), and spending money as if it were theirs, not ours and without being accountable for such spending (including their already hefty salaries, expense accounts and retirement programs), they are really doing little for the good of the country. Watch Channels 25 and 26, to get some idea as to just how many are in attendance at any given moment, except during roll call votes. Remember how, last year, Clinton submitted a program to balance the budget and eliminate the national debt in seven years? So too did Bob Dole, Gingrich and Dick Armey. However, Clinton never did get specific, while the others got too specific. Their plan? Why, simply cut Social Security, Medicare, and the Health and Human Welfare Department, while eliminating such cabinets as Housing and Urban Development, Energy, Commerce, and Education, along with a tax cut.

Actually, the most recent budget proposals from both sides of the aisle increase spending (although not as much as last year's, nor as much as Clinton is seeking). Noticeably, there is no elimination of any departments, but they are still calling for a tax cut. Perhaps now is the time for us (we the people) to: call on both parties, the Congress, all cabinets and the president, to face up to our dilemma, make the necessary budget cuts, forget about a tax cut (but maybe cut out the IRS), do away with those unnecessary cabinet departments, pass a continuing balanced budget bill (pay no attention to those claiming such a bill would hinder us in meeting emergencies — it ain't true), forget any tax cuts if they prevent a balanced budget and eliminating the federal deficit.

Perhaps now is the time to: Call a halt to their boondoggling, bring our troops home from policing the world (since none of them want us there anyway — only our money) and let them know that, if any of them — the president, and/or Congress decide to send them into harm's way, the senders will be aboard the first landing ships, leading the way.

Simpson, McVeigh cases collide

By Michael Fleeman
Associated Press

A jury questionnaire has at least three questions about the Simpson case, starting on page 32 — Simpson's old football number.

DENVER — The man on trial may be Timothy McVeigh, but it often seems like this is the third O.J. Simpson trial rather than the first Oklahoma City bombing trial.

During the first week of jury selection in the case, nearly every prospective juror was asked about the Simpson criminal and civil trials. The questions included how much they saw of the trial coverage, and what they felt about the players and the verdicts.

At one point, an attorney for McVeigh asked a jury candidate so many questions about the Simpson case that U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch snapped: "We're not trying O.J. Simpson."

And a jury questionnaire has at least three questions about the Simpson case, starting on page 32 — Simpson's old football number.

The Simpson case keeps coming up because it played such a big role in shaping people's feelings about the justice system, says William Pizzi, a former federal prosecutor who's now a professor at the University of Colorado Law School.

"I think it was going to be a chance for people to see on television just how strong the system is. It ended up being bitterly adversarial, dragging out, a trial that seemed to have no focus and a jury that deliberated just a matter of hours," Pizzi said. "I suppose maybe they're trying to get a sense of whether (the Simpson trial) made the pool more cynical."

All of McVeigh's jury candidates questioned about the Simpson case said they thought Simpson was guilty and that the criminal trial was a travesty.

But they insisted they would not let the Simpson case sour their views of the courts in general or the prosecution of McVeigh in particular.

"This is our judicial system. It should be treated with respect," said juror No. 522, a retired Air Force man.

Jurors in this trial, like those in Simpson's trials, are identified only by number. The judge in the McVeigh case has gone so far as to place the jury prospects behind a screen out of the view of reporters.

Despite claims by jurors that they won't let the Simpson case influence them, they still had strong opinions about the case — all negative.

Nearly all of their opinions were based on the televised criminal trial that resulted in Simpson's acquittal, and not the blacked-out civil trial that ended with Simpson being held liable for the murders.

"Justice at its worst," wrote juror No. 30 of the criminal trial. Even though she is a fan of Court TV on cable television, she said she's glad that McVeigh's trial isn't being televised.

She believed Simpson was guilty, and said of his trial: "I felt like the media was in control of the court."

McVeigh's prospective jurors were particularly hard on Simpson's criminal trial judge, Lance Ito.

"I didn't think the case was handled very well on the part of the judge," said No. 294, a man who runs a window-washing company. He also thought Simpson was guilty.

Other jurors felt the Simpson criminal defense team got away with too much.

"I felt like they brought race into the trial to get him off because the jury was predominantly black," said prospect No. 552, a cardiac unit nurse.

In what could be a signal of trouble for McVeigh, juror prospect No. 470, an engineer and retired Air Force sergeant, said he thought the Simpson criminal trial got sidetracked.

"They got down into dealing with minutiae that to me didn't seem that critical or that important," he said, citing repetitive testimony about lab contamination as one example.

McVeigh's defense likely will make a Simpsonesque challenge of the reliability of scientific evidence tested by the FBI crime lab. Indeed, some of the same FBI scientists who testified against Simpson will appear at McVeigh's trial.

No. 470 said he would give strong consideration to that kind of evidence at McVeigh's trial, but he also made it clear how well that defense worked for Simpson:

"I think he was guilty."

Resurrection is cornerstone of Americans' faith

By David Briggs
Associated Press

'The resurrection actually took place. If it didn't, my faith would be in vain.'

— Rev. Chyron Kearney
Mt. Aery Baptist Church

RIDGEFIELD, Conn. — Modern science cannot prove it. Liberal clergy are uncomfortable talking about it. And some biblical critics dismiss it as myth.

But when America's Christians get down on their knees in their churches or bedrooms, most believe that Jesus rose from the dead, soul AND body, and that they themselves can expect to do the same.

Thus Heaven's Gate — the California cult whose members committed suicide to escape their bodies and meet up with a space ship trailing a comet — is an aberration, even among homegrown religions.

Consider the successful new religious movements in American history, from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and the Seventh-day Adventists to current evangelical groups like the Calvary Chapel and Vineyard Christian Fellowships. All are based on belief in a bodily resurrection.

Overall, polls indicate nearly nine in 10 Americans believe in Christ's Resurrection, and four in five think they have a good or excellent chance of going to heaven.

"It's an historical event I believe in. It's the cornerstone of my faith," said 42-year-old Carol Woolery of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in Ridgefield, Conn. "We are a resurrection people."

Despite some vague Christian references in their writings, the Heaven's Gate suicides had little to do with traditional religion.

However, their concept of life after death touched a deeper chord, said the Rev. Daniel Paul Matthews, rector of Trinity Parish in New York.

"What I think is happening is Heaven's Gate has blown a lid over what is simmering, what is happening all over the world: Can you be rational and spiritual at the same time?" Matthews said.

Some liberal theologians have had a difficult time reconciling the Resurrection with a scientific worldview. Some solve the dilemma by referring to the biblical accounts as stories, meant to be explored for meaning as one would a piece of poetry rather than a historical event.

"My sense is it is easier for liberal clergy to talk about the Resurrection than it is to talk about the empty tomb," said Bruce Mullin, a religious historian at North Carolina State University and the author of "Miracles & the Modern Religious Imagination."

But back in the pews, where many believers each week recite the creed that Jesus died, was buried and on the third day he arose from the dead, the Resurrection is real, and so is the hope that they will live on after death.

In a 1994 Harris Poll, 87 percent of respondents said they believed in the Resurrection. In a Gallup Poll that same year, 90 percent said they believed in heaven, with 78 percent saying they had a good or excellent chance of going there.

When people are struggling with serious illness or the death of a loved one, the Rev. Stanley R. Allaby said, "That view that it's just a symbol or poetry just doesn't really cut it. It doesn't meet our needs."

If he got up one Sunday morning at Black Rock Congregational Church in Fairfield, Conn., and said the biblical account of the Resurrection was just symbolic, "We'd have hundreds of people walking out our door. At least I would hope that would happen."

The Rev. Chyron Kearney at the nearby Mt. Aery Baptist Church said belief in the resurrection gives her a peace when she confronts her own mortality.

"The resurrection actuall, took place. If it didn't, my faith would be in vain," she said, echoing the biblical words of Paul in his first letter to the Corinthians.

Sociologist Donald Miller of the University of Southern California, an authority on new religious movements, said part of their strong traditional belief in a bodily resurrection "is kind of an antidote so to speak to the relativism of society and the spiritual homelessness many people feel."

Miller said he could not think of any rapidly growing movement that does not have an orthodox view of bodily resurrection.

"It's all part of a larger package. People are affirming a God who intervenes in human history, who intervenes in people's lives," said Miller, author of the upcoming book, "Reinventing American Protestantism: Christianity in the New Millennium."

But sociologist Robert Wuthnow of Princeton University said while people overwhelmingly believe in something to do with heaven, life after death and resurrection, they are eclectic in the ways in which they believe these things.

"People will not be deterred from having a lot of idiosyncratic beliefs," Wuthnow said. "They think it's their right, their duty to come up with their views on the matter."

And therein may lie the larger implications of Heaven's Gate, some religious observers said.

Whatever one thinks of it, the people of Heaven's Gate had a belief system that made mass suicide seem rational, said the Rev. Richard Neuhaus, director of the Institute on Religion and Public Life in New York.

So do not look for larger answers to the tragedy in psychiatry or the study of cults, Neuhaus said.

"Rather, what it tells us is: It matters what you believe."

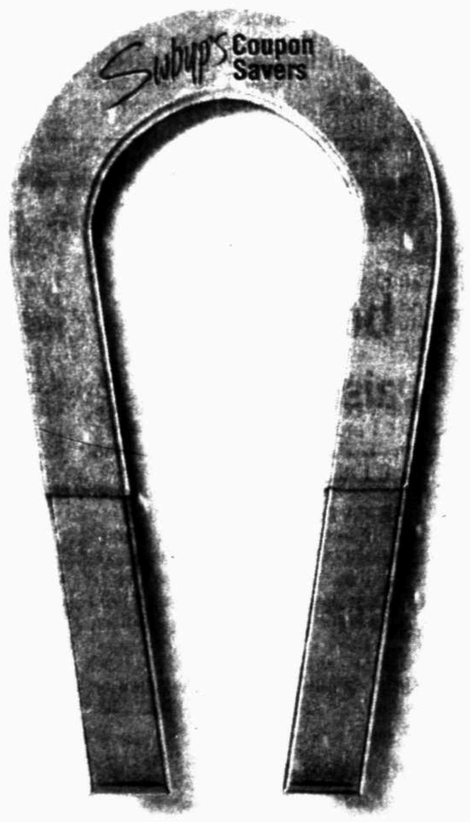
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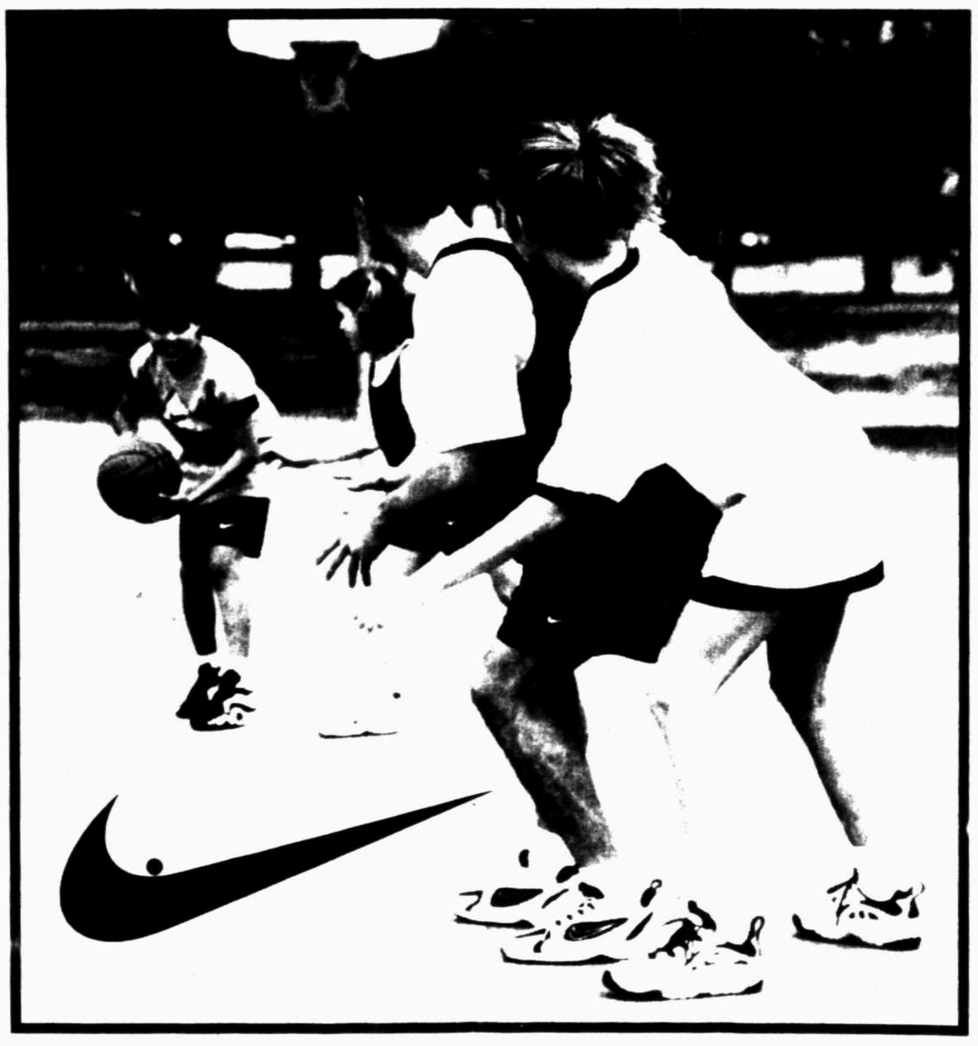
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Strong storms spawn twisters through state

DALLAS (AP) — Patty Hampton is wondering when her luck will change.

Just four months after Hampton's Exxon and Quick Mart in rural Pilot Point was rebuilt from a fire and reopened, it was damaged Friday by a tornado as strong thunderstorms pounded the state.

"Friends tell me, 'So you've had a fire and a tornado. What's next?'" Mrs. Hampton said.

She and her mechanic saw the twister moving north along a railroad track about 4:30 p.m. It knocked over a gas pump and ripped up the sign of the station on U.S. 377 about 30 miles north of Dallas. Another building nearby also was damaged. There were no injuries.

Up to nine inches of rain fell in Central Texas and several other twisters were spotted, including one that crossed the Rio Grande into Laredo, as a cold front collided with a moisture-laden low-pressure system Friday.

Rains since Thursday have claimed two lives.

"As I was standing there in the garage, talking with the mechanic, he said, 'Patty, there's a tornado coming,'" said Mrs. Hampton, 42. "I told him, 'Don't try to scare me.' He goes, 'I'm serious. It's coming across the road at us.'"

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Park dedication

Mayor Bobby Burns and Jane McAbee, daughter of John Butler, on Saturday unveiled the monument outside Bluebird Park, which is now known as the John P Butler Youth Sports Complex.

BASIN BRIEFING

"You Can Soar" World Wide Flight '97

Plane location: Fortaleza, Brazil Natal

Weather conditions: Partly cloudy to mostly cloudy with isolated rainshowers and thunderstorms, 73.

Linda Finch will depart for Natal, Brazil, Monday. It will be a short 235-nautical-mile trip that will take approximately 1.8 hours. Her estimated air speed will be 120 nautical miles per hour (knots). Monday's trip will be the shortest part of the flight until she reaches Papua New Guinea on May 16. More information on the flight and Brazil are available on the internet at www.mrt.com under the "You Can Soar" icon.

Overpass repair

The Texas Department of Transportation is to repair damages to the underside of the overpass at Midkiff Road and Interstate 20 beginning Monday. When necessary, traffic will be limited to a single lane on I-20. Lane closures will be marked by signs, a flashing arrow board and traffic cones. Midkiff Road traffic will not be affected, according to the TxDOT. The project is expected to take six weeks.

PTA reception

A reception to honor Life Members of the Texas PTA and National PTA is set for 2:30-4 p.m. today at First United Methodiat Church. The event is to be hosted by the Midland City Council PTA.

Quilter's Guild

The Midland Quilter's Guild is to meet 7 p.m. Tuesday and 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Golf Course Road Church of Christ. For more information call Susan Riebe at 684-7120.

Diabetes fund

Memorial Hospital and Medical C ..er is planning a fund-raiser for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation 5-10 p.m. April 14 at El Chico. To participate, diners need to tell the hostess they are there for Memorial Hospital; a percentage of sales will be donted to the foundation. For more information call 685-1620.

TODAY'S AGENDA

For information on checking out books, library hours and how to get a library card, call the Midland County Library Information Line, on CITYLINE, 560-2400, Category 7100.

Permian Basin Road Runners Club, business meeting, 697-1066.

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

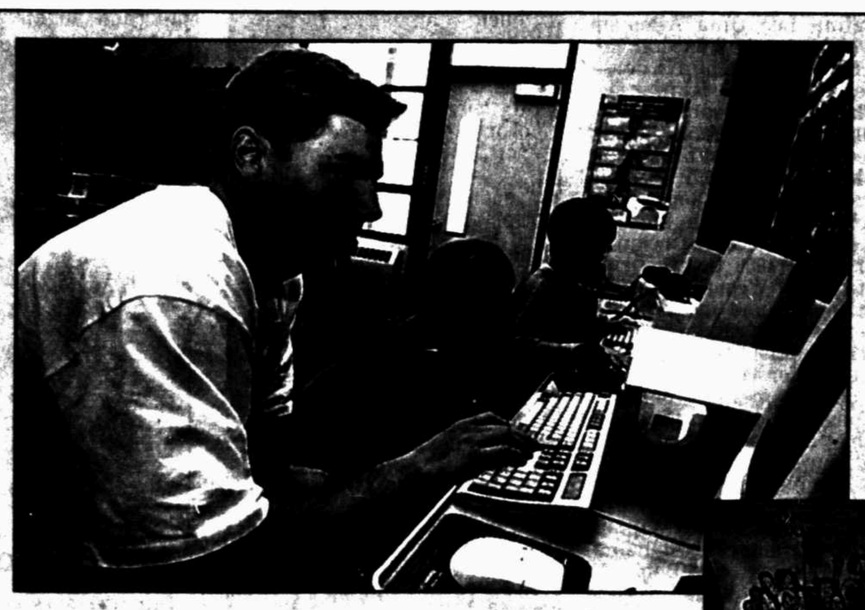
Tall City Road Riders, 9 a.m., Warfield Truckstop, 682-9669, 687-5313.

Overeaters Anonymous, 4 p.m., 408 S. G Street. 694-4166; 580-7545; 684-8726 or 699-5563.

SAA—Reflections, 560-5240. The meetings are closed.

Tall City VFW 7208 Auxiliary Bingo, 3:30 p.m. 1406 E. Taylor St.

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Texas Scholars keep busy by volunteering across city

By Melia McEwen
Staff Writer

All across the city, high school juniors and seniors are busy with volunteer work, from reading to elementary school students to helping civic organizations such as the YMCA or Big Brothers/Big Sisters, or volunteering at Memorial Hospital and Medical Center.

The students are members of Texas Scholars, a program designed to encourage students to take challenging course work that will enable them to compete in the high-tech, global econ-

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To be named a Texas Scholar, seniors are required to do community service. Some students volunteer at Memorial Hospital and Medical Center; others at Rusk Elementary School.

Above: Marc Rose, a senior at Midland High School, works with 7-year-old Christa Phillips on one of the computers at Rusk Elementary School.

Right: Lee High School senior Somer Butler makes some of the fresh popcorn sold at the hospital's front desk.

Photos by Tim Fischer

Children learn by doing at museum 'Light and Color' exhibit

By Georgia Temple
Staff Writer

"Hey, Mom, look at this," is an often-repeated phrase nowadays at the Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum.

"It's been real neat to watch the kids come through," curator Kristin Wilson said of the facility's current exhibition "Light and Color."

"They just start playing, and all of a sudden something will gel, and they will realize what's happening, and they will grab a friend or call their parents over — 'Mom, let me show you what this does.'"

A giant light bulb, a glowing red laser beam, and life-like holograms are a part of the interactive exhibition. Hands-on activities enable people of all ages to discover how light and color are related, how to make a rainbow, how a periscope works, and other interesting facts.

"The exhibition is designed for kids to walk up to it, and say, 'Oh, this is neat. Let me play with it.' By playing with it, they learn one of the principles of light," Ms. Wilson said.

"Light and Color," sponsored in part by TU Electric and Capp Electric of Midland, will be at the museum through April 13. The exhibition is an educational service of the Cumberland Science Museum, Nashville, Tenn., and was designed and produced by the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry with funding in part by the National Science Foundation.

"It's been absolutely fantastic," Ms. Wilson said of the response to the exhibition.

"Light and Color" is the third exhibition in a series of exhibits the Children's Museum is bringing to the Permian Basin. Next up will be "Brain Teasers," which opens April 25 and remains at the

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Midlanders keep the 'fun' in fund-raisers benefiting worthy causes

By Joe Gaines
Staff Writer

They were "Bowling for Kid's Sake" at Midland Park Lanes Saturday to benefit Big Brothers/Big Sisters, an organization that matches children from single parent homes with adult mentors.

Organizers hope to raise $20,000 for the Midland branch.

"It all stays in Midland so we can match more kids," Sandy Tisdale, executive director, said.

In Midland, 90 children have either a Big Brother or Big Sister, but close to 100 are on a waiting list, Ms. Tisdale said.

This is the first year for the fund-raiser in Midland, although 400 cities across the United States host the event, Pam Hale, event chairwoman said.

"It has been a huge success and a lot of fun," Ms. Hale said. "We hope it will get bigger and better every year."

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Golfers raise cash for Special Olympics

By Joe Gaines
Staff Writer

More than 25 hard-core putters from across the state were at Putt-Putt Golf and Games Saturday to help Texas Special Olympics.

The wind was the biggest enemy, scattering the strategy of the 28 putters and pushing the golf ball from the cuff back to its tee.

Winds during the tournament were the worst Brice Bergeson had ever seen during his 30 years as a Professional Putters Association (PPA) member, he said.

"It's making everybody play8 defen-

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GARY OTT

Yearbook a humiliating memento we can't seem to discard

We all have at least one. And more times than not it is stashed away in a closet, last looked at 10 or 12 years ago. Or it might be at our parents' home, maybe in a bottom drawer in the bedroom where we spent our growing-up years. But it is never — EVER — thrown away. Because if it were, what would we laugh at when old friends, especially those we haven't seen in 10-15 years, drop by unexpectedly?



Ott

Yes, we are talking about — take a deep breath, now — the HIGH SCHOOL YEARBOOK.

OK, now let's all groan together.

Good.

I mean, think about it. Has there ever been a bigger source of personal embarrassment than those gosh-awful photographs that somehow made their way into the yearbook?

Where did they come from, anyway? We never looked like that, and we certainly never wore our hair in that ridiculous style.

Did we?

Yeah, I'm sorry to say, we did.

The yearbook proves it.

Still, we don't throw the darn thing away. For some reason, we can't; proving, I suppose, that there is a little masochism in us all.

And as if to confirm that fact, every so often we drag it out and relive the humiliation one more time.

Let's examine this phenomenon a little more closely.

Here are four of the more obvious reasons why the high school yearbook should be trashed ... and the sooner the better:

1. Clothes: Much of the embarrassment here, of course, is directly linked to the era in which we graduated. In my case, for example, the year was 1970. So for the girls, that meant skirts and dresses a good 15 inches above the knee and for the boys, pants that were far wider at the cuff than at the top of the leg, thus the name: "bell-bottoms," or "flairs," if you prefer.

But in any case, we all looked rather creepy in our little outfits, though, as I recall, the guys did have fun watching the girls try to sit in those short dresses without exposing their, uh, their, uh, well, you remember.

2. Hair: Again, because we're talking about a specific time in history — 1970 — a definite trend immediately becomes obvious. And in this case, especially for the girls, the operative word is "straight," as in "straight as a board," no fluff, no curl, no body. No nothing. Just straight.

For the boys, though, at least in conservative West Texas, 1970 also meant SHORT hair. Indeed, regulations, both at home and at school, required it to be "off the collar in the back, off the ears on the side and out of the eyes in front." In other words, we had to have "white walls" around the ears. And because we all wanted to have longer hair, mainly because those in authority wouldn't let us, we wore extremely angry scowls on our faces, giving us the general appearance of budding young juvenile delinquents fully capable of robbing the nearest 7-Eleven.

3. Student organizations: This one applies mainly to senior class members, whose photos were accompanied by a list of achievements and associations. For a select few, the list was quite impressive — "Student Body President," "Most Friendly," "Best All Around," "Senior Favorite," "Captain of Football Team," etc., etc. — but for most of us, we were lucky to have two or three items mentioned, the highlight of which was "Sergeant at Arms of Latin Club," which might have been impressive had there been more than three members in the club.

Still, even that was better than the small band of — shall we say — "underachievers" who had absolutely nothing next to their pictures. It was as though they went four years without doing anything more challenging than showing up in the morning and going home a few hours later. They were truly the leaders of tomorrow.

4. Written messages from classmates: Ah, yes. Surely you remember these. Friends would exchange yearbooks and then take turns jotting down incredibly meaningful sentiments, such as "Go Class of '70!" or "Love Ya!" And when applying the signature, it was imperative to dot the i's with hearts and cross the t's with long, swooping lines.

And then there were those special messages from REALLY close friends, the ones that swore time would never alter the friendship. "We'll be as close 20 years from now," they invariably promised, "as we are today. Go Class of '70! Love ya'!"

Perhaps, but hopefully when that time arrives we'll both have better taste in clothes.

Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

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POLICE REPORTS

Midland Police Department
Friday

Burglary of a residence: A report was made at 3703 W. Michigan Ave. at 4:37 p.m.

Graffiti: A fence was spray painted at 1122 Cowden Ave., reported Carolyn Johnson at 4:38 p.m.

Vandalism: A fence was damaged at 3605 Humble Ave., reported Jerry Williams at 6:08 p.m.

Theft: Jewelry was taken at 2001 Freeport Lane, reported Bonnie Phillips at 6:23 p.m.

Vandalism: Broken glass was found in the parking lot at 3206 N. Midkiff Road, reported Whataburger at 8:40 p.m.

Assault: A report was made at 2807 Mariana Ave. at 8:48 p.m.

Theft: A report was made at 4415 N. Garfield St. by Gloria Smith at 10:04 p.m.

Burglary of a residence: A revolver and women's undergarments were taken at 509 Delmar St., reported Lance Wood at 10:32 p.m.

Saturday

Auto theft: Police stopped a reported stolen vehicle at New Horizon Condominiums, 3101 N. Midland Drive, at 2:11 a.m. One male juvenile was arrested, police reported.

Auto theft: Police stopped a reported stolen vehicle at East Florida Avenue and South Terrell Street at 3:48 a.m. Two males were arrested and were also charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, police reported.

Vandalism: A windshield was broken at 4405 N. Garfield St., reported Tracey Allen at 7:03 a.m.

Theft: Tools were taken at 2500 Copus St., reported John Rice at 8:12 a.m.

Theft: Two suits were taken at 1000 S. Midkiff Road, reported Aaron Bundage at 10:07 a.m.

Theft: A VCR was taken at 4366 W. Illinois Ave., reported Chriseldo Castellano at 10:31 a.m.

Midland County Sheriff's Office
Friday

Theft: Gasoline was taken at 3201 E. State Highway 158, reported Town & Country Convenience Store at 5:18 p.m.

Theft: Beer was taken from a purse at 11400 W. State Highway 158, reported Kent Kwik Convenience Store at 9:44 p.m.

Saturday

Vandalism: A vehicle was damaged at 4611 S. F.M. 1213, reported Christopher Collier at 8:05 a.m.

Vandalism: A water tower was damaged at 15500 S. F.M. 1788, reported Barret & Jackson Ranch at 9:26 p.m.

Theft: A lawn mower was taken at 1200 S. Webster St., reported Irene Langley at 12:32 p.m.

Anyone having information concerning these incidents should contact the Police Department at 685-7108 or Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS.

OBITUARIES



Jimmy Stovall

Reverend Jimmy Stovall was born March 15, 1907, in Abilene, Texas, to Ida Corine and Phillip Harding Stovall. He moved with his family to Ellis County at the age of three and attended school there. He attended Seminary in Fort. Worth in the 1940s. He married Velma Lee Oma Allen on May 17, 1924, in Waxahachie, Texas. She preceded him in death on December 19, 1986. He married Neta Phillips on January 30, 1988, in Midland. He established and pastored a mission in Fort Worth, Central Baptist Church. He also organized and built South Oak Lawn Baptist Church in Fort Worth. He later pastored a church in Notrees in 1950 before being called to pastor West Side Baptist Church in Midland in 1952. The church was later renamed South Memorial Baptist Church. He was pastor there for 44 years. He was also a charter member of South Side Lions Club. He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers and four sisters.

He is survived by his wife, Neta Wilson Phillips Stovall of Midland; three sons, James William Stovall Jr. of Huntsville, Alabama, Richard E. Stovall and Bobby L. Stovall, both of Midland; one daughter, Vernenice Anderson of Hurst, Texas; seven stepchildren; 30 grandchildren; 60 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

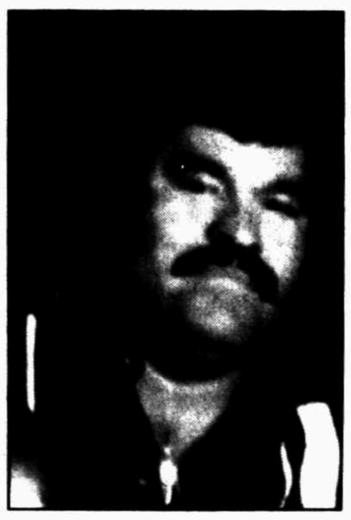
The family requests that memorials be directed to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, Texas 79702, or South Memorial Baptist Church Building Fund, 1700 Carter, Midland, Texas 79701.

Reverend Stovall died Saturday, March 29, 1997, at his residence.

Pallbearers were Bobby Stovall Jr., Travis Stovall, Jim Stovall, Burt Stovall, Bill Anderson, and Larry Anderson.

Honorary pallbearers were his grandsons and great-grandsons.

Funeral services were held 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 1, 1997, at South Memorial Baptist Church, officiated by Reverend A.L. Hall, associate minister of South Memorial Church and Reverend John Anderson of First Baptist Church in Peaster, Texas, a grandson of Reverend Stovall. Burial was at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.



Manuel Galindo

Funeral services for Manuel (El Burro) Galindo will be Sunday, at 5 p.m. in San Carlos, Chic., Mexico, under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

Born July 15, 1952, in Manuel Benavides, Mexico, he lived in Midland for the past 25 years. He used to be the owner of Galindos Tire Shop in Midland for many years.

Survivors include his wife, Manuela M. Galindo, a son, Jorge Galindo of Midland, three daughters Yulissa Galindo, Christina Galindo, Melissa Galindo, all of Midland; a sister Hermida Galindo of San Carlos, two brothers, Luis Galindo and Guadalupe Galindo of Midland, his father, Jose Galindo of San Carlos, and one granddaughter.



Aurora Romero

Funeral services for Aurora Romero will be Monday at 2 p.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home. A Rosary Prayer Virgil will be in the Thomas Chapel, Sunday night at 7:30 p.m.

Born in Corpus Christi January 5, 1934, she moved to Midland in 1967. She married Manuel Romero in Midland, and they were married for the past 24 years. She was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. She died in a local hospital April 4, 1997, after a short illness.

Survivors include her husband Manuel; three sons, Raymon Quintana, Ismael Romero and Augustine Esporza; two daughters, Yolanda Flores Melendez and Ida Romero; three grandchildren, Lori Campos, Olivia Melendez and Angel Melendez; two great-grandchildren, Issac Campos and Joseph Campos; five stepgrandchildren, Rosario Ramirez, Pat Galindo, Marisol Galindo, Christal Romero and Delfino Martinez; six stepdaughters, three stepsons, 29 step grandchildren, all of Midland.

She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother, and will be missed dearly by all of her family.

Pallbearers will be Mickey Rivera, Ismael Romero, Raymond Quintana, Lico Ramirez, Michael Campos, Pat Galindo, Junior Melendez and David Perez.

Obituary & Death Notice policy

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

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

Deadline for both free death notices and paid obituaries is 4:30 p.m. and information must be either received from or verified by a funeral home.

DEATH NOTICES

Robert Rodriguez

Robert A. Rodriguez died Friday, April 4, at a local hospital.

Services are to be 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 8, at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in Artesia, N.M. Burial is to follow at Woodbine Cemetery in Artesia under the direction of Terpening and Son Mortuary in Artesioa. Local arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Rosary is to be recited 7 p.m. Monday, April 7, at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church.

He was born July 12, 1948, in Artesia, N.M.

He attended Eastern New Mexico University in Roswell. He lived in California before moving to Midland. He worked for the Midland Association of Retarded Citizens.

He was preceded in death by his father, Simon Rodriguez, and his grandfather, Victor Araujo.

Survivors include his daughter, Macy Rodriguez of Santa Fe, N.M.; his mother, Eulalia Rodriguez of Artesia; four brothers, Richard Rodriguez of Auke Bay, Alaska, Basilio Rodriguez of Artesia, Johnny Ramirez and Alfonso Florez, both of Midland; two sisters, Cecilia Fernandez of El Paso and Mary Ann Peterson of Artesia; and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be directed to Neuro-Fibrosis Mitosis Association.

Frances Thomas

BIG SPRING — Frances Thomas, 75, of Big Spring, sister of Midlander Mary Eggleston, died Saturday, April 5, in Big Spring.

Services are to be 10 a.m. Monday, April 7, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Revs. Kenneth Patrick and Don Snipes officiating. Burial is to follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She was born April 1, 1922, in Big Spring.

She married L.B. Thomas on Jan. 6, 1938, in Big Spring. She had been pianist at College Baptist Church for 20 years and taught piano until 1978. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband on April 7, 1989, and her father, Lewis McKee, in 1990.

Other survivors include a daughter, Myrna Richardson of Big Spring; her mother, Veda McKee of Big Spring; one brother, Raymond McKee of Salado; six other sisters, Rachel Shaffer and Neva Shaffer, both of Big Spring, Sue Whitaker of San Antonio, Karen Murphy of Odessa, Jennie Shaw of Smyer and Delores Andrews of Odessa; two granddaughters; one grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to the donor's favorite charity.

BUSY: Students honored at banquet

(From 1B)

omy of the 21st century.

Students participating in the program will be recognized at a banquet Tuesday at the Midland Center. Guest speaker will be John Montford, Texas Tech University chancellor.

Texas Scholars must maintain a 2.75 grade point average and perform 20 hours of community service, divided between their junior and senior years.

Katie Strong, a Lee High School senior, has been volunteering at Memorial Hospital for 3 1/2 years.

"I love working here," said Miss Strong, who also volunteers as a Big Sister. "I'm really enjoying the community service. It keeps me busy."

She said she plans to attend Midland College, then transfer to Texas Tech to become a nurse-anesthetist.

Marc Rose, a senior at Midland High School, said he sees the program as a way to distinguish his college application through the extra work, honors courses and community service.

Noting that academics has always been important to him, he said the community service "is one more plus for my transcript."

He helps Big Brothers/Big Sisters by moving items or picking up items and helping out with different events.

"I've been interested in Big Brothers," he said, adding that he is considering becoming a Big Brother after he graduates from college.

His plans are to attend Baylor University and study engineering.

Lee High senior Allison Petrichuk has volunteered at Memorial Hospital for almost two years.

"It's been a good experience," she said. "It's fun and I've met lots of nice people."

Noting that her parents have always emphasized grades, Miss Petrichuk said she plans to attend Texas Tech and study nursing.

Midland High senior Greg Bryant has volunteered at the YMCA, working in the men's health and fitness center and, after finishing his duties, he likes to play basketball with the kids who attend the YMCA's youth programs. He's been doing this for two years. He has been manager of Midland High's basketball team for three years.

He said his grades generally have been good. "My parents don't really push," him to get good grades, "but they know the grades come pretty easily."

Bryant plans to go to Midland College and then transfer to Texas Tech and major in accounting and minor in business. His intention is to become a certified public accountant.

Somer Butler of Lee High began volunteering at Midland Memorial in January.

"You get to meet a lot of new people," she said. "You become more open and sociable."

As for academics, she said, "My parents have always instilled in me that academics comes first."

Her plans are to attend Texas Tech and study exercise and sports sciences. With this education, she said, she can go into athletic training or even manage a sports team.

Jennifer Cadena is a senior at Lee High and her volunteer work includes helping at Septemberfest and the Confederate Air Force air show, and tutoring.

A member of the Lee High band, she tutors fellow band students and others in algebra, geometry and calculus, among other math-related subjects.

"I used to want to be a teacher. I like helping people. It's a neat feeling walking into school in the morning and having all these people calling my name, saying 'Jennifer, I need you.' It's weird to be needed," she said, adding that "I enjoy the feeling that I'm getting through to them."

Her plans now are to attend Texas A&M University and major in history. Her goal, she said, is to become a pediatrician.

Misty Lary, a senior at Midland High, works with the Midland High band and at First Baptist Church, where she has helped put on a children's camp the last two summers.

"I've enjoyed the community service," she said. "Working with the kids has been fun."

Academics is also important to her, she said, pointing out that her mother is a teacher.

Her plans are to attend Louisiana State University or McNeese State University and study computers. "I want to do spreadsheets," she said.

Fellow Midland High senior Alma Luna has helped with Meals on Wheels and taught children at her church.

In both her community service and academic work, she said, "my family has always supported me."

Her plans are to attend Angelo State University and study criminal justice, becoming a detective or private investigator.

The Texas Scholars program is sponsored by the Education Combination of the Midland Chamber of Commerce and the Junior League of Midland in cooperation with the Midland Independent School District.

The Education Combination is comprised of educators, business people, parents and community members concerned with the education system and establishing a high level of academic excellence.

Students recognized at Tuesday's banquet will receive certificates and special gold honor cords to wear at graduation.

STORMS: Two drown as car swept away

(From 1B)

Even though the twister was paralleling railroad tracks, she didn't hear the telltale "freight train" sound. Her 42-year-old husband Gene rushed to move cars out of the storm.

Larry Kish, Denton County sheriff's spokesman, said he hadn't verified whether damage to the station resulted from straight line winds or a twister.

"But that's what it was," Mrs. Hampton said. "It just got real calm and the clouds got dark — real dark. Then we saw the twisting cloud emerge."

The gas station her family has owned for 45 years burned to the ground on Dec. 2, 1995 from an undetermined cause. It had reopened Dec. 3, 1996 before the winds hit.

At the Texas Motor Speedway, where almost three inches of rain turned 900 acres of dirt parking unusable for inaugural weekend NASCAR races, prospective qualifiers and racing fans also hoped for better luck.

Joel Martinez of San Antonio estimated that constant rain on Thursday and Friday, which delayed qualifying for Sunday's Interstate Batteries 500, cost him about a million dollars' worth of opportunity.

"It hurt us. It hurt us a lot," said Martinez, who was operating 10 souvenir trucks throughout the speedway's infield north of Fort Worth. "If the weather had been cooperating, I would probably get a million dollars for the weekend. Now I'll get about a quarter of that, if it doesn't rain any more."

Many roads and low-water crossings flooded statewide, with Interstate 35 near Troy briefly closed, and slick lanes contributed to multiple wrecks, the Texas Department of Public Safety said.

Game wardens used boats to rescue a family trapped by the rising waters of Darrs Creek near Holland in Bell County.

A tornado that crossed the Rio Grande from Nuevo Laredo touched down near the 300-acre campus of the Texas A&M International University in northeastern Laredo, according to Webb County sheriff's dispatcher Tomas Valenzuela.

Lonnie Reatherford, 88, and 80-year-old Carrie Reatherford, both of Medina, drowned when their car was swept away by a rain-swollen creek off Texas 16, said Bandera County Sheriff James MacMillan. Their car was found Friday.

BOWL: Games raise money for Big Brothers/Big Sisters

(From 1B)

Throughout the day, members, sponsors and professionals knocked down the white pins; bowlers paid $25 to enter, and extra to win prizes. Some had more success than others.

Younger bowlers used lane "bumpers" to keep their balls from going into the gutter and guaranteeing that at least some of the pins would fall.

Jim McCarty, Big Brother/Big Sister board member, and his family wasn't using the bumpers, but maybe they should have.

McCarty's wife, Rhonda, couldn't remember the last time she bowled.

"Beats me. I think the last time I bowled was when I was 10," she said.

During their two hours of bowling, they had only made a few strikes between them.

"It's 100 percent luck," Jay, McCarty's son, said.

Over on lane 31 and 32, Jay paid $5 for three attempts to bowl a strike to win a towel and T-shirt. On his third, with a face showing full concentration, he knocked down all 10 and won his reward.

Another winner was 11-year-old Becky McClure, a little sister. She was showing more anguish on her first and second attempts to bowl a strike, even trying to will the ball away from the gutter.

"Move over," she said while giving directions with her hands, but she too, made a strike on her third try. Her big sister, Dixie Jordan, wasn't as lucky.

"I left one standing. Close but no cigar," Ms. Jordan said.

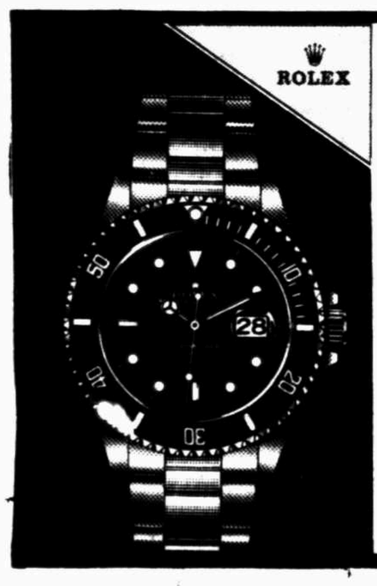
There seemed to be no set strategy to getting a strike.

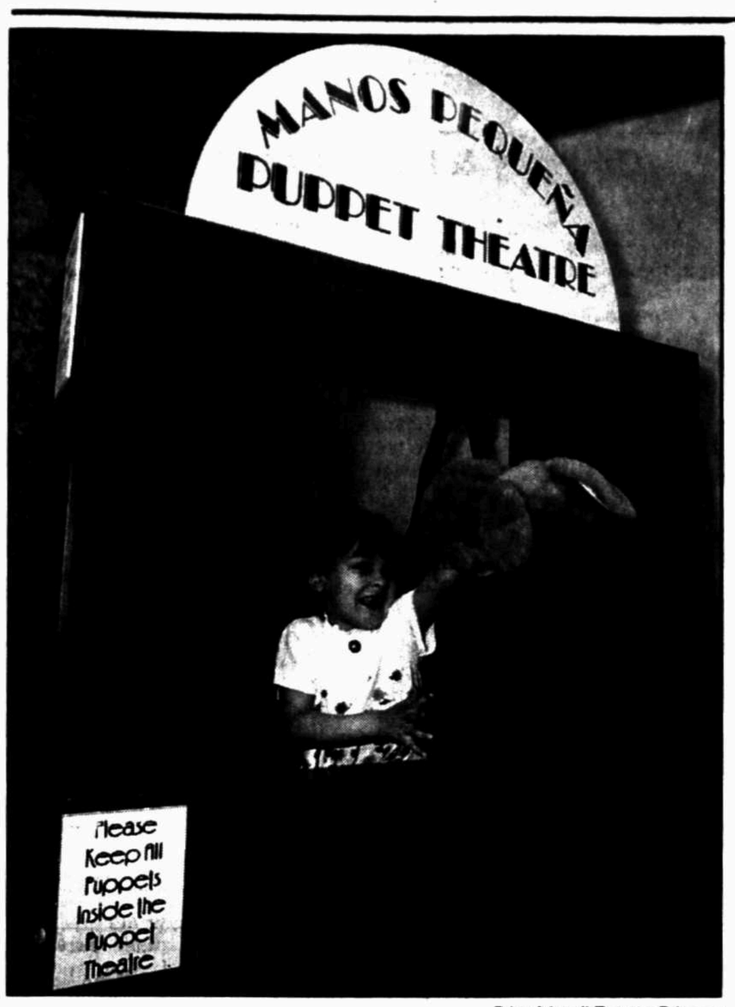
"Throw it as hard as you can and hope for the best," said James Moseley, board member. He collected tickets and made sure that strikes were official.

"I put a hex on them so they'll have to buy more tickets," he said. "I should work at a carnival or something."

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Putting on a show

Five-year-old Laurin Dunlap plays with puppets at the "Light and Color" exhibit at the Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum.

EXHIBIT: Museum offers children hands-on lessons

(From 1B)

facility through June 1. "Brain Teasers" is funded in part by the Junior League of Midland, the Institute of Pain Management and the Abell-Hanger Foundation. It also was created and is circulated by the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry in Portland.

An interactive exhibition allows children to experience self-discovery through exploration.

"It's that spark of discovery that's going to carry them all the way through in their science courses and in life," Ms. Wilson said of learning by doing. "If kids are fed things, they don't stick as well as if they are allowed to figure something out.

"That's what this exhibit and all exhibits we try to get here are geared for. Kids need this opportunity — to learn that self discovery. You don't know you're learning but you actually are."

Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday. The facility is located in the Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. For more information, call the museum at 683-2882 or 570-7770.

The Children's Museum was designed specifically for children.

"This whole place is designed for kids to make a mess in so we just let them make a mess," Ms. Wilson said. "It's a place where they need to feel completely themselves. They need to know in here they can be whoever they want. It's make-believe.

"It's their environment, and I want them to feel at home here. We can't let them swing off the rafters, but I think everything they do in here is a learning experience.

GOLF: Tournament falls to one who can manage the elements

(From 1B)

sively. They're just getting the ball close to the cuff," Bergeson said. "It's why the scores aren't very good."

Amateur putter Dwain Willett predicted that "the best putter to come off this will be the one who can handle the elements."

It was professional putter Don Parker who handled the elements to win first place and a $1,000 purse during the 72-hole tournament, the fifth stop on the way to the state championships.

The wind was an advantage for Willett, of Houston, who is registered with the association. Friday's weather prevented other amateurs from flying in, making Willett the only amateur putter in the tournament and giving him a better chance to get into the state championship, he said.

"The only time we saw wind like this was when we had a hurricane," Willett said. "I didn't make one ace (hole-in-one) in the last round."

He normally averages six to eight aces a round, he said.

It's the first PPA tournament ever held in Midland. The tournaments are played exclusively at Putt-Putt Golf & Games "because all of the holes are standardized," Bobby Owens, company president, said.

It means no windmills, hippopotamus, water hazards or sand pits to clear, just pure geometry. Practicing tee placement, power of the stroke and bouncing off obstacles is the key to success, Owens said.

"Putting appeals to the 'CPA-types' because it's more analytical," Bergeson said. "You just memorize every hole and keep repeating the same stroke."

Of the 28 competitors, 18 were with the association; 10 were novices. A portion of their entry fees — $25 for pros and $15 for novices — and funds raised through a raffle — were donated to Texas Special Olympics. An estimated $2,000, was raised for the organization.

ARMED FORCES NEWS

Colton Lann, son of Karen and Boyce Lann of Midland, enlisted in the U.S. Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program on March 21.

Colton will be graduating from Greenwood High School and is scheduled for enlistment in the regular Air Force on April 30. Upon successfully completing the Air Force's six-week basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, near San Antonio, Colton is scheduled to receive technical training in the mechanical career field. In conjunction with the vocational skill, he will be earning college credits towards an Associate Degree through the Community College of the Air Force while attending basic and other Air Force technical training schools.

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Army Pvt. Reyes Sanchez has graduated from One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Knox, Radcliff, Ky. The training combines basic military training and advanced individual training.

The first eight weeks of initial entry training (IET) include drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army and traditions.

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Army Spec. Jeffery Potter has been decorated with the Army Achievement Medal.

The medal is awarded to soldiers for meritorious service, acts of courage, or other outstanding accomplishments.

The specialist is a fighting vehicle infantryman with the 2nd Infantry Battlation at Rose Barracks in Vilseck, Germany.

Potter is the son of Randy and Betty Potter of Midland.

He is a 1992 graduate of Colorado High School.

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Larry W. Keene Jr. has joined the U.S. Army under the Delayed Entry Program at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station in Midland.

The program gives young men or women the opportunity to delay enlistment into the Army for up to one year before reporting to basic military training.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as $30,000 toward a college education.

Keene will report to Fort Benning in Columbus, Ga., for military basic training July 2.

He is the son of Pam and stepson of David Holster of Midland.

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Army Pvt. Jose A. Olmos Ramirez has completed the food service specialist course at Fort Lee in Petersburg, Va.

The course trained personnel to prepare and serve food in large and small quantities. Students received training in baking and field kitchen operations.

Ramirez is the son of Maria A. Ramirez of Midland.

The private is a 1996 graduate of Midland High School.

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Navy Airman Michael Edge, a 1991 graduate of Andrews High School, recently transited the Suez Canal during a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt.

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Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Orlin Volmer, whose wife, Michelle, is the daughter of Gary Kuepers of Seminole, recently transited the Suez Canal during a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt.

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Marine Pvt. Thomas Gordy, son of Joe Gordy of Midland, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego.

Bills would ease prosecution for harming an unborn child

ARLINGTON (AP) — Prosecuting people who cause the deaths of unborn babies would be easier under two bills pending in the Legislature.

Abortion-rights groups have already expressed concern about the proposals, particularly about "vague language" in the bills.

One proposal by state Sen. Chris Harris, R-Arlington, would change the definition of "individual" in the Texas Penal Code to include a fetus capable of being born.

A bill by state Sen. Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, would add "injury to a pregnant woman" as a specific criminal offense to the penal code and would be classified as a felony.

"The penal code already recognizes special classes," Ogden said. "It has a stipulation for children and for the elderly. I just think the law needs to recognize that this is a serious crime and it needs serious attention."

Injury to an unborn child has been in the news lately with the death of a 20-year-old woman and her premature son.

Harvest Nicole Alexander, who was six months pregnant, was thrown from her pickup truck when a speeding car clipped her truck in Arlington on March 26. Ms. Alexander died after giving birth to her son, who died Thursday.

Lowell J.R. Spratling, 17, has been arrested on charges of manslaughter and failure to stop and render aid. The Tarrant County District Attorney's Office said it cannot press charges against Spratling for the infant's death.

Harris, whose legislation is pending in the Senate Health and Human Services Committee, said he made the bill a priority after a high-profile Corpus Christi case.

In the case last October, a man was convicted and sentenced to 16 years in prison for the death of a premature baby who died from injuries her pregnant mother sustained in a crash. The man was drunk when he hit the pregnant woman's car. She survived, but her daughter died about two days later.

"The parallels of the Arlington case to the Corpus Christi case are striking," said Tom Marshall, Harris' legislative aide. "That case seems to be precedent-setting."

Shawn Shepherd, spokeswoman for Planned Parenthood North Texas said the bills could lead to a resurrection of the Roe vs. Wade case, the landmark Supreme Court case that guaranteed a woman's right to have an abortion.

"The language in those bills could change the entire status of 'fetus' and 'viable life,'" she said. "If they're passed, it begins the process of re-examining choice and access to abortion."

Ms. Shepherd said the legislation could be misconstrued, even though Harris' bill excludes "a medical procedure performed ... at the request of the mother."

"It still has the potential to erode the issue of what is a fetus," she said.

That kind of opposition kept Ogden's bill from reaching the Senate floor during the last legislative session, Ogden said. Both senators say their bills are not intended to target abortion providers.

Sutton confirmed to Texas Real Estate Commission post

From Staff Reports

Midland Realtor Kay Sutton has been confirmed by the Texas Senate to be a member of the Texas Real Estate Commission (TREC). She was appointed to the position by Gov. George W. Bush.

The TREC consists of nine appointed members who each serve six-year terms. Six of the commissioners are real estate brokers; the other three are members of the "consumer public."

The role of the commission is to assist and protect consumers of real estate services, and foster growth in Texas. Through its programs of education, licensing and industry regulation, the commission attempts to ensure "the availability of capable and honest real estate providers."

Mrs. Sutton began actively listing and selling real estate in Midland in 1972 and obtained a broker's license in 1977.

She has served two terms as president of the Midland Association of Realtors and received the **1989 "Realtor of the Year" award.** In addition, she has held memberships and served on many committees of various local organizations, including the Midland Chamber of Commerce, the Midland-Odessa Symphony and Chorale and Midland Toastmasters.

She and her husband, Larry, have been residents of Midland since 1969. They have five children.

Lions Clubs host convention

From Staff Reports

The eight Lions Clubs of Midland will host the District 2-A1 Lions convention April 18-19 at the Texas Eyeglass Recycling Center, 200 Plaza Drive.

The district is one of the largest in the state, comprised of 66 Lions clubs. More than 250 members are expected to attend the convention.

Activities officially will begin on April 18, with a golf tournament, sponsored by Midland Tall City Lions Club, and a bowling tournament, sponsored by Midland Westside Lions Club.

A barbeque and bingo games, sponsored by Midland Suburban and Midland Southside Lions clubs, are planned for the night of April 18.

Events on April 19 will begin with a breakfast sponsored by the Midland Downtown Lions Club, followed by the district business meeting.

The queen's luncheon will follow at noon with guest speaker, Dr. Betty Gillette of Odessa.

A necrology service, honoring those members from within the district who have died during the past year, is set for 2:30 p.m. April 19.



Ingwell

The convention will conclude with the Governor's Awards Banquet at 6 p.m. April 19. Keynote speaker is to be Phillip J. Ingwell, of Madison, Wisc., past international director. He is a retired educator in human resource management. He has held many positions within the association, including club president, district governor, council chairman, and cabinet secretary-treasurer. Among his many awards is the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor bestowed upon a member by the association.

Lions Clubs International has 1.4 million men and women as members in 42,000 clubs in 180 countries.

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LOCAL IN BRIEF

■ Agencies sponsor contest for children

Nine local agencies are collaborating to sponsor a contest in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month. Children through grade 12 may write on "I know my family loves me because ..."

The entry may be in any form — essay, poem, short story, letter, etc. Entries must be no longer than one page in length and may include artwork. Judging will be 40 percent on content related to topic, 40 percent on creativity and originality and 20 pecent on spelling, grammar and mechanics.

Divisions are grades K through three, grades four through eight and grades nine through 12. Deadline to enter is April 18. Call 689-1081 to have entry picked up at student's school. Winning entries will be published in the Reporter-Telegram; prizes include gift certificates to Hastings and dinner for four at CiCi's Pizza.

For more information call Trenna Tankersley at 689-1081.

■ Knights of Columbus speak at Mass

Representatives from area Knights of Columbus organizations are to attend a special Mass scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Shrine, 1401 E. Garden Lane.

Knights representatives Billy Quintanilla, from Corpus Christi and treasurer of the State Council of the Knight of Columbus, and Roy Trevino, from Lubbock, will speak on abortion.

■ Spanish book club meets Friday

The University of Texas of the Permian Basin's Spanish Book Club & Spanish Academic Association is to meet 7-9 p.m. Friday at Barnes & Noble Booksellers.

The club will study "Pedro Paramo" by Juan Rulfo.

The book for the May 9 meeting is to be "El Silencio" by Juan Felipe Toruno.

For more information call Rhina Toruno at 552-2308.

■ Country Peddler Show scheduled

ODESSA — The annual Country Peddler Show is set for 4-9 p.m. April 18, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. April 19 and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. April 20 at Ector County Coliseum.

The show is to feature original folk art and decorator items, including furniture, pottery, carvings, paintings, toys and clothing.

Admission is $4 for adults and $2 for senior citizens; children under 12 are free.

For more information call 800-775-2774.

Compiled from Reporter-Telegram wire services.

Uncommon salamander discovered in new area

AUSTIN (AP) — The embattled Barton Springs salamander has been found in a fourth spring.

Scientists say the finding does not erase the urgency of protecting the minnow-sized salamander, which depends on a single underground water system for survival. The reptile is at the center of the city's fights over water quality.

The salamander was found in an outlet along Barton Creek that flows only during wet periods. All four springs where the reptile has been found are fed by the Barton Springs segment of the Edwards Aquifer.

"It's good news, but it's not a real big surprise," said David Bowles, a conservation biologist for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

The new site flows only when aquifer levels are elevated from rain and runoff. The spring contained 14 salamanders on Tuesday, said David Johns, a hydrogeologist with Austin's drainage department.

"We've looked at the outlet at least once or twice before, and lo and behold, they were there," Johns said. "Al.. ..e known habitat is still in a quarter-mile area."

Federal officials are considering whether to appeal a judge's order to make a new determination on the salamander's legal status.

Senior U.S. District Judge Lucius D. Bunton III of Midland ruled that Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt violated federal law last year when he withdrew a proposal to list the salamander as an endangered species.

In withdrawing the proposal, Babbitt said the state had agreed to protect the creature through water-quality regulations and other measures.

A team of federal and state officials responsible for overseeing the salamander is continuing its work, said Bowles, who chairs the team.

The Saves Our Springs Alliance wants the salamander to be listed as endangered to strengthen legal protections for the species.

Landowners, developers and the administration of Gov. George W. Bush oppose a listing for fear that it could lead to sharp restrictions on development and other land use in a 354-square-mile area that feeds runoff to the aquifer.



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Girl Scout anniversary

Herman Jones, with the Midland Gem and Mineralogical Society, shows Girl Scouts how he makes copper beads with glass inlays. Jones' demonstration was part of the Girl Scouts 50th anniversary celebration Saturday at Chaparral Center.

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Edward Pete Williams, sentenced to 2 years probation, 72 hours in Midland County Jail, 180 days driver's license suspension and a $500 fine.

Rudolpho Lopez, sentenced to 18 months probation and a $750 fine.

Stephen Daniel Morse, sentenced to 1 year probation and a $750 fine.

Ramona Garza Leon, sentenced to 18 months probation and an $800 fine.

Felix Trevino Tagle, sentenced to 2 years probation, 72 hours in Midland County Jail, 180 days driver's license suspension and an $800 fine.

Robert Shawn Rich, sentenced to 6 months probation and a $400 fine.

Carlos R. Juarez, sentenced to 2 years probation, 72 hours in Midland County Jail, 180 days driver's license suspension and a $1200 fine.

Miguel Angel Grimaldo, sentenced to 18 months probation and a $900 fine.

Joann Puente, sentenced to 2 years probation, 72 hours in Midland County Jail, 180 days driver's license suspension and a $1000 fine.

Michael Curtis Frantz, sentenced to 18 months probation and a $1000 fine.

Roy James Sellers, sentenced to 2 years probation, 5 days in Midland County Jail, 180 days driver's license suspension and a $1200 fine.

Plan calls for 'speeding coupons'

AUSTIN (AP) — Speeders use more gas and rarely get caught, so one state lawmaker has proposed — in the name of energy conservation — a system that would have drivers pay before they get busted.

Rep. Tommy Merritt, R-Longview, is pushing a bill authorizing the Texas Lottery Commission to sell "speed coupons" granting immunity for driving up to 10 mph faster than the speed limit.

Coupon holders could simply hand one to the officer and head on down the highway without the repercussions of a ticket, fine or any other violation on their driving record.

Merritt sees the coupons as a way to educate speeding motorists about their wasteful ways. The coupons would feature messages about energy consumption and how going a few miles per hour faster than the speed limit doesn't save that much time.

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Young children in southwest Louisiana keep Cajun traditions thriving

LAFAYETTE, La. (AP) — It was a Saturday night about a year and a half ago that 7-year-old Mary Tweedel happened upon a musical performance that would set her young life in a new direction, its future both promising and unknown.

The setting was a recreational hideaway on a patch of cypress-shaded prairie in Acadia Parish, where the families of the area come together for a weekend of story telling, gumbo cooking, a little card playing, and, as any large gathering of Cajun families will produce, evenings of generous singing and dancing.

Fronting the family band, on accordion, was Kira Ophelia Viator, all of 9 years old at the time.

Mary was spellbound. Kira's command of the instrument and her stage confidence struck Mary Tweedel, a normal little girl living in a normal little town.

Mary leaned over to her mother and whispered: "This is great! This is what I would like to do."

All over the country, children are bombarded by the images of rock 'n' roll, country and rap music. They grow up imitating the things they see on MTV. They play air guitar and cop the attitudes of their music idols.

None of these idols plays accordion.

But here, along the rice fields and crawfish-rich bayous of southwest Louisiana, role models wing the squeezebox around like rockers setting Stratocasters on fire. It's cool, and kids want to do it.

And, according to the elders of Cajun society, the fact that this is so will save one of the country's precious indigenous cultures.

"My generation — those who could not speak English before we started grade school — are dying off. We're going to lose our culture if we don't preserve it. But now we see young people getting involved and it will save us. You can't preserve anything of culture unless you get the children involved."

To that end, the Lafayette chapter of the Cajun French Music Association put out a call to the children of Lafayette and Acadia parishes recently: Come to Vermilionville and account for yourself.

The association was founded in 1984 to preserve the culture, language and traditions of the French Catholics of southwest Louisiana.

Its goal is being met.

Twenty children — including Mary Tweedel and Kira Ophelia Viator — and their friends and extended families came together for the event at Vermilionville, a historic re-creation of a Cajun village on the edge of Lafayette along Bayou Vermilion.

In the dance hall at Vermilionville, above the din of the French chatter of Cajun elders, beer, cigarettes and dancing flowed freely on a Sunday afternoon.

Sunday dances are as vital to Cajun culture as pirogue races, bourre matches and Mardi Gras trail rides.

The only thing different about this dance was that the children were on the stage, not shunted off to the sideboards, along the wall or out in the yard playing.

They were front and center, leading the dance.

"You cannot separate the music from the culture; I realize that," said Kevin Courville as he watched the affair unfold.

Courville is a born-again Christian, and his people do not carry on like this, especially on Sunday.

Problem is, his son happens to be a rising virtuoso in the field.

Matthew Courville is 10. He has been playing accordion for six months and nobody is sure how he learned.

"My friend, Joel Martin, came to my house to spend the night one time and he brought his accordion with him, one his grandfather had made," Matthew says. "Well, I didn't even know what an accordion was. But when Joel got up to go get a drink of water in the kitchen, I picked up the accordion and started playing it. My daddy walked into the kitchen and saw Joel and asked him: Joel, who is playing that accordion? And he said: That's Matthew."

Matthew just knew how to play, that's all.

And then there's Hunter Hayes.

Hunter has played festivals throughout southwest Louisiana and made three television commercials. He has guest starred in two country-western videos that have made rotation on TNT's "Roots of Country" television program, and he just finished making a movie with Robert Duvall.

Some things just happen. Some things come naturally. Some things are meant to be.

Hunter Hayes is all of these things. He has talent, attitude, moves, rhythm, confidence, experience.

Hunter Hayes is 5 years old.

Hunter is an anomaly in the annals of Cajun music. Unlike almost every young musician in the region, neither of his parents is a musician. In fact, it took his parents a little while to figure out exactly how their son got interested in music. Here's what happened:

Hunter's babysitter, Mrs. Leblanc happens to be a big fan of Aldus Roger, an old-time great of Cajun music. And while Hunter falls off to sleep at her home, Mrs. Leblanc plays Aldus Roger records and hums along as she reads or does housework.

When Hunter was 2, his parents noticed him humming and singing songs they had never heard before.

When he asked for an accordion, they didn't really know why he wanted it so they bought him a toy accordion, which he mastered in about an hour.

So they bought him a real accordion, which he learned in not much more time.

He is self-taught. He weighs 30 pounds; the accordion weighs 18.

Actually, it would be heavier but his accordion is custom-made, with only nine buttons instead of 10 because he can't reach them all.

Belting the strains of "Allons a Lafayette" — "Let's Go to Lafayette" — Hunter accompanied the accordion with a wailing, bending voice, stomping his feet, hunching shoulders and rocking his head in rhythm — clearly the signs of someone who has seen Cajun rockers Wayne Toups and Jo-el Sonnier play so many times.

The people danced, laughed, chattered and drank.

The emcee said he was going to get Hunter's autograph now, before he gets famous, but the question hung in the air: Is he old enough to write?

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Chancellor studies alleged contribution pressure

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — University of Texas System Chancellor William Cunningham is reviewing allegations that officials within the UT System were pressured to donate money to powerful state politicians.

Regent Martha Smiley of Austin said Cunningham has "undertaken a review to see if there was anything that could be interpreted as pressure to make a contribution," the San Antonio Express-News reported Friday.

Cunningham, in a statement released through a spokesman, said: "It is very important that no university official apply any pressure on employees to participate in any political activity.

"I remain confident that no such pressure has been exerted. Nevertheless, we are reviewing all our procedures to make sure that everything we do is appropriate and proper."

Jude Valdez, a vice president at the University of Texas at San Antonio, claims in a federal civil rights lawsuit that his career was ruined when he expressed discomfort about contributing to Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock.

Valdez alleges that UTSA President Samuel Kirkpatrick "instructed" him to write a check of at least $100 as a contribution to Bullock in 1992.

Valdez alleges that the next year, when he hesitated to donate, Kirkpatrick told him he was not a "team player" and Valdez was stripped of many of his duties.

Kirkpatrick has denied any coercion.

Valdez was one of many higher education officials who gave to Bullock between 1992 and 1996.

An analysis of campaign donation records by the Express-News shows that more than 152 university presidents, vice presidents, deans, their spouses and other officials as well as members of university development boards gave $186,300 to Bullock.

The donations were accepted by the Bullock campaign in the same span of days each year, the newspaper reported.

Numerous UT employees and high-ranking university officials, including the chancellor and campus presidents, called their colleagues to solicit contributions, and on some occasions checks were collected at university offices during work hours, the Express-News reported.

The UT System regents also reportedly are interested in the activities of the Friends of the University Political Action Committee, created shortly after Cunningham became chancellor in 1992. The group consults with Cunningham and has contributed $334,983 to 203 politicians, according to campaign records.

Control of the board of regents switched from appointees of former Gov. Ann Richards, a Democrat, to appointees of Republican Gov. George W. Bush when three new regents were confirmed a month ago.

Donald Evans is now chairman, replacing Bernard Rapoport, a Waco businessmen who threw a fund-raiser for Bullock in 1994 that was attended by seven UT campus presidents. The presidents were driven to Waco from a university retreat.

State law bans the use of "official authority or influence" to achieve any political purpose. The UT System rules also prohibit employees from attempting to "involve the System or a component institution in partisan politics."

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Officials keep drug charge alive though accused dead for a year

ROCKWALL, Texas (AP) — Robert Staley didn't show up for his day in court this week, but no one's out beating the bushes for him.

He's been dead for a year.

However, the county's legal system has kept the August 1995 cocaine-possession charge against him very much alive, repeatedly resetting pretrial hearings.

'What better way to get out of it than to pretend you're dead?
— Assistant District Attorney Rick Calvert

Until a death certificate arrives, Staley is officially a bail jumper in the eyes of the law.

"We have to have a death certificate," said Judy Perser, court administrator for state District Judge Sue Pirtle. "Then we will gladly lay him to rest."

The court has repeatedly asked defense lawyer Ted Sansom to provide the death certificate, but he claims that's the district attorney's job, Ms. Perser said.

"It's been going back and forth," she said.

Assistant District Attorney Rick Calvert said it's difficult to get a death certificate unless you're an immediate family member because "you have to jump through all these hoops" with Dallas record-keepers.

Relatives of Staley, a longtime Veterans Affairs Medical Center employee, could not be located for comment, The Dallas Morning News reported Friday.

Sansom, a court-appointed lawyer, says he's had almost no contact with the family and showed court officials an obituary in hopes that would suffice.

At the latest court hearing Monday, Sansom told the judge, "I'd rather do a jury trial than get a record out of Dallas."

"I assume your client wants to maintain his right to remain silent," the judge jokingly told Sansom.

One problem in getting the record straight is a strange coincidence.

Staley and his son, also named Robert W. Staley, died almost exactly a year apart while living at the same address.

The younger Staley died of a cocaine overdose on April 2, 1995. His father, 60, died of a heart attack on April 3, 1996.

Calvert said he understands the judge's position because some criminals are so crafty.

"What better way to get out of it than to pretend you're dead?" the prosecutor said.



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After receiving both his B.S. in Human Nutrition and his medical degree from Ohio State University, Gregg served his residency and subspecialty fellowship at the University of Cincinnati Hospital before opening a private practice in 1994. While his practice in Ohio kept him very busy, the chance to come to West Texas and join the Midland Odessa Medical Healthcare Partners was an opportunity he couldn't resist. "West Texas is such a unique mixture of climactic zones that we see and treat symptoms that you don't see anywhere else in the US. And I see the MOM Group as a very progressive organization with a clear vision for the future for delivering the highest quality healthcare for citizens of this region," he adds.

Gregg, Beth, and their 8-year old son, Justin, reside in Midland and are enjoying the people, the arts and the outdoor activities the Permian Basin has to offer.

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Knight-Ridder buys Star-Telegram, Kansas City Star from Disney

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FORT WORTH, Texas — Knight-Ridder Inc., the nation's second-largest newspaper chain, on Friday agreed to pay $1.65 billion to buy the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, the Kansas City Star and two other daily papers from The Walt Disney Co.

The purchase, expected to close within 60 days, would be the largest newspaper deal in history, and would make the Star-Telegram part of a company known for strong journalism and a commitment to newspaper publishing.

Disney, in contrast, chose to divest its highly profitable newspapers so it could focus on entertainment, broadcasting and theme parks. Disney acquired the Star-Telegram last year as part of its $19 billion merger with Capital Cities/ABC.

"I could not be more pleased for Knight-Ridder," said P. Anthony Ridder, chairman and chief executive. "These papers include two of America's most important newspapers, positioned in growth markets, with strong financial performance and impressive editorial presence. Opportunities to acquire properties of this size, quality and journalistic vitality are rare, making their fit with our existing portfolio especially gratifying."

Knight-Ridder, based in Miami, publishes 31 daily newspapers, with a total circulation of nearly 3.5 million daily and 4.9 million on Sundays. Its holdings include The Philadelphia Inquirer, The Miami Herald, the San Jose Mercury News, the Detroit Free Press and The Charlotte (N.C.) Observer.

Only Gannett Co., with 91 daily papers, is larger.

"I'm very excited for everyone at the Star-Telegram," Star-Telegram president and publisher Wesley R. Turner told employees in a newsroom meeeting Friday afternoon. Knight-Ridder is "a terrific newspaper company," he said.

Executives from Knight-Ridder said they plan no changes at the publications, noting that they paid a premium price for newspapers that already were performing on par with their best properties.

"You folks are going to see very little change," Frank McComas, senior vice president of operations, told the newsroom audience. "We didn't buy into these markets thinking we'd come in and fix them. They're great markets, and you're producing very good newspapers."

The price for the four dailies was about 11 times their operating cash flow, within the range for premium properties, said John Morton, a newspaper analyst in Silver Spring, Md.

"It's not a bargain," Morton said. "But you have to pay full price for publications that are this desirable."

Most of the money went for the Star and Star-Telegram, which together generated about $430 million in revenue last year, industry sources said. The two smaller papers in the deal, the Belleville (Ill.) News-Democrat and The Times Leader in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., together had $70 million in revenue.

The Star-Telegram's circulation is 240,000 daily and 342,000 on Sundays, and the Star's circulation is 291,000 daily and 424,000 on Sundays.

The four papers generated operating profits of about 25 percent last year, Knight-Ridder said, more than double the company's average return and well above the 15 percent mark common in the newspaper industry. For the past four years, their revenue grew at an annual compounded rate of 7.4 percent, Knight-Ridder said.

'We didn't buy into these markets thinking we'd come in and fix them. They're great markets, and you're producing very good newspapers.'

— Frank McComas, senior vice president of operations, to a Star-Telegram newsroom audience

Those profits, combined with the growth prospects in Fort Worth and the monopoly market in Kansas City, added to the value of the papers, analysts said.

Knight-Ridder was probably impressed with the two papers' financial statements, said Jim Goss, an analyst at Nesbitt Burns in Chicago.

"My impression is that your paper (the Star-Telegram) did pretty well," Goss told a reporter. "Even in tough economic times, you and Kansas City operated pretty profitably."

Given the successful record, Goss said he doesn't expect Knight-Ridder to make big changes. But Knight-Ridder monitors its properties closely, analysts said.

"They're fairly active managers," Morton said, noting that the company has a vice president, Clark Hoyt, who oversees news for the chain. "They have a lot to say about how a paper is run."

Hoyt, who also addressed reporters and editors in the Star-Telegram's downtown Fort Worth newsroom yesterday, said the company believes in local autonomy. For example, the paper's decision to publish three editions to serve readers in Fort Worth, Arlington and Northeast Tarrant County, will continue, he said.

"Our strongest sense is that you have a smart strategy that's working," Hoyt said.

The effort has intensified in the past year, after The Dallas Morning News, owned by A.H. Belo Corp., began targeting readers in Arlington and Northeast Tarrant County.

Ridder, whose papers face competition in Miami; St. Paul, Minn.; Detroit, and Fort Wayne, Ind., said he wasn't deterred by Belo's presence.

Tarrant County "is a great market, and I feel great about going head-to-head with Belo," Ridder said in a conference call with editors and publishers from Knight-Ridder and the four papers involved in Friday's deal.

Morton said he expects the local news battle to intensify, noting that Knight-Ridder had been innovative with zoning in Detroit, before signing a joing operating agreement with the owner of the Detroit News.

"If anything, zoning will be accelerated," Morton predicted. "Readers can be confident that there will be no decline in quality and there may be some significant improvement. Knight-Ridder publishes quality newspapers. That's why they've won so many Pulitzer Prizes."

The financial structure of the purchase is unusual. In exchange for the papers, Knight-Ridder is acquiring $990 million in Disney debt and issuing $660 million in convertible preferred stock. That technique allows Disney to avoid capital gains taxes on the transfer of the properties, Morton said.

Some lawmakers are pushing to close this loophole, and a recent report in Newsweek magazine said Disney was rushing to complete the deal before Congress could alter the tax laws.

The method has been used before, Morton said, noting that Times Mirror Co., which considered bidding for the Star-Telegram, had sold its cable operations that way.

Disney officials declined to discuss details about the deal's financial structure.

The sale price is the largest newspaper-only transaction, easily ecliping the $1.1 billion The New York Times paid for The Boston Globe in 1993.

It is the fourth owner in the Star-Telegram's history. The newspaper was founded by Amon Carter as the Fort Worth Star in 1906. It was sold to Capital Cities in 1974 and was included in the merger with Disney, completed in February 1996.

Dallas winners claim Lotto jackpot

AUSTIN (AP) — A trust made up of 23 co-workers in the Dallas County public defender's office on Friday claimed a $45 million Lotto Texas jackpot.

The 23 lawyers, secretaries, clerks and investigators pooled their money for the March 29 drawing.

They said they've been playing the lotto for the past 18 months, and had matched four of six numbers the previous Wednesday to win $129.

Teresa Pigg-Curry, the pool organizer, said she wouldn't let her co-workers touch their $5.60 shares from that earlier drawing.

"Julie Clancy wan[illegible] lunch money the next day, and I didn't let her have it. It went right back into the pool," she said.

The group bought 129 tickets for the March 29 drawing.

After winning, they met on Easter Sunday to decide their next step.

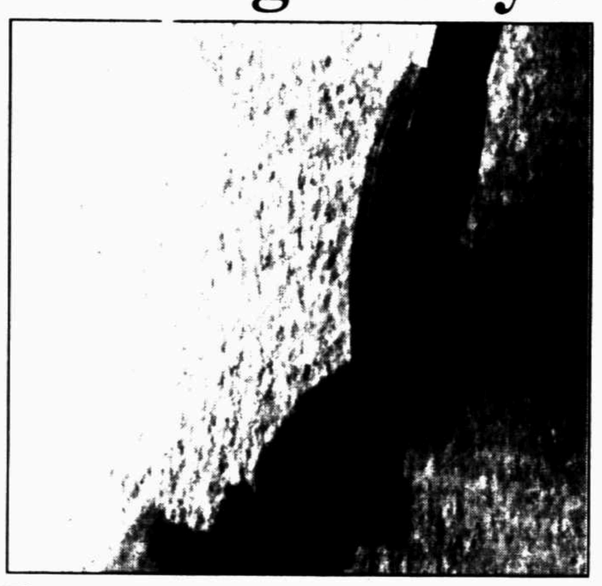
"Mostly, we hugged and screamed a lot," said Jane Roden, who hosted the gathering. "Then we drank champagne and tried to eat fajitas, but I think we were just too excited to eat. I've still got about eight pounds of fajitas sitting in my freezer."

Their "Lucky 23 Trust" received the first of 25 annual payments of $1.8 million each.

The lottery identified members of the trust as: Catherine Bernard, David Bulbow, Ms. Clancy, Harold Cook, Al Gilbertson, Catherine Gould, Leroy Griffin, Charlotte Hollins, Elizabeth Horan, Jane Little, Allie Martin, Michael Morrow, Ms. Pigg-Curry, Larry Reid, Ms. Roden, Winston Shepherd, King Solomon, Elizabeth Tarbert, Teresa Tolle, Charles Vaughn, Phil Wetherbee, Abraham Wilson and John Winborn.

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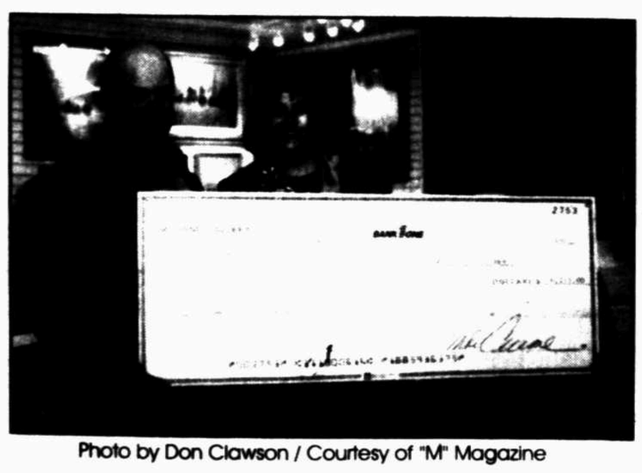
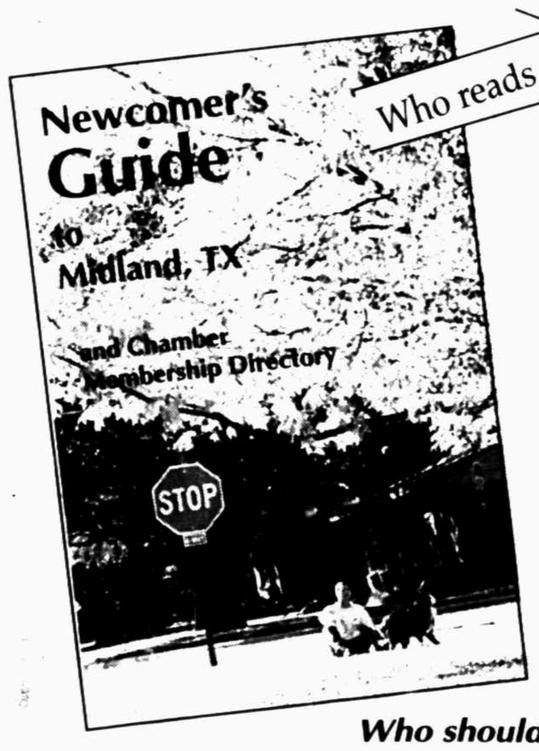


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Mike Crume, owner of Midland Gallery (far left), presents Janet Hanson, chairman of Heart Beat '97 (center), and Lori Dawson, Regional Director of the American Heart Association, with a check for $6,215.00. The funds were raised through Midland Gallery's Benefit Art Show held in conjunction with the "An Affair To Remember" fundraiser, and will be used in the fight against heart disease and stroke.

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Texas' 'Robin Hood' school funding system may be on way out

AUSTIN (AP) — The Robin Hood school funding system that forces wealthy school districts to share their money with poorer ones could be on the way out.

Lawmakers struggled for nearly 10 years before coming up with the share-the-wealth plan in 1993. Before that, three school funding plans were ruled unconstitutional by the Texas Supreme Court.

The current system, upheld by the court in 1995, depends heavily on local school property taxes and state contributions to pay for school operations. It designates 91 school districts as wealthy because they have an abundance of taxable property to raise local money for schools.

The plan forces those schools to share their money with districts that have less taxable property from which to raise local school funds for themselves. There are 1,044 Texas school districts.

A House committee working on a way to lower local school property taxes across the state has developed a plan to replace much of the local school taxes with state taxes, eliminating the need for wealthy districts to share their money, committee members say.

Under the plan, local residential property taxes would drop from an average of $1.40 per $100 in value to 50 cents per $100 for school operations. Business property would be taxed by the state at $1 per $100. Taxes could be higher to pay for school buildings and other debt.

The funding plan also allows school districts to increase the 50-cent residential property tax level by up to 10 cents to pay for extra programs.

Districts would have to hold local elections to raise that additional money and wouldn't get additional state funds for the extra tax.

Under the current funding system, schools are guaranteed a certain amount of money up to a tax rate of $1.50.

Members of the House Select Committee on Revenue and Public Education Funding on Friday said that has been a driving force in the growth of local school taxes across the state.

To pay for the local school property tax cuts, lawmakers would expand the state business tax to all businesses — except sole proprietorships. Only corporations currently pay the tax. Lawmakers also would raise some taxes, like those on alcohol and tobacco products and would increase the number of goods and services subject to the sales tax.

The committee, which has scheduled public hearings on the plan Monday and Tuesday, had considered a 10-cent tax on lottery tickets. That would have driven sales down, but would have increased lottery revenues by $300 million in 1998-99.

The committee has opted away from the 10 cent tax. Instead, it will force the Texas Lottery Commission to cut administrative costs, which average about 7 percent of all lottery proceeds. It will also lower prizes, which average 57 cents per $1 spent on tickets, to about 55 cents per $1.

"It won't make a blip," said Rep. Ron Wilson, D-Houston. He sponsored the 1992 constitutional amendment that led to the lottery. "Players won't notice it."

Attorneys choose jury for trial of man accused of trying to kill Green Beret

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Jury selection was held Friday in the trial of a Mexican man accused of trying to kill a Green Beret during a shootout along the Rio Grande.

Opening statements in the case of Cesario Vasquez Acuna are scheduled for Wednesday.

Federal authorities allege Vasquez, 30, of Matamoros shot at Army Sgt. Christopher Lemmen during a late-night confrontation on Jan. 24.

Vasquez had allegedly just robbed a group of illegal immigrants along the Rio Grande when he stumbled upon a six-man U.S. Army Special Forces team conducting narcotics surveillance.

Authorities contend he shot twice at Lemmen, who returned fire with an M-16 rifle, wounding Vasquez in the shoulder. Lemmen was not injured.

Vasquez is charged with attempted murder, assault, carrying a firearm during the commission of a federal crime and of being in the United States illegally in possession of a firearm.

Prosecutors said they plan to introduce evidence at trial showing Vasquez has a violent history that includes robbing a group of immigrants in 1991 on the banks of the Rio Grande.

The shootout renewed debate about whether soldiers should be stationed along the border to help stem the tide of illegal immigrants and drugs entering the United States.

During a pretrial hearing Thursday, Vasquez's attorney, Juan Jose Martinez, argued the charges should be dismissed because Lemmen violated a federal law requiring a strict separation between military and civilian law enforcement.

U.S. District Judge Filemon Vela denied the motion, saying the issue should be directed to Lemmen's superiors.

Lemmen, testifying at the hearing, said his unit was under clear orders not to participate in arrests or seizures along the border.



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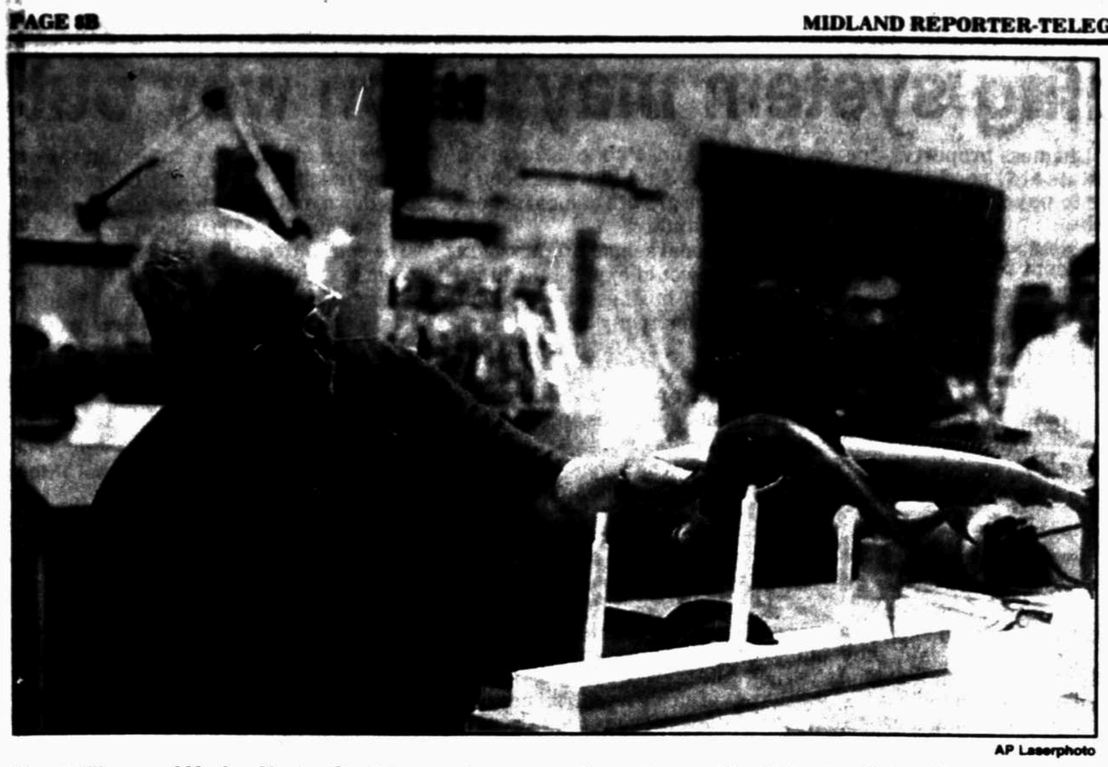
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Chuck Klinger, of Marine Master Sculptures, shows a small wooden marlin at his shop in Los Fresnos, Texas. His shop has as many as 42 species of the most highly sought salt water game fish, including blue marlin, red drum, sailfish, trout, tarpons, dolphin fish, snook and blue, black and yellow fin tuna.Each fish is meticulously hand carved from precious woods like mahogany and virola imported from Honduras and Brazil.

Texas craftsman has fishy business

Associated Press

LOS FRESNOS, Texas — It doesn't smell bad at Chuck Klinger's fish business.

His shop, tucked away in an old warehouse off Eighth Street, has as many as 42 species of the most highly sought salt water game fish, including blue marlin, red drum, sailfish, trout, tarpons, dolphin fish, snook and blue, black and yellow fin tuna.

Klinger's fish can be caught for as little as $90 to as much as $15,000, depending on the size and variety of a particular species.

His fish don't stink, are clean as a whistle and are aesthetically alluring, bearing the natural color of the wood from which they are made.

"People love to catch fish, watch them in a tank or have them mounted on a wall," Klinger said, while showing a small marlin he described as his pride and joy. "These are more attractive and lovely as well."

Each fish, whether a few inches or 15 feet long, is meticulously hand carved from precious woods like mahogany and virola imported from Honduras and Brazil.

The wood comes in big boards, some measuring 12 feet long, 2 inches thick and 24 inches wide.

Once at the shop, a board is cut to size with a bench saw and trimmed to allow the carvers to work with it.

The rest is done by simple tools — sanders, hammers and old-fashioned hand chisels.

A devoted artist, Klinger started experimenting with wooden fish in 1992, and decided to go commercial about a year ago.

"I have been carving stone for quite a long time," he said. "Why not try something different? Artists are known to do one thing today and something else tomorrow."

Klinger also paints, but sculpting wooden fish has put his business and this small but growing community on the world map.

His "Made in the USA" products can be found on the West, East, South and Gulf coasts of the United States and to foreign countries like The Bahamas, Canada, Tahiti, Mexico, the Bermuda Islands and Japan.

Klinger's wooden fish also swim much closer to home, in several restaurants and hotels on South Padre Island such as the Sheraton Fiesta Beach and Radisson Resorts, Amberjack and at the South Padre Island Convention Centre

He's also ready to start a project to hang several marlins from the ceiling of the soon-to-open Sea Ranch Restaurant, and paint a world map with wooden fish attached to their native region.

Klinger said he started attending big boat shows in California, Louisiana and Florida to introduce his specialty art to the market.

He started by creating large marlins, but began hand carving much smaller fish in response to the demand from fish enthusiasts.

'We are artists at carving, but we are also a business — a business that's creating jobs.'
— Chuck Klinger

"We were going to name our business after (Ernest) Hemingway," he said of the American author and avid outdoorsman. "But we opted for Marine Master Sculptures Inc."

Klinger went into partnership for his new venture with his brother Frank and San Antonio businessman Bob Gorsche. His staff consists of sales manager Karen Moore Baldree of South Padre Island and three master carvers, Gonzalo Mejia, Mario Viscarra and Ray Munoz.

Their Los Fresnos office boldly displays the kind of work they produce. About two dozen wooden fish, including a full-sized marlin, are on display on walls and desktops. And inside the shop, there is wood galore and more fish of all sizes and shapes.

Developing the art of carving a wooden fish has proven a challenge for people like Mejia, though.

"I have been a carpenter for the better part of my life," said Mejia, who commutes from Brownsville to work at Klinger's Los Fresnos shop. "This is new for me, and that's all right. I'm willing to learn anything to help me and my family."

Klinger said hard-working people like Mejia are what make his business more successful.

"We are artists at carving," he said, "but we are also a business — a business that's creating jobs."

Klinger and his partners are planning to relocate the shop next door on part of a half-acre lot next year.

The project, in its preliminary stages, calls for hiring as many as 30 carvers and to produce from 1,000 to 2,000 of the wooden fish a month.

As a U.S. entrepreneur, Klinger believes in keeping jobs here and not taking them away.

"I have watched this town grow," he said. "We are proud to be a part of it."

Besides Marine Master Sculptures, the Klingers have a stake in Los Fresnos Truss and Door Co.

That company, staffed with 75 to 100 people, is the city's largest private employer and makes customs cabinets and doors an wood trusses.

Getting started in a new business is no joking matter, however.

The Klingers have agreed to donate a half-acre plot to the city of Los Fresnos. In return, the city will seek economic development grant funds to build a warehouse.

"This is an example of how the private and public sector can work together," he said. "I strongly believe that manufacturing jobs is what really helps the local economy."

Klinger said the initial investment in the wooden fish enterprise has now surpassed $50,000, and they don't expect to start turning a profit until after they put in excess of $100,000.

"I have seen businesses, small and big, going under," he said. "The first step is always the hardest one."

Bringing Gorsche to the partnership has produced positive results.

"He is in charge of the manufacturing side of the company," he said. "He is a graduate of MIT and knows how to make things go."

Gorche said he met Kingler while working for a wood corporation in San Antonio.

"He showed me a fish once and thought it was good product to be marketed at a affordable price," he said. "That's how we decided to put the company together."

Frank Klinger said the fish his brother makes are one-of-a-kind in Texas and probably the United States.

"We met a guy from Florida who makes wooden fish," he said, "but they're nothing like these."

Klinger, an avid fisherman, said they can make most any kind of fish a customer wants.

"Your fish is our command," Baldree said.

"I lived at the Island and have fished a lot," Klinger said. "Working with wooden fish was natural thing for me do to.

"We are making a nice product made in America and something people will be proud to have."

Moon's 'head cheese' now sells Mars land

RIO VISTA, Calif. (AP) — First he promised the moon. And delivered. Now Dennis Hope wants to go where no developer has gone before.

To Mars.

In April, the 49-year-old Rio Vista entrepreneur launches a web site exclusively devoted to selling real estate parcels on the red planet. The idea follows the success of his other intergalactic business, selling moon parcels from his Lunar Embassy aviation supply store in Rio Vista.

"Like any good developer, we didn't want to be limited," says Hope, dressed for work in black sweats, white running shoes and a Planet Hollywood baseball cap.

"We want to offer our client base more prime property. So Mars is a natural progression."

For $19.95, buyers get 3.125 selims (miles spelled backwards), which translates to 3.125 square miles of Martian landscape. There's an additional $1.51 for Martian tax, and Hope charges $10 shipping and handling for those of us on terra firma.

With the deed comes a Martian constitution that declares Hope "omnipitant" ruler (an intentional misspelling — meaning the ruler of very little), as he is on the moon.

Article 5 in the constitution asks that any visitors staying longer than a year seek permission from Hope, known on Mars as "Big Red" (on the moon, he's the "Head Cheese"). Weapons are forbidden and Hope will revoke property rights of any violators.

Anticipating that life might exist there, deed holders must respect the rights of any "sentient beings," Hope said, invoking some "Star Trek Next Generation" jargon.

Hope contends his interplanetary real estate business is legit. He claimed rights to the moon and the other planets in 1980 by invoking the Homestead Act in the San Francisco County Clerk's office.

A clause in the United Nations Space Treaty of 1967 only bolsters his beliefs. It forbids any government from exerting sovereign control over the known planets, he said.

"What that means to me is they have no right to take actions or adjudicate on any of these bodies," Hope says. "Seemed like a stupid thing to do. And I say that with much thanks."

A year ago, Hope got serious about the deeds, shortly after opening his business at the Rio Vista Airport. And he's got lots to be thankful for. Hope's business has taken off like a... well, rocket. Lunar deeds sell for $15.99, giving buyers 10 sercas (acres spelled backwards) of the moon, or 1,117.587 acres.

Landholders include David Letterman, Ronald Reagan and Tom Cruise. To date Hope has sold 7,753 lunar parcels.

Seventy-five percent of his orders come from Europe, where widespread media attention has stirred interest. Word of mouth and an Internet site (which averages about 40,000 "hits" a month) have helped.

"It's like the pet rock of the '90s," Hope said. "I think that Donald Trump is probably the greatest real estate developer in the world. But when he dies, I'd like him to be known as the Dennis Hope of earth."

Meanwhile, is he selling any pilot supplies at his aviation supply store? "Not a lot," Hope said.

"But if things work out well, come September or October, we may have Venus available," Hope said. "Our engineers are working on the development aspects of the subdivisions right now."

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The Lunar Embassy websites are http://www.moonshop.com and http://www.marsshop.com.

Horse chiropractor accustomed to skepticism

ENID, Okla. (AP) — Dr. Gary Marr has met his fair share of skeptics. In fact, many of them now are his best customers.

Marr is used to people raising their eyebrows when he tells them what he does. It isn't often that someone meets a horse chiropractor, that is unless that someone has a horse in need of adjusting.

Although his office is in Moore, Marr travels a wide area to call on patients. The 43-year-old chiropractor attends to horses in Texas, New Mexico, Louisiana, Alabama, as well as across Oklahoma. His busy schedule brought him to Pond Creek recently, to the home of Lois Phelps, where several horses awaited him. As Marr worked on the first horse, he explained the mechanics of his occupation.

"It's human technique applied to animals," Marr said as his fingers ran along the thick winter coat of a horse that towered over him. He stopped talking as his fingers found a spot and he turned his full attention to what his touch was telling him. He motioned for his wife, Pat, to come closer to help with further examination.

Marr reached up to the back of the horse that stood over 16 hands high and began moving his fingers down the spine. His wife stood with her left hand on the side of the horse, her right arm held out from her side. Every time Marr pressed on the horse, he pushed down on his wife's rigid, outstretched arm. When he touched a section of the spine that was out of adjustment, Mrs. Marr's arm would drop when pressed.

Marr explained that the method is known as applied kinesiology.

"Because the nervous system is electrical, each joint has its own circuitry. Anywhere there's a misalignment," said Marr, "it throws a fuse in the circuit and the body gets shorted."

Because his patients can't point the soreness out or communicate their discomfort, he finds their problems through "surrogate testing," using his wife as a passive conductor.

Two skeptical visitors watched the process, then asked to act as the conductor to verify what they were watching. As in Mrs. Marr's case, when Marr found a problem on the horse, the outstretched arm, which refused to give under pressure, would lose all strength and drop.

Finding a problem seemed easy, but how does he go about fixing it?

"The first question I get is: 'How do you get the horse on the table?'" Marr said as he glanced up from his work and flashed a grin.

Since his patient is upright, and sometimes very tall, Marr climbs onto a stool to get above the animal to put the quick pressure on the bones or joints.

After Marr completed several adjustments, the horse stretched his neck and turned his large head to the left, which caused Ms. Phelps to voice her pleasure. She explained that the horse had not been able to respond to rein commands to turn left, which was the reason she called for the chiropractor.

After Marr completed several adjustments, the horse stretched his neck and turned his large head to the left, which caused Ms. Phelps to voice her pleasure...The horse had not been able to respond to rein commands to turn left.

Marr is one of only 14 advanced certified horse chiropractors in the nation. He had been treating people since getting his chiropractic license in 1978, about in 1985 he traded his people business for his four-legged patients. He didn't just go from the treatment room in his office to the barn, however.

"Just because you have a people license doesn't mean you can work on a horse," said Marr. "You need to have animal certification to go along with it."

The process to become certified involves attending five weeks of basic instruction and another six weeks of advanced training at the American Veterinarian Chiropractic Association in Hillsdale, Ill.

"It isn't just a one-weekend, $50 course," said Marr.

His wife attended the courses with him, so she could be his assistant, but she has no certification.

Marr works closely with veterinarians and receives many of his referrals from them. He recommends consulting with a veterinarian to be sure a horse doesn't have a health problem before turning to a horse chiropractor.

Marr's second patient, a scruffy-looking black horse, was having some problems after a fall a few weeks earlier.

"Charlie's pretty much out of whack," said Ms. Phelps as she led the mud-crusted horse into the barn.

Marr agreed with her, his brow furrowing with concentration as he found problem after problem, quickly adjusting as he went. The result gave obvious pleasure to his patient. The 4-year-old retired racing horse stretched out his neck and gave a loud, deep sigh and made a smacking noise with his tongue.

"See? That means it feels good now," said Ms. Phelps.

While Charlie's fall sent a warning signal to his owner, some problems aren't easily recognized or understood.

Marr said that signs of a problem can include stumbling or taking short strides, or the horse may begin to drag its toes or sidestep. Depending on what its job is, a horse may refuse a jump, quit pulling a steer or lose seconds in timed events. The horse may start dancing and moving away from any touch. If the jaw is out of alignment, the horse may suffer severe headaches, which could translate into odd actions.

Phelps said she now understands problems she has had in the past, and wishes she would have been able to recognize them as signals of pain and not bad attitude or stubbornness.

"I didn't know about this when I first started with horses," said Ms. Phelps, who trains and shows horses. "Now I can look back at some that were having trouble. Bless their hearts, they were trying to tell us something, but we just didn't know."

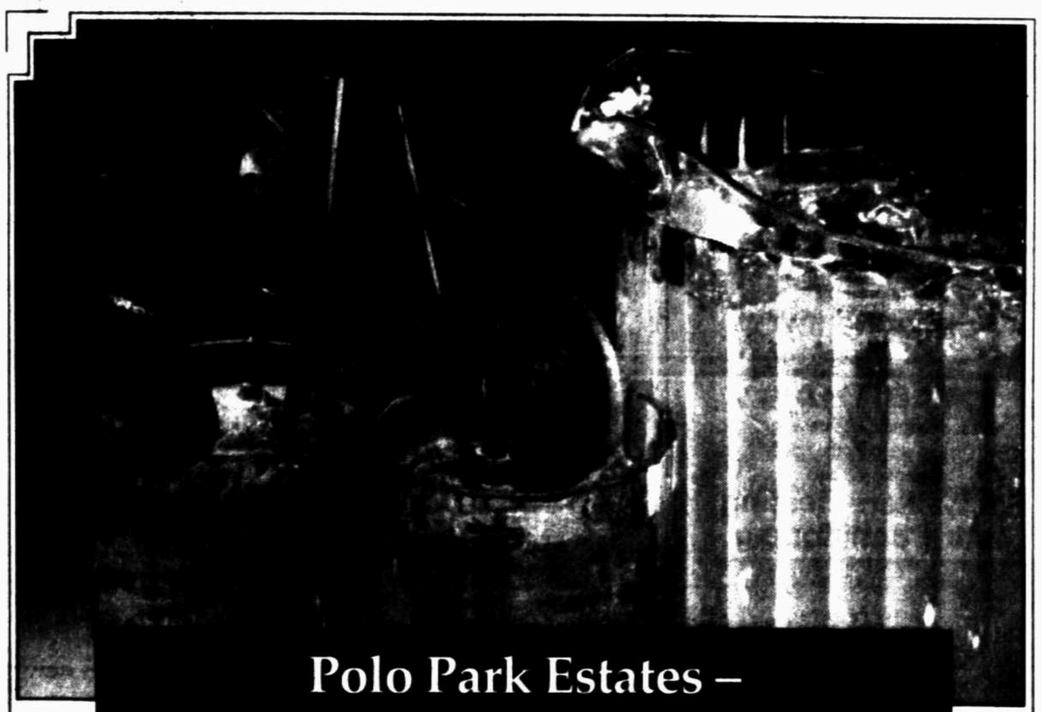
Dean Berkenbile of Hunter said that his vet recommended a chiropractor after recognizing the horse had structural problems, not medical. He admitted being a former "skeptic of the worst kind."

Berkenbile stood in the doorway of the barn dressed in his working clothes. His chaps were shiny with wear and his large cowboy hat dipped when he talked, which was seldom. He watched Marr work with a large sorrel, and grinned when Ms. Phelps teased him about his prior reluctance to seek treatment for his horse.

"Cowboys are as skeptical as they come," she said.

Marr agreed with her assessment.

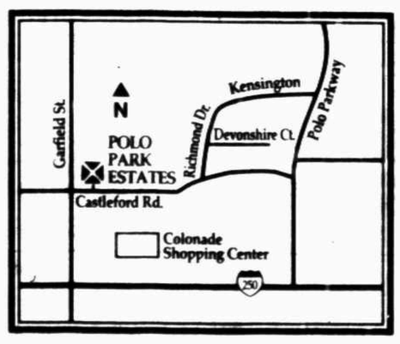
"Team ropers are the most skeptical. They'll watch us work at a show and kind of stand back and do one of these numbers," said Marr as he put his finger to his chin and rested his other hand on a jutting hip. "Then they'll get closer and watch some more, then they'll say, 'Son of a gun, that does work.'"



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Senior PGA The Tradition, final round, 2:30 p.m., ABC.
AUTO RACING — ASA AC-Delco Tar Heel 400, noon, TNN.
CART IndyCarnival, 12:30 p.m., ABC.
NASCAR Winston Cup Series, Interstate Batteries 500, 1 p.m., CBS.
BASEBALL — Chicago Cubs at Atlanta Braves, noon, WGN and TBS.
St Louis Cardinals at Houston Astros, 1:30 p.m., FSS.
Baltimore Orioles at Texas Rangers, 2 p.m., FOX.
Cleveland Indians at Anaheim Angels, 7 p.m., ESPN.
TENNIS — Family Circle Magazine Cup, championship match, 12:30 p.m., NBC.
Davis Cup, quarterfinal round, Netherlands vs. U.S. (same-day tape), 3 p.m., ESPN.
River Oaks Tournament, singles final (delay), 7 p.m., FSS.
NBA — Chicago Bulls at Orlando Magic, 4:30 p.m., NBC.
BEACH VOLLEYBALL — AVP Riviera Beach Open (delay), 4:30 p.m., FSS.

Texas Scores

BASEBALL — Baltimore Orioles 9, Texas Rangers 7.
Houston Astros 6, St. Louis Cardinals 2.
NBA — Seattle Sonics 103, Dallas Mavericks 84.
Golden State Warriors 120, San Antonio Spurs 103.
NHL — Dallas Stars at Los Angeles Kings, late.

Sports Today

TEXAS LEAGUE — Midland Angels at San Antonio Missions, 2:05 p.m. KCRS (550 AM) Radio.
USIFL FOOTBALL — San Angelo 6-Shooters vs. Midland Colts, 3 p.m., Buffalo Stadium, Stanton.

4-5A Baseball

	District W	L	Pct.	Overall W	L	Pct.
Abilene Cooper	6	1	.857	18	5	.783
Abilene High	5	2	.714	16	4	.800
SA Central	4	2	.667	15	5	.750
x-Midland Lee	4	2	.667	11	8	.579
x-Odessa Permian	2	4	.333	6	6	.500
Midland High	1	6	.143	10	12	.455
Odessa High	1	6	.143	3	19	.136

x-includes tie in district

Saturday's Games
Midland Lee 7, Midland High 4; Odessa Permian 14, Odessa High 5; Abilene Cooper 12, Abilene High 7; San Angelo Central was open.
Tuesday's Games
Odessa High at Midland Lee, 4:30 p.m.; Midland High at Odessa Permian, 4:30 p.m.; San Angelo Central at Abilene High, 4:30 p.m.; Abilene Cooper is open.

4-5A Softball

	District W	L	Pct.	Overall W	L	Pct.
Midland Lee	9	1	.900	17	4	.810
Odessa Permian	8	2	.800	15	6	.714
Abilene High	8	3	.727	23	3	.885
SA Central	5	5	.500	16	8	.667
Midland High	4	7	.400	12	9	.571
Odessa High	2	8	.200	10	12	.455
x-Abilene Cooper	0	10	.000	8	14	.370

x-also has a tie

Saturday's Results
Midland Lee 4, Abilene High 0; Midland High 18, Abilene Cooper 1; San Angelo 7, Odessa High 0. Odessa Permian played a non-conference game against Midland Christian, not reported.
Tuesday's Games
Odessa High vs. Midland High, Bill Williams Softball Complex; Midland Lee at Odessa Permian, UTPB Softball Complex; Abilene Cooper at San Angelo. All games at 4:30 p.m.

Texas League

Eastern Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Jackson (Astros)	4	0	1.000	—
Shreveport (Giants)	2	1	.667	1 1/2
Arkansas (Cards)	1	2	.000	2 1/2
Tulsa (Rangers)	0	4	.000	4
Western Division				
El Paso (Brewers)	1	0	1.000	—
San Antonio (Dodgers)	1	1	.500	1/2
Midland (Angels)	1	1	.500	1/2
Wichita (Royals)	0	1	.000	1

Saturday's Games
Jackson 6, Tulsa 4, 1st game
Jackson 4, Tulsa 2, 2nd game
Shreveport 5, Arkansas 0, 1st game
Arkansas 6, Shreveport 5, 2nd game
El Paso at Wichita, ppd., rain
Midland 5, San Antonio 3
Sunday's Games
Tulsa at Jackson
El Paso at Wichita, 2
Midland at San Antonio
Only games scheduled
Monday's Games
Tulsa at Jackson
Shreveport at Arkansas
El Paso at Wichita
Midland at San Antonio

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
Lee's John Norman lands in the long jump pit at Memorial Stadium during the Tall City Relays Saturday.

Bulldogs claim Tall City title

■ Lee girls' team also takes trophy at track meet.

By Stewart Doreen
Sports Writer

It remains to be seen if the Tall City Relays served its purpose as the final tune up for next week's District 4-5A Track and Field Championships. Time will only tell that answer for the teams from Midland High and Midland Lee.

However, for the MHS boys team Saturday's team title at Memorial Stadium should serve as an indication that the future is as bright as the immediate past was gloomy.

The Bulldogs came away with its most impressive performance in recent memory to score 148 points and defeat Permian and Lee in the process.

"I'm ecstatic," MHS head coach Wes Cope said. "The kids have worked their butts off, and they competed well. This is part of the new Midland High attitude that second best in this town is not good enough and second in the district isn't good enough."

Lee's girls team is another that has made tremendous strides this season. Their team title Saturday was the fourth of the season and third straight. The Lady Rebs scored a gaudy 196 points to distance themselves from Permian by 72 points.

"Can you believe four out of six?" asked Lee coach Randy Smith. "I was hoping that we'd win two this season."

The Midland High girls took third with 117 points. Though, the finish took a back seat to the loss of top district runner Stephanie Wentworth, who broke a femur bone while running the 3200.

But this day belonged to the boys. Cope's team has now won three meets this season, but none can compare to this for MHS. The Bulldogs' strength on this day was their depth, an area that lacked in prior seasons. Last year, a shortage of athletes in the program racked up just eight points in the district meet. This year, the program has over 40 and that depth proved to be the

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Andrews shatters triple jump mark/6C

Rebs grab 7-4 victory from MHS

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

At the end of Saturday afternoon, it could be said that both the Midland area baseball teams carried something positive away from their matchup into the second half of District 4-5A play.

Of course, it was a happier day for Midland Lee, which used two big innings to defeat Midland High 7-4 at Zachery Field. The Rebels pulled themselves into at least a temporary tie for third place in the win column with San Angelo Central with the win and also reestablished their ability to produce a big inning.

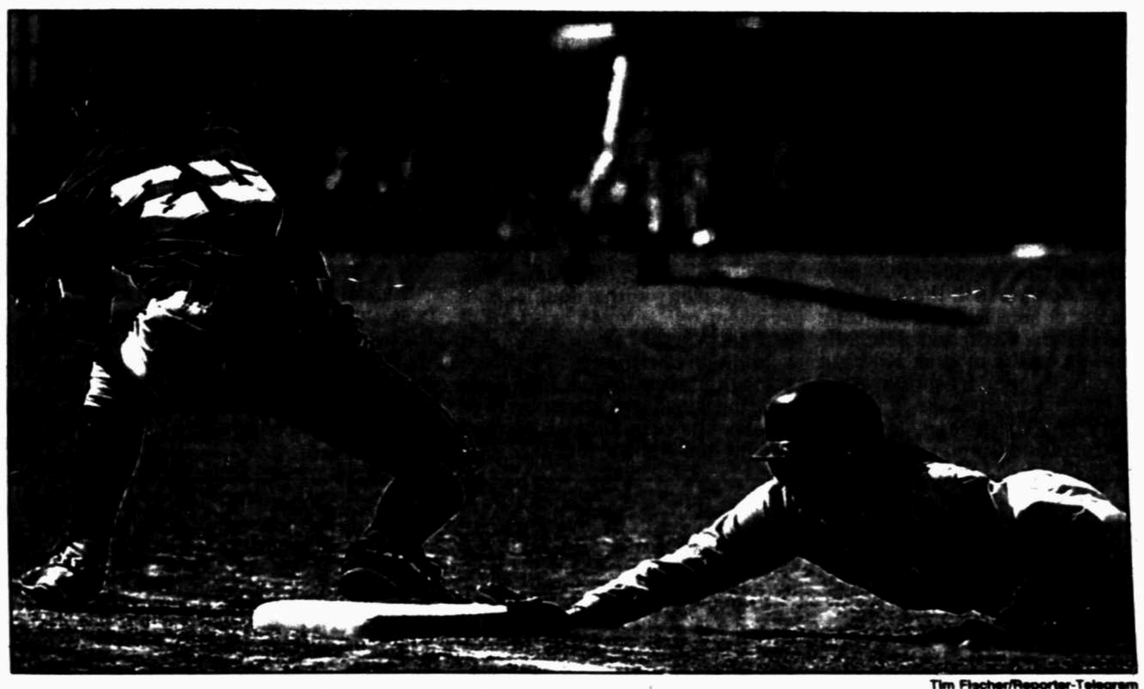
For Midland High, it was something of a moral victory. The Bulldogs put some pressure on the Rebels with a three-run fifth inning to cut the lead to a single run and even had the potential tying run on deck in the bottom of the seventh. MHS never got that close the first time the two teams played, collecting only two hits in a 7-0 Lee victory.

The Rebels aren't in a position to consider the comfort of merely a competitive effort at this point. With a 4-2-1 mark in district (11-9-1 overall) and three teams sitting ahead of them in the standings, the significance of each win increases as Lee fights for a playoff spot.

"The kids have been working hard on their own," Lee coach Jesse Benavidez said. "They want to win these games. They realize what's going to happen if they don't win, especially the seniors."

That would mean missing the playoffs, which has been a rarity at Lee for the past several years. Efforts sim-

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
Midland High's Mike Carrasco dives back into first base as Lee first baseman Dusty Crowe catches the late pickoff attempt. The Rebels won Saturday's cross-town match-up, 7-4, at Zachery Field.



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
Lee's Gracie Villa (9) slides safely home as Abilene High catcher Laura Martinez drops the ball. The Lady Rebels picked up a big 4-0 win Saturday at the Lee softball diamond.

Lee ace Smith shakes off wrist injury to shut out Abilene High

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

If Midland Lee softball ace Chrystal Smith is hurt, you don't want to even see her when she is well.

Smith hurled a three-hit shutout, striking out 14 batters, Saturday to hand Abilene High a 4-0 shutout at the Lee softball diamond. She sent down 10 of the first 12 batters she faced on strikes.

As late as Wednesday morning of this week, it was not known if Smith would even pitch again for the Lady Rebels this season. She has been suffering from tendinitis in her throwing wrist and it wasn't getting any better.

She still has tendinitis, but it was determined this week that throwing would not make it worse. And with the rest she had been forced to endure because of the tendinitis, she was a well-rested Chrystal Smith on Saturday.

"We had a scare with Chrystal, but what you saw was a well-rested Chrystal Smith today," said Lee coach Perry Young. "She was throwing around 63 miles per hour at the beginning of the game, and there aren't too many teams around that are going to hit her when that happens. We're thrilled she's with us."

Abilene High got only three runners as far as second base as Smith was the dominant force on the field. She gave up a single to Deborah Smith in the fourth, a single to Caroline Norton in the fifth and a single to Michelle Martin in the seventh. Only one of the hits (Norton) was out of the infield.

"This is my senior year," Smith said. "I want to be out there, making things happen. I couldn't stand the thought of having to sit out the rest of the games. I can't stand to watch from the bench.

"I was worried for a while that I might not be able to play, but I went to the doctor and they took X-rays. It really feels fine now and I've been taking ultra-sound treatments with (Lee trainer) Hondo twice a day. It didn't bother me at all during the game, but then again, I don't think much about it while playing because I'm focused on other things."

The win was huge for Lee, giving the Lady Rebels a 9-1 record in District 4-5A play while sending Abilene High into third place with an 8-3 record. Odessa Permian, idle Saturday, is 8-2 and will host Lee Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. Lee can win the 4-5A title for the second time with a win over the Lady Panthers at the UTPB softball complex

Lee gave Smith all the runs she needed in the second inning, scoring four unearned runs off AHS ace Kelly Armbruster.

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Sun shines, race goes on at Texas Motor Speedway

By Jaime Aron
AP Sports Writer

FORT WORTH — Sunshine and blue skies, strange sights this week at the Texas Motor Speedway, greeted the first day of true racing at the $110 million facility on Saturday.

But the damage of several straight days of rain had already been done.

Qualifying for Sunday's Winston Cup Interstate Batteries 500, already delayed twice, was scrubbed mid-morning because the track was still too wet.

And speedway officials had to scrap months of parking and traffic planning and resort to satellite lots after grass parking fields dissolved into unusable mud bogs.

Stan Gregory and five friends were lucky they made the two-hour drive from Waco early Thursday to be on hand for NASCAR's first visit to the Lone Star State in 16 years. The short trek was much nicer than the cross-country trips they usually make each year to Atlanta and Talladega, Ala.

Gregory was so impressed with the infield amenities that he didn't mind all the problems caused by the rain.

"We knew for a week we were going to have it, so it didn't matter," he said. "We were hoping the other storm wouldn't come in (Friday night) so they would've

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REBEL CLASSIC

MHS junior varsity steals show

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

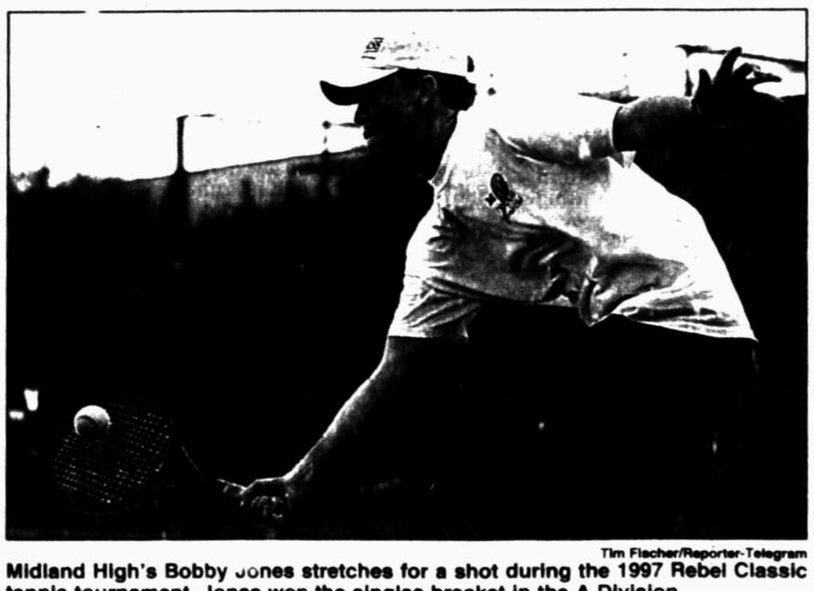
The 1997 Rebel Classic was supposed to be a tune-up for the area varsity teams for their respective district tennis tournaments this week. It instead turned into a showcase for the Midland High Bulldog junior varsity players.

Midland High's varsity, along with a few select JV players, were with coach Tom Heiting participating in an invitational in San Antonio. That didn't matter, however, as MHS showed its depth in capturing the A Division with 11 points to host Midland Lee's nine on Saturday at Lee High School.

The day was capped off with the A boys singles title going to MHS' Bobby Jones, who defeated Lee's Brian Breithaupt, 6-3, 6-2 in the finals. The Bulldog junior dominated the match from the get-go and afterwards said he felt confident going in the championship.

"I just felt motivated that I could win this tournament," said Jones, who had earlier avenged a loss to Andrews' John Armstrong in the semifinals. "My serve was on this weekend and that set the tone for this match."

The MHS junior varsity is no stranger to success as the past couple of years have shown.



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
Midland High's Bobby Jones stretches for a shot during the 1997 Rebel Classic tennis tournament. Jones won the singles bracket in the A Division.

"We've got a real strong JV team and that just compliments our varsity team," Jones said.

After dealing with the cold and the rain during the first day of competition on Friday, the wind and dust that swirled around the Lee campus provided another form of challenge for the

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Angels rally for 1st victory

Staff report

SAN ANTONIO — For the second night in a row Saturday, the Midland Angels experienced late inning dramatics, only this time they were the ones writing the script.

One night after blowing a one-run lead and losing their season opener to the San Antonio Missions, the Angels turned a two-run deficit in the top of the ninth into a victory, getting revenge and evening their record with a 5-3 victory in 10 innings.

Midland entered the ninth inning trailing 3-1 and had a runner on second when Freddie Diaz came to the plate with two outs to face reliever Joe LaGarde. Diaz gave the Angels their first dramatic moment of the year when he hit a home run which just cleared the wall in left-center field to tie the game and send it to the 10th inning.

In the 10th, Jason Herrick led off with a double, then scored on a base hit by Keith Luuloa which proved to be the winning run. Midland added an insurance run when Harkrider doubled, moving Luuloa to third, then Luuloa scored on a groundout by Frank Bolick.

Mike Freehill, who led the Angels with 17 saves last season but blew a save opportunity Friday night, retired all three batters he faced in the bottom of the 10th to preserve the win.

Freehill's effort capped a solid pitching night for the Angels. Starter Matt Perisho gave up a two-run homer to Garey Ingram in the third which gave San Antonio a 2-1 lead. The Missions added another run in the fourth, but got nothing else the rest of the game.

After Diaz tied the game in the ninth, the Missions put a runner on first in the bottom of the inning with two outs against Midland reliever Mike Bovee. Bob Gamez came in the game to face Alex Cora and got Cora to ground into a fielder's choice, which eventually earned Gamez the win.

Midland scored the game's first run in the first on a double by Danny Buxbaum.

The two teams meet again today at 2:05 p.m. The Angels will send Jarrod Washburn to the mound against San Antonio's Alvin Brown.

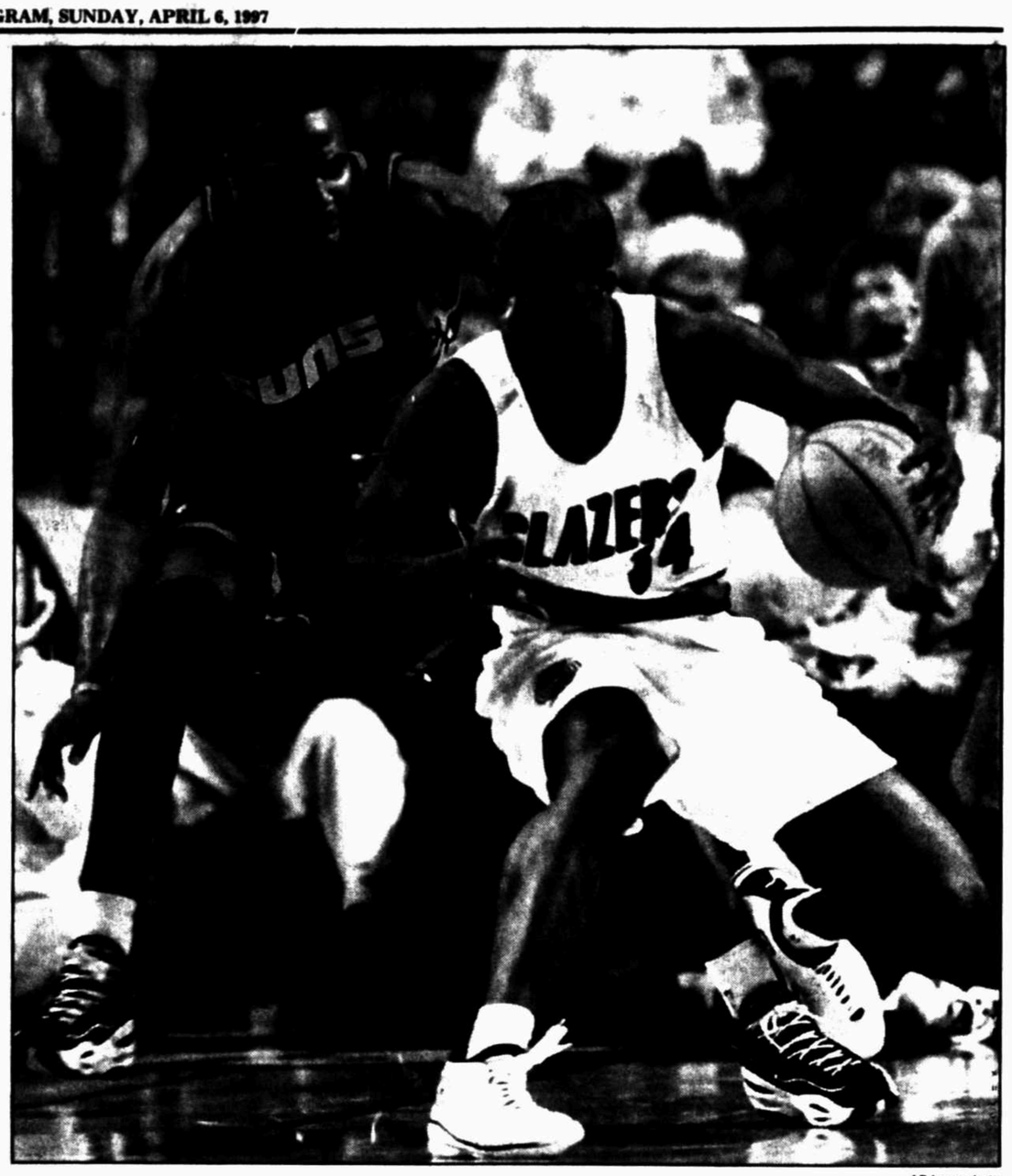
Angels 5, Missions 3, 10 inn.

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Dalton cf	4	0	1	0	Gibbs cf	4	0	0	0
Harkrider ss	3	2	1	0	Ingram 2b	5	1	1	2
Bolick dh	3	0	0	1	Romero rf	5	0	1	0
Buxbaum 1b	5	0	1	1	LoDuca c	4	0	1	0
Burke 3b	3	0	0	0	Durkin lf	4	0	0	0
Diaz 3b	1	1	1	2	Davis lf	0	0	0	0
Hemphill c	3	0	1	0	Richrdsn 3b	4	0	1	0
Young lf	4	0	1	0	Melendez 1b	3	1	2	0
Herrick rf	4	1	1	0	Johnson dh	4	0	2	1
Luuloa 2b	4	1	1	1	Cora ss	4	1	1	0
Perisho p	0	0	0	0	Roach p	0	0	0	0
Quirico p	0	0	0	0	Iglesias p	0	0	0	0
Bovee p	0	0	0	0	Lagarde p	0	0	0	0
Gamez p	0	0	0	0	Stone p	0	0	0	0
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E — Burke, Perisho. DP — Midland 1, San Antonio 2. LOB — Midland 5, San Antonio 6. 2B — Harkrider, Buxbaum, Herrick, LoDuca, Melendez. HR — Diaz (1), Ingram (1). SH — Dalton.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Midland						
Perisho	6.0	6	3	3	1	6
Quirico	1.0	1	0	0	0	2
Bovee	1.2	2	0	0	1	1
Gamez, W 1-0	0.1	0	0	0	0	0
Freehill, S 1	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
San Antonio						
Roach	6.0	4	1	1	3	4
Iglesias	2.0	0	0	0	0	3
Lagarde	1.0	1	2	2	2	0
Stone, L 0-1	1.0	3	2	2	0	1

T — 2:56. Attendance — 5,030.



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The Portland Trail Blazers' Isaiah Rider hounds Cedric Ceballos of the Phoenix Suns during the Suns' 99-90 win Saturday in Portland.

LOCAL SPORTS

MHS softballers rip Cooper

ABILENE — Midland High ended a four-game District 4-5A softball losing streak here Saturday with a sound 15-1 victory over Abilene Cooper.

MHS ripped 16 hits while limiting Cooper to just two hits. The Lady Bulldogs scored five runs in the second and five runs in the seventh. MHS also halted its first inning nightmare. The Lady Bulldogs had given up three or more runs in the first inning of their last four district games, but held Cooper scoreless in the first.

MHS coach Rich Wieligman used Alicia Kirk and Michelle Quintela on the mound. Kirk got the win. Cooper freshman Andi Ledbetter took the loss.

Kirk gave up a lone single to Sandra Worth and Quintela gave up a double to freshman April Cuffield.

MHS' Quintela had two hits and drove in three runs. Crystal Shelton and Jessica Moss had three hits each. Quintela and Amber Berry had doubles for MHS.

Midland High will end its softball season Tuesday with a 4:30 p.m. game against Odessa High at the Bill Williams Softball Complex.

Mustangs win 10th in a row

The Midland Christian Mustangs won their 10th game in a row saturday with a doubleheader sweep of Pantege Christian out of Fort Worth.

Midland Christian beat Pantego 4-3 in the first game as John Koss took the win for the Mustangs to go to 5-1 on the year. Seth Denson had two hit in the game for MC.

In the nightcap, the Mustangs, behind Densen's 3-for-3 hitting, ripped the No. 4 parochial private team in the Metroplex, 9-3. Densen also had a triple a four RBIs. Alex Awtry had two hits, Colby Lee had two hits, including a triple; and Koss added two hits. Lee picked up the win to go to 3-0 on the season.

Midland Christian (11-4) next plays at 5 p.m. Tuesday against Tahoka at Christensen Stadium.

Lee JV softball blanks AHS

The Midland Lee junior varsity softball team defeated Abilene High 3-0 Saturday as Amanda Walker went the distance to get the win with 15 strikeouts.

Nicole Pullen had two hits in the game and scored one of the three runs.

Padres lock up Gwynn through 2000 with relatively cheap deal

By Bernie Wilson
AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO — In an era of milestone contracts that have reached $61 million, Tony Gwynn is content to remain Mr. Padre for a mere $12.6 million.

Gwynn, arguably the best pure hitter of his time, signed a three-year contract extension Saturday that will keep him with the San Diego Padres through 2000, when he turns 40.

"The prospect of being out there, being 37 or 38 years old and a free agent, was not real appealing," Gwynn said at a news conference at Jack Murphy Stadium. "Not that I doubt my ability, it's just the uncertainty of it all. I don't know if I could have gotten through the whole season thinking about it. Anyone that knows me knows it's not about the money."

The left-hander, who's won seven NL batting titles in 14 seasons and is a lifetime .337 hitter, was in the final year of a two-year extension that included a Padres option for 1998. The Padres exercised that option and added two years. He'll earn $4 million in 1998 and $4.3 million in 1999 and 2000.

By next year, slugger Greg Vaughn will have surpassed Gwynn as the highest-paid Padres player at $5.25 million. Based on today's economics and the fact that's he's gotten better as he's gotten older, Gwynn could have gotten millions more if he'd tried the free agent market after 1998.

Florida's Gary Sheffield, a former teammate of Gwynn's, agreed last Wednesday to a landmark $61 million, six-year contract with the Florida Marlins. Sheffield's deal topped the $55 million, five-year contract Albert Belle signed with the Chicago White Sox last November.

Cal Ripken, the only player with longer tenure with one team that Gwynn, got a $15.1 million, two-year agreement with the Baltimore Orioles.

"You see a guy like Sheffield who signs for $10 million a year and you know you can't get that kind of money here in San Diego, a small-market team," Gwynn said. "But the trick was to get what I felt I deserved and still be able to stay here in San Diego."

Gwynn said his family wanted to stay in San Diego, and he wanted to play here until he turned 40, which will happen on May 9, 2000.

Gwynn could have demanded a trade back in 1993, when previous ownership stripped away every star but him in a salary purge that led to 171 losses in two seasons.

Payton takes up slack for Kemp in Sonics' blasting of Mavericks

Associated Press

■ NBA Roundup

SEATTLE — Troubled forward Shawn Kemp played a season-low seven minutes Saturday, but Gary Payton's 23 points helped the Seattle SuperSonics cruise to a 103-84 victory over the Dallas Mavericks.

Kemp did not start for the fourth straight game and was fined for not notifying the team before he missed Friday's practice. Kemp equaled a season low with three points.

His previous low was 21 minutes, Feb. 11 against the Denver Nuggets. He had two turnovers, one steal and was 1-for-2 from the field Saturday. He did not play in the second half.

Sonics coach George Karl said there are no pat answers in incorporating his five-time All-Star back into the starting lineup. Kemp has been below his rebounding and scoring average in 15 of the past 20 games. The Sonics are 13-7.

"I've related to Shawn (Kemp) my problems with his behavior," Karl said. "My basic feeling is I don't think you discipline people to punish your team."

"We needed someone in the first half and we didn't in the second half. My discipline has to be directed at Shawn."

After the game, Kemp t[illegible] assembled reporters he w[illegible] meet with the press on Monday Tuesday of next week to answe[illegible] the questions about his recent behavior.

Karl said he is relying some on the advice of some of his veterans on the best way to help Kemp recapture his power game.

"We're together as a family trying to get one of our best players back up to par."

The Sonics play their next four games away from home. Payton scored six of his points during a game-breaking 9-0 run as the Sonics handed Dallas its 10th straight loss.

Payton had back-to-back three-point plays and assisted on David Wingate's 3-point shot as the Sonics used their run for a 79-62 lead with 10:30 left.

"When Gary gets in a flow in a transition, he's impossible to stop," said Hersey Hawkins, who had 17 points and four steals.

The Sonics increased their Pacific Division lead to 1 1/2 games over the Los Angeles Lakers, who were idle Saturday.

The Mavs trailed only 70-59 after three quarters, then Sasha Danilovic's 3-point play made it 70-62 before Payton took charge.

Sam Perkins scored eight straight points against 7-foot-6 center Shawn Bradley on three straight possessions in the final period. He beat Bradley on consecutive drives to the basket, then stepped behind the line for a 3-point shot.

Te[illegible]ry Cummings' layup capped a 25-6 spurt for a 95-78 lead with 5:19 left in the game.

D[illegible]ilovic led the Mavs with 18 points. Bradley had 16 points and 10 rebounds for Dallas. Their losing streak is their longest since they dropped 11 in a row from March 7-25 last season.

Bradley said he enjoyed Kemp's absence.

"With Kemp we would have struggled even more," he said. "It would have been a different story out there."

The Mavs bolted to a 10-2 lead, but the Sonics recovered to take a 24-15 advantage en route to a 49-43 halftime lead.

Bradley had points 11 for the Mavs, matching Payton's first-half production. Cummings scored six as the Sonics' bench accounted for 20 first-half points.

Notes: Dallas has used a league-leading 26 different players this season. ... The Mavs are 6-21 since the nine-player trade on Feb. 17, when they acquired Bradley, Robert Pack, Khalid Reeves and Ed O'Bannon. ... Perkins equaled a season high with three blocked shots. ... Bradley had six of the Mavs' 18 turnovers.

Heat 98, Raptors 84

MIAMI — Tim Hardaway scored 11 of his 20 points in the third quarter as Miami broke open a game that was tied at the half and beat Toronto.

It was the Heat's 11th win in their last 12 games and their eighth straight at home.

Damon Stoudamire paced Toronto with 25 points. For Miami, Alonzo Mourning contributed 15 points and 10 rebounds, while Jamal Mashburn scored 16 and [illegible]J. Brown had 13 rebounds. Miami held a 47-31 advantage on the boards.

Hornets 115, 76ers 113

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The Hornets struggled in their new role as a playoff qualifier before Matt Geiger's tip-in at the buzzer gave them a victory over Philadelphia.

Geiger's basket helped the Hornets overcome a career-high 39-point game by Jerry Stackhouse and a 32-point, 10-rebound, seven-assist performance from Allen Iverson.

Glen Rice had 41 points to lead Charlotte in its first game since clinching a playoff spot. Geiger finished with 15 points and 13 rebounds and Vlade Divac had 12 points and 13 boards as the Hornets improved to 22 games over .500 for the first time in franchise history.

Knicks 102, Hawks 97

ATLANTA — John Starks made seven 3-pointers and scored 26 points as New York won a critical game in the Eastern Conference playoff race.

The Knicks, who suffered a dismal home loss to an injury-depleted Orlando team on Friday, handed Atlanta only its fifth loss of the season at the Omni and maintained their hold on the third seed in the East.

New York (53-22) leads Detroit (51-23) by 1 1/2 games and the Hawks (51-24) by two games with just two weeks left in the regular season.

Mookie Blaylock, who had five 3-pointers, led the Hawks with 32 points, and Steve Smith added 26.

Red Raiders sweep Missouri

Associated Press

■ College Baseball

COLUMBIA, Mo. — Joe Dillon had four home runs and Brandon Toro hit three as Texas Tech swept a double-header from Missouri by scores of 16-6 and 18-5 on Saturday.

Texas Tech (29-4) hit eight home runs in the first game, six in the second.

Dillon, Toro and Keith Ginter each homered twice in the first game as Texas Tech took advantage of a brisk wind blowing out to left-center. Ginter led off both games with a home run.

Texas Tech had 15 hits in the first game and 20 in the second, giving coach Larry Hays his 400th victory at the school.

The teams play the final game of the series on Sunday.

Texas A&M 19-5, Iowa State 4-4

COLLEGE STATION — Sean Heaney stole home in the bottom of the sixth inning Saturday, lifting Texas A&M to a 5-4 victory over Iowa State and a doubleheader sweep.

The Aggies (26-14, 9-8 Big 12) had four home runs and a season-high 22 hits in winning the opener 19-4.

In the nightcap, there were two outs in the sixth when Steve Leonard, the Aggies' runner on first, fell down to distract Iowa State pitcher Nathan Teut (1-3). The ploy worked, and Heaney raced home just ahead of the tag.

Matt Blank (5-2) went the distance for Texas A&M, striking out a career-high 16 batters while allowing five hits, only two after the first inning.

Jason Stephens went 4-for-5, including his fifth homer of the year, and Johnny Hunter had two homers in the first game. Also belting shots in the game were Rich Petru and Steven Truitt.

Ryan Rupe (6-2) got the victory for Texas A&M, while Ryan Seifert (3-4) suffered the loss.

Kansas 10-8, Baylor 9-7

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Chad King's double down the line in right brought home the winning run in the bottom of the 11th Saturday as Kansas beat Baylor 8-7 to complete a doubleheader sweep.

Les Walrond's three-run homer to left with two outs in the eighth gave the Jayhawks a 10-9 victory in the opener.

Baylor, helped by four Kansas errors, rallied to take a 9-6 lead in the first game after trailing 6-2. But Andy Juday's single and a walk set the stage for Walrond's game-winner, his sixth homer of the season.

Texas 12-2, Oklahoma St. 6-10

STILLWATER, Okla. — Rusty McNamara had four hits, including a homer, and drove in three runs Saturday night as Oklahoma State beat Texas 10-2 for a split of their Big 12 doubleheader.

In the first game, Brett Loeffler hit two home runs and Texas banged out 19 hits in a 12-6 victory.

Jon Adkins threw his first career complete game in the nightcap. Adkins (7-2) gave up six hits and struck out six.

The Cowboys (26-10, 11-6) scored four times in the fourth to take a 6-1 lead, then added two more runs in the fifth.

Tony Roossien and Tony Lucca had three hits apiece for Oklahoma State. Kip Harkrider had two hits for Texas (21-15, 5-9 Big 12).

Mark Cridland and David Johnson homered for Texas in the first game. Loeffler, Cridland and Brock Rumfield had three hits for the Longhorns, who used a seven-run fourth inning to take control of the game.

Fittipaldi injured in early crash

SURFERS PARADISE, Australia (AP) — Brazilian driver Christian Fittipaldi suffered undetermined injuries Sunday when involved in a spectacular crash with Gil de Ferran on the second lap of the Australian IndyCarnival Indy-car race.

Fittipaldi was trapped inside his car after the accident in which he appeared to be clipped from behind by de Ferran. Medical and emergency officials removed Fittipaldi from the car after about 10 minutes.

Fittipaldi, with an oxygen mask over his face, was conscious when taken by stretcher to the trackside hospital.

Parts of Fittipaldi's car flew around the track at the end of the straightaway at the start of the second lap, coming dangerously close to going over the wall and into the spectators.

Race announcers estimated Fittipaldi was traveling at about 150 mph when the accident occurred.

Michael Andretti, following behind the accident, had to dodge the chassis debris and also came close to being hit by bouncing tires.

Officials determined that because all cars did not complete the first lap, there would be a restart to the 65-lap race.

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BALTIMORE	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi
ByAdsn dh	5	1	2	McLmr 2b	4	0	0
Walton lf	4	1	1	IRdrgz c	5	0	1
RPmro 1b	3	1	1	Greer lf	3	1	0
EDavis rf	5	3	3	Palmer 3b	5	1	1
Trasco rf	0	0	0	LStvns 1b	4	1	2
CRipkn 3b	4	1	2	Simms ph	1	0	0
Hmnds cf	4	1	1	Tttleton dh	3	1	1
Wbster c	3	1	1	Dvraux rf	3	1	0
Rboulet 2b	5	0	2	Buford cf	3	0	0
Bordick ss	5	0	1	Gil ss	3	1	1
				DCdeno ph	1	1	1
Totals	38	9	14	Totals	35	7	7

Baltimore	500	010	003 — 9
Texas	004	001	002 — 7

E—CRipken (2), IRodriguez (1). GII (2). LOB—Baltimore 9, Texas 7. 2B—RPalmeiro (1), EDavis (2), Webster (1), Gil (1). HR—CRipken (2), LStevens (2), Tettleton (1). SB—Buford (1). SF—RPalmeiro, CRipken.

Baltimore	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boskie	4	4	4	4	2	5
Rhodes W,2-0	3	1	1	1	0	4
TeMathews	1 1-3	1	2	2	1	2
RaMyers S,3 2-3	1	0	0	2	0	
Texas						
DOliver L,0-1	4	7	6	6	4	1
Witt	1 1-3	3	0	0	0	1
Gunderson	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Patterson	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
XHernandez	3	4	3	3	1	2

DOliver pitched to 1 batter in the 5th. HBP—by Boskie (Tettleton).

BREWERS 5, BLUE JAYS 2

MILWAUKEE	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi
Vina 2b	5	1	2	Nixon cf	3	0	0
Cirillo 3b	4	2	2	CGrcia 2b	4	0	1
Nilsson 1b	4	1	1	Merced rf	4	0	2
DoJnes p	0	0	0	Carter dh	4	0	1
Jaha dh	4	0	1	Sprgue 3b	3	1	1
JaValtn ss	2	0	0	CDigdo 1b	4	0	1
Jwfield ph	1	0	1	OBrien c	2	1	1
Loretta ss	0	0	0	SGreen lf	4	0	1
GeWms lf	4	1	2	AGnzlz ss	4	0	1
Burnitz rf	3	0	0				
Carr cf	4	0	0				
Mtheny c	4	0	0				
Totals	35	5	9	Totals	32	2	8

Milwaukee	100	101	011 — 5
Toronto	020	000	000 — 2

DP—Milwaukee 1. LOB—Milwaukee 8, Toronto 7. 2B—Vina (3), Cirillo (2), GeWilliams (1), Sprague (2), OBrien (1). HR—GeWilliams (1). SB—Nilsson (1), Burnitz (1). CS—Nixon (1), SGreen (1).

Milwaukee	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
McAdw W,1-0	5	7	2	2	2	1
Miranda	3	1	0	0	0	2
DoJones S,1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Toronto						
WWilliams L,0-1	6	4	3	3	3	4
Person	1	2	1	1	2	0
Plesac	1	1	0	0	0	3
Quantrill	1	2	1	1	0	0

YANKEES 10, ATHLETICS 5

NEW YORK	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi
Jeter ss	6	2	4	Batista ss	4	2	1
Hayes 3b	4	2	2	Brosius 3b	4	0	0
BeWms cf	5	1	2	2	Cnseco rf	4	1
Fielder dh	4	1	0	1	Mc3wr 1b	3	0
TMrtnz 1b	4	0	1	1	Berroa dh	4	1
Whiten lf	3	1	0	0	Giambi lf	4	0
O'Neill rf	3	2	2	4	EnYng cf	3	0
Posada c	5	1	2	0	Stairs ph	1	0
PKelly 2b	2	0	0	0	Spiezio 2b	4	1
Strwbr ph	0	0	0	0	Molina c	3	0
Sojo 2b	1	0	0	1	GoWms ph	1	0
0							
Totals	37	10	13	10	Totals	35	5

New York	006	000	022 —10
Oakland	102	200	000 — 5

DP—New York 2, Oakland 1. LOB—New York 12, Oakland 5. 2B—Jeter (2), Hayes (1), O'Neill (2), McGwire (3), Giambi (1). HR—O'Neill (1), Canseco (1), Berroa (3), Spiezio (1). SB—Jeter (2), Batista (2), Berroa (1). SF—TMartinez, Sojo.

New York	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Gooden W,1-0	5	2-3	6	5	5	1
Lloyd	0	1	0	0	0	0
Boehringer	2	1	0	0	0	1
MRivera S,1	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	3
Oakland						
Mohler L,0-1	3	5	6	6	4	2
Wengert	3	2	0	0	2	1
Groom	1	1	0	0	1	1
RLewis	1-3	2	2	2	1	0
Brewer	1 2-3	3	2	2	1	1

TIGERS 15, WHITE SOX 12

DETROIT	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi
BLHntr cf	5	3	4	3	Phillips rf	4	1	1	0
Easley 2b	5	1	1	3	DaMtnz cf	6	2	3	0
Frymn 3b	6	1	2	1	FThms 1b	6	0	2	2
ToClrk 1b	6	3	4	2	Belle lf	4	1	0	0
Hggnsn lf	5	1	1	3	Baines dh	2	2	0	1
Nieves rf	5	2	3	0	Snopek 3b	4	2	3	3
Tramli dh	3	2	1	0	Drham 2b	4	1	1	1
BJhnsn c	5	1	1	1	Krkvce c	4	1	1	3
DCruz ss	5	1	2	1	Kreuter c	1	0	0	0
					OGuiln ss	4	2	1	2
Totals	45	15	19	14	Totals	39	12	12	

Detroit	400	410	510 —15
Chicago	030	700	200 —12

E—ToClark (1), FThomas (1), Snopek (2), Kreuter (1), TCastillo (1). DP—Detroit 1, Chicago 1. LOB—Detroit 7, Chicago 9. 2B—Nieves (3), DCruz 2 (2), FThomas (1), Snopek (1). 3B—Durham (2). HR—Easley (1), ToClark 2 (3), Higginson (2), Karkovice (2), OGuillen (1). SB—BLHunter 3 (3). CS—Easley (1).

Detroit	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Olivares	3 1-3	4	6	6	4	7
FHernandez	1-3	3	4	4	1	0
Blair W,1-1	2 1-3	1	0	0	2	2
Sager	2	3	2	2	1	0
ToJones S,1	1	1	0	0	0	1
Chicago						
Drabek	4	10	9	9	1	2
Bertotti	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
DDarwin	1 2-3	2	0	0	0	1
TCastillo L,1-1	1 1-3	6	6	5	1	1
Simas	1 2-3	0	0	0	2	2

TWINS 7, ROYALS 5

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi
Offrmn 2b	5	0	3	0	Knblch 2b	4	1	3	2
DHwrd pr	0	0	0	0	Lawton rf	4	1	1	0
TGdwin cf	5	0	0	0	Molitor dh	4	0	0	0
Roberts lf	4	2	2	1	MCdva lf	4	1	2	1
King 1b	3	1	1	1	Stnbch c	4	1	2	3
JBell ss	4	1	1	0	Clbrnn 1b	3	0	1	0
Vitiello dh	3	0	1	1	Brede 1b	1	0	0	0
Dye rf	4	0	0	0	Coomer 3b	3	0	0	0
TQuette 3b	4	0	1	1	Hcking 3b	0	0	0	0
Spehr c	2	1	1	1	Becker cf	4	1	3	1
Cooper ph	1	0	0	0	Meares ss	3	2	0	0
MiSwy c	1	0	0	0					
Totals	36	5	9	5	Totals	34	7	12	7

Kansas City	001	310	000 — 5
Minnesota	004	120	00x — 7

E—Colbrunn (1). DP—Kansas City 2. LOB—Kansas City 6, Minnesota 5. 2B—Offerman (1), King (1), MCordova (2), Colbrunn (1). 3B—Offerman (1). HR—Roberts (1), Spehr (1). SB—Becker (1), Meares (1).

Kansas City	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Haney L,0-1	4 2-3	10	7	7	1	3
RVeres	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	3
Jacome	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Bevil	1	1	0	0	0	1
Minnesota						
Robertson W,1-0	5	7	5	4	1	2
Naulty	1	0	0	0	1	1
Guardado	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Trombley	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Aguilera S,2	1	1	0	0	0	1

NL Boxes

ASTROS 6, CARDINALS 2

ST. LOUIS	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi
DeShld 2b	2	1	1	Biggio 2b	4	1	1	0
DaBell 2b	2	0	0	0	JMouton lf	4	2	2	1
Gant lf	4	0	0	0	Bgwell 1b	4	1	1	1
Btchlor p	0	0	0	0	DeBell cf	3	0	0	0
Clayton ss	4	0	2	0	Berry 3b	3	0	1	0
BJordn cf	4	0	1	0	Spiers 3b	0	2	0	0
DYng 1b	4	0	1	0	Abreu rf	4	0	1	1
Gaetti 3b	3	1	0	0	Esebio c	4	0	1	2
Difelice c	2	0	0	0	Listach ss	4	0	0	0
Mabry ph	1	0	0	0	SFrndz p	1	0	0	0
RMejia rf	4	0	1	1	RMtgm ph	1	0	0	0
Osborne p	2	0	0	0	RGrcia p	1	0	0	0
MkSwy rf	2	0	1	0					
Totals	34	2	7	2	Totals	33	6	7	5

St. Louis	110	000	000 — 2
Houston	100	211	01x — 6

E—DaBell (1), Batchelor (1), Gaetti (2). LOB—St. Louis 7, Houston 5. 2B—RMejia (1), Berry (1). 3B—Biggio (1). HR—DeShields (1), JMouton (1). SB—Clayton (2), DYoung (1), Gaetti (1). CS—DeBell (1).

St. Louis	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Osborne L,0-1	6	7	5	4	0	6
Batchelor	2	0	1	0	2	1
Houston						
SFrndz W,1-0	5	4	2	2	2	3
RGarcia S,1	4	3	0	0	0	5

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Baltimore	4	0	1.000	—	z-3-0	W-3	2-0	2-0	0-0
Boston	2	1	.667	1	z-2-1	W-1	0-0	2-1	0-0
New York	2	2	.500	1 1/2	2-2	W-1	0-0	2-2	0-0
Toronto	2	2	.500	1 1/2	2-2	L-1	2-2	0-0	0-0
Detroit	2	3	.400	2	2-3	W-2	0-0	2-3	0-0

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Minnesota	4	1	.800	—	z-4-1	W-1	4-1	0-0	0-0
Cleveland	1	2	.333	2	z-1-2	L-2	0-0	1-2	0-0
Milwaukee	1	2	.333	2	1-2	W-1	0-0	1-2	0-0
Chicago	1	3	.250	2 1/2	z-1-3	L-3	0-2	1-1	0-0
Kansas City	1	3	.250	2 1/2	1-3	L-1	0-0	1-3	0-0

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Anaheim	2	1	.667	—	2-1	W-2	2-1	0-0	0-0
Oakland	2	2	.500	1/2	2-2	L-1	2-2	0-0	0-0
Texas	1	2	.333	1/2	z-1-1	L-1	1-2	0-0	0-0
Seattle	1	2	.333	1	z-1-2	L-2	1-2	0-0	0-0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Florida	4	1	.800	—	z-4-1	W-1	4-1	0-0	0-0
Montreal	3	2	.600	1	z-3-2	L-2	3-2	0-0	0-0
Atlanta	2	2	.500	1 1/2	2-2	W-2	1-0	1-2	0-0
Philadelphia	1	3	.250	2 1/2	z-1-3	L-3	0-0	1-3	0-0
New York	1	4	.200	3	1-4	L-2	0-0	1-4	0-0

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Houston	4	1	.800	—	z-4-1	W-2	4-1	0-0	0-0
Cincinnati	3	2	.600	1	z-3-2	L-1	2-1	1-1	0-0
Pittsburgh	1	2	.333	2	z-1-2	L-2	0-0	1-2	0-0
Chicago	0	4	.000	3 1/2	0-4	L-4	0-0	0-4	0-0
St. Louis	0	5	.000	4	0-5	L-5	0-0	0-5	0-0

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Los Angeles	3	1	.750	—	3-1	W-3	3-1	0-0	0-0
San Diego	3	1	.750	—	z-3-1	W-1	3-1	0-0	0-0
San Francisco	3	1	.750	—	3-1	W-3	3-1	0-0	0-0
Colorado	3	2	.600	1/2	3-2	W-3	0-0	3-2	0-0

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Saturday's Games

Late Games Not Included

Milwaukee 5, Toronto 2
Detroit 15, Chicago White Sox 12
N.Y. Yankees 10, Oakland 5
Minnesota 7, Kansas City 5
Baltimore 9, Texas 7
Boston at Seattle, (n)
Cleveland at Anaheim, (n)

Sunday's Games

Milwaukee (McDonald 0-1) at Toronto (Hentgen 0-0), 12:05 p.m.
Detroit (Brocail 0-0) at Chicago White Sox (Navarro 0-0), 1:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Rusch 0-0) at Minnesota (Radke 0-0), 1:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Mussina 0-0) at Texas (Pavlik 0-0), 2:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Cone 0-1) at Oakland (Telgheder 0-0), 3:05 p.m.
Boston (Wasdin 0-0) at Seattle (Fassero 1-0), 3:35 p.m.
Cleveland (J.McDowell 0-0) at Anaheim (Gubicza 0-0), 7:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Saturday's Games

Late Games Not Included

Colorado 15, Montreal 3
San Francisco 2, N.Y. Mets 0
Florida 4, Cincinnati 3, 11 innings
Chicago Cubs at Atlanta, (n)
Houston 6, St. Louis 2
Pittsburgh at Los Angeles, (n)
Philadelphia at San Diego, (n)

Sunday's Games

Chicago Cubs (Mulholland 0-1) at Atlanta (Maddux 0-1), 12:10 p.m.
Colorado (Ritz 0-1) at Montreal (Bullinger 0-0), 12:35 p.m.
Cincinnati (Smiley 1-0) at Florida (Brown 1-0), 12:35 p.m.
St. Louis (Stottlemyre 0-0) at Houston (Reynolds 1-0), 1:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Schmidt 0-0) at Los Angeles (R.Martinez 0-1), 3:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Schilling 1-0) at San Diego (J.Hamilton 1-0), 3:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Harnisch 0-1) at San Francisco (Gardner 0-0), 3:05 p.m.

ROCKIES 15, EXPOS 3

COLORADO	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi
EcYng 2b	5	1	1	1	Grdzln ss	3	0	1	0
Burks cf	5	1	1	2	Stnkwc ss	2	0	1	0
Coles lf	1	0	0	0	Lnsing 2b	4	0	0	0
LWalkr rf	5	3	4	5	Obando rf	0	0	0	0
Vn Wal rf	1	0	0	0	RWhite cf	4	1	2	0
GIrrga 1b	3	2	1	1	HRdrgz lf	4	0	1	0
Bchette lf	3	1	1	3	Segui 1b	4	1	2	1
McCkn cf	1	0	0	0	Fltcher c	4	0	2	1
Castilla 3b	3	2	2	1	Orsulak rf	2	0	0	0
JaReed c	5	2	2	0	DYeres p	0	0	0	0
Bates ss	4	1	1	0	Widger ph	1	0	0	0
RBaily p	5	2	2	2	Urbina p	0	0	0	0
McCrry p	0	0	0	0	Andrws 3b	3	1	1	1
					Strange 3b	1	0	0	0
0									
					Crmier p	0	0	0	0
					Telford p	1	0	0	0
					Daal p	1	0	0	0
					Sntnglo rf	2	0	0	0
Totals	41	15	15	15	Totals	36	3	10	3

Colorado	060	201	600 —15
Montreal	000	010	020 — 3

E—Andrews (1). DP—Colorado 1, Montreal 1. LOB—Colorado 6, Montreal 7. 2B—Bates (1), RBailey (1), HRodriguez (3), Segui 2 (2). HR—Burks (2), LWalker 3 (6), Galarraga (2), Bichette (1), Castilla (2), Andrews (2). SB—EcYoung (2), LWalker (2).

Colorado	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
RBailey W,1-0	8	10	3	3	1	3
McCurry	1	0	0	0	0	1
Montreal						
Cormier L,0-1	1 1-3	4	5	5	1	0
Telford	2	2-3	4	3	3	2	1
Daal	2	2-3	4	5	5	2	1
DVeres	1 1-3	3	2	2	1	2
Urbina	1	0	0	0	0	2

GIANTS 2, METS 0

NEW YORK	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi
LJhnsn cf	4	0	1	0	DHmtn cf	4	0	0	0
Olerud 1b	4	0	0	0	Vzcaino ss	4	0	2	0
Gilkey lf	3	0	0	0	Bonds lf	1	0	0	0
Hndley c	4	0	0	0	Kent 2b	3	0	0	0
Alfonzo 3b	3	0	0	0	Javier rf	3	0	0	0
Baerga 2b	3	0	1	0	Snow 1b	3	1	1	0
Ochoa rf	3	0	0	0	Mueller 3b	3	0	0	0
Ordnez ss	3	0	1	0	Brryhil c	3	1	2	0
RReed p	2	0	0	0	VnLndn p	2	0	0	0
Everett ph	1	0	0	0	Roa p	0	0	0	0
Manuel p	0	0	0	0	RWlkns ph	1	0	1	2
					Poole p	0	0	0	0
					Beck p	0	0	0	0
Totals	30	0	3	0	Totals	27	2	6	2

New York	000	000	000 — 0
San Francisco	000	000	02x — 2

E—Manuel (1). DP—New York 3. LOB—New York 4, San Francisco 3. 2B—RWilkins (1). SB—LJohnson (3), Gilkey (2). CS—Vizcaino (1).

New York	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
RReed	7	3	0	0	2	5
Manuel L,0-1	1	3	2	2	0	1
San Francisco						
VnLandinghm	7	2	0	0	1	5
Roa W,1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Poole	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Beck S,3	2-3	0	0	0	0	1

MARLINS 4, REDS 3

CINCINNATI	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi
DSndrs cf	5	0	2	0	LCstillo 2b	5	1	0	0
WGme 3b	4	0	0	0	Rnteria ss	6	1	3	2
Larkin ss	5	0	1	0	Shffield rf	5	0	1	0
RSndrs rf	5	0	0	0	Bonilla 3b	4	0	1	0
Sierra lf	5	0	0	0	Alou lf	5	1	1	0
HMons 1b	4	1	1	0	DWhite cf	3	1	1	0
Boone 2b	3	1	1	0	Conine 1b	3	0	1	0
Frdyce c	3	1	1	2	Zaun c	4	0	2	2
Morgan p	1	0	0	0	Snders p	3	0	0	0
Rmingr p	0	0	0	0	Powell p	0	0	0	0
EduPrz ph	1	0	1	1	Esnrich ph	0	0	0	0
Owens pr	0	0	0	0	Cook p	0	0	0	0
Belinda p	0	0	0	0	Floyd ph	1	0	0	0
Shaw p	0	0	0	0	Nen p	0	0	0	0
Tmmns ph	1	0	0	0					
Jarvis p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	37	3	7	3	Totals	39	4	10	4

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Florida	020	000	001	01 — 4

No outs when winning run scored

E—WGreene (2), Fordyce (1). LOB—Cincinnati 5, Florida 13. 2B—Fordyce (1), Sheffield (2). HR—Renteria (1). SB—DSanders (4), Larkin (3), Owens (1), LCastillo (3), Sheffield (2). CS—Renteria (1). S—Morgan. SF—Fordyce.

Cincinnati	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Morgan	5 2-3	7	2	2	3	5
Remlinger	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Belinda	2	1	0	0	0	2
Shaw	1	1	1	1	0	2
Jarvis L,0-1	1	1	1	0	1	0
Florida						
Saunders	6 2-3	4	3	3	2	3
Powell	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	1
Cook	2	0	0	0	0	3
Nen W,1-0	1	1	0	0	0	2

RED SOX 10, MARINERS 5

BOSTON	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi
Grcprr ss	5	1	4	0	Cora 2b	4	0	1	0
JhValtn 2b	5	1	3	1	Espnza ph	1	0	1	0
MVghn 1b	2	2	0	0	ARdrgz ss	5	1	1	0
Stanley dh	5	1	1	2	Grfy Jr cf	3	2	1	1
Nhring 3b	5	1	1	3	EMrtnz dh	4	1	2	3
OLry rf	4	0	1	0	Buhner rf	2	0	0	0
Cndero lf	4	1	2	1	Srranto 1b	3	0	0	0
Hslman c	4	1	1	0	Blwers 1b	1	0	0	0
Bragg cf	4	2	2	3	DaWlsn c	2	1	1	0
					RDavis 3b	3	0	0	0
					Tinsley lf	4	0	0	0
Totals	38	10	15	10	Totals	32	5	7	4

Boston	400	300	003 —10
Seattle	100	031	000 — 5

E—Garciaparra (1), ARodriguez (1). DP—Boston 1, Seattle 2. LOB—Boston 4, Seattle 3. 2B—Garciaparra (1), EMartinez (1). HRs—Stanley (1), Naehring (2), Cordero (1), Bragg 2 (2), Griffey Jr (3), EMartinez (1). SB—DaWilson (1). CS—O'Leary (1).

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Sele W,1-0	5	4	4	4	5	2
Mahomes	1 1-3	2	1	0	2	0
BHenry S,1	2 2-3	1	0	0	0	5
Seattle						
Wolcott L,0-1	3	7	7	7	2	2
Hurtado	3	5	0	0	0	0
McCarthy	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Manzanillo	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Ayala	1	3	3	3	1	0

ATHLETICS 4, YANKEES 2

NEW YORK	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi
Jeter ss	4	1	3	0	Batista ss	3	1	1	0
Boggs 3b	3	0	1	1	Brosius 3b	5	0	1	0
BeWms cf	5	0	0	0	Cnseco rf	5	0	0	0
TMrtnz 1b	3	1	2	0	McGwr 1b	2	0	0	0
Fielder dh	4	0	0	0	Berroa dh	3	1	3	1
O'Neill rf	4	0	2	0	Giambi lf	3	1	1	2
Strwbr lf	3	0	0	0	Mshore lf	0	0	0	0
Duncan 2b	4	0	3	1	EnYng cf	4	0	1	0
PKelly 2b	0	0	0	0	Spiezio 2b	4	1	1	0
Posada c	4	0	0	0	Molina c	4	0	1	1
Totals	34	2	11	2	Totals	33	4	9	4

New York	000	100	100 — 2
Oakland	100	000	03x — 4

DP—Oakland 3. LOB—New York 10, Oakland 11. 2B—Jeter (1), O'Neill (1), Duncan (2), Batista (1), Berroa (2), Spiezio (3). 3B—Jeter (1). HR—Giambi (1). SB—Jeter (1), Batista (1), Brosius (1). SF—Boggs.

New York	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
DWells	7	6	1	1	3	8
Weathers L,0-1	1-3	2	3	3	1	1
Nelson	2-3	1	0	0	1	0
Oakland						
Karsay	7	1-3	1	0	2	2	1
Brewer	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Acre W,1-0	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Taylor S,2	1	0	0	0	1	1

Late Boxes

PADRES 13, PHILLIES 3

PHILA	ab	r	hbi		ab	r	hbi
Mrndni 2b	5	0	1	0	Hndrsn cf	3	2	1

Martin takes Speedway's inaugural run

By Mike Harris
AP Motorsports Writer

FORT WORTH — It seems appropriate that the first race winner at Texas Motor Speedway is Mark Martin. After all, he's been winning just about everywhere else.

Martin squeezed past Jimmy Spencer 13 laps from the end and pulled away for an easy victory Saturday in the inaugural Coca-Cola 300 Busch Grand National race.

It was the fourth victory in six BGN starts this season for Martin, a regular on NASCAR's Winston Cup circuit. The win was also the 30th of Martin's career, moving him within one of BGN record holder Jack Ingram.

"There's a lot of competition here and these things are tough to win," said Martin, who has gone more than a year since the last of his 18 Winston Cup wins. "Just because we win a lot of Busch races doesn't mean it's easy.

"We were just fortunate to get by Jimmy," added Martin, who started 20th in the 42-car field. "He made a great call (on his last pit stop) putting on two tires and he just kept holding on and holding on, and he finally just slipped."



AP Laserphoto
Mark Martin celebrates after winning the Coca-Cola 300 Saturday at Texas Motor Speedway.

Martin followed Spencer, who started 24th, past leader Mike McLaughlin on the 161st of 200 laps around the 1 1/2-mile. The two Fords then stayed close together until lap 188, when Martin suddenly gunned his car to the low side of the back straightaway and zoomed past Spencer as the two sped into turn three.

"We made him work for it and finally he got a little slick off turn two and we got under him," Martin said.

Then he pulled away steadily, beating Spencer to the finish line by 1.57-seconds — about 20 car-lengths. Martin, who averaged 122.407 mph, earned $61,450.

Jeff Burton was third, followed by series points leader Todd Bodine and McLaughlin. Defending series champion Randy LaJoie — winner of two of the eight BGN races this season — finished ninth.

"Mark was just a little bit better," said Spencer, also a Winston Cup regular, said, "His car wasn't as tight as mine coming off the corners.

"I saw him back there waiting. He knew once he got heat in his tires, after 15 or 20 laps, he knew he was going to be better. I knew it, too."

Despite fears that the fast, tight track might produce some bad crashes, there were only eight caution flags and no serious injuries.


AP Laserphoto
Free House, left, ridden by Kent Desormeaux, crosses the finish line first to win the $750,000 Santa Anita Derby, followed by Silver Charm, right, ridden by Gary Stevens.

Qualifying canceled in favor of practice

FORT WORTH (AP) — Only six races into the Winston Cup season, the series standings took on added importance when NASCAR canceled qualifying for Sunday's Interstate Batteries 500.

Because of three inches of rain since the beginning of the week, added to an already saturated water table, water boiled up in several places on the new 1 1/2-mile Texas Motor Speedway oval Saturday, delaying the morning schedule and prompting the stock car sanctioning body to make its decision.

Instead of the time trials, which already had been postponed by rain both Thursday and Friday, NASCAR chose to give the Winston Cup teams an extended practice session once the track was opened.

"We tried to make an effort to get qualifying in," NASCAR spokesman Kevin Triplett said. "Today is race day for the Busch Series and that is our priority. There wasn't enough time to practice and qualify the Winston Cup cars and still start the Coca-Cola 300 on time.

"Our next concern was giving the Winston Cup teams ample time to practice for tomorrow's event. Since this is a new track, track time is at a premium and we want to give the teams as much practice time as possible."

Reverting to the rule book, the 43-car field was determined by car-owner points for the first 35 positions and postmarks on entry blanks for the other eight.

The decision cost nine drivers, including series regulars Robert Pressley, Gary Bradberry and rookie of the year candidate David Green, a chance to make the $3.8 million race — third richest on the 32-race circuit.

But most of the entries in this important new Winston Cup event were delighted by the change, which added time on the track to the usual "Happy Hour" practice scheduled to follow the Busch Series race.

Dale Jarrett, the series points leader and winner of the last two races, will start his Ford from the pole, alongside the Chevrolet of former series champion Jeff Gordon.

"It's going to be competitive now," Jarrett said. "A lot of people are going to have an opportunity to work on a race-type setup, to get their car dialed in. Whenever you can do that, it makes for a great race."

Morgan Shepherd, whose Pontiac will start 19th, said, "I think the way they lined the cars up is good. What they did was smart. I feel sorry for the guys who didn't make it, but this is best for the competitors and fans."

Ward Burton, starting 12th in a Grand Prix, said, "It is more important to get time on the track than to spend all morning practicing to qualify."

The practice session was stopped about 30 minutes short of its intended length when pieces of the new asphalt in turn one began coming up. But the surface was repaired in time to get the Busch Series race started on time.

"Following the 80 minutes of practice, most of the drivers appeared to be happy with what they had accomplished," said Ricky Rudd, whose Ford, which will start eighth, has been fast since the track opened Thursday.

"It's racey, I think. We're disappointed we didn't get to qualify because we felt like we had a good opportunity to win a pole. But NASCAR probably made the right decision getting everybody on race setup early. Everybody needed the time."

Jarrett was happy, too, saying, "Our chances are good. We've got the same race car we've won the last two with. I like our chances. It's the type of race track we've done well at. A lot of people have good chances, but I like ours."

Most of the drivers have noted that the tight configuration and fast track, which includes doglegs at each end of the front straightaway, will make it difficult to pass safely, particularly in the first and fourth turns.

"Hopefully, we can work the (racing) groove up a little," said Gordon, who won the first two races of the year. "The biggest problem is the arch we're taking into the corners. You run out of room when you get to the exit. If you could drive straighter in there ... and drive straighter off, it would be a whole lot better. The track is so fast, you can't do that right now. But I think the more we run will help."

Seven-time series champion Dale Earnhardt, whose Chevy will start 15th, said, "I wish we could have worked in a higher (racing) groove in practice. The groove has gotten wider, but there's still only one.

"Pit stops are going to be important Sunday because it's going to be easier to pass in the pits than on the track," he added.

A near-capacity crowd of about 200,000 is expected for the first Winston Cup race in Texas since 1981 at Texas World Speedway in College Station. That would be the second biggest crowd in NASCAR history, trailing only the estimated 320,000 who show annually for the Brickyard 400 at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

Free House takes Santa Anita Derby

Associated Press

■ Horse Racing

ARCADIA, Calif. — Free House, the son of a $500 stallion, won the Santa Anita Derby on Saturday and spoiled the day for the $1 million filly from D. Wayne Lukas' stable.

The filly Sharp Cat joined many of Lukas' colts in falling by the wayside on the Kentucky Derby trail, fading to sixth in a field of 10 after leading much of the way. In the last two weeks, Lukas' stable of 3-year-olds is 0-for-18, and his horses haven't won a single serious Derby prep.

Free House, meanwhile, became the 13th California-bred to win the $750,000 Santa Anita Derby, stalking the early pace, then overtaking the leaders and holding off Silver Charm by a head.

"I'm so proud of that gray galoot today," co-owner Trudy McCaffery said.

Silver Charm, ridden by Gary Stevens, broke on top, but with just an eighth of a mile gone in the 1 1/8 miles, Sharp Cat had the lead. She'd won four in a row and had beaten most of the good fillies out West, but she'd never run against colts.

Ridden by Corey Nakatani, Sharp Cat was trying to become the first filly to win the Santa Anita Derby since Winning Colors in 1988. Like Sharp Cat, Winning Colors was trained by D. Wayne Lukas. But now the chances of Sharp Cat even making the trip to the Kentucky Derby on May 3 did not look good.

Atticus wins big purse

HOT SPRINGS, Ark. — Atticus, who inherited jockey Shane Sellers when the rider's original mount was scratched, ran to a three-length victory Saturday in the $750,000 Oaklawn Handicap at Oaklawn Park.

Sellers was to have ridden Skip Away in the race, but then got Atticus as a replacement and made the most of it.

Isitingood, who had won four straight, was second. Tejano Run, the 7-5 favorite in the field of eight older horses, was another two lengths back.

Atticus covered 1 1/8 miles in 1:48 1-5 and returned $10, $5 and $3. Isitingood paid $3.80 and $2.60. Tejano Run returned $2.20.

Also at Oaklawn Park on Saturday, Diablo Won remained unbeaten in three races with a one-length victory over Dusting Pass in the $60,000 Bachelor Stakes.

Diablo Won, unraced as a 2-year-old, won his first two starts this year by a combined eight lengths despite racing greenly. Trainer Jim Gaston added blinkers for the Bachelor.

Glitter Woman glides to victory

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Glitter Woman scored her fourth straight victory Saturday, coasting to an impressive 6 1/2-length victory in the $543,750 Ashland Stakes at Keeneland.

Glitter Woman, the 1-5 favorite ridden by Mike Smith, took the lead on the far turn and wasn't challenged in pulling away from five other 3-year-old fillies. The daughter of Glitterman covered 1 1-16 miles in 1:43 4-5.

Anklet, breaking from the No. 1 post position, led the first quarter-mile before relinquishing the lead to Glitter Woman on the outside. Anklet, under Willie Martinez, held position to finish second while Storm Song was another two lengths back in third.

Southern Playgirl ran fourth, followed by Glory in Motion and Private Pursuit.

CART looks to expand in Germany, Britain

SURFERS PARADISE, Australia (AP) — The CART PPG Cup World Series expects to expand to 20 races by 2000, with Germany and Britain possible additions, says Andrew Craig, president of the IndyCar circuit.

The circuit, with 17 races this year, including the Australian IndyCarnival, will go to 18 in 1998 with the addition of Motigi, a 1 1/2-mile oval about 90 minutes north of Tokyo. It will probably be held on either side of the Australian race, but exact dates have not been decided.

"I've had some discussions in Germany and with people in the United Kingdom," Craig said of possible new events. "We'd certainly like to get up to 20 within three years."

CART's contract with the Gold Coast race expires in 2000, but Craig said he hopes the event in Australia continues "for many years to come."

The Australian IndyCarnival is the only CART race outside of North America held on a street course, and it will remain that way. CART and Formula One have a gentlemen's agreement that any overseas CART expansion will be on ovals only, and not on Formula One-traditional street or road circuits.

LOOKING FOR A RIDE: Veteran Brazilian driver Roberto Moreno is negotiating to drive for another IndyCar team after being dropped by Payton-Coyne Racing.

Rookie American driver Paul Jasper came in as a late replacement for Moreno at the Australian IndyCarnival. Moreno, a former Formula One driver, withdrew on lap 62 at Miami after handling problems.

Owner Dale Coyne said Moreno, who was set to drive his second full season with the team, could not get the sponsorship backing to allow him to continue in the series.

Moreno said Sunday that he hopes to conclude negotiations with one of the existing teams that could have him driving again by the Bosch Grand Prix on April 27 at Nazareth, Pa.

SKY'S THE LIMIT: As owner of his two-car racing team, driver Bobby Rahal knows how expensive it is to run an outfit on the CART circuit. The 44-year-old Rahal estimates his team will spend about $8 million this season.

"There are no limits to the amounts you can spend in IndyCar racing," said Rahal. "But because the technology is limited by the rules, there's a limit you get to with your spending that if you spend beyond that, you're throwing good money after bad."

"In Formula One, if you've got the money, you can create the technology."

Scelzi, Etchells, lead qualifying

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. — Gary Scelzi, Chuck Etchells, Scott Geoffrion and Matt Hines were the leaders after Saturday's second day of qualifying for the Winston Invitational at Rockingham Dragway.

Eliminations were scheduled Sunday for the event, which features the stars of the NHRA Winston Drag Racing Series. Pro drivers are competing for a cash purse of $632,700, which includes a payout of $100,000 to the top fuel and funny car winners, $50,000 to the pro stock champion and $10,000 to the victor in pro stock motorcycle.

Scelzi, Etchells and Geoffrion earned $10,000 bonuses for leading the qualifying.

Bomb scare causes Grand National to be postponed

LIVERPOOL, England (AP) — The Grand National steeplechase was postponed Saturday when police evacuated the race course and carried out controlled explosions, wrecking one of the world's most colorful sports events.

After receiving two coded warnings, Merseyside police started the evacuation of the Aintree course only a half hour before the prestigious race was to be held before a crowd of 60,000 and a worldwide TV audience of 400 million.

Princess Anne and movie star Gregory Peck, who was celebrating his 81st birthday, were among celebrities quickly ushered away from the course to safety.

Clerk of the course Charlie Barnett announced live on BBC that the day's racing had been abandoned and, 40 minutes later with the stands empty, police carried out controlled explosions of suspicious packages found in the stands.

They said the evacuation was orderly and no one was injured.

RACING: Sun shines on speedway

(From 1C)

qualified under the lights."

That didn't happen. Nor did jet driers used to soak up water from the 1.5-mile oval Friday salvage the grass fields, which weren't paved because of record rainfall earlier this year.

So, late Friday, speedway officials set up five satellite parking lots — one of them 20 miles away — for Saturday's Busch Grand National series Coca-Cola 300, which ended up as a victory for Mark Martin.

All the last-minute changes did was make an even bigger nightmare out of a traffic situation already limited by the number of roads leading into the speedway.

At 6:30 a.m., cars were back up a half-mile on two of the three roads. The backup stretched to a full mile within an hour. By noon, drivers needed more than two hours to cover the final three miles into the track.

The congestion was so bad that several shuttles got stuck in traffic, prompting officials to make special provisions for the buses.

"This was a worst-case scenario," Fort Worth mayor Kenneth Barr said.

Track general manager Eddie Gossage said the two farthest lots would be closed Sunday and another 30 buses would be added. Plus, Saturday's sunshine and winds salvaged enough grass for 10,000 more cars to park near the track.

That good news comes with a catch: there will be about 200,000 people for Sunday's race, nearly double Saturday's crowd.

"We're going to have more people tomorrow, but we'll also have more space," Gossage said.

Barr added, "By concentrating the buses on those three sites, our cycle times will be better and we'll run faster."

Well-to-do fans had a better way to beat the traffic. They went over it.

More than 250 personal and corporate helicopters parked four miles away at Alliance Airport. From there, two helicopters carrying a total of 10 people ferried folks to and from track for $50 roundtrip.

Flights began at 6 a.m. and lasted up to the 1 p.m. start time. All trips sold out Saturday and Sunday.

Several thousand others, like Gregory, beat Saturday's crowds by arriving earlier in the week and hunkering down in the infield.

RV spots cost $800 along the crash wall and $350 elsewhere, plus $50 per person for the weekend. The RV prices also covers a June 5-6 truck race and Indy Racing League event.

License plates from nearly all 50 states and several Canadian provinces were spotted, but Texas plates dominated the scene.

Gregory's RV was parked against the road that bisects the infield with a perfect view of Turn 4, which many drivers have criticized as being too narrow.

Gregory was in the stands above the turn Thursday when Ricky Craven had a serious wreck coming out of 4. Gregory said he fears more problems in that area and in the section coming out of Turn 3.

"It's too tight," he said.

Otherwise, Gregory was impressed, and he and his pals will be back for the June events.

"We wouldn't miss it," he said.

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By Ron Sirak
AP Golf Writer

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Morgan closes in on Tradition win

By Mel Reisner
AP Sports Writer

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Three straight days of posting the best scores at the Tradition have Gil Morgan in an unflappable mood.

Not even seeing a challenger receive a bizarre break unnerved him on Saturday, when he shot a 5-under-par 67 to open a five-stroke lead.

Terry Dill, who escaped a penalty despite hitting his tee shot into a swimming pool off the 15th fairway, said Morgan was jovial on the green.

"He said, 'I know I'm trying to beat you, but I want you to make this putt, because it would be the greatest birdie in the history of golf,'" Dill said.

Morgan took aim on his first major title with a total of 17-under 199 — a tournament record and the lowest 54-hole total on the senior tour this year.

"I haven't made very many mistakes, really, and the ones that I've made I've been able to recover from," allowed Morgan, who has won seven times during his career on the regular tour and once in five senior events last year.

Both Isao Aoki, second here in 1995, and John Jacobs carded 70s to stay in range.

Dill was fourth at 205 after a wild 71 which included two eagles, a birdie, four bogeys and a par-5 on No. 15, where he drove into the pool of one of the Desert Mountain community's luxury homes.

The 546-yard hole has no out-of-bounds rule, so Dill's case was ruled an unplayable lie. Allowed a free drop, he got a favorable roll up against a sprout of brittlebush in rocks just off the rough and punched his second shot into the fairway for an easy approach to the island green.

Dill had been outspoken the day before about the Tradition being a major in name only, saying that the $1.2 million, 9-year-old tournament pays no more than many other senior events and provides the winner no special exemptions aside from a spot in the Senior Slam.

At one point, while the final threesome of Morgan, Dill and Jacobs waited for a ruling, ABC analyst Peter Alliss commented wryly that the lack of an out-of-bounds penalty serves to back up Dill's gripe.

In the interview room once more, Dill, who taught law at Texas A&M, said his comments on Friday were misconstrued.

"You can't believe how much money these people spend on this tournament, how much they've done to make this the best tournament on the senior tour," Dill said. "I mean, the security is the best, the golf course is the best, the clubhouse is the best."

Then he made another flub.

'Now, if you want to compare this with playing in the U.S. Open, that's a joke," he said. "You know that. Everyone knows that. You go play the U.S. Open, the rough is this deep."

Dill said he was trying to make a distinction between the pressure of a regular tour major and the Tradition, which the PGA didn't designate a major until 1993.

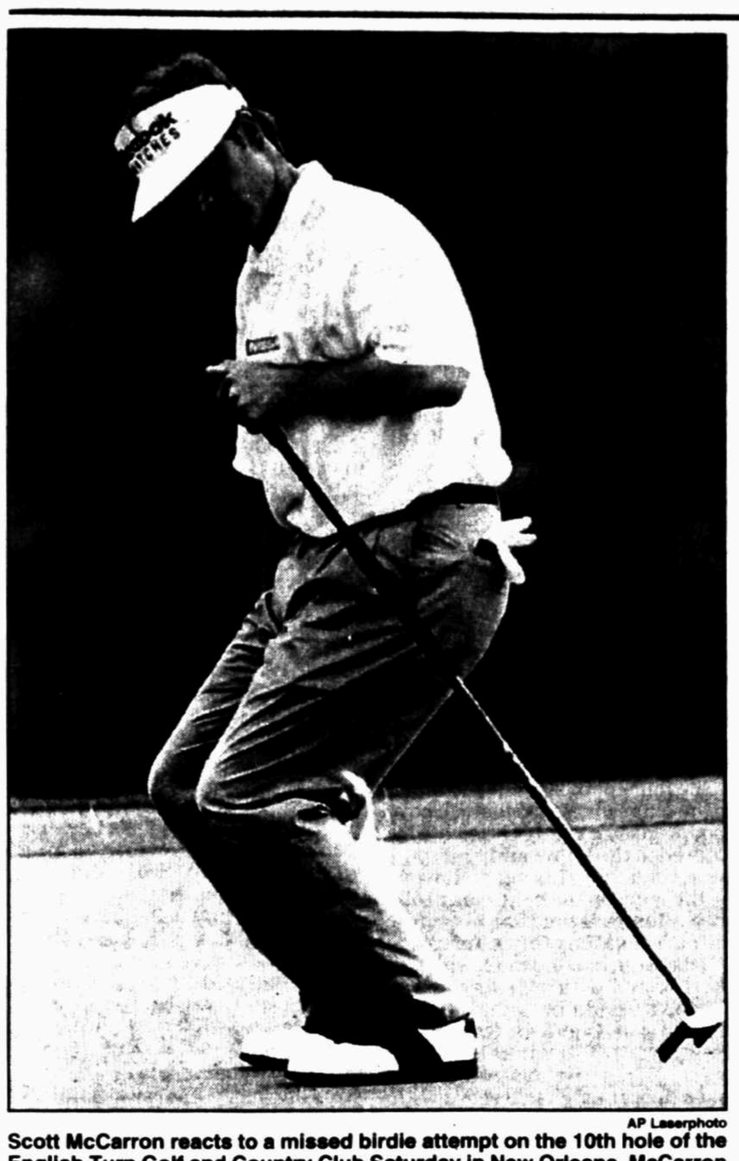
Morgan said he was anxious to break through in any major. He came closest in 1992, when he led Tom Kite by one stroke in the U.S. Open after 54 holes before shooting 81 in the final round and finishing tied for 13th.

"That's probably the most disappointing thing about my career," he said. "It's not going to affect me to the point where I shoot myself or anything, but I thought I had a good enough game to win major championships. Obviously, I didn't."

Graham Marsh gave Morgan a fifth pursuer within seven shots going into Sunday's final round of the tournament sponsored by Countrywide.



AP Laserphoto
John Jacobs tries to find a way out of the desert hazard on the par-3 7th hole during Saturday's third round of the Tradition golf tournament in Scottsdale, Ariz. Jacobs double-bogeyed the hole but is still tied for second at 12-under par.



AP Laserphoto
Scott McCarron reacts to a missed birdie attempt on the 10th hole of the English Turn Golf and Country Club Saturday in New Orleans. McCarron trailed Larry Rinker by one shot after the third round of the Freeport McDermott Classic was shortened due to heavy rains in the morning.

Rinker takes lead as darkness falls

By Mary Foster
AP Sports Writer

NEW ORLEANS — Larry Rinker, forced to return to qualifying school last year, held a one-stroke lead over Scott McCarron through eight holes of the darkness-suspended third round of the Freeport-McDermott Classic.

"We were all playing pretty well. I wish we could have kept going," said Rinker, who was 12-under when play was halted. "I was getting comfortable in the round. It's hard stopping and starting."

McCarron, the defending champion, and Rinker started the day at 10-under. Starting play on the back nine, both birdied their second hole, and Rinker also birdied the third hole of the day to go to 12-under.

Play was delayed for 3 1/2 hours as storms raged through the area with pounding rain and wind gusting up to 64 mph. There was only minor damage, with several small tents blown over. The Jack Nicklaus-designed English Turn course drained quickly after the storm, which softened the greens made hard and fast by three days of wind.

"I think the greens were totally different," McCarron said. "Yesterday they were really fast and hard and a little sparse. With the rain they were perfect today."

Players teed off on the first and 10th holes to get in as much of the third round as possible, but no one had finished when play was called at 6 p.m. Play is scheduled to resume at 7:15 a.m. on Sunday, with the fourth round expected to start at 10 a.m.

Rinker's earnings fell from $130,613 in 1993 to $9,975 in 1995. He lost his tour card and was having so much trouble with his game he worried his 13 1/2-year career was over.

Rinker's brother, Lee, helped him work out his problems and he's moved to 87th on the tour money list with $62,652 going into the tournament. That moves him ahead of Lee Rinker in earnings. Lee is 108th with $38,715 and did not make the cut this week.

Rinker, who started on the 10th tee, birdied 11 and 12. His lead was threatened on 15 when he hit the flag and his ball flew to the edge of the rough.

'It was a break for me to be able to move it," said Rinker, who saved par on the hole. "It was right up against the high stuff and I had a lot easier shot because we were playing lift, clean and place."

Brad Faxon, who started the day three strokes behind the leaders, had three birdies on his first five holes to go to 10-under after eight holes.

Krik Triplett, who began the round six back, had six birdies and a bogey over nine holes to close within three at 9-under. David Toms, who had a share of the first-round lead but fell off the pace with a second-round 73, was 8-under through eight holes.

Jose Maria Olazabal, returning from crippling foot problems and making his first U.S. start since the 1995 World Series of Golf, also was 8-under after nine holes. The Spanish star won the European tour's Turespana Masters two weeks ago in his third start after an 18-month layoff.

Sorenstam paces LPGA Longs Drug

LINCOLN, Calif. (AP) — Annika Sorenstam has endured her share of tricky playing conditions competing around the world. So the challenges of wet fairways, tricky holes and slow play didn't faze the reigning U.S. Women's Open champion.

Sorenstam, vying for her third victory of the season, shot a 1-under-par 71 Saturday and was at 4-under-par 212, one shot better than Juli Inkster, who had led after 36 holes.

Sorenstam, the LPGA's money leader, began the day trailing Inkster by one stroke. But the Swedish native carved a four-bogey, five-birdie round as the hilly 6,412-yard Twelve Bridges Golf Club continued to challenge the field.

"It was an uncharacteristic round for me," said Sorenstam, the Swede who in addition to her eight LPGA victories has five international titles. "Usually I'm more steady. I had only two pars on the back nine, so it was like the stock market, up and down."

Only six players were under par after three rounds, the same number who were under par following 36 holes. The halfway cut of 8-over-par of 152 matched the highest on the tour this season.

Inkster, a 15-time LPGA titlist, had seven straight pars to begin her round. But she lost four strokes on the next four holes. Inkster rallied, however, with birdies on the final two holes and en route to a 1-over-par 73.

"It's a doozie out there," Inkster said. "I started out playing really well, but I only made two bad swings all day, on eight and nine. If you make a bad swing off the tee, you're in the boonies."

Sorenstam had three straight birdies to begin the back nine, including a 7-footer on the 11th hole. After hitting her tee shot into a drainage area on No. 11, Sorenstam waited about 10 minutes for a ruling. Inkster and Alicia Dibos, her playing partners, finished the hole while the leader waited for officials.

"The course is really tricky," said Sorenstam, whose threesome took 5 hours, 10 minutes to complete the round. "I prefer to play fast, but there's not much you can do."

Jan Stephenson, 45, who hasn't won an LPGA event in more than nine years, provided a boost for older members of the tour with a 70 and tied Dibos at 2-under-par 214. Dibos, a non-winner in her fifth pro season, shot par 72.

Last week, Betsy King, 41, won the Nabisco Dinah Shore tournament, one of the LPGA's majors.

"It would the most important win of my career," said Stephenson, who has suffered in recent years with arthritis in her back and a damaged arm tendon from a mugging incident in 1990.

"This course wears on you," Stephenson said. "It's somewhat like a major with the difficulty."

Hingis finally stopped — by her mom

By Pete Iacobelli
AP Sports Writer

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. — Looks like the only one who can stop Martina Hingis is her mother.

The world's top tennis teen-ager was happily talking about her 30th straight victory this year, a tough 5-7, 6-3, 6-2 decision over Brenda Schultz-McCarthy in the Family Circle semifinals Saturday.

Suddenly, Melanie Molitor, Hingis' coach and mother, ordered the 16-year-old to rest. "She is tired and it's hot," Molitor said. Hingis, smiling, left without another word.

Hingis will go for her sixth 1997 title Sunday against fourth-seeded Monica Seles, who defeated two-time Family Circle champion Conchita Martinez 6-3, 6-4.

Schultz-McCarthy could have used Hingis' mother or anyone else to stop the match after the first set. The 14th-seeded Dutch player used her booming serves — she holds the women's all-time record of 121 mph — to defeat third-seeded Jana Novotna and sixth-seeded Lindsay Davenport in the previous two rounds.

Against Hingis, Schultz-McCarthy cranked it up to 118 mph and sent her opponent scurrying around the court early. But Hingis, who has one of the best service returns in the game, overcame her opponent's power, breaking Schultz-McCarthy three times in the final set.

"I think I was a little upset I lost that first set," Hingis said. "I was nervous that she was hitting everything back. I didn't expect that."

Seles woke up feverish and didn't practice before facing Martinez. But that didn't hamper her game. But she'll need to be at full strength against Hingis, who beat her 6-2, 6-1 in the Lipton Championships a week ago.

"(Hingis) never gave me a chance to get into that match," Seles said in a raspy, straining voice. "I was off and that was it."

Win or lose the final, Hingis will take her first break this season and return to the tour at Hamburg, Germany, in three weeks.

This week has been especially joyous for the happy-go-lucky Hingis, who grins through most of her matches and interviews. On Monday, she surpassed Steffi Graf as the world's top player, and since then she breezed into the final for the first time.

In between there were trips to the mall — "Everybody wanted to give me things," she said — and mobbed autograph sessions.

After the match with Schultz-McCarthy, Molitor went to the locker room to find her daughter. She thought Hingis needed to rest before her doubles semifinal about two hours later. That's when her mother took action.

"Nothing is wrong," WTA spokesman Jim Fuhse said. Fuhse said Molitor felt her daughter was dehydrated and needed some fluids.

Hingis and her mother both know that after one more match, they will get a long rest.

Woods on short list of Masters favorites

By Ron Sirak
AP Golf Writer

AUGUSTA, Ga. — When Jack Nicklaus said Tigers Woods would win the Masters 10 times, he didn't predict the year of the first one.

While Augusta National might be tailored for Woods' power, his sometimes erratic irons, shaky short putting and lack of experience keep him from being a flat-out favorite when the 61st Masters starts Thursday.

But Woods, a winner three times on the PGA Tour in only six months, is on a short list of solid contenders including defending champion Nick Faldo, Tom Lehman, Steve Elkington, Phil Mickelson, Mark O'Meara, Ernie Els and Greg Norman, who returns to the scene of last year's heartbreak.

"I've made a lot of mistakes playing Augusta," Woods said, "basically positioning my ball on the green and certain places where I have to miss a shot."

Two years ago, playing in his first Masters, Woods was the only amateur to make the cut. Last year he missed. Both years he had a similar problem — hitting iron shots long and leaving either treacherous downhill putts or impossibly tricky chips.

"It wasn't my game plan" to attack the course aggressively, said the 21-year-old Woods, adding that he had some flaws in his swing that caused him to miss greens long.

"Mainly being shut at the top of the swing," Woods said. "And obviously, when you're shut, you're going to hit a couple of balls long."

Another challenge at Augusta is the high number of 5-foot putts that must be made on the slick greens. Many times, those 5-footers are second putts to save par.

And then there is the experience factor.

"There is a route around Augusta," Faldo said, "and you have to follow it."

But first you have to find the route, and that comes with experience. Faldo said he had to play in six or seven Masters before he understood the proper path around the course, a path that varies with each day's pin position.

"You stand on the tee and the fairway looks 50 yards wide," Woods said. "It takes a while to realize there is only 10 yards of that fairway that you want to be on."

Woods is a fast learner and has the discipline to carry out a game plan. If his iron game is on and he gets some confidence with the putter, he could get the first of those 10 Masters this year.

But there are enough golfers playing well going into Augusta to virtually guarantee that the Masters will produce the kind of stunning drama it has the past two years. In 1996, Faldo came from six shots back to beat Norman, and the previous year Ben Crenshaw pulled off an emotional victory after Harvey Penick's death.

Dutch take doubles match in Davis Cup

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Paul Haarhuis and Jacco Eltingh relied on booming serves to defeat Rick Leach and Jonathan Stark 6-4, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3 Saturday and prevent the United States from sweeping its Davis Cup quarterfinal against the Netherlands.

The Americans take a 2-1 lead in the best-of-5 series into Sunday's reverse singles matches. A victory by either Andre Agassi or Jim Courier would send the United States into the semifinals in September.

Haarhuis and Eltingh, ranked among the world's top six teams, improved to 3-0 in Davis Cup doubles when the Netherlands trails 2-0.

"We try to put everything aside. We forget it's Davis Cup," Eltingh said. "We just have to think about our own level. If our own level is good enough, we can beat anyone in the world."

The gusting winds and unseasonably cold temperatures that affected Friday's matches disappeared Saturday. A slight breeze rippled the orange flags waved by the Dutch fans, who again wore painted faces and foam wooden shoes on their heads.

There were just four service breaks in the two-hour, 24-minute match, and three of them went to the Dutch. Leach and Stark got in 69 percent of their first serves to the Dutch team's 59 percent, but they were 1-of-8 on break chances.

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TALL CITY: Lady Rebels claim title

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key factor. MHS scored points in all but two events, and more astonishingly, MHS gained just one individual title (Russell Marlow's win in the pole vault). It is a remarkable turnaround in Cope's first year as coach.

"It is fun to reach this level," Marrs said. "We can strive to do better and our coach (Cope) has helped us and worked with us to get it right. He expects us to do good and we don't want to let our guard down."

MHS got big efforts from many athletes, young and old. Senior Michael Brandt scored high in two throwing events as did Craig Noland in the 100 and 300 hurdles. Senior Tommy Marrs took a second and third in the 100 and 200 respectively. The younger guys also put up some big points. Raji Hickey, Weldon Cooks and Jordan Iglehart highlighted the sophomores, who worked multiple events and helped be the overriding factor in the meet.

"They were in front of moms and dads, and when they go to school and it will be announced that MHS won the Tall City, that will build confidence," Cope said. "You have to have the depth to win and we scored in every field event and every running event except the half (800 meters) and two-mile. We'll all be in the hunt at district but our kids competed well today."

The Lee boys finish was not a victorious one in terms of the team race, but with seven first-place finishes, district hopes are not too bleak. Lee coach Kelvin Ratliff admitted that what his team was missing was the depth, but having the first-place potential could make up for it next week. Dreyfus Andrews broke the meet record in the triple jump by four feet with a mark of 49 feet, 4 3/4 inches — one of the best in the state this season.

The sweep of the jumping events continued as Matt Cobb won the high jump at 6-3 and Antwan Alexander won the first of his three titles with a long jump of 22-4. Alexander also won the 200 with a time of 22.19 and was a member of the victorious 1600-meter relay.

"Antwan had a great day," Ratliff said. "I was proud of him and I think he will do well at district. We needed more thirds, fourths and fifths (places). For us to win district, the points will have to be spread out. Our goal is to see if we can win district."

The 1600 relay has a very good chance. Alexander, John Norman, Cory Pertile and Fred Pertile again made the four-lap relay their own with a time of 3:21.54, three seconds off their season's best. Fred Pertile and Norman also won the 400 and 300 hurdles, respectively.

The Lee and Midland High girls reversed the roles in their performances. Lee had the depth while the Lady Bulldogs again showed the dominance in specialty sprint events.

The Lady Rebs won seven individual events, including a hurdle double from Brittany Littlejohn and another 1600 relay win over Permian. Lee also got second place showings in the 400 and 800 relays while winning the long jump (Maurion Strambler), triple jump (Toya Clater), 1600 (Kendra Albus) and shot put (Debra Watson).

The key for Lee was the seven second and third place showings, four by Clater in the long jump, 200 and as a member of the 400 and 800 relays.

"I'm glad to get this one over. The wind was coming across and knocking you down," said Smith of the 30 mph winds that played havoc with the meet. "It is a gut check, like a slap in the face. Seeing those performances from everyone is the thing you want to see happen."

The Lady Bulldogs suffered a big loss with Wentworth going down early in the day but rebounded as well as you would expect from a team as loaded as Susan Nix' is in the sprints.

The 400 and 800 relays appear to be as strong as at any time in the season after convincing wins. The sprint relay of Niki Green, Talitha Belcher, Shatagua Butts, Tami Zachery set a season-bet time of 48.51 while the same group ran the 800 relay in 1:44.84.

"We are feeling very good," Belcher said. "The handoffs are coming and the times are going down. We feel good going into district. We haven't seen Abilene High but we feel they will have to compete to win."

Zachery remained undefeated in the 100 meters to add to her streak of meets where she has won three events. In what seemed to be only right, MHS senior Stephanie Burden won the 3200, the race which saw Wentworth go down.

"I was upset about the loss of Stephanie, of course," Nix said. "but we competed well and got kids in the finals who hadn't been there. I think we'll continue to drop times at district."

Finals Results from the Tall City Relays held Saturday at Midland Memorial Stadium.

Boys

Team Standings: 1. Midland High 148; 2. Odessa Permian 140; 3. Midland Lee 127; 4. Lubbock Monterey 74; 5. Lubbock High 55, 6. El Paso Jesus Chapel 9.

Shot Put: 1. Nathan Mastin, Odessa Permian, 55 feet, 9 1/2 inches; 2. Jason May, Permian, 53-00; 3. Michael Brandt, Midland High, 48-10 3/4; 4. David Dangerfield, Lee, 47-6; 5. Cotey Joe Cswaykus, MHS, 45-10 3/4; 6. Tai Baldeo, Permian, 44-10 1/2.

High Jump: 1. Matt Cobb, Lee, 6-3; 2. Jeromey Whitaker, PHS, 6-2; 3. Jesus Arenas, Monterey, 6-2; 4. Randy Gardner, MHS, 5-10; 4. Mark Bustamante, EP Jesus Chapel, 5-10; 6. Matt Halbert, PHS, 5-10.

Pole Vault: 1. Russell Marlow, MHS, 11-0; 2. Nick Smith, MHS, 11-0; 3. John Bloom, Lubbock High, 11-0; 4. Wes Solanshy, MHS, 11-0; 5. Coby Adams, LHS, 10-0.

Triple Jump: 1. Dreyfus Andrews, Lee, 49-4 3/4 (New Meet Record, old record 45-4 1/4 by Michael Nunn, 1994); 2. Jerome Eldridge, MHS, 42-10; 3. Jeff Arnold, MHS, 42-0 1/2; 4. Duane Chapman, PHS, 39-5 1/2; 5. Robert Gomez, LHS, 39-3 1/2; 6. Matt Mauldin, MHS, 38-6 1/2.

Discus: 1. Russell Crumpton, PHS, 150-1 1/2; 2. Brandt, MHS, 146-1; 3. May, PHS, 139-3 1/5; 4. Luke Conder, MHS, 134-02; 5. Jason Coon, Monterey, 133-0 1/2; 6. Joey Whitaker, PHS, 129-2 1/2.

Long Jump: 1. Antwan Alexander, Lee, 22-4; 2. Arnold, MHS, 21-2 3/4; 3. Eldridge, MHS, 21-2; 4. Andrews, Lee, 20-10 3/4; 5. Nathan Kraus, LHS, 20-02 1/4; 6. John Norman, Lee, 19-8.

3200: 1. Chris Thomas, LHS, 10:41.66; 2. Mark Erwin, Monterey, 10:47.95; 3. Augustine Garcia, LHS, 10:59.37; 4. Blaine Buford, PHS, 11:20.46; 5. Jay Anderson, Monterey, 11:22; 6. Omar Inez, EP Chapel, 11:31.75.

400-Meter Relay: 1. Permian (EJ Miller, Ja'Quay Wilburn, Chad Bell, Patrick Strambler) 41.84; 2. Lee (Fred Pertile, Ahmad Austin, Gerardo Diaz) 42.32; 3. MHS (Eldridge, Marrs, Cooks, Hickey) 42.83; 4. Monterey 43.39; 5. MHS B 44.25; 6. El Paso Chapel 45.77.

800: 1. Sebastian Ramos, Monterey, 2:00.06; 2. Shannon Watt, Monterey, 2:00.22; 3. Robert Douglass, Lee, 2:04.87; 4. Josh Vickers, Permian, 2:07.76; 5. Albert Rios, Permian, 2:09.90; 6. Mike Bynum, Monterey, 2:10.67.

100: 1. Wilburn, PHS, 10.54; 2. Tommy Marrs, MHS, 10.79; 3. Pat Strambler, PHS, 11.00; 4. Ahmad Austin, Lee, 11.15; 5. Derrick Lilley, Monterey, 11.18; 6. Bustamante, EP Chapel, 11.23.

110 Hurdles: 1. Chris Wilson, PHS, 14.07; 2. Craig Noland, MHS, 14.92; 3. John Bloom, LHS, 15.11; 4. Daniel Otchere, Monterey, 15.56; 5. Diaz, Lee, 15.65; 6. Jimmy Lomaz, PHS, 16.37.

400: 1. Fred Pertile, Lee, 50.44; 2. Cory Pertile, Lee, 51.59; 3. Jordan Iglehart, MHS, 53.06; 4. Nick Jennings, PHS, 53.77; 5. Chris Mitchell, MHS, 54.49; 6. Travis Jones, LHS, 54.82.

300 Hurdles: 1. Norman, Lee, 39.30; 2. Wilson, PHS, 39.46; 3. Noland, MHS, 40.56; 4. Bloom, LHS, 41.11; 5. Diaz, Lee, 41.56; 6. Daniel Otchere, Monterey, 43.61.

200: 1. Alexander, Lee, 22.19; 2. Miller, Permian, 22.51; 3. Marrs, MHS, 22.76; 4. Raji Hickey, MHS, 22.82; 5. Weldon Cooks, MHS, 22.91; 6. Dwight Smith, Monterey, 23.72.

1600: 1. Thomas, LHS, 4:49.40; 2. Erwin, Monterey, 4:50.21; 3. Vickers, Permian, 4:54.94; 4. Arthur Lane, MHS, 4:55.23; 5. Augustine Garcia, LHS, 5:07.57; 6. Bryan Williams, Monterey, 5:07.89.

1600 Relay: 1. Lee (Fred Pertile, Cory Pertile, Alexander, Norman) 3:21.69; 2. MHS (Noland, Iglehart, Cooks, Hickey) 3:27.54; 3. Monterey 3:30.06; 4. Permian 3:32.99; 5. MHS B 3:36.75; 6. Lubbock High 3:39.76.

Girls

Team Standings: 1. Lee 196; 2. Permian 124; 3. MHS 117; 4. Monterey 87; 5. Lubbock High 47; 5. El Paso Jesus Chapel 6; 6. Lee High JV 4.

Triple Jump: 1. Maurion Strambler, Lee, 34-11 1/2; 2. Toya Clater, Lee, 34-4; 3. Amber Helton, EP Chapel, 33-07; 4. Kim Clark, PHS, 33-0; 5. Zan Giddings, Monterey, 32-10 1/2; 6. Katrina Jordan, PHS, 329 1/4.

Long Jump: 1. Clater, Lee, 16-7; 2. Ada Abandbi, LHS, 16-3; 3. Clark, PHS, 15-8; 4. Strambler, Lee, 15-2 3/4; 5. Amber Dozier, MHS, 15-0 1/4; 6. Johnna Fry, PHS, 14-10.

Discus: 1. Debra Watson, Lee, 116-2 1/2; 2. Kristee Love, Monterey, 109-1; 3. Priscilla Pineda, PHS, 103-1 1/2; 4. Marissa Parrott, PHS, 98-10 1/2; 5. Sheiah Prince, Monterey, 97-6; 6. Sarah Parchman, Lee, 96-4. 7. Kristi West, Lee, 87-11 1/2.

High Jump: 1. Jordan, PHS, 5-02; 2. Kristi Green, Monterey, 4-10; 3. Kendra Cooper, MHS, 4-08; 4. Lacey Eberle, MHS, 4-06.

Shot Put: 1. Erika Lugo, LHS, 34-9; 2. Christina Brown, Lee, 34-7 3/4; 3. Shanna Hamilton, Monterey, 31-10 3/4; 4. Marissa Alvarado, PHS, 31-7 1/2; 5. Watson, Lee, 314 1/2; 6. Prince, Monterey, 30-0 1/4; 7/ Jimeca Sims, MHS, 28-10 3/4.

3200: 1. Stephanie Burden, MHS, 13:06.26; 2. Grace Jackson, Monterey, 13:07.11; 3. Marissa Beck, Lee, 13:23.17; 4. Danielle Doty, PHS, 13:34; 5. Crista Price, Monterey, 13:41.23; 6. Diane Lopez, PHS, 14:00.97.

400-Meter Relay: 1. MHS (Niki Green, Talitha Belcher, Shatagua Butts, Tami Zachery) 48.51; 2. Lee (Maurion Strambler, Toya Clater, Amanda Douglass, Ebony Coleman) 49.49; 3. Monterey 51.31; 4. LHS, 54.02; 5. Permian 57.0.

800: 1. Diana Torres, PHS, 2:26.96; 2. Kendra Albus, Lee, 2:29.12; 3. Traci Broach, Lee, 2:30.55; 4. Kim Vest, MHS, 2:32.24; 5. Jacqui Martinez, LHS, 2:37.26; 6. Paige White, Monterey, 2:37.64.

100 Hurdles: 1. Brittany Littlejohn, Lee, 15.66; 2. Kari Putman, PHS, 16.18; 3. Lacresha Gilbert, MHS, 16.80; 4. Audra Podzemny, PHS, 17.21; 5. Lisa Johnston, MHS, 17.49; 6. Mahogany Jones, MHS, 17.62.

100: 1. Zachery, MHS, 12.06; 2. Belcher, MHS, 12.27; 3. Maurion Strambler, Lee, 12.86; 4. Ebony Coleman, Lee, 13.28; 5. Hillory Davis, MHS, 13.39; 6. Shayla McLin, Monterey, 13.63.

800 Relay: 1. MHS (Zachary, Green, Butts, Belcher) 1:44.84; 2. Lee 1:46.03; 3. Monterey 1:50.07; 4. Permian 1:52.73; 5. Lee JV 1:57.30; 6. Lubbock High 1:57.40.

400: 1. Torres, PHS, 1:00.83; 2. Chavaye Glover, Lee, 1:01.83; 3. Sharee Whitehead, Lee, 1:02.80; 4. Shai Simpson, MHS, 1:04.26; 5. Keisha Pittman, Monterey, 1:05.09; 6. Jennifer Knorr, PHS, 1:05.62.

300 Hurdles: 1. Littlejohn, Lee, 49.06; 2. Podzemny, PHS, 49.28; 3. Tonee Jones, Lee, 49.98; 4. Kelly Sprawls, LHS, 50.46; 5. Putman, PHS, 50.53; 6. Jacqui Martinez, LHS, DNF.

200: 1. Butts, MHS, 26.85; 2. Clater, Lee, 26.88; 3. Yulon Malone, Monterey, 28.26; 4. Wainann Leverette, PHS, 28.70; 5. Laurie Slaughter, Monterey, 29.11; 6. Ada Abandbi, LHS, 29.69.

1600: 1. Albus, Lee, 5:50.96; 2. Danielle Doty, PHS, 5:55.59; 4. Grace Jackson, Monterey, 6:00.81; 4. Stephanie Burden, MHS, 6:08.52; 5. Traci Broach, Lee, 6:10.94; 6. Marissa Beck, Lee, 6:15.76.

1600 Relay: 1. Lee (LaToya Strambler, Glover, Sharee Whitehead) 4:13.33; 2. Permian 4:18.59; 3. Lubbock High 4:25.59; 4. Monterey 4:31.76; 5. MHS (Vest, Simpson, Keesha Taylor, Davis) 4:32.78.

Rebels' Andrews turns in record performance

By Stewart Doreen
Sports Writer

When looking for the most dominant performance of Saturday's Tall City Relays, it wasn't hard to spot. Actually, maybe it was.

Using only one of his six allowed jumps, Midland Lee's Dreyfus Andrews won the boys triple jump at Midland Memorial Stadium, and in the process, set a new meet record and placed himself near the top of the state rankings with a hop, skip and jump of 49-feet, 4 3/4 inches.

The new Tall City standard broke the old record of 45-4 1/4 set by Lee's Michael Nunn in 1994. He said from the time he hit the pit he was thinking the record was in hand.

"I was praying for 50 (feet) when coach (Kelvin) Ratliff said 49," Andrews said. "(The distance) will come up in district."

The four-foot plus improvement on the old record is a tribute to how good Andrews really is as he was entered in the triple jump for only the second time this year. However, the icing on the cake was probably a top ranking that his jump will earn him. Bay City's Terrance Woods came into the week with the No. 1 mark with a leap of 49-0. Andrews should be No. 2 as Jack Bauer from Class 4A Grapevine went 50-2 1/4 to win this weekend's Texas Relays. Andrews takes the ranking and record with some caution because he feels that they mean nothing if he doesn't follow up.

"I'm not really that excited," Andrews said. "What you do now doesn't count. What counts is in district and region. I will be looking for 50 (feet) every jump and will be very disappointed not to get to state."

Getting out of district is a big priority for Andrews, who placed third last year at 45-6. What is hard to ignore is that the district record is 47-6 1/2 set by Abilene High's Bobby Smith in 1992. But he knows that with the mark he set, people will now knoq who he is at every level from here on out. And he wants no excuses.

"I'm sure they will expect a high mark," Andrews said. "If I don't get it, they will say it was the wind or it was a lucky jump."

The only disappointment on this day might be from the fans who could have easily missed the jump. The meet served as a tune up for most athletes although Andrews landed the mark on his first attempt and passed on his remaining five. The opportunity for the big "50" was very realistic because of Andrews' ability with a 30 mph wind at his back. Still, Andrews has jumped 48-5, which was good enough to put him in the state's Top 5. So getting that extra boost from Mother Nature was something he would take. Still, he didn't want to chance aggravating a strained groin muscle with more jumps.

"All I had to do was get in the air and then wind carried me the extra inches," Andrews said. "I feel good, but the injury is why coach was giving me one jump.".

Fortunately for him and unfortunately for those who missed it, that is all that it took.

Dallas team takes national wheelchair basketball title

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — Reggie Colton scored 27 points Saturday to lead the Dallas Mavericks to their first ever national championship with an 85-61 win over the Golden State Road Warriors in the finals of the National Wheelchair Basketball Division I Tournament.

The Mavericks, who entered the tournament with a 21-1 record, had never even played in the finals and didn't win their first semifinal game until Friday's 87-53 win over the Music City Lightning.

But that didn't stop the Dallas players and fans from showing up in T-shirts that said "Die Nasty" on the front, with the subtitle "Aiming for 9 titles."

"Die Nasty is our way of saying 'Dynasty,'" said Colton's wife, Lottie.

"They've set their target for nine national titles," said NWBA Commissioner David Kiley. "And give them credit for a high goal, but normally you don't start worrying about that until you've got eight."

The Dallas team, which features four Paralympic stars, believed it earned the right to be arrogant.

"You look at the Chicago Bulls, do they walk with a bounce?" said Troy Sachs, who scored 22 points and was named to the All-Tournament team. "With the players we have, it's hard not to be confident.

Besides Sachs — the most valuable player for Australia in the 1996 Atlanta Paralympics — Dallas boasts U.S Paralympic players Colton, Darryl Waller and Steve Welch.

BASEBALL: Rebs defeat Midland High

(From 1C)

ilar to what happened Saturday should put the Rebels in position to keep playing once the regular season ends.

In their two district losses, the Rebels were shut out, managing only six singles in falling to Central and Abilene High. After three scoreless innings against Midland High, Raymond Ibarra put an end to that possibility.

Ibarra led off the fourth by driving a 3-1 pitch from Joey Schlaffer over the center field fence for the game's first run. While the fierce west winds helped the ball take flight, there's no doubt Ibarra made solid contact.

"I'm more of a line drive hitter and I don't really swing for the fences," Ibarra said. "We're the type of team who when one person gets something going, the whole team follows."

Ibarra's blast was the tonic the Rebels needed. Two outs after the homer, Schlaffer hit David Lopez with a pitch. Lopez then scored on a triple down the left-field-line by Chad Chandler.

The inning could have ended there, but MHS third baseman Rafael Romero couldn't field Stacy Jones' hard grounder which allowed Chandler to score. When Ryan Klatt doubled to right field, that gave Lee a seemingly comfortable 4-0 lead.

In this game, though, the Bulldogs (10-12 overall, 1-6 in district) gave Lee reason to worry.

"We didn't come out the way we wanted to but at least I think Lee felt like they were in a game," Midland High coach Barry Russell said. "The last time we were never there."

Through the first four innings, the Bulldogs showed no signs of breaking through against Lee lefthander John Purves. They could only manage a two-out triple in the first inning by Ross Nobles, who was left stranded when Purves struck out freshman Laynce Nix. Purves struck out seven Bulldogs in the first three innings, including five straight at one point.

In the bottom of the fifth, though, Romero got things going with a double to right. A walk to Tyler Nobles, a groundout to second by Curtis Rinehart and a wild pitch brought home Romero with Midland High's first run, then freshman Blake Johnston drove home Nobles with a double to left. When Mike Carrasco drove home Johnston with a single to left, it made the score 4-3 and got Purves pulled from the game.

"I was pretty pleased with the way he threw," said Benavidez of Purves, who had been most effective as a reliever this season. "I could get a sense that he was a little tired because he hadn't gone past four innings this year."

Right-hander Aaron Erdwurm came in and struck out pinch hitter David Zarate, then after Ross Nobles reached on an error by shortstop Matt Whitaker, Erdwurm got Nix to ground to third and preserve the lead. Erdwurm earned the save by pitching the final 2 2/3 innings and struck out four.

Lee gave itself sufficient breathing room in the top of the sixth. Chandler singled and Jones scored him with a double to chase Schlaffer, who labored in the windy conditions most of the day.

"The split-finger (fastball) was having a hard time in the wind," said Russell of Schlaffer's best pitch. "The curveball was also getting blown all over the place."

Eric Clark relieved Schlaffer and gave up an RBI single to Klatt, who along with Chandler had three hits. Clark issued two walks to load the bases when he walked Erdwurm in his first at bat of the day to bring home Klatt and make the score 7-3.

Erdwurm retired the first two batters in the bottom of the seventh before Carrasco doubled then scored on a single by Clay Zachery. Ross Nobles then grounded to second to end the game.

Midland Lee 7, Midland High 4

Lee	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Klatt 2b	3	1	3	2	Carrasco ss	4	1	2	1
Whitaker ss	3	0	0	0	Esslinger cr	0	0	0	0
Smith cf	3	0	0	0	Zachery 2b	3	0	1	1
Ibarra c	3	1	1	1	Zarate ph	1	0	0	0
Bagwell cr	0	0	0	0	R. Nobles cf	4	0	1	0
Purves p	3	0	0	0	Nix 1b	3	0	0	0
Erdwurm p	0	0	0	1	Feris dh	2	0	0	0
Crawford dh	2	0	0	0	Butler ph	1	0	0	0
Crowe 1b	2	0	0	0	Romero 3b	3	1	1	0
Lopez 3b	0	1	0	0	T. Nobles rf	2	1	0	0
Valadez 3b	2	0	0	0	Rinehart c	3	0	0	0
Chandler lf	4	2	3	1	Johnston lf	2	1	1	1
Jones rf	4	2	1	1					
Totals	29	7	8	6	Totals	28	4	6	3

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E — Whitaker, Rinehart, Romero. LOB — Lee 8, MHS 5. 2B — Klatt, Jones, Carrasco, Johnston. 3B — Chandler, R. Nobles. HR — Ibarra. SB — Klatt 2, Jones. CS — Chandler.

Lee	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Purves, W 1-0	4.1	4	3	3	1	7
Erdwurm, S 2	2.2	2	1	1	0	4
Midland						
Schlaffer, L 2-7	5.1	6	6	4	2	5
Clark	1.2	2	1	1	3	2

HBP — Klatt, Lopez (by Schlaffer); Johnston (by Purves). PB — Rinehart. WP — Purves. T — 2:00.

SOFTBALL: Smith shuts out Abilene

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"Unlike at the first of the season, we're scoring some runs early in the game, and the hits are coming from up and down the batting order," Young said. "I feel good about the girls right now. We just need to avoid having a let down for the next two games."

In the second, Marcie Villa started the rally, reaching on an error by center fielder Michelle Martin and moving to second on a dropped ball by shortstop Tasha Steele. The miscues opened the door for a prowling Rebel squad, who then got four more hits in the inning. The way Smith was pitching, it was easy to see this was not going to be AHS' day.

Patricia Carrasco, Michelle Primeaux and Adrian Nobles drove in runs while Gracie Villa stole home on a double steal for the other run of the inning. Nobles continues to be red hot. She came into the game with 11 hits in her last 16 at-bats and got another hit. She now has 12 RBIs in her last three district games. Carrasco also is hot in the production department with eight RBIs in her last three district games. Primeaux was the only player on either team to have two hits. Carrasco almost had two, but was thrown out at first base by AHS right fielder Traci Smith on what looked to be a cinch single.

Midland Lee 4, Abilene High 0

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Kelly Armbruster and Laura Martinez. Chrystal Smith and Adrian Nobles. E-Michelle Martin, Tasha Steele, Rebecca Lawson (AHS); Michelle Primeaux (Lee). DP-AHS. 2B-Garcia (Lee). SB-Martin (AHS), Gracie Villa, Primeaux (Lee). CS-Primeaux, Nobles (Lee). Sac.-CSmith, Garcia (Lee). RBIs: Patricia Carrasco, Primeaux, Nobles (Lee). WP-Armbruster 2, CSmith. W-Smith (14 strikeouts). L-Armbruster. Records: Lee 17-4, 9-1; AHS 23-3, 8-3.

TENNIS: Young 'Dogs show strong effort

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players.

"The wind was a little disturbing and distracting and it affected some of my strokes," Jones said.

It was another all-Midland finals in the A boys doubles match as Lee's Conner Austin and Wes Hunt took on Justin Brammer and Marlin Gieb from Midland High. After falling behind 3-0 early in the match, Brammer and Gieb fought back to beat the Rebels' top duo and one of Lee's top district hopefuls in three sets, 7-6, 3-6, 6-3. The MHS twin towers not only had the strong serves and volleys but were able to keep their composure against a more experienced twosome. The two sophomore Bulldogs said the key to winning was gaining a mental edge over their opponents.

"We just kept our cool and hung in there," Gieb said.

"My nerves just went away after those first three games. I was nervous because we played a pretty good team," Brammer added.

"I just think they got a little frustrated at the end and that's how we won," Gieb said.

Getting mentally and physically prepared was the goal this weekend for Lee coach Steve Buck and his Rebels as the challenging District 4-5A Tennis Tournament begins Friday at Midland High.

"I think it did us good to get out there and play this weekend. That's the best preparation you can have going into the district tournament. Our players did well and most importantly they played in this wind. I just hope the wind is around come tournament time this weekend," Buck said.

Deborah Ho, who is one of Lee's hopefuls for district, lost her A singles finals match against some strong serving by Lubbock High's Amber Felton, 6-2, 6-3.

The B Division was won by San Angelo Lake View, which finished three points ahead of Midland Freshman's eight points.

In the C Division, Midland Trinity posted victories in the boys singles and the boys doubles competition. Stephen Lee won the singles title and the duo of Curtis McDonald and Tri Nguyan won the doubles consolation final.

This year's Rebel Classic was one of the biggest to date, featuring 18 schools from around West Texas and close to 300 players.

Finals and Consolation Results from the A, B and C Divisions of the 1997 Rebel Classic played at Midland Lee and Midland High School.

Overall Team Scores: 1. Midland Lee 15; 2. Andrews 13; 3. (tie) San Angelo Lake View and Midland High 11.

A Division

Team Scores: 1. Midland High 11; 2. Midland Lee 9; 3. (tie) Lubbock High and Andrews 7.

Boys Singles — Semifinals: Bobby Jones, MHS def. John Armstrong, Andrews 6-3, 6-4; Brian Breithaupt, Lee def. Caleb Clark, Monahans 2-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Finals: Jones def. Breithaupt 6-3, 6-2.

Consolation: John Leach, OHS def. Brian Sorley, Lubbock 8-2.

Boys Doubles — Semifinals: Conner Austin-Wes Hunt, Lee def. Ty Coke-Sameer Islam, OHS 6-4, 6-3; Justin Brammer-Marlin Gieb, MHS def. Jeff Justice-Matt Taylor, Lub. 6-4, 6-4.

Finals: Brammer-Gieb def. Austin-Hunt 7-6, 3-6, 6-3.

Consolation: Clayton Vandergriff-J.T. Pitts, MHS def. Hinshaw-Girt, MHS 8-2.

Girls Singles — Finals: Amber Felton, Lub. def. Deborah Ho, Lee 6-2, 6-3. Consolation: Jennifer Melton, Permian def. Julie Young, MHS.

Girls Doubles — Semifinals: Sarah Meyers-Jamie Quesenberry, OHS def. Lili Vo-Stephanie Hofer, Lee 6-4, 7-5; Shawn Leeper-Christi Overbeck, Andrews def. Natalie Cunha-D'Nett Sharp, OHS.

Finals: Meyers-Quesenberry def. Leeper-Overbeck, 6-4, 6-4.

Consolation: Lindsey Cates-Tenille McDonald, MHS def. Toni Mizdal-Amy Macias, EP Irvin 8-2.

B Division

Team Scores: 1. San Angelo Lake View 11; 2. Midland Freshman 8; 3. (tie) Midland Lee and Andrews 6.

Boys Singles — Finals: Ignairo Gonzales, SA Lake View def. Max Guerrero, SALV 6-3, 6-1. Consolation: Luis Garcia, EPHS def. Noel Fulgencio, SALV 8-1.

Boys Doubles — Finals: Mitch Frindley-Andrew Farror, Andrews def. Cody Burgess-David Harris, Lee 6-1, 6-1. Consolation: Maxwell-Smith, Lamesa def. Daniel Fuentes-Jeremy Reyes, Monahans 8-3.

Girls Singles — Finals: Dana Giles, Mid. Fresh. def. Haley Hightower, Mid. Fresh. 6-3, 6-0. Consolation: Emily Leeton, Midland Fresh. def. Elizabeth Webb, Mid. Fresh. 8-1.

Girls Doubles — Finals: Edna Carrillo-Melissa Stokes, SA Lake View def. Marissa Lannon- Julie Purvis, Lee 6-1, 6-2.

C Division

Boys Singles — Finals: Stephen Lee, Trinity def. Justin Rich, Lee Fresh. Consolation: Erin Leeper, Andrews def. Tod Bookout, Lee Fresh. 6-0, 6-2.

Boys Doubles — Finals: Dustin Koenning-Matt Parker, Plainview def. Steven Fly-Minaz Riyani, Lee Fresh. 2-6, 6-4, 6-2. Consolation: Curtis McDonald-Tri Nguyan, Trinity def. Jason Hahn-Bradice Yockam, Rankin 7-6, 7-6.

Girls Singles — Finals: Sally Jenkins, Andrews def. Blair Long, Andrews 7-6. Consolation: Heather Carter, Monahans def. Kelley Gaddis, Mid. Christian 6-1, 6-2.

Girls Doubles — Finals: Kathryn Burke-Beth Ann Kahlick, Lee Fresh. def. Becky Morgan-Allison Carroll, Lee Fresh. 7-5, 6-2. Consolation: Kelsey Lynch-Sarah Snow, Andrews def. Phillies-Hollander, Mid. Chris. 6-2, 6-0.

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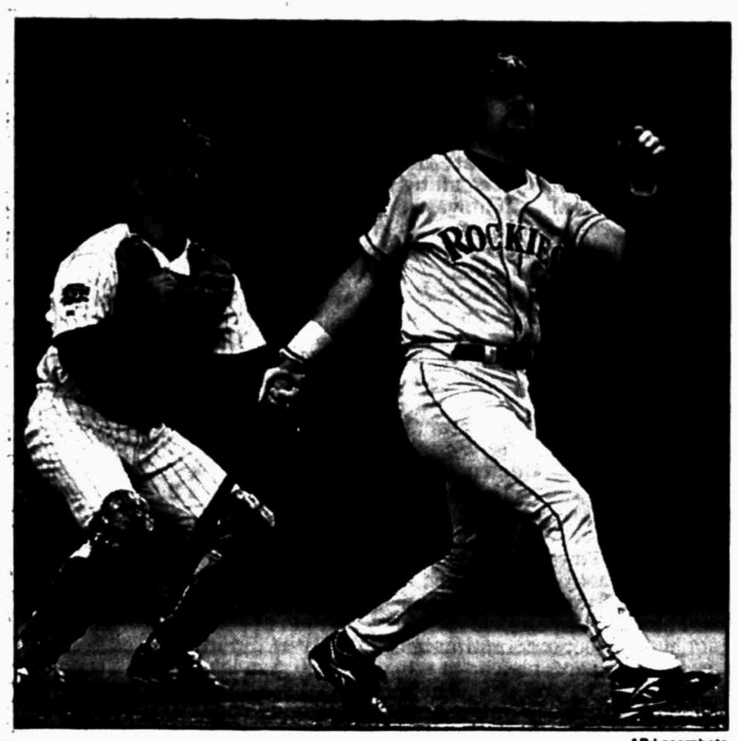
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The Colorado Rockies' Larry Walker and Montreal Expos catcher Darrin Fletcher watch the ball sail over the wall for Walker's third homer in the Rockies' 15-3 win Saturday in Montreal.

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NL Roundup

MONTREAL — Larry Walker hit a career-high three home runs and the Colorado Rockies connected a team-record seven times — on the road, no less — in a 15-3 romp Saturday over the Montreal Expos.

Walker, who leads the majors with six homers, became the second player this season to hit three in a game. Tino Martinez hit three for the New York Yankees on Wednesday in Seattle.

Walker hit solo shots in the fourth, sixth and seventh innings, but did not get a chance to tie the major league record of four in a game. He left the game for a defensive replacement in the eighth, and John Vander Wal batted in his spot in the ninth.

The Colorado outfielder, who played his first six big league seasons for Montreal, finished 4-for-5 with five RBIs and a stolen base. He blooped a two-run single during a six-run second.

Walker had homered twice in a game eight times previously. His career-best for RBIs in a game is six.

Andres Galarraga, Dante Bichette, Ellis Burks and Vinny Castilla also homered for Colorado, which fell one home run short of the NL record for a game. The major league record is 10 by Toronto.

The Rockies had hit five homers in a game five times, most recently last June 18 at home against Montreal. Colorado led the NL with 221 homers last year, connecting for 149 at Coors Field and just 72 on the road.

Astros 6, Cardinals 2

HOUSTON — The St. Louis Cardinals fell to 0-5 for the fifth time in franchise history with a loss to the Houston Astros.

The defending NL Central champions, who lost their first three games of the season in Montreal, dropped their second straight in Houston to remain winless in 1997.

St. Louis also started the 1902, 1919, 1960 and 1973 seasons by losing its first five games.

James Mouton homered and Sid Fernandez won his 300th career start for the Astros.

Delino DeShields hit a home run on Fernandez's second pitch of the game for St. Louis. But Fernandez, who pitched only 16 2-3 innings in spring training because of high blood pressure and a sore bicep, picked up the win by giving up four hits in five innings.

Ramon Garcia pitched the final four innings for his first save.

Trailing 2-1 in the fourth, Mouton and Jeff Bagwell hit consecutive singles before rookie Bob Abreu hit an RBI single and Tony Eusebio had a run-scoring groundout to put Houston ahead 3-2.

Mouton hit his first homer of the season off loser Donovan Osborne in the fifth inning to make it 4-2, and Eusebio's RBI single in the sixth put Houston ahead 5-2.

Osborne, pitching for the first time since March 20 because of a strained back muscle, allowed seven hits in six innings. He struck out six and didn't walk a batter.

Craig Biggio extended his hitting streak to five games with a leadoff triple in the first inning and scored on Jeff Bagwell's groundout.

Marlins 4, Reds 3, 11 innings

MIAMI — Edgar Renteria's inside-the-park homer in the ninth tied it, and his RBI single in the 11th won it as Florida took over sole possession of first in the NL East for the first time its five-year history.

The Marlins tied it 3-3 when Renteria hit a fly ball to right-center that center fielder Deion Sanders and right fielder Reggie Sanders collided trying to catch. The ball rolled to the wall as Renteria scored without a play.

The Reds' loss snapped a string of 83 consecutive wins for them when leading at the start of the ninth, dating back to September 1995.

Kevin Jarvis (0-1), who entered the game in the 10th, took the loss.

Robb Nen pitched a scoreless 11th to earn the victory retiring Reggie Sanders and Ruben Sierra with a runner at second.

Giants 2, Mets 0

SAN FRANCISCO — Pinch-hitter Rick Wilkins lined a two-run double in the eighth inning, lifting the San Francisco Giants over New York.

Starters William VanLandingham of the Giants and Rick Reed of the Mets each pitched seven scoreless innings.

J.T. Snow opened the Giants eighth with a single off Barry Manuel (0-1). With one out, Damon Berryhill grounded a single.

The runners advanced to second and third on Manuel's wild pickoff throw into center field. Wilkins, batting for Joe Roa (1-0), lined a 2-2 pitch down the right-field line.

Rod Beck pitched the ninth for his third save. Four Giants pitchers combined on a three-hitter.

Baltimore edges Rangers, 9-7, to stay unbeaten

Associated Press

AL Roundup

ARLINGTON — Lenny Webster's two-run double keyed a five-run first inning, and the Baltimore Orioles remained the only unbeaten team in the majors with a 9-7 victory Saturday night over the Texas Rangers.

Webster and Cal Ripken, who had a two-run homer in a three-run ninth, drove in three runs apiece for the Orioles. Eric Davis went 3-for-5, and scored three runs.

Baltimore matched last season's 4-0 start, and with two wins over Texas, the Orioles already are within one of matching their 1996 total against the Rangers. Texas was 10-3 against Baltimore last season, 5-1 at home.

Arthur Rhodes (2-0) threw three innings of one-hit relief. Randy Myers picked up his third save despite allowing a two-run single to Ivan Rodriguez in the ninth. Meyers retired Mike Simms on a bases-loaded popup to end the game.

The Orioles reached loser Darren Oliver for five hits in the first inning. He lasted into the fifth, allowing six runs on seven hits. He walked four and struck out one.

Brady Anderson had an infield single to start the game, took third on Jerome Walton's single and scored on a sacrifice fly by Rafael Palmeiro. Davis singled ahead of Ripken's scoring fly.

After Oliver walked Jeffrey Hammonds, Webster doubled to left-center in his first at-bat this season. Webster, who was to add an RBI grounder in the fifth, made it 5-0 by scoring on Jeff Reboulet's single.

Orioles starter Shawn Boskie struggled in the third as the Rangers narrowed the gap to 5-4 on the strength of Lee Stevens' three-run homer. Benji Gil led off with a double and Rusty Greer walked.

Dean Palmer had an RBI single with two outs, then Stevens hit his second homer.

Boskie gave up four runs and four hits, struck out five and walked two in four innings.

Mickey Tettleton's homer leading off the sixth pulled the Rangers within 6-5.

Davis had an RBI single after Ripken hit his second homer when the Orioles scored three times against Xavier Hernandez in the ninth.

The Rangers trailed 9-5 entering the ninth, but began a rally against Terry Mathews. Myers came in with two men on base and one out, but walked Mark McLemore before allowing the RBI hit to Rodriguez.

Tigers 15, White Sox 12

CHICAGO — Brian Hunter's fourth hit sparked a five-run seventh inning and the Detroit Tigers rallied after blowing a big lead for the second straight game.

Tony Clark, who also had four hits, homered twice and Bobby Higginson and Damion Easley each had three-run shots in Detroit's 19-hit attack.

Ozzie Guillen hit a two-run homer and Frank Thomas had a two-run double for the White Sox.

Willie Blair (1-1) was the winner and Todd Jones got his first save. Tony Castillo (1-1) was the loser.

The game lasted 4 hours, 20 minutes, one minute short of tying the record for the longest nine-inning game ever.

Yankees 10, Athletics 5

OAKLAND, Calif. — Paul O'Neill's grand slam capped a six-run third and Derek Jeter tied a career high with four hits as the New York Yankees beat Oakland.

Jose Canseco, Geronimo Berroa and Scott Spiezio homered for the A's. Canseco, who also had an RBI single in the first, hit a two-run shot in the third — his first homer since rejoining the A's this season in a trade from Boston.

Dwight Gooden (1-0) got the win despite tying a career worst by allowing the three homers. He allowed five runs and six hits in 5 2-3 innings. Mariano Rivera got four outs for his first save.

Mike Mohler (0-1), making his first start since July 22, 1994, lasted just three-plus innings for the A's.

Brewers 5, Blue Jays 2

TORONTO — Gerald Williams hit a home run, then doubled to break a sixth-inning tie as the Milwaukee Brewers beat Toronto.

Jamie McAndrew (1-0), making his first start since injuring his knee in August 1995, gave up two runs and seven hits in five innings. He struck out one and walked two.

Angel Miranda pitched three innings of one-hit relief and Doug Jones pitched the ninth for his first save.

Williams, who pulled the Brewers even at 2 in the fourth with his first home run of the season, doubled to left-center off Woody Williams (0-1) for a 3-2 lead in the sixth.

Twins 7, Royals 5

MINNEAPOLIS — Chuck Knoblauch broke out of an early-season slump with three hits, and Terry Steinbach had three RBIs for Minnesota.

Knoblauch, who hit .341 last season, was in a 1-for-14 slump through four games, but had three singles, scored a run and knocked in two.

The Royals rallied from 4-1 and 5-4 deficits to tie it at 5-all before Steinbach's run-scoring single in the fifth put the Twins ahead for good.

Rich Robertson won his first decision, allowing four runs and seven hits in five innings. Rick Aguilera worked the ninth for his second save.

Pittsburgh's Schmidt eager to start regular season with regulated heart



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Jason Schmidt, a pitcher for the Pittsburgh Pirates, will start Sunday against the Dodgers after being treated for having an irregular heartbeat.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jason Schmidt will never forget the day last month when he went to see Pittsburgh Pirates team physician Joseph Coroso and was shattered by the diagnosis.

"The doctor said, 'Well, we found something wrong with your heart,' " Schmidt said. "And before I even had time to listen to the rest of it, I just went into immediate panic, like, 'Oh my gosh, what's going to happen? I'll have to have open-heart surgery. This'll be the end of my career.' "

Schmidt, 24, learned he had a slight irregular heartbeat during a routine exam at Bradenton, Fla., then went 2 1/2 weeks between spring training outings while he was getting re-examined in Pittsburgh. Sunday, he makes his first start of the regular season at Dodger Stadium.

"I think it affected him, mentally," manager Gene Lamont said. "And I don't blame him for that because he's had a couple of other things on his mind. You think of your health first, then you think about your career. And I think it took him a while to get his mind back on things he needed to do to pitch well."

Schmidt now has to take medication twice a day to regulate or speed up the vagus nerve in his heart.

"The doctor said it's nothing harmful, nothing I'm going to die from, and I'll be fine," Schmidt said. "After about two years, I can quit taking it. But I was scared to death when I went up to Pittsburgh.

Marlins' Brown looks forward to more run-support this year

By Steven Wine
AP Sports Writer

MIAMI — A home run. An RBI double. Two more runs in the fifth. The score was 4-0 as Kevin Brown returned to the mound, and he couldn't get there fast enough.

The Florida Marlins gave Brown a cushion for a change. He found it quite comfortable.

"I'll take a four-run lead any time," he said. "I love it. Hopefully it's a trend. I could get used to it real quick."

Brown allowed only a scratch single in seven shutout innings on opening day, and Florida beat the Chicago Cubs 4-2. The right-hander will take his 0.00 ERA into his second start of the season Sunday against Cincinnati.

Last year, Brown had the best ERA and the worst offensive support in the major leagues. Blessed with a hard sinker and excellent control, he lacked only runs.

This year should be different. Florida added high-priced free agents Bobby Bonilla and Moises Alou to bat fourth and fifth for a team that ranked next-to-last in the majors in runs a year ago.

"This team is capable of a lot of offensive potency," Brown said.

"If we give him four runs, he wins 30," teammate Jeff Conine said.

With little help last year, Brown finished second to Atlanta's John Smoltz in voting for the National League Cy Young Award. He went 17-11 with an ERA of 1.89, less than half the league average of 4.21.

But the Marlins averaged only 3.5 runs per nine innings with Brown on the mound. When they managed at least three runs, he was 17-1. They scored a total of 11 runs in his 11 losses.

Brown's performance Tuesday was comparable to his best efforts last year. He struck out eight and walked two. The Cubs' only hit was a high-hop single that barely eluded third baseman Bonilla.

"This is my 10th year in the major leagues, and that was the best stuff I've ever seen," Chicago's Mark Grace said.

"He was unhittable," Bonilla added.

Brown, always his own worst critic, disagreed. He hopes to pitch better Sunday.

"I didn't feel like I dominated guys," he said.

Florida fans hope the pitching of Brown, Al Leiter and $35 million acquisition Alex Fernandez will lift the team into pennant contention for the first time. Skeptics who disagree argue that Brown and Leiter (16-12 last season with a 2.93 ERA) will be unable to duplicate the career years they enjoyed in 1996.

"People say Leiter and I need to have as good a year as we did last year," Brown said. "I say that's ludicrous, because we're better as a team. If we had the same team as last year, I'd agree. But we're not the same team. We have more depth and offensive punch."

In other words, Brown could post an ERA a run higher than last year and still finish with a better record. The logical goal would be 20 wins, a milestone he achieved with Texas in 1992.

Just give him the ball — and a few runs.

"It's an easier mind set when you have a lead," he said. "Pitching with a lead is what it's all about."

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Governments get involved in building ballparks

By Hunter T. George
Associated Press Writer

OLYMPIA, Wash. — In Pennsylvania, they proposed trading the state's vast network of liquor stores for a network of professional sports palaces. In Detroit, the city's football and baseball teams actually are cooperating with each other in developing a half-billion-dollar athletic complex.

From Florida's Gulf Coast to the Pacific Northwest, where the Washington Legislature is considering whether to authorize hefty public investment in a new stadium for the NFL's Seattle Seahawks, governments struggle with demands for new stadiums and arenas.

Although the public's share of the cost for these projects varies widely — the proposed $325 million public investment in a $402 million Seahawks stadium is at the high end — they share similar funding strategies, such as higher taxes on tickets, hotel rooms and rental cars. Some even raise sales taxes.

And most are driven by the same dilemma: build a new stadium or lose the team to a place that will.

Washington state just went through this in 1995, when the Seattle Mariners threatened to leave town rather than play in the aging Kingdome. As the Ms wrapped up their best season ever, the Legislature agreed to grant King County authority for new levies to help build a $414 million baseball stadium.

Now lawmakers are dealing with a Seahawks crisis, spawned early last year when owner Ken Behring temporarily moved the team to Southern California.

Civic leaders, including then-King County Executive Gary Locke, asked local billionaire Paul Allen to help keep the team in the Northwest by buying it. The Microsoft co-founder agreed, but only on condition that the public help cover the cost of tearing down the Kingdome and replacing it with an open-air, football-only stadium.

Allen and Locke, now the governor, propose that taxpayers cover a maximum of $325 million, with Allen supplying another $100 million. Allen also expects to pay about $200 million for the team.

Their proposal targets sports fans for the bulk of the cost. The most recent version includes a 5 percent wholesale tax on logo-bearing sports apparel, special Seahawks-oriented lottery games and higher taxes on stadium admissions and parking.

"We're really putting the cost of the construction of a new stadium on the fans and those who support football — people who attend the games, people who might want to buy a special lottery ticket. So it really has no impact on the general taxpayer," Locke said.

The sports tax is a new idea in an industry desperate for some.

It prompted interest in Minnesota, where owners of the Twins team are pushing for a $400 million baseball stadium. Various legislative proposals have included the tax on sports products, revenues from slot machines and higher taxes on cigarettes, but lawmakers remain skeptical. The team owners have offered to contribute $15 million in cash toward a new stadium, give the public 49 percent of the team and share profits.

Elsewhere, tax increases on liquor, cigarettes, rental cars and stadium admissions are being imposed or at least considered.

In Ohio, a 10-year extension of Cleveland liquor and cigarette taxes will help pay for a stadium that will serve as home field for the NFL team that replaces the Browns, who moved to Baltimore. The stadium is expected to cost up to $250 million, most of it public funds.

San Franciscans vote June 3 on a $100 million public investment in a $525 million football stadium and megamall. That's also the same day Locke and Allen propose that Washington voters go to the polls for final word on the Seahawks proposal.

In Massachusetts, New England Patriots owner Robert Kraft proposed putting $200 million of his money into a new football stadium if the state gave him the land and $65 million in infrastructure improvements. But he dropped the idea after residents in South Boston resisted.

Massachusetts Gov. William F. Weld, a Republican, supports full public financing for a stadium, saying the team is a public asset. But Democratic leaders in that state's House and Senate aren't as enthusiastic, and the Pats are now considering other sites in Massachusetts, although Connecticut and Rhode Island plan to make bids as well.

In Washington, Allen, Locke and lawmakers have vowed to avoid any general tax increases. But other states have hardly hesitated.

Two new stadiums for Cincinnati's football and baseball franchises are being funded by voter-approved increases in the local sales tax.

A higher sales tax in the Phoenix area will help pay for a stadium for its new baseball team, the Arizona Diamondbacks. Taxpayers are expected to pay for as much as $238 million of the $330 million cost of the stadium, which has a retractable roof, a swimming pool and air conditioning.

And voters in the six-county Denver metropolitan area would be asked to approve a sales tax increase if a study concludes that the aging Mile High Stadium, home to the NFL Broncos, should be replaced.

Another funding source considered in some states are athletes' incomes, particularly since the need for new, revenue-generating stadiums is usually blamed on multimillion-dollar salaries.

Philadelphia's experience with a local income tax — it generated about $3 million from athletes between 1993 and 1996 — has prompted proposals to tax players' salaries. For states such as Texas and Washington that don't have an income tax, backers have suggested imposing a "locker room" tax or so-called "user fee."

The Texas Senate recently rejected the idea, and Locke and legislative leaders also have ruled out that option in Washington.

Another unlikely funding source was proposed in Pennsylvania, where Gov. Tom Ridge last fall recommended to selling the state's liquor stores — some estimates place their value as high as $1 billion — and use the proceeds to help pay for sports and exhibition centers around the state. He backed off that plan last month.

San Francisco, Cincinnati and Detroit also have plans in the works for football and baseball facilities.

Detroit's planned sports complex will include new stadiums for both teams — and the Lions and Tigers are cooperating on the $505 million project.

No such luck in the Northwest.

Though many Washington residents have questioned the wisdom of building two stadiums with a combined cost of more than $800 million without requiring the teams to work together and possibly save money, legislative leaders say there's no hope for cooperation.

The Mariners have already broken ground on their new stadium, and they threatened to leave in December when the project faced delays.

"The football team and baseball team don't exactly share Christmas cards," Van Luven said.

Few, if any, of the other regions dealing with new stadiums are asking the public for as much money as Locke and Allen are asking for the Seahawks stadium.

The public's proposed $325 million share is only about $60 million less than the combined amount that five California cities — Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco, Oakland and Sacramento — have agreed in the past two years to spend on renovating stadiums in order to keep or regain professional teams.

"You will be breaking new ground in the sports welfare business," said Mark Rosentraub, an Indiana University professor and author of a just-published book called "Major League Losers."

West Texas Sports

Booster Clubs...

The Midland High Softball Booster Club will meet the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in conference room A. The public is welcome to attend...

The Midland High Soccer Booster Club will meet April 14 at 7 p.m. at MHS...

The Lady Dawgs Basketball Booster Club meeting is at 6:30 p.m. on April 7 in Conference Room A of Midland High School...

The Midland High Baseball Booster Club meeting is 7 p.m. on April 10 in the MHS cafeteria...

Basketball...

Panhandle Amateur Athletics will host tournaments each weekend during April. Divisions are planned in age groups 11-18 for both boys and girls. Entry fee is $175 per team. Registration has also begun for the West Texas BCI Open, scheduled for June 6-8. The BCI meet will have age divisions 11-18 as well as an open division for boys and girls. Entry fee is $200 per team. For more information or to register a team, call Linda Perry at 745-4203, Anna Daniel at 763-4501 or Randy Stewart at (806) 335-1219...

Tennis...

The USTA adult season runs from April 15-June 1. MXD season is from May-July. For more information call Juannell Fort at 686-0277 or Lance Armstrong at 687-4046...

The Midland College Tennis Center is offering individual and group lessons for all ages. Call Toby at 687-4046 for information...

The Texas Tech Tennis Camps for boys and girls ages 9-17 will be held this summer by Director Tim Siegel, the head men's and women's tennis coach at Tech. The Day Camp is June 9-13. The Overnight Camp is June 29-July 3. For more information call 742-3355 ext. 277...

Green Tree Country Club is offering J.D. Spring Session II from April 8-May 2 for the following: Pee Wee, 8-under, Thursdays 3:30-4:15 p.m., $30 per month; Beginner, 9-up, Tuesday and Thursday, 4:30-5:30 p.m., $65 per month; Advanced Beginner, Wednesday and Friday, 4:30-5:30 p.m., $65 per month; Advanced Intermediate; Tuesday and Thursday, 5:30-6:30 p.m., $65 per month; The Edge (Advanced), Wednesday and Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p.m., $65 per month. Call Mike or David at 697-7806...

Softball...

The Permian Basin ASA Umpires Association is now recruiting any interested individuals wishing to umpire slow and fast pitch softball this spring and summer. For further information please contact Howard King at 684-7595, Joe Guerra at 686-8445 or Freddie Ezell...

The Midland YMCA is now taking late registration for youth softball. The program is for boys and girls from kindergarten through sixth grades. The fee is $25 for YMCA members and $38 for non-members. For more information, call 682-2551...

The Odessa Renegade Tournament for Men's Class E and Women's B and C divisions is scheduled for April 19 at UTPB. For more information, call Fred Vestal at 550-2722, Bruce Merritt at 367-2824 or Billy Feeler at 550-3708...

A United States Slowpitch Softball Association qualifier for Men's Classes C-E and Women's B and C is scheduled for UTPB April 26. Call 550-2722, 367-2824 or 550-3708...

Spring Training Co-ed Softball Tournament is April 26 in Crane. Entry fee is $100 per team and entry deadline is April 24. Call 1-915-558-2621 for information...

Golf...

McCamey Country Club will host a 1-person 18-hole scramble on April 12 at $25; a 4-lady 18-hole select shot tournament on April 19 for $35 per person and lunch included after play; and the Charlie Shepard Memorial 2-man low ball event is May 17-18 for $130 per team. Parent-Child Select Shot is June 7 at 11 a.m. with 10-under 9 holes and 11-over 18 holes. $10 per person. June 21-22 is the 2-man (4-9 hole format) with 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. tee times. July 12-13 is the Couple Select Shot with 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. tee times for $70 per team. August 2-3 is the Club Championship at $25 per person for medal play. Tee time is noon for both men and women. Sept. 6-7 is the 4-man select shot with tee times at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. for $260 per team. Sept. 20 is the Ona Lee Sharp Classic (4-Lady Select) for $35 per person. Oct. 18 is the 3-person 18-hole select shot tournament for $35 with a 10 a.m. tee time. Call 1-915-652-8904 for more information...

The 12th annual Spring Trans-Pecos SPE Scholarship Tournament is April 14 at the Midland Country Club. The tournament is a four-man scramble with shotgun starts at 8:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. The entry fee is $320 per team by April 9, $400 afterward. Each team consists of an A, B, C and D player. For more information, call Fran Johnson, Shanna Guevara or Al Sutton at 682-4305 or 683-0260...

Factory representatives from Wilson, Daiwa, Ping, Callaway, Lynx, Taylor Made, Yonex, Cobra, Spalding, Titleist, Odyssey, Bridgestone and Footjoy, will be at Hogan Park Golf Course from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on April 7 to show golfers the new golf equipment for 1997. There will be opportunity to demo new equipment on the driving range with the factory reps...

A two-person, 27-hole **Black Gold Golf tournament** sponsored Desk and Derrick Club is April 12 at Hogan Park. The first nine holes will be played with a low-ball format, the second nine holes will be modified alternate shot, and the last nine holes will be a scramble. Players put together their own teams, but both golfers must have established USGA handicaps, and their handicaps must be within six strokes of each other. Play begins at 7:30 p.m. Entry fee is $40 per person, limited to the first 40 paid teams. Deadline is at 6 p.m., April 9. For more information, call the Hogan Park golf shop at 685-7360...

The Chicano Golf Association will a tournament April 13 in Colorado City. Registration is at 9 a.m. For more information call, Al Enriquez at 684-8481 or Coon Moreno at 699-6316...

Ladies golf clinics are April 15-17 at Hogan Park, from 6-8 p.m. each evening. The fee for the the clinics is $60 per person. The clinics will stress fundamentals, and each person will be video-taped and given a copy of the tape for his own use. Golf clubs will be provided for those who need them.

The Andrews County Golf Course hosts a three-man scramble on April 26-27 for $55 per person. Call (915) 524-1462 for more details....

The Texas Tech Red Raider Club is holding the **Permian Basin Red Raider Golf Classic** May 5 at The Club at Mission Dorado. The cost is $100 per person. Individual dinner tickets are available for $20. Head football coach Spike Dykes will be joined by other Tech coaches and staff participating in the event. Dinner starts at 6 p.m. Entry deadline is May 2. For more information, call Dal Watson at 570-6644 or Brad Walker at 335-5110...

The Sixth Annual Scottish Rite Scholarship Golf Tournament is April 26 at the Hogan Park Golf Course. Tee times begin at 11:30 a.m. Entry fee is $150 per team. Call Bill Dormady at 683-6222 or Bob Cain at 683-1707 for more information...

Masters Golf is holding Ladies Clinics until May 29. Cost is $99 per person and includes unlimited range for 60 days and four 90-minute clinics. Call 570-4499 for details and to sign up...

Soccer...

Texas Christian University will be the site of a **No. 1 Goalkeeper Camp** and a **No. 1 Striker Camp** June 1-6 or June 7-12. Camp is available for beginner, intermediate and advanced players. Call 1-800-MACHNIK or (203) 483-9839, e-mail at no1camps@snet.net or check the Website at www.no1soccercamps.com for more information...

Running...

The Big Spring State Park Fun Run Fundraiser, including 5K and 10K races, is April 19 at 8 a.m. Cost is $5 per person. There is also a park entrance fee of $2 per person ages 13 and up with exception to Texas Conservation Passport and Parkland Pass holders. Call 263-4931 for more information...

The annual ECISD Run/Walk 5K, co-sponsored by UTPB Kinesiology Club, benefiting ECISD Special Olympics, is June 7 at 8 a.m. at UTPB. The run and walk are over a 3.1 mile course with seven age divisions from 15-under to 60-over. Early entry fee is $12 per person and $15 on race day. Call 334-7172 or 334-0734 for more information...

The Midland YMCA Corporate Cup Challenge is 16 events over four days in April and May. The following events are available: Golf Tournament, 4-person scramble, 1 p.m. April 22 at Hogan Park; Bowling Tournament, co-ed team (2), Midland Park Lanes, 6 p.m. April 29; Volleyball Tournament (min. 6, max 12), Central YMCA, 7 p.m., May 1; Bench Press Competition (2), Central Y, 7 p.m. May 1; 3-on-3 Basketball (min. 3, max. 5), Central Y May 2, 6 p.m.; 200-meter Swim Relay (4, at least one female), May 3, 1 p.m., COM; Horsehoes (1-male, 1-female), May 3 at 5:30 p.m., Hogan Park; Softball Throw (male and female divisions), 6 p.m. May 3, Hogan Park. .mile Time Predict (min. 1, max. 6), May 4 at 1 p.m., Memorial Stadium; 4 X 100 Relay (4, min. 1 female), 1:30 p.m., May 4, Memorial Stadium; Tug of War (6 men, 6 women), 3 p.m. May 4, Memorial Stadium. Call 682-2551 for information...

Track and Field...

The West Texas Christian Track Meet is May 10 at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa. Opening ceremonies are at 7:45 a.m. and events, which include running long jump, softball throw and races and relays of several distances, begin at 8 a.m. Entry fee is $5 by April 18. Please call 563-9333 for more information...

Rugby...

The Midland Mad Dogs Rugby Football Club will be holding its practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. For more information call Daryl at 697-6418 or E-mail: indyshome @ juno. com.

Baseball

The Famous Chicken will be on hand for the April 27th game between the Midland Angels and the El I aso Diablos at 6 p.m. Tickets can be purchased now from the CENTERS staff at 1031 Andrews Hwy., Suite 200, for $4.50 each. Tickets will be $5 at the game. A portion of the proceeds benefits program for CENTERS for Children and Families. Call 699-4262 for information...

Football...

The Midland Colts of the United States Independent Football League will play four home games at Stanton High School as part of an eight-game schedule in their inaugural season. The home games are April 6 against the San Angelo Six-Shooters, April 13 against the Abilene Thunder, April 20 against the San Angelo Stampede and May 18 against the Stampede. All games start at 3 p.m. For more information, call Curtis Conder at 686-0065...

In-line hockey...

Sign-ups for **inline hockey league play** are from 4-6 p.m. on weekdays at Sticks n' Kicks Sports Center at 3918 W. Wall. League games begin the third week of April. Call 520-6633 for more information...

Volleyball...

The **Central YMCA** is now taking registrations for an Adult Volleyball League. Deadline is April 8 with a captains meeting on April 10. League play begins April 15 with games on Tuesday and Thursday nights. For more information, call Thomas Talley at 682-2551...

Diving...

The **Dust Devil Divers** are participating in a dive for the Divers Alert Network April 12-13 at Balmorhea State Park. A $20 donation will be given to the network, which is good for a barbecue meal served befor the dive on Saturday along with a treasure hunt that night. A pancake breakfast will be served on Sunday morning with donations going to Balmorhea High School. For information, call Briley at 570-8761 or Roger at 689-6688...

Fishing...

The Sweetwater Bass Club is holding its annual Open Tournament Saturday, May 10 from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Lake Sweetwater. There is a $1,000 cash prize for first place and other cash awards based on 100 entries. The three-fish stringer entry fee is $35. The Big Bass Calcutta pays 60/40 with a $5 entry fee. Weigh-in begins at 2:45 p.m...

The second annual **Texas Fly Fishing and Outdoor Show** is scheduled for May 16-18 on the Guadalupe River in Louise Hays Park in Kerrville. Over 30 exhibitors will be displaying their goods and 40 classes, lectures and demonstrations will be given covering all levels of fly fishing along with paddling and camping activities. A three-day pass is $10 for adults and $6 for children ages 8-14. The daily cost is $5 for adults, $3 for children 8-14 and free for all children seven and under. For an advance registration package, call (210) 792-3535...

Job openings...

Monahans High School has job openings for a head volleyball and girls track coach (head coaching experience required) and a head swimming coach. Contact Windy Williams, athletic director at 943-3421 or fax at 943-2668. Mail resumes to Williams at: Monahans High School, 809 S. Betty, Monahans, TX, 79756...

Teams needed...

Abernathy is seeking two basketball teams (one boys and one girls in classes A through 3A) for its I-27 basketball tournament Dec. 11-13. Call Janice Legan at 806-298-2563 for information...

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The home of Mike and Annamarie Mootz features a study with a sitting area decorated in an African jungle motif. The leopard print wallpaper sets the stage for the numerous bronze animals placed around the room and the brass palm tree. A couch sits in front of the green marble fireplace.



The breakfast room in the home of John and Deborah Dean offers a beautiful view of the landscaped yard with a sparkling pool, spa and covered patio, a great place to spend a spring or summer evening.



Upon entering the home of Mike and Patty Loftis, visitors are greeted with a spectacular wall mural of an 18th century garden view that is typical of an English country estate. Topiaries accent the mural and the hardwood floor adds a warm touch to the entry way.



A bronze statue of a cowboy attempting to ride a rearing bronco greets visitors to the home of Bobby and Cindy Vogel. The free-flowing floor plan features an open dining area sporting an African motif. The black lacquer dining suit features leopard-print covered seats, and a table runner with matching place mats. The napkins fill animal-shaped napkin rings as well.

Parade of Homes

Text and design by Elizabeth Edwin Photos of the Dean home and the Vogel home by Tim Fischer Photos of the Loftis home and the Mootz home by Curt Wilcott

All the world loves a parade, and on Sunday Midlanders will have the opportunity to see one, but it's not what you might initially envision. The Midland Junior Woman's Club is presenting its 28th annual Parade of Homes 1-5 p.m. April 13, featuring four beautifully decorated homes in Midland.

However, while you might not expect to see animals in a Parade of Homes, think again. Statues and skins of wild and exotic animals and Wild West animals are a prominent part of several decors. Animal motifs also proved popular this year, with walls covered in leopard prints, exotic cow skins used for rugs, and even a Dalmatian print spotted here and there to round out the animal kingdom.

The event — which is the organization's main fund-raiser — will feature the homes of John and Deborah Dean, Mike and Patty Loftis, Mike and Annamarie Mootz, and Bobby and Cindy Vogel. Proceeds will benefit D.A.R.E., Allison Cancer Center's Look Good Feel Good Shop and Habitat for Humanity.

Tickets are $10 per person and can be purchased from any Junior Woman's Club member, as well as at The Ivy Cottage, Expressions, Machelle's and The Gazebo. Tickets will not be available at the door.

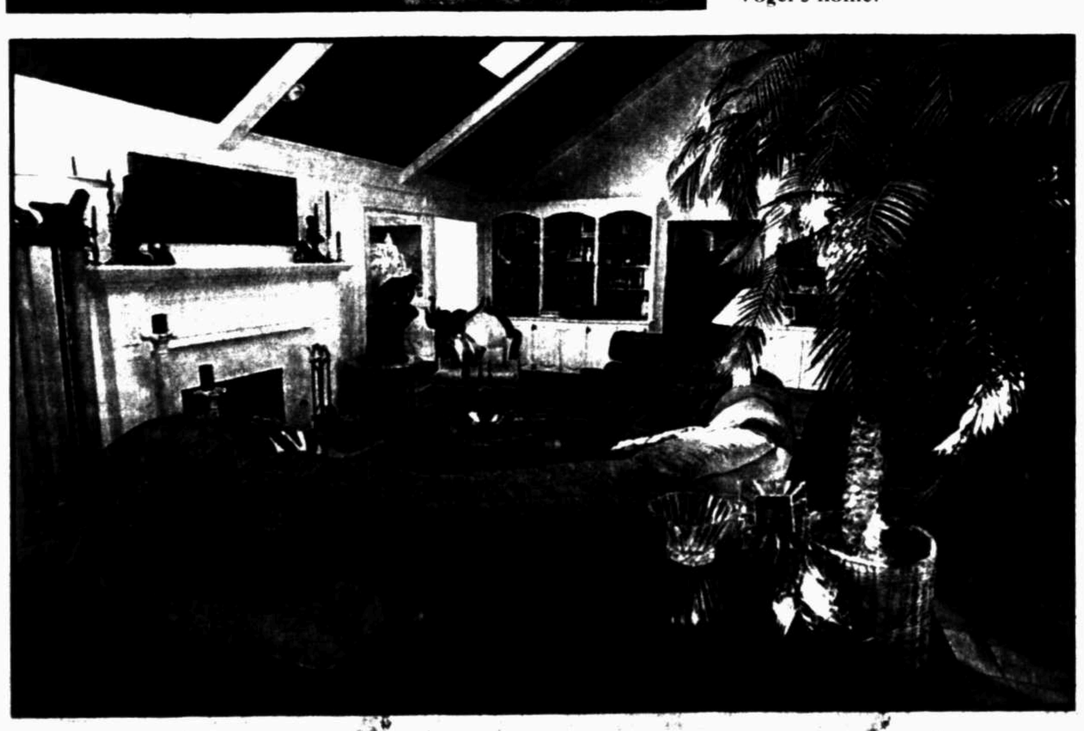
As a courtesy to the home owners, no one under age 12 is admitted, there is no smoking and cameras are not permitted. A printed advisory on the ticket also suggests those attending wear comfortable shoes and car pool when possible.

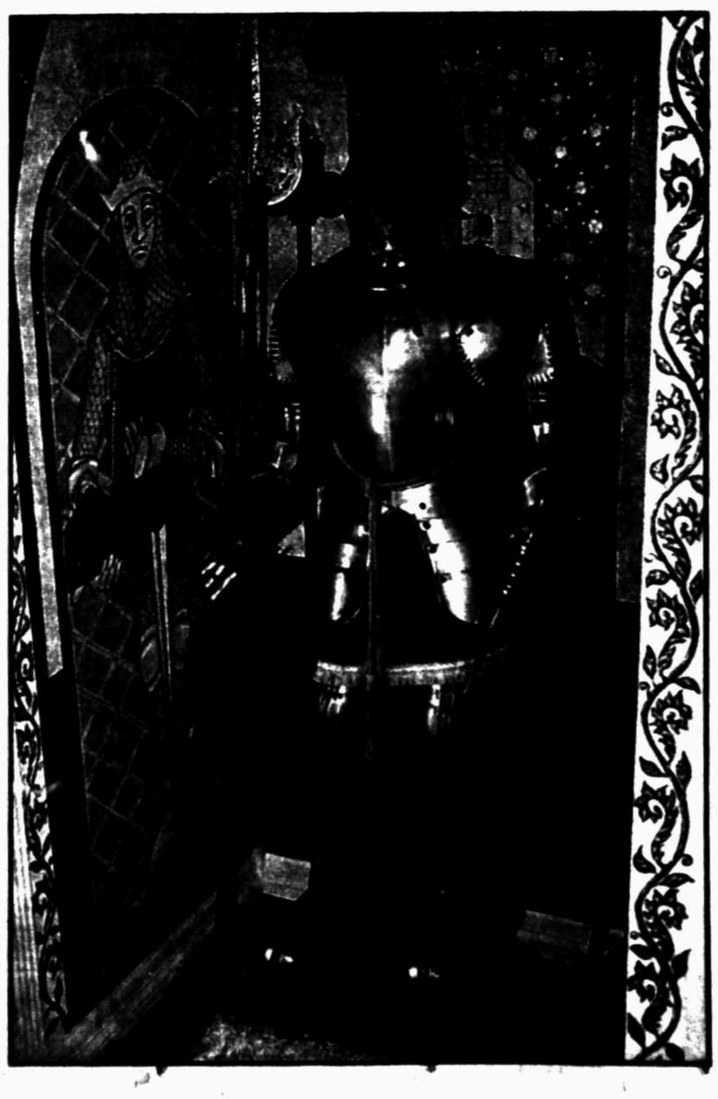
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Top left, clockwise: The master bedroom of the Mootz home features carved wood angels with mirrored wings. The rich wood floor and built-ins of the study in the Dean home are accented by a tiger steer rug. A suit of armor set against a mural recreating 11th century art greets visitors to the home of Mike and Patty Loftis. Palm trees and animal statues grace the living area of Bobby and Cindy Vogel's home.





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HAVE YOU HEARD?

Joint ceremony links 50th, 25th anniversary celebrations for family

By Marilyn McKnight Harrison

Linking their 50th and 25th wedding anniversaries, **Bettie and Donald Twitchell Sr.** and their daughter and son-in-law, **Barbara and Alton Lee Kidd Jr.** of Brownwood, reaffirmed their wedding vows in a joint ceremony Saturday afternoon at Temple Baptist Church.



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The story behind Saturday's event goes back a little over 50 years ago when a starry eyed city girl met a lanky country boy from Missouri, who was serving with the U.S. Navy in World War II. Bettie was working with her mother in a U.S.O. group at Fleet Recreation Park in Norfolk, Va.

After three months of dating, the couple knew they wanted to spend the rest of their lives together, so they were married on March 9, 1947, in Portsmouth, Va.

The Twitchells were blessed with four children, who grew up being taught the importance of God, family and patriotism. Before long, Don began walking the girls down the aisles as they started their own families.

However, Barbara married Lee, a Vietnam veteran, on April 12, 1972, in Reno, Nev., and circumstances prevented Don from being there. It was always her dream to have her father walk her down the aisle. Now we fast forward to April 5 when her dream came true. Don escorted her to the front of the church before the ceremony, which took place in the presence of a large assemblage of family and friends.

The Twitchells and the Kidds duplicated their original weddings as much as possible, using the same colors, spring yellow and light green, and the same songs.

A reception in the church's Fellowship Hall followed the ceremony, and music was played from both the Forties and the Seventies.

Present for the special occasion were the Twitchells' other children and spouses, **Donna and the Rev. Donald Cecil** of Fort Worth, **Donald Twitchell Jr.** and **Lourie and Howard Zachry,** all of Midland; their eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Also among those present were a number of friends from Brownwood, where the Twitchells have a lake house and where the Kidds reside.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Natasha Eustace, who has been accepted at the American Musical and Dramatic Academy in New York City. One of only 200 to be chosen, she will begin her studies there in July.

The daughter of **Natalie and Tom Eustace,** Natasha will graduate from Austin College at Sherman in May with a bachelor of arts degree in communication.

ONE OF THE MOST fun evenings we've spent occurred recently when five local musicians teamed up to present a "PianoRama." The event, held at Odessa Country Club, was sponsored by the West Texas Jazz Society.

Dean Baker of Odessa and Midlanders **Alice Moxey, Jim Ross, Bobby Crues** and **Rob Hunt** were featured in concert, with **Mark Lowe, bass; Neal Goates,** percussionist, and **Robert LaCroix,** guitar, as the rhythm section.

Local radio personality **Max Howard** and a host of the popular Saturday morning "Breakfast in Jazz" program was M.C. for the evening of sensational entertainment.

Robert Claiborne, who is a recipient of a Jazz Society scholarship, was introduced and informed the audience about the master's program in jazz studies in which he is enrolled at the University of North Texas.

Between numbers, Max announced plans for the Odessa Jazz Party May 14-18 and a trip for jazz lovers to New York City, which is currently taking place.

Among those seen at the "PianoRama" were **Gretchen and Frank Bell, Esta and Cary Geron, Sue and Ross Roberts, Carol and Gary Hall, Claire and Jim Woodcock** and **Pat and Bob Lively.**

OUR CONGRATULATIONS and best wishes to the Permian Basin Girl Scout Council, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary, and to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America on their 85th!

There was a Scouting program in place here more than 50 years ago, but it was not until 1947 that the Midland Girl Scouts joined with other communities to form the Council.

A huge birthday party was held Saturday at the Chaparral Center at Midland College. Headliner for the event was **Sheila Uselton,** a well-known children's recording artist.

We recall with fondness our affiliation with the Girl Scouting program back in mid-America. It was an important part of our life for a number of years.

Marilyn McKnight Harrison is social columnist for the Reporter-Telegram.

Out of Africa styles, designs permeate fashions for spring

By Anne-Marie Schiro
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — From safari jackets to tribal prints to beaded necklaces, the African influence permeates fashion for spring. Ralph Lauren's collection was totally inspired by Africa, and other designers dipped into the continent's design heritage.

Lord & Taylor's safari jackets include a traditional four-pocket version in beige linen from Ralph by Ralph Lauren ($450); a modified version in beige rayon and wool ($450) and a khaki cotton bush vest ($98), both from Lauren by Ralph Lauren, and to wear at midnight at the oasis, a satin jacket in ivory or brown by Dana Buchman ($368).

Barneys New York has an African-patterned knit tank top ($335) and sheer skirt ($275) by Dries van Noten, printed silk scarves in earth tones by Bin House ($350), beaded necklaces by Ziio ($95 to $295) and beaded stitched leather belts by Henry Begulin ($119 to $275).

Saks Fifth Avenue has wood-and-silver bangles by Dominique Aurientis ($200).

PARADE: Proceeds benefit charities

(From 1D)

For a brief glimpse of what is in store during the Parade of Homes, read on.

John and Deborah Dean

The 4,400-square-foot home of John and Deborah Dean has the feel of a much more intimate home. Built by Greg Frazier/J.C. Copeland and beautifully decorated by Mrs. Dean and Cindy Wallace of Domain, the spacious home has five bedrooms and four baths.

The entry way is a showcase for the L-shaped stairway in front, the formal living area to the left and the formal dining area to the right.

The formal living area is light and bright with grand windows. The focal point of the room is the marble-tiled fireplace, one of four fireplaces in the home. But don't let that keep you from noticing the custom-painted, harlequin-patterned walls.

Through the double doors you enter the family room, paneled in rich, natural wood. The forest green leather couch, chair and ottoman give the room a warm touch. The built-in shelves and cabinets house books as well as family photos and treasures, and the wet bar features a wine rack. The back wall of this room features ceiling-to-floor windows opening on to view of the beautifully landscaped yard with pool, spa and patio, a perfect place for a summer's evening.

The family room features a communicating fireplace to the study, which was added to the original home two years ago. The rich wood paneling is continued into the study, as well as a hardwood floor, which is accented with a wonderful tiger steer rug. The study features built-in shelves and storage behind a wood desk. The ceiling-to-floor windows offer a natural light that highlights the burgundy-painted walls that have the appearance of being leather.

On the opposite side of the family room from the study is the breakfast area and breakfast bar, which flows into the gourmet kitchen. The granite countertops and custom millwork are special features in this room.

A walk through the kitchen winds you back to the formal dining area, which is filled with antiques from Mrs. Dean's family. The burgundy crushed velvet draperies and hand-screened reproduction wall coverings enhance the room's ambiance. A crystal chandelier adds the finishing touch to the elegant room.

The master bedroom is spacious and comfortable. The marble fireplace catches your eye, but allow your view to drift to the walls painted in subtle horizontal stripes encircling the room. The master bath is a retreat unto itself, with a glass shower and an oversized jet tub. A small, high window, which allows a warm steam of sunlight to shine in during the day, is accented with magnolias. The double vanity sinks feature his-and-her heights.

Upstairs is a world designed for the couple's three daughters.

One bedroom, with an adjoining full bath, features cloud-painted walls with angels, and glow-in-the-dark stars seem to dance on the ceiling. A waft of net graces the head of the bed, seeming to bring the clouds to life.

Another room carries out the theme of Noah's Ark. A silk grapevine leads the eye from the window into an accent wall painting of a giraffe and alligator. A Noah's Ark table and chairs serves as a game table. The head of the bed is home to a peacock painted on the wall, and a kiddie tiger rug lays on the floor. A picture frame attached to the wall gives the allusion of looking out a window with a painting of a rainbow and dove seeming to be the outside view.

A Jack-and-Jill bath leads to the third upstairs bedroom that is decorated with a Beatrix Potter theme. "Chell's Carrot Patch," complete with a bunny house and garden, is painted on the walls. A nook features a built-in desk under a window that offers a view of the backyard and golf course beyond.



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

In the home of Mike and Annamarie Mootz, the spacious kitchen opens to the dining area and living room. The dome-like ceiling of the dining area adds a beautiful touch of space and light.



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

The informal living area of the home of John and Deborah Dean is warm and inviting. The wood paneling is accented by the forest green leather sofa. Large windows behind the couch provide a beautiful natural light inside the room, as well as a wonderful view of the pool and spa in the back yard.

The playroom is a child's dream come true. The mural walls — painted by local artist Roxanne Spradlin — are designed as a coloring book of a dress-up tea party, as well as featuring a large chalk board sprayed on the wall. A foam puzzle map covers part of the wood floor and a large trunk spills over with toys.

Mike and Patty Loftis

The 6,000-square-foot home of Mike and Patty Loftis features five bedrooms and five baths. The architect, builder and contractor was Sue Mullins, and it was decorated by Mrs. Loftis, G. Thomas Harlowe and Anne-Marie Bachmann.

The family's love of the theater and of Great Britain is evident from the moment you walk into the home. A mural of an 18th century garden view from an English country estate is painted on the entry wall, which features rich wood floors. In a nook to the left, a knight in shining armor stands in front of a mural recreating the 11th century (and don't miss how the light switch is incorporated into the mural so that it almost isn't noticeable). The Loftis coat-of-arms hangs nearby.

To the left and down two steps is the formal dining and living area with triangularly recessed bookcases. A marble fireplace graces the opposite wall in the room, which is decorated with Queen Anne-style furniture. The rich red walls are accented with white columns. Sliding glass doors offer a view of the brick-fenced back yard that is beautifully landscaped and features pebbled walkways.

To the left of the formal area is a hallway — painted with a trompe l'oiel mural — leading to the master bedroom with sitting area and bath. The rich burgundy carpet is set off by the hand-painted clouds on the ceiling painted above the grand four-poster Chippendale-styled bed. One wall features built-ins filled with family photos and books, around a marble fireplace. Here and there throughout the master suite is evidence of Mrs. Loftis' collections of Alice in Wonderland, rain-forest tree frogs, Hummels and Swaroski crystal animals.

The focal point of the master bath is a free-standing Victorian-style soaking tub with a large mural of an Irish countryside painted above it, which comes to life as silk ivy appears to grow out of the painting and drip down the wall. The bath also has a separate shower, his-and-hers sinks and a walk-around closet (to die for) with built-in shelves for hats, purses and shoes.

The chef's kitchen, decorated in stark white with brass accents, communicates to the formal living area and an informal living area that is to the right of the entry way — a mirror image of the formal living area. The kitchen features an island and breakfast bar, which has handy shelves built in at one end for cookbooks. It also has an appliance garage, a convenient storage area at counter-top level where blenders, mixers, can openers and the like can be stored out of sight but right at your fingertips when needed.

The informal living area has a relaxed feel with hunter green wicker furniture topped by floral print cushions filling the triangular recess. The hardwood floors are accented by hunter green-painted walls. A grand piano and fireplace complete the room.

As you head upstairs, your feet will feel make contact with the oriental carpet, held in place by brass rods. At the top you will find an exercise room and four bedrooms, each with its own bath. One site not to miss is the one-of-a-kind Danish bedroom suite with pink marble table tops, which was purchased at the 1893 Chicago Exposition and handed down through the family.

Mike and Annamarie Mootz

The home of Mike and Annamarie Mootz is more than 4,800 square-feet of space built by Mark Payne and designed by Payne and Mrs. Mootz. AmStudio Design Services, Mrs. Mootz's business, decorated the home, which has five-plus bedrooms and four-and-a-half baths.

Many of the accessories throughout the home were collected by the family during almost a decade of living abroad, including in Indonesia. There also is a

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GRIEF—A COMMON THREAD

Questions derived from concerns expressed by grieving people — Mark Mercer, M.S., L.P.C., SWA

"I have a close friend whose husband of 35 years died two months ago. She still cries all the time. How can I help her?"

Bereaved people feel very discouraged and angry when they are told, by word or attitude, that they are crying too much. Even the loss of a pet could take a couple of months to adjust to. Why does it alarm us to see someone crying over the death of a life-long human companion?

The first step in helping a close friend with grief is to face the fact that you can't fix it. They need the grief to express profound feelings about their loss. We help our friends manage grief by letting them talk about it, not by silently making them feel like they are maladjusted. After all, their tears and one track mind are normal.

How long should we continue to let people talk about their loss? As long as it takes.

If you are a bereaved person, you might clip out this article and give it to friends and family who are trying to help you but perhaps don't know how. Be patient with them. Weren't most of us less than helpful with bereaved people before we had a major loss of our own?

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AROUND TOWN

American Cancer Society's annual fund-raiser, Round Up, is planned for May 10 at Confederate Air Force Hangar. Headliner will be John Anderson. Dancing will be to the music of Daron Norwood.

Perini Ranch Caterers will provide the prime rib dinner. Silent and live auctions will be presented. Other events will include a gaming area and the "Reel Squeal" pig races.

In conjunction with this event, Round Up Of Roses, to honor loved ones who are victims or survivors of cancer, is planned. For a $50 donation to the fight against cancer, a rose with the loved one's name will be displayed during Round Up. All honorees' names will be listed on a plaque at the event; written notices of the gifts will be sent out.

For more information call 683-6374...

...MIDLAND JUNIOR Woman's Club will sponsor its 28th annual Parade of Homes 1-5 p.m. April 13. The four homes featured on this year's tour belong to John and Deborah Dean, Robert and Cindy Vogel, Mike and Annamarie Mootz, and Mike and Patty Loftis.

Funds raised from the event will benefit D.A.R.E, Habitat for Humanity and Allison Cancer Center's Look Good Feel Good Shop.

Tickets cost $10 each; no one under age 12 will be admitted. Tickets are available from Junior Woman's Club members and, beginning March 30, may also be purchased at Ivy Cottage, Expressions, Machelle's and The Gazebo.

For more information call 697-0723, 683-7777 or 694-3212...

...PERMIAN BASIN Association of Personnel Consultants will sponsor a Type-Off 3-5 p.m. April 21 at Midland College. The event, presented in honor of Professional Secretaries' Week, is being coordinated by Interim Personnel and MC's Office Systems Technology Department. Individuals and teams are invited to enter. Prizes will be given for fastest individual typist and typing team. For more information and entry forms, call 570-7002 or 685-4661...

...WEST TEXAS Writers and West Texas Storytellers Guild's second annual Short Story Contest is now accepting entries. Stories must be written *by* adults *for* children, and be no more than 1,000 words. Deadline for entries is May 1.

The age divisions are adult (age 16 and older) and children (younger than 16). Kassi Crites Award will be given to the winner of the children's division.

Schools are invited to take part in this community project. For a copy of the rules, write to: Children's Short Story Contest, P.O. Box 7555, Midland, Texas 79708. For contest rules and entry fee information call 699-7820...

...HUMAN RESOURCE Professionals of the Permian Basin will meet noon-1 p.m. April 8 at Center for Energy and Economic Diversification. Nancy Bethea, assistant district area director of OSHA, will speak on OSHA mandatory training, "New Ideas On Ways To Do Training," part one of a two-part series. Cost of the luncheon is $10 per person. For reservations call 571-2376 by noon April 7...

...MIDLAND KAPPA Delta Alumnae Association will have its annual rush meeting 10 a.m. April 8 at 4629 W. Cuthbert. Rush forms will be distributed. Members should bring Sunshine Bag articles for the Children's Hospital. All area Kappa Deltas are invited to attend. For lunch reservations call 689-0973...

...ST. NICHOLAS' Episcopal Church ECW Spring Luncheon is planned for 11:30 a.m. April 19 at the church, 2900 Princeton. Diane Stanton of Dallas, wife of Dallas Bishop James Stanton, will speak on "Increasing Our Awareness of Angels." Mrs. Stanton has presented this program to more than 200 groups in the Dallas area. Tickets are $10 each. For reservations call 694-8856...

...MIDLAND COUNTY Republican Women will meet 11:30 a.m. April 9 at the Midland Hilton Ballroom. Texas Secretary of State Antonio "Tony" Garza will speak on election laws. For reservations call 682-2988 before 10 a.m. April 7...

...CIGAR SOCIETY of West Texas will meet 7 p.m. April 8 at Hierman's Hofbrau, located in the atrium at San Miguel Square, 3303 N. Midkiff. All interested persons are invited to attend. For more information call 689-9398...

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HOMES: Animal motifs prove popular

(From 2D)

creative use of wall borders and wall treatments used throughout the Mootz home.

The spacious entry way opens to a sweeping staircase, with the master bedroom to the left and an office with a sitting area to the right.

The focal points of the master suite are the carved wood angels with cut mirrored wings that hang over the master bed. But don't let the bedside table go unnoticed. The fireplace communicates to the master bath which in includes a gym, sauna and garden.

The double doors to the right of the entry open to a jungle-looking sitting area decorated in the rich colors of Africa. The leopard-print wallpaper sets the stage for the menagerie of bronze animals placed around the room and the almost life-size brass palm tree. An inviting couch is placed in front of the green marble fireplace just waiting for someone to sit down for a chat.

Beyond the sitting area is a neatly designed office space of built-in desks, shelves and cabinets.

Just past the staircase is the spacious living area, which flows into the kitchen and large dining area. Take notice of the details used in decorating, including the large dragon planter behind the living area couch and the small brass lizards tacked here and there on the walls of the dining area.

Windows in the dining and living areas offer a view of the beautifully landscaped back yard, featuring a gazebo with a swing. But if you step outside, beware. The porch is home to a life-sized wood carved crocodile.

A back stairway leads to a secluded guest suite which Mrs. Mootz uses for her studio, and the back hallway leading to the garage was designed as a "family foyer" which includes locker and drawer space for each family member.

And while the garage is not usually an area of display in most homes, the garage of the Mootz's home is a must-see. The sponge painted walls — the result of an activity during a 13-year-old's birthday party — and floral border make this open 750-square-foot area perfect for parties.

Upstairs, each bedroom is decorated with a theme. One room features suns and zodiac symbols, while another sports cheery sunflowers in the wall border that matches the bedspread and silk sunflowers that grace the window. A full bath connects the sunflower room to the third bedroom that has a wonderful eclectic feel.

A loft informal living area is opposite the stair top. As you descend, be sure to notice the Indonesian dancer in the staircase nook.

Bobby and Cindy Vogel

The 4,900-square-foot home of Bobby and Cindy Vogel was built by James Morris and decorated by Mrs. Vogel and James Van Stavern. It features four bedrooms and three-and-a-half baths.

The flowing floor plan of this home allows visitors a view of the dining room and living area upon entry, with a peek at a sunroom beyond. It is hard to say whether the large bronze statue of a cowboy trying to ride a rearing bronco in the dining area or the life-size bronze sculpture of a stalking tiger behind the living room couch catches your eye first.

The dining room has the feel of an African jungle, with deep green walls and African dolls and trinkets placed about. The dining chairs feature leopard-covered seats, and a table runner and place mats continue the animal motif, complete with napkin rings in the shapes of African animals.

The sky-lit living area is bright and inviting, but you're not out of the jungle yet. The white walls are accented by the deep green ceiling, echoing the color of the walls in the dining area. In this living space, an elephant serves as a table and the coffee table is a glass-topped hippopotamus. There also is a dolphin table and a large palm tree here. Animal motifs can be seen in the throw pillows of the couch (which circles around the fireplace), the zebra rug and the roaring lion's head on the desk's chair back.

Built-in shelves and cabinets along one wall are filled with family photos and animal knick-knacks.

The sunroom continues the animal motif with a zebra-painted chest and bronze camel racer. Even the picture frames carry out the decorating theme.

A large carved wooden horse set against the deep purple walls of the master suite commands attention. Jewel tones adorn the upholstery of the love seat and matching bed spread. A zebra rug tops the black carpet that flows into the master bath, which features a vanity chair with an elephant head back. The black Jacuzzi is surrounded in granite and tucked in a tropical setting of palm trees and greenery. Even the towels in the bath continue the animal motif.

Hot pink walls, floral prints and rattan furniture give one bedroom a tropical appeal, while the animal motif is continued in the two remaining bedrooms that share a communicating bath. Be sure to notice the zebra table in the bath.

The kitchen and breakfast rooms are spacious and feature tropical leaf patterned paper and granite surfaces. Hand-screened zebra wallpaper accents the black tile back splashes.

A den with a fireplace, big-screen television and exercise equipment is the perfect family retreat, but it is still in keeping with the home's decor. A panda bear table and an almost life-sized horse sculpture make this room their home. The deep rose walls accentuate the ceiling beams.

Through a small hall with a half-bath, guests can find a game room, which has been transformed from the home's original garage. The floor is painted black with deep rose-colored walls. Bicycles hanging from the ceiling appear more decorative than actually being a handy place to store them. And for entertainment value, the room features a pool table.

This home is filled with wonderful artwork and bronzes the family has collected on trips for many years.

This year's Parade of Homes Committee included Terye Robertson, chairman; Sara Solansky, co-chairman; Pat Lambert, sponsorship chairman; Rosanne Blankenship, co-chairman; Sharla Sirgo, ticket chairman, and JoAnne Friesen, president.

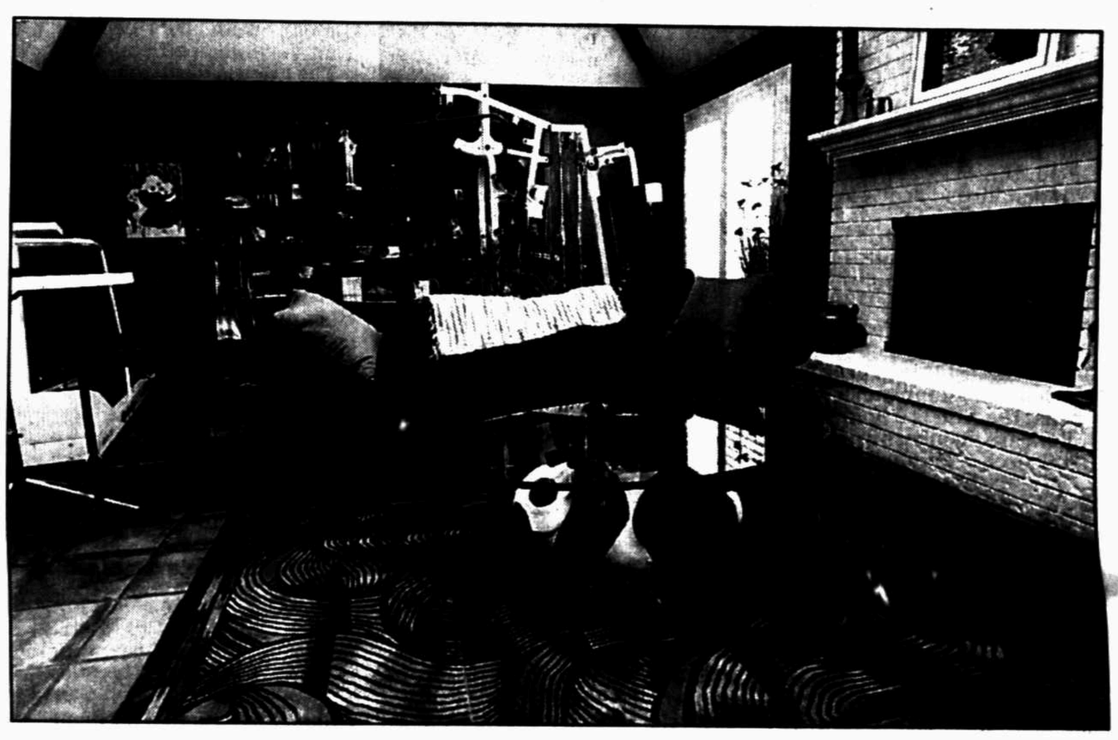
Home chairmen this year are Jeanne Robinson and Laura Tasker for the Dean home, Paula Albertson and Lee Ann Hedges for the Loftis home, Becky Speight and Ms. Lambert for the Mootz home, and Teri Brown and Ms. Friesen for the Vogel home.

For information or tickets call 697-0723, 683-7777 or 694-3212.



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

The formal living area of the home of Mike and Patty Loftis features hardwood floors, Queen Anne style furniture and a triangular recessed area with built-in bookcases. On the far right is a marble fireplace. The paned windows offer a view of the beautifully landscaped backyard with pebbled walkways.



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

The den in the home of Bobby and Cindy Vogel is a wonderful family area featuring exercise equipment, a large screen television and fireplace, and is in close proximity to the kitchen. The panda bear table is in keeping with the animal motif used throughout the house.

West Coast interior designers discover decorum

By Diane Dorrans Saeks
N.Y. Times News Service

LOS ANGELES — California no longer wants to be called the lunatic fringe of the interior design world.

Gone is furniture as entertainment: the Cadillac-fin sofas, the Jurassic-size chairs, the loopy silhouettes, wacky retro colors and over-amped attitude.

West Coast designers have discovered decorum, if new furniture shown at Westweek, the annual furnishings trade show, was any indicator.

The California design market's retreat from avant-garditis may have something to do with its tentative re-emergence after six years of slow sales and scant commissions.

"The design world here seems to be coming alive again," said Mimi London, whose showroom is one of the best known of 200 at the Pacific Design Center in West Hollywood, where Westweek '97 ran through March 20. Her clients, she said, "might go trendy with shoes or a hemline, but not with their sofas."

'We have been so bombarded with design signatures and information and images and have finally relaxed and stopped being tense about what's in and what's out.'
— Andree Putman, French designer

Ms. London, known for her bark-encrusted four-poster beds and tree-stump tables, has whittled her naturalistic forms to a neat cube (a table of solid spruce) and expanded her collection with cheery cabbage rose prints and Japanese country antiques. "Design in California is no longer about the big statement, the 'knock your socks off' design concept," Ms. London said. "That's over." Think Ginger Rogers, not Carmen Miranda.

If innovation was out, classical lines were very much in evidence among California's top designers (almost all of whom reach the New York market). Some pieces would please Henry Higgins outfitting his library.

In woods, the pallor of aggressive pickling and bleaching has been succeeded by robust old-money stains — dark fruitwood, tobacco, ebony or honey — that make chairs and tables look as if they had been trod upon by generations. Colors are equally subdued. The upholstered furniture by three of the more prescient designers, Barbara Barry, Michael Berman and James Magni, was trim, tailored and as practical as a Jil Sander suit.

"We are so immersed in this zip-zap, warp-speed society, everyone is desperately clinging to what they like and know," said Michael Tedrick, a San Francisco interior designer.

As a result, the designs are not truly of this time. Historical references abound: looking over their shoulders to the 1940s, the 30s, Regency England, the ancien regime, most California designers have pillaged from every epoch but their own. But the goal, designers said, is not to fool the eye, like the fake antiques that blanketed the East Coast during the post-modern 80s.

"Los Angeles has a very different take on design than New York," said Raun Thorp, a Los Angeles architect. "People here are constantly reinventing themselves. With their designer and architect, they write a new life script, and their house is their new 'set.' If you can do it in the movies, why not fashion instant ambiance at home?"

Miss Thorp's husband and business partner, Brian Tichenor, an architect, added, "In California today we don't seem to have the compulsion or the mission to push into the gleaming future." Around the Pacific Design Center, known as the Blue Whale for its deep-sea-blue glass walls, established collections like those by Kerry Joyce featured elegantly fastidious furniture that recalled Sheraton and Jean-Michel Frank.

"Why design something contemporary which will just look goofy and out of place in a room?" asked Joyce, who introduced the crowd-pleasing "Bergman," a tray-top table in rosewood with eight tapered legs and a whiff of Anglo-chinoiserie.

In rooms full of mahogany and velvet upholstery, two edgier new lines by young San Francisco designers stood out.

Federico de Vera presented chairs and tables in brass-riveted anodized aluminum. Simple and slender, the chairs have seats and backs woven with nylon-polyester cord in Mondrianesque color blocks.

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Ted Boerner's company, Ted Boerner Furniture Design, also dared to go against the rage for all things recherche with a 22-piece collection of contemporary furniture. "The current market for contemporary furniture is extremely small, perhaps only 1 or 2 percent of the total," said Boerner, who added hopefully, "I think contemporary will gain momentum as the next generation starts buying furniture."

Boerner hedged his bets with his Shaker-simple oak "Harvest" table and contoured bench, the only minimalist-mood designs in sight, with straightforward construction and mitered leg-apron joints reflecting hands-on craftsmanship.

The glamorizing of outdoor furniture continues apace. Gary Hutton, a San Francisco interior designer, displayed elegant wicker club chairs for Wicker Works that owed more to European salon style than to traditional tropical shapes. Paul Weaver's plantation teak "Bay" collections for Michael Taylor Designs turned to Louis XVI for its tapered legs and simple silhouettes.

Exuberantly picking from history's greatest hits, Madeline Stuart presented a 22-piece collection for James Jennings Furniture that ranged among the lines of Georgian furniture and early-19th-century French pieces, without mimicry.

Westweek offered ample proof that California's restless imagination is for the moment slipping into something a little more comfortable. Perhaps, as the formidable French designer Andree Putman said in her keynote speech, "we have been so bombarded with design signatures and information and images and have finally relaxed and stopped being tense about what's in and what's out." And what could be more trendy right now than to be above the fray?

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ANNIVERSARIES

Guinns celebrate golden anniversary

Benton and Grace Guinn of Midland are celebrating their golden wedding anniversary today.

Guinn and the former Grace Hight were married April 6, 1947, in Aspermont. They have three children — J.R. Guinn of El Paso, Kevin Guinn of Ephrata, Wash., and Keith Guinn of Midland — as well as six grandchildren.

The couple lived in Crane (1955-66) and Clovis, N.M., (1966-77) before moving to Midland in 1977. Guinn is former co-owner of Penguinn Refrigeration Inc., and current owner of Penguinn Hobbies. His wife retired after 10 years with American National Insurance.

Both are members of Crestview Baptist Church, where Guinn serves as a deacon. They are members of High Sky R/C Club, and Mrs. Guinn was president and past president of Altrusa in Crane.



Benton and Grace Guinn

Thompsons observe 50 years together

Leon and Elva Thompson of Midland were guests of honor at a golden wedding anniversary party April 5 at the Midland Hilton's Crystal Ballroom. Hosts were Bruce and Pat Madison, Danny and Rene Thompson, and James (Bud) and Kim Thompson.

Thompson and the former Elva Forbes were married April 4, 1947, in Saginaw. They have three children — Pat Madison of Midland, Danny Thompson of Tulsa, Okla., and James (Bud) Thompson of Dubai, U.A.E. — as well as seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The couple lived in Louisiana; Arkansas; Burkburnet and Monahans; and Stavanger, Norway, before moving to Midland in 1986. Thompson retired from Mobil Oil Company after 35 years of service, and for the last 12 years worked for Mechanical Maintenance of Monahans. His wife is a homemaker.

Both are members of First Baptist Church of Midland. Thompson is a member of Masonic Lodge #952-Monahans, Scottish Rite, Midland Shrine.



Leon and Elva Thompson

WEDDINGS

WILLIAMS-DERAMUS

Kristen Ochsner Williams of Midland became the bride of Steven Boyd Deramus, also of Midland, 4 p.m. April 5 at St. Nicholas Episcopal Church in Midland. The Rev. Nicholas A. Marziani officiated.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Williams of Midland. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Don Deramus of Midland.

Janet L. Kelley of Bryan was matron of honor. Hyland F. Durant of New Orleans served as bridesmaid. Bridesmatron was Kimberly K. Cooper of Midland. Kaitlyn M. Firkins of Midland was flower girl.

Justin C. Firkins of Midland was best man. Groomsmen were Brian B. Cooper and Thomas H. Williams, brother of the bride, both of Midland. Ushers were Steven L. Mouton and Andrew A. Williams, brother of the bride, of Midland, and Lawrence L. Lovell III of Baton Rouge, La. Beau A. Anderson of Midland, nephew of the bridegroom, was ring bearer.

After a wedding trip to Hawaii, the couple will live in Midland.



Mrs. Steven Boyd Deramus

FULTON-SMITH

Golf Course Road Church of Christ was the setting for the 2:30 p.m. March 9 wedding of Shari Suzanne Hannon Fulton and Lance Anders Smith, both of Midland. Tom Vermillion officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Jim and Charlene Hannon of Belton. Parents of the bridegroom are Daryl and Darline Smith of Midland.

Iris Jill Fulton, daughter of the bride, was flower girl. Ring bearers were Lige Elias Smith, son of the bridegroom, and Benjamin Jay Fulton, son of the bride.

After a wedding trip to the Bahamas and Key West, Fla., the couple lives in Midland.



Mr. and Mrs. Lance Anders Smith

JONES-STEWARD

St. Ann's Catholic Church in Midland was the setting for the 7:30 p.m. April 5 wedding of Robyn Rae Jones and Jason Steward, both of Lubbock.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Gene Howard of Albuquerque, N.M., and Jan Jones of Midland and the late Loyd Jones. The bridegroom is the son of Pam Steward and Mr. and Mrs. John Steward, all of Midland.

Kelley Carter of Aubrey was matron of honor for her sister. Bridesmaids were Misti Restin of Laurel, Miss.; Marianne Reed of Dallas; Leslie Smart and Allison Durossette of Lubbock; and Alison McFadden of San Angelo. Casey Carter of Aubrey, niece of the bride, was flower girl.

Michael Steward of Dallas served his brother as best man. Groomsmen were Ricky Carr, Thomas Reed Jr. and John B. Steward of Midland; Rocky Carter of Aubrey; and Benji Alcorcer of Lubbock. Ushers were Parrish Barden of San Angelo, Ryan Sewalt of Midland and Todd Royal of Lubbock.

Following a wedding trip to Las Vegas, Nev., the couple will live in Dallas.



Mrs. Jason Steward

PARKER-POWELL

Louise Denise Parker of Midland became the bride of Norval Burnette Powell Jr., also of Midland, 7 p.m. March 15 at Greater Ideal Baptist Church. The Rev. Terry Walker officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Gladys and Robert Parker of Midland. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Norval B. Powell Sr. of Carson, Calif.

Nell Booker of Midland was matron of honor for her sister. Chandra Govan of Midland was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Berta Parker, sister of the bride; Wilma Parker; Rita Wallace, sister of the bridegroom; and Hope Wilson, all of Midland. Flower girls were Crystal Latson, daughter of the bride, and Lakyn Childess, both of Midland.

Robert Wallace of Midland served as best man. Groomsmen were Raymond Parker and Robert Parker III, brothers of the bride; Bobby Alexander; Roderick Jones; and Galen Wilson, all of Midland. Ushers were Terrence Parker and Carrvess Parker of Midland, nephews of the bride. Christerpher Latson of Midland, son of the bride, was ring bearer.

The couple also was attended by Canddice Parker, niece of the bride; Michael Booker, nephew of the bride; and Olivia Wallace, niece of the bridegroom.

The couple plans a later trip to California. They live in Midland.



Mr. and Mrs. Norval Burnette Powell Jr.

In 1997 season, Texas wildflowers blooming

By Michael Graczyk

ROUND TOP (AP) — It's getting to be the busiest time of the year for Frances Harris and she couldn't be happier.

Mrs. Harris and her husband, Bill, count on the annual spring burst of Texas wildflowers — led by the state's famous bluebonnets — to help lure tourists to their bed-and-breakfast Heart of My Heart Ranch at Round Top, midway between Houston and Austin.

"I'm so surprised the wildflowers seem to be so profuse this year and thought: 'Where did the seeds come from?' But apparently wildflowers don't germinate if the conditions are bad and they just hold over to the next year," she says. "Last year we had a terrible drought. There was nothing, just nothing.

"I think it's going to be better this year. The plants are everywhere."

The man in charge of distributing 60,000 pounds of wildflower seeds around the roads and highways of Texas each year agrees.

"The first flush is already coming out right now," says Craig Steffens, director of landscape design for the Texas Department of Transportation. "The first thing you see with bluebonnets is the plants are growing rapidly. That's just prior to full bloom. Everything looks great right now. We might see an outstanding year."

It's already outstanding for Carol Fenimore, a Houston middle school teacher. A few days before her wedding set for this weekend, she put on her white wedding dress — and with two friends and a photographer in tow — headed 100 miles or so out U.S. Highway 290, stopping along the way west of Brenham to have her picture made in a sea of bluebonnets.

"We went through great lengths for this," she laughed, noting the spectacle of being in a wedding gown alongside the busy road even drew horn blasts from a passing trucker. "We were so pleased when the weather got rainy because that makes the wildflowers come out. This is so beautiful."

The return of the flowers is good news for people who rely on the rainbow of colors to get people out of their winter funk.

"It's felt throughout the state," says Karen Camp, who runs the Texas Stagecoach Inn between Vanderpool and Utopia and serves as spokeswoman for the Historic Accommodations of Texas, a group of 100-plus historic inns.

"Over in Marathon, the Big Bend area, all trees bud out. There's all form of wildflowers, whether in the Pecos Valley or the Hill Country or the coastal plain. There are wildflowers indigenous to each area," she says.

"At least we're back to normal," Steffens adds. "At least we will have a year we can be proud of."

Compared with 1996, normal would be just fine.

"We felt it drastically," Ms. Camp said of the poor season a year ago. "I hustled. Debt is a great motivator."

The weather before the wildflower season last year was either too cold or too hot and there wasn't nearly enough rain, foretelling a disastrous drought that lasted well into the summer.

The rains in most areas finally came in August, and while too late for many crops, it's terrific for the following year's wildflowers. And it has rained intermittently through the fall, winter and now into spring.

"We're in an excellent spring right now," says Steffens. "We've got a tremendous amount of soil moisture that should sustain without a whole lot more rain for a month or so to come."

That should ensure satisfying experiences for thousands of travelers who hit the road to soak up the annual color show, particularly in the Hill Country and east toward the Gulf Coast where bluebonnets are the first to arrive.

"They kind of kick off the season," Steffens says, with Indian Paintbrush following and yellow flowers arriving in mid- to late May. "We have that to look forward to yet."

Deep South Texas, from the lower Rio Grande Valley into the brush country, is probably the only weak spot because of unusually dry conditions, he says.

For decades now, Transportation Department crews each fall have spread seeds to expand wildflowers to areas that haven't had them. "We have extended the range of the bluebonnet quite significantly the past 50 to 60 years," Steffens says. "We feel we have helped Mother Nature a lot, particularly in the Dallas area and North Texas."

There's a myth in Texas that it's illegal to pick the flowers, although Steffens warns the myth may be truth depending on the circumstances.

The Legislature in 1973, in streamlining a number of laws, reworded regulations regarding destruction of public property to take out specific references to bluebonnets, he says.

"I will tell you, if the DPS sees you out there picking them, there are instances they will cite people," Steffens says. "Whether it sticks in court, who knows?

"Our position is: Certainly if a 2-year-old is picking a bluebonnet while his mother and dad are taking pictures, that's not a violation.

"However, if somebody out there is running through them with a four-wheeler or some commercial person is out there digging them up for sale, we certainly would object to that quite strenuously."

The Austin-based National Wildflower Research Center has a web site — www.wildflower.org — that includes updates on good areas for wildflower viewing. For Texas wildflower updates, call 800-452-9292.



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In full bloom, bluebonnets blow in the breeze in a field near Round Top on March 27. This year's wetter weather has aided in producing rich spring wildflowers. Last year's smaller wildflower crop disappointed many.

LIFESTYLE POLICIES

Information for Sunday pages must be in the Lifestyle Department office by 5 p.m. the preceding Monday. For publication in a weekday paper, we must receive the information by noon two days before the information is to be published. For example, an item for Wednesday's paper must be received by noon Monday.

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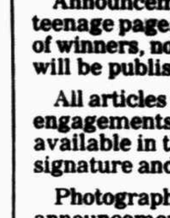
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Fashionable feet find freedom in spring styles

By Anne-Marie Schiro
N.Y. Times News Service

The square-toed chunky-heeled shoes of winter are giving way to sandals with slim, graceful heels.

Bergdorf Goodman has sandals with slender straps trimmed with tiny flowers, by Manolo Blahnik, and multistrap sandals in black or brown by Calvin Klein.

Saks Fifth Avenue has double-strap mules in black or gray suede by Emma Hopes; buckled two-strap mules in mustard leather by Jimmy Choo; very bare instep-strap black sandals from Isaac Mizrahi's Isaac line and wood-heeled sandals with plastic straps by Diego Dolcini.

Barneys New York has sling-back beige sandals by Mizrahi; black sling-backs with twisted straps by Michel Perry; and multistrap sandals in metallic leather by Robert Clergerie.

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Spring: Dust flying both inside and out

By William L. Hamilton
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — "The fever hits, oh yes," Emily Gambassi said. Was Ms. Gambassi speaking of love, as she stood talking on Third Avenue, amid a gentle stream of passers-by taking in a perfect Easter Sunday afternoon?

No. Ms. Gambassi, a customer service representative for Gracious Home, the Upper East Side housewares store, was talking about the other thing that happens in the spring: cleaning.

Spring is in the air. So is dirt.

"Today's the day," Ms. Gambassi said. "The whole family's off. They're together. They come in. They buy it all."

The hysterical homeowner, she points out, is capable of spending an average of $900 on cleaning supplies exclusively during a one-stop, one-day shopping spree. "They order a case each of every cleaner imaginable under the sun," she said.

THEY SAY New York's a dirty town — works hard, plays hard. New York eats no one's dust; it cleans hard, too. The city that never sleeps, sweeps. "It's scary, because it happens right around the first day of spring," said Lenny Lazzarino, a storage adviser for Manhattan Mini Storage on the West Side.

People wake up, look around — stuff goes out of the house and into storage. "Business definitely increases by about 25 percent," Lazzarino said.

For those who like to cut to the chase, the New York City Department of Sanitation puts out more trucks. "We add about an extra 150 to 200 trucks," said Lucian Chalfen, a department spokesman. In seizures of self-improvement, what do people decide to part with?

"New York being New York, in the springtime, we find the odd Christmas tree," Chalfen said.

Charles Lops, the general manager of Jeeves of Belgravia, an Upper East Side dry cleaner, said, "April, May, June, our business doubles." Is there a look of desperation and determination in people's eyes as they tackle the first warm-weather front of chores?

"You can't see their eyes," Lops explained. "I have guys who are bringing in 20 suits at a time."

Spring and cleaning? Frank Edwards of Frank's Window Cleaning said, "It's the busiest season."

The New York decorator Mark Hampton doesn't think there's much seasonal about it. "People are so manic in New York — they do spring cleaning all year long," he said. "The substitute for hanging their rugs out and beating them is getting their summer houses open."

New York City's First Lady, Donna Hanover, organizes videotapes for her treadmill. Dr. Gerald Pitman, a Manhattan plastic surgeon, begins fielding the post-winter flurry of calls for body contour: liposuction and arm and tummy tucks. "They want to be done in April so that they're all set to go by Memorial Day," Pitman said.

IN LOWER MANHATTAN, the World Trade Center gets one of its four annual window washes in mid-April: 42,400 windows in the two towers; 192 machines incorporated into the original design of the building do the job.

Floors 106 and 107, including Windows on the World and the Observation Deck, are washed by hand.

In the Bronx, the 1,000 or so birds at the Bronx Zoo renest. "Many will build completely new ones. some will sort of clean out a lot of debris from last year's nesting," said Dr. Don Bruning, the chairman and curator of the Ornithology Department. Sound familiar?

There are those who like to clean. Martha Stewart has been observed washing soap between takes on a photo shoot for her magazine.

There are others who take flight. "I happen to love dust," Mario Buatta, the New York decorator, said. "I think of it as a protective coating for fine furniture — don't move it."

For the majority of New Yorkers, the first good day of spring is a day of reckoning — part glory, part chore. New York becomes a Dutch town again, discovering in the old bourgeois scrub that sense of order beneath domestic neatness, like the calm depicted in 17th-century paintings by masters like Vermeer. If interiors are mirrors of the soul, spring is definitely the time to put the polish on them.

That means windows, walls, floors — plus the painful projects of just plain organization. And the assorted esoterica of upkeep. "I think it's always closets and drawers," Jeffrey Bilhuber, a New York decorator, said of April, the cruelest month.

"Get into your closet and lay it all out one by one and say, 'Do I wear this or not?' — and pitch it."

BILHUBER TAKES no enemies. "I get my closet down to a point where every hanger has something on it which I would like to wear and they're evenly spaced — and they're all wooden hangers," he said. "It's enough to make you burst into tears in the morning when you open your closet."

Thomas Jayne, a New York decorator, and Rick Ellis, a food historian, vacuum their 6,000 books. They have found a silver lining in the cloud of dust. "It also re-educates you to what's in your library," said Jayne, who uses a low-speed vacuum with a wire mesh across the attachment head to help protect brittle, antiquarian bindings.

Jayne, a modest-sounding man, also does something every other year that he describes as heroic. "I think it's great to take all the furniture out of a room and put it back in," he said. "You vacuum, you clean the floor. It's almost the cleanliness you get when you move house."

Mariette Himes Gomez, a New York decorator, responded to the issue of spring-cleaning rituals in one way — and quickly. "You mean, besides washing windows?" she said. "If your windows are clean, the whole place looks sparkly."

For Ms. Gomez, spring is the season to look forward, not back.

"It's time to throw out the anemic orchids," she said. "People think they have to keep them and pretend that they're ever going to reflower."

Anita Calero, a Colombian-born photographer, finds herself following old housekeeping paths in the spring. "My pillows, the rugs, the duvet — they go out into the sun, immediately," Ms. Calero said.

"To South Americans, the sun is a major thing. We cure with the sun. It makes sheets whiter; it's miraculous."

Ms. Calero also airs winter woolens like blankets.

"I save empty bottles of perfume and stick them in between things I store, or a box from soap that's very smelly," she said.

PENNY DRUE BAIRD, a New York decorator, turns her old or antique rugs in the spring, "so that people are not walking on the same sections of them all the time," she said.

Bilhuber finds "something incredibly re-assuring about the proverbial flip of the mattress," he said, adding, "You find that stack of cash you've completely forgotten about."

If cleanliness is next to godliness, spring is a day in church. "My mother used to wash baseboards and wash walls because that's what her mother did," said Heloise, the internationally syndicated housekeeping columnist, who is the daughter of the original Heloise.

"Mother was a military wife — you kept house in a different sense," she said, confirming the existence of the white-glove test. The modern-day Heloise has not dropped the mop. "Here we are, we're almost to the year 2000, but you still have to get the dust off the top of the ceiling fan," she said.

Before you ask — mismatched socks.

"This is a great place for mismatched socks," Heloise said of ho to clean the fans, a spring-cleaning project par excellence. She has six. Heloise Deux also washes walls.

"You only do this once a year," she said. "The big question is — do you wash from the top down or the bottom up?" (FYI, if they're slightly dusty, top to bottom. Heavy dirt: bottom to top, so the muck doesn't run down the wall and pool.)

"The worst place for walls is the kitchen — some people in New York actually cook," Michael De Jong, a New York artist and part-time professional house-cleaner, said.

"A little ammonia and water cuts right through that. Water, salt, lemon, ammonia, mild soaps — the basic things work the best." De Jong leaves open bowls of vinegar in closed rooms to deodorize them, too.

FOR OTHERS, life is a perfect product. "Brasso for brass," Jayne, the decorator, said. "All the doormen use it."

Ms. Gambassi of Gracious Home has a new favorite. "Spotshot," she said. "It's an instant carpet stain remover — instant," she emphasized.

"I have white carpeting. You spray it on and it foams up, and the spot disappears. It's almost supernatural."

Ms. Gambassi concedes that the most important cleaning product may be one unavailable in stores anywhere or at any time.

"Elbow grease," she said.

Preferably someone else's.

ENGAGEMENTS

ZACHRY-DADY

Crystal Kay Zachry and Jason Michael Dady, both of Lubbock, are planning to be married 2 p.m. July 19 at First Assembly of God in Midland. Parents of the bride-elect are Tommy and Jaydine Zachry of Midland. The future bridegroom is the son of Mary Dady of Coppell and Dennis Dady of Stephenville, Mich.

Miss Zachry is a 1995 graduate of Lee High School. Her fiance graduated from Coppell High School in 1995. Both are students at Texas Tech University. Miss Zachry is a member of the Texas Tech Women's Soccer Team. Dady is employed with Four Points Sheraton.



Crystal Kay Zachry and Jason Michael Dady

DECKER-CHAMBERS

Wendy Elizabeth Decker and Gregory William Chambers, both of Midland, are planning to be married 7 p.m. Aug. 9 at Golf Course Road Church of Christ in Midland. Parents of the bride-elect are Mr. and Mrs. William Sprigall Decker Jr. of Midland. The future bridegroom is the son of Marjorie Beth Chambers of Midland.

Miss Decker is a 1995 graduate of Midland High School and a sophomore at Midland College. She is planning to transfer to Texas A&M University in the fall and major in accounting/CPA. She is employed with Wisdom Engineering Ltd. Her fiance, also a 1995 MHS graduate and a sophomore at MC, plans to transfer to Texas A&M in the fall and major in veterinary medicine. He is employed with Animal Clinic and Hospital.



Wendy Elizabeth Decker and Gregory William Chambers

TUDOR-RICHARDSON

Angela Venise Tudor and David Dale Richardson, both of Midland, are planning a 6 p.m. June 7 wedding at St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Midland. Parents of the bride-elect are Keith and Roijean Tudor of Midland. The future bridegroom is the son of George and Linda Richardson of Waco.

Miss Tudor is a 1991 graduate of Midland Christian High School and a 1995 graduate of Angelo State University. She is employed with Midland Independent School District at Jane Long Elementary School. Her fiance graduated from Midway High School in Waco in 1985, and from Texas A&M University in 1990. He is employed with TU Electric.



Angela Venise Tudor and David Dale Richardson

BRENNEMAN-HUNTER

Rebecca Lynn Brenneman of Spring Grove, Pa., and Joseph Edward Hunter of Midland are planning an 11 a.m. May 17 wedding at Grace Bible Church in Siloam Springs, Ark. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brenneman of Spring Grove. Parents of the future bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. F. Gene Hunter of Midland.

Miss Brenneman is a 1994 graduate of Spring Grove High School and a student at John Brown University in Siloam Springs. Her fiance, a 1995 graduate of Midland High School, also is a student at John Brown University.



Rebecca Lynn Brenneman and Joseph Edward Hunter

BRYAN-WEST

Katherine Ann Bryan and Charles Robert West, both of Lubbock, are planning a 7 p.m. June 21 wedding at Green Acres Baptist Church in Tyler. Parents of the bride-to-be are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Paul Bryan of Whitehouse. The future bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. West of Midland.

Miss Bryan is a graduate of Whitehouse High School and a junior at Texas Tech University, where she is a public relations major and a member o Alpha Phi sorority. Her fiance graduated from Midland High School and is a senior at Texas Tech, where he is majoring in management information systems and is a member of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity. He is employed with Akram Discount computers in Lubbock.



Katherine Ann Bryan and Charles Robert West

McMILLAN-PIPES

Melissa Liane McMillan of Odessa and Dennis Alan Pipes of Midland are planning a 3 p.m. April 26 wedding at Grace Lutheran Church in Midland. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Michael and Julie McMillan of Odessa. Parents of the future bridegroom are Gary and Marga Pipes of Midland.

Miss McMillan is a 1992 graduate of Odessa High School and a 1996 graduate of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, where she earned a bachelor of science degree in biology. She is employed with the Environmental Control Lab of the City of Odessa. Her fiance graduated from Odessa High School in 1985 and UTPB in 1989, where he earned a bachelor of arts degree in criminology. He is a police officer with the City of Midland.

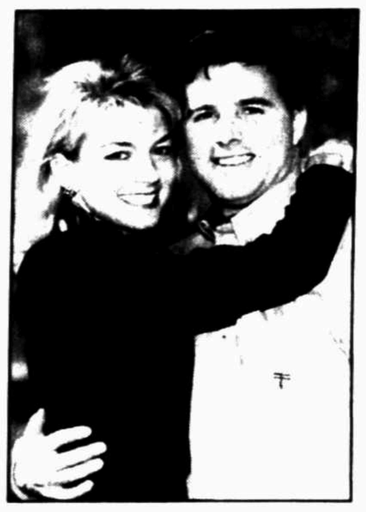


Melissa Liane McMillan and Dennis Alan Pipes

LANT-RIDDLE

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Mason Lant of Midland announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Marie Lant of Houston, to Todd Arlis Riddle, also of Houston. Parents of the future bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Don Ramon Riddle of Houston. The wedding is planned or May at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Houston.

Miss Lant is a 1987 graduate of Lee High School and a 1991 graduate of Texas A&M University, where she earned a bachelor of science degree in psychology. She is assistant director of human resources at the Ritz-Carlton in Houston. Her fiance is a graduate of Cycreek High School in Houston. In 1990 he earned a degree in speech communications from Texas A&M. He earned a juris doctor degree from the University of Houston Law Center in 1994. He is associated with the law firm of Christovich and Kearney in Houston.



Michelle Marie Lant and Todd Arlis Riddle

Spring cleaning 'vital statistics' describe annual phenomenon

By David Colman
N.Y. Times News Service

Everything you ever wanted to know about spring cleaning but didn't know they had statistics for:

- **Americans who said they would rather pay taxes or go to the dentist than spring-clean: 41 percent.**
- **The "Thanks, we'll take your word for it it" award for a television commercial testimonial: "If anyone doesn't believe me, ring my bell and smell my toilet," from Vanish Hang-Ins, a new bowl cleanser.**
- **Best time to stock up on someone else's clutter: May, when spring-cleaners donate most goods to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul thrift shops.**
- **Most problematic misuse of Clorox: Hair lightening (FYI: bleach dissolves hair).**
- **Martha Stewart's spring-cleaning advice least likely to be followed: "Take the time to scrub down the outside of a painted house with a stiff brush to remove dirt."**
- **Average number of hours a week that American women spent housecleaning in 1996: 10.**
- **Average number of hours a week that American women spent housecleaning in 1965: 37.8.**
- **The "So much for progress" award: To the Soap and Detergent Association, for the number of men it polled about housecleaning habits for its 1997 National Cleaning Survey: 0.**
- **American women who use domestic help to clean: 10 percent.**
- **New Yorkers who use domestic help for spring-cleaning: 20 percent.**
- **Why spring-cleaning was indispensable 50 or 100 years ago: Sootier furnaces and fireplaces.**
- **Ratio of forward-thinking people who get their chimneys cleaned in the spring instead of fall: 1 to 4.**
- **Proof that spring-cleaners start from the bottom: Sales of carpet and floor cleaners and wax peak in April. Heavy-duty hand cleaners peak in May, all-purpose cleaners in June, window clean- ers in June and July, and laundry detergents and bleach in August.**
- **In like a lamb, out like a lion: Sales of laxatives and prunes both peak in March. Spring-cleaning for the inner you.**

Sources: American Demographics; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Soap and Detergent Association; Maids Etc.; Chimney Safety In- stitute of America; Information Resources Inc.; S.C. Johnson Wax; Clorox; Colgate-Palmolive.

Cleaning machine described

By Arlene Hirst
N.Y. Times News Service

THING. The Floorbuster.

DATE OF BIRTH: August 1996.

ANCESTRY: If you've learned to ignore the dust balls beneath the sofa, you can blame Black & Decker, the American appliance manufacturer that fostered a policy of benign neglect that grandmothers might consider slothful. Its Dustbuster, a hand-held portable vacuum that came on the market in 1979, freed people from the need to set aside a specific time to clean up — and to drag out a cumbersome machine for a little spilled cereal.

THE ORIGINAL'S CHARACTERISTICS: Powered by batteries recharged in a wall-mountable base.

EVOLUTION: The Dustbuster became the Kleenex of the light-housekeeping world. The company sold more than 100 million domestic power tools and kept improving the original. Last year, it introduced the Versapak, a kit of rechargeable batteries that can be inserted into all of the company's new portable houseware products. Now, the Versapak, not the machine, gets juiced at night.

LATEST INCARNATION: The company's newest clean machine, the Floorbuster, a streamlined upright vacuum that takes on entire rooms. Four feet tall, its handle disconnects for storage.

ASSESSMENT: Does a credible job of handling most run-of-the-floor tasks, but won't replace the Electrolux or Miele. It has no attachments and not nearly as much horsepower: it runs for 15 minutes on two Versapak batteries, but who wants to vacuum for more than 15 minutes anyway?

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Christmas 'toy wars' already here

By Jeff Guinn
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — A first impression of the annual American International Toy Fair is that Santa's workshop has been moved from the North Pole to New York, possibly by elves who've overindulged on steroids.

More than 2,000 companies were present to introduce retailers and the media to their new toy lines. Like farmers studying weather patterns to plan future crops, retailers read Toy Fair tea leaves in February to prophesy what kids are going to want during the summer and later on from Santa.

Billions of dollars, not millions, hang in the balance. Last year Americans bought $20.7 billion worth of toys, up 3.6 percent from 1995, according to Toy Manufacturers of America. The toy companies with the most popular products, and the retailers canny enough to have those toys in quantity, reap the largest profits.

EVERY YEAR, unexpected toys become kids' biggest gottahaves, often catching manufacturers and retailers off guard Three years ago, nobody anticipated the frenzied demand for Mighty Morphin Power Ranger action figures. Last year, Tickle Me Elmo was a surprise hit. In both cases, manufacturers didn't make nearly enough to meet demand, mostly because retailers hadn't ordered the toys in sufficient quantity.

Each new Toy Fair is essentially a clean slate. Although perennial bestsellers always appear in some new format — every 12 months we get different "theme" Barbies — the attention is on products that shoppers will see for the first time.

Accredited Toy Fair guests — security is tight; two different passes plus picture ID are needed to get in anywhere — spent Feb. 10-17 wandering through five different downtown Manhattan office buildings, the jam-packed Jacob Javits Convention Center and even several city parks.

They gazed on a Statue of Liberty made of Lego building blocks; a two-story-high red wagon; larger-than-life working replicas of toy trucks; capering actors sweating inside costumes mimicking Barney and Spiderman and the rock group Kiss. Marie Osmond was in a corner hawking her line of dolls. A dozen Japanese retailers grumbled because a professional wrestler hadn't shown up to sign autographs as advertised.

And everywhere — everywhere — were the toys, every color and size and shape imaginable. More than 1,000 different dolls. Several thousand 6-inch plastic "action figures." Board games and skateboards, arsenals of toy guns and innumerable tea sets. It was all practically shoved in visitors' faces by toy company reps who urged anyone within shouting distance to "Come play with this!"

BUT THE OVERALL atmosphere was edgy, not gleeful. Once initial astonishment was overcome, two curious things were obvious:

All these toys, but no children. Nobody under 18 was allowed in the showrooms.

And the grown-ups handling the toys weren't smiling. Instead they were grim-faced, calculating, muttering about potential store-shelf display and whether the particular doll they were manhandling to determine play durability was 2 percent better or worse than the last they inspected.

All the while, toy company execs watched anxiously, knowing their job security depended on potential buyers' reactions to specific toys. Be the one who urged your company to manufacture a '97 hit toy, and your bonus could be seven figures. Push an eventual loser, and don't let the door hit you on your way out.

"One thing the Toy Fair isn't, is fun and games," noted a buyer for a major retail chain. She, like all other buyers for significant "name" stores, would only be quoted if neither she nor her company were identified.

FEW ACTUAL orders are made at the Toy Fair. Instead, buyers return to their home offices and plot to get hold of as many '97 bestsellers as they can, while depriving competing chains of the same popular product.

After the first few days of Toy Fair, rumors solidified into observation of a few genuine toy trends for 1997. The operative term regarding toys from now until Christmas is "licensing."

Approximately 60-70 percent of all new toys this year are "licensed," meaning they are based on characters and/or activities derived from television series and movies.

Toy manufacturers and retailers like hitching their market hopes to the electronic media, because every time a child sees a Saturday morning cartoon show or the latest hit movie, it can be an extra advertising push for the toys based on them.

Also, manufacturing toys based on TV or movie characters cuts toy companies' development costs significantly.

THE BOTTOM LINE for toys in 1997 is this: If your kids see it on screen, either on TV or at the movies, they'll be able to buy it in stores this summer and fall.

Accordingly, the reissue of George Lucas' "Star Wars" film trilogy has launched hundreds of new action figures, board games, toy guns, costumes and puzzles.

Action movies coming this summer and fall include "Batman and Robin," "The Lost World" (the sequel to "Jurassic Park"), Disney's animated "Hercules" and "Zorro." New action figure lines will feature characters from each.

Ten years ago, Playmates introduced an odd set of action figures based on mutant turtles. Retailers yawned until kids screamed for them, and three live-action movies that followed only helped to drive the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle frenzy. For the past few years, Turtles declined in popularity, pushed aside by Mighty Morphin Power Rangers.

But this fall Fox will premiere a live-action Turtles series (meaning real actors, not cartoons), and Playmates is jumping aboard with an updated series of Turtles. The big news: The four turtle boys are joined by a turtle girl — Venus de Milo, whose delicate turquoise shell disguises a fierce ninja soul.

Last year's demand for Tickle Me Elmo drove many desperate parents into purchasing alternative plush toys for their kids — so much so that sales in this category increased almost 15 percent overall. TYCO, of course, entered Toy Fair 1997 knowing retailers would eagerly snap up whatever "Sesame Street"-related plush toys the company introduced.

So meet TYCO's "Sleep and Snore Ernie." Rubbed the right way, Ernie will fall asleep and, yes, snore. No matter how big a hit Ernie might become, there will be enough of these dolls on toy store shelves to meet consumer demand.

The venerable Toy Fair queen also returns — Mattel's new Barbie dolls are Computer Barbie (comes with own CD-ROM); Cool Shoppin' Barbie; Workin' Out Barbie; and Dentist Barbie. Ken's around, too, but not in any new incarnation involving a profession. Perhaps Gigolo Ken would be appropriate.

IT'S A TOY INDUSTRY adage that parents buy toys for their children that the parents themselves will enjoy. Mary Engelbreit's T-shirts, note paper and other assorted artwork have been a major sales success with adult women. Now Engelbreit-smitten moms will be able to buy their daughters elaborate "Mary Engelbreit Cozy Corner" doll sets, each with a specific character doll in a work setting — gardener, baker, storekeeper, artist. Each Engelbreit doll comes with amazingly elaborate accessories: the pies of Sarah the Baker, for instance, actually slice.

Toy anniversaries will be big in 1997. Tonka trucks have been around for 50 years, and the celebration includes several new models that are "commemorative editions" of early vehicles. The recreations of the 1949 Tonka Dump Truck and 1956 Tonka Pickup Truck will, however, cost approximately 20 times the amount of their $2.50 ancestors.

Trivial Pursuit celebrates its 15th birthday in 1997, and it's back with "a brand new collection of irreverent, general knowledge questions" according to manufacturer Parker Brothers. A sign of the times: The new Trivial Pursuit game can be played over America Online — if you can get your call through.

All toy companies are constantly seeking new sales gimmicks. The 1997 Innovative Add-On Award must go to Playskool, manufacturer of toys for babies. At Toy Fair, Playskool announced that items in its 1997 line would all include "Microban antibacterial protection." A colorless, odorless chemical that can't be washed off, Microban will supposedly lessen babies' chances of picking up an infection from their teething toys.

Most-wanted Christmas toys from last year, plus projections for '97 listed

N.Y. Times News Service

THE BESTSELLING TOYS OF 1996:
1. '96 Happy Holiday Barbie (Mattel)
2. "Sesame Street" Tickle Me Elmo (Tyco)
3. Barbie Dreamhouse Playset (Mattel)
4. Cabbage Patch Kids Snacktime Kid (Mattel)
5. Baby Go Bye Bye (Hasbro)
6. Jeep Wrangler (Power Wheels)
7. Barbie Beach Patrol (Power Wheels)
8. Pet Doctor Barbie (Mattel)
9. Power Pack PC with Mouse (Tiger Electronics)
10. Shoppin' Fun with Barbie and Kelly Playset (Mattel)

These toys are ranked by dollar sales, rather than the number of individual toys sold. In the toy biz, how much money an item brings in is far more important than how many units are sold.

Further proof that it's a Barbie World comes from a new industry survey indicating that, with a little help from the Cabbage Patch Kids, 33.3 percent of all dolls sold last year were manufactured by Mattel.

Source: Playthings magazine, February 1997

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WHAT YOUR KIDS COULD CLAMOR FOR THIS YEAR:
Sleep and Snore Ernie, the successor to Tickle Me Elmo.
Venus de Milo, the buff new female Ninja Turtle.
Oh-so-precious Mary Engelbreit doll sets.
Dinos from "The Lost World," the sequel to "Jurassic Park."
Yet more "Star Wars" toys.
Toys from "Hercules," Disney's annual animated blockbuster.
Toys from the movie "Zorro."
Computer Barbie, Cool Shoppin' Barbie, Workin' Out Barbie and (our personal fave) Dentist Barbie.

Expert: Older drinkers should 'put a cork in it'

By Dr. Hap LeCrone
N.Y. Times News Service

The American Association of Retired Persons estimates that 3 million Americans over age 60 have alcohol-related problems. And studies have shown that 10 percent to 15 percent of all Americans over age 60 suffer from alcoholism, about the same percentage as the general population.

With the number of baby boomers moving toward their 60s, the problem can be expected to increase. Alcohol-related problems among the elderly are much larger than perceived even a decade ago.

This problem, which can no longer be ignored, often persists because family members rationalize and attempt to excuse or are reluctant to interfere with an elderly relative's life.

Family members may make statements like, "They have earned the right to do as they please after all of these years." Or "If I live to be as old as they are, I don't want anybody trying to tell me how to run my life."

One of the best tests of whether any individual has a problem with alcohol is to ask "What has alcohol done to you and your life?"

- Does it negatively impact relationships?
- Has your health suffered as a result of substance abuse?
- Is there a pattern of craving, obsession and preoccupation with alcohol?
- Are you irritable, resentful, or unreasonable during nondrinking periods?
- Have you lost interest in food?

Because alcohol is metabolized more slowly in older individuals, its effect, even in small amounts, can be much more pronounced as compared to its effect on someone who is younger. Slurred speech, imbalance and falls, daytime sleeping and forgetfulness are often attributed to aging, but may in fact be related to alcohol or drug abuse.

Other signs include:

- A deterioration in personal appearance.
- Onset or increase in difficulty with such medical problems as diabetes and hypertension, frequent hostility, suspiciousness, and a lack of interest in things that were previously rewarding, such as hobbies, etc.

Preventive measures include counseling, pre-retirement planning and self-help. Support groups are available through agencies, churches and Alcoholics Anonymous.

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Dr. Hap LeCrone is a clinical psychologist in Waco.

DEAR ABBY

Medical treatments help adults suffering from incontinence

By Abigail Van Buren


Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: On behalf of the National Association for Continence (NAFC), formerly Help for Incontinent People, I would like to thank you for your interest and willingness to help your readers find the information and referrals they need to cope with bladder or bowel control problems.

Because you have previously printed letters from our founder, Dr. Katherine Jeter, and former Sen. Bob Dole, more than 100,000 people contacted NAFC for help and information — more than from any other single source.

We hope you will continue to encourage your readers to seek medical diagnosis and treatment for incontinence. We are still very concerned by how long people are waiting to seek help.

Our 1996 membership survey showed that women wait an average of 3.4 years and men 1.8 years before seeing a health care professional. We still receive calls from people who have had this problem for 20 or more years, and their call to us is their first attempt to gain information or to seek help.

Incontinence is a medical condition with many causes. It affects more than 13 million Americans, of whom 85 percent are women. It robs many men and women of their independence and spoils the quality of life for countless others.

Incontinence, whether partial or complete, temporary or continuing, is not normal. It is not a disease, it is not part of being a woman and it is not "just what happens" as you get older!

More and more new treatments are being successfully used for all types of incontinence. Dietary changes, bladder retraining, medications, pelvic muscle exercises, biofeedback, electrical stimulation, surgery, collagen implants or pelvic support devices have all been effective in getting people completely dry or, at least, back in control of their bladder habits.

When a cure is not possible, selection of the best absorbent product or device and proper skin care will lessen the risk of irritating rashes or embarrassing "accidents."

Miss Van Buren, it is important that your readers expect help from their doctors and persist until they find a physician who specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of bladder control problems. Please let them know that NAFC is ready to provide information and referrals to anyone who needs them. — LYNDA CHRISTISON, MPA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DEAR MS. CHRISTISON: I was surprised to learn that an estimated one in four women ages 30 to 59 have experienced an episode of urinary incontinence, and that it occurs in children and young adults as well as the elderly.

A broad range of conditions and disorders can cause the problem — including birth defects, pelvic surgery, injuries to the pelvic region or spinal cord, neurological diseases, pregnancy, childbirth and degenerative changes associated with aging.

Readers who have experienced incontinence or are concerned about someone who has can request a basic packet of information by sending a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to NAFC, P.O. Box 8310, Spartanburg, S.C. 29305-8310.

Approximately 80 percent of those affected by urinary incontinence can be cured or improved.

DEAR ABBY: Several years ago, you published a quotation from Lord Chesterfield. In it, he gave his appraisal of sex. As I recall, it was hilarious. Can you find it and print it again, please? — LONGTIME READER IN PHOENIX

DEAR READER: Here it is: Lord Chesterfield on sex: "The price is exorbitant, the pleasure is transitory, and the position is ridiculous."

DEAR ABBY: In response to your column in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, "Abby Takes Heat for Printing the Ten Commandments" — let me offer this response.

Just think of all the readers you touched and informed with your column on the Ten Commandments. Bravo! And even the criticism was a learning experience for both you and your millions of readers. Mahatma Gandhi said it best: "Throughout my life I have gained more from my critic friends than from my admirers, especially when the criticism was made in a courteous and friendly manner."

So, Abby, keep on keeping on. Your "critic friends" are alert and concerned readers. As the cynic would say, "I don't know what you're doing wrong — but keep it up!"

Shalom. — FATHER GUY GURATH, IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, JUNEAU, WIS.

DEAR FATHER GUY: Thank you for the kind words. I was surprised by the amount of critical mail my column generated

CONFIDENTIAL TO A DEAR FRIEND: Happy birthday, Mimi (Mrs. Arthur) Groman, whose friendship I have cherished since our girlhood days. No one has ever had a more loyal friend.

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Abigail Van Buren's column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

Women's Care Update

by Michael S. Phillips, M.D.
Diplomate, American Board Obstetrics & Gynecology

FIBROIDS

Fibroids, which are nearly always benign, consist of masses of muscle tissue that can grow for years in the uterus without causing problems. One-fourth of Caucasian women and nearly half of all African-American women get fibroids, usually between the ages of 30 and 50. While fibroids are usually symptomless, in 20 to 50 percent of cases, women experience heavy, prolonged, and painful menstrual bleeding; painful intercourse; intermittent spotting; frequent urination; or constipation. These symptoms usually lead gynecologists to do a pelvic exam and possibly an ultrasound exam to detect the fibroids. After that, drug therapy with medications known as GnRh analogs may be prescribed for temporary relief by shrinking the fibroids. More long lasting relief is provided by surgical removal through a hysteroscope (a small telescope-like device through the vagina and cervix), or or a laparascope, through small incisions in the abdomen.

Not long ago, hysterectomy was the most common cure for symptoms arising from fibroid tumors, but there are a number of uterus-sparing procedures available today. I keep current with the latest technologies and breakthroughs in obstetrics and gynecology. Whether you come in for treatment of a problem or are suffering the stress of a difficult pregnancy, you'll find my staff friendly, caring, and easy to talk to. To schedule an appointment, please call my office at 522-2222. We're conveniently located at the Primary Medical Clinic - Westwood, 4214 Andrews Highway, Suite 400, in Midland.

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Foster mom cares for teens, babies

By Jordana Hart
N.Y. Times News Service

MARSHFIELD, Mass. — As she has done almost every afternoon for more than a decade, Natalie Leonardi kneels on her sofa and leans toward her living room window, watching as a blue van drops her foster children — and their babies — home from school.

Seventeen-year-old Jennifer emerges first, holding her 2-1/2-year-old daughter's hand. Her other hand holds 2-year-old Tiana.

Behind them Tiana's mother Mindy, 16, drags the car seats, the diaper bags and the book bags.

The toddlers rush into Leonardi's grandmotherly arms. Their mothers prepare for another afternoon of homework and baby care.

Jennifer and Mindy are the latest of more than 20 pregnant teenagers or teenagers with babies the state Department of Social Services has sent to Leonardi's rambling, backwoods home since the mid-1980s.

As the state struggles to recruit more foster parents to care for troubled children, officials say women such as Leonardi are hard to find: those who actively seek older foster children with children of their own, a combination most other foster parents shun.

"I think many foster parents are afraid of teenagers," said Leonardi, 70. "I have even been afraid of some teenagers living here with me. They have attitudes, and have been through so much. And then you have to deal with the boyfriends and the babies' fathers. They invade your home, if you let them."

LEONARDI IS a blunt-spoken, cigarette-smoking former hair salon owner. She has worked for the state Registry of Motor Vehicles, and for the Senate.

She clearly remembers the loneliness and upheaval of becoming a mother herself at 18, even with her family's love and guidance.

Her mission and passion, she said, is to support young mothers who not only have been removed from their homes because of abuse or neglect, but get pregnant as young as 13 or 14, usually by older men who leave them.

"If these girls love their children, I know they will try to do the right thing," Leonardi said. "But they have had no support. I do cry, but no one ever sees it."

Leonardi's first foster children in 1985, whom she later adopted, were a brother and sister, 11 and 7, whose alcoholic parents had died. Their yearning for their mother made Leonardi believe she could alter the lives of young mothers and children just by being there for them.

'She just wants to take care of people. She reminds me of a mother lion. She can say what she wants to you, but God help the person who even looks at you the wrong way.'

— Liana Caso, former foster child

At her insistence, the state sends her only pregnant teenagers or teenagers who are parents — and no more than two at a time. It has been rewarding, she says, but far from smooth.

SOME OF HER charges have run away. Others have stolen money from her purse because stealing is how they survived all their lives.

One girl stole food from her to bring to her mother on weekend visits; another girl described stabbing her teachers and said she would do it again if pushed.

Yet another sent her boyfriend a letter, which Leonardi intercepted, telling him Leonardi had "lots of good stuff" and urging him to rob her.

Over the years, some of the girls have even filed abuse charges against Leonardi, saying she has been verbally or physically abusive. According to DSS, the allegations were dismissed each time after investigations failed to support them.

Leonardi describes foster parenting as anything but a route to riches: She gets $16 a day for each teenager and about $13 for each baby. "These kids can eat more than that in a hour," Leonardi laughed, as she showed off her packed freezer and stockpile of soda in the garage.

She stacks packs of diapers in her bedroom closet and makes sure her foster girls have spending money.

It pleased her to no end when Leonardi, who gets Social Security, won $50,000 in the lottery last year, which she said has gone a long way to help her as a foster parent.

THE CALENDAR in Leonardi's kitchen tells the story of days overrun with other people's needs: Her old station wagon burns up miles driving to and from pediatric and prenatal appointments, family court, Lamaze classes, part-time jobs, the local bus stop, grocery shopping, mall browsing.

SHE JUGGLES calls from myriad social workers, lawyers, and parents.

Despite her daily swirl of teenage angst and energetic toddlers, Leonardi says she is reminded of why she does this hard work when she watches movies at night with "my girls," buys them a pocketbook or pair of earrings, or teaches them to cook, plant a garden out back or find patience with their toddlers.

One day last week, Jennifer, who is six months pregnant with her second child, was reminding Leonardi of a prenatal appointment she needed to be driven to.

Jennifer plans to move in with her children's father when she turns 18 next year.

Mindy sat on the stoop smoking. DSS plans to allow her to return home in June, and it is all she talks about.

She complains that Leonardi "always thinks she's right," and is too critical of Mindy's parenting skills.

But, she adds, Leonardi has "opened her heart and her home to us."

Both Mindy and Jennifer attend a high school for teenage parents.

Leonardi may be few people's mental picture of a typical foster mother. Her graying hair clings in a thin braid to her back. She wears jeans and flannel shirts, and nurses her Winston cigarettes as if they are the last she will ever get.

Leonardi is the youngest of 10 children of an Armenian homemaker and a black and Irish father.

EVEN HER ALLIES admit she tends to rub social workers and others the wrong way.

She doesn't hesitate to jump the DSS chain of command when she is upset, ruffling feathers as she goes.

Like many foster parents, Leonardi complains that DSS fails to respect and support foster parents and, in her case, has sometimes not included her in foster care review hearings and other meetings that directly affect her foster children.

But the loyalty some of her former "girls" still have for her tell the story.

"She just wants to take care of people," said 28-year-old Liana Caso, who lived with Leonardi as a teenage mother. The two have maintained a bond ever since.

"She reminds me of a mother lion. She can say what she wants to you, but God help the person who even looks at you the wrong way."

Club News

PRECEPTOR EPSILON DELTA CHAPTER, BSP

Preceptor Epsilon Delta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi had a weekend social at the lake home of Alice Wood at Colorado City. Members attended Railhead Trade Days.

Attending were Suzy Arnold, Beverly Brock, Judy Jehring, Pauline Heidel, Nancy McNerney, Diana Henderson, Sue Adams, Ann Poteet, Jan Acker and guest Gwen Lewis.

PRECEPTOR ETA UPSILON CHAPTER, BSP

Preceptor Eta Upsilon chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Peggy Brown. Also attending were Beverly Acker, Genell Emerson, Neva Garvin, Donna Snyder, Carolyn Harkrider, Dovie St. Peters and Virginia Earhart.

Ms. Emerson discussed planned city council meeting. Plans for the next meeting were discussed. Ms. St. Peters gave a program on "Love Hurts."

AARON ESTES CHAPTER, DAUGHTERS OF THE REPUBLIC OF TEXAS

Aaron Estes chapter, Daughters of the Republic of Texas, met at the home of Mrs. F.H. McGuigan. Carolyn Sowell presided and conducted the ritual. Geri Lilly announced the acceptance of Pam Fontaine and Mrs. Donald Troy, who were elected members.

Ms. Lilly announced that Mrs. Clyde Cross will receive the 25-year membership award at the annual convention. Nancy McKinley reported on Texas Independence Day observance. Plans for San Jacinto Day observance were discussed.

Nominating committee members reported slate of new officers: Doris Williams, president; Joan Cobb, vice president; Ms. Lilly, registrar; Diann Anderson, treasurer; Sara Lou Grimes, secretary; Edna Hibbits, chaplain; and Margaret Davis, historian. Ms. Williams introduced Eileen Welch, who gave a program on the history of the chuck wagon.

ALTRUSA

Altrusa International Club met at Ranchland Hills Country Club with Mary K. Rattan presiding. Betty Gildon led the club grace and Pledge of allegiance. Committee reports were given.

Betty McMullan discussed the recent Celebrity Fashion Show. Brenda Smith discussed Vial of Life program's handout distribution. Connie Roe distributed volunteer sign-up sheets for Books/Bibs for Babes.

Francine Weaver discussed planned District Nine conference. Mary Gillum introduced Linda Bond, who gave program on her trip to China.

CHAPTER DD, P.E.O. SISTERHOOD

Chapter DD of the P.E.O. Sisterhood met at Sagewood Clubhouse with Paula Beshears as hostess and Carolyn Larson as co-hostess.

New officers elected are: Dee O'Neill, president; Jan Murdock, vice president; Joyce Jacobs, recording secretary; Barbara Cox, corresponding secretary; Mary Jo Sawyer, treasurer; Ms. Larson, guard; Paula Guinan, chaplain; and Ms. Cox, convention delegate.

CHAPTER GD, P.E.O. SISTERHOOD

Chapter GD of the P.E.O. Sisterhood met at the home of Sue Solari. Liz Orson was initiated into the organization. Founded March 19, 1983, in Midland, the chapter celebrated its 14 years of organization with a luncheon at Michael's.

BLACK IMAGE

Black Image met at the home of Michael Thomas with 11 members attending. Maxine Hall presided. Doris Rollie read the minutes. Committee reports were given.

Delores McCalister was appointed new sick chairperson. Glenn Williamson was appointed sergeant-at-arms. Rodney Bishop was host. Plans to attend the Stokes-Parker District meeting in Lubbock were discussed, as were the club's two houses for Christmas In April.

Randy Norris is a new member. Upcoming Debutante Ball was planned.

En Amie meeting is scheduled

Staff Reports



Carol Scott

En Amie Review Club will have a luncheon meeting 11:30 a.m. April 9 at Midland Woman's Club.

Guest speaker Carol Scott of Big Spring will review "This Is Insanity" by Beth Donahue.

Mrs. Scott, a native of Cleburne, graduated from Baylor University and has taught school in Waco, Pecos and Arlington.

Before moving to Big Spring several years ago, she had lived in Pecos for more than 30 years.

She is active in church and civic organizations and is a part-time instructor of speech at Howard College.

Herbs can 'dress up' many recipes

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Whether fresh from the garden or sprinkled from a bottle, herbs are a cook's delight.

Here are some herb hints for maximum flavor from food critics:

■ Oregano: strong and aromatic, it wakes up pizza, poultry, eggs and vegetables and can be served raw in salads.

■ Marjoram: A lighter version of oregano, it marries well with tomato dishes and summer vegetables such as zucchini and eggplant.

■ Basil: Good for chicken, fish and pasta dishes. Add raw as a garnish or in the last step of cooking.

■ Rosemary: has a pinelike taste that stands up well to hours of cooking. Adds a special touch to roasted poultry, beef, stuffing and vegetables.

■ Tarragon: its subtle yet distinctive anise flavor goes well with fish, poultry, eggs and sauces. Use cooked or raw.

■ Coriander: this lemon-lavender flavored herb balances hot, spicy food. It's best uncooked.

Bridge Winners

The following are bridge winners for March 18-24.

TUESDAY
1. Marianne and Buf Slay
2. Betty Sheeler, Jerry Williamson
3. Mildred Stuart, Corrinne Recer
4. Mary Anne Ochs, Bob Baker

WEDNESDAY
1. Richard Grady, Lyle Kinsey
2. Mary Hammond, Buf Slay
3. Jean Pistole, Sue Gardiner
4. and 5. Tie: Leonora Slusher, Ann Servatius, Betty Reeves, Lena Nichols

THURSDAY
Non-Life Master
1. Donna and Bill Travis
2. Mary Renton, Ken Hill
3. Betty and Charles Warnock
4. Martha Poss, Peggy Jackson

FRIDAY
1. Flo Curry, Jane Myers
2. Linda Jerman, Jerry Crooker
3. Aggie Anguish, Beulah Prichard
4. Sandra Rea, Clarence Marley

SATURDAY
MEMBERSHIP GAME
NORTH-SOUTH:
1. Linda Jerman, Jerry Crooker
2. Sue Gardiner, Betty Reeves
3. Becky and Lyle Kinsey

EAST-WEST:
1. Gloria Crites, Ann Servatius
2. and 3. Tie: Dixie Gifford, Mary Anne Ochs, Debbie Brookins, Peggy Cook

SUNDAY
1. Gloria Crites, Becky Kinsey
2. Joan LaFond, Helen Wise
3. Lyle Kinsey, Richard Grady
4. Mary Renton, Ken Hill

MONDAY
1. Gloria Crites, Becky Kinsey
2. Nancy Andrews, Jimmy Cox
3. Betty Reeves, Ann Servatius
4. Wanda Scott, Sally Whiteley

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SEEDS FOR THOUGHT

Horticulture tips improve gardening techniques

By Deborah A. Benge Frost

It's amazing how fast plants can begin to push buds and green up this time of year. Growth seems to have blossomed in a matter of weeks. To keep up with the pace — and so you won't miss any good opportunities — here are some timely horticulture tips:



Benge Frost

TIMING

April 1 is our last average frost date, and serves as an estimate for determining planting dates for many plants, especially vegetables. However, keep in mind that this is an *average* last frost date, not an absolutely firm date. It is determined by taking historical weather data for the last 20 years and averaging. Use it an an estimate for determining planting dates.

Speaking of last frost dates, April 1-15 is the best time period for planting tomatoes. If you get your tomato transplants established during this two-week period, they should be blooming and setting fruit during favorable weather conditions so you can begin to harvest large, high-quality tomatoes during June and July.

If planting dates are delayed, tomato plants will be setting fruit during times of high temperatures and harsh summer conditions, which can adversely affect size, quality and quantity of tomatoes.

Protect young tomato transplants from insects and diseases by covering either the cage or the plant itself with a floating row cover. Many light-weight spun materials can keep out insects and provide some wind protection as well as a few degrees of warmth. Grow Web and Remay are two brand names of floating row cover.

Pepper plants are much more sensitive to cool temperatures, so delay planting bell, long green chile, jalapeno and cayenne peppers until about April 15 to early May.

For a more specific guide to planting times, ask your local county extension office for publication L-1205, "A Planning Guide for Your Home Garden."

FERTILIZER

Phosphorus is one of the major nutrients (N-P-K) that plants need — and use — in large quantities. In established landscapes and gardens, phosphorus is generally abundant; in fact, in many cases it is *too* abundant. But even with high levels of phosphorous, adding a little bit in the planting hole or banding it just below the seed row can be advantageous because cool soils in the spring inhibit the availability of phosphorus, a nutrient which is very important in establishing young transplants or seedlings.

For quicker, better establishment in the spring, add a little phosphorus about an inch below the roots of the tomato or pepper transplant. For seeded vegetables, dig a trench about 1/2-inch below seed placement.

For either transplanted or seeded vegetables, place a little soil between the phosphorus in the roots or seed.

PECANS

Speaking of fertilizers, pecans need a very specific micronutrient — zinc. Since we have alkaline or high pH soils, micronurients such as zinc and iron are not always available for plant use.

Pecans are particularly needful of zinc for proper growth. Zinc deficiency can cause poor growth, stunted growth, limb die-back, wavy leaves with brown spots and bunched or rosetted new growth.

To meet this need, spray zinc onto the emerging leaves in the spring. Only new, expanding growth can take up the zinc. If you wait until mid-May to spray mature pecan trees with zinc, you are wasting time, money and effort.

Young trees (7 years and younger) can be sprayed once every two weeks up to August. Mature pecan trees will benefit from three to five sprays from bud break to May or when they cease putting on new leaves. Applying only one spray is better than none, but three or five is better.

If you'd like more information on the care of pecans, ask the county extension service for publication B-5001, "Home Nut Production: Pecans."

EARLY COLOR

While temperatures are still pretty cool, you can plant several bedding plants that don't mind cold and can even tolerate light freezes. If you are in a hurry, try some of these: ageratum, coreopsis, cosmos, cloemes, geranium, marigold, nasturtium, petunia, phlox, portulaca, salvia, sweet alyssum and wax leaf begonia. If a Siberian freeze comes through, cover plant with a sheet or loose mulch.

For best results with all color, improve the soil with 3 to 4 inches of organic matter and a pre-plant fertilizer. Compost, pine bark or sphagnum peat moss are all good forms of organic matter to use.

Cottonseed meal and other organic fertilizers are nice because they break down slowly and add some organic matter to the soil.

For heavy bloomers such as petunias, geraniums and wax leaf begonias, additional nitrogen will be needed through the growing season.

ARBOR SEASON

January through April have been recognized and designated as arbor season because trees have traditionally been planted during this time — and because it is a good time to plant trees. April is Arbor Month and April 25 is Arbor Day. Be sure to take advantage of this spring season by planting trees at your home, neighborhood, school, church or place of business.

Some excellent trees to plant in this area are 'Oklahoma' redbud, desert willow, vitex, ornamental pear, lacebark elm, Western soapberry, bur oak, chinquapin oak and cedar elm. For a list of recommended trees, ask the extension service for a copy of "Recommended Landscape Plants for the Permian Basin."

WATER CONSERVATION

It's not too early to anticipate the long, hot, dry summer so common here. Since water is a precious and limited resource, we should make every effort to use it wisely, especially water used on the landscape.

With proper planning and design, good plant selection, efficient irrigation methods and other wise practices, you can have a beautiful, functional and water-conserving landscape.

Learn how to save water and labor in your landscape by attending the Xeriscape Landscape Seminar 7 p.m. April 15 at the Confederate Air Force Museum and Headquarters.

Dr. Doug Welsh, extension horticulturist and author of "Xeriscape Gardening," will lead the enlightening, informative and entertaining evening. Welsh is nationally recognized for his knowledge and work in Xeriscape and other areas of horticulture.

Pre-registration is $5 per household; registration at the door will be $10 per household. To pre-register, send $5 (payable to Permian Basin Master Gardeners or PBMG) to Attn: Xeriscape, Ector County Extension Service, 1010 E. 8th Street, Odessa, Texas 79761.

For questions about these or any other horticulture topics, call the local county extension service.

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For its 50th season, Community concerts has lined up LeRoy Villanueva, above; 'Haile to America,' at left; Lainie Nelson, at top; Side Street Strutters, at right; and New York Theatre Ballet Choreographer's Competition, below.

Midland Community Concerts

Live music feeds the soul





"Live music feeds the soul" is the motto for the all-volunteer Midland Community Concerts — an organization now in its 50th season of offering entertainment at affordable prices.

"This is our 50th year to offer live music from Broadway to Midlanders, and we've tried to line up a particularly outstanding series," said Francine Weaver, MCC president.

The Membership Campaign Drive continues through Friday. Music for the 1997-98 season ranges from Gershwin to light opera, from jazz to Broadway show tunes and includes a program built around favorite songs from the World War II era.

As a special new-member bonus, individuals and families who join before Saturday will receive free tickets to the last event of the current season — Rhythm in Shoes. This celebration of American, English and Irish dance is set for 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Lee High School Auditorium.

The headquarters for the Membership Campaign is located at United Way of Midland, 1201 W. Wall St. Although Community Concerts is not a United Way agency, the facilities are being provided as a community service. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. To speak with a MCC volunteer call 694-1397, 694-9886 or 682-1375.

The 1997-98 season begins with "Haile to America" Nov. 4.

"This is Evan Haile, who will be bringing dual pianos and three Broadway stars who will perform patriotic anthems, Broadway hits, and movie themes by such composers as Cole Porter, Jerome Kern, Irving Berlin and other American favorites," Ms. Weaver said. "This will be kind of a patriotic, feeling-good-about-your-area-and-your country concert to kick off the series."

Next up will be the Side Street Strutters Dec. 1.

"That will take you back to the roots of jazz from New Orleans," said Ms. Weaver, who has seen all the acts that were selected for the season. "They've been together since 1983 and add an exciting and contemporary dimension to songs by jazz greats such as Jelly Roll Morton and Duke Ellington.

"The thing I liked about them, when I saw them in New York, was the six young men could play various instruments, and they all just seemed to mold together in their presentation. They play in the neighborhood of 25 to 30 different instruments."

The Side Street Strutters also will perform a student matinee, set for Dec. 2.

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Above, Bruce Peeler, from left, Vivian Moss and Don McCartney. Below, are members of the sextet, from left: Kerry Meise, Marge Savage and Gregory Pysh. Not pictured are Natalyn Whitis, Scott Long and Daniel Koonce.

Midland Opera Theatre presents

'A Night in Old Vienna'





Above, Suzanne Cate and Michael Jordan. Below, Kathy and Gregory Pysh. At top from left, Shari Santorelli, LuAnn Lane, Jeff Larson and Lee Harley.

Dinner and opera are on the program April 13 when Midland Opera Theater presents its annual "Opera in the Park" at Midland Center.

"We're having a wonderful dinner catered by Murray & The Frenchman," said Jane Ward, chairman of this year's "A Night in Old Vienna." "After dinner we have a program of opera arias, duets, trios and sextets."

The numbers will be performed by Midlanders. Jami Owen, president of MOT, will be the narrator.

"I think it's going to be a great program," said Ms. Ward, who heard several of the groups rehearse this week. "I was thrilled with what I heard. Excellent voices and fine pianists.

"They are all familiar opera arias and ensembles, some of the best available in the opera world. These are very famous songs and people love to hear them."

Selections include the duet, "La ci darem la mano" from "Don Giovanni" sung by Michael Jordan and Suzanne Cate, accompanied by pianist Shari Santorelli.

"Michael teaches at Midland College and Suzanne Cate is the choir director at First UMC (United Methodist Church)," Ms. Ward said. "The two of them went to the University of Colorado together and sang together when they were students. And we're really thrilled that they are doing this."

During the evening, Ms. Santorelli will perform a solo — Intermezzo from "Cavalleria Rusticana."

Vivian Moss, Bruce Peeler and Don McCartney will perform in a trio from "Don Pasquale." They will be accompanied by pianist Debbie Vester, organist at St. Luke's UMC.

Gregory Pysh, choir director at First Presbyterian Church, and his wife, Kathy, will sing "O soave fan-

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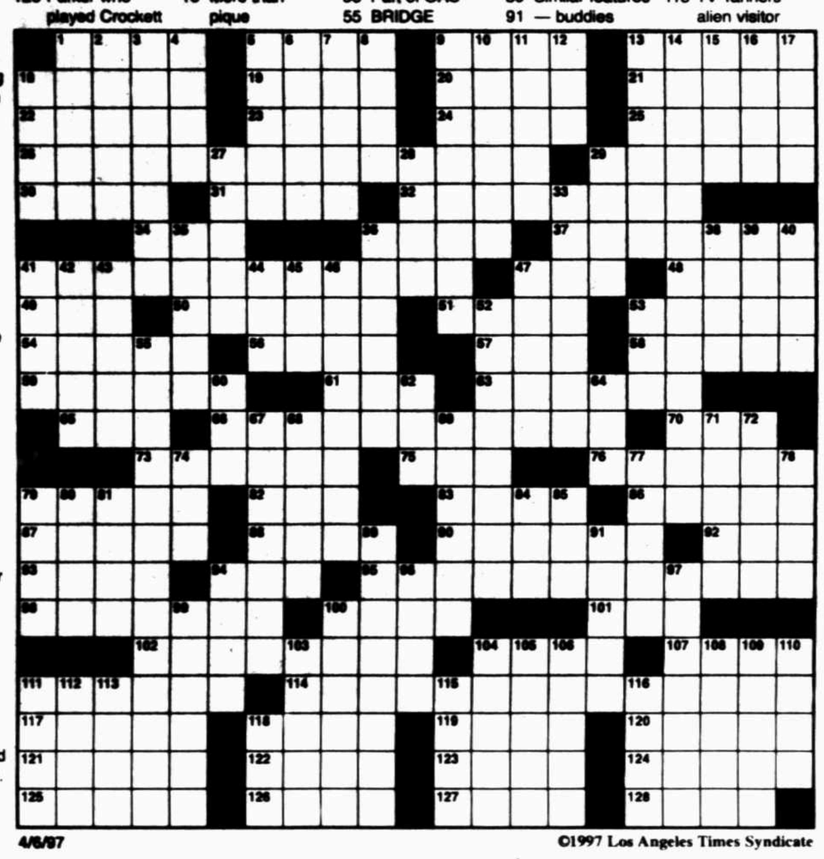
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★★★★★ You feel better, as if time away was worth it. Accept an invitation extended by phone. Surprises and friendship mix in a dynamic, exciting manner. Don't do anything halfway. You definitely want to be part of the crowd. Tonight: Have a long overdue talk.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Take a back seat, and thoroughly listen and evaluate. Your choices are important; but to make good ones, you need to center yourself. There is more going on here than you are aware. You fight a chronic feeling of depression. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ You'll need to take a strong stand. Be direct with a friend; he needs to understand your point of view. Your thinking is dynamic and sometimes stunning to others. A partner reverses his stance, and as a result, you feel relieved. Tonight: Go where the gang is.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Take time for relatives and responsibilities. A gesture of goodwill will be appreciated and will come back to you multifold. A partner acts in an unexpected way. Establish your boundaries and limits. Get into some additional spring cleaning. Tonight: Visit.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Plan on a day outing with friends. A partner could balk at the last minute, forcing a change in plans. You manage to make both ends meet. Let your soothing, romantic side emerge. Others cannot help but respond to the Leo magnetism. Tonight: Try a new restaurant.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ One-to-one relating makes you a bit nervous. On some level, you are waiting for the other shoe to drop. If you don't risk something, you will have nothing. Talks could involve living arrangements and ascertaining what you need. Tonight: Tango for two.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Others dominate your day, and the best of plans could fall to the wayside. A key communique could change your perspective. Mellow out, and think. A child behaves differently, or a flirtation takes an unexpected turn. Get into the excitement. Tonight: Talk with a partner.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Buckle down, and complete key tasks. You need to spend some money on your home or a project around the house. Pace yourself. You have a lot of ground to cover over the next week. A family member surprises you; enjoy his quirkiness. Tonight: Go to bed early.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Others see you changing right before their eyes! They wonder what is happening, and why you are making the choices you are. You are startled by news, as well as others' responses. Allow more joy in your life. Be more childlike, especially with a child. Tonight: It's playtime.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Think through a decision before you leap into action. Your thinking changes dramatically as a discussion progresses. Consider different options, especially how they could affect your domestic life. You pull the wild card financially. Tonight: Be a wild thing.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ When you see one approach doesn't work, try another. Flow with the unexpected. Stay anchored in what is important to you. You find your circle of friends changing substantially because of decisions you are making. Tonight: Have a pivotal talk over dinner.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You have a sudden insight that causes you to back up. Make a decision about spending. What felt OK before, may no longer. An investment decision made today could take a long time coming to fruition. Think through changes with care. Tonight: It's your turn to treat.

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◇ A J
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SOUTH
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Opening lead: Nine of ♣

If you do something wrong, grumbling about any punishment you may receive will fall on deaf ears. But it seems excessively cruel when you do the normal thing, only to watch as declarer reaps a huge reward.

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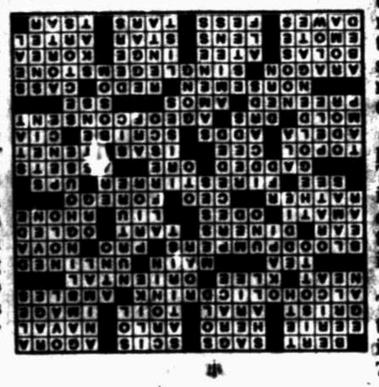
After a spade lead, the contract can be defeated with careful defense — declarer loses two diamond tricks and one in each other plain suit. However, West led the suit partner had opened, and an eminently sound one-club opening bid it was.

The jack of clubs was taken by declarer's ace, and the ten of clubs was fired back to the king. Since declarer was now poised to take a diamond discard on the queen of clubs, the defenders had to cash their tricks in the suit, but that set up two diamond tricks in dummy.

West tried valiantly to defeat the contract by exiting with a trump, but declarer had come too far to be defeated. After winning the king of hearts, declarer led a high diamond from dummy. East had to ruff, declarer overruffed and returned to the table with the ace of trumps, in the process pulling the outstanding fangs. Declarer could now take two spade stuffs on the queen of clubs and high diamond, and lost only two diamonds and a club.

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APRIL 6 - 12

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

American Airpower Heritage Museum: EXHIBITION: The American Airpower Heritage Museum is internationally recognized for its collection of authentic World War II artifacts and memorabilia. The museum currently has five permanent exhibits, highlighting five different phases of World War II, in the main gallery and two permanent exhibits in the hanger. Take an online tour of the museum at http://www.avdigest.com/aahm/aahm.html, 9600 Wright Dr., Midland International Airport, Hours: Mon.-Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 12-5pm, call 563-1000, Admission charged. Group and student discounts available with prior reservation.
Film Series: Lest We Forget - A Video Journey Through World War II, Free showing every other Saturday at 1pm, moderated by a museum docent and free refreshments.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: EXHIBITION: Light and Color Exhibit, a whirling kaleidoscope of light - holograms and laser beams, through April 13, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 683-2882.

Gallery 1114: EXHIBITION: Eleventh Open Show, through May 4, 1114 N. Big Spring, Thurs.-Sun. 1-5pm, 682-9303, Free.

St. Luke's & First United Methodist Churches: CONCERT: Sing Praise!, an evening of choral music by John Rutter presented by the chancel choirs of both churches and members of the Midland/Odessa Symphony Orchestra, 5pm, St. Lukes United Methodist Church, 3011 W. Kansas, Free.

McCormick Gallery, Midland College: EXHIBITON: Kathleen Kuchar, The Big 3-0, A Mini Survey, acrylic paintings and prints, through April 18, 3600 N. Garfield, Mon.-Thurs. 8am-10pm, Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 1-5pm, call 685-4556, Free.

Midland Porcelain Art Club: ANNUAL EXHIBIT & TEA: 2-4pm, Midland Womanís Club, East Wadley, Free.

Museum of the Southwest: EXHIBITONS: Midland Arts Association Spring Show, through April 13, And: Texas Realists: Contemporary Artists, Drawings by Mike Hill, through May, And: Under Starry Skies: Defining the Southwest, permanent collection; And: "The Search or Ancient Plainsmen: An Archaeological Experience, ongoing; And: The Collection, ongoing, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 683-2882, Free.

Odessa College: LRC, 201 W. University, Mon.-Thurs. 7:30am-10pm, Fri. 7:30am-5pm, Sat.& Sun. 2-5pm, call 335-6646, Free.

Odessa Art Association: 4909 E. University, San Miquel Square, Odessa, call 362-7988, Free.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum: 1500 W. I-20 West, Mon.-Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 2-5., call 683-4403, Admission Charged.

The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin: ADVENTURES IN ART: Nearikas, a fun program of art appreciation, art history, and studio art for the whole family, 2:30-4:30pm, EXHIBITION: LíAncien Regime: French Paintings from the Sarah Campbell Blaffer Foundation Collections, through May 30, 4909 E. University, Odessa, Tues-Sat., 10am-5pm, Sun. 2-5pm, call 550-3811, Free.

University of Texas of the Permian Basin: EXHIBITION: Junior/Senior Exhibit, April 16 through May 18, Mon.-Thurs. 8am-10pm, Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 1-5pm, Sun. 1-5pm, 3rd Floor Gallery, 4901 E. University, Odessa, call 552-2806, Free.

White Pool House: 112 E Murphy St., Tues. 12pm-3pm, Wed.-Fri. 10am-3pm, Sun. 2pm-5pm, call 1-333-4072, Free.

MONDAY, APRIL 7

Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library: Mon.-Fri.,9am-5pm, 1805 W. Indiana, call 682-5785, Free.

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

Midland Palette Club: DEMONSTRATION: oil by LaWanda Calton of Taos, 9:30am, free, 907 W. Wadley, call 694-0516, three day workshop to follow, Admission charged.

Presidential Museum: EXHIBITON: The French Connection: Negotiations Leading Up To The Louisiana Purchase, through July 19, Tues.-Sat. 10am-5pm, 622 N. Lee, Odessa, call 1-332-7123, Admission charged..

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

Midland Community Theatre: COMEDY: Wrong Turn At Lungfish: Davis Theatre I, 8pm, call 682-4111, Admission charged.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

Blakemore Planetarium: NATIONAL ASTRONOMY DAY: a fun-filled day of family-oriented activities, 12-4pm, 7-10:30pm, call 683-2882, Free.

Midland Community Concerts Association: MUSIC: Rhythm in Shoes, 7:30pm, Midland High School, call 694-1397, Admission charged.

Midland Community Theatre: COMEDY: Wrong Turn At Lungfish: Davis Theatre I, 8pm, call 682-4111, Admission charged.

Midland Junior Women's Club: PARADE OF HOMES: Sponsor's Tour, 6-9pm, call 697-1420, Admission charged.

Permian Basin Poetry Society of Texas: PROGRAM: Midland County Public Library upstairs meeting room, 2pm, call 520-4679, Free.

Prevent Blindness: BENEFIT: HOOPLA 97, 3 on 3 street basketball tournament, 8am - 6pm, Claydesta Parking Lot, call 683-0003.

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.

Drawings shown

An exhibition of drawings by Mike Hill, the second segment of the "Texas Realists: Contemporary Artists" exhibition series at the Museum of the Southwest, is showing through May 4 in the museum's Here and Now Gallery, 1705 W. Missouri Ave.
The "Texas Realists: Contemporary Artists" series introduces Texas artists working in the realist style to West Texas audiences. The next artist to be featured is Kermit Oliver. His work is to be shown May 17-June 29.
Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information call 683-2882 or 570-7770.

To my dear patients and friends,

I would like to express my most heartfelt gratitude to each and every patient I have had in the last 20 years of medical practice in Midland. It is difficult for me to bid you all farewell, but I go with very fond memories of you all, of your goodness and your kindness.

Happy Easter Season!!
Ramon K. Domingo, M.D.

ENTERTAINMENT IN BRIEF

Choral music set

An evening of choral music, "Sing Praise," is planned for St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3011 W. Kansas Ave., beginning at 5 p.m. today.

The music of John Rutter will be presented by the Chancel Choirs of St. Luke's United Methodist Church and First United Methodist Church and members of the Midland-Odessa Symphony Orchestra.

No admission is charged.

Plans under way

Final plans are under way for the opening reception and gala dinner May 17 for the Texas Watercolor Society's 48th annual National Exhibition at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave.

The opening and awards reception is open to the public; however, the dinner, at $40 a person, is by invitation and reservation.

More than $15,000 in awards and merchandise have been donated for this event.

Texas first lady Laura Bush is to present the awards at the reception. Following the awards presentation, invited guests will be served dinner in a tent on the museum grounds. The keynote speaker for this event will be M. Stephen Doherty, editor in chief of "American Artist & Watercolor" publications of New York.

For dinner invitations call 570-1880. Due to limited seating, reservations will be made from response cards on a first come, first serve basis.

Deadline May 1

Entry deadline for the West Texas Writers and the West Texas Storytellers Guild's Short Story Contest is May 1.

The audience for the stories submitted is children ages 4 through 13.

The adult division is for 16 and up. The children's division offering the Kassi Crites Award, is for first grade through age 15.

The entry fee for adults is $4. There is no entry fee for the children's division.

Send manuscripts of no more than 1,000 words to Children's Short Story Contest, P.O. Box 7555, Midland, Texas 79708. For the rules on manuscript form call Ritzie Williford, 699-7820.

Nelson to perform

SAN ANGELO — Willie Nelson is to perform at the RiverStage this evening.

Gates open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are $20 for general admission and $25 for reserved seating.

Opening the show are Crane native Jimmy Lee Jones and his Texas Hill Country band and Brownwood native Craig Dillingham.

Festival planned

KERRVILLE — The 26th annual Kerrville Folk Festival is set for May 22-June 8, at Rod Kennedy's Quiet Valley Ranch. This year's event is sponsored by Elixir Guitar Strings of Gore.

Mail orders are not being accepted at P.O. Box 1466, Kerrville, Texas 78029 or by calling 1-800-435-8429 using Visa or Mastercard. Festival brochures listing the entire schedule, ticket prices, information on camping and motel accommodations are available by calling 1-210-257-3600.

In addition to the Kerrville Music Foundation's New Folk Concerts, the foundation also hosts two schools, a seminar and a conference during the 18-day festival. Until enrollment is full, these events are open to the ticket buying public.

The Kerrville Songwriting School, now in its 18th year, is led by Nashville's Rock Beresford with faculty from five other states. The three-day school focuses on creative possibilities, music exploration, and form, structure and rewriting.

For the first time this year, the foundation also offers a three-day seminar with agents and managers.

Party scheduled

The West Texas Storytellers Guild is presenting a free "Pajama Party" May 10 in honor of Celebration of the Arts.

All children are invited to attend with a parent or guardian. Bring a pillow and blanket and listen to "Around the World Stories" from 2 to 4 p.m. Space is limited. Phone Mother Goose, 699-7820, for reservations.

Annual event set

ODESSA — The Presidential Museum's second annual American Heritage Days are April 18 and 19 at the Noel Heritage Plaza, 319 W. 5th.

Hours that Friday are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., which are targeted for school groups, and 5 to 9 p.m. Hours that Saturday are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Demonstration and activities are planned for both days.

The event is sponsored by the City of Odessa, the Midland Reporter-Telegram, Nations bank, Odessa American, Odessa Cultural Council and Parkway Inn.

Meeting planned

In mid-April, the Permian Basin will host the annual meeting of the Texas Association of Museums. This four-day conference draws museum professionals, trustees, and volunteers from throughout Texas as well as from around the country.

Between Wednesday and Saturday the Midland Holiday Inn Country Villa is to host more than 40 concurrent sessions, smaller group meetings and other activities.

Leading professionals in the museum field will offer keynote addresses on topical issues. Thursday's luncheon speaker, Edward H. Able Jr., the president and CEO of the American Association of Museums, will examine recent trends in the museum field and federal legislation affecting Texas museums.

Following Able, Ellsworth H. Brown, president of the Carnegie Museums and Libraries in Pittsburgh, Pa., will address "From the Heart: New values for the Next Century" at the Thursday plenary session.

Friday's plenary session features Joseph M. Chapman, president of Joseph M. Chapman, Inc./Chapman/Ducibella Associates in Santa Fe, N.M. Those attending the conference will spend their evenings at a variety of special receptions held at area museums.

TAM's Annual Meeting exemplifies collaboration between area museums.

Led by Tami O'Bannion, director of the American Airpower Heritage Museum, staff from local museums have worked together for more than a year planning the conference.

This coalition illustrates the variety that exists in the Midland-Odessa museum community, spanning the spectrum in both size and subject matter. The host institutions who have committed staff, time, and underwriting to ensuring a Permian Basin success are: American Airpower Heritage Museum, Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin, Fire Museum, Haley Memorial Library & History Center, Midland County Historical Museum, Museum of the Southwest, The Petroleum Museum, and The Presidential Museum.

Boulter to speak

Ray Boulter of San Angelo will speak at the Friends of the Library Annual Meeting set for 2 p.m. today at the Midland County Public Library, downtown.

No admission will be charged. The meeting is open to the public.

Born in Pecos, Boulter was nominated as Poet of the Year for 1994 by the National Library of Poetry and nominated as Distinguished Member of the International Society of Poets in 1996.

He is the author of "Some Words," a book of poetry, and "Supervisor Inflicted Ignorance," a humorous look at bosses.

He lived in Midland from 1965 to 1989 and has two daughters living here — Kathy Lynell Boulter and Patti Hunt.

Poetry program

Mildred Vorpahl Baass of Victoria will present a free program on poetry at a meeting of the Permian Basin Chapter of the Poetry Society of Texas 2 p.m. Saturday at the Midland County Public Library.

The meeting is open to the public. During the meeting, Ms. Baass will present awards to the winner of an Alamo Junior High School poetry contest for which she was the judge.

Ms. Baass, poet laureate of Texas for 1993-94 and 94-95, was a featured speaker at the 1996 National Federation of Poetry Societies convention in Dallas. She is the author of "Mythology in Verse' and has contributed to various anthologies and co-authored the books "Keys to the Open Door" and "Listen to Texas."



Alan Lawrence, a 1974 graduate of Lee High School, plays the timpani in the Cedar Rapids Symphony. He started his music education in percussion at Goddard Junior High School and at Lee High School.

Former Midlander pictured in N.Y. Times

Former Midlander Alan Lawrence was pictured in March on the cover of the New York Times Arts & Leisure section.

Lawrence, a 1974 graduate of Lee High School, plays the timpani in the Cedar Rapids Symphony. He started his music education in percussion at Goddard Junior High School and at Lee High School.

Lawrence attended Texas Tech University, where he earned a music education degree. He taught band music in Georgetown for several years. He again pursued his music education at New Mexico University in Albuquerque and received a master of music degree in performance in 1988.

Upon graduation, he auditioned for and obtained the position of Principal Timpanist in the Cedar Rapids Symphony, where is employed as a performer and teacher.

He is the son of Midlanders Alice and Jack Lawrence and the brother of Steve and Ron Lawrence, both of whom graduated from Lee High.

Performance set

Tracy Lawrence, Lonestar and David Kersh will perform in the Permian Basin 7:30 p.m. May 2 at Ector County Coliseum.

Tickets, priced at $19.50 and a limited amount of VIP tickets at $22.50, all with a $2.50 service charge, may be purchased at Endless Horizons, Odessa; CD Warehouse, Midland; and Sound Decision, Big Spring. They may also be charged by telephone by calling 1-800-462-7979.

Premiere planned

COLORADO CITY — Tumbleweed Smith's new one-man show, "Mountain Voices," will have its world premiere Thursday through Saturday at the Colorado City Opera House.

The production, in surround sound, features the voices of 82 residents. The show ends with a 7-minute audio visual presentation. Tickets are $5 each. In 1991, Smith premiered his first one-man show, "Texas Stories," in the Colorado City Opera House.

Open show set

Gallery 1114 is hosting its 11th Open Show through May 4.

Each year the show draws an eclectic mix of entries from poetry to furniture and includes drawings, paintings, sculpture and photography.

Gallery 1114, 114 N. Big Spring St., is a cooperative center for modern and contemporary art. Gallery hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday.

Jazz party set

ODESSA — The Odessa Jazz Association presents "All that Jazz," its 31st jazz party, May 14-17 at Odessa Country Club.

Musicians who will be performing include Harry Allen, Hake Hanna, Jack Lesberg, John Allred, Randy Sandke, Ray Sherman, Ed Polcer, Allan Vache, Bucky Pizzarelli, Bob Haggart, Joe Ascione, Dan Barrett, Ralph Sutton and Jim Galloway.

The Graham Brothers Entertainment, Inc., is this year's corporate sponsor.

Tickets are $150 per seat and include all four nights. To pay by mail writer Odessa Jazz Society, P.O. Box 7016, Odessa, Texas 79760, or call, 1-915-367-7241, Ext. 61.

Artwork wanted

CORPUS CHRISTI — The City of Corpus Christi Municipal Arts Commission has issued an open call to artists to participate in a city park project under the city's Public Art Program.

Artwork is being sought for the Gateway Park to be built on the city's waterfront. To be included in the selection process, interested artists need to submit a resume and six to eight slides representative of previous works. These must be submitted by May 1.

The Municipal Arts Commission has allocated $200,000 from its Permanent Art Trust Fund for Gateway Park. The artwork selected will be an integral aspect of the park and the image of the waterfront. Durable artistic mediums that can withstand sun, wind, salt, and rain along Corpus Christi Bay are suitable for this project.

Also, the city is seeking artwork for the newly completed multi-purpose room at the Brooks Chapel Early Childhood Development Center. The center has allocated $3,250 for permanent art that must be an integral part of the building. Artistic mediums such as stained glass, ceramic tile, wrought iron, metal and paint are suitable for this project.

For complete selection information contact Marion Loucks or Pamela Gooby, Cultural Services Division of the City's Park and Recreation Department, 1-512-880-3461, or send submission to either of them at Parks and Recreation department, P.O. Box 9277, Corpus Christi, Texas 78469-9277.

Demonstration set

ODESSA — The Odessa Art Association will have a watercolor demonstration given by Mary Jane Cox of Baker, La., at 2:15 p.m. April 20 at the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Boulevard.

The demonstration is free and open to the public. It is being given before an April 21-25 workshop being given by Ms. Cox at the museum. The workshop will help students develop their color palette and show them ways to generate ideas.

To register or receive more information call 1-915-363-0666.

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FORT WORTH — Casa Manana Theatre continues its Winter Season with the farce "Lend Me A Tenor" Tuesday through April 27 on its main stage, 3101 W. Lancaster.

Performances are at 8 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, with 2 p.m. matinees Saturdays, Sundays and Thursday, April 10. Tickets range from $19 to $23 and are available by calling 1-817-332-CASA or any TicketMaster location.

Birthday bash

The fourth annual Bard's Birthday Bash is set for 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. April 26 in Mabee Theatre II at Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.

Ann Cook, professor of English at Vanderbilt University, will present a video specially prepared by her for this occasion. Her theme is how the poet's impact has suffused into the aesthetics and culture of the world at large, said Bob Anson, bash chairman.

Concert planned

Country singer and songwriter Jack Ingram will be appearing at Dos Amigos at 10 p.m. April 19.

Ingram will be performing in support of his latest single, "That's Not Me," off his debut Rising Tide release "Livin' or Dyin.'"

Walker to perform

HOUSTON — Jerry Jeff Walker is to perform at Polo on the Prairie, the annual fund-raiser for the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, set for April 19 in Albany.

The West Texas tradition has drawn as many as 1,500 people and has, over the last 10 years, raised more than $1 million to fund 33 research and patient programs.

A barbecue lunch and a World War II Flyover is planned for the afternoon.

Co-chairing the event is Mary Anne McCloud, a co-founder, and her daughter and son-in-law, Midlanders Melinda and Henry Musselman.

For more information call 1-713-792-3450.

Celebration set

POTEET — The Poteet Strawberry Festival Association is celebrating its 50th birthday Friday through April 13.

The event will include concerts, rodeo and steer roping and two dances. The festival grounds, located 20 minutes south of San Antonio on Texas Highway 16, will open at 6 p.m. Friday. On Saturday the schedule includes a parade through downtown Poteet at 10 a.m.

Judging in the Strawberry Contest will be from 10 a.m. to noon and the Strawberry Auction at 2 p.m.

An arts and crafts show will run throughout the Festival Weekend. Karaoke also is planned.

Admission is $5 for adults with children 10 and younger admitted free. Parking on the festival grounds is free. For more information write the Poteet Strawberry Festival, P.O. Box 227, Poteet, Texas 78065, call 1-210-742-8144 or fax 1-210-742-3608.



Free oil painting demonstration set

La Wanda Calton will give a free demonstration in oil painting at the Midland Palette Club Art Center at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday.

This program is supported partially by the Arts Assembly of Midland and the Texas Commission on the Arts. Following the meeting, a three-day workshop will be offered.

For more information about the class, the hours and the charge, call 694-0516.

Performers invited

Performers are invited to be a part of Celebration of the Arts set for May 17-18 in downtown Midland.

The 14th annual Celebration puts the spotlight on the arts with four stages featuring continuous entertainment, 70 visual artists, a children's activity tent, an Experience the Arts area, Westwood Medical Center Run for the Arts, food concessions, demonstrations and more. Special guests this year will be the Marshall Tucker Band, children's performer Bonnie Phillips with the Elastic Band and bagpiper Patrick Regan.

For more information contact the Arts Assembly of Midland, P.O. Box 3494, Midland, Texas 79702, or e-mail artsmid@iglobal, or call the performing artists chairman, Jennifer Walker, 684-7132.

Exhibit hosted

ODESSA — The Ellen Noel Art Museum is hosting "French Painting of the Ancient Regime," from the Sarah Campbell Blaffer Foundation of Houston.

This exhibition is the museum's offering for the "French Connection" arts collaborative coordinated by the Odessa Cultural Council.

The exhibition features around 40 paintings representative of the development of French painting through the 18th century. The earliest works include several illuminated manuscripts from the early 15th century. Other works are portraits, still-lifes, landscapes and genre paintings of various French masters.

For more information call 550-3811. Public viewing hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Exhibit on display

Now on display at the Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., is the exhibition "Light and Color."

A giant light bulb, a glowing red laser beam, and life-like holograms area a part of the interactive exhibition. Hands on activities enable all ages, toddler to adult, to discover how light and color are related, how to make a rainbow, how a periscope works, and other interesting facts.

"Light and Color," sponsored in part by Tu Electric and Capp Electric of Midland, will be at the museum through April 13. The exhibition is an educational service of the Cumberland Science Museum, Nashville, Tenn., and was designed and produced by the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry with funding in part by the National Science Foundation.

Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

For more information call the museum, 683-2882 or 570-7770.

Live broadcast

Richard Wagner's "Die Walkure" will be broadcast live from the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House Saturday over the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera International Radio Network. The broadcast will begin at 12:30 p.m. and will be heard locally over KCRS.

The cast includes Hildegard Behrens as Brunnhilde, with Deborah Voigt as Sieglinde, Hanna Schwarz as Fricka, Placido Domingo as Seigmund, James Morris as Wotan, and John Macurdy as Hunding. James Levine will conduct.

More information relating to the radio broadcast season may be obtained by visiting the Texaco web site at http://www.texaco.com or the Met Opera web site at http://www.metopera.org.

Live entertainment

ODESSA — Chelsea Street Pub and Grill, located in the Music City Mall here, features live entertainment beginning at 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Also, Karaoke is on Sundays from 8 to 11 p.m.

Those attending are asked to use the outside entrance after mall hours.

Upcoming performances include Street Machine, Monday through Saturday; Billy Prichard, April 14-19; Karoke, April 21-22; Electric Gypsies, April 23-26; Karoke, April 28-29; and Toy Subs, April 30.

For more information call Chelsea's at 1-915-368-0949.

Exhibit opens

ALBANY — The Old Jail Art Center opened its annual Emerging Artist Exhibition this weekend.

This year's featured artist is Danny Markey of London. Markay was born in Falmouth, Cornwall, and studied at the Falmouth School of art in 1983 and 1984. In 1987, he received a bachelor of arts in painting and graduated with first class honors from the Camberwell School of Art. He lives and works in South London and is represented by the Redfern Gallery.

Markey's exhibition of 19 oil paintings and 11 watercolors was organized in association with the Redfern Gallery, London. The exhibition will remain through May 31.

For more information call 1-915-762-2269.

Play presented

ODESSA — The Globe Theatre, located on the Odessa College campus, presents "The Taming of the Shrew" as its Spring Shakespearean play at 8 p.m. April 25-26, and at 2:30 p.m. April 27.

Admission is $8 for adults, $6 for seniors and students, and $5 per person for groups of 15 or more. For reservations or more information call 1-915-332-1586.

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TV movie based on manuscript thought to be Alcott's first novel

By Jennifer Bowles
AP Television Writer

LOS ANGELES — "The Inheritance" isn't your typical television movie.

Sure, it's got enough lust, intrigue and deceit to rival the best of the nighttime soaps. And it attracted a bevy of TV stars, including Meredith Baxter, Cari Shayne and Thomas Gibson.

But it's the origin of the script that sets it apart from the usual TV fare.

The script is based on a recently unearthed manuscript believed to be Louisa May Alcott's first novel, written when she was 17, years before the publication of her best-known book "Little Women."

The movie airs today at 8 p.m. on CBS. It's rated TV-G.

Set against the backdrop of East Coast aristocracy in 19th-century Massachusetts, the plot revolves around Edith Adelon (Shayne, formerly of "Party of Five"), an orphan taken in by the wealthy Hamilton family and employed as a companion for the Hamilton's daughter.

Edith falls in love with a handsome, aristocratic stranger James Percy (Gibson of "Chicago Hope"), but believes he is unobtainable by someone of her lesser social stature. Plus, Edith has to contend with the jealousy of a Hamilton cousin who accuses her of a crime she did not commit.

The 166-page manuscript of "The Inheritance" was found by Daniel Shealy, associate professor of English at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte and Joel Myerson, research professor of American literature at the University of South Carolina.

They discovered it at Harvard University's Houghton Library in 1987 while gathering materials for a project on Alcott's letters.

"Evidently, several people knew that it had been there, but no one took enough interest or knew what they were looking at," said Shealy. "It's hard to believe that someone wouldn't realize its historical significance."

Pasted inside the front cover of the handwritten manuscript, the size of a student's notebook, is a piece of paper saying, "My first novel, written at 17, High Street, Boston." The year was 1849.

"I can't tell you the surprise and the excitement we felt as we turned the cover and saw that first page," Shealy said. "We knew that this was something special."

Previously, Alcott's first novel was thought to be "Moods," copyrighted in 1865.

Realizing the manuscript's importance, Shealy and Myerson had it microfilmed and photocopied. But because they had other projects in the works, they didn't turn back to transcribing the manuscript until a few years ago.

Some scholars believe "The Inheritance" is the novel Jo March was writing in "Little Women." Shealy says that's a possibility but not something he can confirm. He also doesn't know whether Alcott submitted it to a publisher.

But "The Inheritance," is "a good novel," Shealy says. "It already shows her ability to develop plot and her ability to develop characterization. It is very similar to many of her early stories from the 1850s.

"It's not a masterpiece like 'Little Women,' but it certainly holds up as the first piece in Alcott's canon."

It does mirror "Little Women" as far as it's main character and does foreshadow later works by the novelist, Shealy says.

"In Edith, you see a sort of free independent spirit, which you see in Jo March," Shealy says. "At the same time, you see this emphasis on honesty and virtue, themes that she would continue to explore for the rest of her career."

The manuscript, owned by the Alcott heirs — the Pratt family, which includes John Pratt, a professor at the Harvard Business School — came out in book form in February. Producer Terry Meurer and her Cosgrove-Meurer Productions acquired the television rights at an auction last year.

"We were very, very excited," Meurer said. "They sent us a couple of pages and it sounded wonderful and I've been a fan of Alcott's all my life. This was a once in a lifetime opportunity."

The manuscript, though, required subtle alterations for television.

The setting was changed from England to the United States for "relatability reasons," Meurer says. The character of Henry Hamilton (Tom Conti) was added to make a plot twist more believable, and Edith's passion for horses was elevated to bring the story outside of the mansion.

Shealy has no problem with the alterations.

"Once a book goes into film it goes into a different medium and I understand the medium of film has to do things that would help the story along that doesn't necessarily appear in print," Shealy says. "The directors take a work and put their own creative stamp on that work and that's fine."

As for Alcott, well, she's been dead for more than a century.

"I just hope she wasn't ashamed of the manuscript or never wanted it to see the light of day," Meurer says.

Elsewhere in television ...

KIDS AND FAMILY WEEK: As part of the cable industry's "Tune in to Kids and Family Week," the Disney Channel will air "Pocahontas" Sunday at 7 p.m. EST. Disney will follow it up with a week-long showcase including "An American Tail: Fievel Goes West," "The Lion King" and "Cinderella." More than 75 cable networks are expected to schedule "family-friendly" fare during prime-time at least one evening during the week. Linda Ellerbee will moderate "The American Family and Television: A National Town Hall Meeting," a half-hour special airing Monday at 7:30 p.m. EST that will be carried simultaneously by 21 networks, including Family Channel, Nickelodeon and USA Network.

Everything old is new again on History Channel

By Ken Perkins
N.Y. Times News Service

Dan Davids is no history buff, but he knows cable. When he was tapped to become general manager of a channel devoted exclusively to history, his reaction was best described as "optimistically cautious."

Just plain cautious might have been the response of the cable industry. Programming with a basis in history had been abandoned by the networks, frightened by history's lack of cinematic sexiness. Think history, you think a high school kid slouched over a desk, eyes glazed, a look of sheer boredom masking his face. Kids bored silly by the often slow and methodical telling of history grow into adults bored silly by the often slow and methodical telling of history.

Davids saw something else, though. In helping launch the History Channel, which debuted Jan. 1, 1995, Davids visualized first luring history lovers, then the curious. He figured a channel with a passion for making "the past come alive," a slogan the network uses for self-promotion, would pound away at the intellectual senses and, like a Pac-Man, chase down and eventually swallow viewers.

"WE WANTED to show that once you see history presented in this way," Davids says from his office in New York, "you'd be hooked. And you'd say, 'You know, I don't remember history being this intriguing.' And we'd say, 'Gotcha.'"

Gotcha might be putting it mildly. With 35 million subscribers after just two years, the History Channel — a basic channel that reaches 52 percent of all cable homes — has had one of the most impressive launches of any cable channel in years.

In annual surveys supplied by the cable industry, cable operators are more likely to add the History Channel than any other service, including the Sci-Fi Channel, Turner Classic Movies and even ESPN2. It is widely available in North Texas, carried by such major suppliers as Marcus and TCI.

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Why? Industry watchers suggest an increased interest in history fueled partially by more people wanting to look back as the end of the century approaches. Other factors include the new-found respect for documentaries, the popularity of films by Ken Burns, and the presence of the 13-year-old Arts & Entertainment Network, which broke in many viewers by offering a combination of documentaries and sophisticated dramas with historical themes.

"We actually looked at a number of different channel possibilities," says Davids, a former executive with A&E, the parent company of the History Channel. "Mystery, golf, tennis. Those were are doable concepts, but we finally decided to do something much closer to home. We simply committed ourselves to doing it better than anyone else."

INDEED, WITH 24 hours a day to fill, the History Channel is able to devote massive hours to subjects such as the Hindenburg disaster, Vietnam, and the origins of the Civil War. The channel has re-examined the Lindbergh baby kidnapping, backtracked with the great Yukon Gold Rush, and rebroadcast made-for-network miniseries such as the 29-hour "War and Remembrance," which you can bet would never show up again on network TV.

The History Channel celebrated the 20th anniversary of the airing of "Roots" by rebroadcasting the miniseries in its entirety, spiced up with commentary from actors such as LeVar Burton.

This month the channel examines the impact of weapons — not only in actual battle, but how they altered such concepts as the nature and purpose of war.

"The key for us is to acquire intriguing programs that will engage people," says Abbe Raven, senior vice president, programming and production. "It's got to be accurate. We can't have our former history teachers calling us on anything. But let's not kid ourselves here. It must also be dynamic and compelling as opposed to being dull and boring."

The major challenge for the History Channel isn't convincing viewers of the digestibility of its programming but in covering a broad subject, which changes depending on who's writing it. Original programming commissioned by the channel makes up about 40 percent of its content.

The tense, ongoing flap over Afrocentric history, for instance, or even the revisionist versions of the West ("Dances With Wolves" is a good example) has made the re-writing of history as much of a red-flag issue as abortion and immigration.

"WE LOOK at a couple criteria when choosing programming," says Raven. "One is we want to ensure that we cover a broad spectrum of history so that we are diverse. We also look at key events in the development of world history and see whether a new aspect of a story should be brought out. Is there something new? Usually, that will spur us to attack a subject."

One way to remain balanced is to offer commentary from diverse minds. An example of this is the popular series "Movies in Time," which features interviews with not only the actors of historically based contemporary films but historians who discuss the historic validity of the material.

A Feb. 21 installment featured "Ghosts of Mississippi," about the struggle to bring the murderer of Medgar Evers to justice. Actors Whoopi Goldberg, Alec Baldwin, James Woods and director Rob Reiner were interviewed while James Horten, professor of American Studies at George Washington University, and Maryanne Vollers, author of "Ghosts of Mississippi," commented on the historical accuracy of the film. (It received mixed reviews.)

"Our typical viewer is someone with respect for history or a thirst for that knowledge, and you can't simply slide things by them," Davids says. "They check and double-check and will call you on inaccuracies."

THE AVERAGE History Channel viewer is older, more educated and more affluent than the typical television watcher who finds "Men Behaving Badly" a hoot. Davids says the channel is strongest among viewers ages 35 to 64 — most of them men.

He didn't give a theory on the gender gap. But just looking at upcoming programs — the history of the United States Air Force, an examination of the 1745 siege of Louisbourg by the British, a look into American spies inside Nazi Germany and "War Walks," a six-part documentary on "the greatest battles the world has ever known" — it's easy to see why women aren't clamoring to tune in the History Channel.

Not that the History Channel has abandoned women. Raven says many of the high school and elementary school history teachers who correspond with the channel are women.

"Any subject can be just as sexy to women because we're able to examine any topic in history in a creative way and make it dramatic," says Raven. "It's like reading a good book. Once you pick it up, you don't want to put it down. But you've got to pick it up first."

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NIA, or individualized dance is new method in quest for fitness

By Valerie Wilkerson
Associated Press

LUFKIN — Barefoot women sit in a circle on a wooden floor, listening to the quiet, low voice of their instructor.

They stand, take two steps forward to leave behind outside distractions, and the music begins. Soon they are swaying, circling, waving their arms, at times "finding their own dance," and then rejoining the group movements.

Before the hour-long class is over there are vocalizations, visualizations, a brush-up on better breathing and lots of laughter. Participants have worked up a moist glow, but nobody is pouring sweat. Participants have worked out from head to toe, but nobody leaves limping. There has been no drill sergeant-style shouting by the instructor, no groans of pain or exclamations of exhaustion from the students.

This is NIA, (pronounced "knee-ah.") The letters originally stood for Non-Impact Aerobics, but now stand for Neuromuscular Integrative Action. Enthusiasts describe it as a sort of new frontier in the quest for fitness.

A class meets at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Dance Etc. studio in downtown Lufkin. Two Lufkin women, Mechelle Sieg and Lorri Donnahoe, alternate teaching the class. Both are certifed NIA instructors.

"IT IS very exciting, and I really think it is cutting edge," Ms. Sieg says. "I really think we are going to see more and more programs with a holistic wellness slant."

The technique is a young one, dating back only to the early 1980s, but is based on other disciplines that are hundreds of years old. Husband and wife Carlos and Debbie Rosas, formerly of San Rafael, Calif. and now of Portland, Ore., developed NIA by combining elements of martial arts, dance, yoga and other body movement systems. The Rosas are former aerobic instructors. They describe their method as "a systemic method of total body awareness," and say they believe the technique "feeds mind, body and spirit."

An article on holistic fitness written by the Rosas lists the following movement forms, some of which may be incorporated into NIA classes: tai-chi, tae-kwon-do, aikido, jazz, Duncan dance, modern dance, yoga, Feldenkrais, the Alexander Technique, Rolfing, somatics and systemic movement. Another Rosas-written article also includes ballet, chi kung, ethnic dance, funk, trip hop, primal dance and trance as NIA influences.

Ms. Sieg says the term "holistic" means to "combine all facets of what it means to be a well person . . . It is approached from a physical, mental and emotional perspective . . . NIA is very non-discriminatory. We embrace individuals of all backgrounds. There is room for everyone to believe whatever they believe. We are not there to sway anyone to believe a certain way.

"THE MAIN thing about the NIA philosophy is that it is an opportunity for an individual to express themselves through movement."

NIA is relatively new and growing.

"There are about 250 NIA instructors across the country," Ms. Sieg says. "We have several instructors in Canada, Mexico and South America and we are hoping to open into New Zealand.

"We are fortunate to have NIA in East Texas. Many of the instructors are located in the larger cities across the nation. It has been refreshing and fun to bring the technique to a more rural area."

Ms. Sieg was introduced to the technique while attending an International Dance Exercise Association convention in 1987 in Anaheim, Calif. The Rosas presented a master class which Ms. Sieg attended: "I thought: 'This is for me,'" Ms. Sieg says. "I was hooked. They came to Texas and did a training. I participated in that white belt training. NIA is set up on a belt-level system like martial arts. There are white, blue, brown, black and degrees of black belts."

'NIA has provided me with an opportunity to promote my own creativity. It is very stimulating...I see the benefits spilling over into other areas of my life.'

—Mechelle Sieg
instructor

Ms. Sieg now holds a black belt in NIA, which has taken her about four years to achieve, she says. Her interest hasn't wavered during the four years.

"I've run the gamut in teaching all kinds of fitness classes," she says. "I've done step aerobics, high-impact aerobics, low-impact aerobics, circuit training and body building . . . I found when I was teaching traditional-type classes I would burn out and get bored, Not with NIA. It is always changing. I am always changing. I really enjoy the variety. I don't think I'll ever get bored with this technique."

MS. SIEG has also taken dance classes and is currently studying with a dance movement therapist in Austin. But she stresses: "One does not have to be a dancer to enjoy the class."

Within the scope of a class, participants get chances to make up their own dances.

"NIA has provided me with an opportunity to promote my own creativity," Ms. Sieg says. "It is very stimulating . . . I see the benefits spilling over into other areas of my life. My self-confidence has improved, as has my ability to communicate. My own creativity level is at an all-time high. I am doing new things that I never thought I would before. I think the possibilities are really unlimited."

NIA stresses acceptance of the individual and shuns decrees of right or wrong movement. In fact, Ms. Sieg says the title "instructor" isn't entirely accurate.

"I see myself as a facilitator," she says. "What I am there to do is to encourage individuals to explore for themselves the movement . . . I am like a cookie cutter. I will model a shape or a movement and then I encourage participants to take that shape or movement and adjust it to the manner that is right for them.

"NIA has a lot of different benefits besides just the obvious physical ones. It does promote cardio-respiratory conditioning, strength, flexibility, agility and toning. It can also promote a general feeling of well-being, increased self-esteem and confidence. I have had one student say, 'Since I have been doing NIA I feel really empowered.'

"It has a lot of therapeutic benefits and anyone can do it."

As a licensed social worker, Ms. Sieg has been gaining extensive experience with NIA's therapeutic benefits as she uses the technique with different types of group work, from senior citizen groups and groups of individuals recovering from chemical dependency, to psychiatric patients and jail inmates.

LORRI DONNAHOE is equally enthusiastic. She's scheduled to travel to Portland, Ore. in May to meet with the Rosas, undergo a week-long "intensive" and earn her brown belt. In addition to sharing NIA instruction duties with Ms. Sieg in their Lufkin and Nacogdoches classes, Ms. Donnahoe is a caseworker in U.S. Congressman Jim Turner's office.

"We sometimes call it NIA noon recess," Ms. Donnahoe says. "I love it. It just feels good to move ... That is how I cope with the rest of my life is by dancing ... I leave everything behind when I go to class and just focus right on the present moment. It is a great stress reliever."

Like Ms. Sieg, Ms. Donnahoe says she enjoys the variety of the classes. Every class is different, she says, because individuals bring different energy levels to different classes, participants learn from one another, movements are always evolving and the music is an eclectic mixture.

"We had a Fat Tuesday night, where we danced to jazz and blues through the decades," she says, "and last Fourth of July we had American music through the years."

ALTHOUGH MS. Donnahoe herself has a slender, willowy body which she attributes largely to genetics and NIA, she says that participants who are overweight, not at all fit, or who have no previous exercise experience should not hesitate to take up the technique.

"I love NIA because it does honor the individual," she says. "We try to emphasize in class to tune into yourself and let yourself be the teacher ... There is no right and wrong movement. It is fun. It is dance. It is play ... It is a great workout. It is good for mind, body and soul.

"Mechelle and I love this so much that we laugh about how we want to NIA-cize the world. We want everyone to come and join the fun."



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CBS looks at artifact shrouded in mystery

By Diego Ribadeneira
N.Y. Times News Service

It is one of history's most enduring and controversial religious mysteries.

Is the Shroud of Turin the burial cloth of Jesus Christ, as many Christians believe?

It's a question that has fueled decades of scientific debate among the scores of researchers who have tried to determine the authenticity of the sacred cloth. CBS plunges into the controversy with a fascinating, sometimes sensationalistic documentary on the shroud, hosted by Hector Elizondo of CBS's "Chicago Hope."

The one-hour program highlights the huge amount of scientific scrutiny the shroud has undergone. In 1988, carbon-14 dating seemed to end the dispute by concluding that the shroud actually dated to the 1300s. But several years later another group of scientists discovered that the shroud was filled with bacteria and fungi that contaminated the carbon-14 testing and produced inaccurate findings.

The documentary excels at summarizing the plethora of scientific research, pointing out how the answer to one question leads to another.

DNA testing has been conducted to ascertain whether the stains on the shroud are human blood. Other tests have looked at whether the shroud's material existed in first-century Jersualem. Investigators have even looked at the pollen trapped in the shroud to see if it matches that found in ancient Jerusalem.

The balance of evidence the program presents, primarily from scientists in Israel, the United States, and Italy, seems to suggest that the only sure thing about the shroud is that a corpse was wrapped in it. Whether the corpse was that of Jesus remains a mystery.

The historical record provides few clues. The first documented evidence of the shroud's existence is in 14th-century France, when it was claimed by a French knight. It quickly became the source of mass pilgrimages and a steady source of income for the knight's family. The family eventually took the shroud to Turin, Italy, in the late 1500s.

The show's one weakness is that it reaches too far to be compelling. It uses the kind of dramatic re-creation favored on programs like "Unsolved Mysteries" to portray certain events in the shroud's history. These scenes with actors portraying medieval pilgrims are simply hokey.

But, on the whole, the program turns what could be a dry, academic discussion into dramatic viewing. The show points out that while the authenticity of the shroud will always be challenged, the faith it inspires will never be shaken.

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The experienced staff of Envoye Travel is eager to help you plan your next trip. They are: back row (l-r); Dee Hamilton, Teri Berry, Tiffany Cauthen and Sabrina Gonzales. Front row, (l-r); Jane Overstreet-owner, Janna Quattlebaum and Renee Foster.

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CONCERTS: 'Live music feeds the soul' is motto

(From 1E)

The season continues Jan. 17 with baritone LeRoy Villanueva.

"He adds a lot of energy and modern upbeat interpretations to his selections," Ms. Weaver said. "He has sung with the Met and opera companies in both Europe and the U.S.A. He has wonderful stage presence and relates well to the audience. That's what I liked about him. He just made you feel like you were right there with him."

The New York Theatre Ballet performs Feb. 6.

Dancers were asked, Ms. Weaver said, "To interpret two pieces of Gershwin music, and they're taking his music and presenting it as a ballet — kind of a total theatrical art form in its own school."

The dance program also features, "a third ballet that interprets a painting by an artist," Ms. Weaver said. "And it just seems to be full of upbeat energy."

The season closes March 30, 1998, with Lainie Nelson and Brian Lane Green presenting music from World War II in a program entitled "White Cliffs of Dover."

"Her 'White Cliffs of Dover' are staged with a large screen that projects some of the photos and features from Life magazine during the war," Ms. Weaver said. "This includes personal wartime letters, period costumes, and photographs that will create an unforgettable setting for each musical moment.

"They sing some of the greats like 'Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree With Anyone Else But Me,' "I'll be Seeing You" and "When the Lights Go On Again All Over the World."

Season memberships are $35 for adults, $15 for students through high school, and $75 for a family. Checks may be sent to Community Concerts, P.O. Box 10836, Midland, Texas 79702-0836.

"It really seems to fit the bill that 'live music feeds the soul,' which is our local motto," Ms. Weaver said of the five-performance series. "I think it's for all ages. I think everybody will enjoy it because it's suitable for all members of the community."

Georgia Temple is the Arts & Entertainment writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

ANNUAL: MOT presents 'Opera in the Park'

(From 1E)

ciulla from "La Boheme"; Peeler will sing "La donna e mobile" from "Rigoletto," accompanied by Vivian Moss on the piano; Natalyn Whitis, Marge Savage, Daniel Koonce, Kerry Miese, Scott Long, and Pysh, accompanied by Ms. Santorelli, will perform the sextet from "Lucia di Lammermoor."

Soprano Lee Harley will sing "Vissi d'arte" from "Tosca," and Jordan will sing "Non piu andrai" from "The Marriage of Figaro." Both soloists will be accompanied by Ms. Santorelli.

In addition to local talent, Midlander Jeff Larson, now a student at Texas Tech University and the recipient of a MOT scholarship, will sing two arias — "Il mio tesoro" from "Don Giovanni and "Quanto e bella" from the "The Elixir of Love." Larson will be accompanied by Lu Ann Lane.

Somewhere between 385 and 400 Midlanders usually attend the annual event, said Ms. Ward. "We've always had a good crowd. Midlanders really enjoy it, and we're so fortunate to have all these people here who are so talented."

"There are many people who love opera, and it's enjoyable to hear such beautiful music. Music is one of the most civilizing things on earth.'

—Jane Ward
chairman of event

Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. followed by the entertainment. The MOT box office is located in Swartz Department Store, Wadley Avenue and Garfield Street, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 7-13. Box office number is 684-4101.

Tickets are $15 for admission; the event is not a fund-raiser for MOT.

"We try to pay expenses — the dinner will cost a great portion of that," Ms. Ward said. "The performers are volunteers. They get a free dinner, but they don't get paid."

The purpose of the event is simple.

"We just love to bring opera to the people," Ms. Ward said. "There are many people who love opera, and it's enjoyable to hear such beautiful music. Music is one of the most civilizing things on this earth.

"Several years ago, I read in the paper where there was a riot in Florida, and the police brought in these dog-catcher trucks with sound equipment in them, and they played Mozart, and it just stopped the riot within a few minutes. And one of the rioters said, 'You know — that music was really cool.'

"You can be all upset about things and start listening to good music, and it just calms you right down."

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City invites artists to create temporary works

Area artists are invited to create temporary works of art in storefront windows in downtown Midland in the second "Make Your Mark" competition by the Arts Assembly of Midland and Downtown Midland, Inc.

Deadline for submission is Friday.

The theme will be "The Arts in Midland," and the windows will be revealed during Celebration of the Arts May 16-18. The designs can include any aspect of the arts. The projects can be done by an individual or team and may include art painted on the inside of the window, although other alternatives will be considered. Each artist or team will receive a $250 honorarium plus up to $200 for materials.

To enter please submit: a brief description of the concept for the window mural using the theme, "The Arts in Midland," including the concept and the media and the materials to be used; a preliminary drawing of the concept; and a brief resume of arts experience including arts education, awards, showings, etc.

For more information write the Arts Assembly of Midland, P.O. Box 3494, Midland, Texas 79702, or call 687-1149, or fax 687-1600, or e-mail artsmid@iglobal.net.

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Latchkey food less fattening

Students coming home from school should forego potato chips and reach for a food with less fat — like pretzels. Pretzels come in no-fat, low-fat, caramel nut, pizza, barbecue and apple cinnamon varieties. Since 1991, sales of pretzels have grown at an annual rate of 15 percent, according to the National Snack Food Association.

Regardless of fat content and calories, Americans are still likely to grab the salty ridged potato chips, according to snack food surveys. Keeping pretzels around the house could curb calories and fat, however.

Tech march set

LUBBOCK— A [illegible] will bring awareness to the impact of violence on the community this week.

The Take Back the Night Alliance will sponsor its second annual Take Back the Night March 7:30 p.m. Friday in the parking lot of Broadway Church of Christ, 1924 Broadway St. The march will continue on to the university courtyard with music and speeches. Take Back the Night began in England in the late 1970s as a women's protest against violence against women. In the U.S. the first march was conducted in 1978 in San Francisco.

Students are encouraged to make T-shirts painted with written and illustrated messages portraying the impact of violence against women, men and children. The shirts are designed by survivors of abuse as well as for victims of abuse. They will be hung on a clothesline in the Texas Tech University Center Courtyard Monday through Friday. Typical color codes are white for those who have died of violence, yellow or beige for those who have been battered or assaulted; and blue or green for survivors of child abuse.

T-shirt making sessions will be offered 5:30 p.m. Monday in UC Room 208 and 9 a.m.-noon on Wednesday. For more information call (806) 742-3621.

Celebrate past

For information on Midland and Lee high sxchool 20- and 30-year summer reunions call 1 (800) 677-7800. Joint reunion are scheduled for the last two weekends in June.

Conference set

SAN ANTONIO — The Third Annual Alternatives to Violence Conference will be conducted April 14-16 at the Omni San Antonio Hotel. Sam Houston University is offering the conference in collaboration with Texas Education agency, Texas Juvenile Probation Commission, and the Texas Youth Commission.

The conference will explore ways educators, law enforcement and social workers can create safer schools and neighborhoods. Conference topics will include "Helping the Angry Child," "Who's in Control? You Can Ride the Horse or the Horse Can Ride You!," and "Safe By Design: Planning for Peaceful School Communities."

The Making Peace Action Campaign will present a workshop. Credit hours will be offered. For more information call (409) 294-3701, the Sam Houston State University office in Huntsville.

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MYRA LEE SALCEDO



World of teaches life lessons in any language



By Myra Lee Salcedo
Staff Writer

The language of business crosses all boundaries.

"We are doing business in a global market and kids need to understand this," said Angie Mireles, team leader of information services for Texaco and Junior Achievement volunteer.

A virtual living example of crossing language boundaries, Ms. Mireles teaches lessons on the business world in both Spanish and English. She recently spent a week at Lamar Elementary School teaching second graders in Sonya Aycock's bilingual class how money changes hands in the community.

"She taught the kids how different people in the community — from janitors to oil business men all contribute," Ms. Aycock said. "The students decided they would like to have an ice cream shop if they had their own business to run."

Over the past few weeks, Junior Achievement of Midland has sent dozens of business men and women into Midland public and private schools to teach about finances, banking, business, and how the American economy operates. About 500 classroom volunteers contribute 3,300 hours to the program each year. About $300,000 is raised from the private sector to offer such programs in Midland free of charge to schools.

Ms. Mireles handed a paper with the picture of a large gold coin on it to one youngster. Then she played a rap song as the coin was passed from desk to desk, from a vendor to a restaurant owner to a grocer.

The Junior Achievement volunteer also had students participate in an assembly line manufacturing doughnuts (made from paper cut outs). Students learned a whole line of workers turned out a product faster than one student working alone.

The students also were each given $10 in play money. "Then I took away $2 from each of them for taxes. Nobody liked that," Ms. Mireles said. Even worse, students who were designated government workers, didn't get paid any play money until everyone paid their taxes.

Please see BUSINESS, 2F

Students' dream car not their fathers' Chrysler

By BRIAN S. AKRE
Associated Press

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Colored lights and a strobe flashed as dry ice wafted over the stage. Music from "2001: A Space Odyssey" boomed out of the speakers. For the auto design team, it was showtime.

Rolling through the mist at Chrysler headquarters came the egg-shaped "Diamondback," billed as "the new definition of the American sedan" with a compressed natural gas propulsion system and a voice-activated dashboard.

But in the end, the design was sent back to the drawing board. That's not surprising, since most of the designers, engineers and number crunchers still lack driver's licenses and all are working on their high school diplomas.

Chrysler hopes, though, that these students' experience in the automaker's "Build Your Dream Vehicle" program may lead some to choose automotive careers.

That's in the company's interest. By 2000, the No. 3 domestic automaker expects half of its current U.S. work force of 99,500 will be eligible for retirement.

"We recognize that we have an aging work force, and it's very important that we tap into the talent now," said Diane Jackson, Chrysler's corporate diversity marketing executive.

For a semester, teams of students in the Chrysler-funded program design vehicles with environmental, safety and convenience features they would like to see on cars they'll be driving in the 21st century.

At some schools, the program is part of a class or a class itself. At others, it involves students from several classes who come together during or after school.

The program began three years ago in Chicago and has spread to Detroit, Miami, Washington, San Diego, Los Angeles and Seattle. This year, 150 team entries were submitted for regional competitions.

Jack Crain, a Chrysler design chief and sometime judge of the competitions, said the program also helps the company by offering a glimpse into the minds of the next generation of car buyers.

"These are really the people that we are designing for," Crain said. "They think it's their parents who are buying cars today. But that's history."



AP LaserPhoto

Student team members from Woodhaven High School in Flat Rock, Mich., left to right, Erin Siegwald, Jamie Lee Peterson and Tim Yobak (all 18), pose with the remote-control car they developed, "The Diamondback." They participated in Chrysler's "Build Your Dream Vehicle" program that encourages careers in automotive design.

The strobe-and-dry ice introduction produced by Woodhaven High School in Flat Rock, Mich., took a cue from Chrysler's own showy vehicle intros.

Senior Tim Yobak showed off the car's impressive voice-activated dashboard, which the students put together with off-the-shelf parts and a computer. With voice commands, Yobak honked the horn and turned on the headlights, wipers and radio. But the radio wouldn't turn off.

"There's some minor flaws we still have to work out," Yobak said.

Not much different from real life, the judges noted.

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MAKING THE GRADE

Midland Downtown Lion's Club has chosen Aaron Baressi and Curt Kieffer as their students of the week.



Baressi



Brown



Kieffer

Aaron, son of Joe and Joyce Baressi of Midland, attends Midland High School. His awards and honors include, Best in State Award, Academic Letter, Campus Educational Improvement Council, National Honor Society, Texas Scholars and Golf Team. Aaron plans to attend Arizona State University and major in Industrial Technology.

Curt, son of Frank and Aurelia Kieffer of Midland, attends Lee High School. His Awards and activities include, National Merit Commended Scholar, Varsity Tennis and Varsity Swimming Letterman, Top Student Math and Science Awards, Who's Who in American High School Students, U.S. Achievement Award Winner, Co-Captain of Lee Varsity Tennis Team, Vice President Of National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Texas Scholar and numerous others.

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Cody Brown has been chosen by the Midland Rotary Club as their student of the week.
Cody, son and step-son of Susan and Bob Ward and Dan Brown, attends Midland High School. His honors and activities include MHS Varsity Soccer team (Captain), PALS, Texas Scholars and numerous others.
Cody plans to attend Hardin-Simmons or North Texas University and major in Business Administration/Marketing.

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The United States Achievement Academy announced that Melissa Howard, daughter of Royce and Judy Mitchell and David and Debbie Howard of Midland had been named a United States National Award Winner in Leadership and Service and Student Council.

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Shelly Sherman of Midland, a student at Hardin Simmons University, participated in a mission trip, sponsored by Baptist Student Ministries, during the university's spring break.
Palmer McCown, BSM Director, led a group of 11 HSU students in an outreach effort to university students in the Toronto, Canada area.

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Holley White a 1992 graduate of Lee High School and the daughter of Clarence and Pat White graduated from Sul Ross State University on December 14th with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. Her major is Elementary Education with a specialization in Early Childhood. Holley has made the Dean's List the last four semesters and did her student teaching in Monahans in Kindergarten and second grade.

Sign language

Hearing-impaired students learn another language

By Mark England
Waco Tribune-Herald

WACO — Wicki Erickson never imagined students in the Spanish class she's teaching this spring at Texas State Technical College would need an interpreter.

The first sign should have been seeing Andrew Sanchez.

"I know Andrew because he works with handicapped students," Ms. Erickson said. "But I thought he was there to take the class. I said, 'Buenos Tardes,' and Andrew started expressing it in sign language. I turned and saw two students with big grins on their faces. Until then, I had no idea that I had two hard-of-hearing students in my class."

Sanchez, supervisor of Disabled and Deaf Students Services, was almost as taken aback as Ms. Erickson.

"My first reaction was basically, 'Oh boy, how is that going to work?'" Sanchez said. "I'm still working on the answer to that one."

Before Jennifer Nielsen, 21, and JoAnn Vega, 25, came along, Sanchez had never been asked to interpret in a Spanish class. Both women lost most of their hearing during childhood — Ms. Nielsen to a high fever and Ms. Vega to an ear infection.

They have their reasons for taking Spanish. It is not a required course for either woman.

"My reason to be here is my grandmother speaks Spanish," said Ms. Nielsen, who wants to be a commercial artist. "She has older friends. When she gets around them, they speak Spanish. I get bored. My grandmother knows English, but there are times she skips verbs."

Family reasons are also what led Ms. Vega, who's studying computer graphics, into the classroom.

"My family speaks Spanish all the time, although they can speak English, too," Ms. Vega said in sign language. "But when my family speaks Spanish, I don't know what they're saying. They don't know sign language. That's why I want to understand what they're saying."

Ms. Erickson, seeking advice, told her teacher at Baylor University — where she's pursuing a master's degree in foreign linguistic methodology — that she had two hard-of-hearing students in her class. The teacher was nonplussed.

"She said it's impossible," Ms. Erickson said. "I said, 'What impossible? We're doing it.'"

'Sign language is not universal. The ideal situation would be for me to know Spanish Sign Language, to use it in my interpreting. But I'm having to adapt American Sign Language to interpret not only the English but the Spanish.'
—Andrew Sanchez
supervisor of Disabled and Deaf Students Services

Just how, Ms. Erickson doesn't really know.

"There's no translation from American Sign Language into Spanish," Ms. Erickson said. "It's mind-boggling to me. I don't really know how they do it. It's unprecedented."

Sanchez's method, however, is tried and true: trial and error.

"Sign language is not universal," Sanchez said. "The ideal situation would be for me to know Spanish Sign Language, to use it in my interpreting. But I'm having to adapt American Sign Language to interpret not only the English but the Spanish."

When appropriate, Sanchez spells out words with his fingers. He has to be alert, though. Sometimes that causes problems.

"If they're being asked by the teacher to respond with the spelling of a word, it's more appropriate for me to use a brief representation of the word," Sanchez said.

Ms. Erickson's class focuses on oral pronunciation. That's forced Sanchez to improvise. For example, if Ms. Erickson says the Spanish word for "student," Sanchez may use the appropriate American Sign Language translation as well as mouthing, "Estudiante," to help Ms. Nielsen and Ms. Vega learn the correct pronunciation.

"Whether that's the ideal method, I have no idea," Sanchez said.

Ms. Nielsen's and Ms. Vega's different personalities are evident in the classroom. The outgoing Ms. Nielsen often lip-reads, her eyes following Ms. Erickson around the room. She's not reticent about reading aloud or asking her own questions.

Ms. Vega, who is shy, focuses more on the textbook and Sanchez, her eyes going up and down.

Although she can speak, Ms. Vega often uses Sanchez to talk to Ms. Erickson.

When Ms. Erickson asked the class, "You and Martha becomes what pronoun?" Sanchez, interpreting for Ms. Vega, said, "They." Whirling around, Ms. Erickson said to Sanchez, "No, it does not become they. It becomes you."

Then she looked at Ms. Vega.

"You get it now?" she asked, as Ms. Vega nodded. "You do?"

Both students' comprehension has surprised Ms. Erickson.

During a lecture on accent marks, she asked Sanchez, "Do they know what an accent mark is?" Ms. Nielsen, reading Ms. Erickson's lips, didn't wait for Sanchez's interpretation. She vigorously nodded her head.

"What does it mean?" Ms. Erickson asked. "Strong sound," Ms. Nielsen said. "Excellente," Ms. Erickson said.

Although other students occasionally watch the interpreting, Eugenio Cardenas said he doesn't find the process bothersome.

"The way they move their fingers is interesting, but it's not a distraction," Cardenas said. "You get used to it. After awhile, you hardly notice it."

Eddie Cain said he was impressed by the two women's tenacity.

"It's a lot tougher for them than it is for us," Cain said. "They have to deal with stuff that we take for granted. I admire them."

The first real test, literally, for the women comes this week. Ms. Erickson's scheduled an exam. She wrote down her home phone number in case anyone had a question while studying. After class, Ms. Nielsen and Ms. Vega asked if it would be all right if they called.

"What would I do?" Ms. Erickson asked. "My phone doesn't have any kind of special equipment."

"The operator relays the information," Ms. Nielsen said. "She has equipment."

Ms. Erickson smiled and nodded, suddenly aware that her two hard-of-hearing students are teachers, too.

"Sometimes I'll feel frustrated and tired and look over at them and they'll regenerate my enthusiasm," Ms. Erickson said. "How can I be tired and drained when they seem so eager?"

BUSINESS: Teaching life lessons

(From 1F)

"Who pays taxes?" she asked.

"Todos" (everyone) was the response, not without some groans.

Even though she asked questions in English, some students tended to respond in Spanish. "Why are we learning English?" Ms. Mireles asked. "Because we need to speak it in schools and in the workplace," she said.

The JA volunteer said bilingual students need to see more Spanish-speaking adult role models.

Although she encouraged English to be spoken in the classroom, she told students they were "ahead of the game" to be learning more than one language. "I also speak some French and Korean," she said.

Not only did the second graders learn about business, they received a social lesson about accepting awards. Some students played the roles of important Midland figures. One student was designated to stand in for Midland Mayor Bobby Burns. Second-grader Roberto Morales asked if he could portray Lamar School Counselor Ron Moss as JA certificates of completion were handed out.

As one boy shook a girl's hand before handing her a certificate, the classroom broke out into uncontrollable giggles. "Shaking hands is a sign of respect, not that they are boyfriend and girlfriend," Ms. Mireles told students.

Ms. Aycock said the laughter was not due to cultural differences, but rather to a universal reason. "They are second-graders," she said.

Education policy

The Midland Reporter-Telegram publishes information on upcoming school-related events in the Education in Brief section and announces high and college academic achievements in the Making the Grade section.

All articles are edited to Associated Press style. Deadline for any articles is Monday at noon for publication in the following Sunday education edition. Items will be published on a first-come- first-serve basis as space permits.

The Making the Grade section honors local students, and former area students attending universities. Head-and-shoulder photographs may be submitted with articles for Making the Grade honorees. Photos are not used for dean's list announcements.

Band and cheerleader competition results are published as they are received. Photos are published of All-State students sweepstakes trophies, or state or national awards.

Academic district and regional awards, and state-qualifiers are published. Photos and stories are published for state and national award winners only, as space and time permits.

High school end-of-the-year award night honorees, junior high school honor roll lists, and high school National Honor Society inductees and Duke Talent Identification honorees are published as they are provided by local schools. Who's Who Among American High School students are published twice a year as a group, and are not published individually. The Reporter-Telegram does not publish United States Achievement Academy recipients.

Officials: SAT stands for nothing

N.Y. Times News Service

Like the corporate monikers of KFC or AT&T, the initials SAT, denoting the test that has been the scourge of generations of high school students, now stands for nothing, officials with the College Board say.

"Please note that SAT is not an initialism; it does not stand for anything," said a statement by the College Board, which since 1941 has administered what was once the Scholastic Aptitude Test and is still part of what it now calls its Scholastic Assessment Tests.

Three years after the name change, the switch is still causing confusion among students, educators and the news media, but experts say that beneath the confusion is an instructive story in academic fashions.

After years of controversy about what its test measures, aptitude or achievement, the College Board in 1994 changed the name of what had been the Scholastic Aptitude Test or SAT.

It said then that its two tests, one for overall college readiness in English and math, and one for achievement in specific subjects would be known as the SAT I: Reasoning Test and the SAT II: Subject Tests. But the term Scholastic Assessment Tests, as the tests are collectively known, is always supposed to be in the plural and neither test alone can properly be called the Scholastic Assessment Test, the College Board says.

"The SAT has become the trademark; it doesn't stand for anything," said Scott Jeffe, a spokesman for the College Board in New York. "The SAT is the SAT, and that's all it is."

In short, like companies whose products became less fashionable or definitive of a company's identity (fried chicken) or obsolete (telegraph), the College Board decided to simply keep the old initials but lose the meaning.

Diane Ravitch, a senior research scholar at New York University, who has been critical of the College Board's decision in 1994 to "re-center" the tests — raising most grades upward to account for falling scores, says the name change has its roots in differing views of what the test is supposed to be.

The test began as a national sorting system intended to measure aptitude for college. Some critics still say the test is culturally biased toward males and whites, and College Board officials now say that the old name, Scholastic Aptitude Test, is misleading if it connotes aptitude as something innate or immutable.

Rather than send the wrong message of what the test is about, the College Board decided to evade the issue by sending none, Ms. Ravitch said.

"They don't want to refer to aptitude, and calling it the Scholastic Assessment Test is like calling it the Scholastic Test Test, because that's what an assessment is," she said. "It's really about what students have learned, achievement, but rather than dealing with the dilemma of what the test is, they're just saying, "Call us the SAT.'"

SCHOOL MENUS

MIDLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Monday -Breakfast: Waffles and syrup, little smokies, or assorted cereals, buttered toast, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Tamales or chicken spaghetti, whole kernal corn, cole slaw, french roll, milk.

Tuesday -Breakfast: Blueberry muffin, hot cereal , or assorted cereals, buttered toast, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets or corn dog, crispy cubes, broccoli and cheese sauce, wheat roll milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: ,Hot biscuit, sausage patie and gravy, or assorted cereals, buttered toast, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Beef enchiladas or tacos, seasoned pinto beans, spanish rice, lettuce and tomato, chilled fruit, cornbread, milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, or assorted cereals, buttered toast, fruit juice, milk. Lunch: Pizza supreme or BBQ on bun, green beans, tossed salad, milk.

Friday -Breakfast: Scrambled eggl, or assorted cereals and buttered toast, fruit, milk. Lunch: Toasted cheese sandwich or grilled chicken on wheat bun, tator tots, vegetable soup, lettuce and tomato, milk.

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Tuesday - Breakfast: Pop tarts, cereal, juice, milk Lunch: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, green beans, garlic bread, chilled peaches, chilled peaches, milk.

Wednesday -Breakfast: Pancakes w/ syrup, sausage links, apple juice, milk Lunch: Fiesta salad, pinto beans, hot sauce-cheesecups, jello w/fruit, milk.

Thursday -Breakfast: Bacon and Eggs, biscuits and jelly, grape jelly, grape juice, milk. Lunch: Hot dogs, baked beans, macaroni salad, fresh oranges, milk.

Friday -Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, cereal, orange juice, milk. **Lunch: Hamburger**, french fries, **hamburger salad w/pickles, ranger, milk.**



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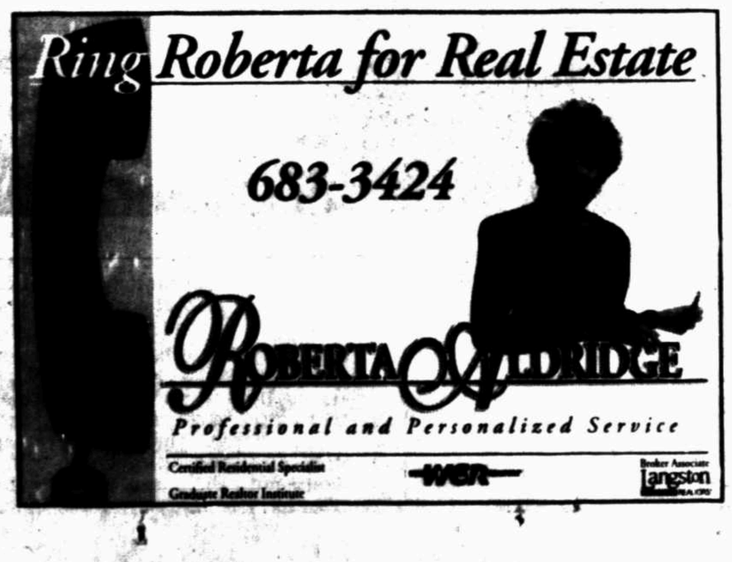
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Panel of scientists: Environmental textbooks contain too little science

WASHINGTON (AP) — Many books that are used to teach American children about the environment contain too little science, and some advocate political positions, a panel of scientists asserted Wednesday.

Though they found praiseworthy materials as well, the 10 university level reviewers found flaws in several popular texts, some of which have been attacked in recent years by critics who say they are biased against agriculture and industry.

The group, assembled by the George C. Marshall Institute, a Washington-based think tank, and backed by funding from conservative foundations, said controversies over environmental education could be avoided if teaching materials stuck to the facts.

"The field should place its emphasis on building environmental knowledge, not on promoting a particular kind of behavior," said the report, "Are We Building Scientific Literacy?"

The whole idea of teaching students about the environment has been criticized by those who say schools are turning out uninformed activists. Environmentalists say the attack is motivated by the failure to get Congress to reverse environmental regulations.

However, the organization for teaching on the environment, the North American Association for Environmental Education, issued guidelines last fall intended to assure that teaching materials are balanced and thorough.

The group that issued Wednesday's report, the Independent Commission on Environmental Education, also recommended that students get a strong grounding in science and social science before tackling the environment.

"The commission is concerned that basic aspects of environmental decision-making, such as quantitative methodology, economics and risk analysis, are largely ignored in the upper-level environmental education materials it reviewed," said the group.

The group singled out a number of textbooks.

A Prentice-Hall textbook for high schoolers, "Environmental Science: The Way the World Works," tells students to consider joining Planned Parenthood and writing lawmakers and the president to urge them to restore family-planning money for international agencies and to support work on new contraceptives.

A spokesman for the publisher, Andrew Giangola, said the book has been updated several times and a co-author has been added to give it more scientific depth. He said later editions have "broadened" their recommendations for student involvement. For instance, it says students may want to become involved in the abortion debate, "pro or con."

For Karen Cifranick, a high school teacher in Joppatowne, Md., the information gaps and advocacy in her Prentice-Hall textbook don't matter. She says she hardly uses it and would prefer to spend money on other materials.

"Isn't that my job, to provide the information that the kids need?" she asked, saying that she exposes students to a lot of material, some of it biased.

"That's all part of the game," she said. "That's what an issue is. ... It's looking at all sides and analyzing those sides and where those people are coming from and why they have the stand that they have."

Another high-school book, "Environmental Science: Ecology and Human Impact," published by Addison-Wesley, misstates that "The most important natural greenhouse gas is carbon dioxide," the panel concluded.

Panel Chairman Robert L. Sproull, a physicist at the University of Rochester, said water vapor has the greatest effect in keeping the sun's warmth from bouncing back into space.

A spokesman for Addison-Wesley was traveling and could not be reached for comment.

Bora Simmons, a professor at Northern Illinois University and past president of the North American Association for Environmental Education, agreed that textbooks should be accurate and should not advocate a political position. But factual errors, found in most textbooks, don't mean the whole textbook is flawed, she added.

Moreover, she said that while she had not read the report, it appeared to be narrowly focused on science and economics. "It doesn't always come down to a financial cost-benefit analysis," she said.

Businesses have interest in classroom technology

By Phil Quigley
Hearst News Service

SAN FRANCISCO — President Clinton's State of the Union message included ambitious proposals for education. He again posed the challenging goals of putting a "computer in every classroom" and assuring that "every 12-year-old can log onto the Internet."

In California, birthplace of the American information revolution, those of us in the private sector should be rolling up our sleeves and lending a hand.

Gov. Wilson has encouraged new assistance with his proposal for a government and private sector partnership — earmarking $500 million in state funds to support school districts that want to put computer networks in schools. Over the next four years, that could mean 400,000 to 1 million new computers in schools!

To qualify for state grants, a school must find matching funds and commit to install the technology within two years. This plan gives those of us in the business community a chance to put our money where our enlightened self-interest is.

As a large and long-time California technology-based company, Pacific Telesis began supporting K-12 education efforts because, selfishly, we were concerned about a dwindling supply of qualified job applicants.

We also recognized that the advanced communications products we sell, such as Internet connections, appeal mainly to an educated population.

But there's another important reason. Pacific Telesis is the largest nongovernmental employer in the state, and the children of our employees go to California public schools. We obviously have a personal interest in the success of our schools.

So in 1994, we committed $100 million to wire California schools and libraries for Internet access. So far, our "Education First" program has connected 3,000 schools and libraries. But that's not enough. Students need computers to navigate the Information Highway.

I want to emphasize to my fellow California executives that we've found "Education First" to be one of the most rewarding exercises in corporate citizenship.

Executives from Intel, IBM, Apple, Microsoft and other technological firms with strong education support programs agree. Once you get involved and start visiting local schools, you'll find, as I did, a bracing, optimistic, can-do attitude.

Your employees will want to pitch in. In our case, over 1,600 came out for the two Net Days we supported, where thousands of volunteers across the state helped to wire schools and libraries for the Internet.

Youngsters really want to contribute to society, and they know they have to prepare. And educators are eager to help them. But the necessary new tools have been in short supply.

Many companies talk about helping schools get the technological tools, but don't know how best to make a difference. The governor's proposals present a financially appealing idea — matching state funds that will double the money state government has to invest in classroom technology.

This is a serious proposal, a true public-private partnership, that deserves strong business support — not just because it's the right thing to do, but because it makes economic and business sense. Providing up to 1 million new computers to California high schools over the next four years can impact the caliber of our college graduates and our workforce.

Most of us know the sobering statistics — California, home of Silicon Valley, ranks 43rd out of 50 states in student access to modern computer technology; there's only one computer for every 14 students in our classrooms, compared to about one for every six students in leading states. That's no way to prepare California for the 21st century.

State and federal priorities to improve technology in our schools have never been so in line.

Businesses need to step up to the challenge so all Californians can reap the benefits an improved educational system will bring.

Examiner contributor Phil Quigley is chairman and CEO of Pacific Telesis Group, the parent company of Pacific Bell. For information about Education First: 1-800-901-2210.

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Today, people go into space for many reasons. They may use the space shuttle to launch satellites into space, or they may do experiments while in orbit. Americans and Russians now work together to learn more about space.



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Love / Hate

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and it is he who still
holds the key to my heart.

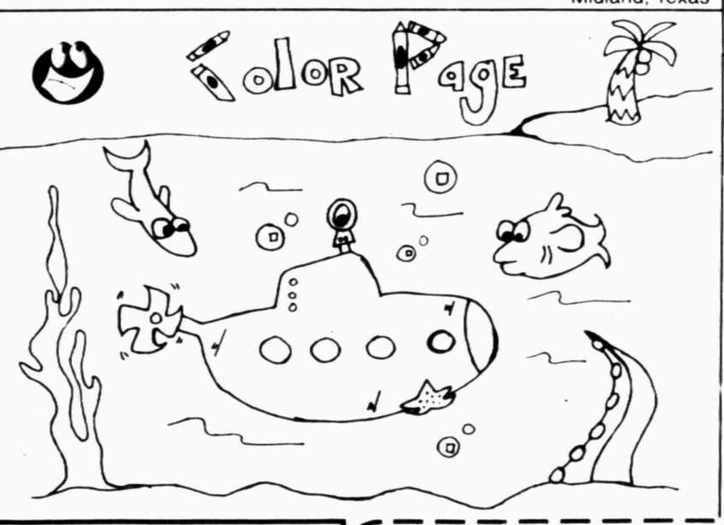
He really meant the world to me ...
but I guess its over for
him and me.

I feel like he has forgotten me
and thinks I'm not here ...
for I am where my heart is that is in tears.

I wish I or he could change the past ...
but our relationship
has come to its last.

By: Cheryl Southerland
16 years old
Midland, Texas

Color Page



NEW VOICES

I have a cat.
That likes to tap.
The cat will tap.
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The cat has a friend named Bat.
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8 years old
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With the happiness they bring.

My parents are very special,
Always full of colors so bright.
They could be a rainbow
If it were their right.

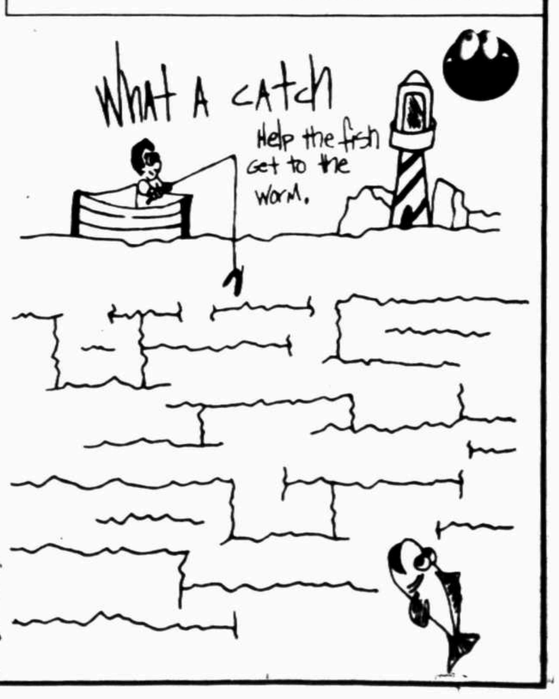
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By: Glenna Smith
26 years old
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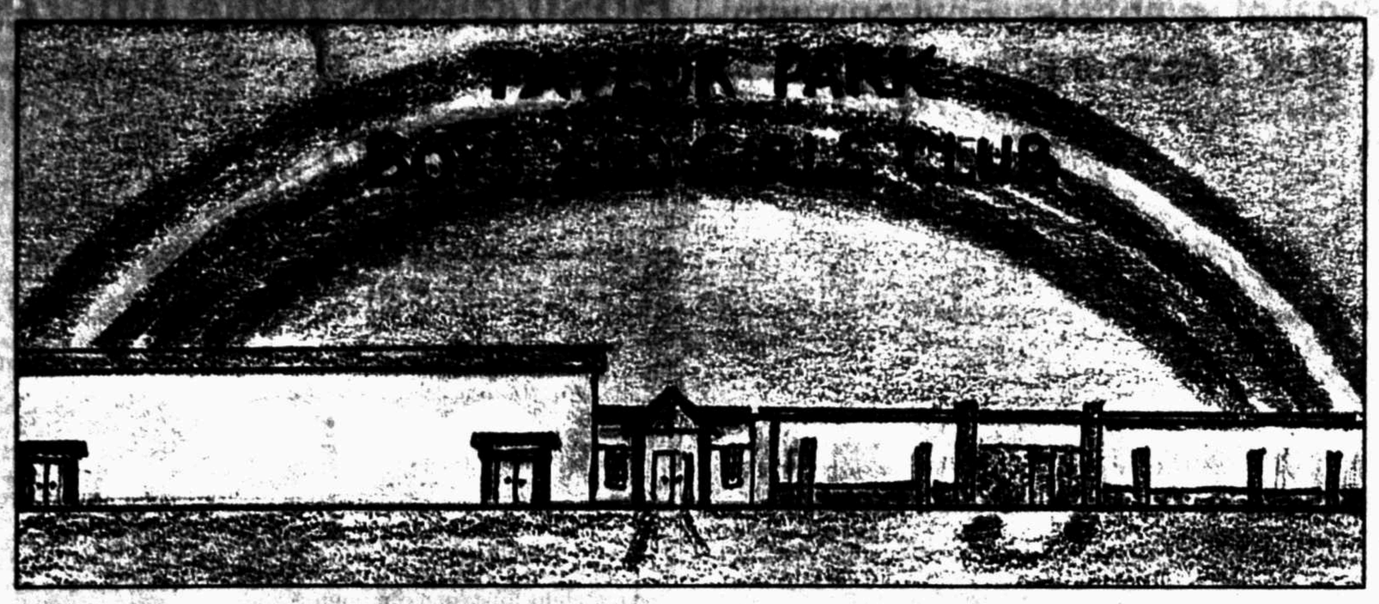
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When fund raising efforts come to fruition, the new 10,800 square foot addition would provide the club with a gymnasium that could seat 200 people and would include an exercise room, restroom facilities and a new reception area. Some money has already been raised, but the club kicks off the National Boys and Girls Club week with its own fund raising drive, Campaign for the Kids.

Club kicks off fund raisers

By Lana Cunningham

Each day after school 60 to 70 children file through the door and spend the next few hours doing homework, learning how to operate a computer, doing arts and crafts, playing Foosball or shooting pool.

There's even a kitchen with snacks ready for the youngsters. But the Taylor Park Boys and Girls Club lacks the one thing that would keep more kids off the streets and in a positive place — a gymnasium.

The plans are drawn for a 10,800-square-foot addition that would allow the southside building to become the type of Boys and Girls Club about which Executive Director Jon Farr has dreamed. This addition would include a full-size gymnasium that would seat about 200 persons, an exercise room, restrooms and reception area. "This would make it a full-service club instead of something we pieced together out of a day care center," Farr said.

While the club has raised a portion of the $600,000 needed to construct the gymnasium, the total still falls short. With National Boys and Girls Club Week starting today and continuing through Saturday, the local organization is kicking off its Campaign for the Kids to raise the rest of the needed monies from local contributors.

Funding already has been obtained from numerous West Texas foundations.

The existing 7,250-square-foot Taylor Park facility opened in 1995 after the Boys and Girls Club obtained it from the city on a 30-year lease for a minimum charge, according to Farr. Originally, it was constructed as Goode Beginnings Day Care Center by the county on city property using federal money. When the county gave it back to the city, the stipulation was that the facility must go to a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

After getting the facility, Farr related, the club then had to remodel it to make it more accessible for its purposes. Today, the youngsters walk directly into the game room from the front door. Or, they can detour to the kitchen for a snack (much of the food comes from the Permian Basin Food Bank), or go into a classroom for homework assistance, use the library, utilize the computer lab or learn ceramics or other crafts.

But, there is no indoor recreational facility.

"A gym would be a big draw for a lot of kids," said Farr, who spent much of his youth playing basketball in a city recreational facility. "We have 65 to 70 kids each day at this club, and over 100 at the other one (in Halff Park). And during the summer we have 80 to 90 kids here each day. The participation at this club is excellent considering we don't have a gym."

Even the gym at the Halff Park location, which attracts at least 200 youngsters each day during the summer, isn't large enough to accommodate two different age groups. "We have older teens playing with the younger kids," Farr said.

The Taylor Park gym would allow the Boys and Girls Club "to bring in other clubs from throughout the area for tournaments. We would use our facility instead of leasing facilities."

The Boys and Girls Club is answering a need for recreational facilities and programs that was cited as a priority in Midland Introspective '94, a needs assessment spearheaded by United Way of Midland. That need was cited for Census Tracts 14, 15, 16, 17 and 101.10, "the areas of Midland in which a majority of our members live," said Farr. "We are one of the primary agencies working to provide positive community services in these areas."

Some of those services include drug and alcohol prevention, gang prevention, literacy training, tutoring and youth development. And then there are the programs that are purely for fun, such as pool tournaments, basketball, football, tee-ball, machine pitch baseball, cooking and craft classes. "We feel that by giving youth an outlet for their energy and creativity, many of the social problems that plague our country are avoided," Farr said. In fact, Midland College uses the facility during the mornings to conduct GED classes, and the classrooms are packed, he added.

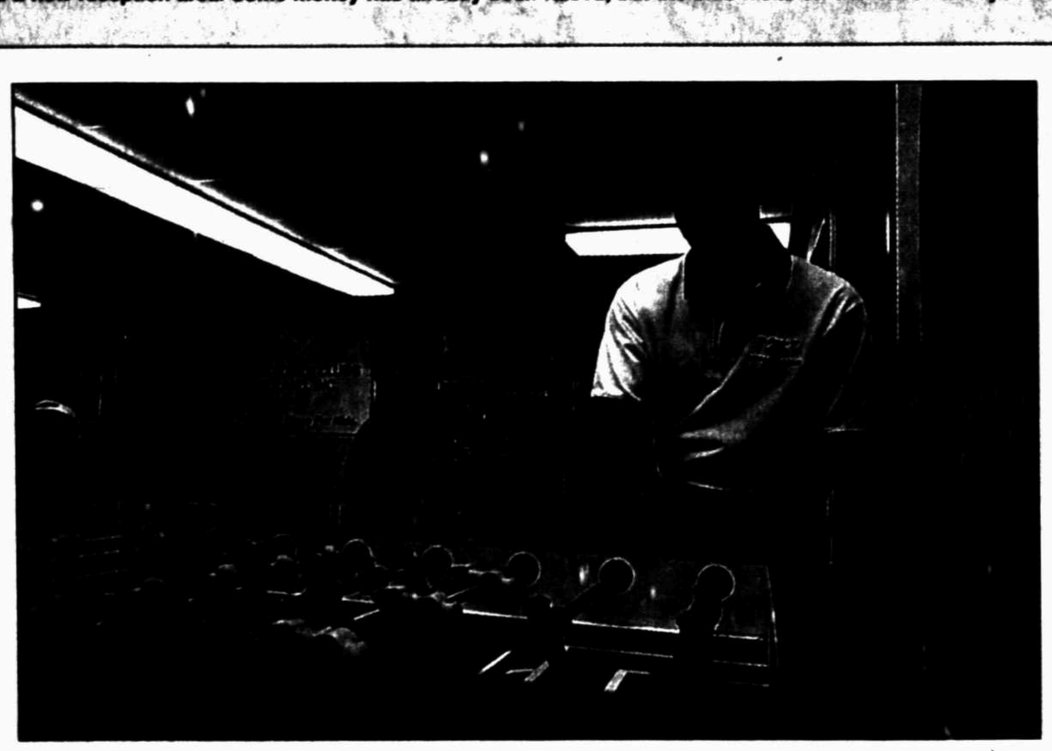
"It's a hurting, fast-paced world out there," remarked board member Matt Parsley. "It's good for kids to have a place to share ideas with peers. In today's environment, all kids need supervised structure and positive reinforcement. The Club keeps them off the streets and out of trouble; it helps the kids and it helps the parents. It stresses education and helps them become good citizens."

"A lot of kids don't have proper supervision, they don't have a place to go," said board member Bill Dingus. "The Boys and Girls Club gives kids a place to go with proper supervision. There's a lot more to the Club than being a sports club; it teaches life skills."

The Taylor Park facility is "limited as to the activities they can do with the kids because there's not a gym," said Pete Binggeli, a board member since 1989.

Youth of the Year Erica Flores noted that during the winter kids will go to play basketball on outdoor courts located at the

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Boys & Girls Club of Midland board president Jerry Hays and Rolando Castro team up for a game of foosball at the Taylor Park Boys Club on south Goode Street.

Hays brings his history to club

Jerry Hays was 11 years old and had lived in Wichita Falls only a year when his father was killed in an automobile accident.

"My Dad was in the Air Force and we had lived all over. We had moved to Wichita Falls from Cambridge, England. There was no place we really called home," said Hays, who serves as board president of the Midland Boys and Girls Club.

After his father's death, the family stayed in Wichita Falls, and his mother went to work to support the four children. Hays hadn't had time to make many friends, but one day he was invited by a few of his acquaintances to go with them to the Central Boys Club. "I didn't have the slightest idea what it was," when he walked through the door. But he stayed for several years.

"I went there a lot the next few years. I learned to swim and play basketball. There were reading competitions. They gave me instructions and helped me with things that my Dad would have done, things like shooting baskets and learning woodwork. I really enjoyed the woodworking shop. I built everything they had plans for, and my mother still has some of those things ... a shoebox and a jewelry kit," he said with a laugh.

In today's terms, Hays was a latchkey kid. There was nothing for him to do after school except "ride my bicycle around and around." But once he discovered the Central Boys Club, Hays would go there each day when school got out at 3:30. "I remember people from back then who did more for me. The Boys Club filled in a lot of support for me. It was a significant bridge across some potentially critical years."

Hays later became involved in sports during high school. He went on to graduate from Midwestern University and to earn a master's degree from the University of Southern California. Today, he works for ARCO Permian as vice president of finance. Over the years he thought about the Boys Club from time to time. Then he moved to Midland five years ago with his wife, Lane, and their two children, Laura and Geral.

Hays recalled the impact the Club had made on his life when he was talking to a United Way staff person one day. He asked about the Boys and Girls Club here and then joined the board in 1993.

"This is a place to hang around where people care about you," he said. "It's a positive place for kids. There's no magic, no formula that came out of a study. The people there care about the kids."

Boys & Girls Club needs gymnasium to expand projects

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

Photographs by Curt Wilcott • Stories by Lana Cunningham



Easter egg decorating was just one of many activities that local children got involved over the Easter holiday. A new gymnasium would expand the potential of the club and allow more children to take part in positive, learning activities.

Boys & Girls Club Programs

■ **Power Hour.** An educational enhancement program with three circuits: educational enrichment activities in the form of Power Pages, help with homework and tutoring.

■ **Talking with TJ.** An educational program to improve the teamwork skills of second through fourth graders. Children learn important skills of planning, cooperating and appreciating differences.

■ **Ghost Town Explorers.** An outdoor education and environmental issues program which encourages children to explore the world around them by visiting ghost towns in Texas and camping in surrounding areas.

■ **Computer Center.** Open daily from 3 to 5 p.m. Children can play educational games or learn from programs such as Mario Teaches Typing, Math Blaster, Reader Rabbit, or participate in the literacy program.

■ **Flag Football and Basketball Leagues.** Open to all members. Classifications are 6 to 8 years; 9 to 10 years; and 11 to 12 years.

■ **Cooking Class.** A six-week course that meets two times per week. Ten children learn to cook easy snacks such as grilled cheese, pizza and caramel apples.

■ **P.L.A.Y. Daily Challenges.** Encourages children 6 to 18 years old to participate in physical activity for 20 minutes a day. Five fun activities are offered through the year, including Jump Rope Challenge, Basketball Challenge; Michael Jordan Invent-A-Sport Challenge; Jackie Joyner-Kersee Go for The Gold Challenge, and Ken Griffey, Jr. Home Run Challenge.

■ **Baseball League.** Includes T-Ball and Machine Pitch. This year the league will be collaborating with the Midland Angels.

■ **Make a Difference Day.** The Keystone Club for youth ages 14 to 18 plan a day in the fall where they do three or four separate community beautification projects. Last year, they painted a mural, weeded a jungle gym in one of the city parks and planted flowers and bushes around the club.

■ **Totally Me Club.** Designed for girls only, this program serves as a support group for girls. Features speakers, field trips and community service projects.

■ **Total Youth Fitness.** This program stresses physical fitness where results are charted.



Club executive director, Jon Farr, and Justin Sparkman, left, Melissa Galindo, middle, and Rolando Castro check out the Disney web page on the World Wide Web.

Director plans for expansion

He wouldn't call himself a visionary — he almost scoffs at the idea. Jon Farr just wants to see the Boys and Girls Club of Midland come up to the standards he's seen in nearby cities.

"We want to become a club to serve all kids, not just those on the southside," said Farr, who has worked as executive director of the Midland club since 1993. Since coming here, he has strived to improve the club's facility at Halff Park and obtained the former Goode Beginnings Day Care Center at Taylor Park for another site. For his leadership, the United Way of Midland named him Executive Director of the Year for 1996. And board members also cite Farr as the guiding force behind the club's positive image.

Working at a youth facility, however, wasn't his goal in college. It was to play basketball. But chance brought Farr, basketball and the Boys and Girls Club together.

He was attending Lubbock Christian University, working on a degree in English and physical education while playing basketball for the school. "My apartment was across the street from a Boys Club. In fact, all I saw was the gym and I thought it would be a good place to shoot baskets," he said with a laugh.

Farr talked to the club's executive about using the gym for practice and was in turn asked if he had officiated youth basketball games. "I started showing up and refereeing games and then was asked to be the assistant director." Farr accepted and continued working there after graduation, becoming the unit director.

Then came the chance to become executive director of the Midland Boys and Girls Club and Farr made the move.

"Ever since I've been here I've tried to develop programs in all areas, not just be a sports league club. I want to help every kid find something he does well. I want it to be a well-rounded club. My main goal is to be an all-inclusive club — to have any kid walk in and feel like he (or she) belongs."

Board member Bill Dingus said Farr "came in and took the bull by the horns. We're now in a position to grow. One of the strongest assets we have is Jon Farr."

Pete Binggeli has served on the board since 1989 and called Farr an "exemplary executive director. He's hired a staff that is excellent and we see the club expanding even farther in the future."

When Barry McDaniel joined the board in 1990, he saw the facilities "in great need of repair. Farr got the club up to where it needed to be."

And in meeting Farr several times, board member Phil McKown found he was impressed with the executive director. When asked to serve on the board, McKown agreed. "I had met Jon and liked him. The club has come a long way under Jon's leadership."

Farr recalled the recreation centers he attended at Carrollton as an example of what he would like to see in Midland. "They were in all areas of the city. You could walk in and do anything for free. I lived in the gym."

For comparison, Midland has the two Boys and Girls Clubs with the Taylor Park location needing a gymnasium to carry out several programs. Lubbock, on the other hand, has four clubs; Amarillo has five; and Abilene has three. "There are so many resources to draw from here that I don't see any reason why the clubs in Lubbock should be a lot nicer than here."

Ultimately, Farr would like to see a Boys and Girls Club operating in every quadrant of Midland. "It doesn't take some elaborate program to keep a kid out of trouble. I just needed a basketball and a gym. We need to have facilities that all kids can have access to."

Flores named Youth of the Year

The teen-ager was surrounded by young girls at a table. In the crafts room at the Boys and Girls Club in Taylor Park, 17-year-old Erica Flores was showing the girls how to decorate Easter eggs.

Most afternoons after school Erica can be found at the club, where she was recently named Youth of the Year. She spends her hours primarily working with the younger kids in various activities, ranging from arts and crafts, to play practice, to sports, to producing the club's newspaper. But until the Taylor Park facility opened in 1995, Erica and her younger sister went home after school every day and stayed there.



Flores

Once the Boys and Girls Club opened in Taylor Park, Erica and her sister found a safe place to go that met the approval of their mother. "My mother wondered why we were wanting to come so much. When I told her what we were doing, she liked it. She thinks it's a good atmosphere for us," said Erica.

A member of the Texas Scholars program at Midland High School where she holds a 3.38 grade point average, Erica found the requirement to do 20 hours of community service work a year easy to accomplish at the club. After doing her first 20, she continued to volunteer.

She serves as editor of the club's newspaper, assigning stories to the younger members. Then she takes their completed work and produces the newspaper on one of the club's computers.

As teen coordinator of the program titled "Ultimate Journey," Erica helps plan projects and teaches the youth about earth sciences, and she admits to having a strong interest in geology.

And she's working with the M.A.D. (Music, Acting, Dancing) Players on a musical the young people will perform for their parents. "Most of them already have their lines memorized," she said.

With the arrival of spring, Erica will be working with another person to coach a T-ball league. And her next project will involve coordinating a senior citizens outreach program in which the club's youth will visit retirement centers.

As a result of her work with t , Erica has received three Optimist Club a.ds: one for her volunteerism, another for orchestra and the third for physical science. After graduating in May, Erica will be attending summer school at Midland College.

"My mom is proud of me," Erica said with a grin before returning to the egg decorating session.

GYM: Space needed for competitions

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other end of Taylor Park. "It's cold outside," she said, "and it would be safer if they were inside."

The Boys and Girls Club, added board member Phil McKown, "gives kids a supervised recreational outlet that's done in a positive way rather than in a destructive way."

"It's been pretty exciting to see the progress of the Boys and Girls Club," said Barry McDaniel, a board member since 1990. "To get the second facility (in 1995) was pretty exciting. The new gym is needed for that part of the community and the kids they serve. We feel like with the addition of the gym we should start drawing additional kids from a wider area."

Another board member, Debbie Siegmund, echoed McDaniel's thoughts about the gym, adding, "This would give kids a chance to play in a safe environment and to be supervised by adults. Some of the kids I've met from there are great kids. The younger kids look up to the older ones, and the older kids know they are role models. In this day and age, the younger kids need positive role models."

Sherri McCain has discovered the Taylor Park facility is a great help to a working mother. Her daughter Brittani, almost 8, goes there after school. "They really work with her on homework and do special projects," Mrs. McCain said. "They're always playing something, like softball or soccer, or teaching the girls cheerleading. These kids have done a lot of fun things. I think it's a great club. They're keeping the kids off the streets and interested in things."

Construction of the new gym at Taylor Park isn't the final goal of the Boys and Girls Club board or executive director.

"There are a lot of latchkey children in the northwest part of Midland," said Ms. Siegmund. "I know the kids and parents would feel more secure if a child could go somewhere that had a safe environment with adult supervision."

"There's no written plan, but we'd like to see the club expanding even further," Binggeli added. "We would like to see it expand to the northwest area around Abell Junior High. Over the next five to eight years we'd like to see two to three more clubs in the city."

"This town needs four clubs, one in each quadrant of the city," stated Board President Jerry Hays who grew up in a Boys Club. "A Boys and Girls Club is for all kids — not just underprivileged children. I see the Boys and Girls Club being the essence of a deal — you have the kids, the resources and interest and willingness to support those kids. We just have to get it together," Hays added.

Growth is not new to the national organization. Hays pointed out that in 1990, there were 1,100 clubs in the country. Today, there are more than 2,000. "The national organization has been growing like crazy. It's very strong in programs, funding and support. Tens of millions of dollars in national funding has been brought in to the organization. Colin Powell recently joined the board. Of all the boards he was asked to join, this was one of two he chose to devote his time and energy."

Board member Parsley sees another reason for adding clubs throughout the city. "What we do for kids affects the future of Midland. It contributes to a better Midland."

For more information about contributing to Campaign for the Kids, contact Jon Farr at 683-0050.

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Government teacher tops 18-year-old student in small town mayoral race

By Traci Carl
Associated Press

HESSTON, Kan. — The race for mayor in this central Kansas town was run by the student and the teacher.

High school government teacher John Waltner won, beating his 18-year-old student, Christopher Friesen.

After knocking on nearly every door to convince people in this town of 3,000 to vote for him, Friesen earned 236 votes Tuesday. Waltner, the incumbent, was re-elected with 391 votes.

"I thought I could convince people that I would be a better choice," Friesen said. "I think that what really held me back was the fact that I am 18 and they didn't think I was mature enough."

Friesen said he decided to run for mayor while taking Waltner's government class this semester, and the two remained friends throughout the campaign.

Waltner even made Friesen vow to speak to his class for the next four years if he won the race. When Friesen came over to his house late Tuesday, Waltner asked him if he would still speak to the class about running for mayor.

'We've had a good time laughing about this, but I think it has been positive in that young people find they can participate in a meaningful way.'
— John Waltner
government teacher, mayor

Although there were good-natured jokes that students who voted for Friesen would flunk Waltner's class, Waltner, a three-term Democrat and mayor since Friesen was in first grade, said he took his student's candidacy seriously.

"We've had a good time laughing about this, but I think it has been positive in that young people find they can participate in a meaningful way," Waltner said.

Friesen, a Republican, said he tried to convince the town that it was time for change. He wanted to stimulate business downtown and get residents involved with local government.

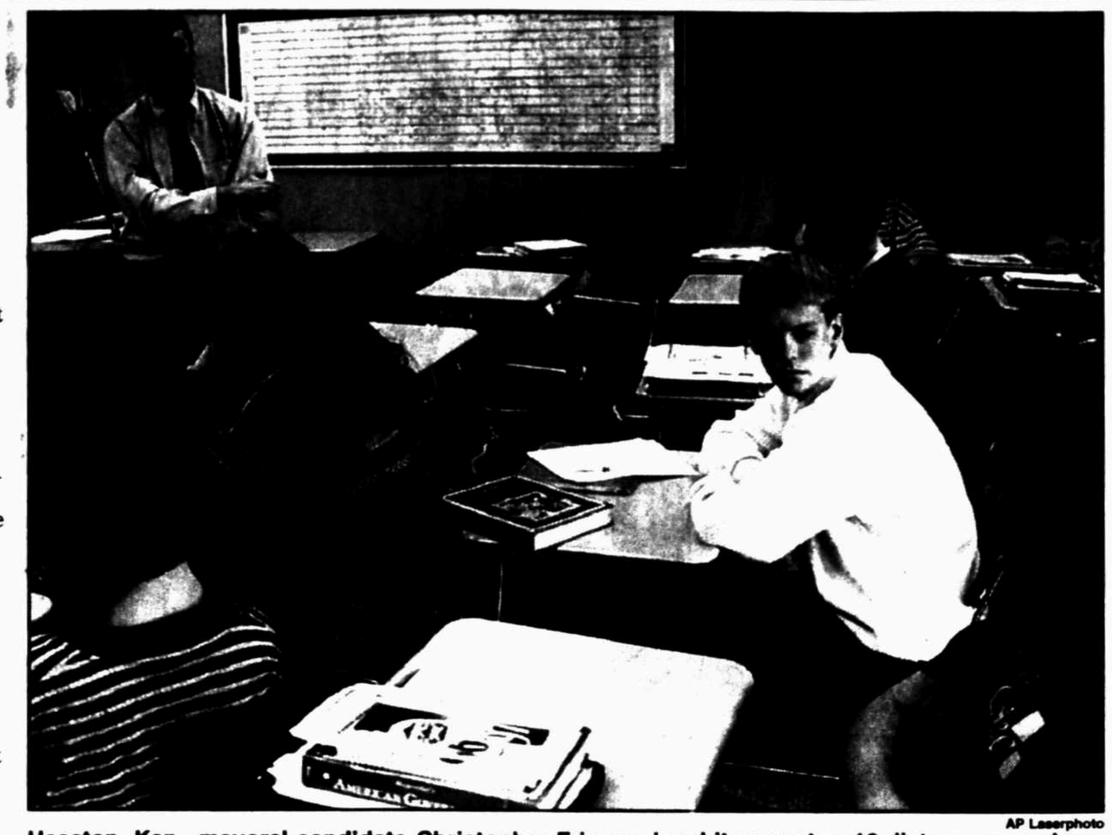
The 50-year-old Waltner said he was impressed Friesen was able to get 236 votes. He said that while knocking on doors, one woman told him she planned to vote for Friesen because he had been a good paper boy.

Wanda Faris, a resident of Hesston for the past 24 years, said she decided to vote for Waltner because she assumed that Friesen would be going to college soon.

"It's not that I'm against the young man," Mrs. Faris said. "It just didn't seem to me that this was what we needed right now."

She said she had been happy with Waltner's performance, both as the mayor and as a teacher. And she pointed out that Friesen might not have run for mayor without Waltner's class.

"To me, the teacher was able to inspire him and get him started out or he probably wouldn't have done it," she said.



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Hesston, Kan., mayoral candidate Christopher Friesen, in white sweater, 18, listens as a classmate responds to a discussion question from one of his rivals, high school government teacher and incumbent Mayor John Waltner, standing. Waltner won re-election, 391-236.

Penalty for mooning sparks debate over 'double standard'

By Yamil Barard
N.Y. Times News Service

SOUTHLAKE, Texas — The buzz at a girls basketball playoff game was that a group of prankish baseball players would moon the Carroll High School varsity cheerleading squad before the evening was over.

The girls beat them to the drop, students said.

After the game in Garland, nine cheerleaders were riding in the cheerleading sponsor's van, driven by her husband. As they passed a carload of dumbfounded males, bare backsides were exposed. Before long, boys and girls were swapping moons back and forth, students said.

When school officials heard of the February incident, two varsity cheerleaders and four baseball players were suspended from classes for three days and were punished in other ways.

Mooning is classified as "indecent exposure," a Level 4 disciplinary offense at Carroll, on par with extortion, gambling and arson.

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—Roger Jones
father of suspended cheerleader

But some parents said the punishments have eclipsed the misdeeds and amount to a discriminatory double standard against the girls. The two girls were permanently kicked off the cheerleading squad for the remainder of their high school careers. The boys, after being suspended for three games, were allowed to return to their teams.

Monday night, one cheerleader's father asked the school board to reinstate his daughter and remove the suspension from her record. If the school does not agree, he said, he would go to court to challenge the policy. About 60 other parents and students also attended the meeting, and several asked the board to reconsider the punishments.

"I want to see equality, justice across the board," said Roger Jones of Southlake. His 17-year-old daughter, a junior, was permanently banned from the cheerleading squad. "They feel like they have a cheerleading constitution that brings the girls under stricter scrutiny and more severe punishment than the boys."

Carroll officials said the punishment is fair because each student who participated in the misconduct received a three-day suspension from school. They also said that cheerleaders sign a contract stating that if they commit a serious disciplinary offense, they will be kicked off the team. The contract also states that a cheerleader will not engage in any "unlady-like" behavior.

Policies regarding male athletes do not require permanent removal, school officials said.

"We have the right to do that," school board President Buddy Luce said. "The school district has the right to do that. Now, is it always fair? No. I submit to you that's an impossible goal."

Cheerleaders are subject to more stringent rules because they are elected by the student body, Superintendent Ted Gillum said.

"The cheerleader's constitution calls for immediate suspension from the squad and they cannot try out for cheerleading in the future," he said.

"Typically, when you have a student that is involved in a discipline problem who happens to be a so-called 'good kid' — who is involved in a lot of organizations — the consequences are much more severe for them because of the organization's rules, not the administration's punishment," Gillum said.

The other girl who was punished is a senior.

Jones appealed his daughter's punishment through two due process hearings before school administrators, including Carroll High School Principal Linda Smiles and Assistant Superintendent Mike Murphy. A three-day suspension cannot be appealed to the board, Gillum said.

Police: School fire was intentionally set

PITTSBURG, Texas (AP) — A fire that heavily damaged Pittsburgh High School early Tuesday was intentionally set, says the police chief of this East Texas town of 3,635 people.

Investigators determined Wednesday that at least two to three fires were started inside the building, police chief Dwayne McClung said.

An arson dog, trained in locating accelerates, alerted to at least two different locations, McClung said.

Evidence collected at the scene will be sent to Austin for analysis, the chief said.

"We don't know what type of accelerate was used," McClung said.

The police chief said his investigators would meet today with representatives of the state fire marshal's office to review the findings of the investigation.

Authorities estimate that the blaze began about 12:30 a.m. Tuesday. It destroyed the school office. The library and several classrooms suffered heavy smoke, heat and water damage. Damage was estimated at well over $100,000.

Classes in the high school were canceled for the remainder of the week while teachers searched for alternative classrooms. A nearby church offered its facility to the school.

School officials said they hope to resume classes for the 600 displaced high school students on Monday

McClung said residents are having difficulty realizing that something like this happened in Pittsburg.

"We have a quite little town here. It is shocking to us that someone would intentionally set a fire in one of our schools," he said.

Camp fire Boys & Girls would like to thank the following for making the first *Absolutely Incredible Kid Day* a tremendous success!

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MC summer schedule

Look for the Midland College summer/interim schedule inserted in today's issue of the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

Health Sciences applications

The Vocational Nursing, Associate Degree Nursing and Respiratory Care programs are taking applications for the fall semester. Students interested in the programs should come by the Davidson Family Health Sciences building or call 685-4601.

Students who have an application on file should call or come by to make sure the file is complete. May 25 is the deadline to complete admission requirements.

Radiography orientation

An orientation session for students interested in MC's radiography program will be 7 p.m. Monday, April 14, in the Davidson Lecture Hall of the Davidson Family Health Sciences building. Call 685-4501 for information.

AIMS test offered

The AIMS Aptitude test will be offered at Midland College April 11-13 and April 25-27. The tests are designed to assist high school and college students make choices about their college majors and careers. To schedule testing or for more information, call 972-234-8378.

McCormick Gallery show

"The Big 3-0: A Mini-survey," by artist Kathleen Kuchar and **"Reveries, Memories and Introspections"** by artist Trish Simonite will be on display in MC's McCormick Gallery through April 18.

Gallery hours are 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

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Summer, interim, fall registration

Students may sign up for MC's next four sessions without hassle, confusion

College registration—it's long lines, general confusion, and if you have a question, you're just not sure where to go or who to ask.

At Midland College registration is easy, and students can register for Spring Interim, Summer I and II and Fall 1997 all at the same time—this month.

No matter what session fits the need of the student, registration is as easy as walking in the Student Services Office of the Scharbauer Student Center. Counseling, testing and financial aid information also is available.

"We want to make registration at Midland College as easy as possible for the student, when it is convenient for the student," MC Registrar Don Cates said.

"By simply walking into the Student Services Office, we can help students complete the registration process for any or all of the next four MC sessions."

Registration for the **Fall 1997 semester begins Monday, April 21 and continues through August.**

Students may register by telephone or in person at the Student Services office. Fall classes begin Sept. 2.

Testing services available

Testing services for students include:

❒Placement testing will be 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, April 9 and 10 and Monday and Tuesday, April 14 and 15.

❒The College-Level Examination Program (CLEP), a series of exams that allows students to "clep-out" of a subject and get course credit without taking the actual course, will be given 8:30 a.m. April 16. Cost of the test is $50.

❒The Nursing Entrance Exam (NET) is given every Thursday, and the cost is $16. Contact the testing center at 685-4504 to reserve a time for a computer.

❒The Allied Health Aptitude Test (AHAT) will be given at 1:30 p.m. April 24. The cost of the test is $18, payable with a money order only.

❒The Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP), an exam required by the state of Texas for all students enrolled in Texas public institutions of higher education, will be given at 8 a.m. April 19.

❒The deadline for applying for general scholarships at Midland College for the 1997-98 school year is May 1.

For federal or state grant information or other financial aid-related questions, please call the Midland College Financial Aid Office at 685-4733.

Spring Interim is a quick way to earn college credit. Classes last four hours each day, Monday through Thursday, for the three-week session. **The interim session is May 12-29 and registration begins April 16.**

Registration for Summer I begins April 14 and continues through June 9. Class instruction and late registration begins June 3.

The Summer I session ends July 8.

Early registration for Summer II also begins April 14 and continues through July 9 with late registration continuing through July 16.

Class instruction is July 10-August 14.

For more information about courses, testing or counseling at Midland College, call 685-4501.

Piano, local writers, history set for 'Classics'

Registration for the third session of College Classics, Midland College's continuing education program for those 50 years of age and older, is underway in the Midland College Continuing Education department.

Students may register for Session III that runs April 7-May 2.

For $25 per semester, students may enroll in as many classes as they choose. The classes are 1-5 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Class attendance is flexible to allow for travel and other personal commitments.

"For all those people who have celebrated their 50th birthday and have some free time—don't miss out on College Classics," Laura Walker, MC College Classics coordinator, said.

"Interesting classes, enthusiastic instructors, minimal prices and convenient times combine to create a delightful learning experience," she said.

With their areas of expertise and years of experience, the College Classics teachers bring their subjects to life.

Courses offered during Sessions III are American History: The Gilded Age II, Current Topics in Law, Honeybees in Our Lives, Insects Around the Home & Garden and Local Writers: Leslie Williams.

For registration information concerning College Classics, call 685-4518.

Continuing ed sets desktop publishing, CPR

The next class in **Truck Driver Training for Class A Commercial Drivers License (CDL)** begins April 28, and registration for the class is going on now.

This is a six-week course with new classes starting every four weeks. Call 570-4767 for more information.

The following are Continuing Education classes beginning the week of April 14:

Managed Care—The Future is Now will be 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Friday, April 18. Loretta Forlaw is the speaker, and the fee is $40.

Watercolors will be 7-9 p.m. on Thursdays, April 17 through May 8. Judy Griffin is the instructor and the fee is $24.

Corel Wordperfect 7 Desktop Publishing will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays, April 18 through April 25. The fee is $79.

Corel Wordperfect 7 for Windows will be 6-9 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and 1-6 p.m. Sunday, April 18 through April 20. Susan Crenshaw is the instructor and the fee is $79.

CPR Health Care Provider will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 19. Gary Roberts is the instructor and the fee is $30.

Medic First Aid & CPR in Spanish will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 19. Alfred Berosa is the instructor and the fee is $30.

Real Estate, MCE will be 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, April 19 and April 20. Donna Gore is the instructor and the fee is $99.

Conversational Spanish for Receptionists will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 19. Jan Vernon is the instructor and the fee is $24.

The A-E-I-O-U of Special Events: Marketing for Success will be 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, April 19. Gail Susik is the instructor and the fee is $39.

For more information about **Defensive Driving** courses, call 685-4518 or 560-2400, ext. 2806.

For information about **College Classics**, Midland College's continuing education program for those 50 years of age and older, call 685-4518.

ELISE COOMBES

Deadline for two MC scholarships near; freelance writer to present workshop

While Midland College offers many scholarships, two scholarships for MC students planning to attend a four-year college next fall have immediate application deadlines.

Eligibility requirements for the **Shirley Waldron "Master Teacher" Scholarship** are:

*Student must be planning to teach at any level in a public or private school.

*Student must be a full-time sophomore, graduating from Midland College spring 1997, and participating in the graduation ceremony May 9.

*Student must have plans to attend a four-year university full-time in the fall 1997.

*Student must be at least 25 years old with a cumulative grade point average of a 3.0 or better.

*Student must demonstrate financial need.

The deadline is April 18.

Eligibilty requirements for the **Abell-Hanger Endowed Scholarship for Graduating Sophomores** are:

*Student must be a graduate of or be graduating from Midland College.

*Student must be accepted and planning to enroll as a full-time student, at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin in fall 1997.

*Student must be an Abell-Hanger Society member with a cumulative grade point average of at least a 3.0 on course work completed at Midland College.

The application deadline is April 11.

All scholarship applications are available in the Scholarship Office located in the Scharbauer Student Center. For more information, please call Kristi Sikes at 685-4693.

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Newsletters are one of the hottest marketing tools of the 90s for businesses, civic groups and nonprofit organizations.

A four-hour workshop, **"Newsletters Mean Business,"** will be conducted by writer Nancy Robinson Masters.

Masters makes her living as a free-lance writer, and through numerous workshops at MC, she has helped writers understand how to communicate, entertain and inform.

All Masters' workshops focus on how to target writing for a specific market and how to sell what you write.

The "Newsletters" class provides information about how to motivate readers to do business with companies and support organizations.

The course is 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Friday, April 11 in the Roadrunner Room of the Scharbauer Student Center.

For more information about Masters' course, call the 685-4518.

Elise Coombes is public relations director for Midland College.

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New York City high schoolers taking longer to earn diploma

By Somini Sengupta
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — While dropout rates are continuing to fall in New York City's high schools, more students are taking five, six or even seven years to earn a diploma or pass an equivalency exam, according to Board of Education statistics released Wednesday.

The percentage of students who graduate on time has remained constant. For instance, fewer than half the students who were scheduled to graduate in 1996 did, the report said. More than 35 percent of that class were still enrolled this year, in their fifth year of high school, and 16 percent had dropped out.

In the class of 1986, by comparison, a similar proportion — about 47 percent — graduated on time. But a significantly higher percentage of that class, nearly 25 percent, dropped out, while fewer — just 28 percent — stayed in school beyond four years.

Board officials applauded the figures. "Staying in school longer is not a negative for many students," said Margaret Harrington, chief executive for school programs and support services. In the past, she added, students who didn't make it in four years felt stigmatized and dropped out. "We said, 'We want you to stay in school,' " she said. " 'We want you to earn a diploma. If that takes five years, it takes five years.' "

The board statistics presented the most detailed profile of the students who began ninth grade in 1989 and should have finished in 1993. Just under 50 percent graduated in four years, while nearly 63 percent finished high school by the end of the fifth year. By the end of the seventh year, more than 70 percent had earned a diploma or passed an equivalency exam: the highest overall graduation rate since the board began tracking the numbers in 1986.

Robert Berne, the vice president for academic affairs at New York University, who has written extensively about the city schools, said that nationally, dropout figures appear to have stabilized, in part because of curricular changes and reform efforts that were started years ago but have now begun to yield results.

Given the large pool of poor and immigrant students in New York, he said, the increase in graduation rates overall, he said, ought to be commended.

"The fact that students are finishing, in the end, is the important part of the equation," he said. "While there might be some disappointment citywide that it's not in the traditional four years, it still speaks highly of a system, given our diversity — language, income and the like — that graduation rates are going up. In the end, it's WHAT people learn and not how fast they learn it."

Dr. Harrington, the former Queens high school superintendent, said that students were taking longer because many of them entered high school "over age and under prepared in reading and mathematics." In the 1995-96 school year, about a third of all 9th- and 10th-grade students in the city were older than the norm, 14 for freshmen and 15 for sophomores. Moreover, 15 percent of all high school students were classified as speaking limited English and 17 percent had arrived in the United States in the previous three years, according to the school-by-school report cards released Wednesday.

Immigrant students actually graduated on time in slightly greater percentages than their native-born peers in the class of 1996: 51 percent of immigrants who came into the school system in middle school graduated from high school in four years, compared with 48 percent of non-immigrant students. Their dropout rate was also lower: 13 percent, compared with 17 percent among the native-born.

But limited-English speakers took longer to graduate, and a greater share of them dropped out. In the class of 1996, nearly 50 percent of English-speaking students graduated on time, while 41 percent of limited-English students who entered the school system before ninth grade finished on time. Board officials said that schools would have to offer at least three periods of English instruction in addition to the other academic subjects to raise their graduation rates, but that not enough money was available.

In the 1995-96 school year, the city spent nearly $1 billion of its $8.2 billion budget on the high schools, or $6,831 per student.

As in the past, graduation and dropout rates were marked by racial and gender disparities.

In the class of 1996, for instance, 53 percent of the girls graduated on time, compared with 43 percent of the boys. In the same class, nearly 70 percent of white students and 64 percent of Asians graduated on time, while only 38 percent of Hispanic and 44 percent of black students finished in four years. Ten percent of white students and eight percent of Asians dropped out, compared with nearly 22 percent of Hispanic students and 17 percent of black students.

At Murry Bergtraum High School for Business Careers in lower Manhattan on Wednesday, Sateima Powell, 17, discussed the quandary she had faced over staying in school or dropping out. Ms. Powell, a junior, had spent much of her sophomore year skipping and then failing her classes. She straightened out, she said, because she did not want to stay in school forever. "I'm just doing what I got to do," she said.

Down the street, Iris Romero, a 16-year-old sophomore, was doing what Ms. Powell regrets having done: skipping class and soaking up the sun. Many students drop out as sophomores, Ms. Romero said, because classes are boring and the outside world alluring. Even so, Ms. Romero and her friend, Patty Curo, a sophomore on her lunch break, said they would stick it out. "I want to stay in school, but I wish they would make it fun," Ms. Romero said.

Besides, said Ms. Curo as she sucked on a red lollipop, the economics of a high school diploma were clear. "I don't want to get a GED and work at McDonald's," she said.

In addition to dropout rates, the reports released Wednesday showed that more ninth-grade students were passing the Regents examination in math: nearly 24 percent in the 1995-96 school year, compared with under 20 percent two years ago. Ninth-graders passing the Regents test in science also increased to 18 percent in the 1995-96 school year from 15 percent two years ago.

Those figures are increasingly important as state and city officials raise the high school graduation requirements.

Clinton receives backing for national student testing standards from largest school system

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton won support from the nation's largest school system and 200 leaders of high-tech industries for his campaign for national testing standards for America's students, on Wednesday.

Delaine Eastin, California's superintendent of public instruction, planned to announce her backing for the president's initiative at a White House ceremony with Clinton. White House officials consider her endorsement important because California has 5 million public school students.

Maryland, Michigan and North Carolina already have committed themselves to Clinton's program, which envisions a national set of performance standards for fourth-graders in reading and eighth graders in math.

With California's participation, 20 percent of the nation's school children "will be enrolled in the type of testing regime the president has recommended that would bring high quality standards to our schools," presidential spokesman Mike McCurry said.

It was unclear whether Clinton's plan had bipartisan support from California's political establishment. McCurry said he did not know if Gov. Pete Wilson, a Republican, had expressed a view. Eastin, a Democrat, is elected statewide rather than appointed by the governor.

McCurry also said that leaders of high-tech industries based in California's Silicon Valley "are going to say that they, as an industry, are pledging their support for the president's initiative.

"Because that is a high job-creating sector of our economy, we believe that will be very significant," McCurry said. "The message will be loud and clear to states and legislatures that it's time to get with the program because one of our most important sectors, that will be hiring the graduates of the future, that these standards are necessary to produce the type of workforce that they need to have available."

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—Mike McCurry
presidential spokesman



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President Clinton gestures while participating in a roundtable discussion on education with California educators and high-tech chief executive officers, Wednesday at the White House. Carmen Cortez, a first grade teacher from Poterville, Calif., left, and Education Secretary Richard Riley look on.

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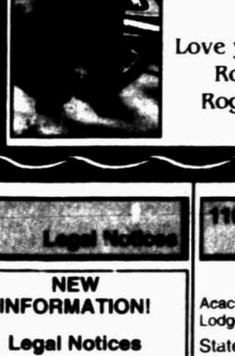
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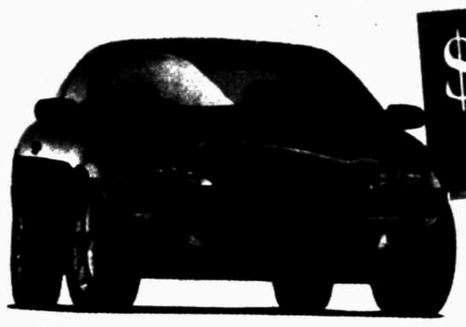
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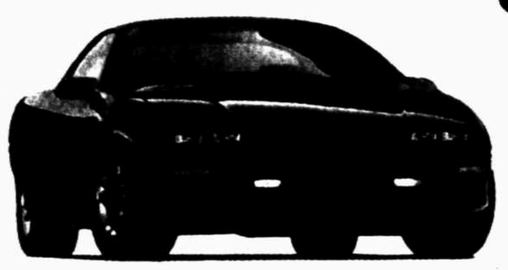


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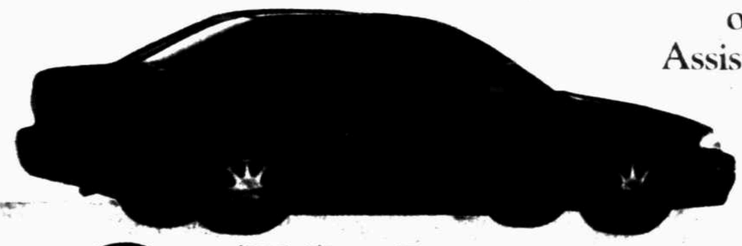


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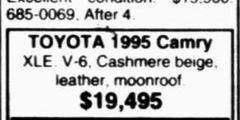
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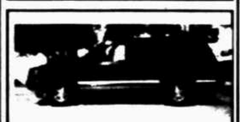
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Lubbock & Midland Area
Skills Required: Computer user, phone and communication skills. Enjoy working with people. Sales background is helpful. We will train the right person. Experience in an educational setting is also helpful.
Please send resume to:
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Lubbock, Texas 79414

APPRENTICE ELECTRICIAN. Must have good driving record, drug test and physical required. Excellent benefits. Apply at Commercial Electric Service, 12024 W. County Rd. 128.

ASSEMBLER NEEDED. Midland Powersports is seeking a responsible individual to assemble Motorcycles, ATV's and Watercraft for its showroom. Mechanical ability and forklift experience is a requirement. Please contact Rodger at 5900 W. Highway 80. 520-2080.

ASSISTANT Maintenance full time. Porter /make ready. $5.75 per hour. Experience a plus. Apply to: Box P-06021, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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At RPS, Inc., a $1.5 billion international market leader in the small package industry, you can be your boss!
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RPS, Inc.
1912 West New Jersey
Midland, TX 79701
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CAKE DECORATOR with experience. Full time part time positions available. Salary depends on experience. Apply direct at 1002 Andrews Hwy.

***Get Paid to go to the Store!**
8 Positions are available. Sound like fun? You bet it is and it's financially rewarding too. Collect information from retail stores in your area that will help IRI clients plan their marketing strategies. You must have dependable transportation to qualify. Mileage is reimbursed. Fluctuating hours approximately 15+/ hrs. per week.
These positions are not temporary. We want you to stay with us year round. You'll even be eligible for quarterly raises!
- No surveys, sales or phone work
- Grocery retail experience preferred but not required
- New projects always arising

For more information please CALL (915) 699-0846 or FAX resume or letter of interest to (915) 689-9942.
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CHILD CARE GIVER, evenings/ weekends. Experience, CPR, First Aid preferred, computer experience helpful. 3323 N. Midland Drive. Ste. 110. E.O.E.

CHILD CARE Needs a full and part time worker. Experience preferred. Apply at 1007 Austin or call 689-6309.

CHILD CARE. Responsible, loving Christians are needed to care for young children in the church nursery program at First Presbyterian Church. Contact FPC 684-7821.

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High School Diploma or G.E.D. Full-time- Flexibility required. Duties include reception desk, patient education and lab work. Knowledge of office procedures and ability to meet people. Medical background and bilingual ability helpful. Requires a high degree of integrity to ensure maximum confidentiality. Must be in agreement with Planned Parenthood's goals and objectives. Application and job description available a the Planned Parenthood of West Texas, Inc. Administrative office at 910-B South Grant, Odessa, Texas.
Closing Date: April 9, 1997 at 5:00 p.m. EOE, M/F.D.V.
Planned Parenthood of West Texas, Inc.
910 B South Grant
Odessa, TX 79761
(915)333-4133
FAX: (915)580-8551

CONSTRUCTION Workers needed for sheet metal erection and general laborers. Must be willing to work out of town. Apply 4611 Sinclair.

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PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS

PART TIME HELP NEEDED

Personnel Clerk, Midland
Registered Nurse, Odessa
Internal Auditor, Midland
Counselor Intern-Substance Abuse, Odessa
Community Living Instructor, Midland & Odessa
Community Service Aide, Midland & Odessa
Rehab Aide, Midland
Job Coach, Midland & Odessa

For details call our job line (915) 570-3424 or submit applications to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E. Illinois Suite 401, Midland TX 79701 E.O.E.

MISD is accepting applications for the position of:

SCHOOL BUS DRIVER

- Ability to read and write English
- Ability to pass a physical examination to determine fitness to drive a bus as required by state law
- Ability to work effectively with people
- Indicate a willingness to assume responsibility for the care of the bus related equipment
- *Complete job description available upon request.*
- MISD requires Criminal History and Reference checks be run for all potential employees.
- MISD is an equal opportunity employer.
- Starting pay $8.10 per hour

Interest in this position may be expressed by applying with the Midland ISD, Auxiliary Personnel, 615 W. Missoun, Midland, Texas 79701.

MISD is accepting applications for the position of:

SCHOOL CUSTODIAN

- Ability to read and write English
- Good people skills
- Demonstrate dependability
- *Complete job description available upon request.*
- MISD requires Criminal History and Reference checks be run for all potential employees.
- MISD is an equal opportunity employer.
- Starting pay $5.50 per hour

Interest in this position may be expressed by applying with the Midland ISD, Auxiliary Personnel, 615 W. Missouri, Midland, Texas 79701.

CARQUEST AUTO PARTS has immediate openings in Midland and Odessa for the following:

Delivery Drivers
Parts Counter Trainees
Counter Sales

Apply in person to:
300 E. Texas, Midland
1228 E. 8th St., Odessa

Competitive compensation and benefits package.
An Equal Opportunity Employer (EEO,ADA,ADEA)
All finalist applicants will be drug tested.

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$100 BONUS after the first 90 days.
Now interviewing Delivery Drivers. Our business is booming & we need great people to keep up with the pace. We guarantee $5.50/hour + tips. Uniform furnished, flexible hours & earn $8-$13 per hour once trained. At least 18 years old with proof of insurance. Pinocchios Pizza, 3303 N. Midkiff, San Miguel Shopping Center.

DELIVERY- Portable Building Delivery Person. Need winch and one ton truck or larger-flatbed preferred. Apply at Morgan Buildings, Hwy 80. 1/4 mile East of Water Wonderland.

DOOR MILL Person needed to work. Experienced preferred. Apply in person 1701 W. Industrial.

MEDICAL. Quick learners for medical alarm system monitoring center. Shift work, must be flexible. Part -time and full -time positions available. Must have general clerical skills and computer knowledge. Phone calls a must. Apply in person at: 2800 N. A Street, Building 6, Suite 250.

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Attn: Human Resources
7800 IH 10 West, Suite 300
San Antonio, TX 78230
FAX (210)979-7402
AA/EOE M/F/D/V

FOUNDATION HEALTH

West Texas Behavioral Health System/ Glenwood Hospital

Mental health Counselors

MHC positions available for individuals seeking a career in psychology, with or working on, bachelor or master degrees and/or licensure desiring to be mentored and have on the job clinical training. West Texas Behavioral Health System is a fast paced, exciting facility with intensive teams of professional psychiatric services. Tuition reimbursement program available.

Inquiry Specialist

Need RN, LPC, or LMSW-ACP for paid on-call for Assessment Services. Includes pay per completed assessment. Coverage needed for midnight- 8 am, 8 am - 4 pm Monday through Friday and midnight- midnight Saturday and Sunday.

RN's

Due to exciting growth and program expansion, we have full-time RN positions available. Psychiatric experience a plus; Texas licensure required.

Send resumes to West Texas Behavioral Health System, 3300 S. FM 1788, Midland, TX 79706, Attn: Human Resources. Application deadline April 11, 1997. EOE.

DIRECTOR OF NURSING

Spring Into a New Career, and Receive a $3,000 Sign On Bonus

We are seeking an experienced RN professional, who knows and loves long term care, to oversee the daily operations of our nursing department. Candidate must have at least two years successful supervisory experience and be familiar with federal/state regulations. We offer an attractive salary and benefits package in an atmosphere of supportive care givers. Interested candidates please call Tammy Johnson at (915) 586-6665, or send resume to:

Kermit Healthcare Center
School Street
Kermit, TX 79745

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Home Health RN Needed:

Per Visit Case Manager and Relief for Assisted Living Facility

Please Fax Resume to:
1-800-887-8815
E. O. E.

Donor Services Manager/Supervisor (RN)

United Blood Services has an immediate opening for RN to manage collections and Apheresis. Requires strong leadership and decision-making skills. Good interpersonal and customer service ability a must. Minimum of two (2) years supervisory experience preferred. Training CPR helpful. Ability to manage multiple projects and meet deadliness. Strong interpersonal skills and excellent customer skills. Please apply at United Blood Services, 224 E. Harris, San Angelo, TX. Monday thru Friday, between 10 am.-5 pm Or call us at 1-800-756-0024 and ask for Cliff Liddell, Executive Director.

Closing Date: April 18, 1997 EOE M/F/D/V

DRIVERS- NEED EXPERIENCED vacuum and transport drivers with CDL and clean driving record. Good pay. Apply in person at 4601 Rankin Highway. 682-0434.

DRYWALL Tapers needed. Experience preferred. Own transportation. Elite Drywall Finishes- 685-0877.

ELECTRICAL Apprenticeship- applications being accepted for Electrical Apprenticeship Program. Applicants for this USDOL- registered apprenticeship must have a high school diploma or GED with at least one year of algebra. Program combines classroom with OJT for certification as journey- level electrician. Applications taken through April 29, 1997 will be considered for September '97 placement. Applications available at IBEW Local 460, 10021 WCR 118, Midland, Texas. Call 915-563-0581 for appointment. The recruitment, selection, employment, and training of apprentices shall be without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, or sex.

FINANICAL- QUICK CASH LOAN IS now willing to hire a self starter individual for small loan company. Bonus and mileage for expansion in Lubbock, Midland and Amarillo. Applications available at The Money Place, 2217 B N. Big Spring.

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Odessa, TX 79761
800-240-1287/915-333-1287
Fax: 915-333-3647

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806/743-3429 • Fax 806/743-1508

SEMINOLE HOSPITAL DISTRICT OF GAINES COUNTY, TEXAS

is accepting application for Respiratory Therapist Manager. Must have certification in NBRC, CRTT, and ACLS. Associate Degree preferred. Knowledge of respiratory equipment to include EKG, pulmonary functions, bloodgas equipment and other. Good managerial skills. Good communication and interpersonal skills. Minimum of 2 to 5 years experience preferred. Excellent salary and benefit package. To obtain an application come by Memorial Hospital, 209 N. W. 8th., Seminole, Texas 79360 or call Shirley McCoy (915) 758-4986
E.O.E.

PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS

REGISTERED NURSE NEEDED

Texas RN license required, prefer one year psychiatric experience. Provide medication monitoring, coordinate medical and non-medical aspects of a client's treatment and case management activities. $2452 per month. For details call our job line (915) 570-3424 or submit application to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E. Illinois Suite 301, Midland, TX 79701 E.O.E.

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CLASS
Consultant Hospital Administration III

HQ
Lubbock

SALARY/MONTH/PRN#
$3430.00/97-R01-0022

CLOSING DATE
April 16, 1997

RESUMES ARE NOT ACCEPTED. Applications will be accepted in Lubbock through 5 p.m. on April 16, 1997. For more information, contact Human Resources at 806-744-3577.

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310 General Help Wanted

GENERAL- FULL-TIME/ Part-Time positions available. Casual dining, banquet server, bartender, and pool lifeguards. Apply, 8- 11 or 2- 5 at Greentree Country Club, 4900 Greentree Blvd.

GENERAL. ALL Seasons Dry Cleaners hiring for Front Counter. Will train. Apply at 905 Andrews Hwy., 7 am- 4 pm.

HAIR SALON- Just remodeled. Openings for 1 stylist & 1 nail tech. Call 9- 5, Tuesday-Saturday. 694-2517

HAIR STATIONS for lease. Great location, good atmosphere. Relocation benefits. Call Debbie, 694-2579 or Evenings, 694-9729.

★ALL ABOARD★ NEEDED IMMEDIATELY

FRAMERS, both metal and wood, bring your nails and screws. **CONCRETE WORKERS**, bring your cement. **DRYWALLERS**, get ready to hang. **PAINTERS,** with brush in hand, paint in can. Come one come all **GENERAL LABORS** too!

Apply at Express Personnel Services, 111 S. B Street, 570-8666. Never A Fee.

HANDYPERSON/ PORTABLE Building Erector. Person with truck preferred. Must have own tools. Apply at Morgan Buildings on Hwy 80, 1/4 mile East of Water Wonderland.

TRUCK & USED CAR Sales Manager. Salary plus commission. Partial captive market. Must be able to travel. Apply in person, Bidco Corporation, 312 E 2nd, Odessa.

310 General Help Wanted

IDEAL FOR RETIRED Couple & others. Manager/ Maintenance team for a 73 unit apartment complex in Brownfield. Previous experience in apartment management preferred. Maintenance experience necessary. Salary plus apartment. Send resume to Manager Position, 2541 74th Street, Lubbock, TX 79423.

INSTALLERS. Apply in person only American Overhead Door. Experienced and helpers needed. Full time Monday through Friday, 410 E. 8th Street, Odessa 580-3545.

JANITORIAL. Experienced personnel for detailing and or vacuum position. 3 -4 Hours per night, Monday thru Friday. 561-8442.

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Interviewing for
Experienced Cooks & Servers
Apply at 4206 W Wall, Midland

MANAGER. Now hiring Manager with at least 2 years retail experience. Must be able to work any hours available. Please apply at 2500 W. Front.

MOVERS. Experienced furniture movers. Heavy lifting and Class C Driver's License required. Leave name and number- 567-7911.

NAIL TECH- A & A Nails needs nail tech working by commission or lease. For more information call David at 697-4300.

STAFF PHYSICAL THERAPIST
Full-time: Degree required; Area travel required; Texas licensure required.

REGISTERED NURSE
Full-time and Part-time positions available; Texas RN License required; Labor and Delivery experience required.

INTENSIVE CARE REGISTERED NURSES
Full-time position available; Texas RN license required; ICU/CCU experience preferred.

PROMPT CARE REGISTERED NURSE
Full-time position; Texas RN license required; ER experience required.

PROMPT CARE DIRECTOR
Full-time position available; Texas license required; ER experience required; 3-5 years experience; Manager or Supervisor experience strongly preferred.

ICU DIRECTOR
Full-time position available; Texas License required; ICU experience required; 3-5 years experience; Manager or Supervisor experience strongly preferred.

UNIT COORDINATOR
Full-time position available; Position in Same Day Surgery Department; Unit Coordinator Certification Strongly Preferred.

COOK
Full-time position available; Experienced in health care preferred; Cook experience required.

AIDE
Part-time position available; Rotating shifts; Weekends required; Hospital experienced preferred.

MEDICAL SURGERY NURSES
Full-time and PRN positions available; Texas license required; General nursing skills required.

RECOVERY ROOM NURSES
Full-time positions available; Texas RN License required; Recovery Room experience necessary.

OR NURSES
Full-time positions available; Texas RN License required; Operating Room experience necessary.

WESTWOOD MEDICAL CENTER
P.O. BOX 51070
Midland, Texas 79710
(915) 522-3030
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Westwood Medical Center offers its staff competitive salaries, medical/dental/vision insurance, tuition reimbursement, 24 days paid time off per year, shift / specialty / weekend differential, credit union membership and 401K. For details on our exciting opportunities, interested persons should contact:

J. Rick Brown
Director of Human Resources

Westwood Medical Center is a substance free workplace. Drug screens will be performed on all applicants considered to be final candidates for a position with Westwood Medical Center.

Westwood Medical Center does not discriminate with regard to race, color, religion, creed, gender, national origin, age, disability, marital or veteran status, sexual orientation or any other legally protected status.

Put a New Spin On Your Career

We are looking for high-energy individuals interested in joining a high growth company dedicated to enhancing the safety and quality of the world's blood supply. Right now, we have the following positions available at our Texas Blood Centers:

Components Manufacturing Specialist
Lubbock based opportunity
Components Manufacturing Specialist needed to produce blood components using centrifugation method, filter leukocytes, label and ship blood components and meet or exceed all FDA, AABB, CLIA and OSHA standards. The successful candidate must have a High School diploma. Experience in a laboratory, hospital or blood center preferred. MT experience preferred.

Whole Blood Donor Specialist (Phlebotomist)
Lubbock based opportunity and Midland/Odessa
Whole blood Donor Specialist needed to perform donor registration and health histories, perform whole blood collections, transfer blood products to hospitals or outside labs, ensure complete customer satisfaction, support donor recruitment efforts and ensure strict adherence with SOPs. The successful candidate must have a High School diploma. Nursing, MT or phlebotomy experience preferred. Must have CPR certification or become certified within 3 months of hire.

Supervisor of Collections
Midland/Odessa opportunity
Supervisor of collections needed to manage apheresis, TPE and whole blood collections. The successful candidate must have a BS in Biology, Nursing, Engineering or a related field. This position requires excellent customer service, leadership and interpersonal skills. Supervising experience preferred. Blood Bank experience preferred.

Director, Technical Services
Lubbock based opportunity
Director of Technical Services needed to manage component lab and customer service functions, oversee regulatory operations includin interactions with local FDA and participate in developing SOPs. The successful candidate must have a BS in Medical Technology, Biology, Chemistry or a related field, five years in community blood banking, hospital blood banking or a hospital laboratory setting, and be familiar with FDA blood banking regulations. Advance degree is preferred.

We offer a professional, challenging environment, competitive compensation and outstanding benefits, including medical and dental coverage, tuition assistance, 401K profit sharing and an Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

For opportunities in Lubbock, please fax resume, school GPAs and salary history to: (305)828-9896, or mail to: MRSF, 8181 N.W. 154th Street, Suite 250, Miami Lakes, FL 33016.

For opportunities in Midland/Odessa, please fax resume, school GPAs and salary history to: (305)828-9896, or mail to: MRSF, 8181 N.W. 154th Street, Suite 250, Miami Lakes, FL 33016.

An affirmative action/equal opportunity employer.

Texas Blood Services

310 General Help Wanted

OFFICE RUNNER needed. Includes miscellanoue office duties. Call 684-7101. Ask for Penny.

OIL FIELD WELDER- Must be certified and have experience and cutoff. Call 682-2217. 2302 Garden City Hwy.

PAINTER needed for Canyon Creek Apartments, 5244 W. Loop 250 North. Apply in person. No Phone calls please!

PART TIME HOUSEKEEPER for church. Please send work experience and references to: Box E-01016, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

PARTS MANAGER- IMMEDIATE OPENING for experienced Parts Manager for pickups, trucks and heavy equipment. Need knowledge of parts for heavy equipment. 2 years plus experience. Call 1-800-525-9685, ask for Sarge Strickland, in Big Spring, Texas. E O E. Drug Screen required.

PHONE PROS

Full-time pay /part-time work. Flexible hours AM or PM shifts. Set appointments for our free home security system. No selling. Right product at the Right time. Call

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RESTAURANT- Full and part time, flexible schedule positions open. Day shift or evening shift. We are hiring counter help and car hops. Work with America's premier fast food restaurant. Apply in person Sonic Drive-In, North Midkiff Road.

RESTAURANT- Now hiring for prep. work & cook. Apply in person, 3316 W. Illinois.

RESTAURANT- Pinocchios Pizza is now hiring Cashiers and Drivers. Apply in person at 3303 N. Midkiff.

RESTAURANT- Shogun Steak House is now hiring Wait Staff, Bus Person and Delivery Drivers. Apply in person 11 am to 2pm, 5pm to 6 pm 4610 N. Garfield, 570-8888.

WAREHOUSE- Be a team with us! Great job. Weekends off. Warehouse position for self-motivated person. Room for advancement, must have clean driving record, CDL preferred, friendly, clean cut, dedicated person. Pre- employment drug testing done. Apply at 7812 W I-20, Midland, Monday- Friday, 9- 4.

TUPPERWARE- Looking for a dynamic new career? Sell or buy today! Call 520-4836 for information.

310 General Help Wanted

SECURITY
BURNS INT'L SECURITY
Now Hiring for Full Time Positions

If you are...
*Over 18, have reliable transportation, telephone and a clean criminal background.

We have an immediate opening for you!!

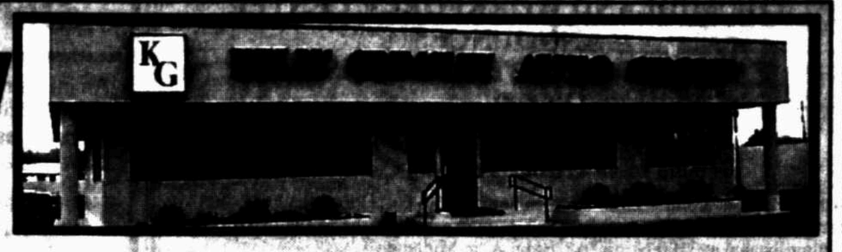
Apply in person at
600 N Marienfeld, Ste 108
Midland, Texas
EOE M/F

SERVICE STATION Attendant needed. Norman's Citgo, call Norman 557-6372 or 682-5431.

TRUCK DRIVER- Local delivery, must have good driving record and verifiable references. Apply to Triangle Lumber, 5601 W. Industrial, between 7:30- 5 Monday thru Friday.

TRUCK DRIVERS with experience wanted. Class A CDL with tanker and hazardous materials endorsement required. Experience with hazardous materials helpful. Apply only in person at 3700 Kermit Highway, Odessa, Texas.

Kelly Grimsley AUTO GROUP



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96 CHEVY Z-71 EXT. CAB TRUCK

O my here we go, 20,000 miles, automatic, push button four wheel drive, alloy wheels, bucket seats, console, brush guard, what a truly nice truck. Call 522-7400.



96 SATURN SC2 COUPE

Twin cam automatic, electric windows, locks, tilt, cruise, premium sound system, alloy wheels, moon roof, what a tremendous vehicle, folks you will definitely be impressed with this vehicle. Call 522-7400.



94 LIGHTING FORD SHORT WIDE ROCKET

...one fast truck, fuel injected, factory headders, dual ...xhaust, individual bucket seats, console, electric win... locks, CD player, tilt, cruise, am-fm premium sour... sliding rear window, color keyed bumpers and grill, and to top it off Racing Red. Call 522-7400.



93 CADILLAC SEDAN DEVILLE

Here is a medium charcoal metallic sedan with gorgeous plush velour interior, electric windows, locks, tilt, cruise, am-fm cassette, ice cold air, only 40,000 miles, Call 522-7400.



95 GMC 3/4 TON EXT. CAB TRUCK

Only 28,000 miles, 350 V-8, electric windows, locks, tilt, cruise, am-fm cassette, ice cold air, these trucks are real hard to find, especially as nice as this. Call 522-7400.



93 CHEVY Z-28

Red and ready, black racing stripes, automatic, ice cold air, electric windows, locks, tilt, cruise, am-fm cassette, alloy wheels, 21,000 miles, what a mean machine, call 522-7400.



94 CHEVY Z-28

Black with t-tops, automatic, electric windows, locks, tilt, cruise, am-fm cassette, ice cold air, 24,000 miles, here is a truly nice sports car. Hurry call 522-7400.



92 PONTIAC SUNBIRD CONVERTIBLE

All you good deal hunters, get out your book, book this 60,000 clean as a pin, sweet heart. Then call quick because I don't think it will be around long for $6,999.



94 MAZDA 626

Traded in right here and well maintained, folks here is a vehicle that will make you proud every time you turn the key, automatic, electric windows, locks, tilt, cruise, am-fm cassette, ice cold air, power seat, low miles. Call 522-7400.

ATTENTION OIL FIELD PEOPLE



93 1/2 TON Z-71 DIESEL EXT. CAB

76,000 miles, excellent condition, clean, well maintained, here is a vehicle you really will be glad you bought. Call 522-7400.



89 CHEVY 1/2 TON EXT. CAB

350-V8, electric windows, locks, tilt, cruise, am-fm cassette, ice cold air, soft cloth seats, p/s/p/b, clean great running truck. Here is a very affordable truck. Hurry call 522-7400.



95 DODGE 1/2 TON SHORT WIDE SLT LARAMIE

Shimmering rich red, automatic, electric windows, locks, tilt, cruise, am-fm cassette, ice cold air, soft cloth seats, V-8 power, low low miles. This is a very nice truck. Call 522-7400.



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WOW what a vehicle, four wheel drive, two door, soft leather interior, powerful V-8 engine, alloy wheels, electric windows, locks, tilt, cruise, CD player, rich rasberry with luggage rack, tinted windows. Call 522-7400.



96 CHEVY EXT. SPORTSIDE TRUCK

Gorgeous autumn wood, automatic, 350-V8 Vortech, split cloth seats, 14,000 miles, AM-FM stereo cassette & CD player, alloy wheels, bed rails, you must see this jewel! 3818 W. Wall.



310 General Help Wanted

VOLUNTEER- DO YOU STILL BELIEVE IN TODAY'S KIDS? Join others who do by volunteering for Camp Fire Boys & Girls. An hour or a year can make a tremendous difference in the life of a child! 520-1522.

WAITSTAFF wanted for downtown area. Apply in person: The Bar, 606 W. Missoun. Monday- Thursday 2- 4 pm. Best tips in town!

311 Medical Help Wanted

DENTAL

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CAREER OPPORTUNITY

with recognition for contribution and growth potential! **Registered Dental Hygienists, Dental Assistants/ Technicians, Office Managers, Front Office Staff.** Call Jane at (915)333-4901. Experience preferred but not required for all positions.

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MEDICAL

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS

If you are dedicated to providing quality care and enjoy working in a progressive atmosphere with a caring, team-oriented staff, check out the opportunities at Stanton Nursing and Rehabilitation. In return for your expertise, we offer excellent pay and comprehensive benefits. Contact:

Cheryl Cummins, DNS
Stanton Nursing and Rehabilitation
1100 W Broadway
Stanton, TX 79782
(915)756-2841

EOE/ AA/ M/F/D/V

BILLER- Growing Home Health agency is seeking an experienced billing/ accounts receivable clerk. Billing experience to include Medicare-B, private insurance, DME, nursing and pharmacy. Excellent opportunity for the right person. Excellent benefits. Send resume and salary requirements to: Controller, Infusion Plus, 501 Andrews Hwy, Midland, TX 79701.

RN - FULL TIME

needed for small home health company. Must have home health experience and be willing to work as a team player. Competitive salary/ benefits. Call 915-756-3259 or send a resume to Martin County Home Health, P.O. Box 1530, Stanton, TX 79782.

Fax It! 682-6999

311 Medical Help Wanted

CNAs. Evening & night shifts. Must be certified. $5.65- $6.16 + experience. Parks Good Samaritan, Odessa. E. O. E. Ethel or Linda, 563-5707.

DENTAL Appointment Secretary needed for busy dental office. Appointment scheduling and computer experience needed, but could train right person. Please send resume with hand written cover letter to: Randell Bell, D.D.S., 2409 W. Illinois, Suite B, Midland, TX 79701. Please, no phone calls.

DENTAL ASSISTANT. We are looking for a bright, energetic chair side assistant with one year of clinical experience or training. Full -time employment. Please send current resume to P.O. Box 7012, Midland, TX 79708.

DENTAL HYGIENE ASSISTANT

needed for pediatric dental office. Must be energetic and good with children, excellent benefits. Please bring resume to 100 North N Street atN & Wall.

DENTAL HYGIENIST- Part time position available with potential to work into full time. Please send resume wit hand written cover letter to: Randell Bell, D.D.S., 2409 W. Illinois, Suite B, Midland, TX 79701. Please, no phone calls.

DIRECTOR OF NURSING. Terrace Gardens Nursing Center, a long term care facility, has a current opening for a registered nurse to direct our nursing department. Our nurses play an integral role in the care of our patients and in the environment of our center. If you are a person who likes to utilize your skills to the fullest, I want to talk with you. We offer a very competitive salary/ benefit package. If interested, please send current resume or contact: Benny Gibbs, Administrator, Terrace Gardens Nursing Center, 2901 W Ohio, Midland, Texas 79701.

DOCTOR'S office needing experienced Receptionist and LVN. Salary DOE. Send replies to: Box P-06019, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

RN DIRECTOR

In Private Duty Department for local fast paced, growing home health care agency. Requirements for this position are:

*Extensive pediatric experience
*Good communication skills
*Marketing experience helpful
*Medicare and JCAHO knowledge a plus
*Must be self-motivated and able to make independent judgments for growth and development

If you meet these requirements, send resume or pick up application at 501 Andrews Highway, Midland, Texas 79701.

Equal Opportunity Employer

311 Medical Help Wanted

MEDICAL

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COORDINATOR

MIDLAND, TX

RehabCare Group, a premier provider of physical rehabilitation programs, has an immediate opportunity available for an experienced marketing professional for our unit at Memorial Rehabilitation Hospital.

Responsibilities will include marketing and public relations; organizing census development; serving as a liaison to 3rd party payors, physicians, and case managers; and handling patient pre-admission screenings. Marketing experience required; nursing or medical social work experience beneficial.

We offer a competitive salary, comprehensive benefits package and relocation assistance. For more information, call or send resume to:

Jeff Schnettgoecke
RehabCare Group
7733 Forsyth Blvd
Suite 1700
St Louis, MO 63105
1-800-677-1238, Ext 278
or Fax
314-863-7751

RehabCare Group

Equal Opportunity Employe

MEDICAL- Interim Health Care, A GCAHO accredited agency has immediate PRN vacancies available for staff relief. RNs and LVNs needed. Come grow with us. 522-2233.

MEDICAL- MITCHELL County Hospital- Dick Ware Medical Unit, Colorado City, Texas is accepting applications for 3 LVNs for 3 pm- 11 pm shift. 1 LVN for 11 pm- 7 am shift. 3 Medical Records Clerks, 1 Dental Hygienist, 1 Dental Assistant. Contact: Ms. Cogburn, (915)728-2162 ext 265.

NEED PHLEBOTOMIST to work full- time in Weight reduction clinic. Willingness to learn all positions. Medical and clerical. Call 550-5970.

NURSING PROFESSIONALS. Terrace Gardens Nursing Center has current openings for LVN, PRN. If you are a career oriented person, dedicated to providing quality patient care, I want to talk with you. We offer an excellent salary/ benefits package. If interested, please contact: Benny Gibbs, Administrator, Terrace Gardens Nursing Center, 2901 W Ohio, Midland, Texas 79701.

THERAPISTS. Good pay! Hiring ST's & LMSW ACP or LMSW with 1 year health care experience to perform home visits /evaluations. CASHA Resource Home Health. (915)684-5552. EOE.

312 Professional Help Wanted

PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS

A.C.T. TEAM LEADER NEEDED

Bachelors degree in Psychology, Social Work or related field. Minimum of 2 years experience providing community services to seriously mentally ill. 5 years preferred. Will plan day to day activities of team, coordinate scheduling of team members, and ensure compliance with all standards. $2066 per month. For details call our job line (915) 570-3424 or submit applications to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E. Illinois Suite 301, Midland TX 79701. EOE

311 Medical Help Wanted

OPERATIONS SUPPORT

Person with previous experience in medical claims filing. Knowledge of VERSYSS system a plus. Must be willing to work occasional evenings and weekends. Please send resume and salary history to:

Personnel, PO box 5293
Midland, TX 79704

REGISTERED NURSE

Needed for Odessa and Big Spring locations, for local fast paced, growing home health care agency. Must have a minimum of 1 year experience in medicare home health. Salaried position with benefits. Bilingual preferred for Odessa office and required for Big Spring office. Send resume to or complete application at: Midland Office, 501 Andrews Highway or fax to: 620-6675.

Equal Opportunity Employer

RNs/LVNs. All shifts: full and part- time. RN, $13-$14.30 + experience. LVN, $10- $11 + experience every other weekend off. Parks Good Samaritan, Odessa. E. O. E. Ethel 563-5707.

TRANSCRIPTIONIST needed for internal medicine position. Mail resume to: Box E-01012, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Tx 79702.

312 Professional Help Wanted

Landman

Seeking individual with at least ten years experience, strong in acquisitions and division orders. Offering benefits and excellent salary for the right employee. NO FEE.

PREFERRED PERSONNEL
684-5900

312 Professional Help Wanted

PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE & RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Local financial institution experiencing rapid growth needs administrative assistant to help with research and project coordination. Business or marketing degree. Some experience competitive salary and benefits. Send resume to:

Box E-01018
Midland Reporter-Telegram,
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702

Titan Resources I, Inc.
Equal Opportunity Employer
Smoke Free Environment

Oil & Gas Revenue Clerk. Must be familiar with computerized revenue system, Enertech a plus. Position involves data entry, filing, division order updates, suspense updates, and regulatory reporting. Competitive salary and benefits. Applicants should mail resume to:

P.O. Box 10629
Midland, TX 79702

Chief Financial Officer

Oil field service company headquartered in Permian Basin. Responsibilities include supervision of all phases of accounting, banking & finance, financial forecasting & reporting, controlling costs, and MIS. Previous controlling experience a must. CPA required; MBA helpful. Experience in oil field service a plus. EOE. Send resume and salary history to: Box E-01019, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS

SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELOR NEEDED

Must have LCDC certification. Will perform screenings, intakes and admissions of clients. Provide individual, group and family counseling. Develop plans for services. Make referrals. Teach classes. $1753 per month.

For details call our job line (915) 570-3424 or submit applications to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E. Illinois Suite 301, Midland TX 79701. EOE

312 Professional Help Wanted

WEEKEND SPORTS ANCHOR/ NEWS REPORTER

West Texas, CBS Affiliate, seeks a Weekend Sports Anchor/News Reporter. Anchor Weekend Sports and three weekdays as News Reporter. Must be able to gather, shoot, write, and edit three-quarter inch video for broadcast and handle live shots at Sporting events. Requires a working knowledge of Texas High School, College, and Professional Sports. Play-by-play experience helpful. Degree and prior experience preferred.

Send resume and tape to:
Personnel Director
KLST-TV
2800 Armstrong
San Angelo, TX 76903
EOE

Exchange Program Coordinator:

Contribute to education by working with international students /host families and by explaining overseas travel opportunities to local teenagers; supplemental income /training provided. Call Center for Cultural Interchange: **1-(970)482-6408.**

Retail Sale Associate: Furniture & Interior Design a must. Fax resume to 570-8071 or mail to

V.I.P.
Employment Services
4305 N. Garfield,
Ste. 200A
Midland, Texas 79707

LAB TECH

needed for growing company. Must be flexible, energetic and have basic knowledge of college chemistry. Salary to $10.00 per hour. NO FEE. Call

Preferred Personnel
570-0510

312 Professional Help Wanted

***WEEKDAY SPORTS DIRECTOR/ANCHOR**

West Texas, CBS Affiliate, seeks a Weekday Sports Director/Anchor. Must be able to gather, shoot, write, and edit three-quarter inch video for broadcast and handle live shots at Sporting events. Requires a working knowledge of Texas High School, College, and Professional Sports. Play-by-play experience helpful. Must understand importance of Local Sports and supervise Weekend Sports activity. Degree and prior experience preferred.

Send resume and tape to:
Personnel Director
KLST-TV
2800 Armstrong
San Angelo, TX 76903
EOE

ACCOUNTING CLERK. Local company seeks accounting clerk with minimum five years experience in GL accounting and A/P's, and experience with computer entry and have PC skills with working knowledge of Word & Excel. For consideration, send resume to: Box B-04005, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

ADMINISTRATION- National Franchiser has opening for experienced programmer/ administrato. to work in a Unix Network environment using DBase & "C". Successful applicant must be able to produce results in a fast paced business setting. Salary depends upon experience and results. Qualified applicants may apply in person at 312 E. 2nd, 10:00 am- 3:00 pm, Mondays thru Thursdays.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR/ HEAD FOOTBALL COACH. Smyer ISD, teaching field open, five years coaching experience required, position open until filled. Fax resume to 806-234-2411, or mail to Smyer I.S.D., Box 206, Smyer, TX 79367, Attn: Dan Kerns.

IRAAN-SHEFFIELD ISD VACANCIES

- **Secondary Math Teacher**
- **Assistant Band Director**
- **6th Grade Self-Contained Teacher**

Requires: Texas Teaching Certificates
Starting Date: August 7, 1997

Applications accepted until position is filled.

Contact: Bobby D. McCall, Superintendent
P.O. Box 486
Iraan, Texas 79744
915-639-2512 ext. 222

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CONSUMER LENDING OFFICER

Expanding local financial institution has an immediate opening for loan officer experienced in mortgage, credit cards, and installment loans. Competitive salary and benefits. Send resume to: **Box E-01017, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.**

CONVENTION SALES MANAGER

The Midland Chamber of Commerce Convention and Visitor Bureau is seeking a Convention Sales Manager. This person will report to the Director of Convention and Visitor Development. The Convention Sales Manager is responsible for all convention sales efforts including State, local, regional and area association sales calls; Telephone prospecting; Lead generating; Maintenance of client and call database; Arrangement of local and state sales blitz. Excellent organizational, public relations, strong closing and communication skills required. This person must be a self-starter, highly motivated individual. Computer literacy on ACT, TNET, Microsoft Word and Windows 95 required. Four year degree and two years conventions sales experience or equivalent combination. Competitive salary and benefits package. Submit resume to: Shura Lindgren, Director, Midland CVB, PO Box 1890, Midland, Texas 79702.

DIVISION ORDER ANALYST being sought by Independent Oil Company. Minimum experience 5 years. Send resumes to: Box P-06018, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

312 Professional Help Wanted

Engineering Tech

Rapidly growing independent oil company looking for an ET with the "Right Stuff". Job requires 5+ years experience, drilling & production background, good computer skills, RRC-OCC experience, excellent organizational skills. Looking for a personable, confident, self-starter. Excellent salary and benefits for the right candidate. Send resume to:

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%Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702

GEOPHYSICIST. Midland based geophysical company offers field position as junior field geophysicist. Experience in oil field service industry advantage. Successful applicant must be computer literate as position requires extensive use of Windows and UNIX operating systems. Please send resume to Geco-Prakla, a division of Schlumberger technology Corp., Dept. 1242, P.O. Box 0167, Midland, Texas 79702-0167.

JUNIOR MAP Drafter. Knowledge of land maps and well spotting helpful. Good small free hand ettering essential. Would consider trainable aptitude. For appointment call 683-2777 ext. 18.

WESTERN NATIONAL BANK, a well capitalized independent bank, is seeking an experienced Operations/Finance Officer. The successful candidate will possess a degree and 3-5 years banking experience. Excellent opportunity for advancement. Send your resumes to P. O. Box 4597 or fax to 915/334-5525, Attention: Stan Pinkham. E. O. E.

MANAGER TRAINEE- Nationally acclaimed restaurant group wants dynamic person to share their success. If you have A LOT of energy, food service supervisory experience, 2+ years of college and want to really work at a 'fun' place. Call Jan Brown, 683-7277. EnergiPersonnel, Executive Recruiting Division. All interviews are confidential and by appointment.

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THE MIDLAND WORKFORCE CENTER ANNOUNCES CAREER TRANSITION WORKSHOPS IN APRIL

(A Division of the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission)

All Workshops are offered to the community at no cost. Please call 687-3003 to enroll or for more information. Workshops are held at the Midland Workforce Center located at 3100 North "A", Bldg. A, in Midland.

RESUMES, COVER LETTERS, AND THANK YOU NOTES
A team of job search facilitators offer techniques in writing resumes and cover letters. Learn what to say and how to say it or bring your resume with you and see if we can offer recommendations to improve it. **APRIL 30, 4-5PM**

EMPLOYER WORKSHOP: COACHING, COUNSELING, & DISCIPLINING YOUR EMPLOYEES
Learn the most effective ways to bring the best out of your employees. From motivating and advising to correcting employees's behavior, this workshop is beneficial to all Employers, Personnel, and Human Resource Professionals. Learn from a trained professional, Mr. Rick Brown, in this informative workshop. **APRIL 22, 11-12PM**

REGION 18 TEACHER CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP:
If you are a college graduate and would like to teach secondary math and science (both are in great demand) or special or bilingual education, this workshop is for you! Are you contemplating a first career or a second career in teaching? Learn how to expedite the certification process through Region 18's Alternative Teacher Certification program. **APRIL 18, 11-12PM**

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP/FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION:
Are you a college student (or just thinking about it) and need financial help to go to school? Learn about the different scholarships that you can apply for and what you need to do in order to receive financial aid! Christi Sikes, Scholarship Specialist at Midland College will conduct this informative workshop. **APRIL 24, 11-12PM**

INTERVIEWING TECHNIQUES:
Are you having trouble convincing that employer that you are the right person for the job? Our Career Center professional, Shelley Brodie, will teach you how to make the best first impression possible, as well as the 'do's & don'ts of interviewing. **APRIL 23, 11-12PM**

Compressor Systems, Inc.

An industry leader for over 25 years, Compressor Systems, Inc. is one of the largest privately owned companies providing natural gas compression equipment and services. We are currently accepting application for:

ACCOUNTANT
- Strong Accounting background and/or Accounting Degree
- Ability to manage multiple projects and priorities
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Assist in monthly financial reporting
- PC and software experience required - Microsoft Office and Windows

We offer an excellent compensation package with a full range of benefits. For consideration, please mail or fax your resume to:

Compressor Systems, Inc.
Personnel Dept.,
P.O. Box 60760,
Midland, TX 78711-0760
Fax 915-563-1402
Equal Opportunity Employer



Sonat Exploration Company, a large ind[ependent] oil and gas exploration and production company is seeking a **Geologist** for our West Texas Business Unit located in **Midland, Texas.**

Geologist

Qualified candidates will have a Geology Degree and 7+ years of strong interpretation and mapping experience applied to trend or play development and field exploitation in the Permian Basin of West Texas and New Mexico. Candidates should expect a close working relationship with geophysicists, engineers and landmen in a team environment. Must be able to integrate subsurface and geophysical data into interpretations. The candidate should be a strong mapper with good exploitation and exploration skills. Working knowledge of computer mapping and petrophysical software such as Geographix, Landmark, and Qla2 is preferred.

We offer our employees a comprehensive benefits package, an excellent working environment and competitive salaries. Qualified candidates should send resume and salary history to:

Sonat Exploration Company
(Sonat Inc. Company)
Human Resources
P.O. Box 1513
Houston, TX 77251
EEO/AAP/M/F/D/V

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We Have The Following Positions Open:

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*Oil and Gas Secretary	$8-$10 per hour
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312 Professional Help Wanted

CONTRACT ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN
Midland, Texas

Duties include: Prepare oil and gas state and federal monthly severance tax and royalty reports; prepare severance tax and royalty payments, refund requests, and allowance filings; assist in maintaining system masters; and assist in researching information for assessments by government agencies.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:
- Associates degree or equivalent experience.
- 5-7 years oil and gas industry accounting experience with some experience in severance tax and royalty reporting, and revenue accounting.
- Effective team member skills.
- Ability to perform varied tasks and assist others.
- PC competency and mainframe systems knowledge.
- Good written communication skills.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PURSUING AN OPPORTUNITY WITH OUR COMPANY, PLEASE FORWARD YOUR RESUME TO:

Box B-001
c/o Midland Reporter Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

312 Professional Help Wanted

STAY TOGETHER CONSULTANT

Bachelor's Degree and two years experience working with children and families required. Additional years experience can be substituted for one year of college. Reimbursed travel within a 17 county area serving families in their home. $20,000 annual salary.

Please call for application or pick up at
High Sky Children's Ranch
8701 W. County Road 60
Midland, TX 79707
(915) 694-7728
E.O.E.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

SECRETARY Needed. Construction experience preferred. Must be computer literate. Call Alan White, 697-2282.

SECRETARY/ Bookkeeper. Part- time/ full time- some weekends. Must be computer literate. $5.50- $6.00 per hour. Call 684-1102.

316 Sales Help Wanted

$40,000-$80,000
1st Year
WE LOVE OUR JOB BECAUSE...
*We give our product away free
*We earn what we're worth
*We get bonuses
*We have job security
*We win trips yearly
*We get promoted quickly
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*We have a life
IF YOU DON'T LOVE YOUR JOB, CALL US!
570-8890

SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELOR

Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Plainview, TX routinely has entry level and LCDC counselor positions in Substance Abuse Treatment Program. Therapeutic Community treatment modality. Staff salaries $20,652 to $25,140. Excellent benefits. We are an approved TCADA practicum and training site. For more information and application, contact Treatment Program Director, Paul Sawayer at (806) 293-1081. Wheeler SAFPF, 4300 E. 5th Street, Plainview, TX 79072.

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POTENTIAL TO EARN
$50,000-$150,000 Annually

We are a 21 year old national company that sells promotional incentives to over 40 different types of businesses.
WE OFFER:
- Classroom Training;
- An excellent commission plan;
- An opportunity to earn $50,000 to $150,000 per year;

We also provide pre-selected leads.

THE IDEAL CANDIDATE: Should be a high-energy, ambitious individual who can converse with business executives and who possesses intangible sales experience. WE ARE VERY SELECTIVE.
If you feel that you qualify, call Mike Jaeggi at 800-203-6382 or fax resume to 800-467-6544.

COMPUTER TECHNICIANS

2 Positions Immediately Available

Provide repair support to our clients large help desk operation. 3- 5 Year experience. Install, analyze, test, troubleshoot & repair computers & related peripherals. Previous experience with board level repair on IBM PC's, printers & modems in an OS/2 Environment. Experience with MS Word, Ami Pro & Lotus 1-2-3 is required. 6 Month project in the Midland, TX area.

We offer competitive salaries plus an attractive benefits package. For immediate consideration, call or fax resume to:

MANPOWER TECHNICAL
800-214-8324 713-680-8073 Fax

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This position requires contacting both existing and prospective professionals. For a confidential interview call between 4:30-6pm:
915-653-1760
Attn: Jerry Brock

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San Angelo TX 76904
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CITY MANAGER / CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF MORTON

Prefer candidate with Bachelors Degree & at least 2 years supervisory experience. Also administration skills, financial & personnel management, communication skills and utility experience including water, sewer, & natural gas. Deadline June 1, 1997. Send resume to:
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EOE.

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SALARY $1721.00 PER MONTH

Assists mental health/mental retardation individuals in gaining access to medical, social, educational services. Requires initiative and independent judgment. The job requires extensive travel with on-call rotation.

Bachelor's degree required in either psychology, social work or sociology. Some prior experience preferred.

Positions will office in Kermit or Pecos, Texas.

West Texas Centers for MHMR-Melissa Taylor
1200 N. Main, Monahans, TX 79756
Drug Free Workplace
(915) 943-2528
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Must have in-home sales experience

Call:
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MARKETING- GROWING Manufacturing Company seeking marketing manager. Marketing experience or strong sales management experience a must. Will be responsible for brochures, advertising, trade shows, & newsletters. Please send resume to: Marketing, PO Box 60084, Midland, TX 79711-0084.

MOTORCYCLE Service Writer. Salary plus commission. Must have extensive knowledge of motorcycles. Apply in person, Golden Suzuki, Honda Kawasaki, Yamaha, 306 E Second, Odessa, TX.

MUD ENGINEER- local, independent company looking for an experienced mud engineer to be located in Midland area. Good benefits, excellent health and 401K plan. Please send resume to Horizon Mud, P.O. Box 3130, Midland, TX 79702.

PE TECH SALES- You need 'know- how' and ambition to work with this outstanding bunch! Never a dull moment. Must be able to do process design, acidizing, simulations and fracturing procedures, and have basic mechanical ability. BSPE desirable and sales experience. 50K. Call Jan Brown, 683-7277. EnergiPersonnel, Executive Recruiting Division. All interviews are confidential and by appointment.

PETROCHEMICAL Engineers. Various disciplines for plants in West Texas. Must have ME's or ChE's, Petrochem or Refinery experience. 915-550-9096.

PETROLEUM ENGINEER: Clayton Williams Energy, Inc. (CWEI) is seeking an experienced Petroleum Engineer for our Midland Office. The qualified candidate should have a BS in Petroleum Engineering with a minimum of (3) three years experience in estimating reserves and preparing economic analysis. Proficiency with personal computers and a good working knowledge of ARIES economic evaluation software is desirable. Production Operation experience a plus. CWEI is an aggressive Midland based independent, a leader in horizontal technology and development. We are an equal opportunity employer and offer competitive salary with an excellent benefits package. Please direct your resume and salary requirements to: Clayton Williams Energy, Inc., Attn: Engineering Manager, 6 Desta Drive, Suite 3000, Midland, Texas 79705.

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Human Resources
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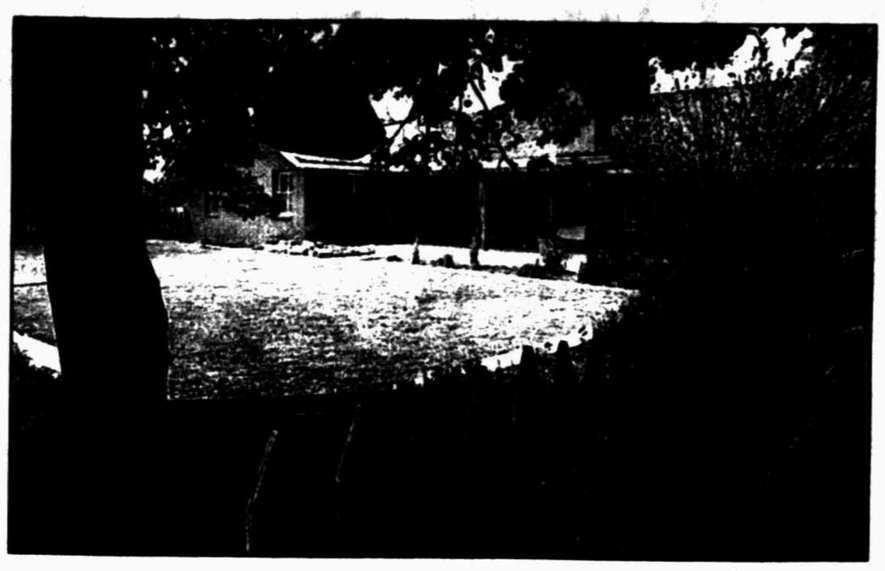
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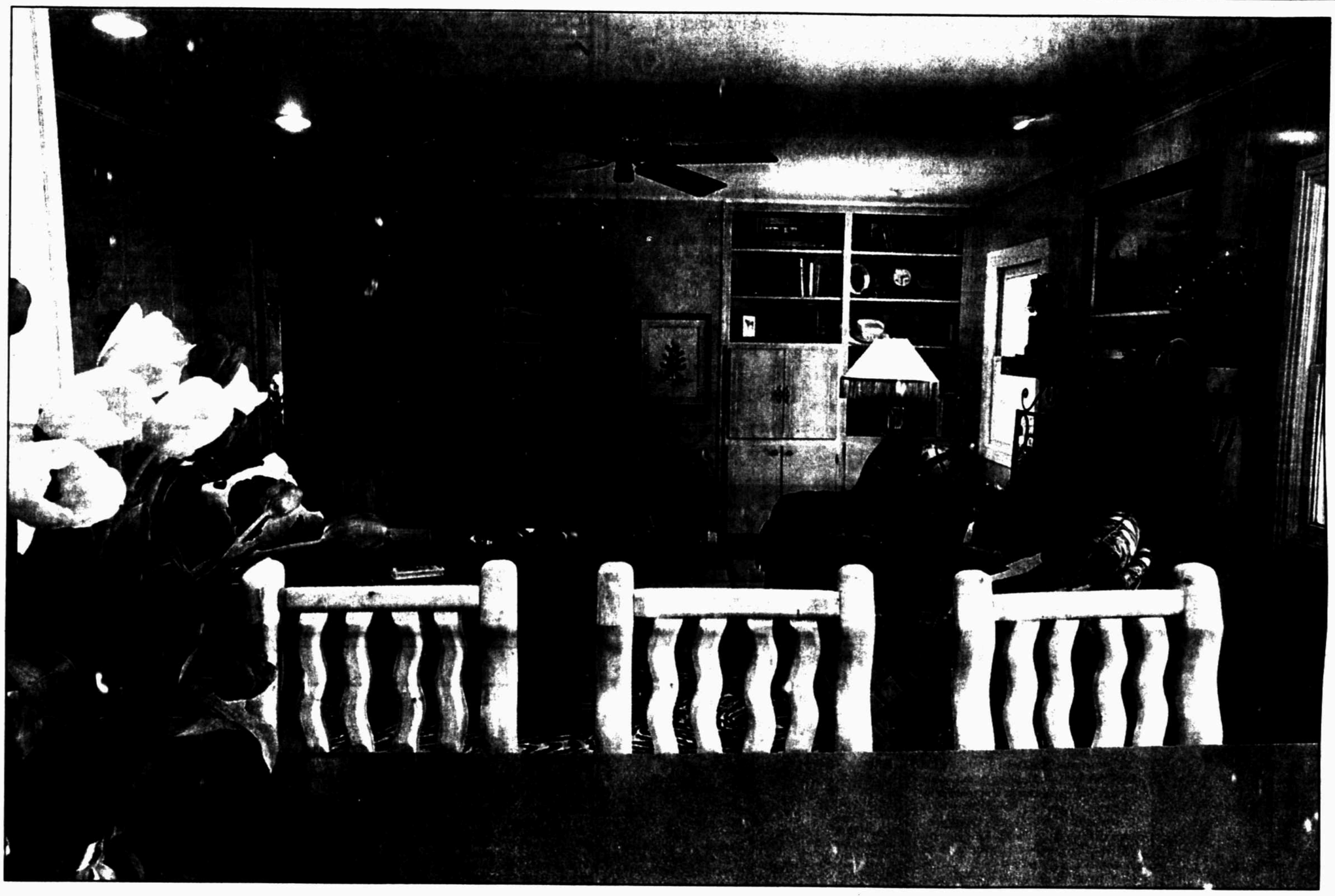
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Midland Reporter-Telegram
Sunday, April 6, 1997

COUNTRY LIVING
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Although 4419 Tanforan is located within the city limits is redolent of a country property, which given its acreage and facilities, it really is.

The extensive grounds consist of a series of yards and paddocks which contain two barns, a studio and guest quarters - not to mention the in-ground trampoline and goldfish pond. The house itself sits on a tree-shaded spot on the west side of the property and is a superbly designed and laid out home with much to offer.

Three bedrooms and two bathrooms provide plenty of space while the recent remodeling has elevated the decor of the house to a very high level.

Glazed Saltillo tiles in the kitchen and family room add a luxurious touch to the suite, as does the dramatic gas fireplace with its monumental mantle. The light decor works very well with the sliding glass doors to the patio as the south facing family room is flooded with natural light. This seems to be a theme throughout the house which is fully fitted with plantation shutters.

Listed for $184,900 this house will be open for viewing between two and four o'clock this afternoon. For more information about this property either stop by the open house or contact the listing agent, Anita Noles of Re/Max at 682-8820.



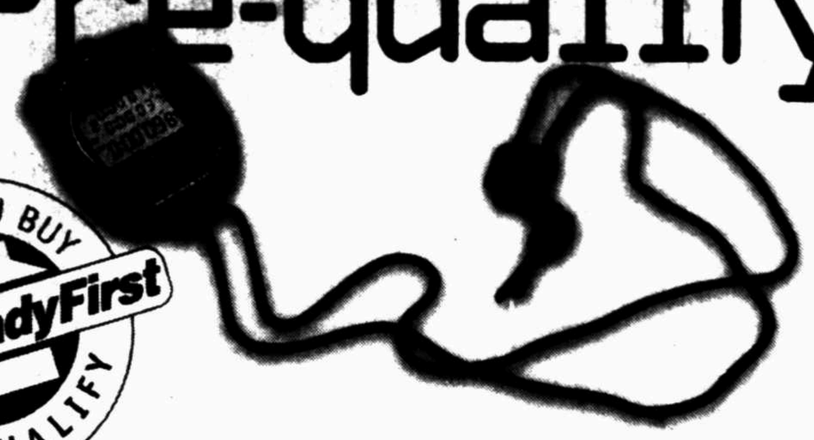




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A MESSAGE TO ALL HOME BUYERS

Before you buy... Pre-qualify



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Sutton

Your overall settlement costs are influenced by, among other things, where you live, how a buyer finances his purchase, your settlement date and what the particular lender requires to provide the loan.

The federal government's Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA) is designed to insure that lenders provide applicants with appropriate estimates for settlement costs. RESPA covers most of today's home loans, including:

- Government backed or assisted loans
- Loans from lenders with federally insured deposits
- Loans in federally related secondary mortgage markets
- Loans made by lenders who invest or make more than $1 million in residential loans each year.

When a buyer applies for a new loan from a lender who is covered by RESPA, the law requires that he be given a "good faith" estimate of fees when he makes the written loan application and that he be offered a pamphlet titled *Settlement Costs and You* published by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The pamphlet explains how the closing process works.

In the days before your settlement, or closing, you are entitled to a copy of HUD's *Uniform Settlement Statement*. The statement breaks the total settlement charges into broad categories that you can review to determine what costs will be paid in full or in part by you.

You are certainly encouraged to review your costs with a responsible third party, to make sure all the contract's requirements are met.

For all your real estate needs contact your local Realtor.

(Story submitted by Kay Sutton, owner of Kay Sutton, Realtors)

Work exclusively with one agent

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Pine

Finding one agent that you are compatible with, will get you better results.

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(This article submitted by Norma Pine, owner of Chaparral Realtors)

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590 Legal Notices

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT)

NOTICE TO BUILDING CONTRACTORS

LOCATION: Midland, Midland County, Texas
PROJECT NO. BC-6-Y-12
DESCRIPTION: Construction of an addition to and renovation of the Area Engineer's Office building, including site improvements
BID DATE: THURSDAY, May 1, 1997 -2:30 PM
200 E. Riverside Dr., Austin, Tx
ESTIMATED COST: $435,000.00
PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS WILL BE FURNISHED WITHOUT CHARGE TO THE PRIME BIDDER/CONTRACTOR. REQUEST by Fax on your company letterhead to: TxDOT GSD, Facilities Management, Judy Gage, FAX: 512-416-3080.
Plans and specifications are available from: Odessa TxDOT, Amulfo Valdez, 3901 E. Hwy. 80
Phone: 915-333-9296; Fax 915-333-9180 Austin, TXDOT, 150 E. Riverside Drive, Room 406N
Phone: 512-416-3048, FAX 512-416-3080
PROPOSAL GUARANTY: $15,000.00 (see bidding documents for specific requirements)
PRE-BID CONFERENCE: None Scheduled
D44B(06-77-000002420)

590 Legal Notices

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for **INTERVENTIONAL VASCULAR SYSTEM.**

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Monday, April 7, 1997.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "PROPOSAL #281-040397 ENCLOSED".

Under no circumstances will faxed proposals from respondents be accepted.

All proposals must be received in the Office of the Materials Manager by 2:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, April 23, 1997.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE PRICE PROTECTED UNTIL AUGUST 23, 1997.

All proposals will remain confidential until after the Board of Directors has met and voted an award. Offerors will then be allowed to review the proposals in the purchasing office according the policy/ procedure of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center. Midland County Hospital reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive formalities and/ or to accept the proposal deemed best for the hospital.

Director of Materials Management
Midland County Hospital District
Memorial Hospital and Medical Center
2200 West Illinois
Midland, Texas 79701

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS FOR DRILLING TWO WATER WELLS LOCATED AT THE COMFORT STATION ON IH 10, 25 MILES WEST OF FORT STOCKTON, FORT STOCKTON, PECOS COUNTY TEXAS- CONTRACT NO. 067XXR1020

Sealed Proposals for Specifications for Drilling Two Water Wells located at the Comfort Station on IH 10, 25 Miles West of Fort Stockton, Fort Stockton, Pecos County, Texas to be received by the Texas Department of Transportation until 11:00 A.M., Thursday, April 24, 1997 and then publicly opened and read.

There will be a Pre-Bid Conference held at the location on April 17, 1997 at 11:00 A.M. for the Water Wells. The Pre-Bid Conference is not Mandatory. We will meet at the eat end on the westbound side of the rest area. The rest area is located 25 miles west of Ft. Stockton, Texas on IH-10 at miles marker 233.

Bid proposals and specifications will be available at the office of Amulfo R. Valdez, 3901 E. Highway 80, Odessa, Texas 79761. Telephone Number 915-333-9296.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
MIDLAND/ODESSA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,)
) CRIMINAL NO. MO-96-CR-036
V.)
NORMA JEAN DURAN,)
a/k/a NORMA JEAN BRADLEY, Defendant.)

NOTICE OF JUDGMENT OF FORFEITURE

NOTICE OF JUDGMENT OF FORFEITURE, PURSUANT TO TITLE 18 UNITED STATES CODE (U.S.C.) §§ 982 (b) (A) AND (B) §§ [SEE TITLE 21 U.S.C. §§ 853 (a) THROUGH (n) (1) - (n) (7)], AND INTENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO DISPOSE OF PROPERTIES:

TO ANY AND ALL THIRD PARTY INTERESTS WHICH MAY EXIST IN CERTAIN PROPERTIES DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Apple-McIntosh Performa 550/Compaq Color Monitor, Keyboard, and Mouse/Compaq Presario CDS-800 Series-Multi Minitower;
2. Apple-McIntosh Performa 476/Reveal Computer Products Explorer Multimedia FX Kit/Power Chtr-Power Strip/Two Labtec Computer Speakers;
3. Emerson 19" TV and VCR Combo;
4. Computer Workstation, Chair, Hutch, Bookcase/Bayview Oak Entertainment Center;
5. Household Furnishings from Lacks Furniture Store (Living Room Suite, Washer and Dryer);

(hereinafter referred to as the Respondent Properties), which are forfeited to the United States of America from Defendant, **NORMA JEAN DURAN**, pursuant to the provisions of Title 18 U.S.C. §§ 982 (b) (1) (A) and (B) [See Title 21 U.S.C. § 853] in Criminal Cause No. MO-96-CR-036, filed at the United States District Court, Western District of Texas, Midland/Odessa Division. You are hereby notified of the entry of a Preliminary Judgment of Forfeiture against said Respondent Properties from said individual in Criminal Cause No. MO-96-CR-036, and you are further notified of the intent of the United States of America to dispose of the forfeited Respondent Properties in such manner that the Attorney General of the United States may direct. You may assert any and all third party interests in the forfeited Respondent Properties by filing a petition asserting such interest in the forfeited Respondent Properties in Criminal Cause No. MO-96-CR-036 at the United States District Court, Western District of Texas, Midland/Odessa Division, all pursuant to the provisions of Title 18 U.S.C. §§ 982 (b) (1) (A) and (B) {See Title 21 U.S.C §§ 853 (n) (7)].

SIGNED this 10th day of March, 1997.

JACK DEAN
UNITED STATES MARSHAL

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LEGAL NOTICE

SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE PERSONS UNDER THE JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP ACT (JTPA)

The Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission is modifying the Job Training Partnership Act Master Plan for the second year of the two year plan (July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997). The plan will be submitted to the Texas Workforce Commission for review, comment, and approval for funding under the Workforce an Economic Competitiveness Act, Section 4.04 (c)(3), Section 4.05 as amended by HB 1863 and PL 102367, Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) Reform Amendments.

The Title IIA Employment and Training Program is available to economically disadvantaged adults and youth (persons whose family income meets certain minimum levels set by the Federal government). The program offers education and training services in the Classroom or in the workplace The allocation for Title IIA is $1,154,131; the allocation for Title IIC is $178,331. Approximately 493 adults and 76 youth will be served through these programs.

The Title III Economic Dislocation and Worker Adjustment Assistance Program (EDWAA) offers basic readjustment and retraining services to dislocated workers (persons who have lost their jobs through economic circumstances over which they had no control). Approximately 475 dislocated workers will be served with an estimated funding allocation of $1,006,757. Persons served by these programs must live in one of the following Permian Basin counties: Andrews, Borden, Pecos, Reeves, Terrell, Upton, Ward, Winkler.

A summary of the program plan is available for review, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, upon request in advance. Inquiries or comments concerning these programs may be directed to Mr. Willie Taylor, Director, Employment and Training, Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission (915-563-1061).

The final plan will be available for review, upon request, April 10, 1997.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION #32,094

STATE OF TEXAS

TO: JOSE MARTIN QUIROZ, Respondent:

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do (does) not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of (20) twenty days from the date of service of this citation, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of Maria Isabel Montoya, Petitioner, was filed in the 318th District Court of Midland County, Texas, on the March 5, 1997, against **Joe Martin Quiroz,** Respondent, and said suit numbered 32,094 on the docket of said court, and entitled "In the Matter of Marriage of Maria Isabel Quiroz and Jose Martin Quiroz and In the Interest of Jesus Quiroz, Mayra Lujan, and Naomi Fierro, Children." The nature of which suit is a request to divorce and establish conservatorship for the children. The date and place of birth of the children who are the subject of the suit: Mayra Lujan, born 5-6-90 in Odessa, Texas; Jesus Quiroz, born 11-12-84 in Odessa, Texas; and Naomi Fierro, born 6-6-91 in Odessa, Texas.

"The Court has authority in this suit to render an order in the children's interest that will be binding on you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity, and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the children's adoption. The Court also has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property which will be binding on you.

Petitioner is represented by Roy Scott, whose address is 206 South Main, Fort Stockton, Texas 79735.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Midland, Texas, on April 2, 1997.

Vivian Wood
District Clerk of the 318th District Court of Midland County, Texas

By Mary Smelser, Deputy

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF LINDA ARMISTEAD MILLER DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Linda Armistead Miller, Deceased, were issued to Ralph Bryan Miller, Jr., Independent Executor on April 2, 1997, in the proceeding styled "Estate of Linda Armistead Miller, Deceased," No. 11,769 in the county Court of Midland County, Texas, which is still pending and that said person now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in Midland County, Texas, are hereby required to present the same to said Independent Executor, at 3303 W. Douglas, Midland, Texas 79703 before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such Estate is closed, and within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Ralph Bryan Miller, Jr.
Independent Executor of the Estate of Linda Armistead Miller, Deceased.
No 11,769 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas

ESTATE OF WARREN R. HAMMEL DECEASED

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Warren R. Hammel, Deceased were issued on April 4, 1997, under Docket No. 11,763 pending in the County Court Midland County, Texas to: JERRY F. SIDES.

Claims may be presented to Jerry F. Sides addressed as follows:

Estate of Warren R. Hammel, Deceased
Jerry F. Sides, Administrator
PO Box 565
214 W. Texas, Suite 407
Midland, TX 79701

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated this 4th day of April 1997.

By Hans R. Hansen
Attorney for Applicant
Hans R. Hansen
State Bar No. 08929725
301 N. Colorado, Suite 409
Midland, TX 79701

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590 Legal Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for **GROUNDS MAINTENANCE.**

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Monday, March 31, 1997.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "BID #280-032697 ENCLOSED".

Under no circumstances will faxed bids from bidders be accepted.

All bids must be received in the Office of the Materials Manager by 12:00 p.m., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 1997.

Bid opening will be at 2:00 P.M. in Department of Materials Management, Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, 2200 West Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701, on Wednesday, April 16, 1997.

ALL BIDS MUST BE PRICE PROTECTED UNTIL AUGUST 16, 1997.

All bids will remain confidential until after the Board of Directors has met and voted an award. Vendors will then be allowed to review the bids in the Purchasing Office according the policy/ procedure of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center. Midland County Hospital reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

Director of Materials Management
Midland County Hospital District
Memorial Hospital and Medical Center
2200 West Illinois
Midland, Texas 79701

AMENDED PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for **INDIGENT PRESCRIPTION PROGRAM.**

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Monday, March 10, 1997.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "BID #276-030697 ENCLOSED".

Under no circumstances will faxed bids from bidders be accepted.

All bids must be received in the Office of the Materials Manager by 12:00 p.m., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 1997.

Bid opening will be at 2:00 P.M. in Department of Materials Management, Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, 2200 West Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701, on Wednesday, April 23, 1997.

ALL BIDS MUST BE PRICE PROTECTED UNTIL AUGUST 23, 1997.

All bids will remain confidential until after the Board of Directors has met and voted an award. Vendors will then be allowed to review the bids in the Purchasing Office according the policy/ procedure of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center. Midland County Hospital reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

Director of Materials Management
Midland County Hospital District
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Midland, Texas 79701

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Proposal on Student High School Yearbook Pictures for the Midland Independent School District, Bid #7P-0002 addressed to Mr. Leon Hartter, Director of Purchasing, Midland Independent School District, 7201 W. County Road 60, Midland, Texas 79707 will be received until 2:30 p.m. CST, April 14 1997, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained by calling (915) 689-1752.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Proposal on Kindergarten thru 6th grade Student Pictures for the Midland Independent School District, Bid #7P-0003 addressed to Mr. Leon Hartter, Director of Purchasing, Midland Independent School District, 7201 W. County Road 60, Midland, Texas 79707 will be received until 2:00 p.m. CST, April 24, 1997, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained by calling (915) 689-1752.

THE MIDLAND COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS

Notice is hereby given of a public hearing to be held by The Midland County Housing Finance Corporation (the "Issuer") on April 24, 1997 at 1:30 pm, at Manor Park, 2208 Loop 250 West, Midland, Texas, on the proposed issuance by the Issuer of one or more series of revenue bonds (the "Bonds") to finance the acquisition of single family mortgages to be made to residents of, and for single family residences located in, the County of Midland, Texas pursuant to its residential mortgage program (the "Project"). The maximum aggregate face amount of the Bonds is expected not to exceed $10,641,600. All interested persons are invited to submit written comments to the Issuer prior to the time set for the public hearing or to attend the public hearing and express any comments they may have regarding the Project or the Bonds. The Bonds shall not constitute or create a charge against the credit or taxing power of the County of Midland, the State of Texas, nor any political subdivision thereof. Neither the County of Midland, State of Texas, nor any political subdivision thereof shall in any manner be liable for the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds for the performance of any agreement or pledge of any kind which may be undertaken by the Issuer and no breech by the Issuer of any agreements will create any obligation upon the County of Midland, the State of Texas, or any political subdivision thereof.

Further information with respect to the proposed Bonds will be available at the hearing or upon written request prior thereto addressed to the Issuer c/o Durward Wright, Manor Park, 2208 Loop 250 West, Midland, Texas 79707.

Durward Wright, President
The Midland County Housing Finance Corporation
Manor Park
2208 Loop 250 West
Midland, Texas 79707

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids on Magazine Subscription Service for the Midland Independent School District, Bid #7-0016 addressed to Mr. Leon Hartter, Director of Purchasing, Midland Independent School District, 7201 W. County Road 60, Midland, Texas 79707 will be received until 2:00 p.m. CST, April 10, 1997, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained by calling (915) 689-1752.

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE

Under the authority in Internal Revenue Code section 6331, the property described below has been seized for nonpayment of internal revenue taxes due from DAVID PORRAS. The property will be sold at public auction as provided by Internal Revenue Code section 6335 and related regulations. Date of Sale: Tuesday, April 22, 1997 Time of Sale: 10:00 am Place of Sale: Rocky Ford Moving Vans, 3411 W. Industrial, Midland, TX 79703. Title Offered: Only the right, title, and interest of DAVID PORRAS in and to the property will be offered for sale. If requested, the Internal Revenue Service will furnish information about possible encumbrances, which may be useful in determining the value of the interest being sold. Description of Property: 1977 Chevrolet Step Van, Marble Tile. Approx. 2000 Sq. Ft., #3312 Gray Full Length Fur, #3325 Leather with Fur Lining, #3326 Brown Full Length Fur, #3331Brown/Gray Full Length Fur, #3336 Black Full Length Fur, #3338 Brown Jacket, #3343 Leather With Fur Lining Full Length, #1944 Tin Sheet Metal Chandelier, #3112 (2) Brass Wall Sconces, #3114 Sconce with Prisms, #3318 White Horns Chandelier, #3120 Chandelier, #3123 Chandelier with Prisms, #3124 Tin Chandelier- Mexico, #3125 Chandelier, #3126 Chandelier, #3131 Green Prisms Chandelier. Property may be Inspected: 3411 W. Industrial, Midland, TX 79703 by appointment.Payment Terms: Full payment required on acceptance of highest bid. Form of Payment: All payments must be made by cash, certified check, cashier's or treasurer's check or by a United States postal, bank, express, or telegraph money order. Make check or money order payable to the Internal Revenue Service.
Betsy Ontiveros
Revenue Officer
1004 N. Big Spring, Suite 200
Midland, Texas 79701
(915) 570-5539.

595 Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are now being accepted from not-for-profit health and human services organizations desiring to participate in the Combined federal Campaign. Contact the Local Campaign manager, United Way of Midland at (915) 685-7709 to obtain application forms. Applications must be delivered in person or postmarked by certified mail not later than 5 pm May 27, 1997 to: CFC Local Federal Coordinating Committee, c/o 1209 W. Wall, St., Midland, TX 79701.

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NO COUCH POTATOS
Divorced white female, 30, brown/brown, loves dancing, quiet romantic times, movies, walks, sunsets, outdoors, some sports, and active fun. Seeking white male, 25-35, open, honest, with similar interests, and friendship first. ☎4127(exp5/18)

LOVABLE WHITE FEMALE
Single white female, 50, blonde/green, enjoys mountains, music, travel, quiet times at home. Seeking single male, 48-57, with similar interests. Must love children. Don't do bars. Serious calls only. ☎4132(exp5/18)

HONEST AND DEPENDABLE
Divorced white female, 50, enjoys movies, mountains, traveling, music. Tall gentleman, 48-57, compassionate, affectionate, romantic. Must love children. Serious replies only. ☎4131(exp5/18)

SILK TO JEANS
Attractive, slim, fun-loving, single professional female, long brown/brown, seeks honest, strong, compassionate, financially stable white male, 39+, to experience life's joys and pleasures. ☎3920(exp5/4)

JUST A FRIEND
Single white female, 33, 5'8", 130 pounds, blonde/green, very outgoing, loves dancing, Country and Western, dining out, working out, the country, animals. Seeking single male with similar interests. ☎3870(exp 4/27)

SHY, QUIET LADY
Seeks gentleman, 46-50, who knows how to have fun and to share quality time. Race unimportant. ☎3863 (exp4/27)

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT
Single white female, 50, 5'5", 130lbs, compassionate, degreed, pretty. Seeking kind, honest, assertive, slim single white male, 48-58. ☎3862 (exp4/27)

DOWN-TO-EARTH
Attractive, sweet, white female, seeks romantic down to earth white male, 20-30, who has respect and morals, and enjoys the good things in life. ☎3559(exp 4/13)

SOULMATE
Single white female, 35, 5'5", 125lbs, seeks single white male, 32-42, for friendship first, possible long-term relationship. Serious replies only. ☎3556(exp4/13)

SPICE UP MY LIFE
Attractive single female, 18, college student, loves dancing, having fun, seeks spontaneous, respectful, exciting, educated male, for friendship. ☎3555(exp4/13)

I NEED YOUR REAL LOVE
Single Hispanic mom of one, 43, enjoys cooking, children, music and dancing. Seeking a strong and compassionate male, 40-45, for a serious relationship. Non-smoker, no drugs. ☎3553(exp4/13)

NO GAMES, PLEASE!
Divorced white female, 30, brown/brown, loves dancing, romancing, movies, walks, sunsets, outdoors, some sports, and having fun. Seeking white male, 25-40, open, honest, with similar interests, and friendship first. ☎3357(exp5/18)

FUN AND EXCITING
Divorced white female 23, brown/blue, one child, enjoys dancing, exercising, outdoor activities, seeking attractive white/Hispanic male 21-30, who is romantic, thoughtful, honest, and with a good sense of humor. ☎3358(exp 5/18)

COUNTRY GIRL
Single white mom, 44, 5'7", enjoys dancing, country music, rodeos, fishing, lakes, mountains. Seeking cowboy, 30-50, for relationship or friendship. Must like children. ☎3356(exp5/18)

COWBOY WANTED
Single white female, 20, seeks romantic, tall single white male, 21-27, enjoys country-western dancing, movies, time together. Must be financially secure, with no kids, wonderful sense of humor. Friendship/possible relationship. ☎3253(exp 4/15)

PROFESSIONAL
Divorced white female, 5'1", attractive, petite blonde, 43, family-oriented, seeks divorced white male, non-smoker, degreed professional, who enjoys family and social functions. ☎2625 (exp 4/14)

TRUE FRIENDSHIP FIRST
Attractive divorced white female, early 30s, brown hair, blue eyes, seeks athletic, attractive white male, 32-42, who enjoys socializing, working out, kids. Non-smoker preferred. ☎2624(exp4/14)

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Full-time mother. Single white female, 35, seeks emotionally stable, financially solvent, older gentleman, 37-55, for dating, monogamous relationship. ☎3352 (exp5/18)

SEEKING SOMEONE SPECIAL
Single female, 49, black/brown, enjoys reading, television, studying. Seeking single white or Hispanic male, 45-49, non-smoker, must be sociable and have similar interests. ☎2580(exp4/14)

Men's Personals

CHALLENGING & ENERGETIC
Single male, 18, half Mexican, 5'8", loves football, baseball, soccer, hockey. Seeking young woman, 18-20, for possible relationship. Must be fun and like tejano. ☎4235(exp5/25)

FIRST TIME AD
Spontaneous single white male, 20, enjoys basketball, golf, movies, horses. Seeking single or divorced, 18-22, with good sense of humor, good personality and caring heart, for possible relationship. ☎4233 (exp5/25)

TAKE A CHANCE
Single white male, non-smoker, 5'9", blond/blue, degreed. Seeking attractive, romantic, smart, emotionally secure woman, 25-35, sense of humor, enjoys outdoors, conversation, quality time, camping, animals. Good Country and Western dancer a plus. ☎4229 (exp5/25)

DADDY, COACH, COWBOY
Divorced white male 28, 5'9", blond/blue daddy who enjoys the country way of life, with doses of the bright lights. Seeking "Mrs. Almost Perfect" who enjoys honesty, devotion, trust, a good laugh. ☎4130(exp5/18)



Men's Personals

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If a man can find a truly good wife, she is worth more than precious gems, her husband can trust her, and she will richly enhance his life. ☎4230(exp5/25)

LET'S GO OUT!
Black male, 48, 6', 180lbs, black/brown, professionally employed, enjoys music, sports, reading, dining out, and travel. Seeking honest, independent, romantic SW/ HF for friendship and fun. ☎4234(exp 5/25)

THE HEART SAVER
I'm looking for a female, 20-25, to start relationship. I'm 20, 6'2", 250lbs, enjoys country and western music, horseback riding, outdoors, dancing. ☎4128(exp5/18)

NEEDING DANCE PARTNER
Single Hispanic male, 38. Seeking Single white/ Hispanic female, 18-35, to join me in taking country and western dance lesson, starting in April. ☎4126(exp5/18)

LOOKING FOR CLASSY LADY
Single white male, 49, 5'10", degreed professional, seeking classy, good-looking single female, 35-49, who enjoys open ranges, mountain tops, moonlit nights, knows how to have a good time with whatever they do. ☎4129 (exp5/18)

PROFESSIONAL WRITER
Humorous single white male, 35, 6', 190lbs, brown/blue, degreed professional, enjoys traveling, arts, sports, nature, museums, guitar, witty conversation. Seeking honest, non-smoker, light/non-drinker, slender, attractive white female, 23-37, friendship/ possible relationship. Children ok. ☎3965(exp 5/11)

TIRED OF GAMES
Divorced white male, 26, 5'5", blond/blue, shy, father of two, enjoys walks, movies, dining out, quiet times at home. Seeking honest, caring, single white/Hispanic female who likes kids. No mind games. ☎3919(exp5/4)

GOOD WOMAN WANTED
Warm-hearted divorced white male, seeks attractive, well-built, caring, affectionate woman, 29-50, who enjoys dinners, movies and romance. ☎3915(exp5/4)

SINCERE
Single black male, 38, is in search of open-minded white/Hispanic female, 20-38, to share romance, possible relationship. ☎3912(exp 5/4)

BIG BAND MUSICIAN-ARTIST
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SPECIAL LADY
Divorced white male, 53, self-employed, ex-baseball coach seeks attractive lady, 45-65, who is sports minded, with sense of humor, and likes movies. For relationship. Race unimportant. ☎3918(exp5/4)

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SEEKING COMPANIONSHIP
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595 Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Local Employee Committee for the State Employee Charitable Campaign will begin accepting applications beginning on February 25th, 1997 from health and human service organizations desiring to participate in the 1997 Odessa/Midland State Employee Charitable Campaign. Agencies desiring to apply should contact (915) 685-7700 for an admission application. All applicants must be received by the Local Employee Committee at the Local Campaign Manager Office, 1209 W. Wall, St., Midland, TX 79701, no later than 5:00 PM, April 14, 1997.

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Dbl	Double
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Gar	Garage
Bldg	Building
Cond	Condition
N-QA	Non-Qualifying Assumable
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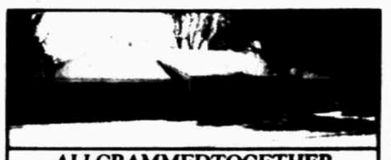
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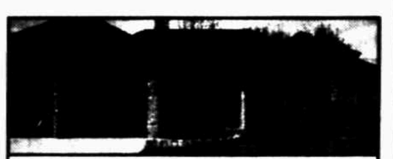
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2:00-3:30 1502 Castleford - Polo Park
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2:004:00 2405 McDonald
Best kept secret! Cute 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Corner of Gulf & McDonald. Assumable. Double fireplace. Can have new carpet. Walk to Rusk! $59,500 Shown by Caleb Matott

2:30-4:00 1401 W. Pine Av
5 bedroom,3 bath, 2 living area,2 car garage, bonus room, shop or office. $159,900 Shown by Betty Ford

3:00-5:00 2301 Terrace
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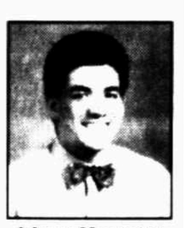
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NEW LISTINGS

SHANKS ST.-in Skyview. City living on 1.25 acres. Mexican tile throughout & light 139,000
CONCHO- Custom built 3 br/2 ba, over sized garage in Northgate addition $69,000
CROCKETT- 3 br/2 ba 2 car garage in nice area. Nice & clean! $55,500
BAIRD - duplex- great investment property. Will sell as package for $51,750
HOLLOWAY- 2 br/1 ba, with exception... potential Great investment! $27,560
NEW YORK- Great investment for only $6,360

SENSATIONAL HOMES OVER $100,000

FM 307 - 30 39 Acres. Residence w/ pool, arena & barns $295,000
NEELY - Colonial two-story 5+ bedrooms. Large pool/cabana, brick floors $225,000
OAKLAWN-Luxury Townhome, 2 br/2 ba MU$T SEE! $225,000
SHADY OAK CT - Spacious 3 br/3 full & 3 half ba/2 la/2 fp, lrg cedar lined closets $215,000
E CO RD- 120 3 br/2 ba, 2 la, fp, pool, barns, pens, orchards & more $210,000
HILLCREST - Custom 4 br in Grassland Top Qual. thru out. Still under builder's warranty ..... UC
S CR 1200 - 5 7 acres 4 br/3 5 ba, 2 la, 2 fp $200,000
DRIFTWOOD - 4 br/4 ba/2 living areas, on Golf Course $179,800
CO RD 56 - Spacious living, huge shop, good water wells $175,000
DAVENTRY - Lovely 4 br/3 ba/2 car garage. Quality everywhere $173,500
PINE - Fantastic Town home w/ 5 br/3 ba/2 la/2 car gar., fp, bonus room/shop $159,900
CROWLEY -4 br/3 ba with all the amenities. Home Warranty $137,900
KESWICK-Attractive redecorated w/4 br/2.5 ba/2 la,2 car gar., his/her/walkins in MBR $120,800
NEELY -4 br/3 5 ba, fp, very spacious floor plan, large back yard $119,912
CASTLEFORD—3 br/2 ba/2 car gar. Great house in Polo. Reduced from $119,000 to $115,000
WINDSOR - Need office in home? Lovely 3 br/3 ba/2 car gar., gorgeous POOL ..... UC

TERRIFFIC VALUES UNDER $100,000

E CO RD 139 - 3 br/2 ba w/ 2 acres $97,000
CO RD 3625/STANTON - 4 br/3 ba/2 la on 2 ac ,OWNER READY TO SELL!! $91,900
FANNIN - 3 br/2 ba, fp new kitchen cabinets, unusual floor plan-no maintenance $89,950
DARLING COZY COUNTRY - 2 br/2 ba on 5 acres, horse stalls/barn - Gardendale $88,435
TERRACE - 3 br/2 ba/2 la, fp, workshop or office & many extras. FHA appraised $88,000
HARVARD - 3 br/3 ba/2 la/2 car gar. Owner anxious. New roof. Updated! $84,000
DENGAR - 3 br/2 5 ba/2 la, form dining, 2 car garage, great buy & location ..... UC
2615 GODDARD- Spotless 3 br/2 ba/2 la - Lots of new $76,000
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LOUISIANA- 3 br/2 ba/2 la, carport $72,500
LOUISIANA - 2/3 br - 1 1/2 ba, 4 car garage - HW-POF- ..... UC
STANOLIND - 4 br/3 ba - large backyard. Home Warranty ..... Reduced to $69,900
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MCDONALD -Darling 3 br/2 ba, fp, formal dining. New carpet allowance ..... REDUCED $59,500
S CR 1 185 - 4 br /2 Mz ba/ 3.49 acres ..... Reduced again! Now $54,900
LEISURE- 3 br/2 ba, totally updated, ... $1,000 buyer incentive Reduced to $54,900
LEISURE- 3 br/2 ba, nice home, landscaped ..... UC
SENTINEL- 3 br/2 ba - lots of ne in last 3 yr $54,000
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WILSHIRE - 3 br/2 ba/ large liv area on corner lot $49,550
ERIE - 3 br/2 ba/2 la, fireplace, wet bar, freshly painted $49,000
S CO RD 1220 - 2 br/2 ba, large workshop and storm cellar on approx 3 acres $48,000
COUNTRY CLUB -SUPER 3 br/2 ba ..... UC
COLLEGE - Lots of new 3 br/2 ba in older area. REDUCED to $44,000
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EDWARDS - 3 br/1 ba/1 car gar. with lots of new! $40,000
DENGAR - New House! Great Starter Home! $40,000
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TRAVIS - 2 br/1 ba, immaculate, energy efficient, updates abound $33,950
CO RD 57 - 2 br/1 ba sits on 7 ac with storage $33,517
HILL - 2 br/1 ba /2 la, workshop, fresh paint $32,900
TANNER -3 br/1 ba, carport, new paint, carpet ..... BACK ON MARKET $30,000
HILL -2 br/1 ba/2 la, neat, clean, great starter home or investment property $29,500
MARIANA - 3 br, over sized gar., all appliances stay w/house, lots of new & extras ..... UC
10th ST. ALPINE, TX - 2 br/1 ba/1 la. Great invest prop! Attached covered parking $18,000
S CO RD 1206 - 2 br/2 ba/2 car garage, decks front & back, new carpet ..... UC

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COMMERCIAL -Andrews Hwy - super office bldg, 4 units or 1 large $160,000
N BIG SPRING-5 Acres, zoning comm $155,000
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10 ACRES, middle of Greentree North $150,000
W. LOUISIANA - FORMER PROFESSIONAL OFFICE - ZONE 0-1 ..... $82,500
ISLAND- Lot for sale on golf course in Greentree $60,000
W. LOUISIANA- Very good location with a super nice building $40,000
E NEW JERSEY- 2 bldgs, 2 lots w/well, for SALE or LEASE $28,900
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N CR 1135 - Fully developed, water, septic, 50 fruit trees, etc $14,900
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E. HIGHWAY 80 - (3.47 acres) $13,000
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FLOYD.....New In Fairway Park: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv ..... $ 81,500 2255
FERNCLIFF.....Large Living: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv ..... $ 79,900 2201
CLAREMONT....REDUCED: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv ..... $ 78,000 2238
GLENEAGLES...Closing Costs-Hm Warranty: 3 bd-2 ba $ 76,800 2280
SPENCE.....New In Fairway Park: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv ..... $ 76,744 2286
SPENCE...New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Options $ 76,244 2286
OXFORD.....Corner Lot: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Hot Tub ..... $ 75,000 2200
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MISSOURI....Historic Museum Area: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv ..... $ 74,500 2228
FLOYD..New Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors ..... $ 74,244 2255
OXFORD...Beautiful Hot Tub/Deck/Yard: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv . $ 71,000 2213
SPENCE....New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors . $ 70,225 2286
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GRAHAM.....New Construction: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv ..... $ 66,704 2256
OAKLAWN ..... NEW LISTING ..... $ 65,000 2273
Beautiful in "Old Midland" 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Fireplace-Hobby Room
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SHANDON ..... UNDER CONTRACT
CANADIAN.....REDUCED: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pretty Yard .... $ 61,900 2214
GOLF COURSE ..... NEW LISTING ..... $ 55,000 2230
Above-Ground Pool: 3 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Large Workshop
LIVINGSTON ..... UNDER CONTRACT
SWEETBRIAR ..... UNDER CONTRACT
MARIENFELD ..... NEW LISTING ..... $ 48,500 2277
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THORNRIDGE.....REDUCED: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Cute!! ..... $ 46,000 2275
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CHECOTAH.....REDUCED: Mob.Home: 3 bd-1.5 ba ..... $ 25,000 2239
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BOULDER....2 Condos: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Fireplace....each $ 18,000 2237

SUBURBAN PROPERTIES

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ITS TIME TO CHOOSE THIS Immaculate home in Meadowpark. Custom 2 yr. Has 3 BD, MBR has a wonderful sitting area. Terraced lot. Low maintenance $132,500

NO FOOLING April can be the month to move into your own home, spacious 2 story, 3 BD, 2 BA, 2 LA, wet bar. Kitchen w/breakfast bar. Covered patio to enjoy lovely backyard with game pool. Call today to see $109,900

SPRING FOWARD Set your clock to the future in this unique 2 story home. 4 BD, 2 BA, 2 LA. Excellent master suite. Parquet and tile flooring. On cul-de-sac. Call today for an appointment $112,000

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TIME TO SAVE Don't hesitate to see this pretty 3 BD, 2 BA home in Fairmont area. Open and impressive, soaring ceilings. Pristine condition $95,900

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MOVE FORWARD To this fantastic home. Features galore, 2 LA, plantation shutters, custom cabinets, tile flooring, seq master suite. Must see to appreciate $89,900

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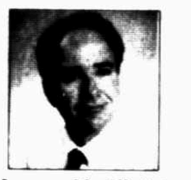
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2304 W. Golf Course Rd.....$110,000
1408 W. Pecan.....$105,900

OPEN 2-4PM

411 5 Baybrook.....$244,900
4419 Tanforan.....$184,900
4605 Cherrywood.....$165,000
3709 Dentcrest.....$105,000
2405 Flare Ct.....$74,900
414 Sweetbriar.....$59,900
4411 Princeton-2-4.....$66,800

OPEN 2-5PM

2405 Whittle Way.....$66,500
2004 Western.....$79,900

5 OR MORE BEDROOMS

Oriole.....$289,000
Fabulous custom private library upstairs playroom, gorgeous grounds pool, golf course view **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

Baybrook.....$244,900
Fantastic family home - everyone has privacy with the bedroom arrangements Gorgeous kitchen - huge family room - elegant formal dining - formal living -3 car garage waiting for you! **Ask for Debbie Hatfield.**

Shady Bend.....$197,300
Salute to Spring is what you will be feeling in this beautiful Greentree home

W. Co. Rd. 182.....$125,000
5 bdrm 3 bath 5 acres at Skyranch **Call Clemmie.**

Oakridge.....$109,900
Breakfast room large enough for second living area, good storage, sparkling clean, sprinkler system **Please call Ruth Young 682-7884.**

Island.....$378,000
On the lake in Greentree 5 BR 4 1/2B 2 living areas spacious yard with pool & spa, privacy fence 2 patios, balcony splendid interior **Please call Ruth Young 682-7884.**

Coventry.....$169,900
Well maintained. 5 BR, 3B, 2 living areas & 3 car garage. Recently painted outside & most of interior **Please call Ruth Young at 682-7884.**

4 BEDROOMS

Crestmont.....$107,700
Just Listed! Outstanding one owner home, sequestered master, stunning bath, plantation shutters, sprinkler system **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

Cimmaron.....$99,500
Fantastic family home - newly remodeled kitchen, wood flooring, built-ins in all bedrooms, park-like backyard **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

Shady Oak.....$249,900
April showers will be welcome when you are inside an elegant custom-built 2-story **Call Marilyn Jo Smith**

Windrift.....$169,900
Spring cleaning will never be a chore in a floor plan like this one **Call Marilyn Jo Smith** U/C

Beechwood.....$169,900
Sweet and savory peach to pluck. Each bedroom with a private bath! **Call Marilyn Jo Smith**

Oaklawn.....$112,000
Set your clock ahead to see a U/C 2-story home on quiet cul-de-sac **Call Marilyn Jo Smith**

Thomason.....$63,000
Wonderful 4 bdrm home with 2 masters, 3 baths, 2 living, 2 fireplaces, 2 car garage. New carpet, paint, wallpaper. Very, Very nice large home.

Rustic Trail.....$249,500
Stunning Mediterranean by Tommy Pugh! Overlooks Golf Course & lake. Unbelievable kitchen & mstr. suite. Many gorgeous features.

Mockingbird Heights Masterpiece!.....Only $283,000
Large bedrooms, 2 living & dining areas, many custom features! **Call Jan Melton**

Meadowbrook.....$124,900
2 Backyards, 2 fireplaces, 2 covered patios, workshop, pool, unique open plan **Call Karen Czech 685-4028**

Cherrywood.....$165,000
Gorgeous new construction in Briarwood! A show place! Extras you'll see and some you won't. **Call Billie @ 697-5545.**

S. Co. Rd. 1082.....$120,900
New construction in Greenwood **Call Clemmie.**

Springmont.....$119,900
Open kitchen, living area, 2 FP **Call Clemmie.**

E. Co. Rd. 109.....$117,900
Almost new, formal dining, lots of tile **Call Clemmie.**

Sunshine Parkway.....$77,900
Just reduced - great area **Call Clemmie.**

Green Tree North.....$199,000
Gorgeous McPherson new construction has 2 living areas + study, 4 car garage, sequestered guest wing

Trinity Estates.....$141,500
Beautiful pool & spa accent this beauty w/jewel tone colors, beautiful wall coverings, screened porch

Wilshire Park.....$49,900
Cute 4 bedroom with beautiful landscaping has hollywood bath, extra large bonus room, many updates

Has It All - New Listing.....$45,000
Phenomenally redone - Cute home with extra large dining area - glass cabinets in kitchen - **Call Lavonne Johnson 684-0444**

Western Street.....$79,900
Wonderful home with lots of square footage. 3 or 4 bedroom with home office, light & bright front kitchen. **Call Lavonne Johnson.**

Fabulous Curb Appeal!!.....$169,900
1990 Troy Hunt Resale - 3 baths, 2 living areas, 2 fpls., gourmet kitchen, island, wonderful space **Call Kay P. 682-4922.**

College Area!!.....$104,900
3 1/2 baths, great room w/fireplace, super master suite, formal dining, on cul-de-sac, 2% incentive **Call Kay 682-4922.**

Room To Roam!!.....$45,000
Over 2700 sq. ft., 3 baths, fireplace, 2.88 acres, unrestricted area in city limits **Call Kay 682-4922.**

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4 bedrooms, 3 baths, study, sunroom, workshop **Call Norma Barnes.**

804 Gulf.....$97,000
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 living, pool, cabana - guest house **Call Norma Barnes.**

NEW LISTING-Space!!.....$81,500
Tiled sunroom, workshop, water well - Lee High **Call Jo Braden 683-1425**

NEW LISTING.....$79,900
Formal dining, storage bldg, Fannin School, $3000 Buyer Incentive **Call Jo Braden 683-1425**

NEW LISTING.....$39,500
Hardwood floors - light open plan - immaculate **Call Jo Braden 683-1425**

Dentcrest.....$105,000
Newly constructed on cul-de-sac in Fairmont Park **Call Deborah Pierce 520-2112.**

Shandon.....$119,900
Fannin Terrace beauty, 2 liv. areas, formal dining, in-law BR, move-in condition **Joel Oldham.**

Saddle Club South.....$219,900
Spacious with every amenity, gorgeous yard with spa, great trees, 2 fireplaces, 5 baths, parquet & tile flooring, new listing, lots of square footage **Donna Pohl.**

Grassland.....$169,900
Sparkling new listing with 2 large living areas. Plantation shutters throughout. RO + softener - The backyard is a paradise!! HURRY! **Call Donna Pohl.**

Stanolind.....$72,500
Super clean - 2 living areas - great yard **Call Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.**

Highland.....$138,800
New construction, great floor plan - walk-in closets **Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.**

Drexel.....$219,500
Large den with great tile - super kitchen, formal dining **Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.**

Oakmont.....$104,900
2 years young, landscaped yard with sprinkler system. Great plan, better than new. **Please call Ruth Young at 682-7884.**

3 BEDROOMS

Live Oak.....$289,000
Entertain lavishly in most prestigious cul-de-sac, over 4000 square feet with numerous designer details **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

Lennox.....$120,000
Lush landscaping, tiled walkways, zoned heat/air, lovely townhome with backyard workshop, private hot tub off master, many extras **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

Edgemont.....$93,500
Unique waffle beam ceiling, U/C lights in large den, double sided fireplace, bountiful oak cabintry, walk-in closets **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

Elma.....$83,900
Large rooms, formal dining, U/C baths, remodeled kitchen, hot tub, sprinkler system. **Vicky Garrett 57[illegible]**

Goddard.....$73,500
Totally terrific kitchen had complete makeover in Fall, incredibly neat and fresh, 2 living areas **Vicky G[illegible] U/C 570-8889**

Boulder.....$72,500
Stylish townhome, 3 full baths, oversized walk-in closets, whirlpool tub, spectacular ceilings and skylights **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

Dengar.....$69,7000
Great location, corner lot, lots of house for money, 2 living, game room, workshop **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

Sweetbriar.....$59,900
Mrs. Clean lives here! Large bedrooms, double garage, sprinkler system, close to neighborhood park **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

N. Co. Rd. 1243.....$158,000
Stars never looked brighter than in this backyard pool & spa and corral for horses **Call Marilyn Jo Smith**

W. Dengar.....$57,900
Wonderful, well-kept home in great location. Excellent carpet & paint, 2 living areas. Call for appt.

Northfield.....$109,900
No April Foolin' about Trinity 2-story with pool and 2 living areas **Call Marilyn Jo Smith**

Edgemont.....$95,900
Don't hesitate to see this pretty Fairmont home. Pristine condition. Open & impressive **Call Marilyn Jo Smith**

Hillsboro.....$132,500
Immaculate home in Meadowpark ready to move into. Low maintenance **Call Marilyn Jo Smith**

Terrace.....$87,500
Quiet Fannin area home waiting for you to call yours. Screened patio to huge backyard **Call Marilyn Jo Smith**

Anetta.....$89,900
REALLY must see to appreciate so many fine features! Plantations shutters, tile, etc. **Call Marilyn Jo Smith.**

Shandon.....$99,900
Enjoy life in 3 living areas and lots of room in established neighborhood **Call Marilyn Jo Smith**

Cuthbert.....$49,900
Make a fresh start today in central location with fruit trees! **Call Marilyn Jo Smith**

Alcove Ct.....$85,000
Fabulous 2-story on cul-de-sac. Huge mstr. 9' ceiling, 2 living areas & 2 fireplaces, 2 car garage. Great!!

Caldera.....$105,000
Beautiful Kahler Showstopper! Great plan, seq. mstr. Crown molding, berber carpet, ceramic tile, sprinkler sys.

Pine Meadow.....$156,000
One of a kind Architect's dream! Stunning!! Gourmet kitchen, 2 FP, workshop, huge patio. Fabulous!!

Bowie.....$41,500
Totally re-done-new carpet, ceramic tile, cabinets, countertops, paint. Fabulous!!!

Thomas.....$45,000
New paint, carpet, vinyl. Lots of square footage-Country kitchen, 2 living areas, fireplace. Nice!!

A. No. Pecos.....$53,000
Very nice duplex, 2.5 baths, soaring ceilings, fireplace, wonderful patios, low maintenance, very unique!!

W. Louisiana.....$53,500
Great home in good condition in Terrific location. Sprinkler system in back on timer. Very nice!

North C Street-.....$99,900
Large rooms, great kitchen with lots of storage, heated pool, spacious throughout. Warranty. **Call Karen Czech 685-4028**

Parkdale.....$55,900
Seller wants an offer! Warranty, heat replaced, A/C added in January '97, separate apartment **Call Karen Czech 685-4028**

NEW LISTING.....$58,200
Sequestered master suite. Gorgeous high ceiled spacious den w/fp, office/study w/beautiful built-in Wooden desk. Cabinets, bookshelves etc. This is load w/extras. **Call joyce brickey**

NEW LISTING.....$56,000
Freshly painted interior. Pretty F.P., 2 car garage. Ready for immediate occupancy. **Call Quick! Call joyce brickey.**

Bedford.....$99,900
An Excellent find! Custom built, one owner, fabulous kitchen, built-in desk, breakfast area accommodates large table, buffet, china cabinet, super master bedroom suite. HUGE workshop! **Call Larry Hatfield.**

Stanton.....$59,900
Hurry to see this super home. Updated, lots of storage, 2 large living areas. This one sparkles. **Ask for Larry.**

Flare Ct.....$74,900
New on the market! Two great living areas, formal dining, tiled kitchen & breakfast area, rear entry garage, newer heat/air conditioner. Fabulous inside!! **Ask for Debbie Hatfield.**

Northgate.....$75,000
One of the larger ones. 2 living areas! Much recent Updating. **Call Billie 697-5545.**

Knights Place.....$137,900
Best buy in Polo Park - 2 living areas. **Call Clemmie.**

E. Co. Rd. 109.....$107,900
New construction in Greenwood. **Call Clemmie.**

E. Co. Rd. 109.....$103,000
Under Construction in Windmill Estates. **Call Clemmie.**

Ward.....$84,900
Lots of extras. 2 living areas. REDUCED. **Call Clemmie.**

Mercedes.....$53,900
Pretty home, lots of updating. **Call Clemmie.**

Humble.....$48,500
Grandmothers home, great area. **Call Clemmie.**

Fairmont.....$37,000
Lots of house for the price, ige. workshop. **Call Clemmie.**

Saddle Club Estates.....$224,500
Prime location/Spectacular home on HUGE corner lot with pool, enclosed sunroom, 2 fireplaces.

Melody Acres-Tanforan.....$184,900
Exceptional home on approximately 2 3/4 acres has separate guest quarters, studio, barns, pastures, etc. MUST SEE. Open Today 2-4

Arrowhead Acres.....$84,500
Beautiful backyard with extended Mexican tile is an outstanding feature of this 3/2 on pretty corner lot.

Investment Property.....$25,000
3 bedroom, corner lot - need TLC. **Call Lavonne Johnson.**

Space & Location!!.....$75,000
You need to see this one - formal dining, master suite w/sep. closets & 2 vanities, lots of neat features. **Call Kay P.**

Workshop!!.....$43,500
Convenient location, great amenities, den/fireplace, 2 garages, hardwood floors. **Call Kay P.**

Stanton!!.....$35,000
Great Potential - stucco house with 1 1/2 baths, workshop or office, kitchen overlooks den. **Call Kay P.**

Gulf.....$106,000
3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living areas, gorgeous yard. **Call Norma Barnes.**

Mark Lane.....$69,900
3 bedroom, 2 bath, spic and span. **Call Norma Barnes.**

Edgemont.....$88,900
Great price for this area - paneling, tile, pretty master bdrm & bath. **Denise 697-1799**

Warwick.....$297,500
Quality, charm, brick floors, shutters, trees. **Jo Braden 683-1425**

NEW LISTING.....$78,500
Hardwood & tile floors - "Old Midland Charm", 17'x32' sunroom. **Call Jo Braden 683-1425.**

Sinclair.....$68,000
REDUCED!! Use your imagination with 3 living areas. Updated H/A, carpet. **Clayton Alexander 682-8484.**

Roosevelt.....$44,900
Wonderful backyard and patio **Call Deborah Pierce 520-2117.**

Rio Drive.....$41,900
Nice 3 bedroom with formal dining area **Call Deborah Pierce 520-2117.**

Golf Course.....$110,000
Stunning townhome w/2 living areas, formal dining, plus sunroom, small yard, extra parking, 2 car carport **Call Sandy Scott.**

Pecan.....$105,900
Wallace townhome w/sequestered master suite. Newly painted interior and kitchen vinyl. Must see!! **Call Sandy Scott.**

McDonald.....$76,500
REDUCED! Workshop plus over 1900 sq. ft. in immaculate condition, formal dining and much more! **Call Sandy Scott.**

Norwood.....$74,000
Super townhome, great floor plan, atrium, 2 car rear entry and gorgeous landscaped frt. & side yards **Call Sandy Scott.**

Elma.....$68,900
Beautiful townhome, low maintenance, ground floor master. Qualifying low interest loan **Call Sandy Scott.**

Tammy Cove.....$81,000
Wydewood Estates. Cul-de-sac lot. Recent roof, interior paint. Carpet allowance. **Joel Oldham**

Whittle Way.....$66,500
Arbor Park. Nice kitchen, formal dining area, good condition, home warranty for buyer. **Joel Oldham**

Dublin-Northeast Odessa.....$55,000
Off Loop 338. Recent carpet, exterior and interior paint. Corner lot. 2 liv. areas, formal dining, fireplace. **Joel Oldham**

"Greentree".....$89,900
Low maintenance, some grass! Newer carpeting & fresh paint. Take a look today. **Call Donna Pohl.**

Fannin Area.....$89,900
Estate sacrifice in nice condition. Rock FP, great yard, frig., washer & dryer stay - not warranted. Reduced. **Call Donna Pohl.**

Emerson.....$74,500
Nice three bedroom, two bathroom home for $74,500 and can be a non-qualifying assumption. **Kirk French.**

Stanton, Tx.....$59,900
Great three bedroom, two bathroom home on a corner lot for $59,900. **Kirk French 682-8820.**

W. Illinois.....
You must see this three bedroom, two bathroom home that has been remodeled inside and out. **Kirk French 682-8820.**

Stanolind.....$93,900
Two story home - great workshop - super storage. **Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.**

Tanner.....$43,900
Great 3BR, 2B home with fireplace. One of newer homes in area. **Please call Ruth Young at 682-7884.**

Princeton.....$86,900
Need workshop & extra outside space? This home is perfect for you. 2.4 acres. Barn, country living in city limits. **Please call Ruth Young at 682-7884.**

Hwy. 176.....$250,000
Andrews County, 3BR, 2B, 2 living areas, one more than 250 acres, storage buildings, security system, sprinkler, over 250 trees. **Please call Ruth Young at 682-7884.**

Fannin.....$89,500
Fabulous space in desirable area. 2 living areas and gorgeous deck off master bedroom - a must see! **Linda Smith, ext. 152.**

2 OR LESS BEDROOMS

LASALLE.....$45,900
East side of duplex in Wydewood. Great location, great price. Low maintenance. Qualify. Assmp. 7%.

Castleford.....$87,900
Gorgeous patio home. Completely updated. Fabulous hobby room upstairs. Elegant luxury living, low maintenance.

NEW LISTING.....$28,000
Sooo Much for Sooo little! Includes Wood Burning F.P. w/glass screen, border tiled room, pretty carpeting + wood Firs. **Call joyce brickey**

Co. Rd. 60.....$61,500
Great property, workshop and barn, 5 acres. **Call Clemmie.**

W. Cuthbert.....$41,500
Being rebuilt - all new flooring, cabinets. **Call Clemmie.**

Ridgiea.....$52,500
Adorable cottage in desirable Old Midland is completely updated with hardwood floors, lots of extras.

McKenzie
Very nice two bedroom, two bath mobile home on a corner lot. **Call Kirk French 682-8820.**

Dengar Duplex.....$64,950
2 bedroom, 2 units and too good of opportunity to miss! Great income potential or live one, make payment from the other unit. **Linda Smith, ext. 152.**

SUBURBAN & COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES

W. CR 60.....$550,000
Superior equestrian facilities, pool, tennis courts, 2 guest houses, 4 garages, RV garage, 17 acres, open to offers. **Vicky Garrett 570-8889.**

W CR 54.....$265,000
Gleaming hardwood floors, gameroom, study, 4 bedrooms, 3 fireplaces, beautiful view of Midland skyline. **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

W CR 58.....$235,000
Dream kitchen, exercise/nursery room off masters. Texas-size home on 4-1/2 acres. Built in '93. **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

Solomon Lane.....$158,000
Trees a Plenty! 3 living, 2-1/2 baths, quality barn, horse stalls, dog kennels, pkpe financing. **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

N CR 1294.....$127,000
Horsin's around more fun on U/C with barn, stalls, pool, huge garage and recently remodeled home. **Vicky Garrett 570-8889**

12.5 Acres.....$29,900
with 8 septics, 4 connected water wells & 6 Mobile Home spaces, on CR 1140 North.

20 acres-Off Rankin Hwy.....**$40,000**

Gardendale.....$60,000
4.5+or- AC, MH hook-ups, 2 water wells, 3 septic, plumbed for irrigation, will divide **Call Karen Czech 685-4028**

Approx. 5 acres.....$56,000
This is so special & spacious w/2 skylights, beautiful kitchen plus 1200 workshop + carport. **Call joyce brickey.**

Greenwood w/Pool!!.....$89,900
Remodeled 1992. Huge living room w/FP, fantastic master suite, over 2 acres, unrestricted. **Call Kay**

Country Close To Town!!.....$89,900
Great room, FP, country kitchen, on 1.6 acres. **Call Kay**

Hwy. 80.....$44,000
Super commercial at a bargain price. **Call Larry.**

S. Co. Rd. 1218.....$21,500
10 acres, sandy soil. **Call Clemmie.**

South Co. Rd. 1213.....$7,500
2.5 AC, deed restriction. **Call Clemmie.**

Co. Rd. 2801.....$5,500
3 Acres located 4 miles West of Stanton. **Call Clemmie.**

Andrews Hwy.....$79,500
Formerly kitchen store & gift shop. **Call Lavonne Johnson.**

S.C.R. 1206.....$55,000
Located on 4.27 acres. Cute "A" frame, 2 story barn, 3 water wells. Lots of room. **Joel Oldham**

W. Broadway-Stanton.....$9,900
One city block. Vacant land, 2+ acres. Across from Stanton Care Center. **Joel Oldham**

Townhouse Lots.....$15,000 Ea.
Three lots in Lone Oak Subdivision. **Kirk French.**

S. Hwy. 349.....$90,000
Four bedrooms, 2 bath, workshop, walk-in closets. **Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.**

Co. Rd. 1178.....$22,000
Pecan Orchard - approx. 3 acres. Sprinkler system. **Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.**

Tattenham.....$6,500
Nice lot in North Midland. Gas at back of property, city utilities available. Owner will consider carrying note. **Please call Ruth Young at 682-7884.**

W. Co. Rd. 118 Mobile Home Site.....$15,000
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OPEN 1-2:30

4701 KNIGHTS PLACE — Laura Manulik — 168,000
Gorgeous 4BR/3BA in Polo. No wasted space, open kitchen/living area. Top quality!

4207 SHADY OAK — Donna Omar — 139,500
Golf course living w/loads of windows, lovely kitchen, low maintenance yd. Well maintained.

OPEN 1:30-2:30

4402 WESTMINSTER — Roberta Aldridge — 99,500
"Lovely to Look At- Easy to Buy" Qualifying assumption in move-in condition.

OPEN 1-3

321 CAROL LANE — Jon Short — 167,500
Wonderful 4/3/2 suburban home in the city. Lots of tile & windows + pool & horse stalls.

4201 IRVIN — Jane Wheeler — 144,900
Advantage of country living w/city neighborhood benefits. Large barns & pens, roping arena.

1425 LANHAM — Amy Johnson — 139,900
Wonderful 3BR/2 1/2 BA w/2LA. Lush landscaping with lots of custom features.

OPEN 1-3 (CONT.)

2504 CANDLE TREE COVE — Patti McClung — 122,000
4BR/3 full baths, 2-car garage with atrium. Formal dining.

2907 ARROWHEAD — Bentley O'Quinn — 99,800
Exceptional 3/2 with 2LAs + study. You'll be surprised.

3313 EDGEMONT — Danny Norwood — 89,900
Price has been slashed on this 4BR beauty with lots of new!

2401 SHANDON — Sandy J. Hanson — 89,900
Corner home. Big 3/2 & 2LA. Approx 24'x24' sop. Lots of new. Park-like yard w/well.

3310 EDGEMONT — Andi Wiggins — 83,200
Beautiful home that has it all! French doors, tile floors, open and bright, lush landscaping!

1605 VENTURA — Cynthia McLaughlin — 78,500
Wonderful 3BR with large backyard. Located in quiet neighborhood. Lots of trees.

702 W. SPRUCE — Pam Messer — 61,900
3BR/2BA/2-car garage, fireplace, vaulted ceilings. Great home for the price!

OPEN 2-4

4407 FAIRBANKS — Sharon Harris — 73,000
Yes! Open Today! Easy living in this 3BR/2BA home w/large yard & great location too!

5700 E. CO. RD. 98 — Cynthia Brown — 165,900
Greenwood schools, new const. Appraised at $170,000. 4BR/3 1/2BA, 2LA on 1.79 ac.

4802 FOXBORO — RC (Skeet) Does
Let's "Shoot" into this one. We want a "Contract" on You! Wonderful 3/2/2 in Meadowpark.

OPEN 2:30-4

1607 KANSAS — Laura Manulik — 107,900
Just move in - remodeled, top condition, 3/3/2, oversized garage, 2 large storage buildings.

OPEN 3-4

4009 BAYBROOK — Roberta Aldridge — 278,000
A fabulous gourmet kitchen is just one of the features of this lovely Bill Brown custom.

OPEN 3-4:30

4606 RUIDOSO CT. — Donna Omar — 67,000
Really nice, low maintenance on quiet cul-de-sac. Lots of new carpet in spacious rooms.

OPEN 3-5

3905 CARDINAL LANE — Danny Norwood — 130,000
Historical home in the country with all the convenience of city living on 3.0 acres!

2404 LOCKHEED — Jane Wheeler — 72,900
Wonderful 3BR/2BA in great location. Nice landscaping. Come see!

4104 CRESTGATE — Andi Wiggins — 123,000
Warm & clean Crestgate home. 4BR/3BA/2LA. Updated paint and tile. Nice landscaping.

OPEN 3:15-5

2007 SANDS — Patti McClung — 73,500
3BR/2BA/2LA/2-car garage, screened-in back porch, water well & sprinkler sys for lawn.

4301 NICKLAUS — Pam Messer — 52,000
3BR/2BA/2-car garage. Priced to sell!

OPEN 3:30-5

3800 APOLLO — Sandy J. Hanson — 121,500
Newer construction! 4BR/2 1/2 BA. Hardwood floors in FD & entry! Cul-de-sac for privacy.



Call Sarah Collins

LIDDON
Roomy 1BR TH in quiet area, near pool, other amenities.
17,900

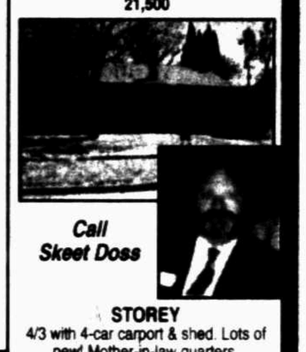
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ARROWHEAD-Outstanding 3/2 w/2LA + study on quiet cul-de-sac. Exceptional at this price **99,600**
WESTMINSTER-Really nice home in convenient neighborhood, 4th bedroom or den. Your choice! **99,500**
CRESTWOOD-Patio style TH. Small backyard, low maintenance front, 3/3 ..... **97,000**
LAWSON-Large kitchen & den, formal living & dining. 4BR/2 masters. Updated, tile floors, new heat & air **96,500**
EDGEMONT-Fresh, updated 4BR, in Fairmont Park w/space galore & new interior paint **89,900**
SHANDON-Lots of new, large shop, extra parking. Must see **89,900**
HARVARD-Great 3BR/2BA, hardwood floors and lots of windows **89,500**
ST. ANDREWS-Light, bright, open and spacious. Privacy in this unique home **87,500**
LAWSON-Wonderful 3BR in "Old Midland" Walking distance of school w/large swimming pool **85,900**
GULF-Open plan in "Old Midland" Fannin district beauty. 3BR - light & bright. Very clean **85,000**
FRONTIER-Darling 3BR in Fannin Terrace. Beautiful drive-up and backyard **84,500**
IMPERIAL-Marvelous neighborhood. 4BR/2LA/2BA, 2 garages, den carpet allowance **84,500**
EDGEMONT-Beautiful, large master bedroom w/French doors, lush landscaping, tile floors **83,200**
407-Only 6 mos. old! Most spacious MBR, den and kitchen! Wonderfully light & lovely **82,500**
MOGFORD-New carpet makes this 3/2/2 even neater! Clean, neat, open plan **79,900**
SUNSHINE PARKWAY-Wonderful! Sequestered master with nice, large living area. Manicured yard **78,900**
VENTURA-Great 3BR/2BA in quiet neighborhood with large yard **78,500**
WHITNEY-Beautifully maintained, easy-to-care-for 3BR in great location **75,000**
SANDS-3BR/2BA/2LA, screened-in patio, water well and auto sprinkler system. Great property **73,500**
FERNCLIFF-Patio home with backyard only! 3/2/2 plus 2-car garage **73,500**
FAIRBANKS-Fairmont Park Charmer! Cozy 3BR/2BA w/all the amenities & good location too **73,000**
LOCKHEED-3BR/2BA on Lockheed. Sparkle & shine from head to toe **72,900**
SANDS-Really nice updated home in "Old Midland", spacious room **72,500**
CONROE-Super Northgate - completely updated! Rasnick built in 1986 w/so many amenities **71,000**
NELSON-Wonderful 3BR/2BA TH w/wonderful backyard for animals. Darling home in great condition **71,000**
CUTHBERT-4BR/2BA, formals, sutdy, stuio, 2FP-Big! **69,900**
MISSOURI-Museum dist. charmer! 3/2 hdwd floors, lots of windows, 2FP, fresh paint & new vinyl **68,900**
PRINCETON-Country living in town! Nice 3BR on approximately 1 acre **68,000**
LANHAM-Non-qualifying assumption. 3/2, large covered patio, established area **67,000**
RUIDOSO-Very nice low maintenance home on quiet cul-de-sac. Priced to sell quickly **67,000**
DENGAR-Spacious 3BR/2BA/2-car garage storage building. Lee, Alamo and Rusk schools **64,500**
SEABOARD-Great 3 bedroom home with 2 living areas and large trees **64,000**
STANOLIND-Large house for little money! 3BR/2BA/2LA **63,500**
SPRUCE-3BR/2BA, energy efficient home **61,900**
BAUMANN-"Dont cramp your style" in this immaculately updated 3BR/2BA home **61,500**
GOLF COURSE-Wonderful location! Zoned residential house is to be sold with property as is **60,000**
BOEING-Recent paint and carpet in affordable home in convenient location **58,000**
NEELY-3BR/2BA, with all new paint and carpet. Good buy! Good central location! Location! Location! **57,000**
LOUISIANA-"Old Midland" cottage, 3BR, wood floors, guest house - 1BR, kitchen & bath **54,900**
STONYBROOK-Nicely affordable, brick 3/2. Great living room w/fireplace - plus 2 c. garage **52,900**
WOODCREST-Great brick, 3/2, fireplace, sprinklers and screen porch. Home Warranty! **52,000**
NICKLAUS-3BR/2BA/2 garage. Priced to sell! Won't last long **52,000**
MONTY-Cozy home, close to school, recently repainted inside, 3BR/2BA **49,900**
STANOLIND-Buy of a lifetime.3BR/3LA/2BA, sprinkler sys, close to schools and shopping **47,775**
BAIRD-Beautifully redone w/lots of charm, good floors, skylights, nice plan **45,500**
SHANDON-Value in the land, adjacent to land on Wadley, across from Clay Desta **45,000**
WADLEY #30-Chandelle, super 2/2 TH w/FP, utility, 2CP. Nice **45,000**
STOREY-4/3 with 4-car carport & shed. Lots of new! Mother-in-law quarters **45,000**
PARKDALE-Darling 3/2 home with lots of extras - great condition **44,000**
RIC-Why pay rent? You can afford to own this buyer's dream! 3BR/2BA, updated completely **41,750**
IDLEWILDE-Spotless 2/2 condo. Newer heating/AC **39,900**
KENTUCKY-Wonderfully updated home, 2LA, hardwood floors, garage and workshop **39,500**
CONNELL-Space galore with lots of extras, such as workshop, satellite dish and water well **38,500**
COWDEN-Perfectly charming 2BR/1BA. Possible owner finance **35,000**
COWDEN-Great home! Nice shape w/siding & good fence. 3/1 with extra LA **27,000**
JACKSON-2BR house plus bonus corner lot **20,000**
CALDERA-Sagewood Condo. Really nice 1BR in excellent condition **21,500**
LIDDON-Roomy 1BR TH in quiet area, near pool, other amenities **17,900**
CUTHBERT-Owner anxious, Old Midland home, priced to sell **17,000**
TYLER-Spiffy little white one bedroom cottage. Won't last long **8,000**



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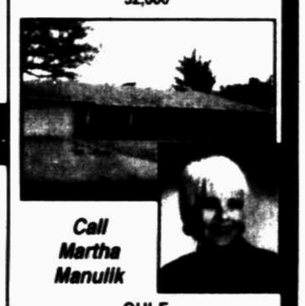
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KNIGHTS PL-Good floor plan, 3 separate bedroom areas. Country kitchen, 1 large LA, 2 patios **168,000**
CAROL LANE-Suburban Living in town! Lovely 4/3/2 w/pool and barns. Must see **167,500**
ASHWOOD CT-Grassland Estates. Just completed & ready to move into. 4BR/3+BA, 2LA, 3 garage home **165,900**
LANCASHIRE-Terrific 2-story 4BR English Tudor! Lots of style! Close to clubhouse and pool **159,900**
ASHDOWN-Lovely TH in Saddle Club South. 3BR/3 1/2 BA. Style & space! **155,000**
HAYNES-Beautiful TH w/3/2 1/2/2. Parquet floors, skylights, mirrored walls. Must see this fabulous home **139,900**
LANHAM-Beautiful custom built home. Lots of extras. Great flow and large kitchen **139,900**
SHADY OAK-Great buy on golf course. Nice plan, good condition, wonderful kitchen **139,500**
KANSAS-Beautiful home in Old Midland that has been totally redone **138,500**
STUTZ-Superb value. Approx 3700 sq. ft. 4BR/ 3 1/2 BA/3LA. Country kitchen **132,000**
DYER-Cul-de-sac among fine homes. 4BR/3BA/3 gar. Upstairs bedroom and bath **131,900**
CARDINAL-Historical home with lots of unique features and charm located on 3 acres in city limits **130,000**
CASTLEFORD-Polo Park! 3BR, 3LAs, tile floors and plantation shutters **128,500**
TENNESSEE-Unique & lovely Old Midland. Could be 3BR, guest qrts w/bath, replaced all elec., sprinkler sys **127,500**
PINE-Light and spacious townhome in wonderful location. Lovely courtyard **125,000**
MEADOWBROOK DR-Exceptional 4BR. Beautiful landscaping, fabulous 'great room' **124,800**
CRESTGATE-Crestgate beauty! 4BR/3BA in nice location **123,000**
CANDLE TREE COVE-4BR/3 full baths, seq. master, lovely w/wonderful backyard. Home warranty **122,000**
APOLLO CT.-Lovely 4BR, spacious kitchen, formal dining w/parquet floors, 1/2 bath off kitchen area **121,500**
FOXBORO-3/2/2 in Meadowpark. Elegant home professionally decorated **119,900**
LAFAYETTE-Elegant TH in secluded neighborhood. Private courtyard, wonderful amenities, competitively priced **119,500**
PINE-Updated 3BR Wallace TH. Replaced carpet, new paint, new kitchen counter tops and flooring **112,500**
BRIGHTON-Live in style w/gleaming tile, shutters, sumptuous master, 2 private yards. Many extras. 3/2 ..... **110,500**
SPRING MEADOW-Quality, low maintenance TH. Interior sun deck, custom features throughout **110,000**
MAXWELL-3/2.5/2-large nice home in excellent condition. Big rooms, lush yard **109,900**
KANSAS-First class remodeled, quality home. Old Midland, mature trees, 3/3/2 ..... **107,000**
WESTERN-Deluxe 2BR TH w/all the bells and whistles! Beautiful **107,500**
NOEL-Totally charming patio home built around center courtyard. All rooms huge! **105,000**



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3BR/2BA/2Garage. Priced to sell! Won't last long.
52,000



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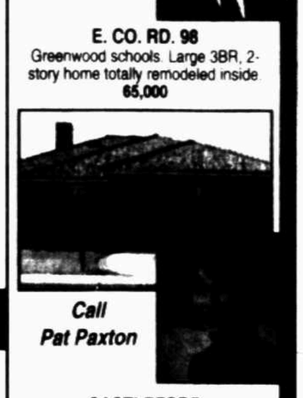
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COUNTRY CLUB-A rare offering with all the amenities of newer construction - yet lovely "Old Midland" location! 3 or 4 BR/6 baths, study, gameroom **385,000**
COUNTRY CLUB-Fantastic "Old Midland" home. Quality throughout with wonderful amenities **329,500**
BAYBROOK-Gorgeous Bill Brown construction in Mockingbird Heights. Light, Bright, Beautiful **278,000**
SADDLE CLUB-Incredible space and charm, 2-story, five bedroom **270,000**
BAYBROOK-Fabulous Bill Brown. 4BR/4BA w/beautiful landscaping. Master w/fireplace **269,900**
BASSWOOD-Greentree Beauty. 4/3/3 with study. Great home! Lots of new paint and carpet **265,000**
SADDLE CLUB-Stunning 2-story, great master with 2 baths, study, super sunroom, pool and tennis court, now **260,000**
DOUGLAS-JJ Black contemporary - enormous master w/fireplace & sitting area, 5BR/4BA, 3LA, guest house, pretty courtyard w/putting green **249,900**
ISLAND DR-Gorgeous Bill Brown custom on course at GTN. Approx 1/2 acre. **239,500**
NORTH "L"-Super spiffy in Warwick. New everywhere! 3/4/2 with formals and study **224,900**
HEARTLAND-Mark Payne delight, quality flows through this lovely 4BR/3BA/3 garage w/3FP in Grassland. Don't miss all this for **219,500**
LOS ALAMITOS-Fabulous custom one-owner home, light, bright, immaculate, wonderfully maintained **200,000**

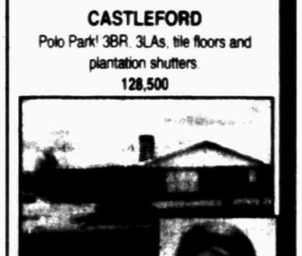


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65,000

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Polo Park! 3BR, 3LAs, tile floors and plantation shutters.
128,500



Call Cynthia McLaughlin

E. CO. RD. 140
Spaciou home with a barn on 7 acres.
139,000



Call Jon Short

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Suburban living in town! Lovely 4/3/2 w/pool and barns. Must see.
167,500

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COUNTRY ESTATE-at entrance to Midland Country Club! An elegant suburban retreat! **297,000**
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TANFORAN-Horse Lover's Dream! Home, barn, pens **199,000**
KNIFFEN-Sensational, spacious 4BR home with so much new on 1.25 acres **192,900**
W. CO. RD. 58 1/2-Wonderful large country home at the edge of town. 5.57 acres w/pipe fences. Cozy **185,000**
E. CO. RD. 98-Quality new construction in Greenwood's Stoneridge **165,900**
N. CO. RD. 1244-WOW! 3/3 1/2/2, Lots of new. Barn, pens, den with 2nd FP, bath, loft **159,000**
KNIFFEN-Wonderful 3BR/2BA, 1.25 acres. Gameroom, pool & dog pens **145,000**
IRVIN-Great country home with barn, pens, roping areas. Lots of new **144,900**
E. CO. RD. 140-Spacious home with a barn on 7 acres **139,000**
S. CO. RD. 1083-Greenwood 4/5BR on 1 acre. Totally remodeled, approx. 3400 sq. ft. Residential or Commercial **99,900**
CO.RD 2000-"Stanton Schools" N of Hwy 80, W. of Stanton, 14 acres, 3/2½/2LA , 3 ga **89,900**
ELKINS-3/2/1, Brick custom built, one-owner on 20 acres **89,000**
MILLER ROAD-Owner says "Give It Away" 10+ acres and house. Gardendale farmette **85,000**
E. CO. RD. 106-Greenwood Addition! Super nice 3BR on 1/2 acres. Much new in last 2 years **75,000**
E. CO. RD. 1085-Greenwood schools, very clean 3/2. Newer look home on 1/2 acre **73,000**
W CO. RD. 120-4BR/2BA, double-wide mobile home on approx. 9+ acres. Extra hook-ups **65,000**
S. CO. RD. 1183-Super nice double-wide on 5.27 acres **57,500**
E. CO. RD. 90-Perfect 3BR/2BA suburban property-fenced **54,900**
W. CO. RD. 116-2 story on .79 acres, 3BR, 2 living, needs work **50,000**
S CO. RD. 1131-Greenwood, DB wide, 3BR/2BA/2-car garage on 2.3 acres w/inc. producing property **50,000**
E. CO. RD. 144-3 acres, 3/2 mobile home, pecan trees, fenced & cross-fenced. "Worth the Money" **33,900**
E. CO. RD. 130-Greenwood 2BA/1BA mobile home on 2.66 acres; w/garage blt for an 18-wheeler **25,000**
W. CO. RD. 82-3BR/ MH, an exceptional garage/workshop on .93 acres in NW Midland **25,000**

DUPLEXES/RENTAL INVESTMENTS

COLORADO-5 rental units, great return **60,000**
SIESTA LANE-Great investor property. Well-maintained duplex near Midland College **59,000**
COLLEGE-Duplex + efficiency **39,500**
KANSAS-Updated duplex with both sides rented; conveniently located to shopping **35,000**
ARKANSAS-Duplex, Small 2BR/1BA brick. Walking distance to retail area. Association dues **27,500**
TYLER-Nice income producing duplex-1BR each side **20,000**
CONDOS-Great living or investment in several fine condo developments, call today for those nice properties on Boulder, Neely, Eastridge Road **10,500-13,800**
SIDLAND-Great buy on condominium **9,900**

LOTS THROUGHOUT THE CITY

BLUEBIRD-12.212 acres available across from the ball park. Can be sub-divided **146,520**
BLUEBIRD-7.18 acres. Can be sub-divided **86,220**
CARDINAL LANE-Two 3.997 acre lots, great country living in the city, city water available **64,000**
D-Lovely landscaped lot in Old Midland **55,000**
INWOOD CT-Executive lot inside Loop **54,900**
CUTHBERT-Fabulous new development of zero lot line homes. Call for information to reserve your lot! ..... **49,900 ea.**
RUSTIC TRAIL-4 deep lots suited to a large w/pool etc. Last estate lots on Rustic **35,000**
OAK-300 ft on Oak 127 ft on Main-financing available **30,000**
MAIN-New houses under construction across the street to the east. Excellent opportunity for builder **28,500**
GREENTREE BLVD-Great Green Tree location **20,000**
HIGHWAY 349-RIDGE HEIGHTS-3 acre tract-Ridge Heights with water well **15,000**
CO. RD. **1156**-One plus acre lots. Well and septic, owner financing, moderate restrictions starting at **12,800**
GOLF COURSE, NEELY-Build in the heart of the city! Super lots **7,500-10,000**
GASTON-Lot in Permian Estates **6,500**
CROCKETT-5 lots sold separately or as a package ..... **6,000 each**
VARIOUS OTHER HOME SITES-Call for more details **2,850-35,000**

SUBURBAN ACREAGE

40 ACRES JUST MINUTES NORTH OF MALL-Super Improvements including home, barns, water **345,000**
FM 307-Prime acreage in Greenwood **178,800**
FM 150-160 acres between Tower and Cotton Flat Roads. Great possibilities **160,000**
ACREAGE-12 acres high on a hill overlooking skyline - fenced **120,000**
FAIRGROUND-3 lots East of city, owner may carry the financing **38,500**
FM 1788-Two 1.69 acre residential tracts to be sold together **20,000**
CO. RD. 52W--3.02 prime acreage, possible owner finance **15,000**
CO. RD. 90-Several 4-5 acre sites, call for details **10,000-13,000**
CO. RD. 1297-4.96 acres adjacent to Water Wonderland **12,000**
S. CO. RD. 1183-Owner will consider financing **9,900**

INVESTMENT & COMMERCIAL

MEDICAL/DR'S OFFICE FOR SALE-1 blk to MMH approx 3000 sf ..... **50,000 firm**
MEDICAL/DR'S OFFICE FOR SALE 2300 MICHIGAN-1000 sf for sale ..... **MAKE OFFER**
DOWNTOWN-RETAIL/WAREHOUSE-14,000 sf, approx 2.5 acres ..... **CALL**
FOR LEASE: Downtown 2650' suit, park at door ..... **CALL**
LOOP 250 @ INDUSTRIAL PARK-extra large shop/warehouse & office space ..... **CALL**
DAVIS RD MOBILE HOME PARK-14 spaces, 4.4 acres includes 6 owned homes & 3BR house **245,000**
COTTON FLAT RD-20 acres, 14 mobile homes leased. Good income, 5WW **169,500**
RANKIN HWY-Established business for sale **125,000**
ILLINOIS-2250' tile bldg - club or restaurant, one blk. to MMH. REDUCED **70,000**
TERRELL-Great potential for restaurant, dance place, etc **68,300**
BIG SPRING-8 offices on 1/3 block. Good child care or law office. Owner finance **68,000**
MISSOURI-Good close to downtown location for small business or office **52,000**
TERRELL-Retail across from Community National Bank **38,000**
BEHIND RED LOBSTER-17,500 sq. ft. Lot **35,000**
FOUR LOTS NEAR DOWNTOWN-Bargain - 30,000 sq. ft. **30,000**
BEAUTY SHOP in Stanton, fully equipped, owner may finance **24,000**
DAYTON RD-1 lot approx. 2.1 acres **10,000**
BELMONT-6 commercial lots on Belmont. Sold as package **4,000**

CALL FOR OTHER COMMERCIAL OFFERINGS

PERMIAN BASIN
OIL & GAS REPORT

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RIG COUNT



File photo/Reporter-Telegram

Roughneck wrestle heavy iron on this rig in the Permian Basin as Rig Count goes up again.

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WELL SERVICE

More Key acquisitions

Key Energy Group, Inc. announced that it has completed the acquisition of T.S.T. Paraffin Service Co., Inc. ("TST") in West Texas for approximately $8.7 million in cash, Kalkaska Construction Service, Inc. ("KalCon") of Kalkaska, Michigan for approximately $9.2 million (consisting of approximately $8.5 million in cash and 77,998 shares of common stock) and Elder Well Service, Inc. ("Elder") in Michigan for $609,000 in cash.

The acquisitions of TST, KalCon and Elder will add an additional six wel ser

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Rule change will speed permitting

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

Texas operators will soon find it easier and faster to secure a drilling permit for spacing exceptions.

The Texas Railroad Commission voted this week to change the requirements for Rule 38 and simplify the permitting process for drilling wells in Texas.

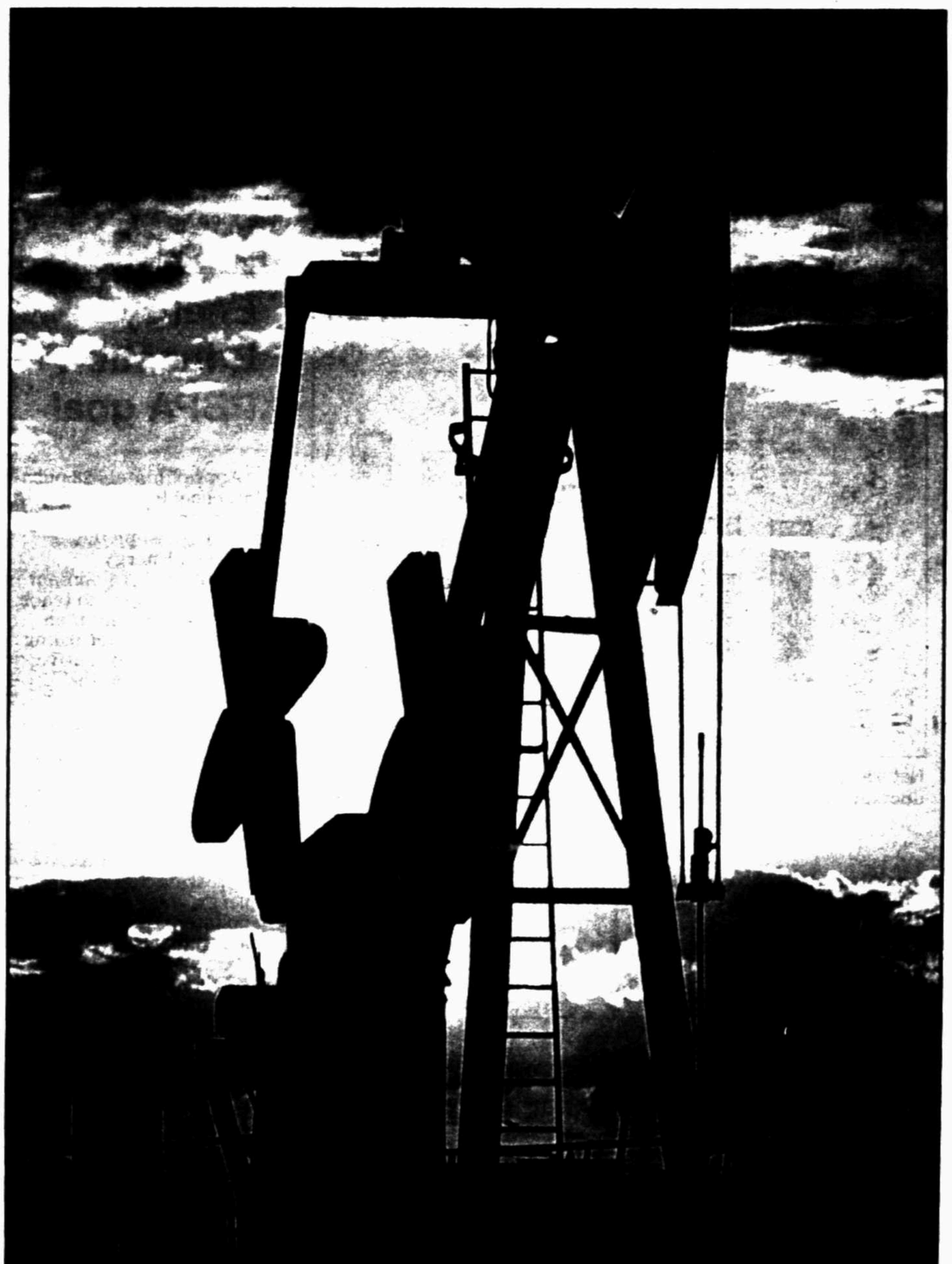
"The current system bogs down oil and gas operators," said Texas Railroad Commissioner Barry Williamson, who recommended the rule change. Williamson said the changes to Rule 38 would streamline the procedure and get drilling permits into the hands of operators faster. "It will shave three to four weeks, from the current time it takes to get a permit," Williamson said.

Rule 38 sets out minimum acreage requirements (typically 40 acres per well) that must be met before a well can be drilled. Exceptions to the rule, in which operators drill on smaller acreage tracts, had to be approved by the entire Commission. Pror to that however, the request for an exemption had be brought before a TRC Hearing Examiner and put on the Commission docket.

"Now, the matter of an exemptions, which are granted to prevent waste of oil and gas and allows operators to recover their full revenue from a lease, will not have to come to the full Commission," said Williamson. "Unless, it is opposed, an exemption can be approved by the examiner.

The change to Rule 38 was inspired in part by the extensive drilling of Parker & Parsley in the Spraberry trend and Union Pacific Resources Group in the Ozona Canyon Sand. "It was taking three to four weeks for these operators, who sometimes drill a well a day, to get approval for an exception each time it changed the spacing."

Williamson said the Commission was constantly reviewing its procedures to make them easier and cheaper and more efficient. "The last thing we want is for operators to have to wait on Commission paperwork before they drill."



Gas output grows with crude

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

Crude oil production rates for the lower 48 states seems to be on the mend, while gas production continues to advance, according to the American Petroleum Institute.

Crude oil production in February was off only one percent and year to date is down less than one half percent, says API. Alaskan output, however, continues to lose ground with February's production being 90,000 barrels under the same period of a year ago.

The revitalization of crude oil production in the lower 48 states is a big story, but it is only part of the story, notes API. The rest of the story has been the growing output

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GAS:Production continues to increase

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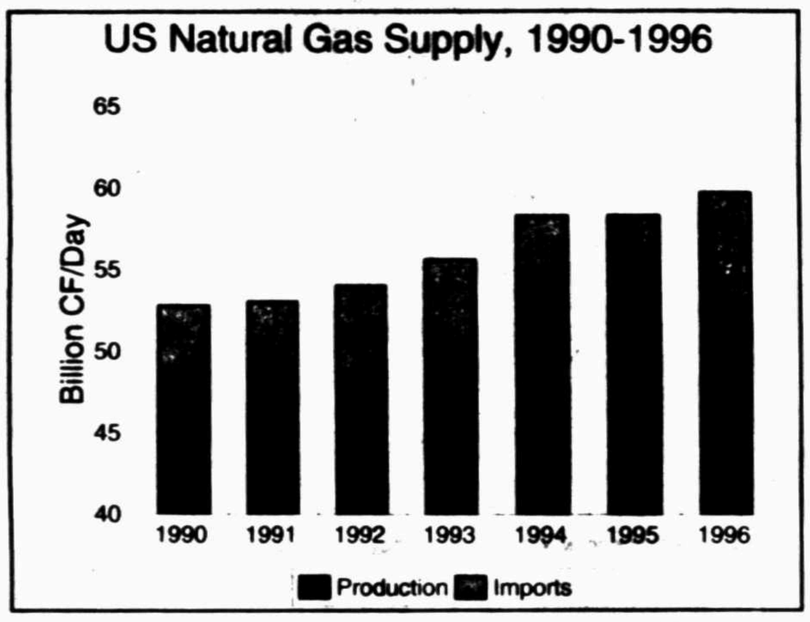
of natural gas that has gone hand in hand with increased oil production.

After 12 years of steep decline, U.S. oil production appears to be flattening. At the same time, gas production continues to grow as it has for the past decade, according to the Monthly Statistical Report of the API. The Report points out that 1996 was rather typical for the cycle in that gas production grew 2.7 percent while oil production declined 1 percent.

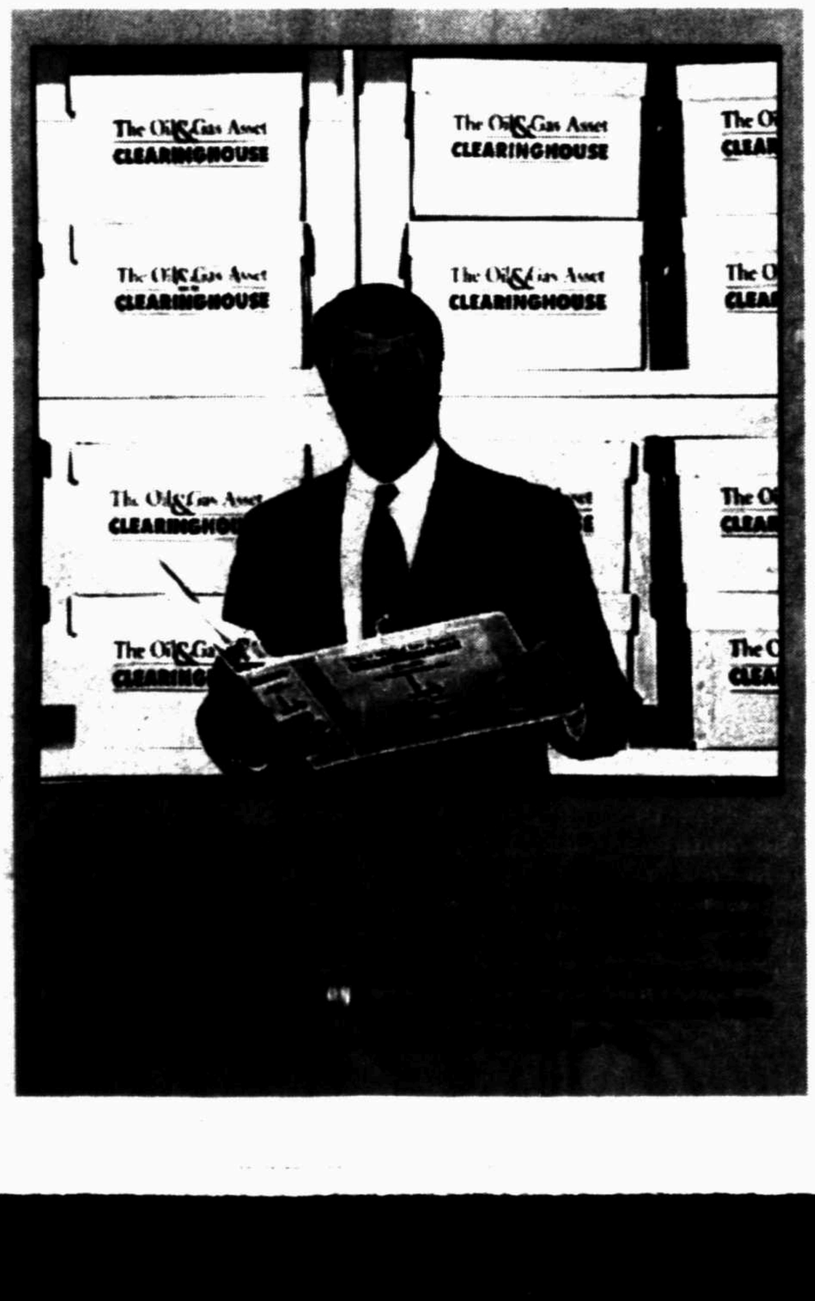
The improvement in domestic oil and gas production is attributed primarily to prices and activity in the Gulf of Mexico, where both oil and gas production rates have improved. The Mars platform, for example, which was completed in 1996 now produces 100,000 barrels per day of oil and 110 million cubic feet of natural gas daily from a depth of 2,940 feet. Several similar projects are set to go on line this year. Increased gas production in Wyoming, Michigan, and Texas onshore have also helped to increase gas production.

The fact that natural gas prices are 30 percent higher than the $1.55 of 1995, when the industry suffered its lowest annual average since 1979, has also had a strong influence on increased gas production. Higher prices, says the Report, resulted in an increase of nearly 3 percent in natural gas drilling in 1996, but that could be impacted by 1997 prices which are estimated below last year's level.

It is an almost certainty, notes the statistical report, that gas imports (primarily from Canada) will continue to expand, as it has in the past, with increased U.S. gas production. Since 1990, imports of natural gas have increased 90 percent, and now represent 12 percent of total U.S. gas consumption.



Natural gas supplies have continued to grow since 1993. Gas production has tracked oil increases in the lower 48 states.



Energy Education PBPA goal

Approximately 28 public school teachers in the Permian Basin have now been trained by the National Energy Education Development (NEED) Project to teach students the fundamentals of energy, according to Bob Kiker, executive vice president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association (PBPA).

Kiker said the NEED Project, initiated in 1980 and presently operating in 35 states, offers a comprehensive interactive, energy curriculum addressing all forms of energy, their economics and interaction with the environment.

"Using games, songs and chants as well as experiments, debates and other teaching techniques, the curriculum is easily adapted into social studies, language arts, and science," says David Taylor, fifth grade science teacher at Carver Center. "Kids will tell you the curriculum is cool."

Up to 25 more teachers are expected to be trained at NEED Leadership Training at Albuquerque this summer, and Jerry Hays of Arco Permian and NEED Project Committee Member, said the goal is to have up to 100 Permian Basin teachers trained in the NEED program.

Conference this summer. We cannot make a better investment in teachers," said Jane Wolf, chairman of the NEED Project.

Teachers interested in the NEED Project or classroom demonstra-

BRIEFS

Esso begins production from the Lawit field

IRVING — Exxon Corp. affiliate, Esso Production Malaysia Inc. (EPMI), has started production and sales from the Lawit gas field, 150 miles (240 kilometers) offshore Terengganu, Malaysia.

Philip J. Dingle, chairman and CEO of EPMI, said, "By 1999, Lawit will be capable of supplying about one-third of Peninsular Malaysia's gas requirements. It will help meet the growing demand for natural gas in the country."

Apache announces 104 MMcf/D producer

HOUSTON — Apache Corp. reports the completion of the highest-testing gas well to date on its Khalda Concession in Egypt's Western Desert. The Shams-2X flowed from four intervals at an aggregate daily rate of approximately 104 million cubic feet (MMcf) of gas and 1,606 barrels of condensate on a 3/4-inch choke, with flowing tubing pressures ranging from 2,152 pounds per square inch (psi) to 2,356 psi. A total of 145 feet of perforations were between 11,818 feet and 13,108 feet in the Ras Qattara and Khatatba formations. Open-hole log analysis indicated 241 feet of net hydrocarbon pay in the Jurassic-age sandstone reservoirs.

Apache has a 40-percent contractor interest in the Khalda Concession. Repsol Exploracion Egipto, S.A., owns 50 percent and Samsung Company Ltd. holds the remaining 10 percent. The concession is operated by Khalda Petroleum Company, an Egyptian corporation owned jointly by the contractors and the Egyptian General Petroleum Corporation, the national oil company.

Apache announces Cote D'Ivoire gas contract

HOUSTON — Apache Corp and its partners announced the signing of a 10-year take-or-pay contract commencing in 1999 to supply approximately 200 billion cubic feet of natural gas to an electric power plant in Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire (the Ivory Coast). The contract establishes the commerciality of the Foxtrot gas field in Block C-27, offshore Cote d'Ivoire, where three wells tested a combined 115 million cubic feet (MMcf) of gas per day and 1350 barrels of condensate per day in the early 1980's. Estimated reserves approximate 600 billion cubic feet. The take-or-pay commitment rises from 30 MMcf of gas per day to 50 MMcf per day after two years. The gas price will be based on a formula indexed to West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude oil. A $20 WTI price per barrel would yield a price in excess of $2 per thousand cubic feet of gas.

Apache is the operator of the contractor group, with a 24 percent interest. Its partners, and their interests, are: PETROCI, the national oil company of Cote d'Ivoire, 40 percent; SAUR Energie, 24 percent; and Electricite de France, with 12 percent.

Murphy Oil makes announcement

EL DORADO — Murphy Oil Corp. has recently commenced from the first two wells in its new West Cameron Block 631 field in the Gulf of Mexico. Current production totals 110 million cubic feet of natural gas and 1,400 barrels of condensate per day. Additional delineation drilling is currently under way. It is planned to produce the field at a sustained rate of approximately 80 million cubic feet of natural gas and 1,000 barrels of condensate per day for the remainder of the year.

Midland Resources completes Canyon

HOUSTON — Midland Resources announced the successful completion of the Caddell 1 3D seismic based exploration well in Hockley County, Texas. In a 24 hour test, the discovery well produced at a rate of 144 barrels of oil and 17 thousand cubic feet of gas per day. Midland Resources owns a 68.75 percent working interest before payout and a 55 percent working interest after payout in the 74.5 percent net revenue interest lease.

The well location was selected based on interpretation of 3D seismic data obtained in 1996 from a seismic survey covering 8,500 acres. This discovery confirms the potential to drill 4 additional wells in the Canyon Formation on this feature. Preliminary analysis indicates this five well feature has the potential to add 450,000 net barrels of oil equivalent to Company oil and gas reserves with 60 percent proved. Reprocessing the seismic data with data received from this well indicates 3 additional Canyon features with up to 8 potential well locations. Reprocessed data also indicates the potential for 4 to 6 Strawn wells and up to 3 possible Wolfcamp locations. Exploration drilling on the second feature is scheduled to commence in late April. Development drilling offsetting the Caddell 1 will commence in June.

WILDCATS

Southeast New Mexico

EDDY COUNTY

PENWELL ENERGY INC
■ SHUGART WEST 30 FEDERAL #6
WILDCAT - WP; 18S-31E-30; w/2 sw ne, 1980 fnl 2080 fel, 7 mi SE of Loco Hills. EL: 3615 GR. Obj: 10500 test. NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483008

LEA COUNTY

CONOCO INC
■ ELVIS #4
WILDCAT STRW - WP; 17S-32E-20; nw se nw, 1660 fnl 1866 fwl EL: 3984 GR. Obj: 12550 test. NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483020
MARALO INC
■ DAVIS 15 #1
WILDCAT ATOKA - WPD; 13S-38E-15; c ne sw, 1980 fsl 1980 fwl EL: 3808 GR. Obj: 11100 (Atoka). NL: 10/26/96. API# 30-025-33641. ID# T-479363.Contr: W E K #2. Spud: 12/04/96.TD: 10687 on 01/19/97 in Wolfcamp.PB: 10050.P&A on 03/19/97.(Last Info: 03/24/97)
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ UNITED ROYALTY - A #5
WILDCAT FUSSELMAN - WPO; 24S-38E-19; c se nw, 1980 fnl 1980 fwl, 32121 mi 6.0001 of 0306 4 000. EL: 3201 KB. Obj: 11600 (Devonian). NL: 08/06/96. API# 30-025-33533. ID# T-477381.Contr: Nabors #723. Spud: 10/03/96 Mud drlg. TD: 11307 on 11/09/96.PB: 10875.Compl: on 01/25/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/25/97)PZone: 9014-9018 (Fusselman) IP: (Fusselman 9014-9018) P 326 BOPD; 2.4 MCFGPD; no wtr

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REAGAN COUNTY

TEXLAND RECTOR & SCHUMAC
■ SUGG 105 #1
WILDCAT- W; T & P RY CO sur blk 2 sec 105, 1529 fsl 2574 fel of sec, 4219 fsl 2574 fel of lse. 1280.00 acre lse. 25 mi NE of Big Lake. EL: 2624 GR. Obj: 10000 test.NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-482997

IRION COUNTY

ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP
■ HUGHES - 1139 #2
WILDCAT- WD; C & M RY CO #1139 sur, A-54, 785 fnl 1980 fel of sur, and lse. 667 acre lse. 14.7 mi SW of Mertzon. EL: 2473 KB. Obj: 4700 test.NL: 10/06/95. Permit# 440624. API# 42-235-33442. ID# T-471154.Contr: Cleere #5. Spud: 05/08/96 Mud drlg. TD: 4700 on 05/17/96 P&A on 06/19/96 (Last Info: 03/24/97)

RUNNELS COUNTY

GEONATURAL RESOURCES INC
■ BUNYARD 192 #1921
WILDCAT- WG; HENRICH WANGEMANN #192 sur, A-511, 1264 fsl 2108 fwl of sur, 1264 fsl 527 fel of lse. 320 acre lse. 10 mi S of Ballinger. EL: 1687 GR. Obj: 4900 test.NL: 10/09/96. Permit# 453430. API# 42-399-34481. ID# T-478832.Contr: Win Tex #3. Spud: 10/15/96 Mud drlg. TD: 3854.Compl: on 03/13/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 3475-3752
gross interval IP: (3475-3752) CAOF 230 MCFGPD - - BHSIP 585

SUTTON COUNTY

INLAND OCEAN INC/RIO GRA
■ JOHNSON JERRY #1
WILDCAT- WD; G C & S F RY CO #1 sur, A-200, 771 fsl 391 fel of sur, 2275 fnl 839 fnel of lse. 2256.3 acre
lse. 18 mi SW of Sonora. EL: 2001 GR. Obj: 9400 test.NL: 10/21/96. Permit# 454038. API# 42-435-34640. ID# T-479155.Contr: Patterson #40. TD: 9063 on 12/21/96.D&A on 03/24/97.(Last Info: 03/24/97)

TERRELL COUNTY

THOMPSON J CLEO
■ BROWN STATE 34 #2
WILDCAT- WG; G C & S F RY CO sur blk 161 sec 34, A-2705, 1687 fsl 1535 fwl of sec, and lse. 320 acre lse. 27 mi S of Sheffield. EL: 2329 GR. Obj: 10000 test.NL: 10/18/96. Permit# 454043. API# 42-443-30688. ID# T-479084.Contr: Wes Tex. Spud: 01/17/97.TD: 9200 on 01/29/97.PB: 6903.Compl: on 03/03/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 6109-6204
(Wolfcamp) IP: (Wolfcamp 6109-6204) CAOF 2600 MCFGPD -- F 981 MCFGPD grav .708, on 14/64 ck; no oil; 1.00 BWPD; FTP 1500, SITP 1650, SICP 1535, BHSIP 1990, BHT 150 F @ 6156, SLOPE 0.543 Four Point: 383 MCFGPD on 8/64 ck in 60 min, FTP 1635, BHP 1967; 592 MCFGPD on 10/64 ck in 60 min, FTP 1605, BHP 1925; 851 MCFGPD on 12/64 ck in 60 min, FTP 1555, BHP 1874; 981 MCFGPD on 14/64 ck in 60 min, FTP 1500, BHP 1817

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HUDSPETH COUNTY

BROWN H L JR
■ UNIVERSITY - A3 #1
WILDCAT- W; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk A sec 3, 1980 fsl 1320 fel of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. EL: 5182 GR. Obj: 3750 test.NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483022

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DICKENS COUNTY

E G OPERATING
■ PITCHFORK 18 #1
WILDCAT- W; W AHRENBECK & BRO #18 sur, A-1462, 2582 fnl 1198 fel of sur, 1950 fsl 590 fwl of lse. 923.10 acre lse. (A-1462 originally known as M

Oil Bidness

By Norman Johnson



Young) 7 mi NE of Gilpin. EL: 2240 GR. Obj: 9000 test.NL: 03/21/97. Permit# 460145. API# 42-125-30638. ID# T-482948

GAINES COUNTY

TECO OIL & GAS INC
■ FLEEMAN #1
WILDCAT- W; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk C-44 sec 5, A-1505, 2173 fnl 467 fwl of sec, and lse. 400.5 acre lse. (A-1505 originally known as Ione Miller) 5 mi SE of Seminole. EL: 3218 GR. Obj: 12800 test.NL: 03/26/97. Permit# 460055. API# 42-165-35150. ID# T-483048
TECO OIL & GAS INC
■ ODANIEL HEIRS #1
WILDCAT- W; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk C-44 sec 11, A-1504, 467 fnl 1787 fel of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse. (A-1504 originally known as Ione Miller) 5 mi SE of Seminole. EL: 3230 GR. Obj: 12800 test.NL: 03/26/97. Permit# 460058. API# 42-165-35152. ID# T-483050
TECO OIL & GAS INC
■ ROBERTSON #1
WILDCAT- W; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk C-44 sec 12, A-1506, 1320 fnl 660 fwl of sec, and lse. 590.63 acre lse. (A-1506 originally known as Ione Miller) 5 mi SE of Seminole. EL: 3232 GR. Obj: 12800 test.NL: 03/26/97. Permit# 460056. API# 42-165-35151. ID# T-483047

HOCKLEY COUNTY

SCHACHTER S M INC
■ ARMES #1
WILDCAT- W; WILBARGER COUNTY SCHOOL LAND sur, 1159 fnl 495 fwl of lab 5 lge 8 of sur, and lse. 177.1 acre lse. 3 mi NW of Ropesville. EL: 3397 GR. Obj: 10400 test.NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483023

SCURRY COUNTY

SHARP IMAGE ENERGY
■ CARY - A #A2
WILDCAT- W; H & T C RY CO sur blk 97 sec 125, 350 fnl 1848 fel of sec, 350 fnl 580 fwl of lse. 40 acre lse. 5 mi W of Ira. Obj: 8300 test.NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483025

YOAKUM COUNTY

APACHE CORP
■ ARMSTRONG #1
WILDCAT- W; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk C-35 sec 28, 467 fnl 4000 fwl of sec, 467 fnl 1398 fwl of lse. 124.813 acre lse. 3.5 mi E of Denver City. EL: 3493 GR. Obj: 12500 test.NL: 01/13/97. Permit# 457090. API# 42-501-34194. ID# T-481147.Contr: Patterson #8. Spud: 01/19/97 Mud drlg. TD: 12700 on 03/18/97 in Devonian.PB: 300.SUSP on 03/22/97.(Last Info: 03/26/97)
HENRY PETROLEUM INC
■ NELSON #1
WILDCAT- W; JOHN H GIBSON sur blk D sec 581, A-520, 1100 fnl 2530 fwl of sec, and lse. 640.26 acre lse. 10 mi SW of Plains. EL: 3736 GR. Obj: 12200 test.NL: 12/13/94. Permit# 430819. API# 42-501-33948. ID# T-465093.ABND LOC on 03/24/97.(Last Info: 03/24/97

DEVELOPMENTS

Southeast New Mexico

CHAVES COUNTY

YATES PETROLEUM CORP
■ SPOOL SAND UNIT #8
PECOS SLOPE ABO - D; 7S-25E-23; e/2 sw nw, 1980 fnl 1300 fwl EL: 3670 GR. Obj: 4200 (Abo). NL: 03/25/97. API# 30-005-63124. ID# T-483034

EDDY COUNTY

DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ FOSTER V L #11
GRAYBURG JACKSON - D; 17S-31E-17; nw se ne, 1700 fnl 1200 fel, 6 mi E of Loco Hills. EL: 3752 GR. Obj: 4200 (Jackson). NL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482972
DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ FOSTER V L #10
GRAYBURG JACKSON - D; 17S-31E-17; ne se ne, 1950 fnl 480 fel, 6 mi E of Loco Hills. EL: 3727 GR. Obj: 4200 (Jackson). NL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482973
PENWELL ENERGY INC
■ F H 28 STATE - D #1
DARK CANYON DEL - D; 23S-26E-28; n/2 se nw, 1650 fnl 1980 fwl EL: 3341 GR. Obj: 5500 (Delaware). NL: 03/25/97. API# 30-015-29459. ID# T-483036
PENWELL ENERGY INC
■ ORE IDA 14 FEDERAL #11
PIERCE CROSSING EAST - D; 24S-29E-14; w/2 ne ne, 660 fnl 990 fel, 7 mi E of Malaga. EL: 2973 GR. Obj: 8350 test. NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483019
PENWELL ENERGY INC
■ ORE IDA 14 FEDERAL #14
PIERCE CROSSING EAST - D; 24S-29E-26; s/2 nw sw, 1650 fsl 660 fwl, 7 mi E of Malaga. EL: 2946 GR. Obj: 8350 test. NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483017
PENWELL ENERGY INC
■ ORE IDA 14 FEDERAL #15
PIERCE CROSSING EAST - D; 24S-29E-26; c sw sw, 660 fsl 660 fwl, 7 mi E of Malaga. EL: 295[illegible] GR. Obj: 8350 test. NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483015
BASS ENTERPRISES PROD CO
■ POKER LAKE UNIT #127
CORRAL CANYON NE DEL - D; 25S-30E-2; c nw sw, 1980 fsl 660 fwl, (Located in lot 4) EL: 3331 GR. Obj: 8200 (Bone Spring).NL: 03/25/97. API# 30-015-29460. ID# T-483035
BASS ENTERPRISES PROD CO
■ POKER LAKE UNIT #94
CORRAL CANYON NE DEL - D; 25S-30E-3; s/2 se se, 330 fsl 660 fel, 41 mi SSE of Carlsbad. EL: 3335 GR. Obj: 8200 (Delaware). NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483010

LEA COUNTY

CROSS TIMBERS OPERG CO
■ MALJAMAR SE GB SA UNIT #110
MALJAMAR GB SA - D; 17S-33E-30; sw nw se, 1650 fsl 2310 fel, 6 mi SE of Maljamar. EL: 4046 GR. Obj:
4500 (San Andres). NL: 03/21/97. ID# T 482971
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ NEW MEXICO O STATE NCT-1 #38
VACUUM WOLF - PLUG BACK D; 17S-34E-36; 2nw ne se, 2085 fsl 710 fel Summary Original Drill: Field: WILDCAT ATOKA.TD: 11500.Compl: on 01/01/96 OIL.PZone: 11120-11226 (Atoka) IP: (Atoka 11120-11226) F 430 BOPD grav 43; 1001 MCFGPD on 15/64 ck; no wtr; FTP 1580 PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3987 GR. Obj: 10150 (Wolfcamp).NL: 10/20/95. API# 30-025-33148. ID# T-471461
STEVENS & TULL INC
■ D K #5
D K ABO - D; 20S-38E-25; ne ne se, 2310 fsl 330 fel EL: 3566 GR. Obj: 7950 (Abo). NL: 03/20/97. API# 30-025-33890. ID# T-482941
CONOCO INC
■ WARREN UNIT #205
WARREN BLINE TUBB - D; 20S-38E-34; sw nw se, 1330 fsl 2630 fel EL: 3519 GR. Obj: 6750 (Tubb). NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483014
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■ WARREN UNIT #215
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TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ HENDERSON V M #5
BLINEBRY OIL AND GAS BLINE - DEEPEN D; 21S-37E-30; 2c nw ne, 660 fnl 1980 fel PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3497 GR. Obj: 6000 (Blinebry).NL: 03/20/97. API# 30-025-06911. ID# T-482939
HENDRIX JOHN H CORP
■ PRUITT JOYCE #3
BLINEBRY OIL AND GAS BLINE - PLUG BACK D; 21S-37E-31; 2nw se se, 810 fsl 860 fel PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3460 GR. Obj: (Blinebry).NL: 03/20/97. API# 30-025-25353. ID# T-482940
HENDRIX JOHN H CORP
■ COSSATOT - B #2
TUBB OIL AND GAS - PLUG BACK D; 22S-37E-12; 2se sw sw, 330 fsl 990 fwl PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3345 GR. Obj: (Tubb).NL: 03/20/97. API# 30-025-23934. ID# T-482938
PLAINS PETR OPERG CO
■ HILL E C - B FEDERAL #24
TEAGUE SIMP - D; 23S-37E-34; ne ne se, 2280 fsl 560 fel, 11 mi NE of Jal. EL: 3265 GR. Obj: 9700 (Simpson). NL: 03/20/97. API# 30-025-33889. ID# T-482934
PLAINS PETR OPERG CO
■ BAYLUS CADE FEDERAL #10
TEAGUE BLINE - D; 23S-37E-35; sw nw sw, 1692 fsl 442 fwl, 10.6 mi NE of Jal. EL: 3253 GR. Obj: 6000 (Blinebry). NL: 03/20/97. API# 30-025-33887. ID# T-482936
PLAINS PETR OPERG CO
■ BAYLUS CADE FEDERAL #11
TEAGUE BLINE - D; 23S-37E-35; sw ne sw, 1724 fsl 1584 fwl, 10.6 mi NE of Jal. EL: 3245 GR. Obj: 6000 (Blinebry). NL: 03/20/97. API# 30-025-33888. ID# T-482935
PLAINS PETR OPERG CO
■ BAYLUS CADE FEDERAL #9
TEAGUE BLINE - D; 23S-37E-35; sw se sw, 330 fsl 1650 fwl, 10.6 mi NE of Jal. EL: 3252 GR. Obj: 6000 (Blinebry). NL: 03/20/97. API# 30-025-33886. ID# T-482937

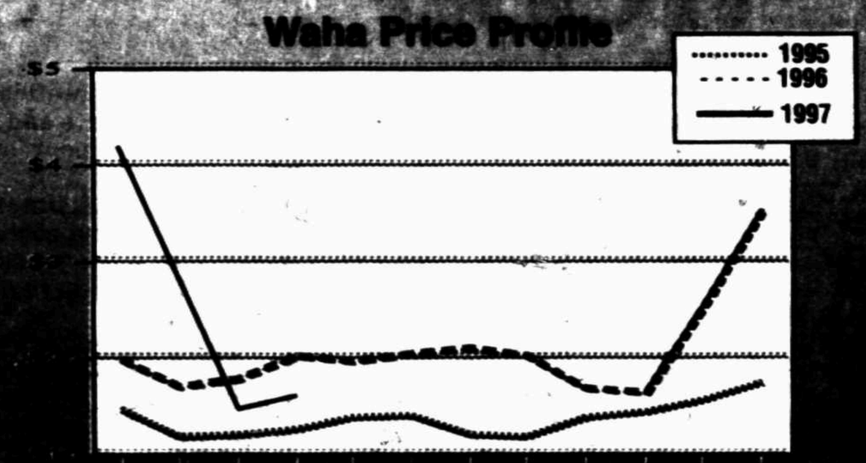
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■ MEADOWS RANCH 2 #1
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ARCO PERMIAN
■ MEADOWS RANCH 3 #1
OZONA- WP; G C & S F RY CO sur blk QR sec 3, 1320 fsl 1320 fel of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 4.6 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2530 GR. Obj: 7900 test.NL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482964
ARCO PERMIAN
■ MEADOWS RANCH 8 #1
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HARRISON INTERESTS LTD
■ MCMULLAN JOE WYLIE #10
HUNT-BAGGETT (STRAWN)- D; G C & S F RY CO sur blk F sec 15, 660 fnl 1980 fel of sec, and lse. 1344.3 acre lse. 10.5 mi SE of Ozona. EL: 2415 GR. Obj: 9400 (Strawn).NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-482996
HARRISON INTERESTS LTD
■ MCMULLAN JOE WYLIE #9
HUNT-BAGGETT (STRAWN)- D; G C & S F RY CO sur blk F sec 15, 1980 fnl 1320 fwl of sec, and lse. 1344.3 acre lse. 10.5 mi SE of Ozona. EL: 2447 GR. Obj: 9400 (Strawn).NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-482995
HARRISON INTERESTS LTD
■ MCMULLAN JOE WYLIE - A #8
DAVIDSON RANCH (PENNSYLVANIAN 7890)- PLUG BACK DG; G C & S F RY CO sur blk F sec 3, A-2405, 848 fnl 1718 fel of sec, 848 fnl 960 fwl of lse. 325.9 acre lse. 11 mi SE of Ozona. Summary Original Drill: Field: HUNT-BAGGETT (STRAWN).Compl: on 10/29/96 GASPZone: 8951-8960 (Strawn) IP: (Strawn 8951-8960) CAOF 1041 MCFGPD -- F 935
MCFGPD grav .619 on 16/64 ck; FTP 947, SITP 2000, SICP 997, BHSIP 2484, BHT 240 F @ 8960, SLOPE 0.499 Four Point: 432 MCFGPD on 10/64 ck in 60 min, FTP 1850, BHP 2278;630 MCFGPD on 12/64 ck in 60 min, FTP 1565, BHP 1931; 846 MCFGPD on 14/64 ck in 60 min, FTP 1115, BHP 1271; 935 MCFGPD on 16/64 ck in 60min, FTP 947, BHP 1096 PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2440 GR. Obj: 8400 (Pennsylvanian 7890).NL: 06/10/96. API# 42-105-37342. ID# T-476200
UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ CHILDRESS CRYSTELLE - 28D #5
OZONA (CANYON SS)- D; T C RY CO sur blk A sec 28, A-5081, 660 fsl 660 fwl of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse. (A-5081 originally known as D Everett) 24 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2327 GR. Obj: 7200 (Canyon ss).NL: 03/21/97. Permit# 459695. API# 42-105-37605. ID#
T-482943

DEVELOPMENTS/7

Spot Gas Price Comparison



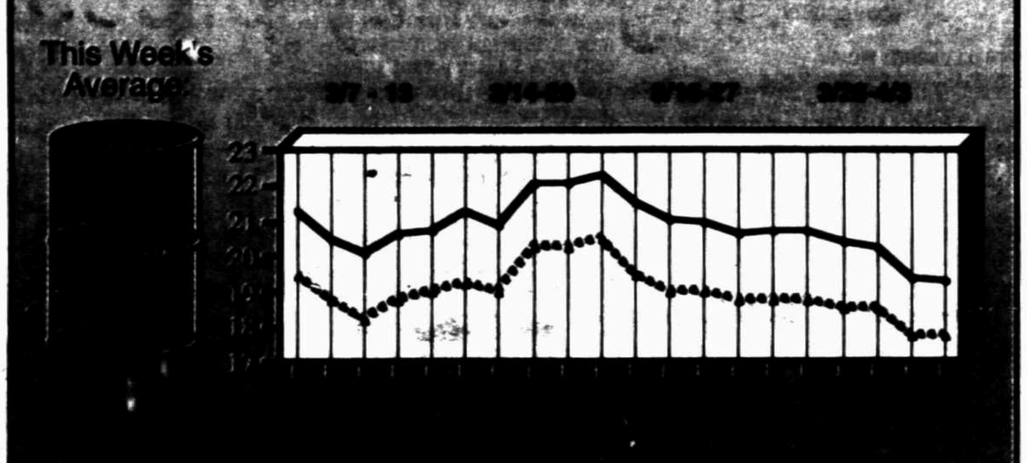
Waha Averages

This Month	Last Month
$1.60	$1.52

Current Spot Prices

- Mid Continent (Arkoma) $1.74
- Gulf Coast (Louisiana) $1.85
- Rocky Mountain (Wyoming) $1.43

Crude Oil Prices



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Rig Count

	This Wk.	Last Wk.	Year Ago
USA Land	760	757	617
USA Offshore	126	122	99
Canada	323	377	196
U.S. Directional	191	191	161
U.S. Horizontal	78	73	54
U.S. Gas	514	525	425
U.S. Oil	400	379	296

Texas RRC Dist.

	This Wk.	Last Wk.
Offshore	22	22
Ini. Water	01	01
District 1	02	02
District 2	07	07
District 3	53	54
District 4	54	57
District 5	27	27
District 6	32	29
District 7B	06	06
District 7C	40	45
District 8	51	47
District 8A	24	23
District 9	08	08
District 10	20	20
Total-Texas	*350*	*286*

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Permian Basin

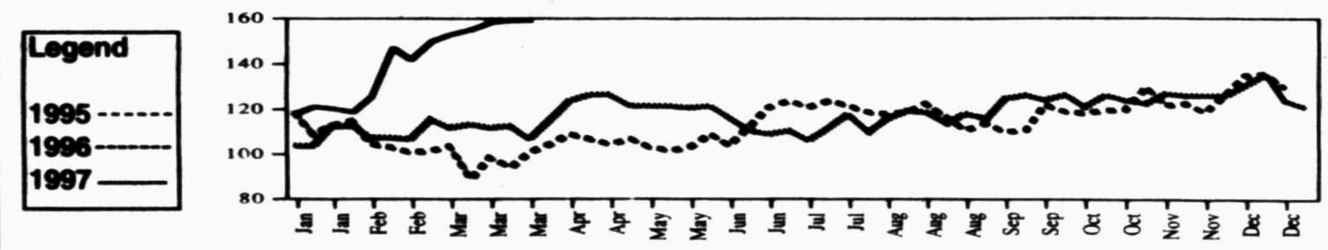
TEXAS					
DIST. #7C		El Paso	00	Floyd	00
Coke	01	Glasscock	02	Gaines	03
Concho	00	Howard	02	Garza	02
Crockett	13	Hudspeth	00	Hale	00
Irion	01	Jeff Davis	00	Hockley	01
Kimble	00	Loving	00	Kent	03
McCullough	00	Martin	05	King	01
Menard	00	Midland	11	Lamb	00
Reagan	07	Mitchell	00	Lubbock	01
Runnels	00	Pecos	03	Lynn	00
Schliecher	01	Presidio	00	Motley	00
Sutton	03	Reeves	02	Scurry	01
Terrell	08	Sterling	01	Terry	03
Tom Green	00	Ward	06	Yoakum	03
Upton	06	Winkler	07	*TEXAS TOTAL*	*115*
DIST. #8		DIST. #8A		NEW MEXICO	
Andrews	04	Bailey	00	Chaves	00
Brewster	00	Borden	02	Eddy	20
Crane	03	Cochran	00	Lea	24
Culberson	00	Cottle	01	Roosevelt	01
Ector	05	Crosby	00		
		Dawson	03	*N.M. TOTAL*	*45*

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Permian Basin Rig Count Profile



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Leasing frenzy precursor to intense activity

There was more convincing evidence this past week that the Texas oil industry is back everywhere — from the Permian Basin to the Cotton Valley play of East Texas to gas exploration in South Texas and to the Gulf of Mexico.



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If one had cause to think that recent record lease sales in the Permian Basin were a fluke, the spring sale for state owned oil and gas leases on the Gulf Coast will dispel that notion. Last Tuesday's auction at Austin was the largest in 17 years, with bids totaling $26 million for 259 tracts on the Gulf Coast.

"It was very indicative that the Gulf is back. It is red hot for exploration," said Ron Calhoun, a spokesman for the General Land Office. "There were 88 tracts in the Gulf and 133 tracts in bays of the Gulf." That sale comes on the heels of a very successful federal sale, which covers leases 10 miles and further, and a record lease sale in the Permian Basin.

Calhoun said offshore Matagorda and Calhoun counties were the most active, and King Ranch Oil & Gas was the top bidder, paying $1.21 million for a 720 acre tract off Matagorda County. The second highest bidder was also King Ranch Oil & Gas, paying $615,300 for another 720 acre tract off Matagorda. American Exploration was third highest in bidding and paid $582,400 for a tract in the same area.

All totaled 219 high bids were tabulated for 94,454 acres of leases between Port Lavaca and Galveston, with an average bonus price of $281.65.

According to the General Land Office it was the highest dollar sale since 1984, when $27.8 million came in. It was also the only time sales have exceeded $20 million since 1985, when $23.2 million in bid bonus money came in.

Prices tell a story, and story told by prices at the last sales by the Texas General Land Office is this: Texas oil and gas operators have a higher confidence level in exploration.

Garry Mauro, General Land Commissioner, said the driving force behind the record lease sale was the confidence created by 3-D seismic. He said 3-D data being gathered offshore has proven highly accurate, allowing oil and gas firms to pinpoint productive formations with a great deal of confidence. "They are confident of success, even in face of the high cost of offshore drilling."

The two other members of the School Land Board agreed with Mauro. Midland businessman Louis Renaud said the industry apparently perceives a strong gas market and is willing to invest in leases. "I think this lease sale shows that the oil and gas industry is alive and well in Texas. It will bode well for the entire state and all Texans." Indeed it will. The industry, schools and general economy will all benefit.

In some ways the rhetoric and bidding climate are similar to the boom of the late 70s and early 80s. Both eras are characterized by a hunger for leases, and intense bidding. But that is where the similarities end.

In the last boom, the frenzy was driven by the price of oil. Operators paid high prices for leases and drilled on less than valid prospects, with the hope of hitting something that would give a payback and make money. It was a high-risk, high-price play, because if an operator found any pay at all the high price of oil could justify a lot of dry holes. In the end the price of oil did not hold up.

Leasing in this go-around, however, appears to be driven by sound fundamentals and stable prices. The extreme prices, which produced the extreme risks of the last boom are not present today. Today, operators feel that if they can get a lease in the right area, 3-D seismic will find one or more good prospects them to produce more oil at an acceptable price over a longer period.

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John Paul Pitts is Oil Editor of the Midland Reporter Telegram.

Study: U.S. needs to reevaluate oil sanctions policy

By JOAN THOMPSON
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — With lean oil supplies, the U.S. needs to take steps to prevent any possible energy crisis that could hike prices at the gasoline pump, researchers say.

World oil markets are more susceptible to disruptions in supply than at any time since the energy crises of the 1970s, according to a report released Wednesday by Rice University's Baker Institute For Public Policy.

An oil supply glut protected U.S. consumers in 1990 when Iraq's invasion of Kuwait cut off 4.5 million barrels a day from those countries during the Persian Gulf War.

But that's not true today, and policy-makers should ease a rising U.S. dependency on Middle East supplies and promote oil and gas resources in China and other Asian countries.

"There is little more than 2 million barrels a day of spare capacity that could be called on in a crisis, and most all of it sits in one country — that's Saudi Arabia," said Edward Djerejian, the institute's director.

"The stakes are high, therefore, since with low inventories and little market surplus, the ability and willingness of Saudi Arabia to make incremental oil available in times of crisis takes on an overwhelming influence on oil prices."

The report says U.S. foreign policy in the Persian Gulf should not focus just on military concerns. Leaders must examine the economic, political and religious issues shaping those countries.

"We can do a better job to reach out to younger political and religious leaders in order to gain a clear knowledge of their motivations and build bridges for better long-term relations," Djerejian said, adding that philosophy particularly applied to Saudi Arabia.

Another recommendation is that the United States reassess whether multicountry sanctions, like those on Iran and Iraq, are effective.

Sometimes sanctions boil down to a symbolic rather than an effective stance, said Amy Myers Jaffe, an energy consultant who coordinated the study.

She noted that Iran has more money because of higher oil prices and greater access to weapons purchases than before sanctions were

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DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ EAGLE 33P FEDERAL #13
RED LAKE QU GB SA - DO; 17S-27E-33; nw se se, 1140 fsl 1080 fel, 7 mi SE of Artesia. EL: 3517 KB. Obj: 2500 (San Andres). NL: 08/12/96. API# 30-015-29082. ID# T-477513.Spud: 01/14/97.TD: 2500 on 01/18/97.PB: 2455.Compl: on 02/13/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 1752-2262 (San Andres) gross interval IP: (San Andres 1752-2262) P 120 BOPD grav 38; 120 MCFGPD; 475 BWPD
S D X RESOURCES INC
■ ARCO 26A STATE #6
RED LAKE QU GB SA - DO; 17S-28E-26; ne ne se, 2310 fsl 330 fel EL: 3662 GR. Obj: 3500 (San Andres). NL: 01/28/97. API# 30-015-21352. ID# T-481468.Contr: United #4. Spud: 02/10/97.TD: 3505 on 02/20/97 in San Andres.Compl: on 03/26/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 3073-3314 (Queen) IP: (Queen 3073-3314) P 35 BOPD; 40 MCFGPD; 145 BWPD
ENRON OIL & GAS CO
■ GRAYBURG DEEP UNIT #12
GRAYBURG MORROW - D; 17S-29E-12; w/2 ne se, 1980 fsl 990 fel, 2.5 mi NW of Loco Hills. EL: 3653 GR. Obj: 11250 (Morrow). NL: 12/06/96. API# 30-015-29283. ID# T-480304.Contr: McVay Drlg #8. Spud: 02/19/97 Mud drlg. TD: 11340 on 03/13/97 in Morrow.PB: 7218.SUSP on 03/19/97.(Last Info: 03/20/97)
WISER OIL CO
■ SKELLY UNIT #241
GRAYBURG JACKSON SR QU GB SA - DO; 17S-31E-23; sw se nw, 2558 fnl 1455 fwl, 5.2 mi SW of Maljamar. EL: 3863 GR. Obj: 4800 test. NL: 07/25/96. API# 30-015-29033. ID# T-477169.Contr: Norton #5.
Spud: 09/14/96.TD: 4000 on 09/19/96.PB: 3956.Compl: on 01/05/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 3364-3520 (Grayburg) gross interval IP: (Grayburg 3364-3520) P 28 BOPD grav 39.9; 8 MCFGPD; 8 BWPD
WISER OIL CO
■ SKELLY UNIT #273
GRAYBURG JACKSON SR QU GB SA - DO; 17S-31E-26; nw sw ne, 1387 fnl 2529 fel, 7.2 mi SW of Maljamar. EL: 3782 GR. Obj: 4800 (San Andres). NL: 10/30/96. API# 30-015-29239. ID# T-479465.Contr:
Norton #7. Spud: 11/16/96.TD: 3950 on 12/30/96.PB: 3906.Compl: on 01/21/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 3501-3832 gross interval IP: (3501-3832) P 138 BOPD; 23 MCFGPD; 22 BWPD
DEVON ENERGY OPERG CORP
■ HAWK 9H FEDERAL #11
RED LAKE QU GB SA - DO; 18S-27E-9; nw se ne, 1550 fnl 750 fel, 7 mi SE of Artesia. EL: 3524 KB. Obj: 2500 (San Andres). NL: 09/18/96. API# 30-015-29156. ID# T-478338.Spud: 11/25/96.TD: 2550 on 11/30/96.PB: 2507.Compl: on 01/21/97 OIL (Last Info:
03/24/97)PZone: 1597-2330 (San Andres) gross interval IP: (San Andres 1597-2330) P 40 BOPD grav 38; 20 MCFGPD; 217 BWPD
YATES PETROLEUM CORP
■ CERROS AQF FEDERAL COM #1
TURKEY TRACK NORTH MORROW - DG; 18S-29E-15; sw ne se, 1650 fsl 990 fel, 7 mi SW of Loco Hills. EL: 3465 GR. Obj: 11600 (Morrow). NL: 11/26/96. API# 30-015-29276. ID# T-480169.Contr: Peterson #6. Spud: 11/22/96.TD: 11620 on 12/31/96.PB: 11577.Compl: on 01/27/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 10970-11124 (Morrow) gross interval IP: (Morrow 10970-11124) F 1333 MCFGPD on 1/2 ck; FTP 200
YATES PETROLEUM CORP
■ PARISH IV COM #2
HOAG TANK STRW - RECOMPLETION DG; 19S-24E-26; 2se nw, 1980 fnl 1980 fwl Summary Original Drill: Field: UNID DAGGER DRAW UPR PENN.Compl: on 04/01/90 GASPZone: 7629-7673 (Canyon) IP: F 500 MCFGPD on 24/64 ck; no oil; 270 BWPD; FTP 275
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ NEW MEXICO - DF STATE COM #3
INDIAN BASIN UPR PENN - DG; 21S-23E-32; se sw ne, 2000 fnl 1650 fel EL: 4082 KB. Obj: 7300 (upr Pennsylvanian). NL: 12/06/96. API# 30-015-29284. ID# T-480311.Contr: Peterson #2. Spud: 12/22/96 Mud drlg. TD: 7000 on 01/21/97 in upr Pennsylvanian.Compl: on 01/26/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 6920-7000 (upr Pennsylvanian) IP: (upr Pennsylvanian 6920-7000) F 3145 MCFGPD on 48/64 ck; no oil; no wtr; FTP 440
DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ CACTUS 9L STATE #1
CATCLAW DRAW EAST DEL - D; 21S-26E-9; e/2 nw sw, 1980 fsl 990 fwl EL: 3215 GR. Obj: 3600 (Delaware). NL: 09/07/95. API# 30-015-28830. ID# T-470677.ABND LOC on 03/24/97.(Last Info: 03/24/97)
DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ CACTUS 9O FEDERAL #1
CATCLAW DRAW EAST DEL - D; 21S-26E-9; sw sw se, 307 fsl 2451 fel EL: 3287 GR. Obj: 4300 (Delaware). NL: 04/01/96. API# 30-015-28900. ID# T-474660.ABND LOC on 03/24/97.(Last Info: 03/24/97)
READ & STEVENS INC
■ NIX FEDERAL #1
FENTON DEL - DO; 21S-26E-28; se ne ne, 890 fnl 330 fel, 15 mi E of Carlsbad. EL: 3205 GR. Obj: 6100 (Delaware). NL: 12/30/94. API# 30-015-28237. ID# T-465423.Contr: W E K #3. Spud: 10/21/96.TD: 2800 on 10/28/96.PB: 2650.Compl: on 11/19/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 2636-2663 (Delaware) IP: (Delaware 2636-2663) P 15 BOPD grav 40.0; no gas; 200 BWPD
PENWELL ENERGY INC
■ F H 29 STATE #1
CARLSBAD SOUTH MORROW DUAL - DG; 23S-26E-29; c ne nw, 660 fnl 1980 fwl EL: 3336 GR. Obj: 12600 (Morrow). NL: 09/22/96. API# 30-015-28800. ID# T-474492.Contr: Ziadrll #6. Spud: 09/13/96.TD: 11985 on 10/12/96.PB: 11800.Compl: on 11/26/96 GAS (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 10182-10360 (Strawn) - Gas -- 11713-11724 (Morrow) - Gas IP: (Morrow 11713-11724) F 2.479 MMCFGPD on 16/64 ck; no oil; no wtr; FTP 1900 -- (Strawn 10182-10360) F 39 BOPD; 3.885 MMCFGPD on 15/64 ck; no wtr; FTP 2350
ENRON OIL & GAS CO
■ JAMES RANCH UNIT #76
QUAHADA RIDGE SE DEL - PLUG BACK DO; 23S-31E-6; 2nw sw nw, 1900 fnl 360 fwl, 48 mi W of Jal. Summary Original Drill: Field: LOS MEDANOS SOUTH WOLF.Compl: on 10/29/96 OILPZone: 11122-11137 (Wolfcamp) IP: (Wolfcamp 11122-11137) F 81 BOPD; 162 MCFGPD on 16/64 ck; 27 BWPD; FCP 340
DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ TODD 25G FEDERAL #7
INGLE WELLS DEL - DO; 23S-31E-25; sw ne, 1980 fnl 1980 fel, 35 mi WNW of Jal. EL: 3527 GR. Obj: 8350 (Delaware). NL: 10/19/93. API# 30-015-27708. ID# T-457373.Spud: 12/26/96.TD: 8648 on 01/12/97.PB: 8564.Compl: on 02/19/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 7150-8320 (Brushy Canyon) gross interval IP: (Brushy Canyon 7150-8320) P 135 BOPD grav 39.8; 133 MCFGPD; 315 BWPD
SANTA FE ENERGY RES INC
■ H B 11 FEDERAL #3
PIERCE CROSSING EAST BONE SPR - DO; 24S-29E-11; ne se sw, 850 fsl 2100 fwl, 7.5 mi E of Malaga. EL: 2953 GR. Obj: 8200 (Bone Spring). NL: 10/30/96. API# 30-015-29249. ID# T-479476.Contr: Ziadrll #10. Spud: 01/21/97.TD: 8300 on 02/01/97 in Bone Spring ss.PB: 8253.Compl: on 03/10/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 7958-8016 (Bone Spring ss) IP: (Bone Spring ss 7958-8016) F 269 BOPD grav 44.1; 1029 MCFGPD on 17/64 ck; 129 BWPD; FTP 1420, SICP 2400
POGO PRODUCING CO
■ HARROUN 22 #1
CEDAR CANYON DEL - REPERMIT DO; 24S-29E-22; 2c nw nw, 660 fnl 660 fwl Summary Original Drill: Field: UND EDDY DEL BONE SPR.ABND LOC on 09/27/96.PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2929 GR. Obj: 5500 (Delaware).NL: 09/20/95. API# 30-015-28639. ID# T-470876.Resume: 01/21/97.TD: 5360 on 02/05/97.PB: 5310.Recomp: on 02/18/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 5230-5250 (Delaware) IP: (Delaware 5230-5250) P 204 BOPD; 184 MCFGPD; 68 BWPD
BASS ENTERPRISES PROD CO
■ POKER LAKE UNIT #84
POKER LAKE SW DEL - DO; 24S-30E-36; c sw ne, 1980 fnl 1980 fel EL: 3447 GR. Obj: 8250 (Delaware). NL: 09/12/96. API# 30-015-29103. ID# T-478222.Spud: 11/22/96.TD: 8170 on 12/22/96.PB: 8083.Compl: on 02/25/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 6759-6769 (Delaware) IP: (Delaware 6759-6769) P 56 BOPD; 18 MCFGPD; 84 BWPD

LEA COUNTY

CHESAPEAKE OPERATING INC
■ RUTH 20 #1
LOVINGTON WEST PENN - DO; 16S-36E-20; nw ne nw, 609 fnl 1650 fwl EL: 3943 GR. Obj: 11866 (Strawn). NL: 09/13/96. API# 30-025-33579. ID# T-478241.Contr: Ziadrll #2. Spud: 09/18/96.TD: 11935 on 10/15/96.Compl: on 10/27/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/25/97)PZone: 11480-11490 (Strawn) IP: (Strawn 11480-11490) 12 hr test: -- F 305 BO grav 45.8; 125 MCFG on 24/64 ck; 75 BW; FTP 600 -- (Strawn 11480-11490) F 610 BOPD grav 45.8; 250 MCFGPD on 24/64 ck; 150 BWPD; FTP 600
PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO
■ STATE 35 UNIT #25
VACUUM GB SA - DO; 17S-34E-35; n/2 se se, 1170 fsl 660 fel EL: 4008 GR. Obj: 5000 (San Andres). NL: 05/07/96. API# 30-025-33417. ID# T-475508.Spud: 08/24/96.TD: 5000 on 07/01/96.Compl: on 03/14/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/25/97)PZone: 4530-4700 gross interval IP: (4530-4700) 3 BOPD; 5 MCFGPD; 1650 BWPD
MARATHON OIL CO
■ WARN STATE A/C 2 #26
VACUUM ATOKA - DO; 18S-35E-6; sw sw nw, 2180 fnl 400 fwl, Located in lot 5. EL: 3967 GR. Obj: 11500 (Atoka).NL: 08/19/96. API# 30-025-33541. ID# T-477627.Contr: McVay #4. Spud: 11/26/96.TD: 11500 on 01/14/97.PB: 11423.Compl: on 02/04/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/25/97)PZone: 11152-11205 (Atoka) IP: (Atoka 11152-11205) F 322 BOPD grav 43.6; 503 MCFGPD
on 26/64 ck; 2 BWPD; FTP 290
MALLON OIL CO
■ MALLON 35 FEDERAL #1
LEA NE DEL - DO; 19S-34E-35; c nw nw, 660 fnl 660 fwl, 27 mi SW of Hobbs. EL: 3715 GR. Obj: 8200 (Delaware). NL: 08/08/95. API# 30-025-32983. ID# T-468836.Spud: 12/08/96.TD: 8330 on 02/15/97.PB: 6596.Compl: on 02/19/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 5904-6135 (Delaware) gross interval IP: (Delaware 5904-6135) P 99 BOPD; 47 MCFGPD; 30 BWPD
AMERADA HESS CORP
■ WEIR W A #14
MONUMENT ABO - DO; 19S-36E-35; nw se nw, 1650 fnl 1650 fwl EL: 3623 GR. Obj: 8100 (Abo). NL: 01/03/97. API# 30-025-33759. ID# T-480974.Contr: McGee #1. Spud: 01/23/97 Mud drlg. TD: 7505 on 02/14/97 in Abo.PB: 7495.Compl: on 03/08/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/25/97)PZone: 7276-7390 (Abo) gross interval IP: (Abo 7276-7390) F 214 BOPD; 180 MCFGPD on 11/64 ck; 1 BWPD; FTP 640
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ BILBREY 30 FEDERAL #5
LOST TANK DEL - DO; 21S-32E-30; c nw se, 1980 fsl 1980 fel, 32.5 mi W of Eunice. EL: 3680 GR. Obj: 6850 (Delaware). NL: 10/29/96. API# 30-025-33647. ID# T-479411.Contr: Peterson #2. Spud: 11/30/96.TD: 8916 on 12/18/96.PB: 7250.Compl: on 02/24/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 7113-7125 (Brushy Canyon) IP: (Brushy Canyon 7113-7125) P 47 BOPD grav 34.2; 21 MCFGPD; 252 BWPD
COLLINS & WARE INC
■ HARE J G #4
PADDOCK - PLUG BACK DO; 21S-37E-33; 2w/2 se sw, 660 fsl 1880 fwl PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3456 DF. Obj: 7340 (Paddock).NL: 01/29/97. API# 30-025-06864. ID# T-481497.Resume:
02/03/97.Recomp: on 03/08/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/25/97)PZone: 5215-5304 (Paddock) gross interval IP: (Paddock 5215-5304) P 21 BOPD grav 36.3; 30 MCFGPD; 58 BWPD

COKE COUNTY

PERKINS PROTHRO CO
■ JAMESON STRAWN UNIT #B28
JAMESON (STRAWN)- DO; H & T C RY CO sur blk 2 sec 68, A-1869, 1333 fnl 2639 fwl of sec, 6587 fr N'ly sl 2639 fwl of unit. 2386.2 acre unit. (A-1869 originally known as A B Nunley) 6 mi SW of Silver. EL: 2180 GR. Obj: 7000 (Strawn).NL: 12/05/96. Permit# 455834. API# 42-081-31729. ID# T-480300.Contr: Win-Tex #2. Spud: 01/06/97 Mud drlg. TD: 6770 on 01/20/97 in Strawn ss.PB: 6717.Compl: on 03/15/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/25/97)PZone: 6509-6647 (Strawn ss) gross interval IP: (Strawn ss 6509-6647) P 30 BOPD grav 43; 10 MCFGPD; 85 BWPD; SICP 250

CONCHO COUNTY

DOVE EXPL INC
■ HURST #1
SUMAC (LWR KING SS)- DD; W J BOASE #2 sur, A-1798, 2173 fnl 800 fr W'ly wl of sur, 467 fsl 800 fwl of lse. 40 acre lse. (A-1798 originally known as W F Cornelius) 9 mi SW of Eden. EL: 2235 GR. Obj: 2200 (lwr King ss).NL: 05/29/96. Permit# 448400. API# 42-095-31696. ID# T-475917.Spud: 05/30/96.TD: 2172 on 06/21/96.P&A on 06/22/96.(Last Info: 03/25/97) **ULTRA OIL & GAS INC**
■ LOVELESS ANA #2
WILDCAT- WD; O F WEDIN sur blk 72 sec 82, A-178[illegible] 740 fnl 2551 fel of sec, and lse. 694.26 acre lse. (A-1787 originally known as J V Massey) 1.5 mi N of Eden. EL: 2080 GR. Obj: 3600 test.NL: 10/28/96. Permit# 454173. API# 42-095-31728. ID# T-479374.Spud: 10/31/96.TD: 3600 on 12/31/96.P&A on 03/06/97.(Last Info: 03/24/97)

CROCKETT COUNTY

DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ HELBING RUBY 25A #3
OZONA- WP; JOHN H GIBSON sur blk QR sec 25, A-2066, 1951 fsl 1859 fel of sec, 692 fnl 1859 fel of lse. 332.05 acre lse. 6.1 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2388 GR. Obj: 6800 test.NL: 01/31/95. Permit# 432210. API# 42-105-36796. ID# T-466102.ABND LOC on 03/20/97.(Last Info: 03/20/97)
HARRISON INTERESTS LTD
■ MCMULLAN JOE WYLIE - A #8
DAVIDSON RANCH (PENNSYLVANIAN 7890)-
PLUG BACK DG; G C & S F RY CO sur blk F sec 3, A-2405, 848 fnl 1718 fel of sec, 848 fnl 960 fwl of lse. 325.9 acre lse. 11 mi SE of Ozona. Summary Original Drill: Field: HUNT-BAGGETT (STRAWN).Compl: on 10/29/96 GASPZone: 8951-8960 (Strawn) IP: (Strawn 8951-8960) CAOF 1041 MCFGPD -- F 935
MCFGPD grav .619 on 16/64 ck; FTP 947, SITP 2000, SICP 997, BHSIP 2484, BHT 240 F @ 8960, SLOPE 0.499 Four Point: 432 MCFGPD on 10/64 ck
in 60 min, FTP 1850, BHP 2278;630 MCFGPD on 12/64 ck in 60 min, FTP 1565, BHP 1931; 846 MCFGPD on 14/64 ck in 60 min, FTP 1115, BHP 1271; 935 MCFGPD on 16/64 ck in 60min, FTP 947, BHP 1096
R O C INC
■ MAYBERRY J B #2
TIPPETT (UPR WOLFCAMP)- RECOMPLETION DO; H & T C RY CO sur blk 31 sec 39, A-415, 529 fnsl 671 fnwl of sec, and lse. 80 acre lse. 10.5 mi SE of McCamey. Summary Original Drill: Oper: GULF OIL CORP Field: TIPPETT (LWR LEONARD).Compl: on 12/30/62 OILPZone: 5067-5085 (Leonard) IP: (Leonard 5067-5095) F 188 BOPD
TAMARACK PETR CO INC
■ HOOVER 18 #10
OZONA (CANYON SS)- DG; G C & S F RY CO sur blk XX sec 18, A-4679, 850 fsl 2900 fel of sec, and lse. 958 acre lse. (A-4679 originally known as C C Montgomery) 15 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2385 GR. Obj: 6800 (Canyon ss).NL: 12/31/96. Permit# 456726. API# 42-105-37517. ID# T-480820.Contr: Patterson. Spud: 01/10/97.TD: 6525 on 01/16/97.PB: 6491.Compl: on 02/25/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 6285-6386 (Canyon ss) gross interval IP: (Canyon ss 6285-6386) CAOF 464 MCFGPD -- F 5.81 BCPD grav 69.1; 438 MCFGPD grav .724 on 25/64 ck; 2.70 BWPD; FTP 221, SITP 1340, BHSIP 1668, BHT 175 F @ 6330, SLOPE 1.000 One Point: 438 MCFGPD on 25/64 ck in 4320 min, FTP 221, BHP 393
TAMARACK PETR CO INC
■ HOOVER 18 #9
OZONA (CANYON SS)- DG; G C & S F RY CO sur blk XX sec 18, A-5556, 660 fsl 1000 fel of sec, and lse. 958 acre lse. (A-5556 originally known as Paul Hallcomb) 15 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2263 GR. Obj: 6800 (Canyon ss).NL: 12/31/96. Permit# 456722. API# 42-105-37516. ID# T-480821.Contr: Patterson. Spud: 12/29/96.TD: 6525 on 01/05/97.PB: 6335.Compl: on 02/25/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 6210-6220 (Canyon ss) IP: (Canyon
ss 6210-6220) CAOF 399 MCFGPD -- F 4.80 BCPD grav 66.6; 389 MCFGPD grav .718 on 26/64 ck; 2.86 BWPD; FTP 196, SITP 1745, BHSIP 2235, BHT 173 F @ 6215, SLOPE 1.000 One Point: 389 MCFGPD on 26/64 ck in 4320 min, FTP 196, BHP 345
TAMARACK PETR CO INC
■ SUTTON #1508
OZONA (CANYON SS)- DG; T C RY CO sur blk R sec 15, A-2985, 2173 fsl 2700 fwl of sec, 7953 fsl 2700 fwl of lse. 2880 acre lse. 17 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2353 GR. Obj: 6800 (Canyon ss).NL: 01/07/97. Permit# 45[illegible]02. API# 42-105-37528. ID# T 480997.Con[illegible] Patterson #35. Spud: 01/28/97.TD: 6460 on 02/03/97.PB: 6350.Compl: on 02/26/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 5952-6293 (Canyon ss) gross interval IP: (Canyon ss 5952-6293) CAOF 456 MCFGPD -- F 4.68 BCPD grav 66.7; 440 MCFGPD grav .721 on 32/64 ck; 7.42 BWPD; FTP 230, SITP 1940, BHSIP 2377, BHT 169 F @ 5957, SLOPE 1.000 One Point: 440 MCFGPD on 32/64 ck in 4320 min, FTP 230, BHP 447
UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ PIERCE J S 15 #11
OZONA (CANYON SS)- DG; T & S T L RY CO sur blk SL sec 15, A-4192, 375 fnl 2200 fwl of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception granted) 19.7 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2201 GR. Obj: 7500 (Canyon ss).NL: 09/26/96. Permit# 453156. API# 42-105-37411. ID# T-478523.Contr: Wes Tex #7. Spud: 11/14/96.TD: 7021 on 11/19/96.PB: 6955.Compl: on 02/26/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/21/97)PZone: 6548-6714 (Canyon ss) IP: (Canyon ss 6548-6714) CAOF 1128 MCFGPD -- F 17 BCPD grav 71.4; 740 MCFGPD grav .700 on 15/64 ck; 18 BWPD; FTP 779, SITP 1535, BHSIP 1896, BHT 180 F @ 6631, SLOPE 1.000 One Point: 740 MCFGPD on 15/64 ck in 4320min, FTP 779, BHP 1112
UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ PIERCE-HENDERSON B #4
OZONA (CANYON SS)- DG; T C RY CO sur sec 8, A-5078, 660 fnl 925 fwl of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse (Block south of M) 19.5 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2247 GR. Obj: 7600 (Canyon ss).NL: 10/21/96. Permit# 454084. API# 42-105-37434. ID# T-479150.Contr: Wes Tex #7. Spud: 11/26/96.TD: 6925 on 12/01/96.PB: 6859.Compl: on 01/29/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/25/97)PZone: 6018-6608 (Canyon ss) gross interval IP: (Canyon ss 6018-6608) CAOF 198 MCFGPD -- F 2.68 BCPD grav 62.2; 172 MCFGPD grav .743 on 14/64 ck; 30 BWPD; FTP 240, SITP 1395, BHSIP 1720, BHT 172 F @ 6128, SLOPE 1.000 One Point: 172 MCFGPD on 14/64 ck in 4320min, FTP 240, BHP 627
UNION PACIFIC RESOURCES
■ UNION PACIFIC - D #16
OZONA (CANYON SS)- DG; G C & S F RY CO sur blk I sec 2, A-5574, 660 fsl 660 fwl of sec, and lse. 655.8 acre lse. (A-5574 originally known as Charles E Schaver) 11.4 mi SW of Ozona. EL: 2491 GR. Obj: 7500 (Canyon ss).NL: 07/03/96. Permit# 449943. API# 42-105-37343. ID# T-476675.Contr: Wes-Tex #2. Spud: 12/18/96.TD: 9500 on 12/30/96.PB: 6954.Compl: on 02/07/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 6518-6628 (Canyon ss) gross interval IP: (Canyon ss 6518-6628) CAOF 302 MCFGPD -- F 6.09 BCPD grav 67.3; 235 MCFGPD grav .748 on 16/64 ck; 9 84 BWPD; FTP 231, SITP 1565, BHSIP 1993, BHT 179 F @ 6573, SLOPE 1.000 One Point: 235 MCFGPD on 16/64 ck in 4320 min, FTP 231, BHP 939

IRION COUNTY

ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP
■ SCOTT AGNES 14 #1403
KETCHUM MOUNTAIN (CLEAR FORK)- DO; H & T C RY CO sur blk 14 sec 14, A-891, 660 fnl 1980 fwl of sec, and lse. 320 acre lse. (A-891 originally known as Wyatt Anderson) 13 mi W of Mertzon. EL: 2515 GR. Obj: 4800 (Clear Fork).NL: 04/15/96. Permit# 446999. API# 42-235-33498. ID# T-474932.Contr: Cleere #4. Spud: 12/10/96 Mud drlg. TD: 4050 on 12/13/96 in Clear Fork.PB: 4009.Compl: on 01/19/97

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REAGAN COUNTY

COX JOHN L
■ ROCKER B - G #8
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 1 sec 98, 1980 fnl 660 fel of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 9 mi NE of Big Lake. EL: 2542 GR. Obj: 7200 test.NIL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482929
MARINER ENERGY INC
■ S A U MARINER 19-2 #2
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- D; L & S V RY CO sur blk B sec 19, A-292, 660 fsl 1100 fwl of sec, and lse. 80 acre lse. 40 mi NW of Big Lake. EL: 2665 GR. Obj: 8200 test.NIL: 03/20/97. Permit# 460003. API# 42-383-03474. ID# T-482928

RUNNELS COUNTY

SMAIL JAMES R
■ VOGELSANG #1
BALLINGER- DEEPEN WP; E T RY CO #167 sur, A-167, 2281 fnl 660 fel of sur, 467 fsl 660 fel of lse. 40 acre lse. 2 mi W of Hatchell. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj. 4200 test.NIL: 03/21/97. API# 42-399-31827. ID# T-482958
WAGMAN BRENT A
■ FRERICH #1
NORTON WEST (PALO PINTO)- RE-ENTRY D; BURNETT COUNTY SCHOOL LAND #271 sur, A-19, 1810 fnl 330 fel of lot 11 of sur, 330 fsl 330 fel of lse. 120 acre lse. 1.5 mi N of Norton. Summary Original Drill: Oper: GUFFEY ROY OIL CO Well: FRERICH LEON #1 PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj. 4120 (Palo Pinto).NIL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482959
WAGMAN BRENT A
■ FRERICH #3
NORTON WEST (PALO PINTO)- D; BURNETT COUNTY SCHOOL LAND #271 sur, A-19, 1810 fnl 430 fel of lot 11 of sur, 330 fsl 430 fel of lse. 120 acre lse. 1.5 mi N of Norton. Obj. 4150 (Palo Pinto).NIL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482957

SCHLEICHER COUNTY

T X P INC
■ GLASS - 50A #1
R E G (LIME 5900)- D; G H & S A RY CO sur blk M sec 50, A-1927, 1599 fsl 517 fel of sec, 467 fnl 517 fel of lse. 125.35 acre lse. (A-1927 originally E W & Myrtle Roberts) 11 mi NE of Eldorado. EL: 2331 GR. Obj: 6200 (Strawn 5900 ls).NIL: 03/24/97. ID# T-482974

SUTTON COUNTY

BURLINGTON RES O&G CO
■ DEBERRY - A #38
SONORA (UPR CANYON)- D; E L RY CO #22 sur, A-1027, 2200 fnl 300 fel of sur, 5705 fnl 1280 fwl of lse. 3202.74 acre lse. A-1027 originally known as J T Morris. 6.1 mi NW of Sonora. EL: 2338 GR. Obj: 6900 (upr Canyon).NIL: 03/26/97. ID# T-483043
BURLINGTON RES O&G CO
■ DEBERRY - A #42
SONORA (UPR CANYON SS)- D; H E & W T RY CO sur blk B sec 120, A-1025, 1500 fsl 2592 fel of sec. and lse. 3202.74 acre lse. (A-1025 originally known as J T Morris) 5.4 mi NW of Sonora. EL: 2285 GR. Obj: 6850 (upr Canyon ss).NIL: 03/26/97. ID# T-483037
BURLINGTON RES O&G CO
■ DEBERRY - A #49
SONORA (UPR CANYON SS)- D; H E & W T RY CO sur blk B sec 104, A-1023, 526 fnl 877 fwl of sec. and lse. 3202.74 acre lse. (A-1023 originally known as J T Morris) 3.6 mi NW of Sonora. EL: 2228 GR. Obj: 6650 (upr Canyon ss).NIL: 03/26/97. ID# T-483038
BURLINGTON RES O&G CO
■ DEBERRY - A #50
SONORA (UPR CANYON SS)- D; H E & W T RY CO sur blk B sec 104, A-1023, 2228 fsl 473 fel of sec. and lse. 3202.74 acre lse. (A-1023 originally known as J T Morris) 3.6 mi NW of Sonora. EL: 2260 GR. Obj: 6400 (upr Canyon ss).NIL: 03/26/97. ID# T-483039
BURLINGTON RES O&G CO
■ STEEN #44
SONORA (UPR CANYON SS)- D; G C & S F RY CO #13 sur, A-145, 467 fsl 467 fel of sur, 467 fsl 4818 fwl of lse. 3486.19 acre lse. 5.8 mi NE of Sonora. EL: 2302 GR. Obj: 6000 (upr Canyon ss).NIL: 03/25/97. Permit# 460044. API# 42-435-34691. ID# T-482994

TERRELL COUNTY

MOBIL PRODUCING TX & NM
■ BANNER UNIT #1
BROWN-BASSETT (STRAWN)- RE-ENTRY D; T W & N G RY CO sur blk 2 sec 331, 97 fsl 1646 fwl of sec. 5888 fsl 1646 fwl of unit. 704 acre unit. 29 mi NE of Dryden. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj. 12600 (Strawn).NIL: 03/21/97. API# 42-443-00087. ID# T-482965

UPTON COUNTY

ARCO PERMIAN
■ DAVIDSON 46 #3
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 4S sec 46, 1980 fsl 660 fel of sec, and lse. 320 acre lse. 29 mi NNW of Rankin. EL: 2827 GR. Obj: 10150 test.NIL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482966
ARCO PERMIAN
■ DAVIDSON 46 #4
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 4S sec 46, 660 fnl 660 fel of sec, and lse. 320 acre lse. 29 mi NNW of Rankin. EL: 2829 GR. Obj: 10150 test.NIL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482967
ARCO PERMIAN
■ MCELROY RANCH CO 129 #12
WILSHIRE (CONSOLIDATED)- RECOMPLETION D; C C S D & R G N G RY CO sur blk D sec 129, A-95, 1980 fnl 660 fwl of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse. 19 mi N of McCamey. Geomap: 5-12N-18W Summary Plug Back. Oper: CHEVRON U S A INC Field: WILSHIRE (PENNSYLVANIAN) TD: 12271 Recomp: on 09/05/89 OILPZone: 9382-9506 (Pennsylvanian) IP: P 2 BCPD grav 52.1, 1 MCFGPD; 28 BWPD PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 10400 (Consolidated).NIL: 11/21/88. API# 42-461-01939. ID# T-422472
ARCO PERMIAN
■ MCELROY RANCH CO 130 #12
WILSHIRE (CONSOLIDATED)- RE-ENTRY D; C C S D & R G N G RY CO sur blk D sec 130, A-1464, 1980 fnl 660 fwl of sec. 660 fsl 660 fwl of lse. 160 acre lse. (A-1464 originally known as John T McElroy) 20 mi N of McCamey. Summary Original Drill: Oper: CHEVRON U S A INC PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj. 12329 (Consolidated).NIL: 03/25/97. API# 42-461-01940. ID# T-482993
MARATHON OIL CO
■ UNIVERSITY 22 #1
BLOCK 4 (DEVONIAN)- HORIZONTAL D; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 4 sec 22, 2173 fsl 1320 fwl of sec. 467 fnl 1320 fwl of lse. 320 acre lse. 7 mi SE of Rankin. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 2108 fsl 543 fel of sec. 22 -- 532 fnl 543 fel of lse. Obj. 10450 (Devonian).NIL: 03/25/97. API# 42-461-31870-01. ID# T-483007
MOBIL PRODUCING TX & NM
■ PEGASUS FIELD UNIT 3 #1612
PEGASUS (DEVONIAN)- RECOMPLETION D; T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 4S sec 31, A-1354, 1950 fsl 1350 fwl of sec. 15150 fsl 9270 fwl of lse. 11811.185 acre lse. 18 mi SE of Odessa. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj. 12185 (Devonian).NIL: 03/24/97. Permit# 457714. API# 42-461-33342. ID# T-482983
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ PEMBROOK NORTH SPRABERRY UNIT #2108A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 5 sec 31, 1980 fsl 660 fwl of sec. 11401 fnl 9954 fel of unit. (Located in tract 21) 24240 acre unit. 3 mi SE of Midkiff. EL: 2724 GR. Obj: 8770 test.NIL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482969
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ PEMBROOK NORTH SPRABERRY UNIT #2109A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 5S sec 31, 1980 fnl 1980 fwl of sec. 10006 fnl 8628 fel of unit. (Located in tract 21) 24240 acre unit. (Rule 38 exception applied for) 3 mi SE of Midkiff. EL: 2727 GR. Obj: 8785 (Dean).NIL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482968
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ PEMBROOK NORTH SPRABERRY UNIT #5002A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 5S sec 41, 1980 fnl 1980 fwl of sec. 12661 fnl 1980 fel of unit. (Located in tract 50) 24240 acre unit. (Rule 38 exception applied for) 4 mi SE of Midkiff. EL: 2710 GR. Obj: 8710 (Dean).NIL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482970
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ PEMBROOK NORTH SPRABERRY UNIT #5102A
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 5S sec 41, 1980 fsl 1980 fwl of sec. 14048 fnl 3248 fel of unit. (Located in tract 51) 24240 acre unit. (Rule 38 exception applied for) 4 mi SE of Midkiff. EL: 2712 GR. Obj: 8725 test.NIL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482961

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ANDREWS COUNTY

COSTILLA ENERGY INC
■ MABEE COSTILLA - 32F #D
MABEE NORTH- WP; G & M M B & A sur blk 30 twp 3N sec 32, A-90, 2250 fnl 2021 fwl of sec, 930 fnl 701 fwl of lse. 80 acre lse. 17 mi E of Andrews. EL: 2974 GR. Obj: 13800 test.NIL: 03/24/97. Permit# 460099. API# 42-003-38185. ID# T-482980
FASKEN OIL & RANCH LTD
■ UNIVERSITY 8-2 #2
HUTEX (DEVONIAN)- D; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 8 sec 2, 1640 fnl 572 fwl of sec, and lse. 323.65 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception applied for) 20 mi NE of Andrews. EL: 3011 GR. Obj: 12800 (Devonian).NIL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482909
HUNT OIL CO
■ COPE H R #9
NOLLEY- WP; GAINES COUNTY SCHOOL LAND sur, 1790 fnl 1740 fwl of blk 3 lge 314 of sur, 22850 fsl 1740 fwl of lse. 492 acre lse. 14 mi N'LY of Andrews. EL: 3168 GR. Obj: 10000 test.NIL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482952
PENWELL ENERGY INC
■ UNIVERSITY 46 #1
ANDREWS SOUTH (UPR PENNSYLVANIAN)- D; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 9 sec 46, 467 fnl 1927 fel of sec, 467 fnl 730 fwl of lse. 160.00 acre lse. 12 mi S of Andrews. EL: 3101 GR. Obj: 9500 (upr Pennsylvanian).NIL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483018
PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO
■ UNIVERSITY 11 #2
MARTIN (LWR CLEAR FORK)- PLUG BACK D; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 11 sec 15, A-4329, 1991 fsl 467 fel of sec, 702 fnl 467 fel of lse. 167.7 acre lse. 13 mi SW of Andrews. Summary Original Drill: Field: BLOCK 11 (LWR WICHITA).EL: 3340 KB TD: 8070 in Fusselman.Compl: on 05/17/94 OILPZone: 7498-7518 (mid Wichita Albany) IP: (mid Wichita Albany 7498-7518) P 11 BOPD grav 35.8; 11 MCFGPD; 249 BWPD PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3328 GR. Obj: 7000 (lwr Clear Fork).NIL: 10/29/93. Permit# 460084. API# 42-003-37375. ID# T-457610
TEXLAND JMC JOINT VENTUR
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FULLERTON (SAN ANDRES)- SP; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-31 sec 21 of sec. and lse. 200.00 acre lse. 20 mi NW of Andrews. EL: 3378 GR. Obj: 4900 (San Andres).NIL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482910
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■ LOGSDON - C #31
FULLERTON (SAN ANDRES)- SP; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-37 sec 1 of sec. and lse. 640.00 acre lse. 20 mi NW of Andrews. EL: 3329 GR. Obj: 4900 (San Andres).NIL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482913
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FULLERTON (SAN ANDRES)- SP; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-37 sec 1 of sec. and lse. 640.00 acre lse. 20 mi NW of Andrews. EL: 3334 GR. Obj: 4900 (San Andres).NIL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482912
TEXLAND JMC JOINT VENTUR
■ LOGSDON - C #33
FULLERTON (SAN ANDRES)- SP; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-37 sec 1 of sec. and lse. 640.00 acre lse. 20 mi NW of Andrews. EL: 3341 GR. Obj: 4900 (San Andres).NIL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482911

CRANE COUNTY

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■ WADDELL W N #65
WADDELL- RE-ENTRY SP; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk B-23 sec 11, 330 fsl 2310 fel of sec, 4950 fsl 2310 fel of lse. 3146.50 acre lse. 16 mi NW of Crane. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj. 3900 test.NIL: 03/25/97. API# 42-103-01047. ID# T-483021
CHALICE PETROLEUM CORP
■ COWDEN JAX M ET AL - NCT F #15
W E R (SAN ANDRES)- PLUG BACK D; H & T C RY CO sur blk 2 sec 39, A-137, 2298 fnwl 467 fswl of sec, 2298 fr N'ly nwl 467 fr cen swl of sec, 600 fsel 467 fswl of lse. 80 acre lse. 12 mi S'LY of Crane. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj. 2100 (San Andres).NIL: 03/20/97. Permit# 459918. API# 42-103-30716. ID# T-482915
EXXON CO USA
■ CORDONA LAKE CONSOLIDATED UNIT #137
CORDONA LAKE- WP; JUAN CORDONA #1 sur, 2537 fsl 3440 fel of sur, 1483 fswl 4264 fsel of unit. 3755.56 acre unit. 13 mi SW of Crane. EL: 2335 GR. Obj: 6300 test.NIL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482954
EXXON CO USA
■ CORDONA LAKE CONSOLIDATED UNIT #139
CORDONA LAKE- D; JUAN CORDONA #1 sur, 4794 fsl 4206 fel of sur, 3197 fswl 6310 fsel of unit. 3755.56 acre unit. (Rule 37 exception applied for) 13 mi SW of Crane. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 4252 fsl 3952 fel of sur. -- 2755 fswl 5766 fsel of unit. Obj: 6000 test.NIL: 03/26/97. ID# T-483049
EXXON CO USA
■ CORDONA LAKE CONSOLIDATED UNIT #144
CORDONA LAKE- WP; JUAN CORDONANO #1 sur, 656 fsl 1818 fel of sur, 656 fsl 1767 fswl of unit. 3755.56 acre unit. 13 mi SW of Crane. EL: 2335 GR. Obj: 6300 test.NIL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482953
PARKER & PARSLEY DEV LP
■ PECOS BEND #2
ABELL NE (MONTOYA)- D; H & T C RY CO sur blk 1 sec 17, 781 fnwl 3336 fnel of sec, 3336 fnel 586 fsel of lse. 320 acre lse. 5 mi NE of Imperial. EL: 2403 GR. Obj: 6500 (Montoya).NIL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482956
PENNZOIL EXPL & PROD CO
■ MCKINIGHT-CROLEY #1
RUNNING W (ALBANY)- PLUG BACK D; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk B-21 sec 10, 990 fsl 2310 fwl of sec, 330 fsl 330 fel of lse. 120 acre lse. 14 mi SE of Monahans. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj. 5700 (Albany).NIL: 03/26/97. API# 42-103-02593. ID# T-483058
T M B R/SHARP DRLG INC
■ APACHE UNIVERSITY 30-47 #1
MCELROY (BAXTER)- D; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 30 sec 47, 1984 fnl 2087 fwl of sec, 661 fsl 562 fel of lse. 80 acre lse. 4 mi NE of Crane. EL: 2566 GR. Obj: 5000 (Baxter).NIL: 03/24/97. Permit# 460038. API# 42-103-34498. ID# T-482981

ECTOR COUNTY

SEABOARD OIL CO
■ PARKER - T #2
TOM ROBERTS (CLEAR FORK)- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 44 twp 2S sec 18, A-1103, 660 fnl 660 fel of sec, and lse. 80 acre lse. (A-1103 originally known as Bessie Riggins) 6 mi N of Penwell. Obj: 5800 (Clear Fork).NIL: 03/25/97. Permit# 460240. API# 42-135-37403. ID# T-483009

GLASSCOCK COUNTY

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■ CALVERLEY - A #6
GARDEN CITY WEST- WP; T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 3S sec 43, A-238, 1207 fsl 2476 fel of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 6 mi NW of Garden City. EL: 2705 GR. Obj: 8200 test.NIL: 03/26/97. Permit# 460171. API# 42-173-32746. ID# T-483064
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STUDY: U.S. sanctions could be a factor in energy crisis

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imposed.

An energy crisis today probably would cause a quick rise in gas prices because of lean inventories but not the long-term impact that it did in the '70s, she said.

But the study notes that "should a disruption take place today of even half the magnitude of the Gulf crisis, moderate prices would not be restored without relying on accommodation by the Saudi monarchy, a major stock release of the International Energy Agency or a (United Nations) vote to reopen Iraq to trade."

The report also says membership in the International Energy Agency, which represents 25 industrialized democracies, should expand to include Asian countries.

The yearlong study by Rice University economics professors, working with oil industry representatives, was paid through a $300,000 grant from the nonprofit Center for International Political Economy.

The report will be made available to U.S. policy makers, businesses and foreign leaders.

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Acoustical well testing yields cost-effective real-time data, results

Proven oilfield technology allows producers to obtain accurate, detailed downhole information on artificial-lift wells without the hassle, expense and delay of pulling a well, inserting tools, waiting, then hoping the tools gathered enough data to make the test successful. The process, called acoustical well testing, is accomplished from the surface, which is why there is no need to pull the well. Topside tools and analysis software allow real-time data to be delivered to the producer, allowing a quicker reaction to any problems and making it easy to tell when sufficient data has been gathered for a meaningful test.

"Acoustical well testing works by creating a sound wave at the surface and tracking its 'echo' from downhole," explains Matt Raglin of Raglin Energy Services. Using a laptop computer, the field engineer interrogates the field unit and processes the recorded data into bottom hole pressure for further analysis by highly a specialized software program called Sapphire. Data entered includes liquid level, surface pressure and acoustic velocity.

Raglin can assist in solving primary production problems in three ways: by monitoring reservoir pressure decline to help in reserve estimates, by determining existing wellbore conditions and monitoring them as they change and by helping to optimize production by providing reservoir inflow rates and pumping bottom-hole pressures. Additionally, Raglin can give a clear picture of pressure changes in secondary and tertiary recovery situations.

This method makes it cost-effective to test the well before and after stimulation, to gauge the treatment's effectiveness.

As the chart shows, acoustical testing provides data very similar to that obtained from downhole tests. "We have compared our test results with dozens of downhole tests and found very little difference," Raglin states.

As with any procedure, acoustical well testing is only as good as the operator. Over the last 13 years, Raglin has tested many thousands of wells on several continents and in all types of formations. "I don't think anybody has tested as many wells as I have," he muses. That experience means Raglin can quickly and accurately translate the readings into valuable information to producers.

The same technology can be used on gas wells and injection wells, making his service even more valuable to producers.

Raglin Energy Services uses acoustical well sounding technology to provide reservoir analysis of artificial-lift wells in addition to gas and injection wells. The phone number is 694-0174.

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KEY: Acquires three more West Texas service companies

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vice rigs and over 140 oilfield trucks and transports, as well as disposal wells, hot oil units and various related equipment.

Key Energy, a leader in the consolidation of the domestic well service industry, has completed twelve acquisitions since October 1, 1996 and recently announced the proposed acquisition of Well-Co Oil Service, Inc. The aggregate consideration of these transactions, including Well-Co, is over $75 million, including over $46 million for six well service rig operations, approximately $25 million for five trucking and ancillary service operations, and over $4 million on two combined rig and trucking/ancillary service operations. Key Energy expects to announce additional strategic acquisitions over the next several months in each of its core domestic markets.

Key Energy Group, Inc. is a holding company with diversified energy operations including well servicing / workover services, contract drilling and production of crude oil and natural gas. The company has operations in Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Michigan, the Appalachian Region and Argentina.

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Oil patch companies outsource programming for greater flexibility

Downsizing, the oil patch buzzword of the 90s, has had some of its greatest impact on computer programmers, says Keith Crow of Computer Outsourcing Professionals, a Midland-based programming concern. "Programmers, among others, are considered support staff, not part of the core group, and therefore expendable," Crow states.

A reduced support staff is okay to a point, but when special needs or projects arise, companies are faced with a decision: let the project languish or die, or outsource (another 90s word) the work on a contract basis to someone like Crow's company.

Computer Outsourcing Professionals helps companies with projects such as field data gathering, telemetry, pump off controllers, drilling reports, acquisition accounting, seal programs (involving the Bureau of Land Management) and other oil and gas related programs.

Crow himself spent over 20 years on oil company staffs, the last 12 in the above-listed field-related projects, in fields as diverse as Canada, the Texas Panhandle and the Permian Basin. For majors and large independents, finding a programmer who also knows oil and gas projects is critical, Crow contends. "With a seasoned programmer such as myself, who already knows why a report has to look a certain way and contain certain information, companies can save a lot of training time, thereby getting their project finished that much faster."

Often, a firm will try to save some money with one of the "off-the-shelf" or pre-written software packages. While this is an excellent stragegy, Crow explains that they still may need tweaking by a professional to work just right. "If you have historical data to import from an older software package, or if you want your new software to interface with other existing programs, it's usually necessary to get some expert assistance."

Increasingly, Crow reports, companies are seeing the benefit to integrated software that allows them to enter production or accounting data into a single database which is then accessible by multiple reports or software packages. Relieving the redundancy of each department entering numbers into its own database means employees become more productive reports are generated sooner and problems solved faster.

Visual Basic, Unix, Windows 3.x and IBM mainframes are platforms Crow has worked with extensively. He can easily interface Microsoft programs such as Access, Excel, Word and others.

Crow agrees that he is one of a new breed of freelance programmers ready to help majors, large independents and anyone else who needs programming solutions on a project by project basis. "Outsourcing is a solution that has made sense," he concludes.

Computer Outsourcing Professionals is owned by veteran oil patch programmer Keith Crow. He is proficient in Visual Basic, Unix, Windows 3.x and other platforms. He handles programming for both oilfield and general applications. The phone number is 694-2460 and the email address is kcrow@planetwide.com.

"With a seasoned programmer such as myself, who already knows why a report has to look a certain way and contain certain information, companies can save a lot of training time, thereby getting their project finished that much faster."

Keith Crow
Computer Outsourcing Professionals



Keith Crow of Computer Outsourcing Professionals, provides software solutions to oil field and general applications on a variety of platforms. He can be reached at 694-2460.

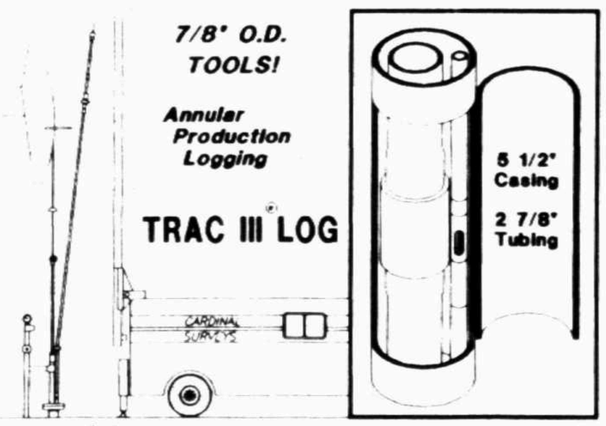


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MENARD COUNTY

DANIEL EXPL INC
■ NICHOLS J #2A
NICHOLS- WPD; THOMAS GREEN #1 sur, A-1354, 3350 fsl 1226 fel of sur, 3350 fsl 750 fel of lse. 322.04 acre lse. 15 mi NW of Menard. Obj: 2700 test.NIL: 11/13/96. Permit# 455021. API# 42-327-30816. ID# T-479790.Contr: Dudley #2. Spud: 01/30/97 Air drlg. TD: 2184 on 02/04/97 in King ss.Compl: on 03/17/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 2145-2184 (King ss) IP: (King ss 2145-2184) 80 BOPD grav 32; no wtr
HEXAGON OIL & GAS INC
■ DAVIS J A #1
WILDCAT- WO; H & O B RY CO #69 sur, A-429, 1250 fsl 1500 fel of sur, 1400 fnl 1842 fel of lse. 1024 acre lse. 20 mi NW of Menard. EL: 2289 KB. Obj: 3900 test.NIL: 01/03/97. Permit# 456486. API# 42-327-30818. ID# T-480948.Contr: Hack. Spud: 12/24/96.TD: 3874 on 01/16/97.PB: 3860.Compl: on 03/05/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 3767-3780 (Goen ls) IP: (Goen ls 3767-3780) F 62 BOPD grav 43.5; 108 MCFGPD on 17/64 ck; 6.0 BWPD; FTP 120

REAGAN COUNTY

MARINER ENERGY INC
■ SAU MARINER 33-3 #3
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- DO; L & S V RY CO sur blk B sec 33, A-299, 1980 fsl 1320 fel of sec, 660 fsl 1320 fel of lse. 80 acre lse. 35 mi NW of Big Lake. EL: 2265 GR. Obj: 8200 test.NIL: 12/06/96. Permit# 455622. API# 42-383-34659. ID# T-480338.Contr: Hurt #11. Spud: 12/28/96 Mud drlg. TD: 8194 on 01/16/97.Compl: on 02/21/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 6461-8062 (Spraberry/Jo Mill/Dean) gross interval IP: (Spraberry/Jo Mill/Dean 6461-8062) P 33 BOPD grav 40; 53 MCFGPD; 77 BWPD

SUTTON COUNTY

LOUIS-DREYFUS NATRL GAS
■ JONES RANCH #1863
ELDORADO SW (STRAWN)- DG; H E & W T RY CO sur blk A sec 186, A-1213, 900 fnl 1000 fel of sec, 4940 fnl 6822 fwl of lse. 4710.99 acre lse. (A-1213 originally known as G M Scales) 10.2 mi NW of Sonora. EL: 2358 GR. Obj: 8000 test.NIL: 01/28/97. Permit# 457757. API# 42-435-34670. ID# T-481454.Contr: Patterson #42. Spud: 01/31/97 Air drlg. TD: 7626 on 02/05/97 in Strawn.PB: 7550.Compl: on 03/20/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 7366-7461 (upr Strawn) gross interval IP: (upr Strawn 7366-7461) F 996 MCFGPD on 18/64 ck; no oil; 21 BLWPD; FTP 650, SICP 830
LOUIS-DREYFUS NATRL GAS
■ MAYER EDWIN S JR #21
SAWYER (STRAWN NORTH)- DD; G C & S F RY CO sur blk D sec 54, A-1615, 1980 fnl 1450 fel of sec, 1980 fnl 1185 fwl of lse. 2195.54 acre lse. (A-1615 originally known as P H Lee) 12 mi NW of Sonora. EL: 2373 GR. Obj: 8400 (Strawn).NIL: 10/15/96. Permit# 453527. API# 42-435-34632. ID# T-478953.Spud: 10/11/96.TD: 8400 on 10/16/96.P&A on 10/17/96.(Last Info: 03/24/97)
MCFGPD on 24/64 ck in 4320 min, FTP 178, BHP

UPTON COUNTY

STEPHENS AUTRY C
■ ELKIN 29 - A #2
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- DEEPEN DO; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 twp 5S sec 29, A-393, 1980 fnl 660 fel of sec, 660 fnl 660 fel of lse. 80 acre lse. 3 mi E of Midkiff. Summary Original Drill: EL: 2729 GR. PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2740 KB. Obj: 9300 test.NIL: 05/22/95. Permit# 436079. API# 42-461-02852. ID# T-468460.Contr: Great Basin. Resume: 05/27/95 Mud drlg. TD: 9204 on, 07/12/95.PB: 9170.Recomp: on 02/17/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/21/97)PZone: 8380-9149 (Dean/Wolfcamp) IP: (Dean/Wolfcamp 8380-9149) P 22 BOPD grav 38.9; 28 MCFGPD; 41 BWPD

ANDREWS COUNTY

ARROW OPERATING CO
■ FUHRMAN-MASCHO WEST UNIT #106
FUHRMAN-MASCHO- DO; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-42 sec 23, A-2214, 1144 fnl 1324 fel of sec, 4481 fsl 1324 fel of unit. 3700 acre unit. (A-2214 originally known as M A Thornberry) 10 mi SW of Andrews. EL: 3203 GR. Obj: 4900 test.NIL: 11/19/96. Permit# 455089. API# 42-003-38063. ID# T 479976.Contr: Sitton #1. Spud: 11/14/96.TD: 4736 on 11/20/96.PB: 4683.Compl: on 01/18/97 OIL (Last Info:
03/20/97)PZone: 4512-4594 (upr San Andres) IP: (upr San Andres 4512-4594) P 37 BOPD grav 32.0; 8 MCFGPD; 23 BWPD
ARROW OPERATING CO
■ FUHRMAN-MASCHO WEST UNIT #115
FUHRMAN-MASCHO- DO; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-42 sec 18, A-2213, 2604 fsl 2551 fel of sec, 3990 fnl 2551 fel of unit. 3700 acre unit. (A-2213 originally known as M A Thornberry) 11 mi SW of Andrews. EL: 3221 GR. Obj: 4875 test.NIL: 10/29/96. Permit# 454406. API# 42-003-38030. ID# T 479422.Contr: Sitton #1. Spud: 10/30/96.TD: 4650 on 11/07/96.PB: 4607.Compl: on 12/25/96 OIL (Last Info:
03/20/97)PZone: 4404-4578 (upr San Andres) IP: (upr San Andres 4404-4578) P 22 BOPD grav 32.0; 20 MCFGPD; 88 BWPD
ARROW OPERATING CO
■ FUHRMAN-MASCHO WEST UNIT #121
FUHRMAN-MASCHO- DO; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-42 sec 18, A-2213, 1225 fsl 1234 fwl of sec, 3369 fnl 4120 fel of unit. 3700 acre unit. (A-2213 originally known as M A Thornberry) 11 mi SW of Andrews. EL: 3207 GR. Obj: 4875 test.NIL: 10/29/96.
Permit# 454410. API# 42-003-38034. ID# T 479424.Contr: Sitton #1. Spud: 11/06/96.TD: 4730 on 11/13/96.PB: 4697.Compl: on 12/28/96 OIL (Last Info:
03/20/97)PZone: 4544-4614 (upr San Andres) IP: (upr San Andres 4544-4614) P 105 BOPD grav 32.0; 44 MCFGPD; 60 BWPD
ARROW OPERATING CO
■ FUHRMAN-MASCHO WEST UNIT #125
FUHRMAN-MASCHO- DO; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-42 sec 23, 1214 fsl 1231 fwl of sec, 1544 fsl 3895 fwl of lse. 3700 acre lse. (A-2214 originally known as M A Thornberry) 11 mi SW of Andrews. EL: 3210 GR. Obj: 4900 test.NIL: 12/03/96. Permit# 455630. API# 42-003-38089. ID# T-480230.Contr: Sitton #7. Spud: 11/29/96.TD: 4800 on 12/06/96.PB: 4768.Compl: on 12/24/96 (IL (Last Info:
03/20/97)PZone: 4540-4590 (upr San Andres) IP: (upr San Andres 4540-4590) P 112 BOPD grav 32.0; 24 MCFGPD; 68 BWPD
ARROW OPERATING CO
■ FUHRMAN-MASCHO WEST UNIT #126
FUHRMAN-MASCHO- DO; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-42 sec 23, A-2214, 170 fsl 1258 fwl of sec, 500 fsl 4071 fel of unit. 3700 acre unit. (A-2214 originally known as M A Thornberry) 11 mi SW of Andrews. EL: 3210 GR. Obj: 4900 test.NIL: 12/04/96. Permit# 455628. API# 42-003-38087. ID# T 480275.Contr: Sitton #5. Spud: 11/27/96.TD: 4800 on 12/04/96.PB: 4776.Compl: on 12/23/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 4518-4640 (upr San Andres) IP: (upr San Andres 4518-4640) P 63 BOPD grav 32.0; 16 MCFGPD; 171 BWPD
BARRETT RESOURCES CORP
■ MCFARLAND QUEEN UNIVERSITY UNIT #26
MCFARLAND (QUEEN)- D; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 4 sec 3, 2595 fsl 2640 fwl of sec, and unit. 1320 acre unit. 9 mi NE of Andrews. EL: 3113 KB. Obj: 5000 (Queen).NIL: 11/21/96. Permit# 455525. API# 42-003-38080. ID# T-480037.Contr: Rod Ric #2. Spud: 12/03/96.TD: 4900 on 12/09/96 in Queen.Compl: on 03/25/97 OIL (Last Info:
03/26/97)PZone: 4774-4812 (Queen) IP: (Queen 4774-4812) P 45 BOPD; 94 BWPD
BARRETT RESOURCES CORP
■ MCFARLAND QUEEN UNIVERSITY UNIT #27
MCFARLAND (QUEEN)- DO; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 4 sec 3, 2440 fnl 1320 fel of sec, 2440 fnl 3960 fwl of unit. 1320 acre unit. 9 mi NE of Andrews. EL: 3123 KB. Obj: 5000 (Queen).NIL: 11/21/96. Permit# 455526. API# 42-003-38081. ID# T-480036.Contr: Rod Ric. Spud: 12/09/96.TD: 4900 on 12/15/96 in Queen.Compl: on 03/25/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 4791-4831 (Queen) IP: (Queen
4791-4831) P 15 BOPD; 210 BWPD
BARRETT RESOURCES CORP
■ MCFARLAND QUEEN UNIVERSITY UNIT #28
MCFARLAND (QUEEN)- DO; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 4 sec 2, 2595 fsl 20 fwl of sec, 2595 fsl 3260 fel of unit. 1320 acre unit. 9 mi NE of Andrews. EL: 3127 KB. Obj: 5000 (Queen).NIL: 11/21/96. Permit# 455528. API# 42-003-38082. ID# T-480035.Contr: Rod Ric. Spud: 12/16/96.TD: 4900 on 12/21/96 in Queen.Compl: on 03/25/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 4815-4850 (Queen) IP: (Queen 4815-4850) P 15 BOPD; 75 BWPD
BLANCO OIL CO
■ BLANCO-FULLERTON #1S
FULLERTON (SAN ANDRES)- DO; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-32 sec 13, A-613, 467 fnl 467 fwl of sec, 467 fnl 467 fwl of lse. 640 acre lse. (A-613 originally known as B E Irwin) 16 mi NW of Andrews. EL: 3317 GR. Obj: 4800 (San Andres).NIL: 01/17/97. Permit# 457361. API# 42-003-38134. ID# T-481259.Contr: V & B #4. Spud: 02/04/97.TD: 4807 on 02/14/97.PB: 4779.Compl: on 03/10/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/21/97)PZone: 4601-4651 (San Andres) IP: (San Andres 4601-4651) P 35 BOPD grav 38; 10 MCFGPD; 9 BWPD

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■ ANDREWS UNIT #230
ANDREWS (WOLFCAMP-PENNSYLVANIAN)- RECOMPLETION DO; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-46 sec 2, 560 fnl 2543 fwl of sec, 560 fnl 102 fel of lse. 480 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception granted) 7 mi NW of Andrews. Geomap: 3-19N-21W Summary Original Drill: Oper: MOBIL PRODUCING TX & NM Well: ELIZABETH ARMSTRONG #30.Field: ANDREWS (WOLFCAMP).Compl: on 08/10/89 OILPZone: 8611-8901 (Wolfcamp reef) gross interval IP: P 49 BOPD grav 39; 1 MCFGPD; 59 BWPD
SAGE ENERGY CO
■ GOENS - A #1
BOYDELL (QUEEN)- PLUG BACK DO; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-31 sec 3, A-563, 853 fsl 2640 fel of sec, 853 fsl 2550 fwl of lse. 240 acre lse. (A-563 originally known as W S Wilson) 22 mi NW of Andrews. Summary Original Drill: Field: DEMPSEY CREEK (SAN ANDRES).TD: 4707 in Sanm Andres.Compl: on 12/16/96 OILPZone: 4506-4627 (San Andres) IP: (San Andres 4506-4627) P 16 BOPD; 3.2 MCFGPD; 61 BWPD

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.14-6.25% Overriding Royalty Interest.
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1996 NET Cash: ~$85,000 /YR.
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PP 1104M

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(10) Well Bores. (6) Expired Lses.
One Well Was Shut-In At 35 BOPD.
Several Leases Have Some Equipment.
PP 0986SAL

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ANDREWS COUNTY, TEXAS *LF*
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100% OPERATED WI. 75% NRI.
LF 2229

WEST TEXAS

GAINES CO., TX PRODUCTION *C+*
(3)-Producing (3)-INJ (1)-SI (1) PA'd.
Brumley Field. 640 Acres.
7-RIVERS Formation. 3,450 Ft.
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GAINES COUNTY, TEXAS *A+/RR*
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Belize Or Seminole SW Field.
DEVONIAN Formation.
Proven Strawn Reserves BeHind Pipe.
(2) Additional Drilling Locations.
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Canyon, Reef & Strawn Potential.
In An Active Exploration Area.
M 3288

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PECOS CO. SALES PACKAGE *C+/DV*
(9) Wells: (4) Active (3) Shut-In & (2) SWD Well On (2) Leases.
UpSide Potential Yates & Ft. Stockton.
~44.98% OPERATED WI. ~33.79% NRI.
Current Avg Monthly Prod.: 20 BOPD.
Another WI Owner May Also Sell 37.5% WI.
Seller Wants Out Of Area - NonStrategic Package Available Thru PLS.
PP 0990DV

REEVES COUNTY, TEXAS *S*
One Active Well.
Orla, Southeast Field. 40 Acres.
DELAWARE Formation. 3,570 Ft.
Well Was Completed March 1992.
~81% OPERATED WI. & ~65% NRI.
Current Prod.: ~8 BOPD & 9 MCFD.
Approx NET Prod.: 5.5 BOPD & 6 MCFD.
PP 0980

SUTTON CO., TEXAS PROD. *C+/DV*
(4) Active Gas Wells. 569 Acre Lease.
STRAWN/CANYON Formation. 8,500 Ft.
Additional Strawn/Canyon Locations.
~7.15% NonOperated WI. & 6.25% NRI.
Current Gross Production: 450 MCFD.
Average Monthly Cash Flow: $1,600 /Mo.
PP 1044DV

SUTTON COUNTY, TEXAS *C*
(8) Wells: (4) Active (3) SI (1) SWD
Interstate Field
STRAWN & CANYON. 4,500 Ft.
Well Completed In 1980.
100% OPERATED WI. & 77% NRI.
Current Production: 200 MCFD.
PP 1014

YOAKUM CO., TX PROSPECT *DV*
(6) Proposed Wells (1) Prospect.
North Midland Basin. 320 Acres.
Primary Obj: SAN ANDRES. 5,100 Ft.
First Well Is A Cased ReEntry Well.
Cased Over San Andres Interval.
100% OPERATED WI. & 75% NRI.
Est Resvs: 100 MBO/Well, 600 MBO/Proj.
DHC: $100,000. Compl: $113,000.
DV 3624

COTTLE CO., TX PROSPECT *3-D*
Seeking Partner For 3-D Shoot.
(9) Sq. Miles Over Triangle Ranch.
Primary Obj: MISSISSIPPIAN Formation.
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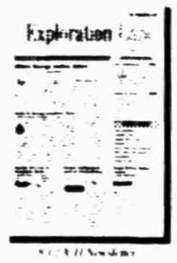
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CRANE COUNTY

COSTILLA PETROLEUM CORP
■ EDWARDS - M #2201
DARLIN- WPD; T & P RY CO sur blk 43 twp 4N sec 22, A-863, 1309 fsl 976 fwl of sec, and lse. 320 acre lse. (A-863 originally known as H R Henderson) 15 mi N of Crane. Obj: 10500 test.NL: 11/27/96. Permit# 455619. API# 42-103-34453. ID# T-480182.Contr: Patterson #41. Spud: 01/19/97.TD: 9550 on 02/17/97.P&A on 02/17/97.(Last Info: 03/20/97)

ECTOR COUNTY

ENRON OIL & GAS CO
■ HOLT BOBBY #1001
VENTEAM (ELLENBURGER)- DO; T & P RY CO sur blk 43 twp 1N sec 10, A-598, 810 fsl 710 fwl of sec, 810 fsl 1930 fel of lse. 480 acre lse. (A-598 originally known as H W Lenox) 4 mi NW of Goldsmith. EL: 3086 GR. Obj: 13500 (Ellenburger).NL: 01/07/97. Permit# 456961. API# 42-135-37373. ID# T-481012.Contr: Patterson #61. Spud: 01/06/97 Mud drlg. TD: 13075 on 02/18/97 in Ellenburger.Compl: on 03/16/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 13024-13075 (Ellenburger) IP: (Ellenburger 13024-13075) P 11 BOPD grav 38.0; 1 MCFGPD; 329 BWPD

GLASSCOCK COUNTY

B T A OIL PRODUCERS
■ ELMER 8204 JV-P #12
COBRA (WOLFCAMP)- DD; T & P RY CO sur blk 35 twp 3S sec 10, A-956, 413 fsl 1334 fel of sec, and lse. 646 acre lse. (A-956 originally known as P W Cook) (Rule 37 exception granted) 11 mi NW of Garden City. EL: 2549 GR. Obj: 8300 (Wolfcamp).NL: 02/11/97. Permit# 458493. API# 42-173-32735. ID# T-481775.Contr: Patterson #17. Spud: 02/18/97.TD:
8200.P&A on 03/05/97.(Last Info: 03/21/97)
MEWBOURNE OIL CO
■ CALVERLEY J B - A #5
GARDEN CITY WEST (WOLFCAMP 7880)- DO; T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 3S sec 43, A-238, 1782 fsl 1325 fwl of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 6 mi NW of Garden City. EL: 2728 KB. Obj: 8200 test.NL: 10/16/96. Permit# 453518. API# 42-173-32693. ID# T-478992.Contr: Patterson #1. Spud: 11/17/96.TD: 8275 on 12/12/96.PB: 8230.Compl: on 12/14/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 8000-8074 (Wolfcamp 7880) gross interval IP: (Wolfcamp 7880 8000-8074) F 18 BOPD grav 42.2; 31 MCFGPD on open ck; 100 BWPD; FTP 25

HOWARD COUNTY

COSTILLA ENERGY INC
■ HAMLIN - D #2001
TALBOT (CANYON)- DO; T & P RY CO sur blk 32 twp 2N sec 20, A-1242, 771 fnl 1250 fwl of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse. (A-1242 originally known as H S Beall) 12 mi N of Big Spring. EL: 2704 GR. Obj: 9000 test.NL: 10/06/95. Permit# 440469. API# 42-227-34949. ID# T-471163.Contr: J S M #2. Spud: 11/29/96.TD: 8822 on 12/18/96.PB: 8770.Compl: on 02/04/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 8660-8672 (Canyon) IP: (Canyon 8660-8672) P 87 BOPD grav 42.0; 105 MCFGPD; 1085 BWPD
COSTILLA PETROLEUM CORP
■ CHRISTIAN 48 #1
TALBOT- WPD; T & P RY CO sur blk 32 twp 2N sec 48, A-1182, 1096 fnl 2453 fel of sec, and lse. 320 acre lse. (A-1182 originally known as Joel W Rice) 10 mi NE of Big Spring. Obj: 9000 test.NL: 12/31/96. Permit# 456688. API# 42-227 35110. ID# T-480835.Contr: J S M #2. Spud: 02/11/97.TD: 9050 on 03/09/97.P&A on 03/09/97.(Last Info: 03/20/97)
MARATHON OIL CO
■ SCOTT R - MOBIL #8
HOWARD-GLASSCOCK- RECOMPLETION DO; W & N W RY CO sur blk 29 sec 87, A-733, 2288 fnl 992 fwl of sec, 330 fsl 992 fwl of lse. 160 acre lse. 9 mi SE of Coahoma. Summary Original Drill: Field: HOWARD-GLASSCOCK (GLORIETA).Compl: OILCasing: 10 3/4 @ 108 w/100 -- 7 @ 2846 w/850 -- 5 1/2 @ 2569 w/200 PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2347 GR. Obj: 2851 (Glorieta).NL: 06/28/96. Permit# 449553. API# 42-227-30254. ID# T-476554.Contr: R & H. Resume: 07/16/96.TD: 2851.PB: 2809.Recomp: on 10/02/96 O(Last Info: 03/21/97)PZone: 1468-1548 (Queen) -- 2052-2136 (San Andres) -- 2647-2754 (Glorieta) IP: (Permian 1468-2754) P 25 BOPD grav 30.4; no gas; 68 BWPD

LOVING COUNTY

LAGUNA PETROLEUM CORP
■ BASS T X L 33 #1
DIMMITT NE (DELAWARE SS)COMMINGLED - PLUG BACK DO; T & P RY CO sur blk 53 twp 2S sec 33, A-36, 467 fsl 2173 fwl of sec, 467 fsl 505 fel of lse. 320 acre lse. 8 mi NE of Mentone. PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2672 GR. Obj: 4798 (Delaware ss).NL: 03/04/97. Permit# 459371. API# 42-301-30821. ID# T-482376.TD: 6050 in Delaware ss.Recomp: on 03/24/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/24/97)Tubing: 2 7/8 @ 4553 Perfs: 4607-4638 (Delaware) w/2 SPF 32 holes total - acid w/1500 gal 15% NEFe - frac w/11700 gal 30000# sd Prod Test: PROD TEST (Delware 4607-4638 03/24/97) P 14 BOPD; 56 MCFGPD; 340 BWPD
MERIDIAN OIL INC
■ EL MAR DELAWARE UNIT #1222
EL MAR (DELAWARE)- RE-ENTRY DO; T & P RY CO sur blk 54 twp 1S sec 3, A-45, 1992 fnl 1980 fwl of sec, 1992 fnl 7260 fwl of lse. 9440 acre lse (Located in tract 2) 18 mi NW of Mentone. Summary Original Drill: Casing: 8 5/8 @ 540 -- 4 1/2 @ 4545 left 1030 ft in hole PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3073 GR. Obj: 4616 (Delaware).NL: 06/18/96. Permit# 449434. API# 42-301-00391. ID# T-476352.Contr: Pride. Resume: 07/09/96.TD: 4645 on 07/23/96.PB: 4609.Recomp: on 10/01/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/21/97)PZone: 4521-4604 (Delaware) IP: (Delaware 4521-4604) P 1 BOPD grav 40.1; no gas; 125 BWPD
MERIDIAN OIL INC
■ EL MAR-DELAWARE UNIT #1522
EL MAR (DELAWARE)- RE-ENTRY DO; T & P RY CO sur blk 54 sec 9, A-48, 2310 fnl 2310 fel of sec, 7590 fnl 2970 fwl of lse. 9440 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception granted) 18 mi NE of Orla. Summary Original Drill: Casing: 7 @ 919 PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3087 GR. Obj: 4625 (Delaware).NL: 07/19/96. Permit# 450621. API# 42-301-10025. ID# T-477000.Contr: Pride. Resume: 08/07/96.TD: 4625 on 09/07/96.PB: 4590.Recomp: on 11/15/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 4454-4520 (Delaware) IP: (Delaware 4454-4520) P 1 BOPD grav 39; 43 MCF PD; 93 BWPD
ARCO PERMIAN
■ DAVIDSON 24 #1
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- DO; T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 4S sec 24, A-1135, 660 fnl 660 fwl of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. (A-1135 originally known as B W Moore) 21 mi S of Midland. EL: 2797 GR. Obj: 10600 test.NL: 12/31/96. Permit# 456535. API# 42-329-33632. ID# T-480900.Contr: J S M #6. Spud: 01/05/97.TD: 10150 on 01/21/97.PB: 10102.Compl: on 03/02/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 7900-9875 (Spraberry/Wolfcamp) gross interval IP: (Spraberry/Wolfcamp 7900-9875) P 39 BOPD grav 40.2; 30 MCFGPD; 170 BWPD
CHEVRON U S A INC
■ C T C #1
MOONLIGHT WEST (ELLENBURGER)- SP; T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 1S sec 30, 1940 fnl 1053 fwl of sec, and lse. 1 acre lse. 8 mi W of Midland. Geomap: 1-16N-19W EL: 2894 GR. Obj: 1500 test.NL: 09/19/91. Permit# 392083. API# 42-329-32452. ID# T-443374.Spud: 12/20/91.TD: 1000 on 12/23/91.PB: 980.OBSRV on 12/23/91.(Last Info: 03/26/97)
G P II ENERGY INC
■ WINDHAM - SV #1H
WILDCAT- HORIZONTAL WD; T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 3S sec 32, A-1297, 1811 fnl 2559 fel of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. (A-1297 originally known as Eyster Anderson) 15.5 mi S of Midland. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 2052 fnl 816 fwl of sec. 32 -- and lse. ACTUAL @ TD: 757 S 1467 W of surf loc. (TVD: 12252) -- KOP: 11960 -- Survey ran by Sperry-Sun Drlg Services. EL: 2861 GR. Obj: 13400 test.NL: 08/14/96. Permit# 451492. API# 42-329-32996-01. ID# T-477588.Contr: Gene Sledge #8. Spud: 12/12/96.TD: 13882 on 12/31/96.PB: 11238.D&A on 01/20/97.(Last Info: 03/26/97)
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ SCHARBAUER C EST - E NCT-2 #1H
BRYANT -G- (DEVONIAN)- HORIZONTAL DG; T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 2S sec 26, A-755, 1580 fsl 892 fwl of sec, and lse. 669 acre lse. (A-755 originally known as Charles Scharbauer) 8 mi SW of Midland. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 1022 fsl 772 fel of CHARLES
SCHARBAUER sec 26 -- and lse. ACTUAL @ 15688 MD: 228 N 3761 E of surf loc. (TVD: 11975) PROJECTED @ TD: 236 N 3805 E of surf loc. (TVD: 11975) -- Survey ran byPhoenix Drlg Services. EL: 2836 KB. Obj: 15500 (Devonian).NL: 04/19/95. Permit# 435147. API# 42-329-33283. ID# T 467789.Contr: Nabors #319. Spud: 11/14/96.TD: 15732 on 01/29/97 in Devonian.Compl: on 02/21/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/21/97)PZone: 11872-15732 (Devonian) IP: (Devonian 11872-15732) CAOF 23612
MCFGPD -- F 792 BCPD grav 55.2; 6651 MCFGPD grav .754 on 34/64 ck; 134 BWPD; FTP 1155; SITP 2160; BHSIP 4180; BHT 145 F @ 11871; SLOPE 1.000 Four Point: 6651 MCFGPD on 34/64 ck in 120 min; FTP 1155; BHP 3543; 5043 MCFGPD on 28/64 ck in 120 min; FTP 1556; BHP 3661; 3602 MCFGPD on 22/64 ck in 120 min; FTP 1820; BHP 3773; 1649 MCFGPD on 16/64 ck in 120 min; FTP 2004; BHP 3875

MITCHELL COUNTY

ALLEGRO OPERATING INC
■ SIMPSON O L #4
COLEMAN RANCH NORTH (CLEAR FORK)- DO; H & T C RY CO sur blk 97 sec 60, A-1823, 1525 fnl 2299 fwl of sec, 1115 fsl 300 fel of lse. 78.15 acre lse. (A-1823 originally known as T H Smart) 1 mi E of Cuthbert. EL: 2210 GR. Obj: 3300 (Clear Fork).NL: 11/25/96. Permit# 455684. API# 42-335-33895. ID# T-480098.Contr: Krescent. Spud: 01/09/97.TD: 3270 on 01/24/97 in Clear Fork.PB: 3205.Compl: on 03/01/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 3065-3192 (lwr Clear Fork) IP: (lwr Clear Fork 3065-3192) P 40
BOPD; GTSTM; 58 BWPD
ALLEGRO OPERATING INC
■ WOMACK MARY - A #15
COLEMAN RANCH NORTH (CLEAR FORK)- DO; H & T C RY CO sur blk 97 sec 60, A-1500, 1590 fnl 2376 fel of sec, 908 fsl 330 fwl of lse. 156.12 acre lse. (A-1500 originally known as WI Beasley) 1 mi E of Cuthbert. EL: 2203 GR. Obj: 3300 (Clear Fork).NL: 11/25/96. Permit# 455696. API# 42-335-33908. ID# T-480104.Contr: Krescent. Spud: 01/18/97.TD: 3300 on 01/23/97 in Clear Fork.PB: 3226.Compl: on 03/02/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 3020-3204 (Clear Fork) IP: (Clear Fork 3020-3204) P 57 BOPD grav 25; GTSTM; 250 BWPD

MERIT ENERGY CORP
■ COLEMAN RANCH UNIT #817
COLEMAN RANCH- DO; H & T C RY CO sur blk 97 sec 70, A-1586, 1297 fsl 1634 fel of sur, 6047 fsl 1634 fel of lse. 1700 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception granted) (A-1586 originally known as Walter A Coleman) 2 mi W of Cuthbert. EL: 2189 GR. Obj: 3500 test.NL: 11/18/96. Permit# 455108. API# 42-335-33892. ID# T-479946.Contr: Legacy #1. Spud: 11/19/96.TD: 3000 on 12/20/96.Compl: on 12/26/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 2632-2833 gross interval IP: (2632-2833) P 40 BOPD grav 24.5; no gas; 90 BWPD
S D X RESOURCES INC
■ MORRISON TOM #8
TURNER GREGORY (CLEAR FORK)- DO; T & P RY CO sur blk 29 twp 1N sec 36, A-1526, 2313 fnl 660 fel of sec, 330 fsl 660 fel of lse. 160 acre lse. (A-1526 originally known as R A Humble) 5 mi NW of Westbrook. EL: 2178 GR. Obj: 3400 (Clear Fork).NL: 01/09/97. Permit# 457175. API# 42-335-33911. ID# T-481052.Contr: Hack #8. Spud: 02/10/97.TD: 3231 on 02/18/97 in Clear Fork.Compl: on 03/26/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 2979-3183 (Clear Fork) IP: (Clear Fork 2979-3183) P 9 BOPD

PECOS COUNTY

MARATHON OIL CO
■ WOODWARD 33 #1
WENTZ (SAN ANDRES)- PLUG BACK DG; H & G N RY CO sur blk 11 sec 33, A-544, 1980 fsl 467 fwl of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse. 6 mi S of Girvin. Geomap: 1-8N-20W Summary Original Drill: Oper: T X O PRODUCTION CORP Field: WENTZ (WICHITA ALBANY) EL: 2588 KB.Compl: on 01/05/91 GASPZone: 3952-4556 (Wichita Albany) gross interval IP: CAOF 11,600 MCFGPD -- Four Point: 3193 MCFGPD on 23/64 ck in 4 hr, FTP 1050, BHP 1319; 2806 MCFGPD on 21/64 ck in 1 hr, FTP 1089, BHP 1329; 2601 MCFGPD on 19/64 ck in 1 hr, FTP 1123, BHP 1341; 2354 MCFGPD on 17/64 ck in 1 hr, FTP 1147, BHP 1356; SITP 1384, BHSIP 1593, BHT 95 F @4514, SLOPE 1.000
PARALLEL PETROLEUM CORP
■ GIESECKE #6
GIRVINTEX (QUEEN)- DG; H & G N RY CO sur blk 11 sec 54, A-5414, 2432 fsl 1434 fel of sec, and lse. 480 acre lse. (A-5414 originally known as L D Miller) 7 mi SW of Girvin. EL: 2673 GR. Obj: 5500 (Granite Wash).NL: 10/18/96. Permit# 454404. API# 42-371-36650. ID# T-479111.Contr: Rod Ric #2. Spud: 11/05/96.TD: 1595 on 11/09/96.PB: 1330.Compl: on 02/07/97 GAS (Last Info: 03/21/97)PZone: 1272-1283 (Queen) IP: (Queen 1272-1283) CAOF 93 MCFGPD -- F 60 MCFGPD grav .688 on 10/64 ck; no oil; no wtr; FTP 116, SITP 170, BHSIP 177, BHT 91 F @ 1278, SLOPE 0.601 Four Point: 27 MCFGPD on 4/64 ck in 30 min, FTP 158, BHP 165; 29 MCFGPD on 6/64 ck in 30 min, FTP 153, BHP 161; 48 MCFGPD on 8/64 ck in 30 min, FTP 140, BHP 146; 60 MCFGPD on 10/64 ck in 30 min, FTP 116, BHP127
PRIMAL ENERGY CORP \
■ STATE UNIVERSITY A & D #21
LEON VALLEY (OBRIEN)- DO; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 28 sec 7, 1620 fsl 1850 fwl of sec, 1021 fnl 4495 fwl of lse. 1406.4 acre lse. 3 mi SW of Ft Stockton. EL: 3055 GR. Obj: 2725 (OBrien).NL: 09/10/96. Permit# 452387. API# 42-371-36638. ID# T-478144.Contr: J C Wells. Spud: 11/20/96.TD: 2735 on 11/26/96.PB: 2720.Compl: on 12/28/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 2612-2720 (Yates) gross interval IP: (Yates 2612-2720) P 25 BOPD grav 25.6; 35 MCFGPD; 32 BWPD
PRIMAL ENERGY CORP
■ STATE UNIVERSITY A & D #22
LEON VALLEY (OBRIEN)- DO; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 28 sec 18, 1500 fnl 1900 fel of sec, 3780 fsl 1300 fwl of lse. 1406.4 acre lse. 3 mi SW of Ft Stockton. EL: 3074 GR. Obj: 2720 (OBrien).NL: 08/27/96. Permit# 451911. API# 42-371-36626. ID# T-477872.Contr: J C Wells #5. Spud: 11/27/96.TD: 2735 on 12/04/96.PB: 2720.Compl: on 12/29/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 2610-2710 (Yates) gross interval IP: (Yates 2610-2710) P 18 BOPD grav 25.6; 40 MCFGPD; 45 BWPD
RIATA ENERGY INC
■ SHEARER - A #5
TOMLAW (LWR CLEAR FORK)- DO; H & G N RY CO sur blk 10 sec 135, A-536, 1730 fnel 1700 fsel of sec, 530 fnel 1700 fsel of lse. 350 acre lse. 12 mi S of Girvin. EL: 2386 KB. Obj: 6000 (lwr Clear Fork).NL: 04/18/95. Permit# 434923. API# 42-371-36522. ID# T-467768.Contr: Capstar #5. Spud: 04/18/96.TD: 3372.PB: 3353.Compl: on 05/08/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 3195-3323 (lwr Clear Fork) IP: (lwr Clear Fork 3195-3323) P 11 BOPD grav 34.6; 23 MCFGPD; 27 BWPD
SOUTHWEST ROYALTIES INC
■ I R T 69 #1
LEHN-APCO SOUTH- WPD; H & G N RY CO sur blk 10 sec 69, A-503, 1980 fnwl 1980 fnel of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 20 mi NE of Ft Stockton. EL: 2452 GR. Obj: 5800 test.NL: 01/21/97. Permit# 457578. API# 42-371-36667. ID# T-481296.Contr: Wes-Tex #5. Spud: 02/16/97.TD: 3964.P&A on 02/28/97.(Last Info: 03/20/97)

WARD COUNTY

M R OIL CO
■ RICHTER LEWIS #78
ESTES BLOCK 34 (PENNSYLVANIAN)- DO; H & T C RY CO sur blk 34 sec 27, A-193, 1980 fswl 1980 fsel of sec, and lse. 800 acre lse. 9 mi SW of Monahans. Obj: 9500 (Pennsylvanian).NL: 10/01/96. Permit# 453316. API# 42-475-34403. ID# T-478648.Contr: Riley #8. Spud: 12/13/96.TD: 9452.Compl: on 03/04/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 7708-9206 (Pennsylvanian) IP: (Pennsylvanian 7708-9206) F 235 BOPD grav 38; 525 MCFGPD on 16/64 ck; 604 BWPD; FTP 900

DAWSON COUNTY

HENRY PETROLEUM INC
■ ACKERLY DEAN EAST UNIT #109
ACKERLY (DEAN SS)- DO; T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 3N sec 6, A-1029, 1780 fnl 660 fel of sec, 868 fsl1994 fwl of unit. 4780 acre unit. (A-1029 originally known as Allan F Speckels) 3 mi NW of Ackerly. EL: 2806 GR. Obj: 8800 (Dean ss).NL: 11/27/96. Permit# 455710. API# 42-115-32938. ID# T-480183.Contr: FWA #2. Spud: 12/30/96.TD: 8775 on 01/11/97 in Dean.Compl: on 03/10/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/24/97)PZone: 8542-8596 (Dean) IP: (Dean 8542-8596) P 66 BOPD; 20 MCFGPD; 19 BWPD

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HOWARD COUNTY

FEDERAL OIL INC
■ WAGNER #1
COYOTE VALLEY- WP; H & T C RY CO sur blk 25 sec 17, 1829 fnl 519 fwl of sec, 494 fnl 519 fwl of lse. 40 acre lse. 12 mi N of Coahoma. EL: 2434 GR. Obj: 8400 test.NL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482926

LOVING COUNTY

MCCLURE OIL CO INC
■ STATE OF TEXAS #2
DIMMITT (CHERRY CANYON)- D; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk C-26 sec 25, 1656 fsl 467 fwl of sec, and lse. 460 acre lse. 12 mi NE of Mentone. Obj: 6800 (Cherry Canyon).NL: 03/26/97. ID# T-483057

MARTIN COUNTY

COASTAL MGMT CORP
■ M A K SPRABERRY UNIT #2
M A K (SPRABERRY)- RE-ENTRY SP; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 6 sec 30, 1980 fnl 665 fel of sec, 3300 fnl 1975 fwl of unit. 3520.00 acre unit. 14 mi SW of Patricia. PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2903 GR. Obj: 2000 (Spraberry).NL: 03/25/97. Permit# 460103. API# 42-317-10250. ID# T-483026
STEPHENS AUTRY C
■ MYRICK #1
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- WP; T & P RY CO sur blk 37 sec 48, A-686, 660 fsl 1980 fel of sec, 660 fsl 660 fel of lse. 160 acre lse. 7 mi NW of Stanton. EL: 2745 GR. Obj: 11000 test.NL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482914
VALLA ENERGY CORP
■ NAIL - D #1
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- RE-ENTRY D; T & P RY CO sur blk 39 sec 36, 660 fnl 660 fel of sec, and lse. 40 acre lse. 17 mi W of Stanton. PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2849 GR. Obj: 9450 test.NL: 03/24/97. ID# T-482975
VALLA ENERGY CORP
■ VAIL - C #1
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- RE-ENTRY D; T & P RY CO sur blk 38 twp 1S sec 3, A-292, 1980 fsl 660 fwl of sec, 660 fsl 660 fwl of lse. 40 acre lse. 13 mi W of Stanton. PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2807 GR. Obj: 12290 test.NL: 03/24/97. ID# T-482976

MIDLAND COUNTY

ARCO PERMIAN
■ TIPPETT JUNE #58
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 41 twp 4S sec 12, 760 fsl 660 fwl of sec, 3400 fsl 660 fwl of lse. 3720. acre lse. 22 mi SW of Midland. EL: 2891 GR. Obj: 10000 test.NL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482951
TERRACE PETROLEUM CORP
■ LYNCH JUNE T - 29 #1
SPRABERRY TREND AREA- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 40 sec 29, 1980 fsl 1980 fwl of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 15 mi SW of Midland. EL: 2892 GR. Obj: 10150 test.NL: 03/24/97. ID# T-482979
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ BRYANT G (DEVONIAN) UNIT #43H
BRYANT -G- (DEVONIAN)- HORIZONTAL D; T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 2S sec 37, 1200 fsl 800 fwl of sec, 6483 fsl 4587 fel of lse. 5225.18 acre lse. 10 mi SW of Midland. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 500 fsl 1900 fel of sec. 37 Coord: X= 1440491.000 Y= 804832.000. -- 5784 fsl 7287 fel of lse. EL: 2770 GR. Obj: 14000 (Devonian).NL: 03/26/97. ID# T-483056
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ BRYANT G (DEVONIAN) UNIT #43H
BRYANT -G- (DEVONIAN)- HORIZONTAL D; T & P RY CO sur blk 40 twp 2S sec 37, 1200 fsl 800 fwl of sec, 6483 fsl 4587 fel of lse. 5225.18 acre lse. 10 mi SW of Midland. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 2200 fsl 2000 fel of sec. 37 Coord: X= 1439973.000 Y= 806454.000. -- 7484 fsl 7387 fel of lse. EL: 2770 GR. Obj: 14000 (Devonian).NL: 03/26/97. ID# T-483055

MITCHELL COUNTY

MERIT ENERGY CORP
■ COLEMAN RANCH UNIT #508
COLEMAN RANCH- D; H & T C RY CO sur blk 97 sec 70, A-1586, 2050 fnl 580 fwl of sec, and unit. 1700.00 acre unit. (A-1586 originally known as Walter A Coleman) 2 mi W of Cuthbert. EL: 2244 GR. Obj: 3500 test.NL: 03/26/97. Permit# 460007. API# 42-335-33934. ID# T-483046
MERIT ENERGY CORP
■ COLEMAN RANCH UNIT #609
COLEMAN RANCH- D; H & T C RY CO sur blk 97 sec 70, A-1586, 150 fsl 900 fwl of sec, 2150 fsl 900 fwl of unit. 1700.00 acre unit. (A-1586 originally known as Walter A Coleman) 2 mi S of Cuthbert. EL: 2266 GR. Obj: 3500 test.NL: 03/26/97. Permit# 460008. API# 42-335-33933. ID# T-483045
MERIT ENERGY CORP
■ COLEMAN RANCH UNIT #608
COLEMAN RANCH- D; H & T C RY CO sur blk 97 sec 70, A-1586, 700 fsl 330 fwl of sec, 2700 fsl 330 fwl of unit. 1700.00 acre unit. (A-1586 originally known as Walter A Coleman) 2 mi W of Cuthbert. EL: 2262 GR. Obj: 3500 test.NL: 03/26/97. Permit# 460010. API# 42-335-33932. ID# T-483042
S D X RESOURCES INC
■ ELLETT - A #6
TURNER GREGORY (CLEAR FORK)- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 29 twp 1N sec 25, A-586, 990 fnl 330 fwl of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse. 5 mi NW of Westbrook. EL: 2182 GR. Obj: 3400 (Clear Fork).NL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482920
S D X RESOURCES INC
■ ELLETT - A #7
TURNER GREGORY (CLEAR FORK)- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 29 twp 1N sec 25, A-586, 2310 fnl 330 fwl of sec, 336 fsl 330 fwl of lse. 160 acre lse. 5 mi NW of Westbrook. EL: 2170 GR. Obj: 3400 (Clear Fork).NL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482919
S D X RESOURCES INC
■ ELLETT S E #2
TURNER GREGORY (CLEAR FORK)- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 29 twp 1N sec 25, A-586, 1550 fsl 1650 fwl of sec, 147 fsl 332 fwl of lse. 40 acre lse. 3.5 mi NE of Iatan. EL: 2147 GR. Obj: 3400 (Clear Fork).NL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482922
S D X RESOURCES INC
■ LANGLEY - B #7
TURNER GREGORY (CLEAR FORK)- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 29 twp 1N sec 25, A-586, 990 fnl 1650 fel of sec, 990 fnl 990 fwl of lse. 120 acre lse. 5 mi E of Iatan. EL: 2190 GR. Obj: 3400 (Clear Fork).NL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482917
S D X RESOURCES INC
■ LANGLEY - B #8
TURNER GREGORY (CLEAR FORK)- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 29 twp 1N sec 25, A-586, 990 fnl 330 fel of sec, 330 fsl 330 fel of lse. 120 acre lse. 5 mi E of Iatan. EL: 2186 GR. Obj: 3400 (Clear Fork).NL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482918

PECOS COUNTY

CLIDE OIL CORP
■ YATES I G #702
TOBORG- D; RUNNELS COUNTY SCHOOL LAND #3 sur, A-2169, 329 fsl 9218 fr most E'ly el of sur, 329 N 710 W of NE cor of sec 103 blk 194 of T C RY sur. SE part of 6100 acre lse. 3 mi W of Iraan. Obj: 650 test.NL: 03/26/97. ID# T-483044
EXXON CO USA
■ COYANOSA UNIT 2 #1
COYANOSA- WP; T C RY CO sur blk OW sec 46, 1317 fnl 1316 fwl of sec, and unit. 640.42 acre unit. 5 mi SE of Coyanosa. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 1458 fnl 1457 fwl of sur. 46 -- and unit. EL: 2672 GR. Obj: 12300 test.NL: 03/20/97. Permit# 459905. API# 42-371-10073-01. ID# T-482933
VALLEY RESOURCES INC
■ HAMMOND 203 #4
OATES- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 3 sec 203, 1500 fnl 2446 fwl of sec, and lse. 642.29 acre lse. 14 mi SW of Ft Stockton. EL: 3461 GR. Obj: 1000 test.NL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482923

REEVES COUNTY

GRAYSTONE EXPL CORP
■ BURNER #9702
JESS BURNER- WP; T & P RY CO sur blk 57 twp 2S sec 5, A-621, 2185 fsl 1986 fel of sec, and lse. 640 acre lse. 5 mi N of Orla. EL: 2914 GR. Obj: 4900 test.NL: 03/24/97. Permit# 460060. API# 42-389-32123. ID# T-482977

WARD COUNTY

ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP
■ CAPRITO - 83 #8R
ABRAXAS- WP; G & M M B & A sur blk F sec 83, 585 fsl 1980 fwl of sec, 585 fsl 1980 fwl of lse. 640 acre lse. 3 mi N of Pyote. Obj: 7700 test.NL: 03/26/97. ID# T-483053
CHEVRON U S A INC
■ HUTCHINGS STOCK ASSN #41
H S A (SAN ANDRES)- DEEPEN D; G & M M B & A sur blk O sec 8, 230 fnl 924 fel of sec, 10790 fnl 4356 fwl of lse. 30450 acre lse. 4 mi SE of Wickett. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 4950 (San Andres).NL: 03/26/97. API# 42-475-10129. ID# T-483052
CHEVRON U S A INC
■ OBRIEN G W ET AL #1588
WAGON WHEEL (PENNSYLVANIAN)- D; G & M M B & A RY CO sur blk F sec 18, 2369 fsl 1897 fel of sec, 12929 fsl 1897 fel of lse. 22400 acre lse. 2 mi NE of Wickett. Obj: 9500 (Pennsylvanian).NL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482924
DEVON ENERGY CORP
■ HERRMAN #1
SHAWNEE- WP; G G HOUSTON #12 sur, 550 fnwl 1980 fnel of sur, 550 fnwl 660 fswl of lse. 160 acre lse. 8 mi S'LY of Pyote. EL: 2568 GR. Obj: 7809 test.NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483027

WINKLER COUNTY

LARIO OIL & GAS CO
■ UNIVERSITY - BFC 33 #1
WAR-WINK- WP; UNIVERSITY LAND sur blk 21 sec 33, 1980 fsl 660 fwl of sec, and lse. 320 acre lse. 6 mi SW of Wink. EL: 2778 GR. Obj: 7800 test.NL: 03/20/97. Permit# 459949. API# 42-495-32659. ID# T-482925
PENWELL ENERGY INC
■ HALEY 32 #1
PAPOOSE- RE-ENTRY WP; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk 27 sec 32, A-1746, 1980 fnl 1980 fel of sec, and lse. 640.00 acre lse. (A-1746 originally known as W B Oates) 10 mi W of Kermit. PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 2870 GR. Obj: 22000 test.NL: 03/21/97. Permit# 459820. API# 42-495-30187. ID# T-482942

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DAWSON COUNTY

U M C PETROLEUM CORP
■ CHRISTINE SPRABERRY UNIT #303
ACKERLY NORTH (SPRABERRY)- D; T & P RY CO sur blk 34 twp 4N sec 12, 1670 fsl 850 fwl of sec, 970 fnl 1790 fel of unit. 1450 acre unit. 14.2 mi SE of Lamesa. EL: 2871 GR. Obj: 7300 (Spraberry).NL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482949

GAINES COUNTY

VOSKAMP EXPL INC
■ SEMINOLE NE SAN ANDRES UNIT #3W
SEMINOLE NE (SAN ANDRES)- RE-ENTRY SP; W T R R CO sur blk G sec 268, 660 fsl 660 fwl of sec, 660 fsl 1940 fwl of unit. 670 acre unit. 8 mi N of Seminole. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 5860 (San Andres).NL: 03/21/97. ID# T-482955

GARZA COUNTY

AUSLAND PRODUCTION CO
■ BURKETT #1
TWO SCOTTS- WP; PETE H TALLEY #1254 sur, A-739, 330 fsl 1650 fel of sur, and lse. 80 acre lse. 8 mi NW of Post. EL: 2967 GR. Obj: 4500 test.NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483016
BROWN GEORGE R PRTS
■ POST EST - A #48A
GARZA- D; K AYCOCK sur blk 5 sec 6, 1540 fnl 2324 fwl of sec, and lse. 643 acre lse. 3 mi S of Post. Obj: 3300 test.NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483024
WHEELER OPERATING CORP
■ POST-MONTGOMERY - B #10
ARLENE (GLORIETA)- DEEPEN D; D & S E RY CO sur blk D-18 sec 6, 238 fnl 470 fel of sec, 1082 fsl 850 fwl of lse. 440 acre lse. 7.5 mi NE of Post. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 5000 (Glorieta).NL: 03/20/97. API# 42-169-30891. ID# T-482916
WHEELER OPERATING CORP
■ POST-MONTGOMERY - B #11W
ARLENE (GLORIETA)- DEEPEN SP; T LOFTIN sur, 102 fsl 1162 fwl of sur, and lse. 440 acre lse. 7.5 mi NE of Post. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 5000 (Glorieta).NL: 03/24/97. API# 42-169-30892. ID# T-482978

KENT COUNTY

GUNN OIL CO
■ B L E - GODFREY #2
MABEN- WP; H & G N RY CO sur blk 1 sec 105, 1900 fsl 1384 fwl of sec, 1900 fsl 1337 fel of lse. 248.12 acre lse. (Rule 37 exception applied for) 21 mi NW of Clairmont. EL: 2186 GR. Obj: 6000 test.NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483029

LAMB COUNTY

BURLINGTON RES O&G CO
■ ALBERT - T #1
BILLY (ABO)- D; STATE CAPITAL LANDS sur, A-339, 167 fsl 531 fwl of lab 12 lge 685 of sur, 636 fnl 531 fwl of lse. 80 acre lse. (A-339 originally known as Abner Taylor) 5.1 mi S of Littlefield. EL: 3504 GR. Obj: 6950 (Abo).NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483012

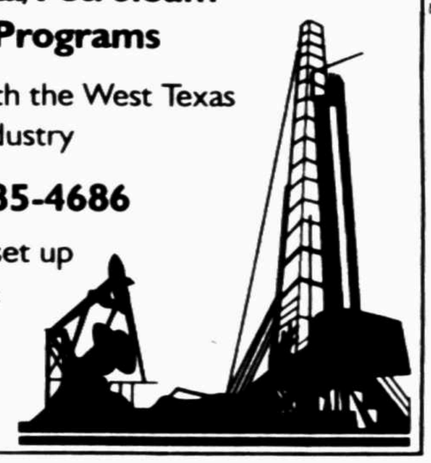
SCURRY COUNTY

BAYTECH INC
■ HOLDRIDGE - 46 #1
MIRAGE (ELLENBURGER)- D; H & G N RY CO sur blk 3 sec 46, 660 fnl 660 fwl of sec, 499 fsl 660 fwl of lse. 70 acre lse. 4.25 mi E'LY of Dunn. EL: 2292 GR. Obj: 7900 (Ellenburger).NL: 03/26/97. ID# T-483054. **PHILLIPS PETROLEUM CO**
■ FULLER - A #2
COGDELL- PLUG BACK WP; H & T C RY CO sur blk 97 sec 651, A-23, 853 fsl 1980 fwl of sec, 466 fnl 1980 fwl of lse. 243.89 acre lse. 16 mi N of Snyder. Summary Original Drill: Field: FULLER.PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 4430 test.NL: 03/21/97. API# 42-415-00591. ID# T-482950

YOAKUM COUNTY

COLLINS & WARE INC
■ PLAINS UNIT #1019
BRAHANEY- D; JOHN H GIBSON sur blk D sec 370, 1320 fsl 130 fwl of sec, 4049 fnl 6471 fel of unit. 3731 acre unit. 2 mi NW of Plains. EL: 3689 GR. Obj: 5400 test.NL: 03/20/97. ID# T-482907
PENWELL ENERGY INC
■ MCLAUGHLIN - A #2
SABLE- WP; JOHN H GIBSON sur blk O sec 306, 2014 fnl 795 fwl of sec, 630 fsl 795 fwl of lse. 320.00 acre lse. 6 mi NW of Plains. EL: 3725 GR. Obj: 11200 test.NL: 03/25/97. ID# T-483028
SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY PROD
■ READ - B #2V
BRAHANEY (SAN ANDRES)- PLUG BACK D; J H GIBSON sur blk D sec 395, 1033 fnl 1608 fel of sec, and lse. 160 acre lse. 5 mi NW of Plains. PRESENT OPERATIONS: Obj: 5830 (San Andres).NL: 03/26/97. API# 42-501-30081. ID# T-483051

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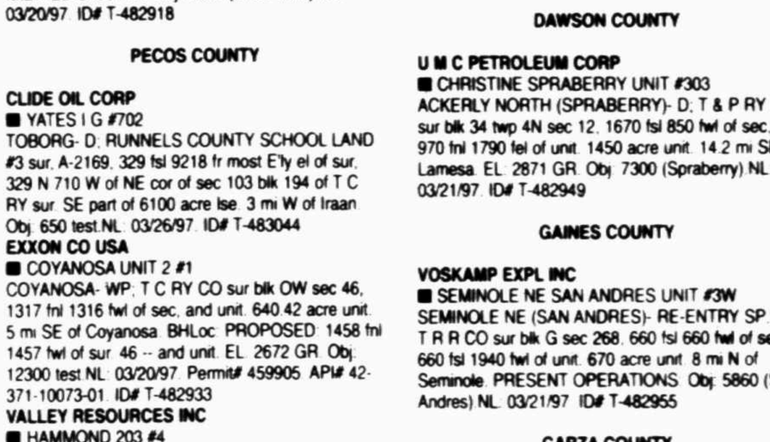
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■ HALE - B UNIT #1
NAVIGATOR (TANNEHILL B)- DO; H & G N RY CO sur blk 1 sec 165, A-89, 150 fnl 2250 fel of sec, 510 fsl 470 fel of unit. 40 acre unit. 9 mi SE of Spur. EL: 2176 KB. Obj: 4800 (Tannehill B).NL: 02/19/97. Permit# 458609. API# 42-125-30630. ID# T-481983.Contr: Ringo #3. Spud: 02/18/97.TD: 4540 on 02/26/97.PB: 4489.Compl: on 03/12/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/25/97)PZone: 4402-4420 (Tannehill B) IP: (Tannehill B 4402-4420) P 127 BOPD grav 37; no gas; no wtr

GAINES COUNTY

APACHE CORP
■ BICE SARAH E - A & C #12
ADAIR- DO; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk C-31 sec 9, A-1323, 1830 fnl 730 fel of sec, and lse. 320 acre lse. (A-1323 originally known as Alvin Groves) 16.5 mi E of Seagraves. EL: 3188 GR. Obj: 5000 (San Andres).NL: 01/29/97. Permit# 457825. API# 42-165-35119. ID# T-481491.Contr: Norton #2. Spud: 02/06/97 Mud drlg. TD: 5000 on 02/13/97 in San Andres.Compl: on 03/22/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 4837-4870 (San Andres) IP: (San Andres 4837-4870) P 44 BOPD; no gas; 3 BWPD
SHELL WESTERN E&P INC
■ ROBERTSON SAN ANDRES UNIT #81
ROBERTSON NORTH (SAN ANDRES)- DO; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-24 sec 11, A-597. 1406 fnl 225 fwl of sec, 1406 fnl 5055 fel of unit. 1120 acre unit. (Rule 37 exception granted) A-597 originally known as W E Pool) 8.4 mi SW of Seminole. Obj: 5000 (San Andres).NL: 12/18/96. Permit# 456407. API# 42-165-35106. ID# T-480588.Contr: Norton #11. Spud: 01/24/97.TD: 4800.Compl: on 02/27/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 4580-4708 (San Andres) gross interval IP: (San Andres 4580-4708) P 75 BOPD grav 32.7; 25 MCFGPD; 11 BWPD
SHELL WESTERN E&P INC
■ ROBERTSON SAN ANDRES UNIT #91
ROBERTSON NORTH (SAN ANDRES)- DO; PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND sur blk A-24 sec 11, A-1753. 1220 fnl 1290 fwl of sec, 1220 fnl 3990 fel of lse. 1120 acre lse. 8.2 mi SW of Seminole. EL: 3337 GR. Obj: 5000 (San Andres).NL: 12/12/96. Permit# 456132. API# 42-165-35103. ID# T-480449.Contr Norton #11. Spud: 01/15/97.TD: 4800.PB: 4771.Compl: on 02/28/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 4604-4712 (San Andres) gross interval IP: (San Andres 4604-4712) P 29 BOPD grav 30.8; 10 MCFGPD; 171 BWPD

GARZA COUNTY

HAT OIL & GAS INC
■ CROOKED STICK #1
TOBE (STRAWN)- DO; H & G N RY CO sur blk 6 sec 30, A-940, 1600 fnl 1600 fwl of sec. and lse. 640 acre lse. (A-940 originally known as T J Payne) 3 mi SW of Justiceburg. EL: 2309 KB. Obj: 8000 test NL: 01/09/97. Permit# 457164. API# 42-169-33425. ID# T-481057.Contr: Patterson #17. Spud: 01/21/97.TD: 8110 on 02/13/97.PB: 8047 Compl: on 03/17/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/25/97)PZone: 7484-7490 (Strawn) IP: (Strawn 7484-7490) P 170 BOPD grav 38.5; 85 MCFGPD; no wtr

HOCKLEY COUNTY

AMOCO PRODUCTION CO
■ F K M WEST UNIT #281
SLAUGHTER- DO; RAINS COUNTY SCHOOL LAND sur, 256 fnl 1225 fwl of lab 10 lge 42 of sur. 8087 fnl 5619 fel of unit. 5428.52 acre unit. 2 mi N of Sundown. EL: 3570 GR. Obj: 5100 test.NL: 03/22/96. Permit# 446242. API# 42-219-36236. ID# T-474476.Contr: Sitton #1. Spud: 04/18/96 Mud drlg. TD: 4965 on 05/01/96 in San Andres.Compl: on 11/21/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 4772-4965 (San Andres) IP: (San Andres 4772-4965) 8 hr test -- P 7 BO grav 32; 2.38 MCFG; 135 BW -- (San Andres 4772-4965) P 21 BOPD grav 32; 7.14 MCFGPD 405 BWPD
MOBIL EXPL & PROD US INC
■ MALLET EAST UNT #102H
SLAUGHTER- HORIZONTAL DO; SCURRY COUNTY SCHOOL LAND sur, A-183, 1450 fnl 420 fwl of lab 11 lge 49 of sur, 4350 fr S'ly sl 2253 fel of lse 2494.8 acre lse. 4 mi NW of Sundown. BHLoc: PROPOSED: (TVD: 5010) 700 fsl 1100 fel of lab 11 lge 49 of sur, -- 3600fr S'ly sl 1573 fel of lse. ACTUAL @ 5234 MD: 204 S 292 W of surf loc. (TVD: 5010) -- KOP: 4883. PROJECTED @ TD: 232 S 325 W of surf loc. (TVD: 5017) -- 1218 fsl 94 fwlof lab 11 lge 49 of sur, 4118 fsl 2806 fel of lse -- Survey ran by Sperry-Sun Drlg Services. EL: 3587 GR. Obj: 5070 test.NL: 03/26/97. Permit# 453334. API# 42-219-31737-03. ID# T-483062.Contr: Well-Co. Spud: 10/10/96.TD: 5278 on 11/22/96.Compl: on 12/27/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 4883-5278 IP: (4883-5278) F 141 BOPD; 2057 MCFGPD; 322 BWPD; -- IP reflects production from three horiz drainholes
TEXACO EXPL & PROD INC
■ SUNDOWN SLAUGHTER UNIT #1380H
SLAUGHTER- HORIZONTAL DO; MAVERICK COUNTY SCHOOL LAND sur, A-171, 813 fnl 696 fel of lab 63 lge 39 of sur, 4045 fr N'ly nl 3358 fr E'ly el of unit. 8683 acre unit. 2 mi W of Sundown. BHLoc PROPOSED: of ZAVALLA COUNTY SCHOOL LAND -- 472 fsl 443 fwl of lab 63 lge 39 of sur. -- 5992 fr N'ly nl 4882 fr E'ly el of unit -- S 41 deg 14'48" W 2473 ft from surf loc. ACTUAL @ 7255 MD: 1829 S 1593 W of surf loc. (TVD: 4983) -- KOP: 4742. PROJECTED @ TD: 1866 S 1623 W of surf loc. (TVD: 4981) -- Survey ran byPhoenix Drlg Services Inc.

EL: 3580 KB. Obj: 6100 test.NL: 09/12/96. Permit# 452579. API# 42-219-36286. ID# T-478210.Contr: Rod Ric #3. Spud: 10/19/96.TD: 7302 on 11/29/96 in San Andres.Compl: on 12/21/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 4742-7302 (San Andres) IP: (San Andres 4742-7302) P 18 BOPD grav 30.0; 29 MCFGPD; 2000 BWPD
WHEELER OPERATING CORP
■ SLAUGHTER A A EST #1433
LEEPER (GLORIETA)- DEEPEN DO; ZAVALLA COUNTY SCHOOL LAND sur, A-161, 660 fnl 400 fel of lab 33 lge 36 of sur, 3561 fnl 3060 fel of lse. 7616.3 acre lse. 1.75 mi S of Clauene. Summary Original Drill: Field: D-L-S (SAN ANDRES).TD: 5183.Compl: OIL.Casing: 8 5/8 @ 460 w/200 -- 5 1/2 @ 5127 w/800 PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3483 GR. Obj: 6800 (Glorieta).NL: 01/30/96. Permit# 444262. API# 42-219-31185. ID# T-473342.Contr: Rocker A. Resume: 12/04/96.TD: 6620 on 12/28/96.Recomp: on 01/11/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/25/97)PZone: 6418-6610 (Glorieta) IP: (Glorieta 6418-6610) P 15 BOPD grav 27; 3.5 MCFGPD; 23 BWPD

LUBBOCK COUNTY

CONQUEST OIL CO
■ HOOPLE G W #2
HOOPLE (CLEAR FORK)- REPERMIT DO; E L & R R RY CO sur blk D-19 sec 1065, A-615, 990 fsl 1650 fwl of sec, 990 fsl 990 fel of lse. 160 acre lse. 12 mi N of Corenzo. Geomap: 8-29N-13W Summary Original Drill: ABND LOC on 03/13/91.PRESENT OPERATIONS: EL: 3061 GR. Obj: 4800 (Clear Fork).NL: 06/15/87. Permit# 448978. API# 42-303-31318. ID# T-412367.Contr: Sitton #5. Resume: 09/21/96.TD: 5345 on 09/30/96.PB: 4495.Recomp: on 10/18/96 OIL (Last Info: 03/26/97)PZone: 4400-4440 (Clear Fork) IP: (Clear Fork 4400-4440) P 70 BOPD grav 25.2; GTSTM; 15 BWPD

SCURRY COUNTY

SHARP IMAGE ENERGY
■ WILLIAMS-BOONE #1
CABELLO DRAW (CANYON REEF)- HORIZONTAL DO; H & T C RY CO sur blk 2 sec 98, A-1684, 2142 fnl 494 fel of sec, 822 fnl 826 fwl of lse. 100 acre lse. (A-1684 originally known as J D Boone) 2.5 mi N of Camp Springs. BHLoc: PROPOSED: 1838 fsl 544 fel of sec. 98 -- 518 fsl 544 fel of lse. ACTUAL @ TD: 1196 S 236 E of surf loc. (TVD: 6380) -- Survey ran by Vogel. EL: 2194 GR. Obj: 6500 test.NL: 12/16/96. Permit# 456126. API# 42-415-33217-01. ID# T 480535.Spud: 12/09/96.TD: 7399 on 01/03/97 in Canyon reef.Compl: on 01/05/97 OIL (Last Info: 03/20/97)PZone: 6322-7399 (Canyon reef) IP: (Canyon reef 6322-7399) P 65 BOPD gty 40; 65 MCFGPD; no wtr

