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Pure fiction

The director of 'Primary Colors' insists the film about a Southern governor is not really about Bill Clinton. Yeah, right./**12C**



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Leaving UT?

Tom Penders says he still hasn't heard anything about his job status as UT basketball coach, but a source says he won't be back./**1C**

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Corporations suffer profit slide

■ American companies see worst quarterly profit slip in almost four years. Economists warn news could bode ill for stock market.

By Dave Skidmore
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — American corporations suffered their worst quarterly profit slide in almost four years, the government said Thursday in a report seen as an ill omen for the high-flying stock market.

After-tax corporate profits in the fourth quarter slipped 2.3 percent from the previous quarter, the first drop in more than a year and the largest since the first three months of 1994.

The decline occurred, economists agree, before much of the impact of Asia's financial turmoil had been felt and at a time of otherwise robust economic expansion.

The economy's output of all goods and services advanced at a robust 3.7 percent annual rate, the Commerce Department said, down just slightly from an earlier 3.9 percent estimate.

Wall Street took the report pretty much in stride since the companies surveyed had already reported their results individually. By early afternoon, the Dow Jones industrial average was down 38 points, adding to Wednesday's 32-point drop.

But economists warned the report could mark the onset of a classic profit squeeze that could lead to large stock-price declines this year.

"This is a window on 1998. I think the biggest surprise the financial markets are going to see is much weaker profits," said economist David Jones of Aubrey G. Lanston & Co. in New York.

■ **Stock market/9C**

With unemployment at a 24-year low and possibly headed lower, businesses will be caught between pressure to pay higher wages and price competition from Asian nations trying to export their way out of a slump, he said.

A separate report from the Labor Department showed labor in short supply. New applications for unemployment benefits totaled 313,000 last week, up by 4,000 from the previous week but still at a level showing strong demand for labor.

Meanwhile, weak currency values in Asia mean companies based there can cut the dollar-denominated prices of their goods in U.S. stores and showrooms. American companies must follow suit or lose sales.

During the past two years, American businesses have coped with the difficulty in raising prices by cutting costs and wringing more productivity — output per hour of work — from the people on their payrolls.

But analysts doubt the rate of productivity improvement can last. It grew by almost 2 percent a year in 1996 and 1997 compared with about 1 percent during the previous two decades.

With the unemployment rate so low, companies must hire people with less experience and less education. It takes time for them to become as efficient as already hired workers.

"Companies have milked the productivity cow as much as they can for this business cycle," said economist Norman Robertson of Smithfield Trust Co. in Pittsburgh. "The gains from restructuring, downsizing, cutting costs — most of those gains have been realized."

Even with the fourth-quarter slip, after-tax corporate

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TODAY
Sunny with high in low 80s. Weather on 4A





AP Photo

Return to school

Deputy Mike Parrish waves at a school bus as it arrives at Westside Middle School Thursday in Jonesboro, Ark. Students returned to the school after two boys opened fire Tuesday, killing four girls and one teacher and injuring 11 others. Classes resumed with nervous parents taking their frightened children to school and crisis counselors urging students to talk about their grief and confusion.

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Records found

WASHINGTON — In a bizarre discovery in the late Vincent Foster's attic, Whitewater prosecutors have landed a second set of Hillary Rodham Clinton's once-elusive law firm billing records, lawyers said Thursday. The records have fewer handwritten notations and fewer pages but generally contain the same information as the set belatedly found in the White House in 1996, the lawyers said.

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Well blowout

LOVINGTON, N.M. — A well that blew out March 20 near Lovington, N.M., and has been blowing gas and condensate for six days has now caught on fire, said Gary McGregor, senior vice president for UMC Petroleum Corp. of Denver, operator of the well.

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Music collection is a chronicle of one's life and experiences.

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Teachers of the Year honored

By Richard Enos
Staff Writer

The Midland Chamber of Commerce's Education Combination and the Midland Reporter-Telegram on Thursday announced their Teacher of the Year winners.

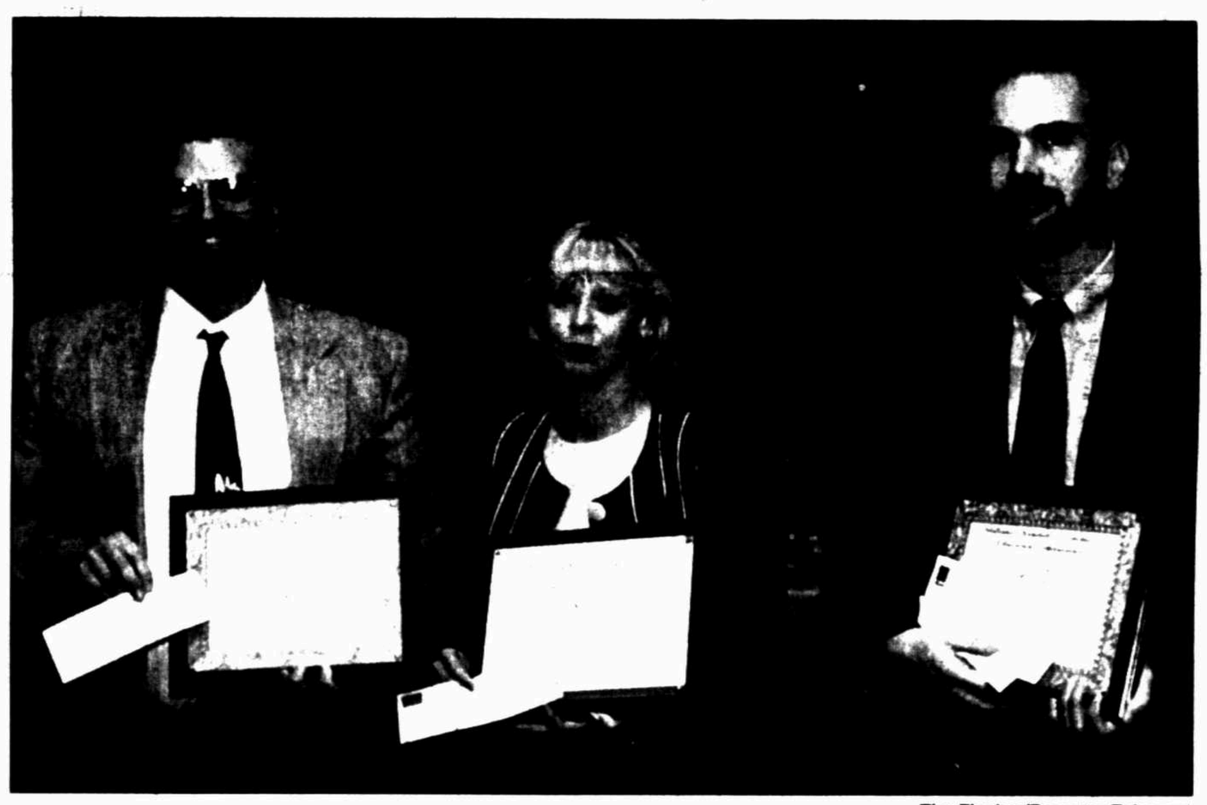
Mike Potter, president of Westwood Medical Center, told those gathered at the Green Tree Country Club that everyone is born without an education and that teachers play a critical role in our lives.

"Teachers are important to each of us; that's our reason for being here tonight — recognizing 38 people," he said. "But for the teachers in our lives, we would still be in the same state, without education."

The Midland Elementary Teacher of the Year is Mark Palmer of Emerson Elementary. The Midland Secondary Teacher of the Year is Robert Setzler of Abell Junior High School.

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Teacher of the Year awards were presented Thursday night at Green Tree Country Club. The Chamber of Commerce's Education Combination honored Eric Setzler, left, from Abell Junior High School, and Mark Palmer, Emerson Elementary. Lee Ann Porter, from Goddard Junior High, is Reporter-Telegram Newspaper in Education Teacher of the Year.



Former Midlander Andrea Comola dances in a 1920s speakeasy in Richard Linklater's new movie, 'The Newton Boys.'

Former Midlander dances in new Linklater film

By Georgia Temple
Staff Writer

The notice on the bulletin board at Ballet Austin read: "Dancers needed for a new Richard Linklater movie, 'The Newton Boys.' Call..."

When former Midlander Andrea Comola read the audition notice, she had no idea her childhood interests would play a role in casting her in the movie, which opens in area theaters today.

"I grew up on old movies and old musicals, and I've done all different kinds of dance in shows that I've been in," said Ms. Comola, who formerly danced with Permian Civic Ballet and Ballet Midland. "The girls who showed up, a lot of them could dance, but they couldn't really do the stylized movement they were looking for."

The choreographer's reaction to her dancing showed that they were interested in her, Ms. Comola said. "When I started dancing, he jumped up out of his chair. I could tell he was watching me, which was really neat."

What Ms. Comola didn't find "neat" was a requirement she discovered after they selected her for the movie.

■ **Movie review/2D**

"The one stipulation was that we had to cut our hair off into a bob because they wanted it really authentic," she said. "I've always had long hair. I really had to think about it.

"The filming was three weeks before my wedding. My mother (Midlander Jackie Comola) said, 'We'll figure out what to do with your head piece at the wedding. If you don't do this because of your hair, you're crazy.'"

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Electric deregulation to provide choice, save money, says Wood

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

Deregulation of the electric power industry is coming to Texas and will take the state and the oil industry from "an old world into a new world," says Patrick H. Wood III, chairman of the Texas Public Utility Commission.

Wood, who was in Midland to address the 21st Biennial Permian Basin Oil & Gas Recovery Conference, told oilmen at the luncheon meeting that he was 84 percent certain that the trend toward deregulation would continue with the deregulation of electric power. The Texas House of Representatives is expected to vote on the matter next session.

"Deregulation of railroad, airline and telephone industries have paved the way to open up the transportation grids and to buy power at the lowest bid," said Wood, who formerly worked with Midlanders Jerry Langdon and Martin Allday at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission when the wholesale natural gas industry was deregulated. Wood also worked at the Texas Railroad Commission as legal counsel for Midlander Barry Williamson.

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'There is no telling what great technologies will evolve from electric deregulation.'
— Patrick H. Wood III, Texas Public Utilities Commission chairman

U.N. inspectors search Iraqi palace for first time

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — In the first test of a U.N. agreement forged to avert a military strike against Iraq, weapons inspectors spent eight hours Thursday going over parts of a presidential estate previously declared off-limits.

One diplomat, Horst Holthoff of Germany, described Iraqi cooperation as "fantastic, absolutely positive."

"I am personally really impressed by the spirit of cooperation. The team saw everything (it) wanted to see," Holthoff said, without elaborating.

Accompanied by diplomats from 20 countries, U.N. arms inspectors visited President Saddam Hussein's Radwaniyah Palace, a complex estimated to be about 6.9 square miles and comprising at least a dozen villas, five artificial lakes, and streets lined with palm trees.

The palace is the largest of eight presidential sites from which Iraq previously had barred inspectors, claiming them to be sym-

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Queen's Household Cavalry, branded racists, recruit minorities

LONDON (AP) — Scarlet tunics, plumed helmets, magnificent horses: All are part of the storied tradition of Britain's Household Cavalry, for four centuries the monarch's personal guard.

And so are white faces.

Spurred by an official verdict of racism in 1996, officers scoured inner-city unemployment centers, advertised in Asian-language newspapers and sent troops to play sports against black teams — all in a desperate effort to recruit minorities.

Now, in the face of only minuscule gains, they are even considering hiring a black U.S. Army officer to help.

"We are 100 percent committed to making this thing work, but it is proving very difficult," says Col. Simon Falkner, commander of the nearly 900-strong Household Cavalry.

"If you were a black person and wanted to join the army, the one place you would not go is the Household Cavalry because they have been told we are all white racists," he said.

Two years ago, Britain's state-funded Commission for Racial Equality found that this elite army unit, the epitome of pageantry on state occasions, was guilty of "institutionalized racism."



AP Photo

Household Cavalry Capt. Justin Butah stands on the forecourt of Horseguards Parade in London's Whitehall Tuesday. Butah's father was from Ghana in Africa.

The commission lifted the designation this week, acknowledging the cavalry's pledge to make "real, lasting progress" in enlisting minorities.

Until 1990, the Household Cavalry had never had a black recruit — and the first one didn't last long.

Richard Stokes quit within a year after suffering racial abuse, including having a banana thrown at him by a fellow soldier during a rehearsal for Trooping the Color, an annual military ceremony presided over by Queen Elizabeth II.

Four years later, the Household Cavalry recruited its second black.

Riding alongside the queen at celebrations in 1995 marking the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II, Malcolm Campbell looked like the answer to complaints — including one from Prince Charles — about the lack of black soldiers in the sovereign's escort.

But back at the barracks, Campbell, too, suffered bullying and racist taunts. He quit after 17 months, ostensibly on medical grounds because the metal chinstrap of his uniform left him with a skin complaint.

Ethnic minorities, mainly descendants of immigrants from India, Pakistan and other former colonies in the Caribbean, now make up almost 7 percent of Britain's population of 56 million.

But minorities make up only 1 percent of the British military. The 3,500-strong Household Division — which includes the Household Cavalry — was singled out as the worst offender with only 24 black or Asian soldiers serving or in training, or slightly over a half-percent.

Just this month, division commander Maj.-Gen. Evelyn Webb-Carter ordered his officers, largely from upper-class backgrounds, to recruit 200 black or Asian soldiers within 2 1/2 years.

"We have invested massive resources ... (but) they are not coming through as quickly as we would like," he says.

Still, Capt. Justin Butah, the barrier-breaking black officer who switched from an artillery regiment, wouldn't discourage other minorities from joining.

"I really honestly can't say I have come across racism in any blatant sense," said Butah, 26, the son of a Ghanaian retired naval officer and a Welsh mother. "There's the odd bit of barrack room humor, but it's the same for fat people, the same for people with funny hair.

"I suppose you have to be tough," he added of army life. "But you have to be tough, whoever you are."

Mexican program lets dolphins act as therapists

MEXICO CITY (AP) — At a flick of the trainer's wrist, Sparky the dolphin reared back and slid through the water to Dalia Morales Gutierrez, a 2-year-old girl suspended by a therapist treading water.

Sparky nuzzled up to the back of the girl's head, opened her snout and chirped for a few seconds. Then she glided back over to the trainer to receive a chunk of fish.

This is part of a therapy program for children with neurological disorders that by every account is experimental and unproven. Yet its directors — and many of its clients — say that for reasons they can't fully explain, it seems to work.

The program's medical director, Dr. Misael Vilchis Quiroz, said the dolphins can diagnose and treat neurological problems. Scientists are skeptical.

"It sounds pretty hokey," said Dr. Bernard Rimland, director of the Autism Research Institute in San Diego. "There is no scientific evidence at all that using dolphins is helpful. The reputable people in the field simply feel the kids like the dolphins and it's a recreational thing."

Four days a week, the dolphins at Mexico City's Aragon Aquarium take a break from jumping, flipping and playing with a ball to nuzzle with and chirp at children suffering from disorders such as autism, Down syndrome and movement disorders.

Until about a year ago, the program was similar to others in Florida, Philadelphia and Australia that help rehabilitate people by having them swim with dolphins. But a new team has taken over the company that administers the treatment, and it has set its goals much higher.

Vilchis Quiroz, the medical director of the Convimar company, said he identifies what part of the brain is damaged before children begin treatment, then has the therapists signal the dolphins to work on that area with their high-powered ultrasound.

Sometimes the dolphins refuse and move to another part of the head. Every time that has happened, he said, further tests have revealed the doctors' initial diagnosis was wrong. "They know more than we do," he said.

"Using sonar that they have, they somehow see the damage and emit the appropriate frequency," Vilchis said. "There are things we don't understand. But what I do know is that it works."

He said 90 percent of his patients show significant results, although he hasn't completed a formal survey.

Experts are skeptical that a dolphin would be able to diagnose a developmental problem. They note that no scientific study has ever been conducted to see if the treatment works.

"I'd be quite surprised if there was any validity to the notion that they (dolphins) could target any particular area with their ultrasound," said Michael Westerveld, a pediatric neuropsychologist at Yale University's School of Medicine in New Haven, Conn.

"If there's any success, I'd be much more inclined to attribute it to the general effects of ... the opportunity to interact with animals," he said. "You could buy them a puppy and probably see the same results."

Even Sparky's trainer, Gustavo Vargas, was skeptical.

"It's just that they like swimming with the dolphins," he said. "The dolphins don't know what they're doing."

But many of the desperate families that come to the Aragon Aquarium from across Latin America see it differently.

Adriana Molina, who lives in Guadalajara, heard about the program on television and made the 280-mile trip to Mexico City with her 2-year-old daughter Maria Fernanda.

"(She) was very hyperactive, and now she's calm," Molina said. "She can't walk either, and now she seems a little more solid on her feet."

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Netanyahu rejects key element of U.S. peace plan for Middle East

JERUSALEM (AP) — Ruling out a key element of the latest U.S. peace mission, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Thursday rejected an American proposal for an Israeli troop withdrawal from an additional 13 percent of the West Bank.

Netanyahu said, however, that Israel was willing to give the Palestinians more desirable territory in a smaller withdrawal.

"The only thing we are considering is the quality of the land vs. the quantity," he told reporters. "The United States shouldn't think that from miles away it will decide what our security needs are."

Netanyahu's remarks made it that much harder for U.S. envoy Dennis Ross, who returned to the Middle East on Thursday for the latest try at breaking a yearlong deadlock in Israeli-Palestinian peace talks.

Ross was scheduled to hold a midnight meeting with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, followed by a Friday morning meeting with Netanyahu.

Israeli officials said while the government would stick to limiting a withdrawal to 9 percent of the West Bank, Netanyahu was ready to sweeten the deal by agreeing to hand over adjoining areas of the West Bank, rather than isolated patches of land.

That would allow Palestinians to link up islands of autonomy in the West Bank, an important step toward statehood.

Hard-line Israeli legislators backed by Jewish settlers threatened again Thursday to topple Netanyahu's government if he hands over land to the Palestinians. However, it was not clear whether they would make good on their threats — since they risk seeing a more dovish leader come into office if they oust Netanyahu.

Israel's Cabinet was to discuss the withdrawal Sunday.

The Palestinians have hinted that they would grudgingly accept the U.S. proposal, but insist that Israel carry out one more withdrawal after that, as promised in an earlier peace accord.

Netanyahu dismissed that demand Thursday, saying any withdrawal could simply be divided into stages.

In previous Middle East trips over the past year, Ross had been unable to break the impasse between the two sides. However, this time there appeared to be expectations of progress because he was bringing a specific plan.

Under the U.S. proposal, Israel would withdraw from 13.1 percent of the West Bank over 12 weeks, with each pullback matched by Palestinian gestures such as tighter security measures. At the end of the pullback, the two sides would begin talks on a permanent peace agreement.

Ross suggested before his departure that there was no room for dramatic changes in the U.S. proposal, saying he had come to talk to both sides "about some of the refinements in our ideas."

Netanyahu's senior adviser, David Bar-Illan, said the gaps could be bridged. "There is a very good chance for movement," he said. "We are not miles apart."

Arafat's aide, Nabil Abourdeneh, however, said he didn't expect a breakthrough. The Palestinians insist on a freeze in Jewish settlement building and a "sizable and credible" troop withdrawal, he said.

Still, Palestinians have been careful not to reject the U.S. proposal, even though it falls far short of their demand to control 90 percent of the West Bank by the start of final status negotiations.

Palestinians currently have full or partial autonomy in 27 percent of the territory — including cities and towns where 90 percent of the 1.7 million West Bank Palestinians live. Arafat also controls most of Gaza, with another million 1 Palestinians.

Netanyahu told reporters Thursday that Israel would not agree to a withdrawal envisioned by the Americans. "They haven't presented us with a plan. What appeared in the reports is not acceptable to us," he said.

Netanyahu denied reports that he has increased his offer to 11 percent. He said he was willing to be flexible about the quality of the land to be handed over, but that no specifics have been discussed.

Israeli officials have said they might offer areas that would link up the towns of Jenin and Nablus and perhaps even Ramallah at the north end of the West Bank and Hebron with surrounding towns in the south.

Jewish leaders welcome possibility of opening of Vatican archive

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Jewish leaders welcomed the possibility Thursday that the Vatican might open its archives for further research on the Holocaust.

Jewish leaders have been seeking more material on the church's actions during World War II.

A joint statement at the end of talks this week said Cardinal Edward Cassidy suggested a team of Catholic and Jewish scholars review the material already produced by Catholic experts.

"If questions still remained, they should seek further clarification," the statement said.

Rabbi Marc Schneier, president of the New York Board of Rabbis, said the issue is not closed as had been feared by some. "There is now a window," he said.

He said the Vatican made the concession after the head of the Jewish delegation, Gerhard Riegner, explained that a document he had personally turned over to the Vatican was not contained in the 12 volumes put together by Catholic scholars.

The issue of the archives is particularly sensitive.

Some Jews claim the Vatican has not shed full light on the role of the World War II pope, Pius XII, who they say could have done more to save European Jews from the Nazis. The Vatican forcefully defended Pius in a recent document on the church and the Holocaust, and John Paul II referred to Pius last week as a "great pope."

John Paul did not mention Pius in his remarks to a Catholic-Jewish delegation Thursday. The pope praised the progress made in Catholic-Jewish relations, saying their work was "an impressive sign of hope to a world marked by conflict and division."

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WEATHER

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Saturday
Partly cloudy
High 87
Low 45

Sunday
Mostly cloudy
High 77
Low 52

Today's forecast calls for sunny skies with a high near 80. Winds will be from the west at 15 to 25 mph, according to the National Weather Service.

Tonight's forecast calls for fair skies with the low near 50.

Saturday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and gusty winds, and a high in the mid-80s.

After an overnight low of 57, Thursday's high was 80, compared to the record high of 90 set in 1956. Record low for this date was 20, set in 1965.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Wednesday	.00 in.
Rainfall Thursday	.00 in.
Total for month	.42 in.
Total for year	1.16 in.

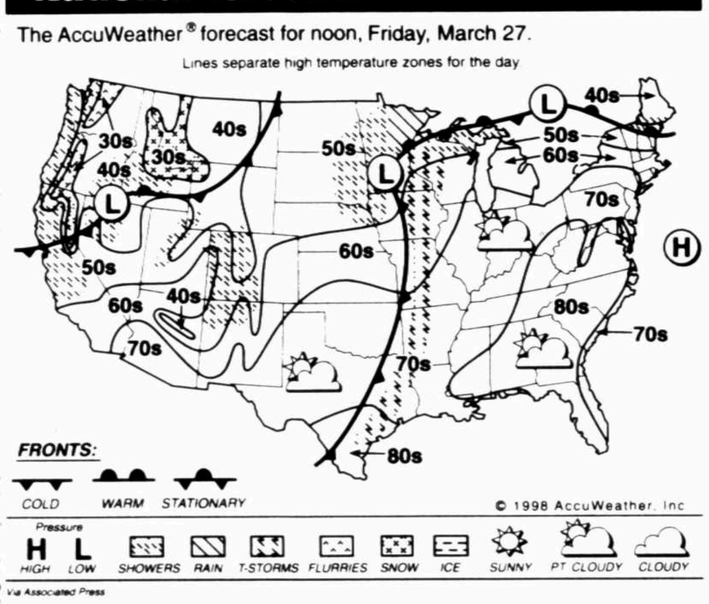
Yesterday's temperatures

High	80
low	57
Normal high	74
Normal low	43

Sunrise 6:44 a.m. Sunset 7:05 p.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Friday, March 27.



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Pick 3 Texas

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

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Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The Cash Five winning numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery:

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SLIDE: Corporate profits for 1997 still up 7.3 percent

(From 1A)

profits for all of 1997 rose 7.3 percent to $480.3 billion, a deceleration from the 9.3 percent gain in 1996.

The National Association for Business Economists recently predicted a further slowdown to 2.8 percent growth this year.

"That does raise some questions as to whether the stock market, again, may have overreached. It may be vulnerable to some kind of correction," Robertson said. "Investors don't seem to have factored in this slowdown in corporate earnings."

The Dow average jumped 23 percent last year and is up an additional 12 percent so far this year. Jones said a 20 percent correction, from the current level, "would not be out of this world" in 1998.

Weak profits not only pose a risk to the stock market but threaten to dampen the economy as a whole.

"Slower corporate profits will work to reduce overall growth by cutting into (business) spending (on new equipment) and new hiring," said economist Mark Vitner of First Union Corp. in Charlotte, N.C. "The secondary effects will probably not show up, however, until the second half of 1998."

DANCE: Film 'well-worth' her haircut, says Ms. Comola

(From 1A)

She decided to follow her mother's advice. "I just held my breath and did it."

Her first reaction was tears. "I cried. My (future) husband cried because he missed my long hair, but we got over it. He decided that it was really cute, which made me feel better." She laughed, then added, "It came out great after they curled it."

Once she had signed the contract and had her hair cut, she began to wonder if she'd made the right decision.

"Up until the day of filming, things had been really disorganized. They'd call us to go to a costume fitting, and the people in the wardrobe wouldn't know who we were (or) why we were there. There was so much miscommunication.

"In the theater, we're used to things being totally organized and totally on schedule 150 percent of the time. And the people on the phone always sounded really scatterbrained and crazy. And my friend Laura (Michelle) and I thought, 'Oh, God, what are we getting ourselves into?'

"Then the day of the shoot, things worked like clockwork. It was unbelievable."

She also questioned the request made of the dancers to offer one free rehearsal.

"That implied a two-, three-, possibly four-hour rehearsal," Ms. Comola said, noting that the rehearsal ran from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. "That's an eight-hour rehearsal.

"When we were telling the story to the women who were doing our makeup, they said that kind of thing goes on all the time, and they can do that to us because we're not union. And that's one of the main reasons directors are coming to Austin to film. In L.A. they would have to pay union wages.

"But in the end the overtime that we got made up for that free day," Ms. Comola said. "So that ended up OK."

Despite shooting in a building in Austin in May with the air conditioner turned off and dancing 5 1/2 hours before lunch around 6 p.m. and another 3 1/2 hours afterward, Ms. Comola found the experience fun.

"It was like performing all day," said the former Hillander and Trinity student who attended the National Academy of Arts in Champagne, Ill., beginning her sophomore year in high school. "You have to have all of your energy and your stage presence turned on every minute they're filming. Most dancers I know like to work really hard. And they like to perform, so from that aspect it was great because I got to work hard and perform all day."



Newton gang members, played by Skeet Ulrich, Dwight Yoakam and Matthew McConaughey, finalize their plans for an incredible heist of a mail train in The Newton Boys.

"The Newton Boys" is an account of America's most successful bank robbers. From 1919 to 1924, they robbed more than 80 banks from Texas to Canada, capping their career with America's largest train robbery — a $3 million mail train heist outside Chicago.

They never killed anyone in spite of the mayhem they created and stole "more money than Jesse James, Butch, Sundance, Bonnie and Clyde and the Dalton brothers put together," said leader Willis Newton. The Newtons were from Uvalde.

The film is based on the book "The Newton Boys: Portrait of an Outlaw Gang" by Willis and Joe Newton as told to Claude Stanush and David Middleton. It stars Matthew McConaughey as Willis Newton, Ethan Hawke as Jess Newton, Vincent D'Onofrio as Dock Newton, Skeet Ulrich as Joe Newton, Julianna Margulies as Louise Brown, and Dwight Yoakum as Brentwood Glasscock.

Ms. Comola and the other five dancers were cast as dancers in a speakeasy. "It was so cool. You'd look around the room and it looked like a 1920s speakeasy. I think the movie was done really well."

When the director yelled "Cut," Ms. Comola said, "Makeup and hair people would come out of nowhere — cracks in the wall — and run up. And before you'd even know what was going on, they'd be powdering your face, fluffing your hair, straightening your clothes.

"And since it wasn't air conditioned, between takes they'd open this big door in the back flooding the room with air conditioned air. Somebody would run through with a big tray of Gatorade and water, and we'd have to down as much as we could.

"They they'd yell, 'Places,' and they'd disappear. We were like trained monkeys. They'd push a button, and we'd start dancing."

The dancers also visited with McConaughey during the lulls.

"There's a part where he has to walk from one side of the stage to another, like down in front where the tables are. And we had to film that many times. I'm not sure why. Every time they'd yell, 'Cut,' we'd sit down on the front of the stage, and he'd try to talk to us.

"Our skirts were very short, and we had these little midriff tops. He was kind of tongue-tied, either really shy or he didn't know what to say to us. That was not what I expected from a big star."

Ms. Comola's husband-to-be, Matt Williams, also danced in the film.

"We filmed on different days," said Ms. Comola, adding that he could be seen in the film in the middle of the ballroom dance floor with a platinum blonde. "And literally he danced all day, probably as much as I did. He still had fun."

Ms. Comola, who is the daughter of the late Wilson Comola of Midland, has been dancing full time since she received her bachelor of arts in dance from the University of Texas at Austin in the summer of 1993. She described dancing in "The Newton Boys" as "hard work, probably the hardest work I've ever done, but it was a blast."

When Ms. Comola and her friend, Laura Michelle, saw the movie they were shocked, Ms. Comolo said. "I'm the second dancer from the right, and most of the dance I'm left of Matthew McConaughey dancing, dancing, dancing. I nearly dropped dead on the floor when I saw the film. And Laura has three close-ups. She's gorgeous. I'm not at all surprised they got closeups of her. But you can't miss us. It's pretty neat. It was well worth cutting my hair."

TEACH: Winners cite their impact as motivating factor

(From 1A)

the Year is Lee Ann Porter of Goddard Junior High School.

The Midland Elementary runner-up is Alison Montgomery of South Elementary and the secondary runner-up is Pamela Howell of Midland College.

The top winners said their students and their impact on young people are the reasons they continue to teach.

Palmer grew up in a family of teachers — both his parents were educators. He has been a Teacher Math Trainer for more than two years and teaches the fifth grade at Emerson.

'It's humbling, because I work with an excellent staff at Emerson — to be singled out is very surprising.'
— Mark Palmer, Midland Elementary Teacher of the Year

He told the Reporter-Telegram that he's just part of a solid teaching team at Emerson.

"I've enjoyed working with a lot of good people," he said. "Education seems to draw to it people who are very selfless, generous people. It's humbling, because I work with an excellent staff at Emerson — to be singled out is very surprising."

Setzler, a science teacher, said there are so many reasons he continues to teach.

"The key (about) being in teaching is the talent of people, the personalities that you come into contact with everyday," he said. "I guess the real key is that being a teacher is a life-changing experience. I'm a better father, a better husband, and a better person because I'm a teacher."

Ms. Porter told the Reporter-Telegram that she loves seeing her teens go on to great things. She's taught for 15 years, 10 of them in elementary education and the last five years at Goddard as an eighth-grade reading teacher.

"I really enjoy the teen-agers," she said. "I really enjoy getting high school graduation announcements every year. It's making a difference in their lives."

Ms. Porter said the newspapers that NIE provides her are put to good use. Her students want to know about current events, the weather or their horoscopes. "I use it for silent reading everyday," she said. "They beg to read it — 'just give me five more minutes.'

NIE and its many sponsors provide free newspapers for local schools.

The Midland elementary and secondary Teacher of the Year will advance to the Region 18 (West Texas) regional Teacher of the Year competition this summer.

Palmer and Setzler received a plaque, a check for $1,000 from their sponsors, $700 in scholarship money, a dinner for two at Outback Steakhouse, and a weekend at Fechin Inn in Taos, N.M., courtesy of Great Destination Travel, and a travel voucher from Southwestern Bell Telephone.

The Reporter-Telegram winner received a plaque and a $100 gift certificate for Midland Park Mall.

The Midland elementary and secondary runners-up receive a plaque, a check for $500, and a dinner for two at Outback.

The campus level winners (and nominees for Midland Teacher of the Year) received a plaque, a $100 check, and a gift certificate for Creative Schoolhouse.

The campus Teacher of the Year winners are: Bernice Adams, Bowie Elementary; Jane Bale, Coleman High School; Susan Beckett, Bunche Early Childhood Center; Emma Bernard, Milam Elementary; Kimberlee Bolla, Lamar Elementary; Laura Brown, Trinity School (elementary level); Sue Burdette, Midland High School; Sara Burleson, Fannin Elementary; Roy Colvin, San Jacinto Junior High; Kent Crowell, Lee Freshman High School; Gail Dannels, St. Ann's Catholic School; Angelina Davis, Jones Elementary; Brenda Dunnam, DeZavala Elementary; Kathleen Escobedo, West Early Childhood Center; Terri Evans, Houston Elementary; Valerie Fuhrmann, Santa Rita Elementary; Angela Henry, Parker Elementary; Billie Ingle, Goddard Junior High; Aurelia Kieffer, Long Elementary; Patricia Kubala, Travis Elementary; Charla Long, Bush Elementary; Cindi Marler, Scharbauer Elementary; Susan McGarity, Greathouse Elementary; Laurie Meeks, Alamo Junior High; Karen Menefield, Pease Elementary; Julie Neal, Midland Freshman High; Diane Parchman, Lee High School; Sheilia Pruitt, Henderson Elementary; Maria Rios, Bonham Elementary; Mary Schultz, Washington Elementary; Linda Silvas, Crockett Elementary; Pamela Stolz, Trinity School (secondary); Donna White, Rusk Elementary; and Nancy Wilson, Burnet Elementary.

SEARCH: Iraq fully cooperating with mission, inspectors say

(From 1A)

bols of national sovereignty. Saddam once used it to host dignitaries.

Inside Radwaniyah, the inspectors and diplomats broke into several teams for their search, Holthoff said.

Thursday's visit was the first test of the Feb. 23 agreement that Iraq signed with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, pledging to open the sites. The agreement averted the threat of military strikes by the United States and Britain.

"It's an important mission in implementing the agreement ... (an) extremely important mission for the international community," Saeed Sad, a Sudanese diplomat, said before leaving for Radwaniyah.

Cui Tiankai, China's representative, said "we had a very good start to our work. ... It was interesting."

U.N. spokeswoman Janet Sullivan said the officials completed inspections at two locations in the Radwaniyah area.

"It was a survey mission," she said. "This process ... will continue until the baseline surveys are complete." She refused to elaborate or to say if the inspections would continue Friday.

A U.N. spokesman in New York said Radwaniyah is divided into three parts. Reporters were not allowed near the site, which is located near Baghdad's international airport.

U.N. officials have said they are not interested in the palaces as much as surrounding buildings in the presidential compounds in their search for documents, which could establish whether Iraq has eliminated its lethal weapons and the means to make more.

Until the inspectors certify that Iraq is rid of all its weapons of mass destruction, the U.N. Security Council will not lift economic sanctions imposed after Iraq's 1990 invasion of Kuwait.

Under the U.N. agreement, the weapons inspectors must be accompanied by the diplomatic observers, who will not participate in the searches but are there to ensure Iraq's national dignity. Iraqi Oil Minister Amer Mohammed Rashid and other senior officials also accompanied the inspectors.

The inspectors and diplomats left Thursday morning in more than 20 four-wheel drive vans and two minibuses from the U.N. inspection teams' headquarters in Baghdad.

The 20 diplomats did not talk to reporters as they headed off on their mission.

The team of 58 inspectors is headed by American Charles Duelfer, who participated in the search Thursday.

Radwaniyah is one of the sites over which the dispute between the United Nations and Iraq first developed. In December, Iraqi authorities took foreign reporters to Radwaniyah, in an attempt to prove that the compound contained no weapons.

It was not clear when other palaces would be inspected or what the experts expected to find given that the Iraqis have known that the searches were coming since last month.

The leader of the diplomats, Jayantha Dhanapala, of Sri Lanka, sent a written notice to the Iraqi government Wednesday night saying the inspections would begin in the morning.

He insisted the notice did not take away the element of surprise "because we do not know where we are going and which particular site is going to be visited."

Chief weapons inspector Richard Butler has said the first inspections of the palaces will be of a "baseline" nature, laying the groundwork for more detailed searches later if necessary.

Butler said Tuesday that the palace inspections would last about two weeks, and he did not rule out future visits.

The total area of the eight palace compounds is about 12 1/2 square miles, and comprises 1,058 buildings.

Iraq has long insisted it has met all the requirements of the U.N. resolutions that imposed the sanctions, which include a ban on the unlimited export of oil, Iraq's most valuable commodity.

While U.S. officials have said that Saddam has dozens of palaces, the U.N. inspectors are primarily interested in the large presidential compounds. Iraq has never said publicly how many presidential palaces there are.

ELECTRIC: Prices likely to decline, says Wood

(From 1A)

With deregulation of electric power, Wood said groups would form to purchase electricity at the lowest possible price, and that would cause prices to decline.

"The AARP could be a major purchaser of power for elderly people. They call it gray power. There may also be those who want to buy only energy produced with renewable fuels. They call it green power."

He noted that electric companies have conducted numerous surveys that conclude that many Texans want to buy electricity generated by renewable sources such as solar and wind, and would pay extra to get it. He said a requirement for power companies to generate 10 percent of power from renewable sources was more a market consideration than mandate.

Wood predicted choices, technology, services and innovations would expand rapidly after electric deregulation. "When the telephone industry was deregulated we were still using dial phones, now look at the technology. There is no telling what great technologies will evolve from electric deregulation."

The Texas A&M and Harvard Law School graduate said jet turbines, fueled by natural gas, are already achieving unheard of efficiencies and are being scaled to fit a number of applications.

"Built like a jet engine, these turbines provide 60 percent efficiency instead of 30 percent, and can be designed to provide electricity for a home, plant or city."

The Port Arthur native said deregulation would not only provide choice for retail consumers, but lower rates as well. "Over the next seven to 10 years, rates should come down 25 percent." But he confessed that the average citizen does not know or care about electric deregulation.

"As we move from the old world to the new world there will be many considerations," Wood said. "One concern is the amount of cost recovery that will be needed for power companies that executed capital projects based on a guaranteed rate of return. And, whether or not the taxpayer or customer should pay for the recovery."

There is also concern about the level of competition in the deregulated market. "Three power suppliers in the state will not be enough," Wood said. "A deregulated market with no competition is not good."

He also noted that there was concern about providing service to rural areas. "We want to know that the rural areas are going to be protected, so that it is as easy to get electricity in downtown Notrees as downtown Houston."

"There may not be any great public outcry for electric deregulation, but there is nothing in the state right now that is more important than electric restructuring," he said.

Asked if he might consider an appointment as commissioner of the Texas Railroad Commission, Wood said he would not now that he was in the thick of "all the fun." He also said the Public Utility Commission would not be merged into the Railroad Commission during the term of Gov. George Bush.

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Tutu urges commission to examine history of U.S. racial injustice

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CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Even in a country immersed in chilling revelations about its own recent past, this one was especially shocking: South African special forces, a Pretoria court learned last week, had once named the Archbishop of Cape Town on a secret hit list.

And yet, to the high holy man who survived death threats from the keepers of apartheid, it came as no surprise.

"We had a vicious system to contend with," the retired Anglican Archbishop, Desmond Tutu, said in an interview Thursday. "Basically, it was lawless."

Seven years after South Africa dismantled its harsh system of racial separation known as apartheid, Tutu chairs a national effort to get to the disturbing truth behind the country's past, in the hope that the nation might then be prepared to look to the future.

Unless the United States goes through a similar exercise in self examination, Tutu warned, American blacks and whites are condemned to suffer enduring strife.

"You see, you haven't had the chance of saying, 'What was the legacy of our Civil War, of slavery?,'" said Tutu, chairman of South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission. "You in the States must say, at some point, 'We need something like a truth and reconciliation commission,' and say, 'What is the pain that is sitting in the pit of our tummy?'"

Tutu plans to take that message directly to President Clinton on Friday night, when the two are scheduled to attend a state dinner hosted at a nearby wine estate by South African President Nelson Mandela.

Clinton arrived here Thursday, midway into a six-country Africa tour, a key theme of which has been the African American experience.

"We owe a very great deal to the (American) civil rights movement," said Tutu, 67. "We were influenced by the likes of Martin Luther King Jr., of Andy Young and all of these people. We even sing the anthem of the civil rights movement — "We Shall Overcome" — in our own movement."

Now, in a striking historical twist, Clinton, a son of the American South who's formative years tracked the civil rights movement and imbued in him a personal and political commitment to African Americans, finds himself in the former heartland of apartheid for a tutorial on race relations.

At a time when Clinton is searching for ways to narrow the racial divide in his own country, the experiences and insights of Mandela and Tutu are certain to resonate.

Both won the Nobel Peace Prize for their efforts to dismantle apartheid and are often ranked alongside such pillars of social justice as the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and India's Mahatma Ghandi.

Tutu, who will leave the commission this summer and begins a yearlong sabbatical this fall at Emory University in Atlanta, used the force of his pulpit to help build domestic and global opposition to apartheid.

Mandela spent 27 years as a political prisoner, the bulk of it on the infamous Robben Island, where he plans to take Clinton on Friday.

"There is racial persecution, political persecution throughout the world," said Lionel Davis, a former political prisoner who leads tours of Robben Island, now a national museum, six miles off the coast of Cape Town. Said Davis, 61, "we can teach the world what it means to reconcile."

The institutional heart of South Africa's reconciliation effort is Tutu's commission. It has three roles: to hear allegations of apartheid-era human rights violations; provide amnesty to those who come forward to confess past actions, and; allocate reparations and rehabilitation aid to victims of past abuses.

Since its inception in 1995, the commission has received applications from 1,600 people — blacks as well as whites — seeking amnesty for crimes they committed either in support of or in opposition to apartheid.

So far, 200 cases have been heard, with the aim of discovering the truth from perpetrators, not to convict them.

Opposition, rights groups say Egypt cracking down on press

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — In just one month, Egypt has sentenced three journalists to prison, demoted the editor of a state-owned weekly and closed a major newspaper.

The government says the unprecedented measures are needed to stop sensational reporting on religion, sex and corruption. But journalists and human rights groups say Egypt is trying to muzzle one of the Arab world's most vibrant presses.

"The state is dealing with the journalists like thieves or drug dealers," said Adel Hussein, deputy leader of the opposition Labor Party.

The independent Egyptian Human Rights Organization called the government moves a "vicious attack against freedom of the press."

For years, only the government, political parties and government-approved companies were allowed to publish newspapers in Egypt. Those laws were first imposed during the socialist era of former President Gamal Abdel Nasser.

But in 1996, as Egypt pushed to open its economy to foreign investment, the government relaxed its control of the press and allowed independent newspapers to publish. That led to a news explosion, with 107 newspapers — most small and local — hitting the streets.

Newspapers competing for readers began to publish photos of scantily clad movie stars and write about their sex lives. Other previously taboo subjects such as government corruption and Muslim-Christian tensions were also tackled.

In some cases, newspaper accusations of misbehavior were not 100 percent accurate. Officials also said businessmen used the press to settle scores or blackmail each other.

In February, President Hosni Mubarak urged the Journalists' Union to end what he called press sensationalism. In the past, Mubarak has been far more tolerant of criticism than his predecessors.

Information Minister Safwat el-Sherif called Egypt a "society that honors our values" and added: "We cannot let the yellow papers destroy these values."

Last month, the government jailed one of its most vocal critics, Magdi Hussein, the editor-in-chief of the Labor Party's newspaper, Al-Shaab.

Hussein was sentenced to 1 1/2 years in prison for libeling former Interior Minister Hassan el-Alfy and his two sons. For about a year, the paper ran front-page stories accusing the minister and his two sons of embezzling millions of dollars.

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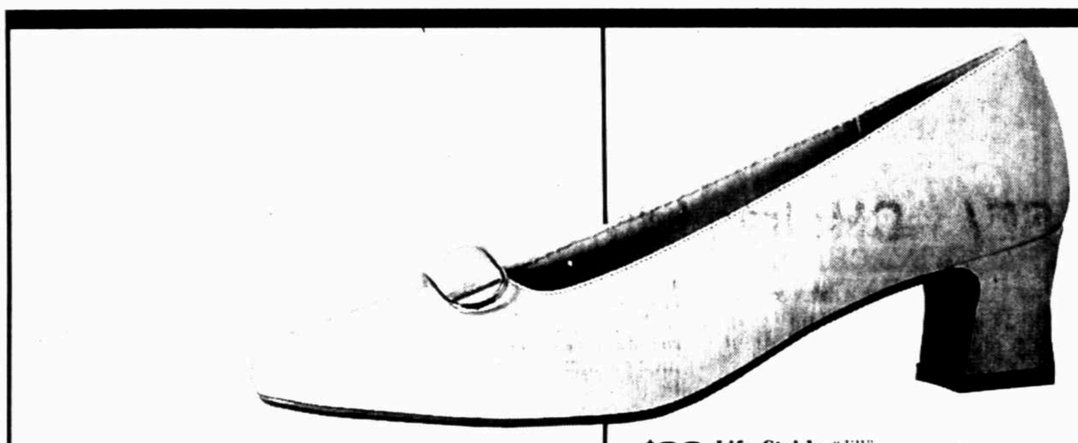
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Russia, France, Germany hold friendly 'troika' talks

BOR, Russia (AP) — After a one-day summit longer on symbolism than substance, President Boris Yeltsin declared a vision Thursday of a new Europe, united with Russia, that would be a "dominant force" in the world.

His two guests, French President Jacques Chirac and German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, responded politely that the European Union should develop "solid" relations with the giant to the East — but refrained from suggesting those ties would bind Europe to Russia.

The "troika" summit in the woods south of Moscow gave Yeltsin a welcome respite from Russian politics, which he himself threw into turmoil earlier this week when he fired his prime minister and the rest of his Cabinet.

But while Thursday's meeting seemed filled with genuine camaraderie and goodwill, it produced little in the way of concrete agreements — not that any had been expected.

"These are real friends and I breathe very, very well when I'm near them," Yeltsin said.

The three leaders, all of whom face strong political challenges at home, took a walk through snowy, sun-splashed woods on the grounds of a government resort. They spent a good deal of time tinkering with a gift Yeltsin gave to his guests, an ornamental item with three cups held together by a single key — pocketed by the Russian president.

"Boris," chided Kohl, "don't fall back into Russian imperialism."

For all the good feelings, the closest thing to a tangible breakthrough was a plan, announced by Yeltsin, to bring together historians from the three nations to write and publish a textbook on 20th century European history.

The almost insurmountable difficulty of that task was a reminder of the historical baggage the three leaders carried into the meeting, and why Yeltsin's vision of a "greater Europe" that includes Russia was not taken up enthusiastically by his guests.

"We recognize the importance of good and friendly relations between the European Union and Russia," Chirac said. Nevertheless, he felt it necessary to note that, "historically, relations between Russia, Germany and France have always been difficult."

The Russians set the agenda for the summit, which included discussions on world hot spots such as Iraq and Kosovo. The Russians also raised the possibility of the three nations working together to develop a new military transport plane, based on Russia's Antonov-70.

The Russian leader described the meeting in sweeping terms. He called the grouping an "exclusive trio" and said they were developing a Moscow-Paris-Bonn "axis."

U.N.: Mines kill Kurds in Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — At least 2,391 Iraqi Kurds were killed and 4,324 injured in the past five years as a result of mine explosions in northern Iraq, a senior U.N. official said Thursday.

Eric Falt, Iraq's U.N. humanitarian spokesman, said the figures — publicized for the first time — could be higher because civilians in remote villages rarely report mine-related deaths and injuries.

Falt said Iraq's Kurdish-controlled north had the highest concentration of land mines in the world — an estimated 10 million to 20 million — a legacy of decades of fighting between Kurdish rebels and government troops, especially in the 1980s.

Iraq allocated $2.5 million to demining operations in the area under the first phase of its oil-for-food deal with the United Nations, Falt said. Demining operations will begin in May throughout the region's three provinces of Dahuk, Arbil and Sulaimaniya.

The oil-for-food program allows Iraq to sell limited quantities of oil to buy food and medicine for its 22 million people.

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Gelbard warns Milosevic time running out

'Time is not on the side of this government.'
— U.S. envoy Robert Gelbard

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia (AP) — Thousands of angry Kosovo Serbs turned out Thursday for the funeral of a policeman killed in a gunbattle with ethnic Albanians and accused President Slobodan Milosevic of planning to abandon them to stay in power.

Up to 5,000 mourners watched the funeral procession snake through a tiny village in the northwest corner of Kosovo. Many bitterly voiced their fear that Milosevic would buckle under foreign pressure and sacrifice the Serbs' firm hold on power in the southern Yugoslav province.

At the same time, that pressure increased. U.S. envoy Robert Gelbard told the Yugoslav leader time was running out to reach a peaceful settlement with the increasingly restive ethnic Albanians in Kosovo, or face possible new sanctions.

Ethnic Albanians outnumber Serbs 9-to-1 in Kosovo. The United States and other foreign powers fear Albanian aspirations for independence could touch off another Balkan war only three years after the bloodshed ended in neighboring Bosnia.

Violence in Kosovo has been increasing. Fierce clashes between Serb police and ethnic Albanians in Kosovo province this week sent panicked villagers fleeing from machine-gunfire and rocket launchers. Two Albanians died.

Serb police say Tuesday's clash began when Albanian separatists with mortars ambushed a police patrol and killed a policeman. The clash followed similar police crackdowns early this month that left about 80 Albanians dead and prompted an international outcry.

Milosevic's government has ruled Kosovo with a heavy police presence since stripping the province of its autonomy in 1989, saying he had to protect its minority Serbs in a region that was the cradle of Serbian culture.

But in recent weeks he has taken several steps indicating he will try to reach a settlement. So far, his offer of talks about autonomy have found no takers, dismissed by Albanians and foreigners as insincere.

Kosovo's Serbs nevertheless fear betrayal, and vented their outrage at Thursday's funeral for policeman Miodrag Otovic, a 36-year-old father of two.

Otovic's widow, Olivera, was near collapse as she mourned over the open coffin of her husband at their home. Neighbors and relatives who had come in the Serbian tradition to drink rakija — the local plum brandy — raged at Milosevic.

"Why isn't he here?" demanded one angry villager.

"Why doesn't his son come to fight?" asked another, referring to Milosevic's son Marko, 23, who owns a discotheque and a pizzeria, has a well publicized penchant for racing cars and motorbikes and has not done military service, usually obligatory for Serb men.

Milosevic "is going to sell us out," said another Serb mourner. "He left us to die here."

A police truck drove the coffin with Otovic's body, covered with the Serbian flag, from his house to the cemetery. Fellow policemen walked in front carrying a cross and Otovic's picture, while his widow and weeping children — a son, Vidoje, and daughter, Vinka, both under 10 — followed on foot.

Back in the Yugoslav capital, Belgrade, there were signs that Milosevic may eventually accept a special European envoy, former Spanish prime minister Felipe Gonzalez, as an outside supervisor of Serb-Albanian talks.

A six-nation meeting of foreign ministers gave Milosevic and the Albanians four weeks to open negotiations, warning the Yugoslav president that his country — consisting of Serbia and Montenegro — otherwise faces sanctions.

Most painful would be a threatened freeze on Yugoslav assets abroad. That could cripple the already ragged economy, where unemployment tops 40 percent and state-owned firms are often weeks or months late with meager wages averaging $250 a month.

"Time is not on the side of this government," Gelbard said after meeting top Milosevic aides in Belgrade. "We regret very much that they still appear unprepared to take meaningful steps."

Two-day storm cuts power, closes airport in Greece

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — A fierce two-day storm packing winds of more than 60 mph closed Athen's airport and nearly all shipping ports, flooded homes and businesses, and left much of the capital without electricity on Thursday. At least one person was killed.

Government officials said it might take days for power to be fully restored to the city's nearly 5 million residents.

In the central Peloponnese mountains, walloped by nearly 5 feet of snow, about 100 people were trapped in their cars in a mountain tunnel for most of the day until army troops cleared the highway.

Nearly all ports around Greece were closed, stranding thousands of travelers and cutting off access to islands. At least one cargo vessel ran aground.

Athens airport, which was shut down Wednesday night, reopened late Thursday afternoon. Until that time, all arriving domestic and international flights were rerouted to Salonica airport in the north of the country.

Airport workers had to lash some planes to the ground to prevent them from being blown over.

A 38-year-old sailor was killed on the island of Rhodes when he was swept away by huge waves while trying to secure a rope on the deck of a ship. The ship was unable to dock, a spokesman for the Rhodes port authority said.

In northwestern Athens, navy commandos and paratroopers with rubber rafts helped evacuate residents from nearly 1,000 homes flooded with about 3 feet of water. The neighborhood was built on a drained lake.

The storm's gale-force winds hit the southern suburbs especially hard, knocking down trees that blocked roads and rail lines.

Schools in Athens and many other parts of the country were closed. Power lines were snapped by falling trees and wind-blown debris in many areas, while more than 50 power substations were reportedly out of order.

Electricity was gradually being restored to parts of the capital after a four-hour blackout. Traffic lights in Athens were out, causing dangerous driving conditions.

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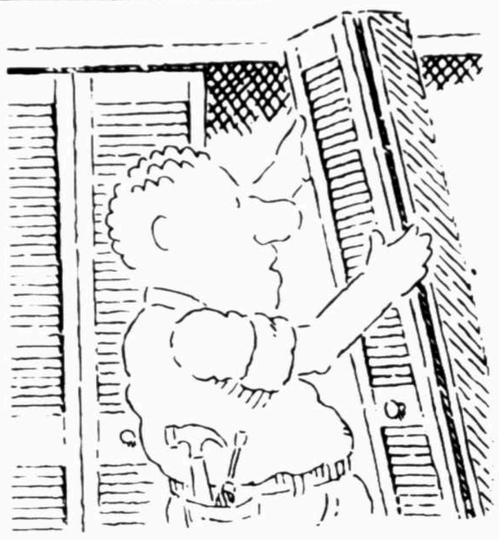
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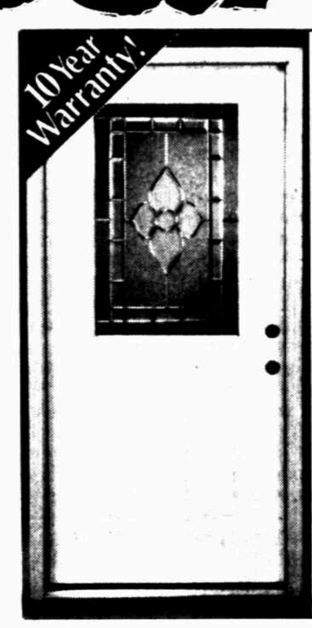
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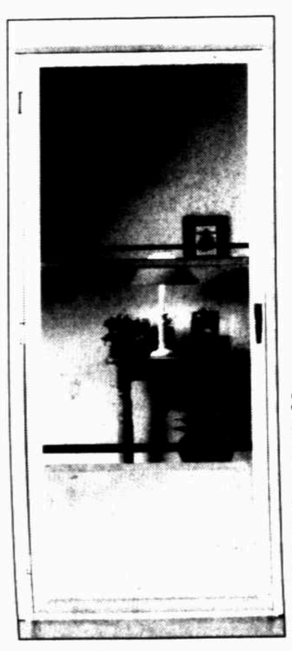


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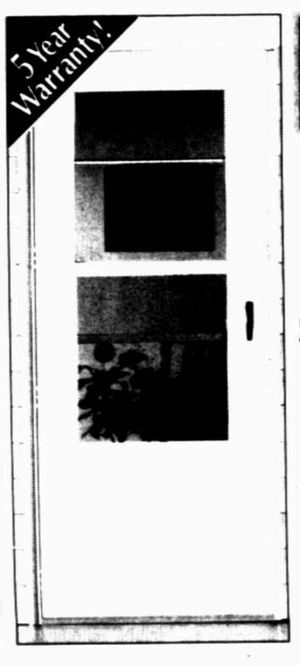
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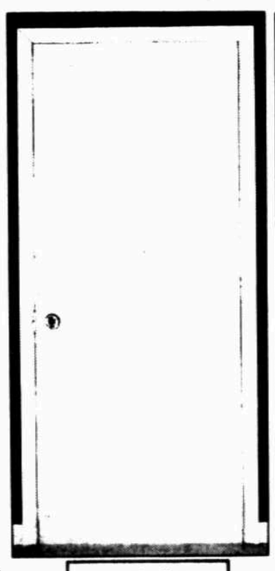
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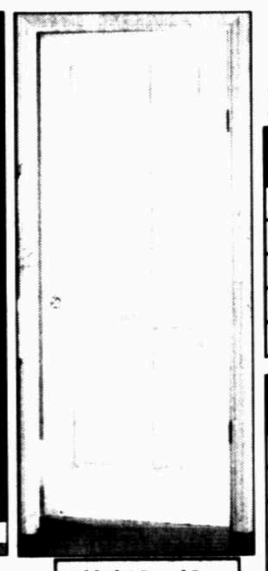
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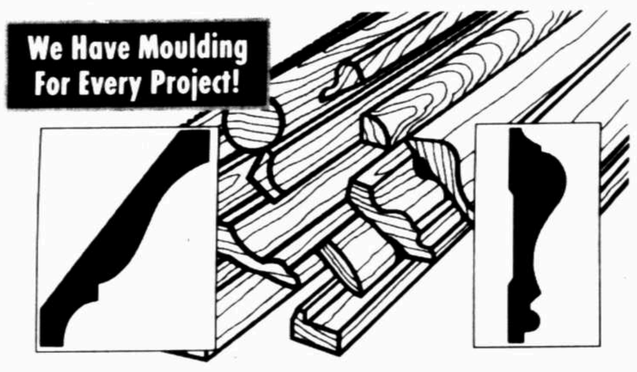
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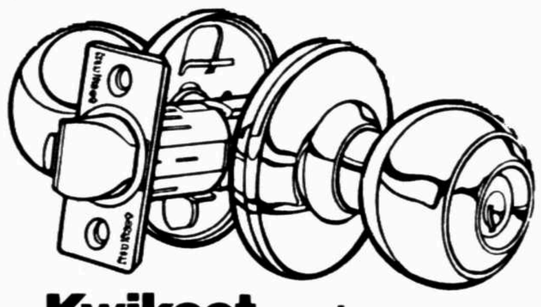


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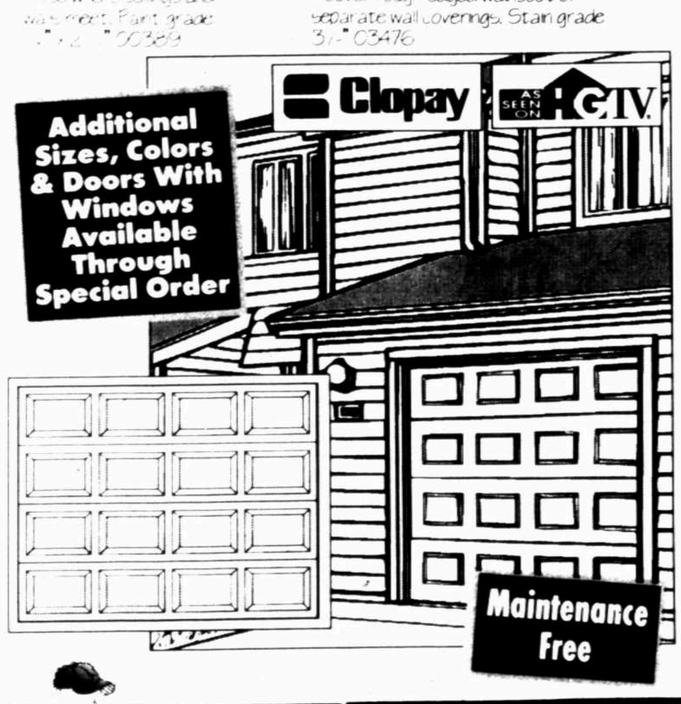
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Facing their fears: Students return to school where classmates died

By Allen G. Breed
Associated Press

JONESBORO, Ark. — The first thing they did Thursday at Westside Middle School was disconnect the fire alarm — the same one that lured four students and one teacher to their death in a barrage of gunfire.

Classes resumed with nervous parents taking their frightened children to school — buses were mostly empty — and crisis counselors urging students to talk about their grief and confusion.

Students wore white ribbons as they filed past red and white bouquets that lined the walkway where the victims were gunned down Tuesday. A flowered cross hung from the flagpole, and the flag flew at half-staff.

No lessons were taught, and all outdoor activities were canceled, including recess. Students made cards for the 11 people who were wounded, including the five who remained hospitalized Thursday.

Still, twice as many children as normal in the 250-student school stayed home. Erica Swindle, 12, who watched a friend die, said she wasn't ready to face her demons just yet.

"It scares you real bad," said Erica. "I could have been shot in the back."

Tristian McGowan, 13, one of the wounded and a cousin of one of the boys arrested, returned with his arm in a sling.

Colby Brooks, 12, said he didn't see the point in putting it off.

"It's just going to be as bad Monday as it is today," he said. "Life goes on, and from there we're going to start a new beginning."

Two students — Mitchell Johnson, 13, and Drew Golden, 11 — have been charged with five counts each of murder and 10 counts of battery. They are being held pending an April 29 hearing.

Police say the two, dressed head-to-toe in camouflage and armed with rifles and handguns, ambushed a group of classmates and staff members who had left the school because of a fake fire alarm.

Drew's grandfather, Doug Golden, said Wednesday that his grandson had confessed to pulling the alarm and to stealing guns and ammunition from his house.

Students were worried about what to do if the fire alarm sounded Thursday, so Principal Karen Curtner ordered it shut off "so we wouldn't have any of those problems today."

The day began with an hourlong counseling session in the cafeteria. Counselors paid particular attention to the class of Shannon Wright — the teacher who was killed protecting one of her students.

Her pupils asked "very good questions about what are we going to do, and that's going to be difficult," said Scott Poland, a psychologist with the National Organization for Victim Assistance. "And we talked in terms of how important it is for children to express their motions."

Mary Savage, a therapist from Arkansas State University, said children in the adjacent elementary school expressed their fears by drawing pictures.

A lot drew themselves "like they were the ones and their teachers were the ones that got killed," she said.

Cory Hallett, 9, held his mother's hand Wednesday as she talked with reporters. The third-grader said he overheard the boys say they were "going to kill people."

"He was afraid to go to sleep," said his mother, Holly. "He felt guilty 'cause he was able to go to sleep."

Police release 911 transcript

Associated Press

A transcript of calls received by an emergency operator after Tuesday's school shooting in Jonesboro, Ark.:

(ring)

Operator: 911. Where is your emergency?

Female caller: There's been a shot at Westside High, Middle School.

Operator: Been what?

Caller: They've been shot at Westside Middle School.

Operator: OK. All right.

Caller: We need an ambulance as soon as possible.

Operator: OK. Hold on. Just a second, ma'am. Do you know who done the shooting?

Caller: No, we do not.

Operator: OK.

Caller: They came from everywhere.

Operator: They came from everywhere?

Caller: Yes ma'am. We went out for a fire drill.

Operator: OK. Was it another student? Or do you know?

Caller: I don't know. I don't know. Please send an ambulance as soon as possible.

Operator: Ma'am, we've got an ambulance en route. Do you know if it was only one shot?

Caller: No, this is several.

Operator: OK. We've got ...

Caller: There's been blood loss. People with blood lost.

Operator: OK. We will get someone out there.

(ring)

Operator: 911. Where is your emergency?

Male caller: Westside Middle School. We have a teacher down and several students down. I don't know the details.

Operator: OK. All right, sir. We'll get ... we've got 'em started.

(ring)

Operator: 911. Where is your emergency?

Male caller: I'm not sure of the emergency. They told me to call an ambulance out here to Westside Middle School.

Operator: We've got them en route. Thank you.

Caller: OK....

(ring)

Operator: 911. Where is your emergency?

Female caller: This is Susan Welch from Westside Middle School. We have had shots fired. We have someone down. We need an ambulance here.

Operator: OK. We have them coming.

(ring)

Male operator: 911. Where is your emergency?

Female caller: Do you know if you have help on the way to Westside Middle School?

Operator: Yes ma'am. We sure do. Yeah. We do.

Caller: OK. Thank you.

(ring)

Operator: 911. Where is your emergency?

Young caller: We have an emergency at Westside Middle School.

Operator: Ma'am, we've got everybody en route. Everybody's en route. OK. Just be somewhere it's safe. Stay inside.

Caller: OK.

Operator: Stay inside. OK.

Caller: Please.

Operator: They're there, honey.



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Clinton's claim of privilege 'a step too far'

President Clinton's attempt to claim executive privilege as a means of preventing aides from testifying about conversations with Hillary Rodham Clinton is an ill-advised maneuver that gives the impression of a president grasping at straws to get away from a scandal that has dogged his heels since taking office.

Major daily newspapers have criticized Clinton's effort in recent days and legal scholars characterized the attempt as "a real stretch of the doctrine of executive privilege" and "a step too far."

There is no question now that the sex scandals that have haunted Clinton's political life since before he took office as president are damaging his ability to lead the country.

The investigation of the Monica Lewinsky case is not about a chief executive's presidential duty or national security.

Jonathan Turley, a law professor at George Washington University and frequent litigator on constitutional matters, called the Clinton move "a step too far. The first lady is not the tsarina. ... It is difficult to see how the first lady can assert executive privilege when she is not an executive of this government."

Mark Rozell, a political science professor at American University and author of a book on executive privilege, said the Clinton maneuver is "a bold claim and quite possibly a real stretch of the doctrine of executive privilege."

The investigation of the Monica Lewinsky case is not about a chief executive's presidential duty or national security. It is about Clinton's personal conduct and liability, and the American people need to know the character — or lack of it — of the man now sitting in the Oval Office, especially as it might pertain to illegal acts.

This matter needs to be fully investigated and resolved as quickly as possible for the good of the nation. Clinton should cooperate instead of putting up fake roadblocks.

Today in History

Today is Friday, March 27, the 86th day of 1998. There are 279 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 27, 1977, 582 people were killed when a KLM Boeing 747, attempting to take off, crashed into a Pan Am 747 on the Canary Island of Tenerife.

On this date:

In 1512, Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de Leon sighted Florida.

In 1625, Charles I ascended the English throne upon the death of James I.

In 1794, President Washington and Congress authorized creation of the U.S. Navy.

In 1836, the first Mormon temple was dedicated, in Kirtland, Ohio.

In 1884, the first long-distance telephone call was made, between Boston and New York City.

In 1917, the Seattle Metropolitans became the first U.S. team to win the Stanley Cup as they defeated the Montreal Canadiens.

In 1945, during World War II, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower told reporters in Paris that German defenses on the Western Front had been broken.

In 1958, Nikita Khrushchev became Soviet premier in addition to First Secretary of the Communist Party.

In 1964, Alaska was rocked by a powerful earthquake that killed 114 people.

In 1968, Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin, the first man to orbit the earth, died in a plane crash.

In 1973, "The Godfather" won the Academy Award for best picture of 1972, but its star, Marlon Brando, refused to accept his Oscar for best actor. Liza Minnelli won best actress for "Cabaret."

Ten years ago: Jesse Jackson, rejoicing from an upset victory in Michigan's primary-style caucuses the day before, vowed that his Democratic presidential campaign would continue to "win and grow."

JACK ANDERSON

Christian Coalition leader doesn't have Reed's muscle

Ralph Reed wasn't yet a national figure when his startling self-description, uttered in a 1991 newspaper interview, made headlines and scared the daylight out of Democrats: "I want to be invisible. I do guerrilla warfare. I paint my face and travel at night," said the boyish executive director of the Christian Coalition. "You don't know it's over until you're in a body bag."



Anderson

Reed has since left the Christian Coalition for the more lucrative world of political consulting. And in his wake he's left a power struggle among Christian conservatives, who just four years ago were given a large share of the credit for ushering in the first Republican Congress in 40 years.

The latest sign of trouble came earlier this month in California, where Democrat Lois Capps easily won a special election to fill her late husband's congressional seat. It was a hotly contested race that was being watched by political pros across the country. The race was considered up for grabs, and was viewed by both Democratic and Republican officials as a possible barometer of how their parties might fare in the November elections.

Republican officials in Washington tell us that a good portion of the blame for the loss falls on the shoulders of one Gary Bauer, a former bureaucrat in the Reagan administration who's now trying to fill the leadership vacuum created by Reed's departure. Bauer heads the Family Research Council, a pro-family lobbying group —and directs a PAC called the Campaign for Working Families.

Bauer first stirred up trouble by pushing an arch-conservative state representative, Tom Bordonaro, in the Republican primary. Most party leaders in Washington favored his opponent — a more moderate candidate whom they thought would have a better chance of beating Capps.

But Bauer, using his PAC, poured more than $100,000 into the primary by running "issue ads" -- thinly disguised campaign commercials -- promoting Bordonaro. He then spent another $100,000 in the general election, running graphic ads about partial-birth abortion designed to get Bordonaro elected. Capps, meanwhile, got similar amounts of support from abortion-rights activists.

Overnight, a sleepy special election was turned into a high-profile referendum on abortion and a test of the political muscle of the Christian right. When Bauer and Bordonaro lost, it sparked a round of soul-searching and finger-pointing among Republicans inside Washington. While most GOP loyalists agree with Bauer on the issues, they worry that he has a tin ear for political tactics – which could hurt the party in the fall elections.

"Gary Bauer is a Christian soldier with an M-1," confided one party strategist, who believes Bauer blew it in California. Speaking about the campaign commercials, the strategist complained: "We already had the pro-life vote in Bordonaro's district. All he did was energize her (political) base."

In the meantime, Christian activists have been complaining that the Republican party has taken them for granted. For the better part of a decade, these activists have been loyal and enthusiastic supporters of Republican candidates. Yet many believe their issues have been ignored by the leaders in Washington. Some apparently blame the Christian Coalition — its fund-raising prowess has begun to wane, and it was forced to lay off some employees recently.

Into the breach stepped Bauer, who is closely allied with Dr. James Dobson, the head of Focus on Family. Bauer is not discouraging talk about whether he might use his considerable resources to mount a run for president. Dobson, too, has been mentioned as a possible candidate. The new head of the Christian Coalition, former Rep. Randy Tate, R-Wash., has neither the political muscle nor the experience to wield the kind of influence that Reed once did.

What Reed brought to the Christian right was keen political acumen that allowed him entree into the highest reaches of the Republican party. Party old-timers trusted him because he understood the need to project a moderate image — even while pushing an arch-conservative agenda that was anathema to many of the economic conservatives in the GOP.

But Bauer and his brethren no longer want to play the insider's game. They're tired of accommodating Republicans like House Speaker Newt Gingrich, who must carefully juggle the conflicting agendas of social and economic conservatives to keep his fragile majority together.

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WILLIAM MURCHISON

Puerto Ricans have word for Congress: Estupido

The Puerto Rican policy of the Republican Party is wondrous to gaze on as an example of Republican fretfulness and incoherence.

A couple of weeks ago, it may be remembered, the Republican-"controlled" House voted 209-208 to give Puerto Ricans a shot at voting to drop commonwealth status and become a full-fledged state.

This is at a time when the Clintons — leave aside all that sex and cover-up stuff — are driving the national agenda: working to appropriate the surplus, if any, for new programs, "conversing" about race, contriving to boost the minimum wage again, moving again to regulate the health care industry.



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The Republican alternative to all this is without form and void, except for plans to pick, some day, between two competing methods of overhauling the tax system.

Thus, House Republicans let themselves get drawn into a no-win battle for Puerto Rico. The theory behind it all: to demonstrate love of Hispanics, not to mention Hispanic votes.

Both theory and practice fell apart when more skeptical Republican congressmen failed to pass an amendment making English the national language. Supposedly, this would have affronted Spanish-speaking Puerto Rico, which, if it enters the union, seemingly must be allowed to bring its culture intact.

Forty-three Republicans voted for the legislation anyway — enough to divide the party, too few to prevent giving the whole enterprise a Democratic stamp. Any credit the House leadership, starting with Speaker Newt Gingrich, may have expected from this community outreach effort, they can forget about.

The Puerto Rican thing underscores the capacity for irrelevance that Capitol Hill Republicans are cultivating. Do Gingrich Republicans think their constituents are nudging each over at soccer matches and PTA meetings, muttering, "Yes, sir, it's time for Puerto Rican statehood"? Isn't it likelier that said constituents are grumbling about taxes and regulation, not to mention moral decay and dissolution?

Some further pitfalls for the Newt-itess.

1. Hispanics notoriously fail to regard themselves as members of one big happy Spanish-speaking family. Puerto Ricans, Cubans and Mexicans come from distinct countries, with distinct cultures. To gladden the hearts of one group is not automatically to gladden the hearts of another.

2. Puerto Rican statehood, with Spanish as the primary and English the secondary language on the island, makes no sense. This would introduce into the American equation bigger linguistic and cultural complications than we have now. A Spanish-speaking island in the Caribbean, connected with the mainland only by virtue of an imperialistic conquest in 1898, simply isn't compatible, say, with Wisconsin, Maine and Louisiana.

Assimilation should be the touchstone for Americans — a goal we are failing, out of multicultural delicacy, to press. The more closely Americans resemble each other, the lower the social combustibility factor and the higher the prospects for cooperation. In the real world, "polyglot" doesn't work, as the history and fate of the amiable Austo-Hungarian empire should remind us.

3. Don't the Republicans see that in the short run at least, and likely in the long run, Puerto Rico wouldn't send Republicans to the U.S. House and Senate? It would send Democrats.

The United States has cultivated in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, whose per-capita income is only half that of the very poorest states, a culture of dependency on Washington. In American life, the culture of dependency is most effectively represented by Bill Clinton's party.

The Republican-controlled Senate may have a better grip on reality than the Newt-ites. It may choose to sit on the whole matter — just bottle it up.

"May," I say. The other day, in an attempt at political relevance, this same Senate voted 96-4 for a 38 percent increase in federal spending on transportation. (Wheeeee, aren't balanced budgets fun?)

The Puerto Ricans, I believe, have a word for the present behavior of the Republican-"controlled" Congress: estupido.

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CHARLEY REESE

It makes more sense, feels good to be optimistic, have faith

I ran into a cynic the other day. It's easy to be cynical, especially if you are aware of the sorry state of affairs in Washington, D.C.

But cynicism, like pessimism and optimism, are internal feelings and attitudes, and has no effect whatsoever on the outside world. Whatever our internal feelings and attitudes are, the world is as the world is. The only people these feelings and attitudes affect are ourselves.

Now, as neither cynicism nor pessimism make you feel good, why not choose optimism and faith, which make you feel better?



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For a nation of folks many of whom seem to be obsessed about their personal happiness, you would think more people would have figured out that whether one is happy or unhappy is largely a matter of making the decision to be one or the other.

Yes, I know there are exceptions to that generalization. There are some pathological conditions of the brain that make people with that illness feel depressed whether they choose to be or not. But clinical depression is a lot more infrequent than the drug-peddling industry would have you believe.

There is also the normal amount of pain and grief that all humans, being flesh and mortal, must endure. We cannot avoid pain, grief and finally death, but we can control our attitude toward those things.

An irascible Frenchman, the Constable de Montmorenci, dismissed offers of assistance when he received a mortal wound by saying, "I have not lived 80 years without learning how to stand dying for a quarter of an hour."

The poet Alexander Pope, ever the wit, said on his deathbed, "I am dying, sir, of a hundred good symptoms."

And then there are those immortal words of a sergeant to American soldiers reluctant to leave the safety of the trench: "What's the matter with you guys? Do you want to live forever?"

The worse thing about cynicism and pessimism is that they are debilitating. The cynic and the pessimist have fled the field. They have quit the struggle. They have surrendered to the enemy or, as we say in the South, they've skedaddled and high-tailed it. Then, like a slimy, traitorous fifth column, they spend their worthless time trying to demoralize those who still fight.

"It won't work."

"It doesn't make any difference what you do."

"They're too powerful." Etcetera and so forth, to quote the stage version of "Anna and the King of Siam."

Well, part of the Anglo-Celtic heritage is that no person of honor ever makes the decision to fight or submit based on the probability of victory. You fight for the right, win or lose. In the end we all die, and it is better to die on one's feet defending the right than on one's knees kissing evil's smelly backside -- whether the fight is physical, political or intellectual.

And as for economic outcomes, Stonewall Jackson's chaplain, R.L. Dabney, said truthfully that "only atheists define success in money terms."

Besides all that, the cynics are just flat wrong. For every louse, I can show you a noble human; for every coward, a brave one; for every crook, an honest person; for every slut and whore-hopper, a chaste person who honors his vows.

There are still people who value their honor more than their lives, much less mere comfort or money. Most of them wear uniforms and few go into politics, but there are plenty out there, civilian, military and law enforcement.

Americans should never give up the belief that wrongs can be righted, that the disloyal and the immoral can be replaced by the loyal and the moral, that difficulties can be overcome and that problems can be solved. Let's charge — not slouch — into the new millennium. It ain't final until the sun don't rise.

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Starr signals intense focus on Lewinsky transfer to Pentagon

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House personnel chief testified before a federal grand jury Thursday, signaling a strong focus by Whitewater prosecutors on Monica Lewinsky's administration jobs — including her transfer to the Pentagon.

Marsha Scott appeared for a second time in a week before the grand jurors, who have heard from a half-dozen witnesses who played roles in Ms. Lewinsky's White House work prior to her April 1996 reassignment to the Defense Department.

After Ms. Scott finished testifying, the president's chief of Oval Office operations, Nancy Hernreich, made her third appearance at the courthouse. Ms. Hernreich sees virtually everyone who enters the president's office. Both women are expected to return another day for more testimony.

The testimony of witnesses familiar with Ms. Lewinsky's role could be valuable to prosecutors, even if the staffers were unaware of a Clinton-Lewinsky sexual relationship. They might be able to shed light on Ms. Lewinsky's frequent appearances around the Oval Office despite her low-level tasks — a possible factor in her transfer.

Ms. Lewinsky told a friend that she had a sexual affair with Clinton and he asked her to lie about it, contradicting her affidavit in the Paula Jones case denying a sexual relationship. The president has said there was no affair or suggestion that she lie.

Those who previously testified included:

—Former White House deputy chief of staff Evelyn Lieberman. Current and former White House officials have said that she wanted Ms. Lewinsky transferred because of "inappropriate and immature behavior."

—Timothy Keating, who hired Ms. Lewinsky in the legislative correspondence section when her internship ended. He said after testifying that Ms. Lewinsky was "transferred because of dissatisfaction with her performance ... ."

—Patsy Thomasson, who was a White House personnel official. She said after her testimony that she gave the grand jury "the facts about her placement at the Pentagon."

—Jodie Torkelson, who also was a personnel aide. Her lawyer said after she testified Wednesday that she was asked about an e-mail memo she wrote in 1996. She asked in the memo that she be notified if Ms. Lewinsky sought another White House job.

—Jocelyn Jolley, who was Ms. Lewinsky's direct supervisor in the legislative affairs office. Ms. Jolley was transferred out of the office the same day as Ms. Lewinsky.

Ms. Scott has known Clinton from his days as Arkansas governor, and an incident in his deposition in the Jones case indicates she's a confidante of the president.

As Clinton related the incident, he was attending a high school reunion in Arkansas in 1994 and got into a conversation with an old friend, Dolly Kyle Browning.

According to the president, Ms. Browning was angry that he had not called her back in 1992 when she was concerned that a tabloid was going to run a story about her. The president said she began a jealous tirade about how unhappy she was that she had never had a sexual relationship with Clinton and threatened to sell a book claiming they did.

Clinton said he asked Ms. Scott "to listen to the conversation when it started, and she stood very close so she could hear everything, and then as soon as the conversation was over, I asked her if she had heard it...'

The president said he later made notes of the conversation and asked Ms. Scott if they were consistent with her memory "and she said 'Yes, except I think that the conversation went on a little longer than you said ...'"

Clinton testified he put the notes in a file folder, which went in a briefcase that was stored under his desk.

Ms. Browning, a Dallas real estate attorney who gave a deposition in the Jones case, has said she had a long affair with Clinton and accused him of lying in his deposition.

She said that at no time was Ms. Scott listening to the conversation, although a woman with blond hair (Ms. Scott is a blond) did interrupt their conversation twice to ask Clinton to end the conversation, which he did not do.

Candidates using former White House intern — carefully

WASHINGTON (AP) — A few congressional candidates are beginning in subtle ways to make an issue out of the Monica Lewinsky controversy.

Republican Tom Roberg, in an uphill race to topple Democratic Rep. David Price of North Carolina, is running TV ads that ask, "Do you remember an America where character, ethics and honesty were the rule and not the exception?"

In Kentucky, on the other side, Bobby Russell is trying to break out of a crowded Democratic primary field by airing TV ads critical of Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr.

And in Arkansas, Democratic Senate candidate Nate Coulter is trying to attract supporters of Clinton by proposing a six-step plan to reform the independent counsel's law.

The results will be watched closely by Democratic and Republican consultants who are unsure how to cope with the Lewinsky matter in midterm campaigns.

Though his ad does not mention the Lewinsky investigation, Roberg said his district's voters will get the message. "I think people, at least in North Carolina, have a different standard than what I've been reading in polls" that show Clinton with high approval ratings throughout the controversy, Roberg said in a telephone interview.

He challenged Price, the incumbent, to take the president to task. "I'd like to see him more critical of Clinton, and I think the people of North Carolina would like to see that, too," the Republican said.

Price's spokeswoman, Kym Spell, said the lawmaker will withhold judgment on Clinton until Starr completes his investigation. "He believes the responsible thing to do is to wait for a full report rather than play political games with a serious matter," she said.

Russell's ads in Kentucky say Starr has little to show for his expensive, lengthy investigation. "What Ken Starr is doing is just plain wrong," Russell says in the ad.

Coulter's plan in Arkansas would place a two-year limit on special prosecutors' investigations and prohibit them from maintaining a private law practice, something Starr has not given up. It also would limit investigations to alleged crimes that took place while the accused person was in office; Starr's inquiry dips into Clinton's Arkansas past.

■ News analysis

Ali makes silent plea for research on Parkinson's

WASHINGTON (AP) — Muhammad Ali sat silent in a House committee room Thursday, his frozen gaze and trembling hands testifying to the ravages of Parkinson's disease.

The three-time heavyweight boxing champion bowed his head and closed his eyes as members of the House Commerce Committee's health subcommittee lauded him for his battle against the degenerative nerve disease.

"You bring all of us hope," Rep. Elizabeth Furse, D-Ore., told Ali.

In a joint written statement with his physician, Dr. Abraham Lieberman, Ali asked Congress to earmark $100 million for National Institutes of Health research on the degenerative condition.

"Muhammad Ali is not bitter or angry that he has Parkinson's," said Lieberman, who also heads the National Parkinson Foundation.

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Whitewater grand jury sees second set of first lady's records

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a bizarre discovery in the late Vincent Foster's attic, Whitewater prosecutors have landed a second set of Hillary Rodham Clinton's once-elusive law firm billing records, lawyers said Thursday.

The records have fewer handwritten notations and fewer pages but generally contain the same information as the set belatedly found in the White House in 1996, the lawyers said.

Nonetheless, the documents have become a fresh line of inquiry for grand jury questioning in Arkansas, where prosecutors are pressing to wrap up their investigation of the first lady's legal work for a failed savings and loan owned by her Whitewater business partner.

"You're sitting in the grand jury and the prosecutors read you an entry about Mrs. Clinton from one set of billing records, question you about it, then they pick up the other set and read other entries about other meetings," said one recent grand jury witness who spoke only on condition of anonymity.

Prosecutors are trying to determine if Mrs. Clinton, while a private Arkansas attorney, assisted a series of fraudulent S&L land transactions in the mid-1980s carried out by her business partner, the late James McDougal. They're also investigating whether she lied about her work under oath or tried to conceal documents in the Whitewater investigation that was begun during her husband's presidency.

On Thursday, Mrs. Clinton's private lawyer described the second set of billing records, which were found last summer by Foster's widow, Lisa, in the attic of their Arkansas home.

"These Rose Law Firm billing records for Madison Guaranty Savings & Loan, which were discovered by Mrs. Foster at her home in July of 1997, are virtually identical to the records produced by me" to Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr, attorney David Kendall said.

"There are a few additional handwritten notations, and fifteen additional pages, in the set produced two years ago," Kendall said.

Starr's office and Foster's lawyer, James Hamilton, declined comment.

Foster and former Associate Attorney General Webster Hubbell were partners with Mrs. Clinton at the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock. They directed the firm to print the billing records in 1992 when questions about Whitewater arose during Clinton's first presidential campaign.

But when prosecutors subpoenaed them later on, the records had mysteriously disappeared.

In January 1996, more than two years after they had been first subpoenaed, the records were turned over after a presidential secretary found them on a table in the White House living quarters.

The 100-plus pages of billing records outline Mrs. Clinton's legal work for McDougal's Madison Guaranty S&L, including more than a dozen meetings with Hubbell's father-in-law, Seth Ward, an S&L employee who was paid more than $300,000 in disputed commissions. The first lady and Ward say they recall nothing of the meetings.

Hubbell has testified that Foster was the last one he saw handling the billing records.

Last July, Lisa Foster was going through some stored belongings in her attic when she pulled a set of Mrs. Clinton's billing records from a briefcase used by her late husband just before his 1993 suicide.

The briefcase also included correspondence from The New York Times seeking answers to questions about Whitewater, sources familiar with the briefcase's contents say.

Mrs. Foster turned the briefcase and the materials over to her lawyer, who provided them to Starr.

In court arguments a year ago, prosecutors identified Mrs. Clinton as someone who could be indicted and alleged that her account to investigators in the Whitewater investigation had changed over time. Among the things they are investigating is whether she was involved in the disappearance of the billing records.

In 1988, Mrs. Clinton authorized the destruction of her files on Castle Grande and McDougal's S&L.

The first lady has emphatically denied wrongdoing and says she directed the "routine" destruction of her records to reduce a paper backlog at the law firm. At the time, McDougal's S&L was under criminal investigation.

■ More national news/5B

Congress acts on foreign policy issues

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pushing toward a final vote on a midyear spending bill, the Senate endorsed President Clinton's request for $18 billion for the International Monetary Fund on Thursday.

The Senate voted 84-16 to attach the measure — designed to help the IMF weather the heavy demands from the Asian economic crisis — to a military support and disaster relief bill.

The strategy put the Senate at odds with House Republican leaders. The House leaders want to treat the IMF package later and apart from the emergency spending bill, which is already heavily laden with new programs and spending items.

The vote came amid a flurry of legislative activity on some of the administration's foreign-policy priorities.

While the spending bill would help pay for troop deployments in Bosnia and the Persian Gulf, a separate package nearing a House vote would authorize the payment of nearly $1 billion in back dues to the United Nations and support a host of State Department programs.

The Senate endorsed President Clinton's request for $18 billion for the International Monetary Fund Thursday. House leaders want to deal with the IMF package later.

But the second measure includes an anti-abortion provision that has already generated a presidential veto threat. It would ban providing money to international family-planning organizations that lobby against abortion restrictions.

Rep. Benjamin Gillman, R-N.Y., chairman of the House International Relations Committee, criticized the administration's position, saying, "It is short sighted of the administration to threaten a veto because they are unwilling to work on a family planning compromise."

But the measure was opposed by an unusual coalition: conservative critics of the United Nations and supporters of abortion rights. "It is misguided and just plain wrong," said Rep. Carolyn B. Maloney, D-N.Y.

The Senate approval of the IMF package came after Appropriations Committee Chairman Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, told the Senate that failure to deal with the issue now could rock financial markets around the world.

"If we don't act, the country better get ready for a slide" in U.S. stock prices as well, Stevens said.

The IMF package includes $3.4 billion for IMF loan guarantees and $14.5 billion for the U.S. portion of IMF reserves. It includes conditions eased to win the support of the administration — including a call for the IMF to abide by international trade agreements and for major industrial powers to press for reform of IMF lending practices.

"These are huge markets for American exports and any further decline in the economies of these countries could have a serious impact on the U.S. economy," said Sen. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb., who wrote some of the conditions.

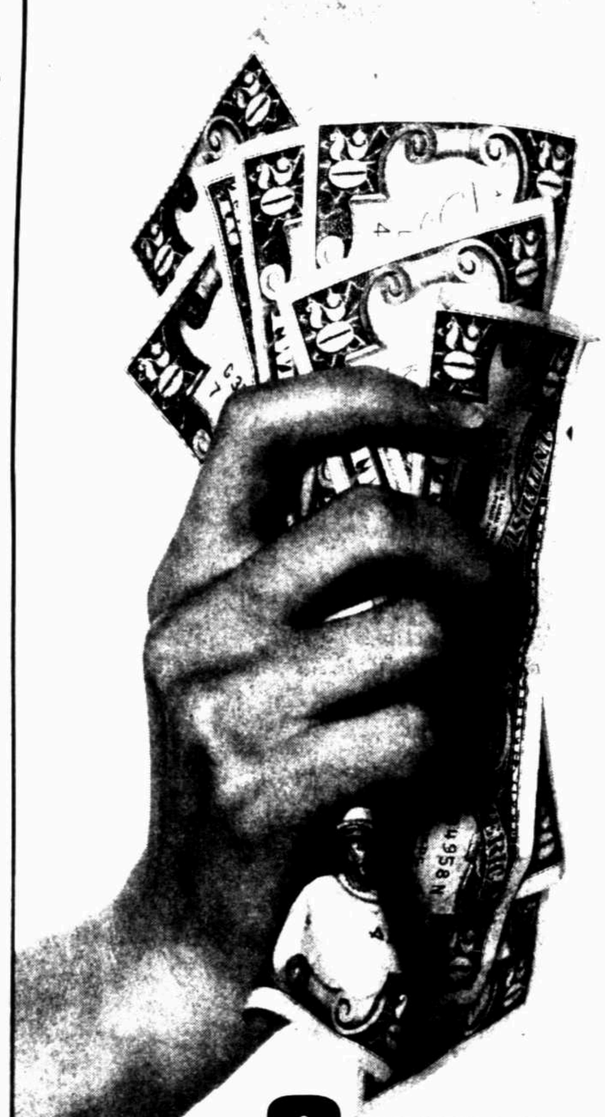
The House version — not expected to see floor action until after an upcoming April recess — imposes much stricter conditions on the IMF loans and has drawn administration opposition.

The House version of the spending bill has drawn sharp criticism from Democrats — and a veto threat from the White House — because it seeks to pay for disaster and military programs with cuts in domestic spending programs, including low-income housing, airport projects, bilingual education and President Clinton's AmeriCorps national service program.

The Senate spending bill, totaling about $5 billion not counting the IMF portion, contains no such offsets.

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Panel reviews low-cost housing need

■ Representatives from non-profit housing programs discuss need for housing for working-class families.

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

The League of Women Voters of Midland gathered representatives of four non-profit housing programs Thursday to discuss the city's need for low-income housing and their programs to meet that need.

"The League of Women Voters is interested in educating ourselves and the community on the opportunities here for people with low income," said Pat Stanley league member. "This is something we care about."

Panel members included Gail Essex of Midland Habitat for Humanity; Don Hellinghausen of Midland Fair Haven; Willie Ruth Adams, director of Midland Housing Authority, and Bobby Trimble, founder of Christmas in April.

In discussing their programs and the needs, the four agreed that Midland has a homeless problem, and that the greatest need is in transitional housing and housing for working-class families.

"We need to work with younger people, with working families and we need transitional housing — somewhere to send someone for a month or so until they get on their feet," Ms. Adams said.

Trimble said he sees a need for small, inexpensive homes that a family can live in for six months or so.

"The first house Christmas in April built, in 1976, was for a woman who was living in an 8-by-10 storage unit. I figured it out and the house we built her was 20-by-20; that's not very big, but when you come from an 8-by-10 space, it's a mansion. For the homeless, really they just want a room and a bathroom, not a huge house. We could build small, inexpensive units if we all got together and decided what needs to be done."

"There is a great need in the homeless area," Hellinghausen said. "The Salvation Army will shelter men, and they're work-

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BASIN BRIEFING

Party convention

The Midland County Democratic Party's convention is set for 10 a.m. Saturday at the VFW Hall, 501 Air Park Road. All persons who voted in the March 10 Democratic primary are invited to participate. For more information call 520-0889.

Book signing

The Rev. Jacquelyn Donald Mims is to sign copies of her books, "Religious Robbers" and "Move Over Men," 12:30-1:30 p.m. Saturday at Barnes & Noble Booksellers. Ms. Mims is pastor of Imani Community African Methodist Episcopal Church in Austin. Her appearance, in conjunction with Women's History Month, is sponsored by Midland Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs.

Blood drive

The Permian Basin Blood Institute is to conduct a blood drive 11:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. today and Saturday near Sears at Midland Park Mall. For more information call 561-5539, extension 4111.

Hot Dog Hoe Down

The Greenwood Parent Teacher Club is planning a fund-raiser, Hot Dog Hoe Down, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday at Greenwood Elementary School. The event will include bingo, games, arts and crafts booths and food booths. For more information call Kelli Baumann at 683-2630.

Soccer boosters

Midland High School Soccer Booster Club is to meet 7 p.m. Monday at the school's Conference Room A. Officers for 1998-99 will be elected.

Easter Bunny

The Easter Bunny is to be near Sears at Midland Park Mall during mall hours Saturday through April 11. For more information call 694-1663.

Band carnival

The Lee High School Rebel Band will hold a carnival fund-raiser today through April 5 at Christensen Stadium. The money will aid the band for their trip to New York City's Carnegie Hall on April 10. For more information contact the band at 689-1620.

TODAY'S AGENDA

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

The Permian Basin Stamp Club will meet at the General Mail Facility, Midland International Airport, 7:30 p.m. The public is welcome. For more information, call Mike Cherrington at 699-0202.

Flatlanders Toastmasters Club, Chevron Bldg., 15 Smith Rd., 11:30-12:30 p.m., 987-7286.

Survivors Group for Sexual Abuse, Rape, Incest Victims, 6 p.m., Glenwood Hospital, 3300 South FM 1788, 563-1200.

Post traumatic stress disorder support group for women, 6 p.m., Community National Bank, 601 E. Florida Ave., 570-9412.

Optimist Club of Midland, noon, Best Western Sidewalk Cafe.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) No. Tx139, 7 p.m., 1007 Austin St., 694-8643.

Project ADAM (Alternatives to Domestic Assault for Men) - Support group, 6:30-9:30 p.m., 986-8428 or 520-0277.

Midland Gem and Mineral Society, 7 p.m., Sibley Center by SE entrance of Hogan Park. Call 686-7442.

Toastmasters, Permian Club, noon, Permian Basin Graduate Center, 684-0044.

Parents Anonymous, 7 p.m., for location and other information, 520-2282.

Survivors of Homicide Support Group, 7:30 p.m., second-floor classroom at law-enforcement building, 400 S. Main St., 688-8909.

Northside Lions Club 7:30 a.m., Plaza Club at ClayDesta, 694-5624.

Midland Gem and Mineral Society, 7 p.m., Sibley Center by SE entrance of Hogan Park. Call 686-7442.

National Association of Retired Federal Employees 6 p.m., Calico Kitchen.

Overeaters Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., 408 South G St.

Employment Awards



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Employment Awards from the Mayor's Committee on People with Disabilities were presented Thursday night at ClayDesta Atrium. Above: Mayor Bobby Burns presented Jane Jones — a mentally handicapped woman who has her own ironing business — with the Entrepreneurship Award. Inset: Mayor Bobby Burns, right, presented the awards. Recipients were from left, Amy Robnett, who works for and with people with disabilities, Mayor's Trophy; and Michael McLean of Cicci's Pizza and Rob Robinson of H-E-B, employer awards for their commitment to hiring people with disabilities.

Spelling bee to be held Saturday at Midland College

The Reporter-Telegram will sponsor the 11th annual Regional Spelling Bee Saturday at the Allison Fine Arts Auditorium at Midland College.

Thirty-three fourth- through eighth-graders from Midland County have spelled their way through preliminary meets to earn the opportunity to compete in this year's bee.

Registration for the bee will begin at 8:30 a.m.; the bee begins at 9 a.m.

The regional champion will travel to Washington, D.C., to take part in the 71st annual Scripps Howard National Spelling Bee May 24-30. In addition to the trip, the regional champion will receive a trophy, $50 cash, and Merriam Webster's Third New International Dictionary and its Addenda Section, copyright 1993.

The regional runner-up will receive a trophy, $25 cash and The Wordmaster Thesaurus (an electronic hand-held device) by Franklin Electronic Publishers.

Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, 10th Edition, $10 cash and a trophy go to the third-place speller. The fourth-place speller will receive a gift certificate for Scripps Howard Spelling Bee merchandise and a trophy, and the fifth-place speller a trophy.

John Deats, director of the Learning Resource Center at Midland College, is the pronouncer for this year's bee. The judges are Marydel Watkins, a retired MISD teacher; Cheree Smith, a UIL spelling coach and Lee High School English teacher; and Heidi Goebel, a language lab instructor at Midland College.

Midland man arrested for lottery ticket fraud

By Rick López
Staff Writer

An Odessa man was arrested in Midland this week in connection with an investigation into lottery fraud, officials said Thursday.

His charges stem from a scam he allegedly tried to pull on the Lottery Claims Center in Odessa.

Edgar Rodriguez Sanchez, 22, was arrested Wednesday morning during a traffic stop at the 2500 block of North Front Street, authorities said.

Officers discovered that the man was wanted for unpaid traffic tickets, including failure to have auto insurance and for unsafe passing.

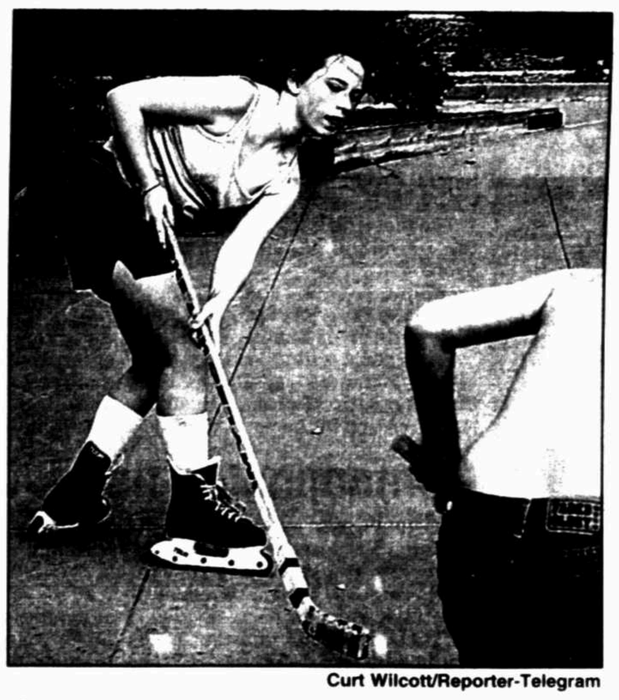
When they ran his license number though the Midland Police Department's communication center, officers also learned that the man was also wanted on felony forgery charges.

Ector County Assistant District Attorney Janice Hinshaw explained that Sanchez tried to cash an altered Texas Lottery scratch-off at the Lottery Claims Center in Odessa. The incident occurred in February 1997.

The suspect, Ms. Hinshaw said, went to the claims center and told personnel that the scratch-off in his possession was a winning $5,000 ticket.

An employee scanned the ticket's bar code into the computer and learned that its true value was only $3.

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Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Slap shot

Tessa Rowell slams a shot past Jody Garner during a recent game of in-line hockey near the main fire station on Texas Avenue. She was ahead.

Arcade owners file civil lawsuit against city, county, officials

By Alice Ashmore
Staff Writer

Two local entertainment arcades are not giving up their "eight-liners" without a fight.

The owners of the Emerald Forest Arcade and the Desert Rose Arcade filed a civil lawsuit late Wednesday afternoon in U. S. District Court in Midland.

The lawsuit names the city of Midland, Midland County, Sheriff Gary Painter, the Texas Department of Public Safety and Midland District Attorney Al Schorre as defendants.

The arcade owners are seeking a temporary restraining order and a permanent injunction against the defendants for their "wrongful conduct."

The arcades are fighting a Jan. 23, 1998, ruling by Attorney General Dan Morales that the statue allowing "eight-liner" amusement machines was unconstitutional.

The machine closely resemble slot machines, and other Las Vegas type gambling machines, but payouts are made with coupons redeemable for merchandise at local stores.

"We are going to fight this," Schorre said. "We'll see what Judge Bunton will have to say." U.S. District Judge Lucius Bunton is to hear the complaint

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RICK LÓPEZ

Chronicle of past 19 years begins with 'Shadow Dancing'

This weekend, I had the opportunity to rummage through some boxes I never touched after my move to Midland. Up until then, they'd been gathering dust in my apartment's storage closet.

One large, heavy box caught my attention. Upon lifting it into my apartment, I heard a clatter that is easy to distinguish — the sound of audio tapes and CD cases sliding back and forth.



López

I placed the box in the center of my living room and sliced open the masking tape. The first object to leap out at me was not a mutant roach, but an old 45 rpm. Anyone else wouldn't have been able to tell what was on the disc because the record label was worn and scratched.

Only I could.

It was the first song that would have an impact on my life. Unfortunately, it was a copy of Andy Gibb's "Shadow Dancing." I must admit, it's something I'm not proud of, but it has special meaning.

It's a corny way to start a music collection, but it was the first record ever to chronicle the next 19 years of my life.

I remembered my parents, both of them younger and a lot slimmer, playing disco on the hi-fi stereo, which was equipped with a turntable and a state-of-the-art eight-track player. By the age of 3, I knew the lyrics to every hit released by K.C. & the Sunshine Band and the Bee Gees. Blame them, not me, for having such bad taste in music.

Soon after finding my collections of rare K-Tel records, I discovered my short-lived transition into audio tapes — which take up a small part of my collection. With the exception of a few albums by INXS, U2 and Grandmaster Flash, I had almost no audio tapes. I figure there was a reason for this. Between the ages of 5 and 13, my allowance was spent on action figures and comic books. Thank God for Columbia House.

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Next, I opened a shoe box plastered with radio station stickers and unearthed my first CD player. I know the old thing did not work, but I saved it because it had a label that proudly boasted, "manufactured in 1988."

That's right. I was too awesome for myself in junior high because I was one of the first few kids in school with a portable CD player. Though my classmates would take turns gawking at my latest piece of technology, I never let them in on my biggest secret — I only had two CDs for almost a year. For the longest time, all I could hear was M.C. Hammer and Technotronic blasting from those headphones. What teen on earth could buy them at close to $30 a pop?

A few extras followed the rest of my high school days, such as Nirvana, Sonic Youth, Pearl Jam ... and all the other groups that were the icons of "alternative music." For three years of my life, I was joining other teens around the world in what would be a parent's nightmare. I grew the long greasy hair, sported faded flannel shirts and Doc Martens. I even indulged in the latest trend — body piercing.

One weekend, a few friends and I drove to McAllen, where we spent a month's allowance on tattoos and other forms of self-mutilation at an underground body parlor in Reynosa, Mexico. I chose the harmless nose ring, which left no obvious scarring, but made me fit in with all the other teens with stainless steel protruding from their flesh. Others opted for the pierced eyebrow, navel or tongue.

On the road back home, we heard a song that seemed to fit the situation, "Right Here, Right Now," by Jesus Jones. It became our theme song for that night. Who cares if we were grounded for weeks to come, we were going to live for the moment.

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So what's on my shelf now? Some of the classics I was introduced to during my early college days. It includes Pink Floyd, Led Zeppelin, and other '70s rock I picked up from my roommates (along with a few other habits).

Other students at San Antonio College would participate in a monthly ritual we called "Quick Switch." It was game played by those of us who were short on cash, but hated to hear the same music over and over again.

Instead of buying new albums, we'd throw a couple of CDs into a paper sack and meet at the student center. We'd throw them onto the table and mix them up. All of those who contributed were given the chance to snatch someone else's offerings. I ended up with Billie Holliday and Ella Fitzgerald. Some unlucky guy got Ace of Base and Paula Abdul. Not a bad trade-off, huh?

Even now, just going through my collection just gives me a nostalgic feeling almost instantly.

A Bobby Pulido CD reminds me of the guys I used to work with back home, rave music brings back memories of San Antonio night clubs and, of course, Alanis Morisette songs reminds me of those angry, turbulent relationships.

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Rick López is a staff writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

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DEATH NOTICES

Laura Falk

Laura Mae Falk died Thursday, March 26, at her Midland residence.

Services are to be 2 p.m. Saturday, March 28, at the Golf Course Road Church of Christ with Randy Fenter officiating. Burial is to follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born Nov. 30, 1925, in Dawson County.

She was a deputy for Dawson County Sheriff's Office in Lamesa. She worked for the Department of Agriculture until her retirement. She was a charter member of Golf Course Road Church of Christ since 1965.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bob Falk.

Survivors include a son, Rick A. Phillips of Bombay, India; a daughter, Robin Neil of Midland; three brothers, Joe Matthews of Weatherford, Loy Matthews and Virgil Matthews, both of Lamesa; a sister, Hazel Brecht of Llano; three grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be directed to Hospice of Midland Inc., P.O. Box 2621, Midland 79701.

R.L. Corley

SEAGRAVES — R.L. "Bob" Corley, 72, died Wednesday, March 25, in Midland.

Graveside services are to be 2 p.m. today, March 27, at Seagraves Cemetery with the Rev. Clifton A. Mann officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Head Family Funeral Home in Seagraves.

He was born Dec. 8, 1925, in Dallas.

He was self-employed in petroleum land management. He had lived in Lubbock for 15 years before moving to Midland, where he had lived for the past 30 years. He was the first superintendent of Seagraves public schools.

Survivors include his wife, Connie (Brockman) Corley of Midland; a son, Christopher B. Corley of Midland; a daughter, Cynthia Corley Lee of Monroe, La.; two brothers, Pat Corley of North Ridge, Calif., and Earl Corley of Rio Del, Calif; a stepbrother, Frank Spivey of Commerce; a sister, Virginia Dermon of Littleton, Colo.; and other relatives.

Leonila Abalos

Leonila Tarango Abalos died Thursday, March 26, at a local hospital.

Services are to be held 11 a.m. Monday, March 30, at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Monsignor T.J. Murphy officiating. Burial is to follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born Jan. 12, 1930, in Candalaria.

She moved to Midland at age 7. She was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Linda Abalos, and two sisters, Otillia Hernandez and Beatrice Tarango.

She is survived by her husband, Andres Abalos of Midland; two sons, Andy Abalos Jr. and Joel Abalos, both of Midland; a daughter, Betty Terrell of Midland; three brothers, Elias Tarango, Alfred Tarango Jr. and Rudy Tarango, all of Midland; four sisters, Delia Menchaca, Angelina Mora and Alicia Ochotorena, all of Midland, and Hilda Saldania of Tye; five grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be directed to St. Ann's Prayer Group, 206 N. M St., Midland 79701.

OBITUARIES



JH Kirkpatrick

JH Kirkpatrick was born January 23, 1930, in Haskell County, Texas, to Earl and Lillie America Elliott Kirkpatrick. Mr. Kirkpatrick was a member of the International Union of Operating Engineers since 1968. He was retired pipeline engineer. Mr. Kirkpatrick attended the Primitive Baptist Church of Midland. He enjoyed the many challenges of fixing and building anything and helping anyone with their needs. He was a loving husband and father and a dedicated care provider for Mr. Richard Holder. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles for 50 years in Midland.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Earl Kirkpatrick and Lillie America Elliott Kirkpatrick; and his sisters, Lillie Norwood, Myrtle Norwood, Ruthie Harris and Flossie Irene Rollins.

He is survived by his wife, Maxine Kirkpatrick of Midland; his son, Jimmy Kirkpatrick of San Antonio, Texas; his brothers, J.S. Kirkpatrick of Andrews, Earl Monroe Kirkpatrick of Midland and George A. Kirkpatrick of Ridgecrest, California; his sisters, Nellie Buys Crisp of Stanton, Texas, Zeola Norwood of Rule, Texas, Bula Lorene Doss of Marshall, Texas, Christian Brekenfeld of Bryan, Texas, Elizabeth Rawls of Stamps, Arkansas, LaVerne King Weaver of Santa Monica, California, and Earline Crisp of Loraine, Texas; and an abundance of nieces and nephews.

Mr. Kirkpatrick passed away at a local hospital Tuesday, March 24, 1998.

There will be family visitation from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday at Ellis Funeral Home. Funeral services have been scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday in the Primitive Baptist Church with Elder George Walker, pastor of New Hope Primitive Baptist Church of Fort Worth, officiating. He will be assisted by Elder Troy Barrington, of the Primitive Baptist Church of Midland. Interment will be in Stanton Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

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.

HOUSING: Average age of homeless person in U.S. is 9

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ing on building a shelter for women and children. There are a few homeless people here who are visible, but most are invisible and most are families that just can't pay the rent and get evicted."

The homeless problem continues nationwide, he said, noting that the average age of a homeless person in the United States is 9.

"The economy is good for a lot of people, but for the people at the bottom, it's not."

His organization offers transitional housing for single mothers and currently has a house provided by a local church that will house four families. Two families are currently in residence.

"Single mothers are the fastest growing segment of the homeless in the country," he said.

Midland Fair Haven requires that the single mothers it shelters establish financial and budgeting and have definable goals, such as graduating from Midland College after learning computer technology, Hellinghausen said.

The program is designed to be short-term, "not past a couple of years," he said, adding that Fair Haven hopes to add a second larger building soon that can shelter a dozen families.

"We plan to crawl before we walk, and walk before we run."

Ms. Essex, director of Midland Habitat for Humanity, described how her non-profit group builds homes for low-income clients through volunteer work and funding from individuals, businesses, foundations and churches.

The group has built 18 houses in Midland since it was established in 1991, she said. She added that applicants have to meet specific criteria, such as living in substandard housing that is unsafe or crowded, show proof of income and be willing to volunteer to help build other Habitat homes. Applicants are in the $9,000 to $20,000 annual income range.

Habitat offers the qualified applicant interest-free house payments with low down payments. "Not charging interest makes the payments low and affordable for the working poor," she said. The payments go into a revolving fund that helps finance other houses, she said.

Ms. Adams oversees three housing complexes for low-income elderly age 62 or over, or those with disabilities, age 18 or over : Hillcrest Manor, Langtry Village and Midland Parker Place. The Midland Housing Authority owns Hillcrest and manages Langtry and Parker Place.

Housing costs are put at 30 percent of the resident's adjusted income, she said, and they get allowances for medical bills, prescription medicine and supplemental insurance.

"We allow them to have assets. For example, if an elderly person owns a home and sells it and wants to put the proceeds in a $20,000 Certificate of Deposit, they can do that. They don't have to go broke."

While they are not living in their own home, they are allowed a fair amount of independence and there is a night attendant on duty in case of emergencies.

Christmas in April, Trimble said, rehabilitates homes for the elderly who can't physically or financially do the repair work themselves. His average client, he said, have a monthly income that ranges from $400 to $800.

Repairs are done by volunteers from local businesses and churches and funds and materials are raised locally, he said.

When Trimble and his church class began Christmas in April in 1973, the organization worked on 17 homes; in 1996 267 homes were rehabilitated. "Those figures have been gradually growing each year, which gives you an idea of the need in this community, and I expect the counts will continue to go higher with each coming year," he said.

The goal of the program, he said, is to keep people from being homeless — to keep the elderly in their own homes.

In attendance was City Council member Pat Schneider, who commented that "It sounds like we need to address the needs of younger people, especially single mothers. Programs like Fair Haven recognize the need for training young people to be homeowners. It sounds like the problem is not just housing, it's the whole lifestyle."

Tennis tournament, exhibition, ADD workshop mark anniversary

From Staff Reports

The Samaritan Counseling Center is planning two events to mark their 25 years of service to the Permian Basin.

An open doubles' tennis tournament is set for April 4 at the Midland College Tennis Center and an exhibition by Midland and Odessa tennis pros is set for 5-8 p.m. April 3 at Chap Center. Entry fee for the tournament is $45; to register, call 563-4144.

Also, a free workshop on ADD is to be offered 9 a.m.-noon April 4 at the Roadrunner Room at MC's Scharbauer Student Center.

Dr. Ronald Meyer of Samaritan and a local neuropsychiatrist, Dr. Prerak Doctor, are to discuss new information on behavior modification, research and medications.

Continental breakfast is to be served.

Although it is free, pre-registration is suggested. Continuing education units will be offered for $10.

To register call 563-4144.

Meeting to feature film on historic Petroleum Building

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

The Friends of the Library's upcoming annual meeting will feature a Midland-produced video on the historic Petroleum Building, which was built in 1929 by visionary T.S. Hogan.

Hogan's dream is told in the documentary, "The Petroleum Building: Standing as a Beacon of Midland's Proud Heritage," by Jon Lindgren Productions of Midland.

The meeting is 2 p.m. Sunday at the Midland County Public Library.

"Midland is a relatively new community to a lot of people," said library director Sandra Wegner.

Lindgren's video couples the history of the 12-story Gothic-style building with Midland's history that is rooted in the railroad, livestock, cotton, petroleum and enterprise. Viewing the documentary will lend understanding to the community, Mrs. Wegner noted.

"We appreciate the city wherein we live when we know more about it," she said.

The T.S. Hogan Petroleum Building, which became known as the Shell Petroleum Building because Shell Oil Co. leased it for many years, gave early meaning to Midland's Tall City skyline and image.

The Petroleum Building personifies the heart of Midland.

"You come downtown, it's part of everybody's community," said Nancy Wantuck, executive director of Downtown Midland Inc., an enterprise that is designed to promote restoration of downtown Midland.

Downtown is "just the essence of a community," Mrs. Wantuck said, and "especially in Midland," which is "known across the country as 'the Tall City.' "

The Petroleum Building, like its adjoining Yucca Theatre, is "a pivotal part of the whole downtown as far as historic preservation," Mrs. Wantuck said.

Hogan, the story goes, had selected Midland to be the oil capital of the West Texas Permian Basin in wake of the grand discovery oil well, Santa Rita — "the patron saint of lost hope" — on May 28, 1923, south of Midland.

The Friends of the Library meeting will include a change of officers. Friends president Bill Stewart is bowing out and is being succeeded by Fran Harrington. Other incoming officers include Bill Larson, vice president; Karen Burkes, secretary, and Mark Parker, treasurer. Retiring board members are Mary Lou Cassidy and Dale McCarter.

The Friends of the Library is a volunteer organization that supports the library through its annual fund-raising book sale, which is scheduled for Oct. 14 through Oct. 18 at the Midland County Exhibit Building.

POLICE REPORTS

Assault arrest

Officers with the District Attorney's Office arrested a Midland man this week in connection with the assault of a senior citizen.

Juan Roman Salazar, 35, of 4315 Neely Drive, was booked into the Midland County Detention Center Wednesday on charges of injury to an elderly person, a third-degree felony.

Officials said that the defendant's charges stem from an assault that occurred at a supermarket last October. Store employees called the police after Salazar allegedly assaulted an older man there. He was arrested at the scene for misdemeanor assault.

District attorney's detectives said that a grand jury decided to indict the defendant last November on the felony charges. The victim's age was not immediately known, but under the Texas Penal Code, he had to be 64 or older to be considered an elderly victim.

Salazar remained in jail as of Thursday, employees said.

Midland Police Department

Wednesday

Burglary of a vehicle: A car break-in occurred at 4805 Neely Ave. James Kane reported it at 9:30 a.m.

Criminal mischief: Unknown actors spray-painted a fence at 3113 Whittle Way Dr. Linda Buck reported it at 12:13 p.m.

Criminal mischief: A park bench was vandalized at Kiwanis Park, 2900 Haynes Ave. It was reported at 5:49 p.m.

Burglary of a habitation: A residential break-in was reported from 2715 Roosevelt Drive at 8 p.m.

Midland County Sheriff's Office
Thursday

Assault: A computer was damaged when a booking clerk was attacked by an inmate. Kelly Rowe made a report at 8:09 a.m.

Anyone having information concerning any of these reports should contact the Midland Police Department at 685-7108 or Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS or 1-800-7-LOCK-UP.

Contaminated fish found in lake with good water

DONNA (AP) — Although fish in Donna Lake are contaminated, the water is used every day in local residents' sinks, toilets and bathtubs.

Officials are puzzled that they continue to find dangerously high quantities of Polychlorinated Biphenyls, or PCBs, in the fish at Donna Lake, while tests show the reservoir's water and sediment do not contain the toxin.

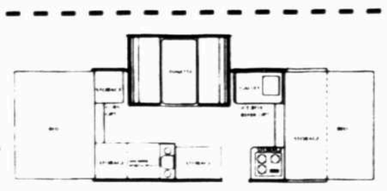
The lake is part of the water supply for the South Texas town, but a sign posted by the Department of Health says: "It is illegal to possess fish from this water."

PCBs are a former component of insulation installed in refrigerators, air conditioners and other manufactured products. Considered a probable cancer-causing agent, PCBs were banned in 1977.

But now, two decades later, health officials say they continue to find dangerously high quantities of PCB in the fish at Donna Lake.

The notice admonishing anyone from fishing in the reservoir is posted next to the pump used to siphon water from the reservoir to Donna's water treatment plant three miles away.

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Let's turn to God. He says, "Whatever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them..." Matthew 7:12. Then, teach us to "love thy neighbor as thyself." Matthew 22:39. Folks today hate themselves, and so hate and hurt others. Finally, give respect to those precious ones about whom Jesus said in Matthew 19, "let the little children come to me..." Pray for those grieving families, and start now to teach our children how to live in respect.

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FRAUD: Lottery officials say safeguards prevent tampering

(From 1B)

Upon closer inspection, they learned that the $5,000 figure was cut off a losing ticket and glued over the $3 one.

The ticket is now in custody of the Texas Lottery Commission, which has launched its own investigation into the forgery, Ms. Hinshaw said.

The ticket the man used was a Cowboy Cash scratch-off, which is based on a tic-tac-toe game.

"Apparently, he said that he bought the ticket when he was drunk," Ms. Hinshaw said. "He claimed that he threw it on his dashboard, thinking that he only won $5."

She quoted the man as saying that he went to retrieve the ticket and was under the impression that he'd won $5,000.

He also claims that he had no idea the ticket was forged until he went to the claims center.

An Ector County grand jury indicted the man in November 1997. Officials had just located the man Wednesday, she said.

This is Ms. Hinshaw's second case involving lottery fraud.

"We have another case pending where someone tried to do the same thing, only they did a worse job," she said. "I guess (the defendants) don't realize that the lottery is computerized. You can't fake a win."

Officials said that Sanchez was released from jail Thursday.

Lottery Commission officials said Thursday that safeguards in place at all claims centers can detect if a ticket has been altered.

Last August, a Lubbock couple claimed to win a $38 million lottery prize by fraud. Officials with the Lottery Commission said the couple turned in shredded tickets in a baggie and claimed that they had accidentally washed the winning ticket and other tickets they purchased before the drawing.

Their trials are set for April and May.

According to the Texas Penal Code, the punishment for the offense Sanchez was charged with is punishable by up to two years in jail and a $10,000 fine.

LAWSUIT: Attorney general's office says number of challenges filed

(From 1B)

this morning.

Schorre said if the temporary restraining order is approved, there could not be any enforcement actions taken against the Emerald Forest and the Desert Rose until there is a final ruling. Other arcades in Midland would not be protected by the temporary restraining order, Schorre said.

The arcade owners are contending that the "eight-liners" are excluded from the statutory definition of a "gambling device" after an amendment to the gambling law was passed by the Texas Legislature in 1993.

According to the lawsuit, the statute further creates an express defense against prosecution. "It is a defense to prosecution under this section that a person played for something of value other than money using an electronic, electromechanical or mechanical contrivance excluded from the definition of 'gambling device.'"

The lawsuit continues, "(The) plaintiff's eight-liners are one of many types of machines properly excluded from the definition of gambling device in this state. Were it not for this exception, any number of innocuous machines would be illegal."

The lawsuit cites the example of the machines played by children at Chucky Cheese and Discovery Zone. "Were it not for this exception, the Texas Penal Code would criminalize their conduct."

"On or about March 23, 1998, Plaintiffs were advised by Al Schorre ... that the Department of Public Safety would begin to crack down on all eight-liners, and charge the owners of the business operating them with violation of the gambling laws."

The plaintiffs claim that before the March 23, 1998, letter, the plaintiffs had spent a large sum of money in making changes to bring their machines into compliance with the law, as previously requested by the district attorney.

Painter, who is also as a defendant in the lawsuit, told the Reporter-Telegram Thursday, "It's in the court's hands — all we do is enforce the law as it is written." Painter said he believes the arcade owners "take advantage of the law as it is written to use it for their business."

Sonya Sanchez, deputy press secretary for Dan Morales, said a number of challenges to the attorney general's ruling have already been filed in courts around the state.

"Suffice it to say, there are several challenges to the ruling across the state." Ms. Sanchez said several temporary restraining orders dealing with enforcement of the opinion are already in place. "We feel our opinion is right on point," she said. "Ultimately, it will be up to the courts to decide."

David Rogers, the attorney for the Emerald Forest and for the Desert Rose, could not be reached for comment on Thursday.

Former B.J. Thomas record producer eligible for parole

HOUSTON (AP) — A record producer sentenced to 15 years in prison for molesting a teenage girl will be eligible for parole in September after serving only two years, officials say.

Huey Meaux, 68, who once worked with such recording stars as B.J. Thomas, Mickey Gilley and Freddie Fender, has been moved to the prison system's pre-release unit at Lockhart, officials said Wednesday.

Meaux was sentenced after pleading guilty in 1996 to charges of possession of pornography, possession of cocaine, bond jumping and sexual assault of a child.

"The prison expansion, I thought, would allow Huey Meaux to stay in there a substantial amount of time," said state District Judge Mike McSpadden, who sentenced Meaux. "Two or three years is not a substantial amount of time."

Defense lawyer Rick Stover of Conroe said his client's case falls under the old criminal code rules, because the assaults on the victim began when she was 13 and ended when she was 19. That meant the "offense date" began in about 1990.

The criminal code was changed in 1996 to make sex assault cases involving children "aggravated" offenses. Under that, Meaux would have had to serve more than seven years before being eligible for parole.

Board of Pardons and Parole spokesman Stennett Posey said only about one of every six inmates eligible for parole the first time is actually released nowadays.

Parole for inmates convicted of sex offenses is less than 1 percent, Posey noted.

Posey predicted Meaux won't get out until Sept. 15, 2002, his mandatory release date.

At the time of his arrest, authorities said Meaux had been sexually assaulting several children over the past 20 years.

A police raid of his leased studio space yielded hundreds of videotapes and photographs of Meaux having sex with girls as young as 8, although most of the victims were teen-agers. Officials also found cocaine.

Interim sheriff chosen for scandal-rocked Starr County

McALLEN (AP) — The chief deputy and jailer of scandal-rocked Starr County has been chosen to replace convicted ex-Sheriff Eugenio "Gene" Falcon.

Starr County commissioners on Wednesday selected Chief Deputy Sheriff Rey Guerra, who worked with Falcon for eight years, as interim sheriff until the general election in November.

But Falcon, who was in office 17 years, Justice of the Peace Adan Garcia and four jailers pleaded guilty earlier this month to one felony conspiracy count each in the operation of a bonds-for-bribes scheme out of the county jail. A fifth jailer went to trial and was convicted on two counts of bribery.

Falcon, 44, admitted to operating a bail bond kickback scheme out of the Starr County Jail, accepting more than $11,000 in bribes between March and November 1997.

As part of a plea bargain, federal prosecutors dropped 14 additional bribery charges. Falcon's sentencing is set for May 26.

Bail bondsman Homero Arturo Longoria, who was the star witness for federal prosecutors, was sentenced Monday to one year and one day in prison for his role in the scheme.

FBI agents tapped Longoria's office phone lines and later approached him with evidence that he had paid bribes to Falcon and the six other Starr County officials.

Woman held in contempt for being in possession of alleged witchcraft items

CORPUS CHRISTI AP) — A woman who scattered black pepper in a courtroom where a friend was on trial as part of an apparent witchcraft practice has been cited for contempt of court.

After discovering that the woman also possessed material used in the practice of witchcraft, visiting Judge Homer Salinas ordered Frances Brazell jailed for a week. Salinas later released her from custody with orders to stay away from the courtroom and not to speak to any jurors.

Bailiff Kenny Garcia testified that he found Ms. Brazell walking in a circle Wednesday morning in the middle of the empty courtroom where Paul Avalos was about to go on trial for charges of sexual assaulting a child.

Garcia said he noticed black pepper scattered around in a circle and confiscated a small bag of the powder.

Bailiff Lilia Ann Gutierrez testified at Brazell's contempt hearing that she discovered a small leather pouch in the woman's brassiere. Salinas said such pouches are used in ceremonies of brujeria, or witchcraft.

Ms. Brazell first told the judge she did not know the defendant, but later admitted she came to the courthouse with Avalos. Ms. Brazell argued that she used black pepper in her tea and it fell through a hole in a cup.

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Phil and Don?

Matt Newton, left, and Jeff Boyer, portraying Phil and Don Everly on March 19, sing for the Grand Ole Opry in "Bye Bye Love: The Everly Brothers Story," a play being staged in Lubbock the next two weekends. Following the Lubbock run, the production will be performed May 14 through Oct. 24 in Nashville.

Court to consider emotional distress claim

AUSTIN (AP) — A disabled Vietnam veteran wants his day in court to prove he deserves $5 million for emotional distress after he saw a tractor-trailer rig crash into a march in which was participating.

He says the distress aggravated his post-traumatic stress disorder.

The Texas Supreme Court on Thursday said it will hear arguments on whether Rueben "Sugar Bear" Johnson should be allowed to proceed with his lawsuit against Standard Fruit and Vegetable Co., its driver and the company that leased the truck.

At issue is whether Johnson can sue for intentional infliction of emotional distress, according to court documents. The court is being asked to decide whether a defendant can be made to pay such damages for reckless conduct that wasn't directed at a plaintiff.

While he wasn't injured physically in the accident, Johnson's lawyer, Frank Mitchell, says the man did suffer physical effects from his emotional distress at seeing it.

The veteran's post-traumatic stress disorder included such conditions as trembling, twitching, feeling shaky, tiring easily, shortness of breath, a sense of being on edge, difficulty with concentration and sleep disturbance, according to court documents. They said his conditions were aggravated after he witnessed the accident.

The accident occurred during a May 21, 1990 march headed from Cleveland, Texas, to Houston on a state highway. Called "The Last Patrol," it was meant to draw attention to soldiers who were missing in action and prisoners of war.

During the march, a tractor-trailer rig struck a deputy sheriff's vehicle at the procession's rear, killing the deputy. The rig then became airborne and partly landed on the bed of a pickup. Two women in the truck were injured.

Johnson, who uses a wheelchair because his legs were blown off by a land mine in Vietnam, heard the first impact and turned around, seeing the airborne rig, Mitchell said. He said Johnson was leading the march.

A state judge in Houston ruled in favor of the defendants without a trial, ordering that Johnson take nothing.

The 1st Court of Appeals in Houston agreed partly with the judge's decision, saying Johnson could not sue for emotional distress damages on the basis that there was a breach of the duty purportedly owed to all users of a public road.

But the appeals court said Johnson could go to trial on his claim of intentional infliction of emotional distress, according to court documents.

The Supreme Court agreed to consider the case.

Catherine Smith, a lawyer for the defendants, called that "great news."

Authorities seize 40 sick and malnourished dogs

PORTER (AP) — Authorities seized 40 sick and malnourished dogs from a residence near this Montgomery County town, an animal control officer says.

Animal control officer Jim Blount said Wednesday that officers seized 32 dogs and eight puppies of mixed breeds from property owned by Ian Evans, an illegal immigrant from Wales who is wanted on a federal warrant accusing him of tampering with immigration documents.

"The dogs were roaming all over the place and were scared to death," Blount said. "We put feed in the house and some outbuildings and were able to coax them."

Blount said officers left Evans a note several weeks ago when they received a complaint that dogs were wandering off the property. He said the officers did not go on the property at that time because they didn't have a warrant and no dogs were seen on the property from the road.

Blount said he was notified of the dogs' condition Tuesday, when Harris County authorities notified him that federal officers with the warrant for Evans had been to the Montgomery County site looking for him.

Charges of animal cruelty filed against Evans in prior cases are still pending, according to Justice of the Peace Cynthia McMillian.

More charges will be filed in connection with Wednesday's seizure, Blount said.

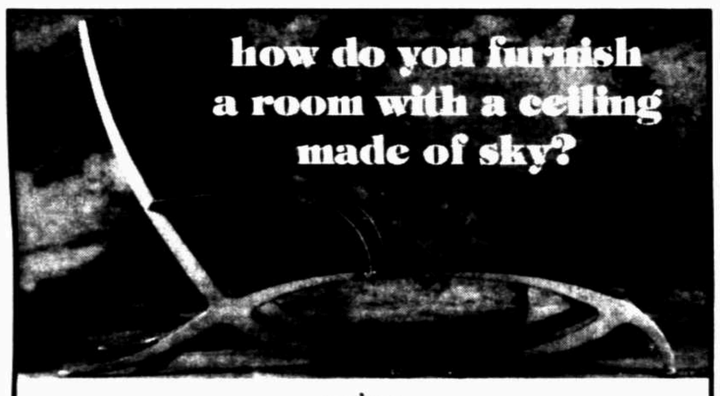
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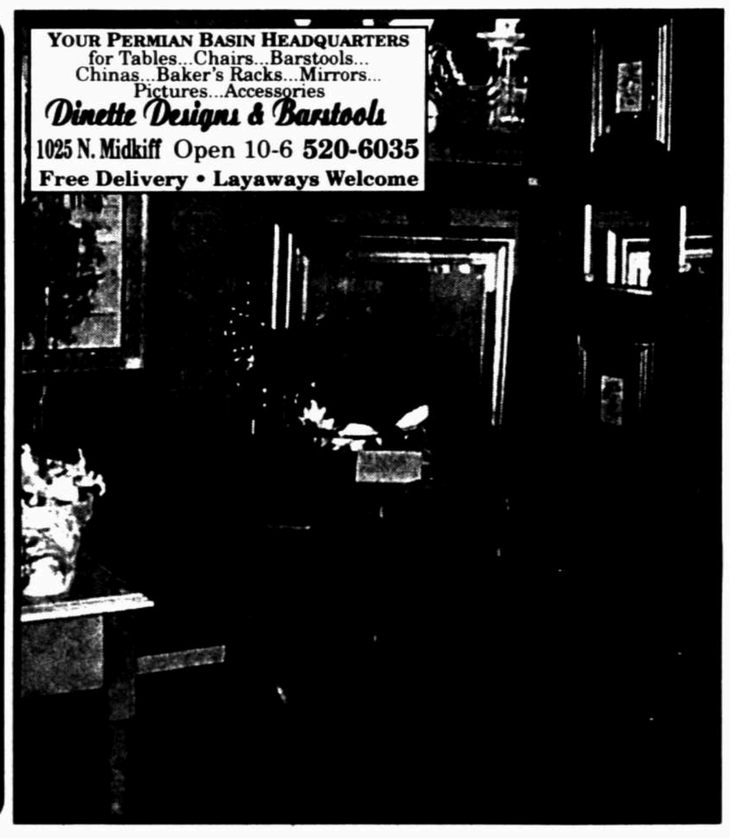
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By Jim Henderson
Hearst News Service

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There was just a stiff, chill wind and a thin veil of clouds over North Texas early Wednesday when Taiwanese cult leader Hon-Ming Chen emerged from his suburban temple with the greatest concession speech since boxer Roberto Duran muttered, "No mas."

"You can now take what we have preached as nonsense," said Chen, who had led his followers to Garland to await the coming of God on March 31.

Long before God failed to appear on television as the cult leader had promised, it was evident that Chen's prophecy had gone awry. Darkness would shroud the Earth on Tuesday, he had predicted, but it didn't.

Instead, swarms of news people spent the sunlit day hooking up satellite broadcast trucks and planting a forest of tripods in the pavement in front of Chen's house. The police had sealed off two blocks of the street and by dusk, residents of the neighborhood were setting up lawn chairs to watch the drama unfold.

Most of them had long since taken Chen's preaching as nonsense and, like the media, were not here to catch God on TV. Rather, they were here to see how the cult would handle its disappointment. Would Chen be stoned to death? Would his house be turned into another Heaven's Gate morgue? They seemed to handle it pretty well.

In fact, many didn't even bother to watch television, accepting that God was unlikely to appear.

By 11 p.m., they had assembled in Chen's back yard, where a gazebo shrine stood next to an octagonal deck, the landing platform for the invisible spaceship that was to bring God to Earth later this month.

By 11:30, they had abandoned all hope and filed out of the sanctuary, gathering on the front yard or across the street in the home of Richard Liu, Chen's interpreter, to await the Teacher's 12:30 a.m. news conference.

On schedule, Chen stepped to a bank of microphones stuck to a podium near the curb. A stately live oak and posters bearing his prophecies were bathed in light behind him and the television kleigs lit up the street in front of him.

"I hope that everybody can feel a true belief in God," he said. "Even though the image doesn't show on television, I don't have any reason to doubt the existence of God in the universe."

But, he said, his prophecy was false and the cult no longer has faith in what remains of it.

"It has become insignificant to discuss whether God will show up on March 31," he said.

As he spoke, the wind swept down Woodbury Street and thunder seemed to rumble in the heavens. "That's the wind hitting the microphones," a television technician explained.

Chen's flock was mostly somber, huddling in their white jackets and white straw hats and starring blankly at the spectacle on the street.

What will become of them?

"They have always enjoyed their individual freedom," Chen said.

"Tomorrow they have the freedom to go where they want."

Some of his followers have said they intend to stay in the United States and, Chen said, some have the financial resources to live on for the rest of their lives. For those who followed him from Taiwan and have limited resources, "I personally take responsibility to support them for the period they were unemployed," Chen said.

He plans to remain in the United States.

"I will stay here to try to research what we have witnessed in the pictures," he said, referring to photographs of military jet contrails, which the group interpreted as messages from God.

Does he now consider himself a false prophet? "I have never referred to myself as a prophet," he said. "I would recommend anybody not believe what I said any more."

After half an hour of answering questions, he turned and, escorted by a knot of uniformed police, vanished into his backyard enclave.

The neighbors seemed to breathe a collective sigh of relief, and a sigh of hope that they will, after nearly a year of second-coming madness, reclaim their street.

"They're just misguided," said Shirley Fain, who lives two doors from Chen. "I hope it's all over now."

Long after the television lights had been extinguished and the street was vacant again, the Garland police remained on duty, their cars blocking access to the neighborhood. Ambulances were kept on standby and at least one fire truck stood ready.

Chen's group is often compared to Heaven's Gate, the cult of computer programmers who systematically killed themselves in California in 1997 to rendezvous with a UFO trailing the Hale-Bopp comet.

The officers remained a little longer. "Just in case. You just never know with groups like this," the police spokesman said.

Health care money going to Republicans

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Republican National Committee has raised nearly $1 million in "soft money" from health care and insurance companies in the last two months while Congress considers setting federal standards for health maintenance organizations.

The donations came a few months after Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott told opponents of the legislation to "get off your wallets."

Last month, the RNC took in $669,500 in soft money from health care and insurance interests, bringing its total for 1998 to $972,500. Health care and insurance money accounted for 18 percent of the $5.3 million in soft money that the RNC has raised this year.

"They want to stave off any attempts to regulate their industry," said Jennifer Shecter of the Center for Responsive Politics, a group that studies the relationship between money and campaigns. "This indicates the investment they're prepared to make to protect their bottom line."

Soft money, not subject to federal contribution limits, is used for issue-oriented advertisements and get-out-the-vote drives.

During the first two months of 1994, the last nonpresidential federal election year, the RNC took in $2.5 million in soft money, with $174,500, or 7 percent, coming from health or insurance interests. At the time, Congress was debating health care changes but the Republicans were the minority party on Capitol Hill.

The RNC held its annual fundraising gala last month, accounting for much of the money it took in.

Still, a spokesman for Rep. Charlie Norwood, the Georgia Republican sponsoring the bill to set standards for HMOs, suggested the legislation spurred the industry to give.

"The great attention we've focused on health care has stimulated the interest of the health industry," spokesman John Stone said. "Suddenly, it's become the hot-button issue for this campaign."

Norwood's bill, and a similar version sponsored by Sen. Alfonse M. D'Amato, R-N.Y., would allow patients to see specialists when recommended by the treating physician, eliminate preauthorization for emergency care, and allow doctors to discuss treatment options not covered by patients' plans.

Industry opponents claim the legislation would be the first step toward federally mandated health care.

Opponents also include Lott, R-Miss., and House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas.

The money from health care and insurance companies helped the RNC raise $3.6 million in soft money contributions last month.

Also last month, the National Republican Senatorial Committee raised almost $1.2 million in soft money. The committee chairman, Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., led the successful fight in February against legislation to ban soft money, which was at the heart of the alleged abuses in the 1996 campaign.

Both parties reported receiving money from tobacco companies at a time when federal lawmakers are considering a landmark deal with the industry. Philip Morris contributed $170,000 to the RNC. The Tobacco Institute contributed $5,000 to the RNC, $25,000 to Senate Republicans and $10,000 to Senate Democrats.

The tobacco industry contributed almost $4.4 million to political parties and congressional campaigns in 1997, the public interest group Common Cause reported Thursday. The industry made $1.8 million worth of contributions in 1993. Soft-money contributions rose from $741,124 in 1993 to $3.1 million last year.

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Doctors slicing hearts to make them beat

By Laura Neergaard
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Surgeons peer through a fist-sized hole in William George's side: The top of his heart is shaking like a blob of grape Jell-O.

That quivering is the reason George lies unconscious on an operating table at Georgetown University. Hearts are supposed to contract and release in a steady beat — lub-DUB, lub-DUB. George's misses most "lubs" because of a dangerous irregularity called atrial fibrillation.

It not only causes an uncomfortable flutter in George's chest. It leaves him utterly exhausted as his heart struggles to pump blood — and puts him at dire risk of a stroke. Every drug failed.

So George, a 56-year-old obstetrician from Albany, Ga., sought the creator of a radical cure: Dr. James L. Cox, who will slice the top chambers of George's heart into pieces, then sew them back together. The resulting maze of scar tissue will act as a circuit breaker, blocking his heart's electrical current from skittering aimlessly and guiding it along the right path.

Cox will make these delicate cuts not in old-fashioned open-heart surgery but through a mere 3 1/2-inch slice in George's side, guided by a tiny, wide-angled video camera inserted through the opening.

"Every step you do is a new step — a different angle, a different problem," Cox says two hours into the operation.

It has taken this long to cut the skin between George's fourth and fifth ribs, carve through three layers of muscle, deflate George's spongy pink lung and tether the diaphragm muscle out of the way, like tying down a tent.

Now it's time to slice the purplish right atrium.

"Here we go," Cox says.

ABOUT 2 MILLION Americans suffer atrial fibrillation. Cox's mother died of it.

"It's like you can't put one foot in front of the other. People don't realize how debilitating it is," George said.

Drugs can help control the heartbeat. Sometimes hearts are shocked back into proper rhythm. But about half of the patients fail treatment. They're at risk for congestive heart failure and suffer 70,000 strokes every year.

Dr. James L. Cox will slice the top chambers of the heart into pieces, then sew them back together. The resulting maze of scar tissue will guide the heart's electrical current along the right path.

"We didn't have the foggiest notion of what was going on with A-fib," Cox recalled, so doctors couldn't offer better help.

Then Cox solved the mystery, discovering the electrical miscues that cause A-fib and correcting them with an open-heart surgery called "Maze" that reroutes the heart's electrical activity through a maze-like mesh of cuts and stitches.

Of almost 300 patients Cox has treated since his first experiment 10 years ago, just 4 percent relapsed, and those cases were mild enough for drug therapy.

But the surgery is so arduous that few A-fib patients could withstand it.

So Cox is developing a new "minimally invasive surgery" for sicker patients. Guided by the miniature camera, he creates the cuts with tiny instruments through a small hole in the ribcage, much like picking a lock.

He's done only 12 patients this way and can't yet predict long-term results. But many were up and pain-free in days. One, another cardiac surgeon, was strong enough a week later to stand seven hours at Cox's elbow, studying how to do the surgery.

IN THE CHILLY operating room, Cox jokes: "You know, with minimally invasive surgery, you send the patient to recovery and the doctor to intensive care."

He's picking clumps of yellow fat off George's heart, like the kind a cook pulls off a chicken breast. Then he slits the protective cardiac sac and exposes the quivering right atrium.

It's time to stop George's heart from beating.

In open-heart surgery, hooking up the heart-lung machine that oxygenates and pumps blood is relatively simple. But in these tight quarters, Cox must use blood vessels far from the chest. He cuts into an artery and vein in George's groin and hooks them to the tubes.

Even trickier is threading a tiny balloon inside George's groin artery and all the way up his torso until it lodges inside his heart. When inflated, it will seal out blood while Cox operates.

After several tries, the balloon holds. George's heart is stopped. Cox moves back to the chest. Watching George's heart on a video screen, Cox reaches in with a thin, long-handled scalpel and makes a T-shaped cut on the right atrium.

Cox turns the top chambers of George's heart into a patchwork quilt, marking the pieces' adjoining edges with dots of blue dye to help him later stitch the tissue back together.

WHY ALL THE CUTS?

In experiments at Washington University in St. Louis, Cox had placed electrodes on beating hearts and discovered that in atrial fibrillation, electrical impulses go horribly awry. They spin in circles, like minitornadoes, instead of driving a heartbeat in an orderly path from the atria, the heart's top chambers, down into the main pumping chambers, the ventricles.

If you could prevent the currents from going into tailspin, A-fib would never happen. But how?

"Scar tissue will not conduct electrical activity. It's the perfect insulator," Cox explained.

Puzzling out the route by drawing it on a dog's atrium with a Magic Marker, Cox devised cuts that would guide the electricity along one path into the atria, then give it a way out plus a few "blind alleys," small detours to activate all sides of the heart muscle.

ALMOST FOUR HOURS in, the surgery hits a rough spot. Cox is sewing flaps of tissue back together when the balloon sealing blood out of the heart suddenly slips. Gushing blood blocks Cox's view in midstitch. Cox barks for help, fast — he can't sew George back up if he can't see what he's doing. Nurses struggle to fit the balloon back in place and suction out the blood.

"There's got to be a better way," Cox mutters, wishing aloud for instruments better engineered to such delicate surgery.

GEORGE WAKES UP after surgery and for the first time in years feels a normal heartbeat.

"It's like night and day," he says from his hospital room a few days later.

George has a few painful post-surgery complications to get over but plans to quickly reopen his obstetrics and gynecology practice. Still, he'll hold off delivering babies until May.

"I like to play golf hard, I like to work hard ..., and I just couldn't do everything I wanted to do," he says.

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By Shannon King
Associated Press

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New standardized tests require 'real-world' skills

NEW ORLEANS, La. (AP) — Joining in an annual rite of spring, Joseph Stephens answered hours of questions on a state-required standardized test.

Unlike most Louisiana students, who took the California Achievment Test in April, Joseph bubbled in responses to a tougher exam. The Iowa Test of Basic Skills will replace the aging California Achievement Test this spring. The ITBS's stringent standards are part of a drive to measure schools statewide.

School administrators know the new test has tougher questions. Sobered by the experience of other states, educators across Louisiana are drastically changing their teaching methods and bracing for a precipitous drop in scores. And though many school officials say the change will be for the better in the long run, they are scrambling to make the transition as smooth as possible for the 340,000 students who will take the test in April.

Performance levels usually drop when states adopt a new test, and the decline in Louisiana this year is expected to be particularly sharp. That's because the ITBS and its sister exam for high school students, the Iowa Test of Educational Development, measure skills that schools haven't fully adopted.

The CAT, used by the state for nearly a decade, emphasized simpler concepts than the Iowa test. ITBS is taken by 5 million students nationwide.

Many states have replaced the California test with the Iowa test, which relies more on critical thinking skills and story problems. Those kinds of questions require children to not only draw from basic information, but to use that knowledge in real-world situations.

Instead of asking students to add five apples and three apples, students may be required to figure out how many ways two children could share eight apples. Rather than asking students to find state capitals on a map, a fictional map may be provided to test map-reading skills.

"They still have to know their multiplication tables," said Donna Contois, a member of the state Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. "But it does a kid absolutely no good if that same child cannot tell me how many dozen eggs I need to buy if I want each of my 18 students in my class to dye two eggs for Easter. That problem makes them think."

And it's making educators think differently, too. They are changing curriculum and tossing out old tests to include more analytical thinking.

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Some say teaching controversy doesn't have to be difficult

By Shannon King
Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — It was a black history lesson that went awry.

A fourth-grade teacher wanted her all-black class to gain a greater knowledge of slavery by having them participate in a mock auction.

Oklahoma City school officials and some parents said the students didn't seem bothered by the in-depth lesson, but local black leaders had a different reaction.

"It's an issue that's far too sensitive to have children re-enact. There's plenty of good material that could be used to teach black history, but this wasn't a positive move," said Juanita Wiles of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Since the February incident, the teacher has apologized to school officials, her students and the local chapter of the NAACP, conceding that the exercise showed poor judgment.

Questions persist about how teachers can expound on controversial subjects to their young, impressionable students in a way that's educational and politically correct.

"Many times teachers have really good motives when they introduce those topics, but it just ends up blowing up in their face," said Carolyn Crowder, president of the Oklahoma Education Association.

Mrs. Crowder, who was a fifth-grade teacher before she was elected OEA president, said teachers should stick to the facts when they discuss controversial subjects with their students.

"In my own teaching experience, I've found that you want to make the topic as realistic as possible, but it's very important to keep your opinion out of it. Also, don't allow some students to push their views on other students. The teacher must make sure there are clear rules about opinions and facts," Mrs. Crowder said.

Mrs. Wiles, also a former teacher, said teachers need more training on how to handle sensitive subjects.

Topics regarding the history of all ethnic groups are addressed throughout the school year and teachers need to know that some issues were meant to be handled in a delicate manner, Mrs. Wiles said.

"Teachers need to be well-trained to know how to confront these issues," she said. "For example, the holocaust was a horrible, horrible tragedy and like slavery, wasn't meant to be re-enacted as a fun event. It wasn't fun. That's where adequate training comes in."

Jim Carnes is the director of the Teaching Tolerance Education project for the Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery, Ala. Through its educational magazine and curriculum packages, the project provides teachers with practical classroom resources for promoting respect for differences and appreciation of diversity.

Carnes said the community can play a big role in how racial issues are addressed.

"Teachers can find out what role slavery or anti-slavery played in the school's community. Perhaps there's a plantation in the area or an underground railroad operation where students can visit with guidance from an historian. That way, the lesson would not be as threatening," Carnes said.

Carnes said he strongly recommends against any kind of re-enactment of slavery or other sensitive issues regarding race because the topic, "is too latent with dangerous and damaging emotional content."

Both Carnes and Mrs. Wiles agree that it would be a mistake to say slavery or the holocaust was the full extent of the Jewish and black experience.

"You can't say that these horrible things were the end of the story because these people survived at great odds and contributed to society at large," Carnes said.

No matter the topic, all say parental involvement is pivotal in the classroom.

"Any study of these difficult issues really needs to be grounded in parental support. If the teacher is going to discuss injustice in the classroom, you can bet that some parents have experienced it. Maybe a parent can come in and share that experience."

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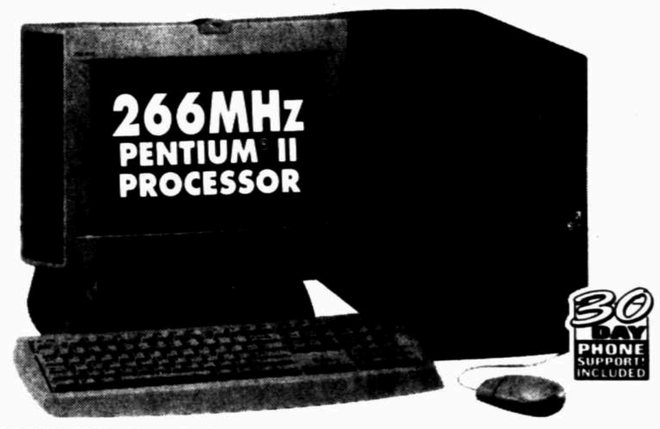
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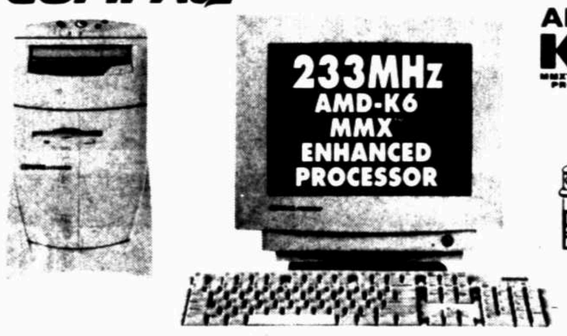
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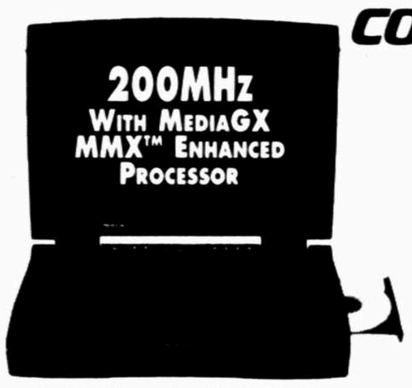


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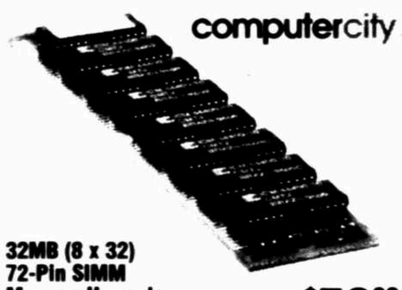
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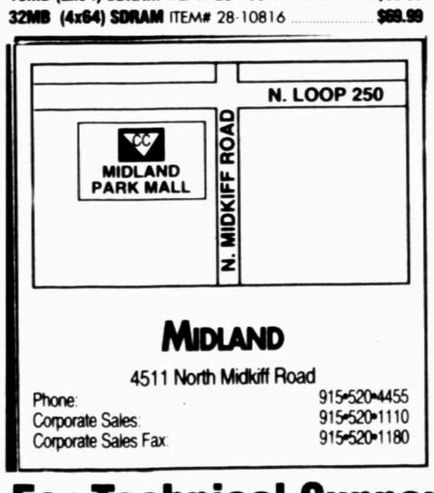
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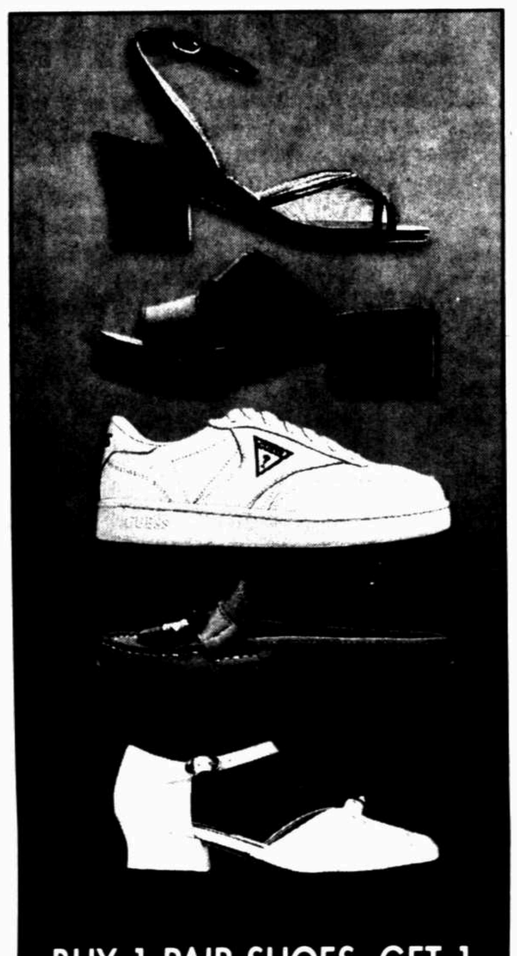
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Putting children in front seat may be safer in older model cars

By Catherine Strong
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In public service ads and jingles, the message from the government and auto industry safety experts is clear: young children are safer riding in the back seat.

But that advice may not be true for many parents driving older cars, namely the 50 million autos still on the roads that were built before 1988.

There are no air bags in virtually all those vehicles, and most have no shoulder belts in the back seat, either.

For children who outgrew child seats but still need booster seats, the safer spot in these older cars actually may be the front passenger seat, where there are both lap and shoulder belts to secure the booster.

A senior official of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration concedes that the government's advice about putting children in the back seat may be misdirected for those with pre-1988 cars.

"Any time you make something too simple, then in some cases it is wrong," James Nichols, acting associate administrator for traffic safety programs at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, said in an interview.

At issue is the safety of children weighing 40 pounds to 60 pounds — roughly ages 4 to 8.

The booster seats for such youngsters require both a lap and shoulder belt to meet government safety requirements for head and neck injury protection. But one-fourth of the cars on the road were built before 1988, when backseat shoulder belts were a rarity.

There are no booster seats on the market that can be used with just a lap belt for children between 40 and 60 pounds.

"If there's no rear-seat shoulder belt, then for safety I would move the child to the front seat, properly restrained in a booster seat," said Nichols.

Some influential safety advocates agree.

"We have a big product gap on booster seats," said Joseph Colella, who offers training on child passenger safety. "It is not always possible to put a child in the back seat properly restrained."

Deborah Steward, editor of Safe Ride News, a newsletter for health and safety professionals, said: "My bottom line is it's much more important to get children restrained than to make sure they're always in the back seat."

Safety advocates say children who outgrow a child seat should be placed in a booster seat — the next step in protection — before graduating to using a seat and lap belt alone at 8 years old.

There are no air bags in the cars in question, making it best to move the child to the front as long as he or she is properly restrained and the seat is pushed back as far as possible, the experts say.

Passenger-side air bags have been blamed for the deaths of 51 children, prompting both the government and automakers to launch efforts to convince parents to put kids in the back seat.

Young children wearing just a lap belt in back risk head or abdominal injuries.

"I don't think anybody anticipated the complexity of this issue," Nichols said. "All things being equal, the back seat is best. However, all other things often are not equal."

Drivers can get back seat shoulder belts installed in old cars. But Nichols acknowledges many people would not do that because of the cost and time required. Consumer Reports recently said the price ranges from $250 to $460 per belt.

But there are divisions in the safety community on this issue.

Some physicians note the back seat is generally one-third safer for children, and given the problems with misuse or lack of use of child seats, they would prefer children sit in back.

"In 20 years as an emergency-room physician, I haven't seen a child seriously injured by a seat belt," said Dr. Joseph Zanga, president of the American Academy of Pediatrics. "I have seen literally dozens of children killed because they were not wearing a seat belt."

The issue comes at an awkward time for government officials and safety advocates who have been stepping up their campaign to get parents to put children in booster seats in back after they outgrow child seats. Some 95 percent of children ages 4 to 8 are not secured in booster seats, national surveys show.

Some parents are worried about the situation.

"This is the hottest question on our hotline right now — what do you do with the kid that is over 40 pounds and there's only lap belts in the back seat?" said Stephanie Tombrello of SafetyBeltSafe USA, a safety group in Torrance, Calif.

Janice Yuwiler of San Diego, whose 8-year-old son rides in a booster seat in the front seat of their 1984 Chevrolet station wagon, said, "Many people do not drive newer cars. We have to worry about the lack of shoulder belts, not the possibility of an air bag deploying."

Safety guidelines

Guidelines for selecting the right restraints for children in autos, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and safety experts:

INFANT SEATS: Children should be in an infant seat facing the back of the car until they are at least 1 year old and weigh at least 20 lbs. The neck muscles of infants are insufficiently developed to ride facing forward. In cars with passenger side air bags, the infant seat must be in the back seat.

CHILD SEATS: Children weighing 20 to 40 lbs., roughly ages 1 to 4, should be in a forward-facing child seat with its own restraint system for the child, such as a harness that runs across both shoulders and buckles between the legs. The auto's seat belt system is used to secure the child seat.

BOOSTER SEATS: Children should move to a booster seat when they outgrow the child seat, roughly between ages 4 to 8 and when they weigh 40 to 60 lbs. A booster seat properly positions the auto's lap belt across the child's pelvis and the shoulder belt across the chest. Some booster seats are made for children weighing 30 to 40 lbs.

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Glenn isn't only senior eager to fly in space

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — NASA's decision to send a 77-year-old John Glenn back into orbit has reignited the space race, only this time the contenders are seniors.

Some of the nation's hardier, older souls have offered to replace Glenn aboard shuttle Discovery this fall as the aging population's envoy to space. At the very least, they'd like to follow in his high-flying footsteps.

"This John Glenn thing has brought just a slew of requests saying, 'How come you picked him? Why not me? I run triathlons. Or I do this. Or I do that,' " said David Leestma, director of flight crew operations at Johnson Space Center.

Why not me, demanded an 81-year-old triathlete.

Or me, asked a 77-year-old retired military pilot.

Why not, indeed?

The answer, NASA says, is simple. There's only one John Glenn, a Mercury astronaut and former Marine with virtually his entire medical history on file, and he's in top shape.

"He's been through the whole selection process. We're dealing with a known commodity," Leestma explained.

The fact that Glenn is a senator with political connections didn't hurt, NASA insiders admit.

It was Glenn's idea, after all, to fly an older person in space.

The Democratic senator from Ohio and first American to orbit Earth was intrigued by the many similarities between aging and the body's changes in weightlessness — weakened bones, depressed immune system, disturbed sleep. He was so confident both the elderly on Earth and astronauts in space could benefit from joint orbital studies that he urged NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin in 1996 to launch a senior as a medical guinea pig.

"If I can pass a physical, why not me?" Glenn asked.

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Glenn aced all the necessary medical tests last year and then some. By the time NASA announced his appointment in January to a nine-day October research flight by Discovery, he had taken more exams than any other astronaut candidate.

"He didn't pull any strings. He played by the rules and checked out healthy," said Dr. Jerry Linenger, a former Navy physician and astronaut. "He used to be the square guy back in the '60s. He'd go out and exercise, and didn't drink, and it shows."

Even hard-nosed Russian space officials are impressed with Glenn's vigor.

"We have cosmonauts who have reached their 70s, but none is in good health," the Russian Space Agency's chief, Yuri Koptev, said after meeting Glenn. "We envy you for having older people in such condition."

Not everyone is thrilled to have Glenn back in orbital action.

Some of NASA's 121 astronauts, especially those who have yet to fly in space, resent the fact that Glenn is taking up what could have been their shuttle seat.

The medical testing planned for Glenn in orbit also has been called into question: What good is one scientific subject? And how can such a remarkably fit man represent the average 77-year-old?

"I wish we could send up 150 77-year-olds all at one time, right now, and get a database," said Glenn, who will turn 77 in July. "Well, we can't do that obviously. But we're going to start with one. Maybe there will be more later on."

"I don't look at this as a one-shot deal," he added.

Leestma says he has no idea how or where he would recruit 70-something astronauts if instructed to do so. Moreover, he wouldn't necessarily want to.

"In general, spaceflight is a younger person's game," said Leestma, a former astronaut. "It's not the Ritz. It's not driving your Cadillac around. It's not always easy, you know, and there's a lot of stress. There's a lot of travel. There are a lot of things involved, especially with the international space station.

"Not to say that older people can't do that. They can. It's just that in general, you go to great expense to train these folks. I'd like to do it (launch) several times with them."

No one older than 45 has ever been chosen by NASA as a full-time astronaut.

And no one older than 61 has ever flown in space.

That didn't stop 12 people 60-and-up from applying last year for NASA's newest astronaut class, including a pair of 77-year-olds who met the medical qualifications. The 12 were among 2,621 applicants, representing less than one-half of 1 percent.

None of the seniors was among the 121 interviewed for the approximately 20 astronaut spots. No seniors have ever made the final cut; most are eliminated early on because of insufficient vision or other health problems, said Duane Ross, manager of NASA's astronaut selection office.

NASA's current medical standards for astronauts are far less stringent than when Glenn and the six other Mercury men were selected in 1959, three years before Glenn's historic flight. Those standards constantly are being refined so it's possible, though unlikely, they might be eased to accommodate older candidates if Glenn's flight yields a scientific bonanza, Ross said.

Glenn's mission already has provided a philosophical bonus.

"He is a role model for the new elder," said the Rev. Richard Morgan, a Presbyterian minister who's written five books on aging as a spiritual journey. "What John Glenn is doing, he's saying just because you're older doesn't mean you're over the hill. You can go into space."

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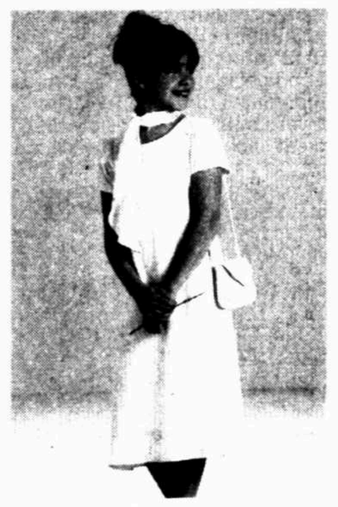
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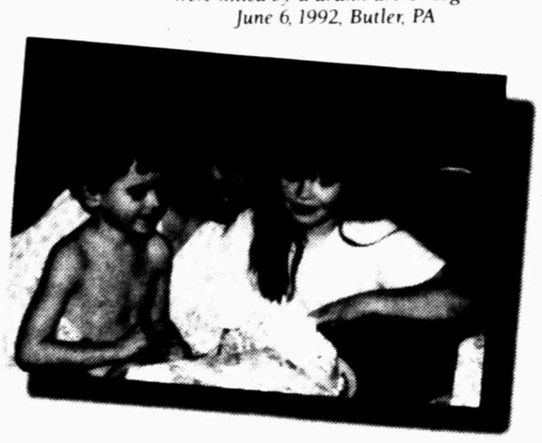


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More women from 20s to late 30s opt to have babies without fathers

By Sherry Boas
Associated Press

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Forget what you learned about the birds and the bees. This is the 1990s and no longer does it take a mommy and a daddy to make a baby.

A growing number of women with their biological clocks ticking have decided a patient and doctor are sufficient.

Some fear, though, that the choice to become a single parent as Madonna, and more recently, Jodie Foster have done, may indirectly take a toll on society.

But Karen Young of Phoenix knows well how loudly the biological clock ticks even when true love is nowhere in sight.

"I wasn't in a relationship, so I could see no other option than to go about it medically," said Young, an X-ray technologist who was 38 when she got pregnant using donor sperm. "I was bound and determined not to let the opportunity fly by for the sake of not having a partner."

Single women make up a good portion of patients at local fertility clinics.

Karyn Gotthardt, a nurse practitioner with Fertility Treatment Center in Chandler, said 41 percent of the center's patients 35 to 39 years old who underwent donor insemination in 1996 and 1997 were single.

Of women 29 and younger, 27 percent were single.

Gotthardt said younger women who opt for the procedure often are lesbians.

"There's a real lesbian baby boom," said professor Sarah Stage, chairwoman of women's studies at Arizona State University.

But Gotthardt's patients also include young heterosexual women who want children and don't want to wait for Mr. Right.

One of Dr. Jay Nemiro's patients was 21.

"She was from a small Arizona town and believed she would never find a man," said Nemiro, medical director of Arizona Center for Fertility Studies in Scottsdale.

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— Karen Young, X-ray technologist

Not all fertility doctors accept single patients.

"There are some physicians who don't feel comfortable with it," Gotthardt said.

Voluntary single parenthood raises moral and societal questions, clergy say.

"Single parenting is always hard and when somebody is stuck in the situation where there's a divorce or there's a death, all we can do is affirm a single person who's trying to raise a child," said the Rev. Father Dale Fushek, pastor of St. Timothy's Catholic Church in Mesa. "But I don't think that's the way it should be designed. God's design is that a child should be raised in a family situation and have the role-modeling of a mother and a father. It takes a lot of energy to raise a child and support a child."

Mark Di Bernardo, pastor of Word Alive Christian Center in Mesa, said of the 25 gang members he ministered to at Adobe Mountain juvenile detention center, only four of them came from homes with two original parents.

"The father represents strength and discipline," Di Bernardo said. "These gangsters learned at an early age that they would not have to listen to mom because mom can't physically stop them."

Studies show that teen girls who grow up without fathers have sex earlier because they crave male love and protection, he said.

Di Bernardo said voluntary single motherhood might indicate that women have lost hope.

"There's a problem with relationships in America," he said. "A lot of women are frustrated because they can't find the right person, and even if they did find the right person, things happen and it doesn't work out, so they figure 'I don't need a man.'"

Nemiro said wanting to be pregnant is a natural urge for women.

"Women have this desire to reproduce," he said. "Intellectually, they control it for a while, but when it hits, it hits."

He said, if they had their druthers, some of his patients would opt for fathers for their babies.

"There are some who would have wished it wasn't this way, that they would be in a committed relationship so there would be a father figure around," Nemiro said.

Young, whose daughter Natalie is now 9, said she would have rather gone about having a baby the old-fashioned way.

"I just haven't been lucky enough to find my true partner in life," she said. Her husband abandoned her and her first daughter long ago.

Aside from her own desire for another baby, Young wanted Nicola, who is now 16, to have a sibling.

"We were truly alone," the mother said. "It really was just her and I."

But Young said it hasn't been easy raising her two daughters alone. And it's not for everyone, she said.

"(Women) should really think hard before they make a decision," she said. "It's not one to be taken lightly. You really have to know how difficult it is to raise a child by yourself."

It's hard to know until you've been there.

"I had given some thought about (my daughter) being deprived of a father," she said. "I suppose I naively thought I would be enough of a parent. It turned out that she does miss not having a daddy."

Young said she was a little selfish about her decision, but that she also was committed to being the best parent she could be. And that has seen her through.

"I've got this incredible little girl," she said. "I am so in awe of her. She's unbelievable. She's so sweet and so bright. She's my rock. She's such a doting daughter. She says 'Oh mommy, I love you so much. You are the best mommy in the world.' It's her way of saying 'It's OK. You're enough.'"

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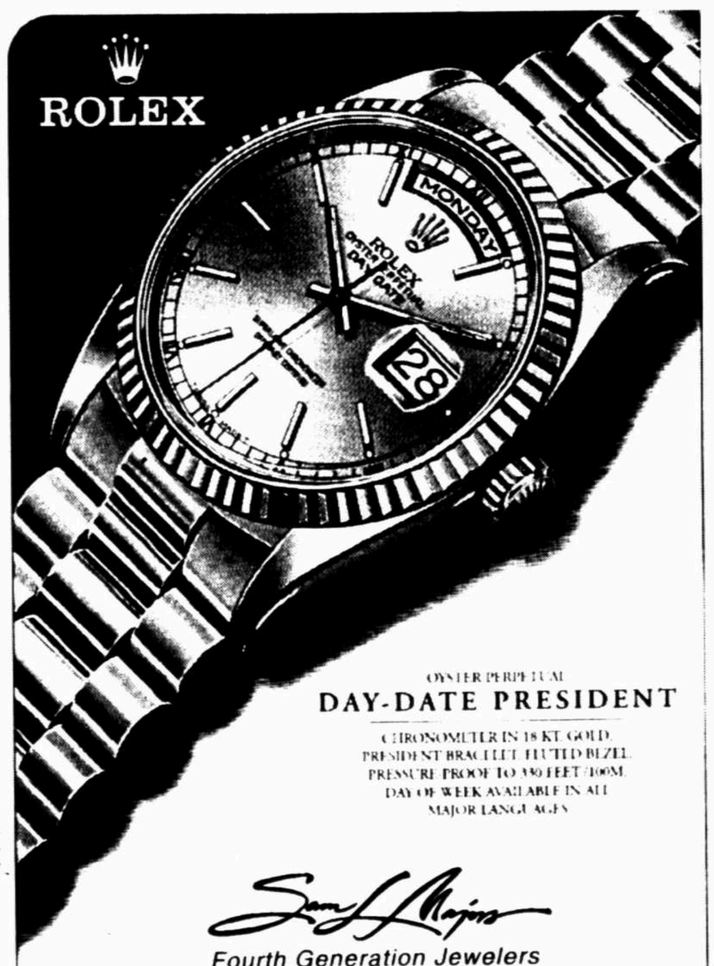
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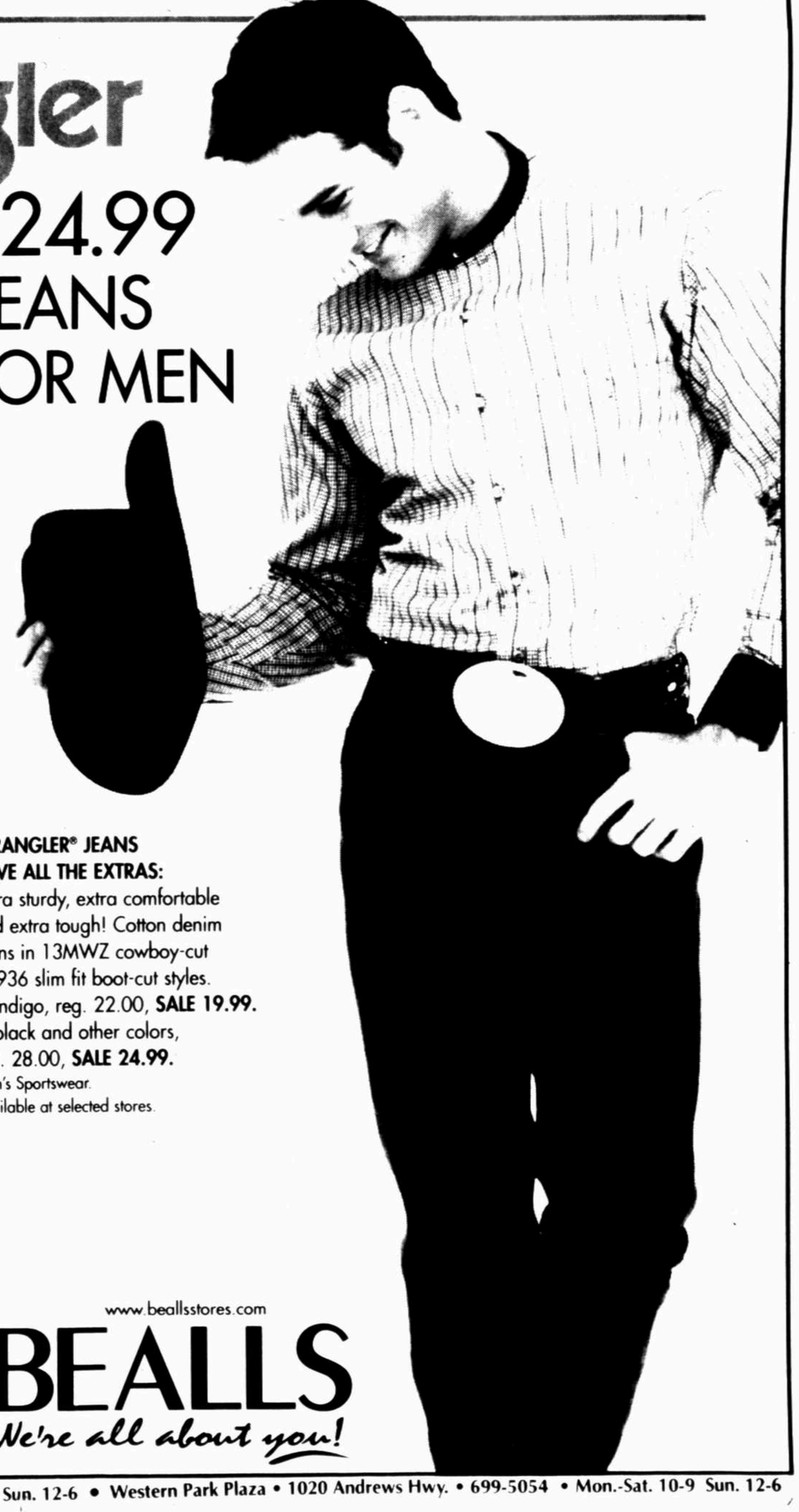
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Couples battle with insurers over infertility

By Esther Fein
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — Roberta Kraft is $38,700 in debt. She owes money on her Visa card. She owes money on her American Express card. She owes money to her parents and to her best friend from college. She and her husband have not bought new clothes in two years and live in a cramped one-bedroom apartment because they have spent all their discretionary income — and a good chunk of their future earnings — in a single pursuit: trying to have a baby.

In her still unsuccessful quest, Ms. Kraft has economized in ways she never imagined. She bought fertility drugs from a pharmacy in Mexico because they were cheaper than those sold in her Manhattan neighborhood. She withdrew money from a retirement account, paying steep penalties. She sold a pair of diamond earrings she had inherited from her grandmother, tearfully rationalizing that her grandmother would have given her blessing.

Ms. Kraft has gone to such lengths because her insurance company will finance few of the procedures she needs to become pregnant. And so, in addition to the emotional ordeal that they face, she and her husband are also struggling with a severe financial crisis.

This crisis is striking a growing number of couples as scientists develop new treatments to combat physical problems that prevent pregnancy — treatments that few insurers are willing to cover and that few couples can easily afford.

To patients like Ms. Kraft — who would speak only if her maiden name was used and her husband was not identified — and the doctors who treat them, such refusals by insurance companies amount to discrimination. Infertility, they say, is a disease, like diabetes or emphysema, whose treatment should be covered by any basic insurance policy. When it is not, they argue, patients go without crucial medical care that could lead to pregnancy, or they pay enormous expenses on their own or get inappropriate care simply because it is treatment their insurance companies will pay for.

But others question whether the inability to become a biological parent is a medical condition or a social problem. And they ask whether society can, or should, pay for costly treatments that benefit a narrow group of people when growing numbers of others lack insurance for even basic health care.

"The debate comes down to this," said Uwe Reinhardt, a health-care economist at Princeton University, "Is having your own offspring with your own genes a matter of human right? And if you can't accomplish that on your own, do you have the right to have your efforts to achieve it financed?"

The issue came to the fore last month, when Aetna, one of the nation's biggest health insurers, announced that its U.S. Healthcare health plans would no longer offer coverage for advanced infertility treatments. Company officials said that because few other health plans offered such benefits in their basic packages, women with fertility problems had been disproportionately joining U.S. Healthcare plans, saddling the company with an unfair share of costs for infertility treatments.

Some States Require A Degree of Coverage

Thirteen states require health plans to offer some coverage of infertility treatments. Two states, Massachusetts and Illinois, mandate that in vitro fertilizations be included.

But these regulations do not cover many workers because many businesses — those that insure themselves under provisions of a 1978 federal law — are exempt from state jurisdiction. This applies to many more people than one might imagine, since many large companies self-insure and use a commercial carrier to administer the plan.

Several recent studies have found that it would cost less than $3 per member per year if coverage was mandated for advanced reproductive technology — procedures that manipulate the union of sperm and egg.

In vitro fertilization, in which eggs are combined with sperm in a laboratory dish and the fertilized embryo is implanted in the woman's uterus, is the most common of these procedures. The procedure costs about $8,000 for each attempt, and most couples try several times before they succeed.

About 6.1 million women in the United States, or 10 percent of the women of reproductive age, are infertile, according to the most recent figures from the federal government's National Center for Health Statistics. Of these, about 600,000 have tried assisted reproductive technology in their attempt to bear children.

Lacking comprehensive insurance to finance many of these procedures, couples with fertility problems describe a web of efforts to pay for the medications and therapies they need to try to have a child.

The first step usually involves exhausting their savings. The next step is signing up for a host of credit cards and charging up to their credit limit. If they can, they usually then borrow from relatives or friends.

"We don't go to the movies, haven't taken a vacation in so long, and I can't remember the last time I bought new clothes," said Elizabeth Prike, a high school teacher from Woodside, Queens. Her 4-month-old son, Thomas, was born after she took fertility drugs and was artificially inseminated with sperm from her husband, Stephen, a production manager at a box-making plant.

Mrs. Prike's insurance company paid for her drugs, but did not cover any office visits, blood tests, sperm treatments or the insemination itself, leaving the couple more than $10,000 in debt to Brooklyn IVF, an infertility clinic.

"I just felt cheated by my insurance company," said Mrs. Prike, who tried to get pregnant for seven years. "I paid into the plan and then my disease isn't covered. That's just not fair."

George Annas, chairman of the health law department at Boston University's School of Public Health, disagrees. "Not having these treatments covered is unfortunate, but it is not unfair," said Annas, arguing that assisted reproductive technology is an elective procedure, not a necessity.

"In fact, people don't have the right to any health care in this country except emergency care," he noted, adding that if the country had national health insurance, "then we should think about adding this as a benefit."

Medical Decisions Based on the Program

Doctors across the country say the way the system tends to work now, many women end up pursuing inappropriate, often expensive, treatments that are unlikely to solve their fertility problems because certain procedures are covered by insurance on the theory that they are designed to correct a physical problem rather than to address infertility — a point that several insurance officials conceded privately was economically irrational.

The most common example cited is surgery to clear blockages in the fallopian tubes. Such surgery, which is highly invasive and requires anesthesia, usually costs about $12,000. Sometimes, it is enough to allow once-infertile women to conceive on their own. Often, women undergo the procedure several times, to no avail, each vain attempt covered by insurance.

Many reproductive specialists argue that given the option, they would often forgo the surgery and perform in vitro fertilization, which they believe in many circumstances has a greater chance of producing a pregnancy. But since most insurance plans don't cover such assisted technology, many patients who cannot afford to pay out of pocket undergo repeated tubal surgeries, hoping they will beat the odds.

"People make terrible medical decisions because of their insurance coverage," said Dr. Kenneth Ryan, professor emeritus of obstetrics, gynecology and reproductive biology at Harvard Medical School and chairman of the ethics committee of the American Society of Reproductive Medicine. "The system as it exists makes no sense."

Dr. Richard Grazzi, a fertility specialist who runs Brooklyn IVF, said it was painful to him, as a practitioner, to see how often money issues intrude between him and what he thinks is the best treatment for his patients.

At first, he was lax in making sure that uninsured patients had the means to pay the clinic for treatment. But mounting debt forced them to be stricter with payments. To help patients who cannot afford care, his office has worked with a local branch of Citibank to arrange for "infertility loans." The program was started by a bank officer who was a patient in the clinic.

"Nobody who hasn't experienced infertility can understand what these couples go through," Grazzi said.

"It's a medical crisis, a personal crisis, a sexual crisis, religious, existential and marital crisis," he said. "When you throw financial stress on top of that, it's just a set-up for disaster."

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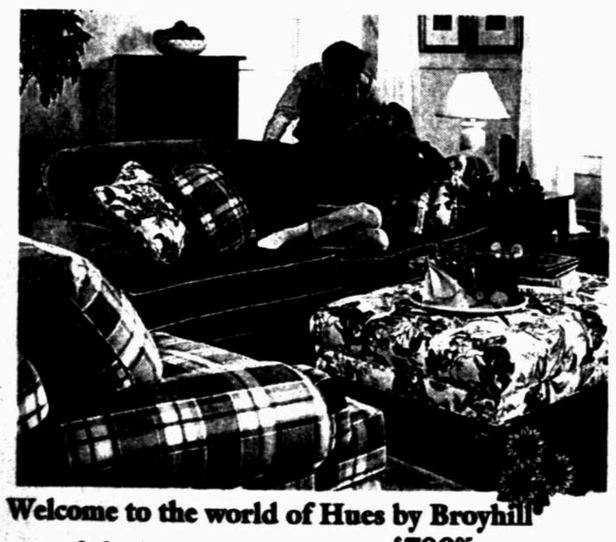
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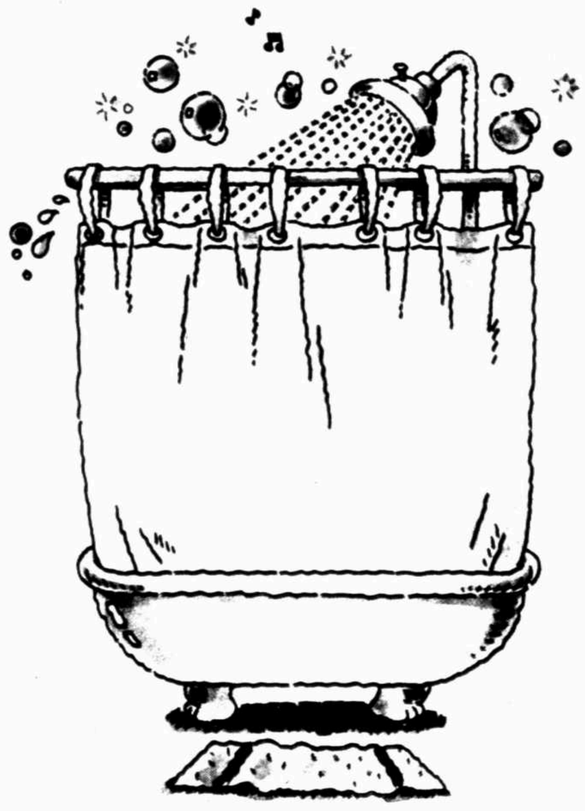
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PGA Players Championship, second round, 2 p.m., ESPN.
TENNIS — Lipton Championships, men's semifinal, noon, ESPN.
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Atlanta Braves vs. Tampa Bay Devil Rays, 6 p.m., TBS.
COLLEGE BASKETBALL — Women, NCAA Tournament semifinal, North Carolina State vs. Louisiana Tech, 6 p.m., ESPN.
NCAA Tournament semifinal, Tennessee vs. Arkansas, 8:30 p.m., ESPN.
NBA — Houston Rockets at Orlando Magic, 7 p.m., TNT.

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NHL — Toronto Maple Leafs 1, Dallas Stars 0.

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JUCO GOLF — Midland College at Southern Junior-Senior Intercollegiate Golf Invitational, Dade, Alabama.

Baseball poll

BRYAN — The Class 5A and 4A state high school baseball poll for week ending March 25, as selected by the Texas H.S. Baseball Coaches Association:

Class 5A
1. Lubbock Monterrey (16-2)
2. CC Moody (16-2-1)
3. Klein (15-1)
4. Round Rock (14-2)
5. Midland Lee (14-3)
6. Spring (11-3-1)
7. Houston Bellaire (16-2)
8. Clear Lake (13-2-2)
9. Carrollton Smith (11-3)
10. SA Madison (10-0)

Class 4A
1. CC Calallen (16-1)
2. L-C Mauriceville (16-2)
3. Dallas Highland Park (11-3)
4. Nederland (13-3)
5. Brownwood (12-1)
6. Robstown (14-5)
7. Waxahachie (10-2)
8. Conroe Oakridge (11-2)
9. Boerne (10-3)
10. Waco Connally (11-2)

Aikman fire

PLANO — Investigators say that faulty electrical wiring caused this week's fire at the home of Dallas Cowboys quarterback Troy Aikman.
The Plano Fire Department confirmed Thursday that the wiring sparked a three-alarm blaze a day earlier that caused about $200,000 in damage.
It took more than two years to build the $3.2 million, 12,000 square-foot home in the affluent Dallas suburb of Plano. Aikman had lived there for only three weeks.
Damage was limited to the attic and garage. Aikman was away at the time and no one was hurt.
It took 50 firefighters about 40 minutes to extinguish the flames.

Three aces, 8 days

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — If you play golf, please — PLEASE — don't read this story!
The basic facts are hard enough for most golfers to take: A 49-year-old Granite Bay woman shot three holes-in-one over five rounds of golf between March 12 and March 20.
But the devil is really in the details: Jeanette Roberts is a 35-handicapper. She's only been playing for four years. And she already had one hole-in-one to her credit.
Roberts said Thursday that she had no explanation for the phenomenon.
"It's simply amazing," she said.
The extraordinary string began March 12, when Roberts aced the par-3, 75-yard third hole at Granite Bay Golf Club with a pitching wedge.
Roberts was playing alone — "just practicing," she said — and was waved ahead by the twosome already on the green.
"That's the way to play through, isn't it?" she said.
She sank a 9-iron from 77 yards on the par-3 seventh two days later. Two players walking to the next tee box witnessed that shot, she said.
Her most recent hole-in-one came on March 20, with a 9-iron on the third hole. That shot was witnessed by club employees.
Roberts said she had simply been concentrating on the lesson she had just received from the club pro, Jim Leisenring.
For the record, the wisdom of the ages is this: "Make a good turn."
Her total scores on the three days were 101, 91 and 101, respectively.

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Texas basketball coach Tom Penders, left, speaks during a news conference Monday in Austin. At right is assistant coach Eddie Oran, who released player Luke Axtell's confidential academic information to a radio station.

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Penders not considering TV job

By Chip Brown
AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN — Tom Penders said Thursday night he still hasn't heard anything about his job status as basketball coach at the University of Texas.

A high-ranking university source told The Associated Press that Penders has been mulling a broadcasting job or being reassigned, following the release by an assistant coach of a player's grade report to a radio station.

Penders won't be back as coach at Texas next year, the source said, adding that if he doesn't decide to leave voluntarily, he'll be reassigned within a few days.

Penders said he is not considering a career in broadcasting and that he still hasn't received any word about his job status from university officials, who are conducting an investigation into the release of player Luke Axtell's grades to a local radio station.

"I have heard nothing about that (a broadcasting job)," Penders said. "I've done some TV and radio work in New York and for ESPN2, but I've never had a face-to-face meeting about a TV job."

Four years remain on a five-year contract extension Penders received last year that pays him roughly $550,000 per season.

Penders is the winningest coach in Texas history with a 208-110 record, eight trips to the NCAA tournament in 10 seasons and three conference championships.

He said Thursday he didn't plan to step down but repeated that he would agree to be reassigned if that's what the university wanted.

"They can do that at any time — if I get a technical foul or if they don't like my tie, they can reassign me," Penders said. "I would do anything for the university."

Yolanda Chevannes, mother of Vohn Hunter, a Texas signee and one of the top high school players in New York City, said her son probably would

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Point-shaving scandal hits Northwestern

By Paul A. Driscoll
Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO — On the eve of college basketball's showcase event, the sport was rocked by another point-shaving scandal Thursday, this time at Northwestern — a school known more for brains than betting lines.

Federal indictments charged former Wildcat starters Kenneth Dion Lee and Dewey Williams and two others with fixing the outcome of three basketball games during the 1994-95 season. A former Wildcat football player was accused in a separate indictment of running a bookmaking operation on the Northwestern campus.

It was the latest in a string of gambling cases involving college basketball players since the point-shaving scandal of 1951, which involved schools such as Kentucky, CCNY and NYU. And it came when the spotlight on college basketball was brightest — two days before the Final Four in San Antonio.

"It's a bomb ready to explode. It can happen to anybody," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "You wouldn't even know about it until it happened."

Other recent point-shaving scandals hit Arizona State and Tulane. Two years ago, 13 Boston College football players were suspended for betting on college and pro football and major league baseball games.

"We should not be surprised this is occurring," said Cedric Dempsey, executive director of the NCAA. "Gambling is as big an addiction on our campuses as alcohol, and it reflects what is going on in our society."

But Northwestern is known more for academic success than sports. Although the Wildcats made the Rose Bowl as Big Ten football champions three seasons ago, they rarely have produced winning basketball teams. The 1993-94 club that went to the NIT is the school's last basketball team with a winning record, 15-14.

Under the indictments announced at a news conference, Lee and Williams were charged with point-shaving, while Kevin Pendergast and Brian Irving were charged with conspiring to fix the outcome of the three games — at home against Wisconsin and Penn State, and on the road against Michigan.

Pendergast is a former kicker at Notre Dame who led the Irish in scoring in 1993, said Notre Dame sports information director John Heisler.

Pendergast and Irving, who both now

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Packers' White draws criticism with comments

By Robert Imrie
Associated Press Writer

Reggie White, who usually preaches harmony, accomplished the opposite with a sermon to Wisconsin lawmakers that civil rights groups Thursday said amounted to gay- and race-bashing.

White, an ordained minister, called homosexuality a sin and spoke in racial stereotypes, claiming blacks were gifted worshippers, whites were good at tapping into money and American Indians weren't enslaved because they knew the territory and "how to sneak up on people."

David Smith, spokesman for the Human Rights Campaign, a gay and lesbian political group, said White showed "complete disrespect" for gay Americans in his remarks Wednesday.

"I think he has seriously jeopardized any future role as a sports pundit or analyzer."

CBS Sports spokeswoman Leslie Ann Wade would not say whether White's speech would affect his chances for a studio analyst's job he is seeking.

Felmers Chaney, president of the Milwaukee chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said: "Reggie is not one of those who speaks for all of us, and he shouldn't attempt to do that. I am not going to condemn him, and I am not going to stand up for him."

White's agent, Jimmy Sexton, did not

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FINAL FOUR

Rollin' on the River

■ Final Four brings world's attention to San Antonio.

By Kelley Shannon
AP Sports Writer

SAN ANTONIO — Exotic food and drink, the picturesque River Walk and the famous Alamo are sure to amuse basketball fans visiting this weekend for the NCAA Final Four.

Out-of-towners who look beyond typical tourist spots also will discover that San Antonio is a city steeped in history and a place where Hispanic culture is prevalent and growing.

"There's so much richness to San Antonio, and I think that comes across," said Sandra Lopez, executive director of the Final Four Local Organizing Committee.

The Final Four semifinals will be held Saturday, with the championship game to follow on Monday in the Alamodome, a downtown stadium where the San Antonio Spurs play.

Most of the seats will be filled by visitors. Approximately 36,000 of the 40,000-plus Final Four ticketholders are from out of town.

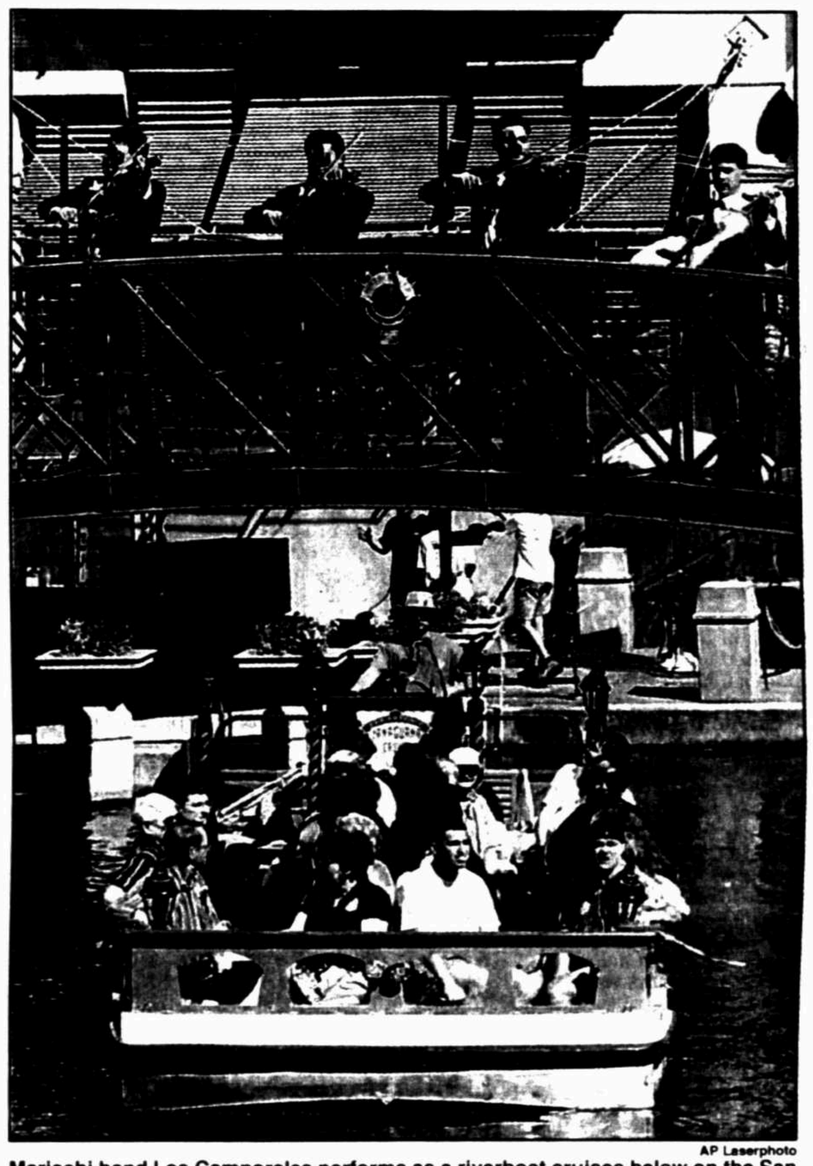
Local officials expect those people to spend lots of money, too. The direct economic impact has been estimated at $13.9 million.

Situated 150 miles from the Texas-Mexico border, San Antonio — the nation's eighth-largest city — serves as a shopping, medical and business center for much of South Texas and northern Mexico.

Fifty-five percent of the 1 million residents are Hispanic, a fact evident in everything from the Spanish frequently spoken to the Mexican-American entertainment and cuisine that enliven the city.

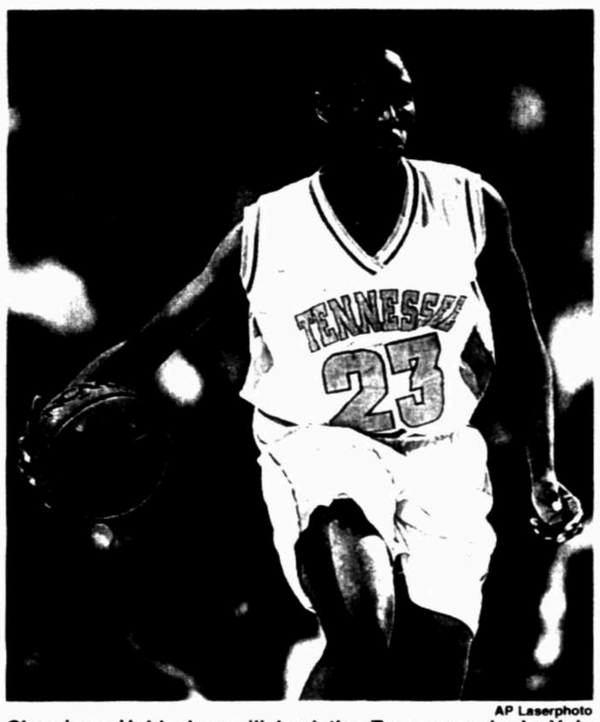
"The culture just lives within the people. You're going to get a touch of Mex-

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Mariachi band Los Camporales performs as a riverboat cruises below on the San Antonio River in downtown San Antonio. The city is hosting fans from around the country who are in town for the NCAA Final Four.



AP Laserphoto

Chamique Holdsclaw will lead the Tennessee Lady Vols against Arkansas in an NCAA semifinal tonight in Kansas City

Lady Vols refuse to get outrun this time

By Chuck Schoffner
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — North Carolina did Arkansas no favors.

By outrunning Tennessee and giving the Lady Vols their biggest scare of the season, North Carolina added even more incentive for a team that already had plenty for its NCAA Final Four game against Arkansas Friday night.

And that can't be encouraging for Arkansas, which already has lost to Tennessee once this season — by 30 points. The Lady Vols aren't about to get outrun again.

"I wasn't prepared for our team to be slow in transition, and I'm not prepared now," Tennessee coach Pat Summitt said. "It best not happen again, and I don't think it will."

Summitt does not suffer failure gladly, so look for her players to take that message to heart in their national semifinal matchup, which follows the game between Louisiana Tech and North Carolina State.

The Lady Vols (37-0) are only two wins from a record third straight national championship, two wins that would cap a season like no other in women's basketball and perhaps earn them a place in history as the best team ever.

They had their scare in a 76-70 regional final victory over North Carolina, which led by 12 points with 7 1/2 minutes left. Tennessee had won its first three tournament games

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Midland girls preparing for 4-5A track meet

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

For the Midland girls' track teams, these last two weeks are probably as important as any in getting their respective teams prepared for the District 4-5A championships.

After today's Dr. Dale Curry Invitational and last week's West Texas Relays, there are only three weeks to get the right lineups for the April 17-18 district meet, and both meets take place at Odessa's Ratliff Stadium, which happens to be the site of district.

"We are trying to prepare for the big meet when it all counts," Midland High coach Susan Nix said. "Getting experience in Odessa — two meets and then district — we should be used to the track for sure."

Today's Dale Curry meet will bring the Midland Lee track team back to the site of one of its four titles in 1997. Last week, the Lady Rebels solidified their spot as a district contender with a second place finish at the West Texas Relays, which had coach Randy Smith very excited.

"This is the best finish we have had in three years," said Smith, whose team's took fourth last year and third in 1996.

"To come off spring break and see them do as well as we did was encouraging. We haven't lost a lot and that was a good indicator to me."

Smith says today's meet is about getting his team ready for district and beyond. The meet will feature eight teams in the top division. Along with the Midland and Odessa schools, El Paso Irvin, El Paso Andress, Amarillo Tascosa and Amarillo Caprock are in the field on eight teams.

"It gives you a better idea of what the

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Day finishes up hot to grab first-round lead at Players Championship

Associated Press

■ **Golf Roundup**

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — Talk about a lucky Day.

Just when it looked like Glen Day would merely be another one of the mass of 43 people to break par in Thursday's first round of The Players Championship he finished with a flourish to be alone atop the leaderboard.

Day holed a 7-iron from 180 yards for the only eagle on the 18th hole at the Stadium Course in the history of The Players Championship and shot a 66 for the first-round lead by one stroke over Fred Couples and Rocco Mediate.

A total of 7,501 competitors had played No. 18 in the last 17 years at the Stadium Course without making an eagle in The Players Championship — until Day.

Couples posted a 67 early and it held up before Day put together a wacky stretch of golf during which he chipped in for a birdie on No. 15, made another birdie on the island-green 17th hole and then closed with another 2 on No. 18.

"I hit the shot exactly like I wanted to," Day said about the 7-iron that found the cup. "But I didn't think it would get to the pin. It was just a lucky shot."

Mediate, who put away his long putter on Sunday night and went back to a conventional shaft, grabbed a share of second place with Couples when he birdied the ninth hole, his final of the day.

"I look like a golfer on the greens now," Mediate said after needing only 26 putts. "I putted as good as I've putted ever and that's what it takes."

Day goes into Friday's second round with 42 players within five strokes of him.

Jerry Kelly was at 68, while Ben Crenshaw, Billy Mayfair, Phil Mickelson and David Duval were in a large group at 69. Jim Furyk was among those at 70. Ernie Els, Tom Watson and John Daly were in a large group at 71, and Tiger Woods was five strokes back.

Day, who is in his fifth year on the PGA Tour and has yet to win in 124 events, was on target with his irons all day. All six of his birdie putts were from 10 feet or less and he used only 23 putts — a number helped by his two hole outs from the fairway.

The luck of the 7-iron on No. 18 compensated for the bad decision Day made on No. 5 when he tried to hit a 3-wood out of the rough and plopped it into the water, making a double bogey.

"I should have laid up with an 8-iron or 9-iron and made my bogey," Day said.

Couples, a two-time winner at The Players Championship, once again looked completely comfortable on the Stadium Course.

"This is a good course for me," Couples said after making birdies on four of his first six holes.

"With that tee time the course was perfect," he said about getting out before 8 a.m. when the TPC layout was still relatively soft and the greens more receptive than they were as the day wore on.

Els, the winner last week at Bay Hill, made bogeys on two of his last three holes and still finished at 1-under.

"That's not the finish I wanted," Els said. "But I'm still under par. It just didn't go my way today."

Woods also had trouble closing out his round, playing the final five holes 2-over.

"I was fortunate to shoot even par," he said.

Couples, who finished the dangerous final three holes 3-under when he won here in 1996, birdied No. 16 and the 17th hole on putts inside 10 feet and then made a great up-and-down from 55 yards on the final hole to save par.

"Those holes have always been good to me," Couples said.

Daly, who had his last drink of alcohol after the first round of the 1997 Players Championship, when he smashed up his hotel room and ended up in a hospital emergency room, played the back nine first and shot a strong 33, needing only 11 putts.

But a double bogey on No. 4, when he hit the water on a 76-yard sand wedge shot, and a bogey on the next hole after another errant approach shot, kept him from being closer to the lead.

"I was nervous," Daly said. "It's a good round to get over."

The players who got to go at the Stadium Course when it was softer in the morning on Thursday will have to play it in the afternoon in Friday's second round.

"The greens are fast and getting firmer," Couples said. "I need to play a very good round in the afternoon tomorrow."

Day, on the other hand, gets to go out early.

"Theoretically, I have a chance to go out in the morning and put up a good score," he said.

But then again, tomorrow is another day.

Hurst, Hetherington share first-round lead at Dinah Shore

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. — Pat Hurst's mother might not know much about golf, but she still knows best.

Using a tip from mom to smooth out a kink in her putting stroke, Hurst shot a 4-under-par 68 Thursday to share the first-round lead in the Nabisco Dinah Shore, the LPGA's first major of the year.

Rachel Hetherington of Australia, a member of the gallery at the tournament last year, also had a 68.

"My mom (Kiyoko) came in last week and said she noticed on TV that I was breaking down a little coming through the ball putting," Hurst said. "She doesn't play much, maybe once a year, but she knows what I need to work on.

"When she sees things I'm doing differently, she lets me know. If she sees me frustrated, she'll say something. She doesn't know how to phrase things, but she gets the point across.

"She's a miracle worker."

Hurst, who came on the tour in 1995 out of San Jose State, has won once, the 1997 Oldsmobile Classic.

Hetherington, beginning her second year on the tour, said she was at the 1997 Dinah Shore with her fiance, Dan Teske, who was caddying.

"I just walked around," she said. "This week, I'm playing and he's off. It's a nice bonus to get into the Dinah Shore. It's exciting to be in a major."

Hurst shot a 3-under-par 33 on the front nine at Mission Hills Country Club, then had two birdies and a bogey on the backside.

Hetherington was in one of the final groups to tee off, and finished in the dusk. She went to 4-under with a birdie on No. 15, but parred the final three holes.

Liselotte Neumann of Sweden, coming off a win at Phoenix, and Sherri Steinhauer were one shot back of the leaders with opening 69s.

Neumann, who tops the 1998 money list with $247,096 while playing in six of the seven events, birdied the third hole of a playoff with Rosie Jones to win last Sunday.

"When you win the week before a major, obviously your confidence is high. I feel very comfortable out there," said Neumann, who also has finished second twice this year.

Another of the three Swedes who have been dominating the tour so far this year, Helen Alfredsson, was in a group at 70. Alfredsson already has won twice this year and is second on the money list behind Neumann.

Also at 2-under were Dawn Coe-Jones, Helen Dobson and Jane Crafter.

Nancy Lopez, 3-under at the turn, had a pair of bogeys and the rest pars on the back nine to finish at 71. Karrie Webb of Australia, who missed the cut last week in Arizona, also had a 71.

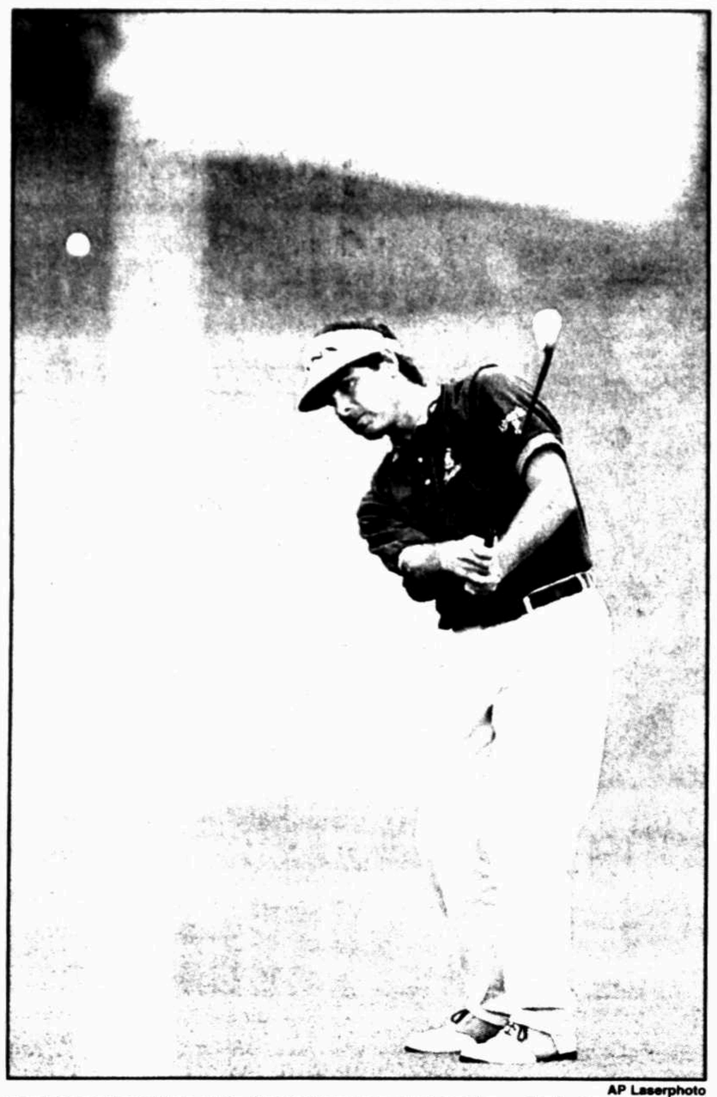
Starting off the tournament with par rounds were Patty Sheehan, Kelly Robbins and Muffin Spencer-Devlin, in a group four shots off the pace.

It was another shot back to defending champion Betsy King, who also won the Dinah Shore in 1987 and 1990.

Another Swedish standout, 1997 LPGA player of the year Annika Sorenstam, struggled to a 76, leaving her in danger of missing the cut unless she has a solid second round.

The 28-year-old Hurst had her best year in 1997, earning $325,299. Hetherington, 25, played in 28 events last year. Her best finish was a tie for fifth in the Welch's Championships, and she finished in the top 20 seven times.

The $1 million Dinah Shore carries a $150,000 winner's prize.



AP Laserphoto

Fred Couples chips onto the 18th green during Thursday's first round of The Players Championship at Sawgrass TPC in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. Couples shot a 5-under-par 67 and stood second in the tournament.

Ex-Rebel Connally earns all-America status at TCU

Staff Report

Former Midland Lee football and baseball star Chris Connally is having a big college baseball career at Texas Christian.

The senior right fielder was named a Preseason All-American by The Sporting News magazine and by Collegiate Baseball magazine. He was a first-team All-Western Athletic Conference selection as a junior by the WAC head baseball coaches and is one of the top returning home run hitters in the country with 23 home runs last season to tie the TCU single-season school record.

Connally has tied the TCU school record for runs batted in with 72 and set school records with 171 total bases and an .864 slugging percentage. His .414 batting average and 71 runs scored are both second all-time in single-season totals.

He finished the 1997 season 11th in the country in home runs (.45 home runs per game) and only two returning college players hit more home runs last season for their respective schools (Eric Valent, UCLA , 27 and Ryan Lundquist, Arkansas with 24).

In 1997, Connally had 21 multiple-RBI games and was voted Most Valuable Player by his TCU teammates.

Connally has as a chance to move up into the top-five in several career records this season. He is within reach of the top-five in runs scored, batting average, runs batted in, home runs, doubles, total bases, and slugging percentage.

Connally started his college career as a third-team Junior College All-American at McLennan Community College in Waco. He hit 29 home runs in two seasons at McLennan, batting .370 with 12 home runs in 1996 season.

TRACK: Teams go to Odessa

(From 1C)

prospects are," Smith said. "That is good to see. With Tascosa coming, we will have seen all the Panhandle schools. That sews up El Paso too."

The Lady Rebels, which won in San Angelo this year, are a favorite for the team title, but are not looking at the present as much as the future. Smith is giving up points to find his best fits in the relays. Last week, the 800 relay (Maurion Strambler, Chavaye Glover, Amanda Douglas and Toya Clater) were disqualified and suffered its first loss of the season. The same four will run the 4 X 100 relay.

The 1600 meter relay will be another that could make its presence felt at district and maybe regionals. Glover, Douglas, Sharee Whitehead and Stephanie Slaughter take the baton in this race and are hoping to improve on the 4:08.07 last week. Smith says this team is going for the meet record (4:06.84) set by Lee last year.

"I have four girls who want to break that," Smith said. "We will try to solidify all three relays and find the ones who need to be on them at district. We are going after the relay and giving up on individual points."

The Lady Rebels to look out for in the individual races are Dominca Glover and Christina Brown. The duo placed 1-2 in the shot last week. Katie Simpson, who placed second in the 3200 and fourth in the 1600, will get points in distances as will Traci Broach. Plus, look out for Clater and Strambler in the jumping events.

For Midland High, Shai Simpson has been very impressive in the spring, capturing fourth last week in the 400 meters with a time of 60.42.

"She ought to do really well tomorrow," Nix said. "We need to get her in high 50 (seconds) if we can. I foresee that happening, hopefully tomorrow."

The Lady Bulldogs are looking to improve on their showing at the West Texas Relays. Like Lee, Nix sees points coming from the relays. Heidi Lange, Rebecca Nobles, Simpson and Keisha Taylor are young spring relay team, which still getting experience.

Mahogany Jones is also a Lady Bulldog to watch out for come district time in the hurdle events.

Schedule for today's Dr. Dale Curry Invitational which will be held today at Ratliff Stadium:

Field Events

2:30 p.m.: Division II Shot Put; Division II Triple Jump; Division I Discus; Division I Long Jump.

3:15 p.m.: Division II Discus; Division III Long Jump; Division I Shot Put; Division I Triple Jump.

4 p.m.: Division II High Jump; Division I High Jump.

Track Preliminaries

(Division I followed by Division II)

3:30 p.m.: 100 meter hurdles; 100 meters dash; 400 meters; 300 hurdles; 200 meters.

4:45 p.m.: 2400 run (Division I) Final; 3200 (Division II) Final.

Track Finals

(Div. I followed by Div. II unless otherwise noted)

6:30 p.m.: 400 Meter Relay (7th, 8th, Division I; Division II); 800 Meters; 100 meter hurdles; 100 meters (7th, 8th, Division I, Division II); 800 Meter Relay (7th, 8th, Division I, Division II); 400 Meters; 300 Hurdles; 200 meters; 1600 meters; 1600 Relay.

WHITE: Star stirs controversy

(From 1C)

immediately return a telephone message.

The Packers had no comment on White's remarks, said Phil Pionek, executive assistant to Packers President Bob Harlan.

Chris Ahmuty, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin, said White's remarks would not further race relations.

"That may have been his intention, that he wants the races to work together, but obviously using racial stereotypes doesn't help," Ahmuty said.

"People should not let it slide just because he is a sports hero or celebrity. ... You don't try to censor them. You respond to it with more speech," Ahmuty said.

White told the state Assembly that one of the biggest sins is homosexuality and the plight of gays and lesbians should not be compared to that of blacks.

White, who is black, told the largely white Assembly that blacks were gifted at worship and celebration; that whites do a good job building business and "know how to tap into money"; that Hispanics are gifted in "family structure" and can put 20 to 30 people in one home; that Japanese and Asians are inventive and "can turn a television into a watch"; and Indians are gifted in spirituality.

White said the Bible speaks against homosexuality, but "we've allowed this sin to run rampant in our nation, and because it has run rampant in our nation, our nation is in the condition it's in today."

Lawmakers, who gave White a rousing welcome before his hour-long speech, remained silent during much of the address.

Wallace looks to continue fast start in Bristol

BRISTOL, Tenn. (AP) — There's one thing missing from the best start in Rusty Wallace's 14 years of Winston Cup racing.

He's the only driver on the circuit to complete every lap so far in the first five races of the year. His reward is that for the first time in his career, Wallace has begun a season with five top-five finishes, and he is the season points leader heading to Bristol Motor Speedway for Friday's first round of qualifying for the Food City 500.

Sunday's 500-lap race will give Wallace a chance for another first: his first victory of 1998.

"I consider Bristol as my old stomping grounds," said Wallace, who got his first Winston Cup victory on Bristol's .533-mile oval in 1986. "We're pumped, to say the least."

Of his 47 career victories, six have come on the high banks of Bristol, and no one on stock car racing's premier circuit has been as dominant as Wallace at the track during the 1990s. He has four victories, and he appeared to be heading to No. 5 in last year's Food City 500 until Jeff Gordon intervened heading into the final turn on the final lap.

Wallace led four times for a dominating 240 laps and was running up front a few hundred yards from the checkered flag when Gordon bumped him from behind. The impact caused Wallace to lose control of his Ford Thunderbird long enough for Gordon to surge past and win the race.

"Losing the race the way we did at Bristol last spring was a big disappointment, and ... the finish still irks me," Wallace said. "It's all over with now, and you can't roll back time. But to have won the pole and led the most laps and see a win slip away the way it did, it's something you don't forget."

Wallace is still approached by fans asking about the bump, including one who referred to Bristol as "the scene of the crime." But while Gordon was showered with a mixture of cheers and boos in victory lane, Wallace shied away from criticizing the winning move.

"You have to admire Rusty for handling the aftermath like he did," crew chief Robin Pemberton said. "He labeled the deal with Gordon as 'just racing,' and I guess it was. But you can bet that he'd welcome the opportunity to go 'just racing' again."

Gordon has won three consecutive Food City 500s, but now he is in fourth place in the Winston Cup standings, 147 points behind Wallace.

"We've been struggling the last couple of races and haven't been close enough to the front to even be in competition," Gordon said. "We hope to be competitive again at Bristol."

Seahawks name assistant coach

SEATTLE (AP) — Linebacker Winston Moss, who fractured a bone in his neck last season, announced his retirement Thursday after an 11-year NFL career and was named defensive quality coach for the Seattle Seahawks.

Moss and a teammate, linebacker Chad Brown, collided in December on the first play of the Baltimore game. Brown sustained a concussion but Moss' injury was thought to be career-threatening at the time.

Moss was a second-round draft choice of Tampa Bay in 1987. He played four seasons with the Buccaneers before going to Oakland. He played for the Raiders from 1991-94 and joined the Seahawks in 1995.

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PENN STATE (19-13): Ivory 2-5 0-0 6, Jackson 1-5 2-5 4, Booth 7-11 0-0 14, Crispin 4-12 0-0 10, Lisicky 3-12 2-5 11, Cline-Heard 5-8 4-8 14, Witkowsky 0-0 0-0 0, Grays 3-5 0-0 8, Stevenson 0-2 2-2 2, Branam 1-1 0-0 3. Totals 26-61 10-20 72
Halftime—Minnesota 35, Penn St. 30. 3-Point goals—Minnesota 7-14 (Jacobson 3-4, Clark 2-3, Lewis 2-4, Ja Stanford 0-1, Harris 0-2), Penn St. 10-25 (Lisicky 3-8, Ivory 2-4, Grays 2-4, Crispin 2-7, Branam 1-1, Stevenson 0-1). Fouled out—Lewis, Ivory, Crispin, Cline-Heard. Rebounds—Minnesota 37 (Tarver 8), Penn St. 38 (Booth 8). Assists—Minnesota 12 (Harris 7), Penn St. 19 (Crispin 8). Total fouls—Minnesota 18, Penn St. 22. A—13,159

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FRESNO STATE (21-13): Fowlkes 5-15 14-17 24, Roberson 4-12 0-2 10, Abney 6-9 3-4 15, Alston 2-9 0-0 6, Herron 5-13 3-4 14, Walton 2-8 0-0 5, Porter 1-2 0-0 3, Laune 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 26-69 20-27 79
GEORGIA (20-15): J. Jones 5-11 3-5 13, Chadwick 1-5 0-1 3, Brown 3-3 0-0 6, Smith 9-15 0-2 27, Harrison 6-9 4-4 20, Ransom 1-2 0-0 3, A. Jones 1-1 0-0 2, Hall 3-5 0-0 6, Oliver 0-0 0-0 0, Dukes 5-10 1-2 15, Nordin 0-0 0-0 0, Dryden 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-61 8-14 95
Halftime—Georgia 42, Fresno State 38. 3-Point goals—Fresno State 7-23 (Alston 2-5, Roberson 2-7, Porter 1-2, Herron 1-4, Walton 1-4, Fowlkes 0-1), Georgia 19-35 (Smith 9-15, Harrison 4-5, Dukes 4-9, Ransom 1-1, Chadwick 1-2, J. Jones 0-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Fresno State 36 (Abney 11), Georgia 41 (Hall 7). Assists—Fresno State 18 (Alston 5), Georgia 21 (Smith, Harrison 6). Total fouls—Fresno State 16, Georgia 21.

NBA Results

Standings

By The Associated Press
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Miami	49	21	700	—
New York	39	31	557	10
New Jersey	36	34	514	13
Washington	36	34	514	13
Orlando	35	35	500	14
Boston	30	39	435	18 1/2
Philadelphia	25	44	362	23 1/2
Central Division				
x-Chicago	53	17	757	—
x-Indiana	48	21	696	4 1/2
Charlotte	45	24	652	7 1/2
Atlanta	41	27	603	11
Cleveland	38	31	551	14 1/2
Detroit	34	36	486	19
Milwaukee	30	39	435	22 1/2
Toronto	15	54	217	37 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
x-Utah	51	17	750	—
x-San Antonio	47	23	671	5
x-Houston	37	32	536	14 1/2
Minnesota	36	34	514	16
Dallas	18	52	257	34
Vancouver	16	52	235	35
Denver	8	63	113	44 1/2
Pacific Division				
x-Seattle	52	17	754	—
x-L.A. Lakers	50	19	725	2
x-Phoenix	45	25	643	7 1/2
Portland	37	31	544	14 1/2
Sacramento	26	45	366	27
L.A. Clippers	15	54	217	37
Golden State	14	55	203	38

x-clinched playoff berth

Thursday's Games
Late Games Not Included
Cleveland 97, Toronto 96
Charlotte 94, Milwaukee 80
Vancouver at Portland (n)
Seattle at Golden State (n)

Friday's Games
Charlotte at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Boston at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
Houston at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Utah at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Denver, 8 p.m.
Washington at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
New York at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.
Portland at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.

Hornets 94, Bucks 80
MILWAUKEE (80): Gilliam 6-17 1-3 13, M. Curry 2-3 0-0 4, Johnson 3-8 2-4 8, Perry 8-16 2-2 18, Allen 7-19 2-2 18, Green 0-1 0-0 0, Honeycutt 6-16 2-3 15, Pierce 1-3 0-0 2, Feick 0-3 2-2 2, Lang 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 33-86 11-16 80.
CHARLOTTE (94): Mason 2-6 2-4 6, Rice 8-14 8-11 27, Geiger 5-13 2-2 12, Wesley 10-16 0-0 21, Phills 4-10 0-1 9, Divac 7-9 0-0 14, Armstrong 1-4 0-0 2, D.Curry 1-5 0-0 3, Reid 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 38-80 12-18 94.
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3-Point goals—Milwaukee 3-13 (Allen 2-6, Honeycutt 1-5, Perry 0-1, Feick 0-1), Charlotte 6-12 (Rice 3-3, D. Curry 1-2, Wesley 1-3, Phills 1-3, Armstrong 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Milwaukee 53 (Johnson 17), Charlotte 53 (Geiger 15). Assists—Milwaukee 11 (Perry 4), Charlotte 24 (Phills 6). Total fouls—Milwaukee 19, Charlotte 14. Technicals—Charlotte illegal defense 2. A—23,086 (24,042).

Cavaliers 97, Raptors 96
CLEVELAND (97): Henderson 1-5 0-0 2, Kemp 5-15 9-16 19, Ilgauskas 8-16 1-1 17, Person 4-6 0-1 9, Knight 7-10 3-3 17, Potapenko 5-7 0-0 10, Anderson 0-3 4-4 4, Sura 5-11 1-2 13, Ferry 2-5 1-2 6, Thomas 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-78 19-29 97.
TORONTO (96): Christie 5-14 14-16 26, Wallace 5-14 2-2 12, Camby 6-15 10-14 22, Brown 6-17 2-2 18, Billups 1-7 0-0 2, Slater 2-5 4-6 8, Garner 1-2 0-0 2, Miller 3-4 0-0 6. Totals 29-78 32-40 96.
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NHL Results

Standings

By The Associated Press
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-New Jersey	44	18	9	97	199	137
Philadelphia	36	23	11	83	208	166
Washington	32	28	11	75	187	182
N.Y. Rangers	22	33	17	61	179	204
N.Y. Islanders	24	36	10	58	182	200
Florida	19	39	12	50	167	223
Tampa Bay	16	45	9	41	137	220
Northeast Division						
Pittsburgh	36	20	15	87	199	165
Boston	32	25	13	77	184	164
Montreal	33	29	9	75	204	181
Buffalo	29	25	15	73	175	159
Ottawa	28	30	12	68	166	176
Carolina	28	34	7	63	170	188
WESTERN CONFERENCE						
Central Division						
x-Dallas	42	17	11	95	210	138
x-Detroit	38	19	15	91	219	174
St. Louis	37	26	8	82	208	170
Chicago	28	31	12	68	176	173
Phoenix	28	31	12	68	193	199
Toronto	25	37	9	59	161	202
Pacific Division						
x-Colorado	36	20	16	88	209	177
Los Angeles	33	25	11	77	201	182
Edmonton	28	34	10	66	183	201
San Jose	27	36	7	61	168	188
Anaheim	24	37	11	59	177	222
Calgary	23	35	13	59	188	213
Vancouver	22	37	13	57	199	245

x-clinched playoff berth

Thursday's Games
Late Games Not Included
Boston 4, Philadelphia 2
Carolina 4, N.Y. Rangers 1
N.Y. Islanders 4, Pittsburgh 3
Florida 5, Montreal 4
Anaheim 3, Detroit 3, tie
St. Louis 3, Tampa Bay 2
Toronto 1, Dallas 0
New Jersey 2, Colorado 0
Calgary 3, Washington 2
Buffalo at Vancouver (n)
San Jose at Los Angeles (n)

Friday's Games
Ottawa at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Buffalo at Edmonton, 8 p.m.

Islanders 4, Penguins 3
Pittsburgh . . . . .3 0 0 — 3
N.Y. Islanders . . .2 2 0 — 4
First Period—1, Pittsburgh, Hatcher 15 (Jagr, Olausson), 6:16 (pp). 2, New York, Dawe 20 (Chebaturkin, Pilon), 6:39. 3, New York, Jonsson 14 (Chebaturkin), 9:19. 4, Pittsburgh, Dome 3 (Straka, Tamer), 11:26. 5, Pittsburgh, Hatcher 16 (Francis, Barnes), 13:24.
Second Period—6, New York, Linden 13 (Sacco, Laporte), 3:30. 7, New York, Smolinski 12 (Palffy), 18:56 (pp).
Third Period—None.
Shots on goal—Pittsburgh 11-8-7—26. New York 6-8-4—18. Power-play Opportunities—Pittsburgh 1 of 8, New York 1 of 2. Goalies—Pittsburgh, Skudra 6-4-1 (18 shots-14 saves). New York, Salo 20-25-5 (26-23). A—12,193 (16,297).

Panthers 5, Canadiens 4
Montreal . . . . . .1 2 1 — 4
Florida . . . . . .2 1 2 — 5
First Period—1, Florida, Whitney 26, 11:00 (pp). 2, Montreal, Corson 18 (Koivu, Malakhov), 12:04. 3, Florida, Svehla 7 (Whitney, Dvorak), 15:02.
Second Period—4, Montreal, Rucinsky 20 (Damphousse, Malakhov), 5:09 (pp). 5, Montreal, Hoglund 11 (Malakhov, Koivu), 10:21. 6, Florida, Lindsay 8 (Mellanby), 16:32.
Third Period—7, Montreal, Brisebois 6 (Damphousse, Rucinsky), 3:33 (pp). 8, Florida, Gagner 18 (Whitney), 12:50. 9, Florida, Lindsay 9 (Muller), 14:33.
Shots on goal—Montreal 10-14-4—28. Florida 8-4-9—21. Power-play Opportunities—Montreal 2 of 10, Florida 1 of 6. Goalies—Montreal, Moog 17-16-4 (21 shots-16 saves). Florida, McLean 11-19-4 (28-24). A—14,703 (14,703).

Bruins 4, Flyers 2
Philadelphia . . . .2 0 0 — 2
Boston . . . . . .3 0 1 — 4
First Period—1, Boston, DiMaio 10 (Bourque, Axelsson), :33. 2, Philadelphia, Sillinger 17 (McGillis), 2:45 (sh). 3, Boston, Sullivan 4 (Bourque, Axelsson), 4:03. 4, Philadelphia, Brind'Amour 32 (Klatt, Coffey), 5:40 (pp). 5, Boston, Axelsson 7 (DiMaio, Sullivan), 9:04.
Second Period—None.
Third Period—6, Boston, Khristich 26 (Allison, Gill), 2:41.
Shots on goal—Philadelphia 13-11-15—39. Boston 12-9-6—27. Power-play Opportunities—Philadelphia 1 of 3, Boston 0 of 4. Goalies—Philadelphia, Burke 10-21-9 (27 shots-23 saves). Boston, Dafoe 25-21-9 (39-37). A—15,985 (17,565).

Hurricanes 4, Rangers 1
N.Y. Rangers . . . .1 0 0 — 1
Carolina . . . . . .0 3 1 — 4
First Period—1, New York, Kovalev 17 (Beukeboom), 8:53.
Second Period—2, Carolina, O'Neill 16 (Roberts, Kapanen), 3:51. 3, Carolina, Gelinas 12, 17:43. 4, Carolina, Primeau 23 (Sheppard), 18:26.
Third Period—5, Carolina, O'Neill 17 (Kapanen, Emerson), 9:06 (pp).
Shots on goal—New York 7-3-6—16. Carolina 3-9-17—29. Power-play Opportunities—New York 0 of 5, Carolina 1 of 9. Goalies—New York, Richter 19-28-15 (29 shots-25 saves). Carolina, Kidd 16-18-2 (16-15). A—15,426 (15,902).

Mighty Ducks 3, Red Wings 3
Anaheim . . . .1 . . .1 1 0 — 3
Detroit . . . . .1 . . .1 1 0 — 3
First Period—1, Detroit, Fedorov 3 (Kozlov), 14:23. 2, Anaheim, Green 16 (Young), 19:25.
Second Period—3, Detroit, Kozlov 23 (Lapanov, Brown), 8:15 (pp). 4, Anaheim, Jomphe 1 (Nielsen, Severyn), 14:56.
Third Period—5, Detroit, Shanahan 27 (McCarty, Lidstrom), 3:52 (pp). 6, Anaheim, Trnka 2 (Selanne, Rucchin), 6:29.
Overtime—None.
Shots on goal—Anaheim 6-7-13-2—28. Detroit 12-18-12-2—44. Power-play Opportunities—Anaheim 0 of 6, Detroit 2 of 4. Goalies—Anaheim, Shtalenkov 11-13-5 (44 shots-41 saves). Detroit, Hodson 9-2-3 (28-25). A—19,983 (19,983).

Maple Leafs 1, Stars 0
Toronto . . . . . .0 0 1 — 1
Dallas . . . . . .0 0 0 — 0
First Period—None.
Second Period—None.
Third Period—1, Toronto, Berezin 15 (Zettler), 3:42.
Shots on goal—Toronto 2-7-6—15. Dallas 14-9-13—36. Power-play Opportunities—Toronto 0 of 1, Dallas 0 of 4. Goalies—Toronto, Potvin 22-29-7 (36 shots-36 saves). Dallas, Turek 11-6-1 (15-14). A—16,622 (16,928).

Blues 3, Lightning 2
Tampa Bay . . . . .0 1 1 — 2
St. Louis . . . . . .3 0 0 — 3
First Period—1, St. Louis, MacInnis 17 (Campbell, Rheaume), 3:30 (pp). 2, St. Louis, B.Hull 25 (Duchesne, Turgeon), 7:39. 3, St. Louis, B.Hull 26 (Rheaume, Duchesne), 12:02.
Second Period—4, Tampa Bay, Andersson 4, 5:22.
Third Period—5, Tampa Bay, Renberg 14 (Wilkie, Richer), 19:07.
Shots on goal—Tampa Bay 5-7-7—19. St. Louis 8-9-6—23. Power-play Opportunities—Tampa Bay 0 of 4, St. Louis 1 of 6. Goalies—Tampa Bay, Fitzpatrick 7-16-1 (23 shots-20 saves). St. Louis, Fuhr 24-20-6 (19-17). A—20,502 (19,260).

Flames 3, Capitals 2
Washington . . . . .1 1 0 — 2
Calgary . . . . . .0 3 0 — 3
First Period—1, Washington, Konowalchuk 7 (Witt, Juneau), 2:31.
Second Period—2, Washington, Oates 16 (Tikkanen, Krygier), 2:22. 3, Calgary, Cassels 12 (Morris, Allison), 3:28. 4, Calgary, Fleury 25 (Domenichelli, Hulse), 13:37. 5, Calgary, Wiemer 9 (Fleury, Morris), 14:13 (pp).
Third Period—None.
Shots on goal—Washington 5-7-15—27. Calgary 7-15-4—26. Power-play Opportunities—Washington 0 of 6, Calgary 1 of 4. Goalies—Washington, Kolzig 25-16-9 (26 shots-23 saves). Calgary, Tabaracci 12-20-6 (27-25). A—15,782 (18,742).

Devils 2, Avalanche 0
New Jersey . . . . .0 2 0 — 2
Colorado . . . . . .0 0 0 — 0
First Period—None.
Second Period—1, New Jersey, Sykora 15 (Andreychuk, Pederson), 7:12 (pp). 2, New Jersey, Pederson 12 (Andreychuk, Sykora), 15:22 (pp).
Third Period—None.
Shots on goal—New Jersey 8-11-10—29. Colorado 9-9-5—23. Power-play Opportunities—New Jersey 2 of 8, Colorado 0 of 6. Goalies—New Jersey, Brodeur 41-12-7 (23 shots-23 saves). Colorado, Billington 7-6-4 (14-13), Roy (7:12 second, 15-14). A—16,061 (16,061).

College Baseball

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MIDWEST
Bethel, Ind. 3-0, St. Francis, Ind. 1-4
Huron 11-9, Nebraska-Kearney 8-16
North Dakota St. 8-3, NW Missouri St. 5-4
Ohio Dominican 11, Capital 10
Wayne, Mich. 13-7, Northwd, Mich. 6-10
Wooster 21, Tiffin 10
FAR WEST
Cal St. Northridge 15, Biola 3
Nevada 13, Stanford 5
TOURNAMENT
Rainbow Easter Tournament
Nebraska 6, Hawaii-Hilo 2
EAST
Babson 11, Clark U. 3
Bridgewater, Mass. 20, Wentworth Tech 1
Framingham St. 17, Rhode Island Coll. 12
Jersey City St. 20, St. Peter's 13
Long Island U. 20, La Salle 8
Massachusetts 14, Holy Cross 6
New York Tech 19, Manhattan 9
Pace 9, Wagner 9, tie
Rider 8, Rutgers 4
St. John's 6, Iona 4
Seton Hall 5, St. Francis, N.Y. 2
Tufts 4, Brandeis 3
Wilmington, Del. 8, College of N.J. 6
SOUTH
Ala.-Huntsville 20-17, Alabama A&M 2-2
Armstrong Atlantic 13, Hillsdale 7
Averett 14-3, Newport News 5-5
Belmont 2-2, Morehead St. 0-0
Campbell 14, Brown 3
Dartmouth 8, Drexel 3
Harvard 17, Oakland, Mich. 9
Harvard 16, Upper Iowa 13
High Point 15, Barton 3
James Madison 15, Liberty 7
Kennesaw St. 11-9, Columbus St. 3-6
Lenoir-Rhyne 7-11, Shepherd 1-4
Limestone 11-13, Morris 0-3
Lincoln Memorial 7, Carson-Newman 6
Longwood 12, Lynchburg 3
Maryland 14, Florida St. 6
Newberry 19, West Virginia St. 9
N.C.-Greensboro 12, Towson 6
N.C. Wesleyan 7, Frostburg St. 6
N.C.-Wilmington 5, Youngstown St. 3
NW Louisiana 1, McNeese St. 0
Virginia Tech at Appalachian St., ppd., wet grounds
VMI 15, Md.-Baltimore County 5
West Georgia 16, Berry 10
William & Mary 7, Norfolk St. 2

Lipton Champ.

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. (AP) — Results Thursday from the $4.6 million Lipton Championships at Crandon Park.

Men
Singles
Quarterfinals
Andre Agassi, Las Vegas, def. Jeff Tarango, Manhattan Beach, Calif., 6-4, 6-3.
Alex Corretja (8), Spain, def. Steve Campbell, Detroit, 6-3, 6-1.
Doubles
Quarterfinals
Jonathan Stark, Seattle, and Alex O'Brien, Amarillo, Texas, def. David Adams and Wayne Ferreira, South Africa, 5-7, 6-3, 6-3.
Mark Knowles, Bahamas, and Daniel Nestor, Canada, def. Sandon Stolle, Australia, and Cyril Suk, Czech Republic, 6-1, 7-6 (7-2).
Ellis Ferreira, South Africa, and Rick Leach, Laguna Beach, Calif., def. Neil Broad, England, and Piet Norval, South Africa, 6-3, 6-4.
Women
Singles
Semifinals
Venus Williams (11), Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., def. Martina Hingis (1), Switzerland, 6-2, 5-7, 6-2.
Doubles
Quarterfinals
Conchita Martinez, Spain, and Patricia Tarabini, Argentina, def. Alexandra Fusai and Nathale Tauziat, France, 6-2, 3-6, 7-6 (7-5).
Martina Hingis, Switzerland, and Jana Novotna, Czech Republic, def. Elena Likhovtseva and Ai Sugiyama, Japan, 6-4, 6-3.

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Playoff Glance
By The Associated Press
First Round
(Best-of-5)
New Mexico vs. San Angelo
Wednesday, March 18
New Mexico 2, San Angelo 1
Friday, March 20
New Mexico 8, San Angelo 5
Saturday, March 21
New Mexico 7, San Angelo 2, New Mexico wins series 3-0

El Paso vs. Lake Charles
Thursday, March 19
El Paso 7, Lake Charles 3
Saturday, March 21
Lake Charles 5, El Paso 3
Thursday, March 26
El Paso 7, Lake Charles 3, El Paso leads series 2-1
Saturday, March 28
El Paso at Lake Charles
Tuesday, March 31
Lake Charles at El Paso, if necessary

Fort Worth vs. Austin
Friday, March 20
Fort Worth 3, Austin 2
Saturday, March 21
Austin 2, Fort Worth 1, OT, series tied 1-1
Friday, March 27
Fort Worth at Austin
Saturday, March 28
Fort Worth at Austin
Sunday, March 29
Austin at Fort Worth, if necessary

Shreveport vs. Central Texas
Friday, March 20
Shreveport 4, Central Texas 3
Sunday, March 22
Shreveport 6, Central Texas 3, Shreveport leads series 2-0
Friday, March 27
Shreveport at Central Texas
Saturday, March 28
Shreveport at Central Texas, if necessary
Sunday, March 29
Central Texas at Shreveport, if necessary

Exhibit. Baseball

At A Glance
By The Associated Press
AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Baltimore	17	7	708
Boston	17	8	680
Texas	19	9	679
Chicago	18	13	581
New York	15	11	577
Seattle	16	12	571
Oakland	17	13	567
Anaheim	15	13	536
Detroit	15	13	536
Toronto	14	15	483
Kansas City	12	14	462
Minnesota	13	17	433
Tampa Bay	10	17	371
Cleveland	9	17	346
NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
San Diego	19	10	655
Los Angeles	16	9	640
Houston	15	9	625
New York	16	11	593
Philadelphia	15	12	556
Arizona	16	14	533
Chicago	14	13	519
Atlanta	13	14	481
St. Louis	11	13	458
Pittsburgh	12	15	444
Colorado	13	17	433
Cincinnati	12	16	429
Florida	9	16	360
San Francisco	9	20	310
Milwaukee	9	21	300
Montreal	5	22	185

(NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings, games against non-major league teams do not.)
Thursday's Games
Toronto 4, Syracuse 3
Boston 3, Minnesota 2, 11 innings
New York Yankees 3, Tampa Bay 3, 10 innings
Cincinnati 2, Texas 0
Houston 2, Detroit 1
Baltimore 6, Florida 4
Philadelphia 4, Pittsburgh 3
Montreal 1, St. Louis 0, 10 innings
Atlanta 3, New York Mets 3, 12 innings, mutual agreement
Seattle 6, San Diego 4
Arizona vs. Chicago White Sox, ccd., rain
Oakland vs. San Francisco, ccd., rain
Colorado 5, Chicago Cubs 5, 10 1/2 innings, rain
Kansas City 9, Cleveland 2
Friday's Games
Minnesota vs. Texas at Port Charlotte, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Pawtucket vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
New York Yankees vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh vs. Cleveland at Winter Haven, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Cincinnati vs. Kansas City at Haines City, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Florida vs. Houston at Kissimmee, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Baltimore vs. Montreal at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Milwaukee vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 2 p.m.
Colorado vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
San Francisco vs. Chicago White Sox at Las Vegas, 3:35 p.m.
Atlanta at Tampa Bay, 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis vs. New York Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla., 7:10 p.m.
Toronto vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla., 7:35 p.m.
Arizona vs. Oakland at Las Vegas, 10:05 p.m.
Los Angeles at Anaheim, 10:05 p.m.
San Diego State at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.

Winston Cup

By The Associated Press
NASCAR Winston Cup schedule, winners in parentheses, and driver point standings.
Feb. 15 — Daytona 500, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Dale Earnhardt)
Feb. 22 — Goodwrench Service 400, Rockingham, N.C. (Jeff Gordon)
March 1 — Las Vegas 400 (Mark Martin)
March 8 — Primestar 500, Hampton, Ga. (Bobby Labonte)
March 22 — TranSouth Financial 400, Darlington, S.C. (Dale Jarrett)
March 29 — Food City 500, Bristol, Tenn.

Driver Standings
1. Rusty Wallace, 835
2. Jeremy Mayfield, 781
3. Dale Earnhardt, 705
4. Jeff Gordon, 688
5. Bill Elliott, 680
6. Terry Labonte, 676
7. Mark Martin, 653
8. Jeff Burton, 634
9. Bobby Labonte, 619
10. Dale Jarrett, 615
11. Ken Schrader, 575
12. Jimmy Spencer, 569
13. Ward Burton, 553
14. Michael Waltrip, 544
15. Bobby Hamilton, 531

Golf Results

Players Champ.

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Scores Thursday after the first round of the $4 million Players Championship, played on the 6,950-yard, par 36-36—72 TPC at Sawgrass Stadium Course.

Glen Day	35-31 — 66
Fred Couples	34-33 — 67
Rocco Mediate	32-35 — 67
Jerry Kelly	32-36 — 68
Joe Ozaki	35-34 — 69
Billy Mayfair	36-33 — 69
Ben Crenshaw	34-35 — 69
Phil Mickelson	37-32 — 69
Bruce Lietzke	35-34 — 69
Mark Calcavecchia	35-34 — 69
David Duval	36-33 — 69
David Frost	34-35 — 69
Jeff Maggert	32-37 — 69
Len Mattiace	35-34 — 69
Nolan Henke	33-36 — 69
Per-Ulrik Johansson	34-35 — 69
Ted Tryba	33-37 — 70
Jim Furyk	35-35 — 70
Billy Andrade	35-35 — 70
Mark O'Meara	33-37 — 70
Lee Janzen	38-32 — 70
Ronnie Black	36-34 — 70
Steve Jones	36-35 — 71
Tom Watson	35-36 — 71
Brad Faxon	38-33 — 71
John Cook	35-36 — 71
John Daly	38-33 — 71
David Toms	35-36 — 71
Ernie Els	37-34 — 71
Nick Price	35-36 — 71
Craig Stadler	33-38 — 71
Stewart Cink	37-34 — 71
Tommy Armour III	35-36 — 71
Retief Goosen	38-33 — 71
Steve Pate	38-33 — 71
Robert Damron	36-35 — 71
Stephen Ames	34-37 — 71
Doug Barron	34-37 — 71
Andrew Magee	37-34 — 71
Scott Verplank	34-37 — 71
Donnie Hammond	38-33 — 71
Kirk Triplett	36-35 — 71
Steve Lowery	35-36 — 71
David Sutherland	34-38 — 72
John Huston	36-36 — 72
Frank Nobilo	35-37 — 72
Phil Blackmar	40-32 — 72
Tiger Woods	37-35 — 72
Russ Cochran	36-36 — 72
Bob Estes	37-35 — 72
Jose Maria Olazabal	36-36 — 72
Scott Gump	34-38 — 72
Brandel Chamblee	37-35 — 72
Lee Rinker	35-37 — 72
Omar Uresti	37-35 — 72
Jesper Parnevik	35-37 — 72
Bob Tway	38-34 — 72
Justin Leonard	36-36 — 72
Tom Lehman	38-34 — 72
Scott McCarron	37-35 —



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North Carolina players tour the Alamo complex Thursday in San Antonio. The Tar Heels take on Utah in one of Saturday's semifinals at the AlamoDome.

Point-shaving charges take focus away from Final Four

By Jim O'Connell
AP Basketball Writer

SAN ANTONIO — College basketball's biggest weekend got off to a bad start because of its biggest concern — point-shaving charges.

As the last of the teams arrived Thursday for the Final Four, word came from Chicago that another point-shaving scandal had hit college basketball. The latest one involves student-athletes from Northwestern and comes just months after players from Arizona State pleaded guilty in a similar case.

As the NCAA prepares to end one of its most exciting and competitive tournaments, the talk was about what happened off the court, not what will be happening on it Saturday and Monday.

"To have an announcement like that come out as we are going into our Final Four is something we would prefer not to have," NCAA executive director Cedric Dempsey said at the Alamodome, site of this year's Final Four.

"On the other hand, I think there's a positive to this. Part of this is education, part of this is to make people aware that it not only happens in public schools, it's not regionalized. It exists on almost every campus in this country."

Two former Northwestern players, Dion Lee and Dewey Williams, were indicted on charges of shaving points in games played during the 1994-95 season.

"It's a bomb ready to explode. It can happen to anybody. You wouldn't even know it until it happened," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said Thursday. "Kids know their classmates are gambling. There is gambling in fraternities and there are office pools. Everybody plays with a bomb that doesn't explode on them."

Still, there are three games this weekend that will draw the attention of the entire sporting world.

In Saturday's opener, Stanford plays Kentucky, while top-ranked North Carolina and Utah play in the second game with the winners meeting Monday night for the national championship.

Each of the semifinals has a team that reached the Final Four for the first time in a long time just one year after losing one of the best players in school history. They'll play teams that have made the Final Four a familiar place the last few years.

Stanford (30-4) is in the Final Four for the first time since winning its only national championship, in 1942. The Cardinal are also here the year after star guard Brevin Knight graduated.

"A lot of times with a dominant player they overshadow what others might be able to do given the opportunity and that's the case with us with Arthur Lee," Stanford coach Mike Montgomery said of the guard that led his team to victory in the Midwest Regional final against Rhode Island.

Kentucky (33-4) is in the Final Four for the third straight year, failing to repeat as national champion last year with the overtime loss to Arizona in the title game. Five of the current Wildcats were on the 1995 national championship team and three of the starters are back from last season.

"We've had great leadership all year long from guys like Jeff Sheppard, Cameron Mills and Allen Edwards," first-year Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said. "They have all been to the dance before and even won an NCAA championship. Their leadership is very vital and very instrumental in helping me and the newcomers prepare for this."

Utah (29-3) is in the Final Four for the first time since 1966 and it happened the year after All-America forward Keith Van Horn graduated. The run to the Final Four was capped with the most stunning of the regional finals, a 25-point win over top-seeded Arizona that featured the Utes' use of a triangle-and-2 defense.

"We were fortunate it was able to work the last game," Utah coach Rick Majerus said. "There are a lot of problems going against Carolina, the biggest of which is they're just a damn good team."

North Carolina (34-3) is the only top seed to reach the Final Four and the Tar Heels did it under rookie coach Bill Guthridge, who replaced Dean Smith after sitting beside him on the bench for 30 years. They are back for the fifth time in the '90s and will try to make up for last year's national semifinal loss to Arizona, a game in which Shammond Williams was 1-for-13 from the field.

"I know he was disappointed in the Arizona game last year on his poor shooting," Guthridge said of Williams. "That made him work even harder this year to get back here."

Jamison doesn't get style points for his shooting — just real points

By David Droschak
AP Sports Writer

SAN ANTONIO — If there ever was a player who shoots from the hip it's Antawn Jamison — and from seemingly everywhere else.

Jamison's unconventional style, one that sees him deliver his quick shot from countless angles, has left opponents of the North Carolina junior All-American shaking their heads in defenseless dismay.

"It just goes in," teammate Ademola Okulaja said when asked to describe Jamison's shot, which has produced 22.4 points a game and 58.6 percent shooting. "It can be pretty or it can be ugly but if it goes in, shoot it. We don't even try to describe it. As long as he makes it we're happy and he's happy — we're all happy."

In a season of surprises in the NCAA tournament, Jamison is far and away the biggest individual star in this year's Final Four. The 6-foot-9 forward is bidding to become the first North Carolina player since Billy Cunningham in 1965 to average at least 20 points and 10 rebounds and has been described as the program's best player since Michael Jordan.

Coach Bill Guthridge calls him a warrior who gives 100 percent on every possession.

"How would I stop him?" Guthridge asked. "Try and keep him from getting the ball, which is what most teams try to do. But Antawn is very good moving without the basketball."

With the ball, Jamison has moved into seventh place on North Carolina's all-time scoring list (1,960 points) and fourth in rebounding (1,015), and if he returns for his senior season will likely become the Atlantic Coast Conference's all-time leading scorer.

Despite all the offensive numbers — which include 50 double-doubles — Jamison is an unassuming star who talked more this week about work ethic, leadership and helping defend Utah's Michael Doleac than scoring points.

"The thing that I am really proud of is I have been more of a vocal leader," Jamison said.

Just the other day, Jamison stopped one of North Carolina's practices to hand out credit to 270-pound freshman center Brendan Haywood, who dived to the floor for a loose ball.

"A lot of players realize while you're out there in practice if you're not giving 100 percent you better watch out for Antawn because he is really going to get on our back," Jamison said. "I am one of those guys that gives 100 percent every time I'm in practice and I try to do the same out there in the court."

In that sense, Jamison is the perfect leader by example for the No. 1 Tar Heels (34-3), always moving without the ball and often in front of the pack in the Tar Heels' fast break.

"He has a tenacious work ethic on the floor and he plays hard, real hard," said teammate Vince Carter.

Jamison, maybe more than any other North Carolina player, set the tone for the team in the offseason after a disappointing loss to eventual national champion Arizona in last year's NCAA tournament semifinals.

"We probably played the best 10 to 15 minutes of basketball we had ever played," Jamison said of last year's Final Four defeat to the Wildcats. "We were so much on a high. To be that close and to play so well early on and then the second half for things to fall apart, it hurt."

Jamison won the team's defensive award in the East Regional semifinals against Michigan State last week and embraces the challenge of helping check Doleac, the Utes' 265-pound center who averages 16.2 points and 7.1 rebounds.

"He is one of the guys who for 40 minutes you have to play your heart out because he's going to play his heart out," Jamison said of Doleac. "They kind of remind me of ourselves because you can't really concentrate on one player."

Stanford big man avoids spotlight

By Dennis Georgatos
AP Sports Writer

SAN ANTONIO — Chances are, you won't see 7-foot-1 Tim Young jamming home a rim-rattling dunk. That would call too much attention to himself.

The tallest player on the tallest team in Stanford's history, Young prefers a layup or hook shot to a slam, or perhaps a quick dish to an open teammate rather than forcing an in-your-face drive.

For all that, he is a surprisingly nimble defender with a school record 135 blocks and an imposing, if stoic, presence on the boards.

It's all part of a quieter approach that has melded nicely with some of the more dynamic play by his teammates to help Stanford to its first Final Four since the 1942 team won the national title.

The Cardinal (30-4) play Kentucky (33-4) in the semifinals Saturday at the Alamodome.

"Really, without Tim we would not be here. We would not be in the position we're in," said Mark Madsen, Stanford's power forward and a bruising counterpoint to Young's more subdued yet effective style. "When we need a big play, you'll notice we go to his side. We've gone to him and he's produced."

Young's play in the tournament has gone almost unnoticed with the focus on Stanford's last-minute rally against Rhode Island to win the Midwest Regional championship.

Arthur Lee led that comeback with 13 points in the last couple of minutes, along with a steal that set up Madsen's thundering go-ahead dunk. But it was largely Young who kept the Cardinal in striking distance, finishing with 14 points and 12 rebounds for his 32nd career double-double and second of the tournament.

"His rebounding contribution is huge and unquestionably he's a presence, physically and size-wise, and sometimes that doesn't show up statistically," Stanford coach Mike Montgomery said. "Other people's big people might walk away from a game and say, 'I couldn't get done what I usually get done.'"

"But I'm not sure that's Tim's personality demands or that he wants to be the star. I think his whole persona is one of contributing and being part of a team and liking that whole thing. I think he's very comfortable with his role and certainly we are."

Young, who has averaged 13.3 points on 23-of-32 shooting from the floor (73 percent) in four tournament games, has thought about becoming more of an intimidator, but he has had a hard time with it because it doesn't suit his nature.

"I'd be a much better player if I did that. I'd be a great player," Young said. "(But) part of my personality is poise. It's difficult not making your personality part of your game."

An English major who dabbles in poetry, Young is content with expressing himself on the court as one part of the whole, no more and no less. He said that fits in with him and the structure of Stanford's team, which has four players averaging in double figures.

North Carolina coach Guthridge tries to duplicate success his predecessor had

By Kelley Shannon
AP Sports Writer

SAN ANTONIO — Though he's the one leading North Carolina into the Final Four, Bill Guthridge says longtime Tar Heels coach Dean Smith remains a big part of the team's success.

"I admire him so much," Guthridge said. "I think our team would be acting the same way if he were the coach. We're a veteran team."

Guthridge, 60, took over when Smith retired as head coach before this season. Guthridge said he still seeks advice from his predecessor and said Smith tried to prepare him for the top job.

"Coach Smith always wanted me to think in terms of a head coach, what decisions I would make. And I think that has helped me," Guthridge said.

Guthridge is only the seventh rookie coach to reach the Final Four. Only one, Steve Fisher of Michigan in 1989, has won the championship.

BILL'S BACK: Guthridge will become the sixth head coach to also have played in a Final Four.

Well, sort of, according to Guthridge.

"My role as a player in the Final Four was to sit on the bench," Guthridge said of Kansas State's appearance in 1958. "But I was there, and it was an exciting time."

Guthridge paused, then added: "I had no role actually."

Guthridge's former boss, Dean Smith, played for Kansas in the 1952 and 1953 Final Fours and coached in 11 Final Fours.

Others who played are Bones McKinney, Bobby Knight, Dick Harp and Vic Bubas.

WILDCATS UNWIND: After Sunday's emotional victory over Duke in the South Regional finals, Kentucky's Cameron Mills and Scott Padgett needed to get away from it all.

They did it at a professional wrestling event Monday night in Louisville.

"It was kind of a way for the two of us to unwind," Mills said. "There were a whole lot of Kentucky fans there."

Mills enjoys the drama of pro wrestling.

"It's a great, big, violent soap opera," he said with a laugh.

■ Final Four Notebook

The Wildcats are relieved they didn't have to come back and play again two days after the Duke game.

"That was a tough 40 minutes," forward Allen Edwards said.

Heshimu Evans said the break will give Kentucky time to get ready for Stanford in Saturday's semifinals of the Final Four.

"We get to focus on who we get to play," he said. "We get some tape and we get to practice their stuff over and over."

THE BIG TIME: Stanford coach Mike Montgomery, making his first appearance in the Final Four after 20 years as a head coach, recalls the early days of his career when he toiled in small jobs for low wages.

But he says he didn't think of it as paying his dues because he loved what he was doing.

"I was working for $1,000 here and $2,500 there just trying to get a foot in the door like a lot of guys did back then," he said. "You know, they had graduate assistanceships and you could have a lot of coaches and I lived in athletic dorms.

"But I was single and loving it, traveling around, eating, thinking that was a heck of a deal."

PADGETT'S RETURN: Kentucky forward Scott Padgett doesn't dwell on missed opportunities.

The 6-foot-9 junior missed Kentucky's 1996 championship season for academic reasons. He also sat out the first half of last season, but came back to help the Wildcats return to the Final Four.

While away from the team, Padgett made the Dean's list in the fall semester of 1996 and spring semester of 1997. And he was recently named to the Southeastern Conference's academic honor roll after compiling a 3.44 grade-point average last year.

"I know I'm part of it now," said Padgett, a social work major. "I'm happy with where I'm at."

CITY: San Antonio celebrates its history

(From 1C)

ico," said John Solis, special projects director for the San Antonio Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Much of the city's historic downtown architecture still stands, thanks mostly to the efforts of the San Antonio Conservation Society.

La Villita, a little village on a bend of the San Antonio River, and San Fernando Cathedral on Main Plaza both date to the 1700s. The notable Milam Building was built in 1928 and the imposing and colorful Tower Life Building came a year later.

The best-known structure is the Alamo, a Spanish mission where 189 Texas independence fighters died in an 1836 battle with the Mexican army. Four other missions — Concepcion, Espada, San Jose and San Juan — established in the 1700s by Franciscan friars are farther south in the city.

San Antonio celebrates its ties to the Texas war for independence along with its multi-ethnic heritage each April during a 10-day citywide party known as Fiesta.

Tourism promoters plan to give Final Four visitors an early taste of Fiesta, hoping that San Antonio will come to mind when they plan future vacations or business trips.

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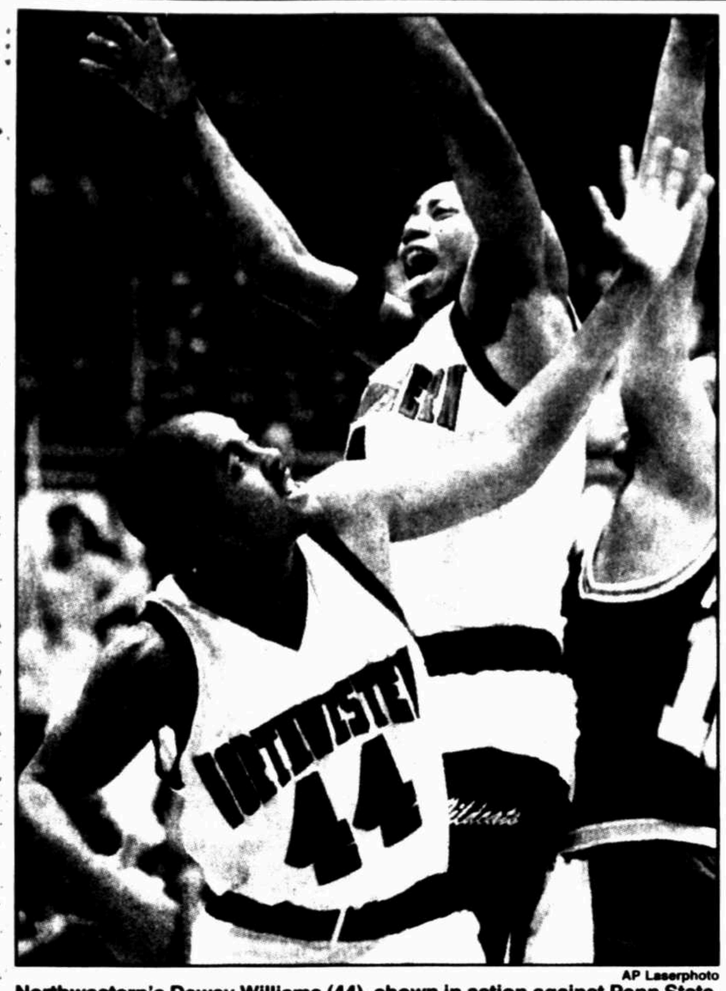
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Northwestern's Dewey Williams (44), shown in action against Penn State, on Feb. 22, 1995, was indicted Thursday in Chicago on charges of shaving points in three of the school's basketball games during the 1994-95 season. One of those games was this one.

Stanford boasts strong programs

By Steve Wilstein
AP Sports Writer

SAN ANTONIO — When Jeff Tarango threw a tantrum that got him kicked out of Wimbledon a few years ago, a British tabloid noted he had played for Stanford and wondered if everyone from the school was a little crazy.

The answer, in a way, is yes. Crazy about competition. In the classrooms, on the courts, in the fields.

Stanford is the home of winners. Nobel Prizes. Pulitzer Prizes. Olympic medals. NCAA championships. John McEnroe. Tiger Woods.

The men's basketball team that plays in the Final Four against Kentucky on Saturday is every bit part of a work-hard, play-hard attitude that enables Stanford to reign, virtually year after year, as one of the nation's top sports schools.

With a sports budget of more than $30 million a year, this private university draws athletes from a relatively tiny student population compared with North Carolina, UCLA, Penn State and other perennial basketball or football powerhouses.

But the lack of prominence in basketball and football — Stanford last reached the Final Four in 1942 and last played in the Rose Bowl in 1972 — obscures the fact that it wins in so many other sports.

Stanford won six NCAA championships last year — men's and women's tennis, men's and women's volleyball, and men's and women's cross country. It also had three runners-up, three third-place finishes, 16 teams in the top five, 19 in the top 10, and 23 in the top 20.

So far this year, Stanford has won three NCAA titles. No school has won more NCAA team championships than Stanford over the last five years (21), 10 years (36) and 15 years (48).

In the five years that the Sears Directors Cup has been awarded to the top U.S. athletic program, Stanford has won it four times, including the last three. North Carolina, one of the finest state schools academically, won it once. This year, Stanford will win it again.

Stanford's 81 national championships include 16 in men's tennis, 10 in women's tennis, nine in men's water polo, nine in women's swimming, seven in men's swimming, and seven in men's golf.

At first glance, the school looks laid-back. Towering palm trees shade the main drive into the campus. Vast lawns serve as carpets for students studying under the sun or tossing Frisbees. Neat flower beds surround Rodin sculptures. Rolling hills, green as Ireland in the wet winters and brown the rest of the year, offer a bucolic backdrop to the low, red tile-roofed Spanish style quads.

In elegant Palo Alto, about halfway between San Francisco and San Jose, Stanford's workaholic scientists and entrepreneurs spawned the companies that evolved into Silicon Valley. The university, along with rival California across the bay in Berkeley, continues to generate the talent and nonstop working atmosphere that make Silicon Valley so successful.

That same attitude translates to success in sports.

"By nature, we have motivated athletes who are used to competing in the classroom and in sports," assistant athletic director Gary Migdol said. "It's a special kind of student who comes here. He or she has a penchant to improve and excel.

"We have more Olympians than anyone else (49 athletes and coaches at the Atlanta Games) and the success at the NCAA championships feeds on itself. The baseball and tennis teams win, so the swimming team wants to win, and the basketball teams and the volleyball teams. There are just a lot of champions walking around this campus."

Sophomore forward Mark "Mad Dog" Madsen is one of the Stanford basketball players who belie the notion that brains and brawn are incompatible.

A Pac-10 academic scholar who served in Spain as a Mormon missionary, the 6-foot 8 Madsen is as ferocious on the court as he is civilized away from the game. He's averaged 16 points and 13 rebounds so far in the tournament, and left opponents nursing cuts and bruises.

"The way I look at sports," he says, "is (that) once you go on the field or the court, you leave everything behind. And it's a fight for survival. If I'm not fighting to survive, the other guy's going to pound me into the ground.

"Obviously, it's good to be polite and be a good citizen off the court. On the court, it's important to be a good citizen, too. But good-citizenship rules don't really apply. ... A lot of stuff that happens on the court, you'd get thrown in jail for."

When Tom Davis quit as Stanford's basketball coach 12 years ago and moved to Iowa, he complained that he couldn't produce a championship contender at Stanford because its academic admissions standards were too high. Davis couldn't persuade Stanford to accept kids who could dunk with their elbows but not break 1,000 on their SATs.

His successor, Mike Montgomery, and players like Madsen proved Davis wrong. Stanford may not get past a quicker Kentucky team, and even if it does it may not win the championship, but it has been producing good players and excellent students for a long time. Among them, first-round NBA picks Todd Lichti, Adam Keefe and Brevin Knight, who stayed in school until they graduated.

Stanford athletes must meet the same Ivy League-level academic admission standards as the rest of the student body — meaning very high SAT scores and very high grades. But unlike the Ivys, Stanford offers a full range of athletic scholarships and competes at the top levels of all sports.

And when it comes to training facilities, Stanford is second to none with its new $20 million athletic department headquarters.

Stanford's athletic program pays for itself, mostly from football and basketball, plus fundraising and more than $3 million a year in profit from its golf course.

"You'd be hard-pressed to find another university that equals Stanford for a balance between athletics and academics, and balances its budget at the same time," Migdol said. "It all goes together, and we win championships at a phenomenal rate."

SCANDAL: Players indicted

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live in California, were accused of betting on Northwestern's opponents and persuading others to follow suit at casinos in Reno, Nev., Las Vegas and elsewhere, according to the U.S. attorney.

The Wildcats lost each game by at least 14 points and failed to cover the point spread against the Badgers and Nittany Lions. Northwestern finished the season 5-22 under coach Ricky Byrdsong, who did not return a message left at his office Thursday.

The government said Pendergast paid Lee $4,000 to fix the Penn State game. Prosecutors would not disclose how much more was involved in the alleged payoffs, other than to say the players got nothing for the Michigan game because they failed to beat the point spread.

The government said $20,000 was wagered on that game by the two accused gamblers, but would not say how much more money was involved.

"Unfortunately, student-athletes are vulnerable to the temptations and pressures associated with gambling and greed," U.S. Attorney Scott Lassar said. "That, however, does not condone unlawful conduct."

The U.S. attorney's office discovered the alleged point-shaving during an ongoing investigation that was prompted by Northwestern's own internal investigation in 1994, said Randy Samborn, a spokesman for the U.S. attorney. He said he could not give details of how the players shaved points.

"Right now, there's nothing that is concrete on it, except if you look at some of (the players') performances, they don't live up to their season averages," he said.

Lee, a guard, averaged 12 points and Williams, a center-forward, averaged 8.1 that season, but they each averaged 6.3 points in the three games. Lee scored just two points against Penn State.

Lee had been suspended by the school for six games during the '94-'95 season for betting on football not involving Northwestern, prosecutors said. They said it was only weeks after his return to the team that he began the conspiracy to shave points.

Big Ten commissioner Jim Delany said Northwestern's investigation of Lee that led to the suspension found no evidence of point shaving.

Prosecutors said a reserve basketball player, Matthew Purdy, also agreed to participate in the scheme and was named as an unindicted co-consipirator.

Former football player Brian Ballerini was charged with accepting bets on sporting events from other Northwestern athletes, including Lee. The charges against Ballerini include an accusation he threatened to harm Lee if he did not pay a gambling debt.

Lassar said Ballerini and Lee were cooperating with prosecutors and were expected to plead guilty.

None of those named in the indictments were available for comment. Prosecutors said they believed Lee lived in Louisville, Ky., and Williams in Chicago, but they did not know what they do for a living.

William Saum, an NCAA gambling specialist, said illegal sports betting is a problem "on virtually every college campus in America."

He said Northwestern acted swiftly and properly when it first learned of the possibility of illegal gambling. He said no sanctions were planned against the university.

The games in question were on Feb. 15, Feb. 22 and March 1, in 1995. In the first game, in which Wisconsin was favored by 13 1/2 points, the Badgers beat Northwestern 70-56 after trailing 28-21 at the half.

In the next game, Penn State was favored by 14 points and won 89-59; and in the third, Michigan was favored by 25 1/2 points and won 81-64.

Rick Taylor, Northwestern's athletic director, said the school learned only Thursday of the charges.

He said point-shaving "purely and simply is betrayal — betrayal of self, teammate, family, coaches, university and the very game itself."

PENDERS: Coach may be out

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reconsider if Penders wasn't the coach.

"Coach Penders came to our home in the Bronx, and Vohn just fell in love with him," Chevannes said. "We got a sense of family from him and his coaching staff. If Coach Penders isn't there, I don't think my son would want to go there."

The high-ranking university source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, cited Penders' confrontational stance surrounding UT's probe into the release of freshman guard Luke Axtell's academic progress report.

The fact that four starters, including Axtell, went to the home of Texas athletic director DeLoss Dodds on March 8 and said they no longer wanted to play for Penders also was a major factor in deciding the coach should go, the source said.

"It wasn't just one player, it was four players," the source said.

Texas assistant coach Eddie Oran earlier this week said he released Axtell's grade report.

Axtell's attorney, Sherry Rasmus of Austin, said Thursday, "Whether Penders stays or whether Penders goes, Luke's privacy was violated.

"We are looking for some formal action, and I don't know what that is, to show that Luke was wronged," Rasmus said. "This was never a thing where we were out to get Penders."

She said she has advised Axtell not to comment.

"Unequivocally, he has been smeared, as well as his family," Rasmus said. "At this time, the only way we can combat this is to not respond to the ridiculous stuff that's being said out there."

Penders and his attorney, Roy Minton of Austin, who has been in discussions with UT officials conducting the investigation, said Wednesday that they were unaware of any move to oust the coach.

Dodds' office on Thursday reiterated that the athletic director won't comment until the completion of an investigation into the release of Axtell's academic progress report, an apparent violation of federal law protecting student privacy.

Patricia Ohlendorf, vice provost and counsel to the president, said no conclusion to the probe had yet been reached and that no findings would be made public until Friday, at the earliest.

In the past 18 years, Penders has taken teams to the postseason 15 times — five NIT berths at Fordham, an NIT and NCAA berth at Rhode Island and eight NCAA berths at Texas.

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Vols' Holdsclaw, Summitt earn top women's honors

By Chuck Schoffner
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Chamique Holdsclaw and Pat Summitt, whose talents have set the tone for Tennessee's unbeaten season, were honored Thursday as The Associated Press player and coach of the year in women's basketball.

Holdsclaw, twice a first-team All-American, ends a three-year hold by Connecticut standouts on the player of the year award, first presented in 1995. Summitt won the coaching award for the first time, though she has been winning championships for years.

Both were overwhelming choices in voting by AP members nationwide.

Holdsclaw, a 6-foot-2 junior from Astoria, N.Y., leads Tennessee in scoring (23.4), rebounding (8.3), field goal percentage (.551) and steals (108) and is second in assists (109). She has scored at least 30 points six times this season, with a high of 39 against Auburn.

But even more important than her numbers is what Holdsclaw has meant to her teams. In high school, she played on four state championship teams. At Tennessee, she led the Lady Vols to the NCAA title her first two seasons, and with two victories in the Final Four this weekend, they'd win a record third straight championship.

Yet all the honors, expectations and comparisons with the best players of all time never seem to weigh on Holdsclaw. She's all business on the court, just another fun-loving, easy-going college student when the game's over.

"I just go out there and play basketball," Holdsclaw said. "God's given me the ability. The only thing I can do is go out and play. Everyone is like, Chamique is used to winning championships. It's like I'm expected to go out there and win.

"But I don't worry about all that. I'm a laid-back person. I just take care of business and let this team's game and my game speak for itself."

Her game speaks volumes. Holdsclaw can do just about anything that's possible on the court, from bringing the ball up the floor to posting up inside. She can shoot from the outside and drive to the basket. Her fadeaway jump shot from the baseline is reminiscent of Michael Jordan's.

"I think she's the best," Summitt said. "I've said that all this year. Before this year, no, because I didn't think she was committed to running the floor, her defense was average and her ballhandling was below average. She's improved according to that."



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Tennessee women's basketball coach Pat Summitt was named coach of the year by the Associated Press.

Summitt has made a career of winning, from the gold medal as coach of the 1984 U.S. Olympic team to her five NCAA titles at Tennessee. She's 662-143 during her career, ranking second all time in victories and winning percentage (.822).

At 37-0, this season's team already has won more games than any other in NCAA play and could become only the third to go unbeaten. It was ranked No. 1 all season.

"This team has been an absolute joy to coach from the beginning," Summitt said. "First, they're just so competitive. The next thing is a lot of people questioned if there would be enough basketballs to go around in Knoxville for this group.

"But this team wants to win. They're very unselfish. They're very coachable. We have not had off-the-court problems, we have not had attitude problems on the floor. That has allowed us to have great team chemistry."

It also has allowed Summitt to grow as a coach.

"I have learned a lot," she said. "It has been a challenge. I've never pressed this much, I've never implemented as many different offenses or defenses. I find they can do more than other teams, not only because of their athleticism, but because of their knowledge of the game."

The first three AP player of the year awards were won by Connecticut's Rebecca Lobo, Jennifer Rizzotti and Kara Wolters. Geno Auriemma of Connecticut was the coach of the year in 1995 and 1997 and Iowa's Angie Lee won in 1996.

Minnesota captures NIT title over Penn State on odd day for Big 10

By Tom Withers
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK — A turbulent day for the Big Ten ended with a trophy presentation.

Minnesota gave the conference a distraction from Northwestern's point-shaving scandal by winning its second NIT title this decade Thursday night with a 79-72 win over league brethren Penn State.

Kevin Clark overcame a flu bug to score a career-high 28 points, Sam Jacobson had 23 and Quincy Lewis 19 for the Gophers (20-15), a Final Four team last year.

Clark, a junior, who had 58 points, 11 rebounds in two games at Madison Square Garden, was the tournament's MVP.

The Golden Gophers, who lost seven players from the Final Four team, dropped their first six league games. But Clem Haskins' squad regrouped to win 11 of its last 14, giving the Big Ten its second straight NIT champion and third in six years. The Gophers won the tourney in 1993 and Michigan captured the crown last season.

"This is a bigger thrill for me than getting to the Final Four," Haskins said, "because we weren't expected to be here."

Playing in its first men's basketball championship game, Penn State (19-13) was hoping to shed its image as a football-only school, but the Nittany Lions couldn't rally after falling behind by 10 points in the second half.

Calvin Booth led Penn State with 14 points and eight rebounds. Senior Pete Lisicky, the second leading scorer in school history, was just 3-for-12 from the field.

"I was forcing some and they were playing tough," said Lisicky. "They were able to do some things defensively against us that nonconference teams couldn't."

The all-Big 10 final was the first for the NIT since 1979 when Indiana beat Purdue, and much of the pregame conversation among fans and reporters centered around another Big Ten school, Northwestern, which had two players indicted Thursday of shaving points during games in the 1994-95 season.

Haskins and Penn State coach Jerry Dunn, and players from both teams addressed the Northwestern situation during postgame interviews.

Penn State's game against Northwestern is one of the ones named in the indictments handed down Thursday in Chicago.

"If in fact it is true," said Dunn, "it shows that nobody is exempt. None of us are immune from this stuff."

Leading 38-37 two minutes into the second half, Lewis scored all 10 points — two field goals, a 3-pointer and a three-point play — in a 10-2 spurt that put the Gophers ahead 48-39 with 15:15 left.

"I think we picked it up defensively," said Lewis. "I got a steal and that got us going."

Penn State, which rallied from 10 points down in the second half to beat Minnesota in the schools' first meeting this season, stormed back with a 9-4 run. But Lewis made a 3-pointer, and Clark scored two layups as the Gophers pushed their lead to 62-53 with 6:12 remaining.

Penn State, hung tough, though, and closed within 64-60 on a 3-pointer by Titus Ivory with 3:03 left.

However, Lisicky missed a 3-pointer and freshman point guard Joe Crispin committed a costly turnover, forcing Penn State to foul to stop the clock. Minnesota responded by making 13 of 16 free throws in the final 2:24 to seal the win.

Lewis and Clark scored 27 of Minnesota's first 29 points in the second half, and combined with Jacobson to score 70 of the Golden Gophers' points for the game.

"That's a typical Minnesota game," said Haskins. "We like to ride the hot hand."

In the consolation game, G.G. Smith made a school record nine 3-pointers and Georgia hit 19 3s in a 95-79 win over Fresno State.

Kemp helps Cavs edge Raptors

Associated Press

TORONTO — Shawn Kemp scored 19 points and Marcus Camby missed a last-second putback as the Cleveland Cavaliers boosted their playoff hopes with a 97-96 victory over the Toronto Raptors on Thursday night.

With Toronto leading 96-95 and 17.5 seconds left, Camby's inbound pass was intercepted by Wesley Person, who passed to Derek Anderson. The Raptors fouled Anderson, who made both free throws.

Toronto got the ball back with 11 seconds left. Doug Christie brought the ball upcourt and put up a jump shot. The ball bounced off the rim, and Camby was unable to put the rebound back in as the final horn sounded.

Zydrunas Ilgauskas and Brevin Knight both added 17 points for the Cavaliers, who moved 2 1/2 games ahead of the New Jersey Nets and Washington Wizards, who are tied for the final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

Hornets 94, Buck 80

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Glen Rice scored eight straight points as part of a 12-0 run by Charlotte to open the fourth quarter.

Rice hit two 3-pointers and a dunk during the spurt that gave the Hornets a 75-66 lead and their 15th win in 16 games. The Bucks could get no closer than four points down the rest of the way.

■ NBA Roundup

Warriors 98, Sonics 91

OAKLAND, Calif. — Clarence Weatherspoon scored 12 second-half points, including a decisive putback basket with 1:14 remaining, as the Golden State Warriors stunned the Seattle Supersonics.

The Warriors broke a 12-game overall and eight-game home losing streak to the Sonics, beating them in Oakland for the first time since a 121-100 victory on Jan. 14, 1994. No players on the current Warrior roster were on that team.

The loss dropped the Sonics one game behind the Chicago Bulls for the best record in the league. They also are percentage points behind Utah for the top spot in the Western Conference.

Trail Blazers 108, Grizzlies 102

PORTLAND, Ore. — Portland clinched its 16th playoff berth as Arvydas Sabonis had 24 points and eight rebounds to lead the Trail Blazers over the Vancouver Grizzlies.

The Trail Blazers, who stopped a three-game skid, have the longest current postseason streak in the NBA.

Lee Mayberry's 3-pointer cut Portland's lead to 103-102 with 18.7 seconds remaining. Walt Williams, who had 15 of his 20 points in the fourth quarter, sank two free throws a second later to put Portland ahead 105-102.

North Carolina State coach Yow follows long road to Final Four

By Ron Lesko
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — After 23 seasons and 552 victories at North Carolina State, and after coaching the 1988 Olympic team to a gold medal, Kay Yow will coach in her first Final Four on Friday night when the Wolfpack meet Louisiana Tech in the NCAA semifinals.

Her emotions on this long-awaited trip were among the primary topics during North Carolina State's news conference Thursday. She steeled herself to the direct inquiries, then, as she answered an unrelated question, suddenly found herself reeling.

"If I hadn't gotten to a Final Four ever, I will have had a very full career," Yow said, trying to hold back tears. "Because it's watching (senior forward) Chasity Melvin mature, other people develop. It's seeing them get direction and making a contribution to society that enriches me.

"To be here at a Final Four is icing on the cake."

She paused a moment to collect herself, dabbing at the corners of her eyes with her fingers.

"And it does thrill me to be here, and I worked every year to get here."

Most people at this Final Four seem thrilled for her, too.

"I'm very happy for Kay Yow," said Arkansas coach Gary Blair, whose team also is making its first Final Four appearance and will meet Tennessee in Friday's night's second game. "She's meant a lot to the game of basketball. And it's time to see new faces here."

Louisiana Tech coach Leon Barmore does not qualify in that category.

Barmore is in his ninth Final Four since the women's NCAA tournament began in 1982. Only Tennessee's Pat Summitt has been to more, with 11.

Asked if his tournament experience and his program's tradition give the Lady Techsters (30-3) an edge over the Wolfpack (25-6), Barmore quickly alluded to Yow's international coaching experience. Including the '88 Olympic triumph, Yow is 21-1 as a coach in international competition.

"I never won a gold medal," Barmore said.

And in spite of the Lady Techsters' history, their players have combined for exactly the same number of Final Four appearances as North Carolina State's players: Zero.

That helped motivate the Lady Techsters, whose three seniors were in danger of becoming the first in school history never to reach the national semifinals.

"We walk in the gym and see banners — national championships, Final Four, Final Four runners-up — and it will be nice to look up there next year and know that we helped hang one of those banners," junior forward Monica Maxwell said.

Both coaches agreed that rebounding will be a key factor Friday night, and North Carolina State has a marked height advantage. All five starters are at least 5-foot-10, including Melvin and center Peace Shepard, both of whom are 6-3.

Summer Erb, a 6-6 center, also has been a major factor off the bench, and Barmore believes Erb might start Friday. Louisiana Tech starts only two players over 5-9.

If the Lady Techsters are to win their fourth national title, it will be on the strength of their quickness and iron-five starting unit. Guards Tamicha Jackson and LaQuan Stallworth, forwards Maxwell and Amanda Wilson and 6-3 center Alisa Burras, a second-team All-American, rarely leave the floor.

All five average in double figures, led by Wilson, the Sun Belt Conference Player of the Year who averages nearly 19 points and nine rebounds.

"That always makes it harder, because every person has to have a great defensive game," Yow said of Louisiana Tech's depth. "We have to have help from everybody on every play in the game."

And helping is something the Wolfpack have proved good at after helping their coach to her first Final Four.

Yow is "the kind of woman I want to play for and do anything for," freshman guard Tynesha Lewis said. "She would do the same for us. So to get her here where she's never been before, it's not just important to her, but it's important for me to be able to give her something back."

WOMEN: Lady Vols can use lessons they learned from North Carolina against Hogs

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by an average of 32 points.

"It opened our eyes a little," freshman Tamika Catchings said. "We've been winning games, not at ease, but we've been winning them. I think the North Carolina game proved that everybody is always ready to play against Tennessee.

"We were prepared for it, but we weren't prepared for them — the kind of game they came out playing against us."

They can expect their Southeastern Conference rival to play the same way. While Arkansas (22-10) lost to Tennessee 88-58 on Jan. 1, the Lady Razorbacks have come too far in their remarkable tournament run as a No. 9 seed to back down now.

"You have two pressing teams," Arkansas coach Gary Blair said. "And sometimes a pressing team does not like to be pressed. Somebody is going to crack, OK? We didn't come up here to sit back in a 2-3 zone and play our safety defense.

"If you get a chance to dance, you better dance with your best moves. If we look like we're in retreat, we'll get run out of the gym."

Arkansas, the lowest seed and first unranked team ever to make the Final Four, feels it's much better now than it was in the first game against Tennessee for several reasons, starting with the fact the game isn't at Knoxville.

The Razorbacks also are more confident, thanks to what they've done in the tournament so far, and point guard Christy Smith is healthy. That New Year's Day game was only her third after undergoing arthroscopic knee surgery.

"I was struggling quite a bit in those first few games back," said Smith, a tireless player who also has sustained four busted lips in games this season. "And in that game, I remember going in at halftime saying, 'I can't play the whole game.' I was so exhausted.

"I think that's the main thing. I'm in a lot better shape now."

She'll need to be to handle the smothering Tennessee press that has forced an average of 27 turnovers per game and can turn a confident opponent into a quaking, shivering mess in a matter of seconds.

Arkansas also will need the type of defense that Sytia Messer played on Tennessee All-American Chamique Holdsclaw in a 77-75 victory over the Lady Vols last season. Holdsclaw scored five points in that game. In this season's game, Holdsclaw torched Messer for 28 points on 12-for-19 shooting.

"When we faced them this year, I was motivated by the fact that I didn't have a good game down in Arkansas the year before," Holdsclaw said. "Now I think for our next matchup, we have to come in prepared as a team and want to go out there and play well."

While having Tennessee in the Final Four could have been predicted in November, Arkansas making it was a complete surprise. Arkansas went 7-7 in the SEC and lost four of its last five regular-season games. On Selection Sunday, the Lady Razorbacks were wondering if they'd even get in the tournament.

But take it from the folksy Blair, the Razorbacks aren't embarrassed to be here.

"I think we've earned the right to be here regardless of what a lot of other people have said," he said. "We're not a very complicated team. We're probably not the best team here. But we have the opportunity to play the best and that's all we want."

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Booster Clubs...

The Midland Lee Baseball Booster club will meet each Thursday during the baseball season at 7:30 p.m. in the Lee High School Library....

The Lee Softball Booster Club will meet on the first Thursday of every month. Meetings will be held at 7 p.m. in the Lee High School cafeteria...

The Midland High Soccer Booster Club meeting for April has been changed to March 30 in Conference Room A at 7 p.m. for election of officers for next year...

Golf...

The Ladies Golf League is being conducted April 9 through June 25 at Hogan Park Golf Course, with nine holes being played each Thursday evening. There will be one tournament each month with a fee of $36 for the full three months or by paying $8.50 for each Thursday played. Registration can be made by calling 685-7360 or faxing 686-1624 by 6 p.m. each Wednesday...

The Andrews Country Club will hold a **3-man scramble/lowball** event April 25-26. Cost is $55 per man with cart extra. Shotgun starts at 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Call Alan Pursley's Golf Shot at 1-915-524-1462 for information...

The Martin County Country Club in Stanton will host the following golf tournaments. May 16-17, 3-person scramble; June 6, parent-child scramble; June 27-28, 2-person scramble; July 25-26, 2-person scramble; Aug. 22-23, 4-person scramble; Sept. 19-20, 4-person scramble; and Oct. 17-18, couples scramble. Call 1-915-756-2556 or 756-2314 for information...

Hogan Park **Ladies Golf Clinics** are April 14-16 from 6-8 p.m. Clinics will be $60 per person and are for anyone interested in learning about golf. For information call Hogan Park at 685-7360...

Green Tree Country Club will host the **Rally for a Cure** golf tournament on April 29 with registration at 8 a.m. and shotgun start at 9 a.m. Entry fee is $50 per person and includes cart and lunch. April 24 is entry deadline. Proceeds benefit Susan B. Komen Cancer Foundation and the Allison Cancer Center. Format is ABCD players per team with computerized pairings. Call for information at 689-4907 or 694-2215...

The next **Midland Chicano Golf Association** tournament is April 5 at Wolfcreek Golf Links in Colorado City. Registration at 9 a.m. and first tee time 11 a.m. For information call 684-8481 or 699-6316. The March 15 tournament has been rescheduled for June 28 at Hogan Park...

Masters Golf is offering **Ladies Golf Clinics** in both April and May. Two sessions every week, beginning April 7, 6-7:30 p.m. Cost is $44 for a two-day session and new class begins every week. Sign up at the pro shop...

Swimming...

Pre-competitive swimming is being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. The program will teach elementary age swimmers techniques of competitive swimming while improving their strokes. It is open to swimmers who can swim at least 25 yards of freestyle and backstroke. The cost is $35 per month on a year-round basis. For more information, call 684-7755...

COM Aquatics is holding **water aerobics classes** Monday through Saturday at Mabee Aquatic Center. Classes are at 6:15 a.m., 7:15 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. There will also be a pre-school excercise class offered in conjunction with the 9 a.m. water aerobics class. All classes are open to the public and swimming skills are not necessary. Deep and shallow water classes are offered. For information, call Julie Harvey at 684-7755...

COM Aquatics is offering beginning diving lessons throughout the school year in its indoor heated Olympic Diving Pool. Participants need to be able to swim in deep water. The COM diving progran also offers competitive team practice and competitions for most ability levels all year long. Please contact coach Maxwell for more information at 684-7755...

The Alamo YMCA Aquatics Program is offering swimming lessons for all ages. Children are placed in classes according to age and ability. The Skip class, for children three months to three years is a parent participation class while the Pers classes are for children 3-5 and Progressive classes are for children 6 and up. Lessons are also offered for adults. Safety is taught in conjunction with the classes. Group and private lessons are available. For more information, call 694-2528...

The Alamo YMCA is offering water aerobics. Swimming ability is not necessary to participate. For more information, call 694-2528...

COM Aquatics - Learn to Swim year round lessons for both children (3 years of age or older) and adults wishing to learn to swim or improve technique. Private or group lessons (limit four students per instructor) are available. Children are grouped by age and ability. A session normally consists of eight 30-minute lessons. Please call 684-7755 for more details...

Volleyball...

Registration for **YMCA youth volleyball** for boys and girls in grades 3-8 is underway. The fee is $25 for YMCA members and $38 for non-members. For more information, call 682-2551...

The YMCA is taking registration for an **adult volleyball league**. Divisions are co-ed, women and men. The league begins April 8 and deadline to register is March 31. The program costs $125 per team. For more information, call 682-2551...

Basketball...

The Boys & Girls Club of Midland is offering a youth coed basketball league for children in the following grade divisions: 1st & 2nd, 3rd & 4th, 5th & 6th. The league is scheduled to start this month. Registration is now being taken for all three grade divisions. A $15 fee will be charged. This fee includes the 1998 Club membership, 10-game season, t-shirt and tournament. Participants may register at any of the club's three locations. Registration will continue until all teams are filled. For more information call one of the clubs nearest you after 2 p.m. daily — Halff Park Unit, 110 E. New Jersey, 683-5297; Taylor Park Unit, 1321 S. Goode, 683-0050, NE/YMCA Unit. 2800 Butternut, 682-8469. Volunteer coaches are needed for all three grade divisions...

The Midland Lee Youth Center is holding midnight basketball for boys and girls in grades 4-12 this summer June 23-August 1, Monday-Friday from 6-11 p.m. The entry fee for the program, sponsored by the City of Midland, is $100 for college age players forming their own teams, free for everybody else. For more information, call Barbara Phillip at 689-1175...

Mid America Youth Basketball is conducting 22 tournaments this spring and summer with over 500 teams participating. There will be boys and girls divisions for grades 5-12. Registration deadline is April 30. For more information, call (316) 284-0354...

Softball...

The West Texas Heat 11 and under girls fastpitch team is holding spring tryouts this month to fill openings for the upcoming season. The team will be participating in the B division during the upcoming season and playing in the competitive division of the Midland Odessa Competitive League. For more information, call Murray Hambrick at 570-7914 or 687-4018...

MUGS is looking for fast-pitch umpires for league play, which begins in April. Anyone wishing to umpire should contact Mack Gipson at 520-5961 or come to a meeting in the umpire bulding inside the Bill Williams Complex at Hogan Park each Wednesday at 7 p.m...

The YMCA is taking registration for **youth softball** for boys and girls in grades K-6. The league begins April 16 and deadline to register is April 4. The program costs $25 for YMCA members and $38 for non-members. For more information, call 682-2551...

The Quick Silver Softball Tournament is April 17-19 at the Stanton softball park. The men's tournament is double elimintation with 3-homer limit. Entry fee is $110 with an April 16 deadline. Call 1-915-756-3823 or 756-3031 for information...

The Midland Softball Association is holding the **Umpires Tournament** April 3-5. Competition will be in Men's A-B and C-D divisions and for women. The entry fee is $110 with the deadline at 7 p.m. April 2. For more information, call 683-8741...

Baseball...

The Little League of Midland Challenger Division is beginning its season. This division includes all children ages 6 through 18 with physical and mental disabilities which prevent them from playing in regular division. Players are assisted by buddies who help as needed. Buddies can use this activity as community service hours. Play will begin March 28th at the North Central Little League's Kelly Field. If you are interested in playing, coaching or being a buddy, please call 697-6536...

Tennis...

The Midland College-SWOTT 7th, 8th and 9th Shootout is scheduled for March 28 at the Midland College Tennis Center. The tournament is for boys and girls in grades 7-9 with singles and doubles divisions.The entry fee is $6 per event with a March 24 deadline. For more information, call Lance Armstrong at 687-4046...

The Tennis Association of Midland is holding a Junior Circuit Doubles Feed-In Tournament April 4-5 at the Midland College Tennis Center. You must be a TAM member to enter. Entry fee is $20 per team with a March 30 deadline. For more information, call Lance Armstrong at 682-2255...

Midland College will host an **Open Tennis Tournament** on April 4 to benefit the Samaritan Counseling Center. Men's and Women's doubles will be played all day. Fee is $45 per player and registration forms are available at all tennis centers or call 563-4144. On April 3, from 5-8 p.m., pro exhibitions will feature USPTA 1997 Player of the Year Scott Stewart of the Racquet Club as well as pros from Mission Dorado, Midland CC, Green Tree CC and Midland College. There will also be a Balloon Tennis event for children on April 3. You may sign up at Gate 1 of Chap Center or call 689-2237...

Midland Tennis Club's 1998 Tournament Schedule is as follows: April 1, Men's doubles and women's singles; May 2-3, Men's Singles; May 16-17; Women's Doubles; May 23-24, Mixed Doubles; June 6-7, Men's Singles; June 13-14, Men's Doubles and Women's Doubles (Adult with Junior); June 27-28, Mixed Doubles (Adult with Junior); July 18-19, Men's Doubles and Women's Doubles (34-under/35-over); July 25-26: Mixed Doubles; Aug. 1-2: Men's Singles; Aug. 8-9, Men's Doubles and Women's Doubles; Aug. 15-16, Men's Singles and Women's Singles; Aug. 29-30, Mixed Doubles; Sept 19-20: Men's Singles and Women's Singles (Championship); Sept. 26-27, Men's Doubles and Women's Singles (Championship); Oct. 3-4, Mixed Doubles (Championship).

There will be a **USTA Rating Clinic** on March 30 at Odessa College. There is a $5 rating fee. For information call Lance Armstrong at 687-4046.

Junior Tennis Clinics for beginners, K-2, 3-6 and 7-9, begin April 13 for $4 per day. Entry deadline is April 12. Advanced groups also start April 13. For information call 689-2237 or 683-5360...

Miscellaneous...

The Flatlanders Ski Club is planning a trip to New Zealand, July 24-Aug. 1...

Gymnastics classes are being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. Parent-tot, grade school and tumbling classes are available. There will also be an advanced team class by tryout only. The staff is certified by USA Gymnastics. For more information, call Megan Rodriguez at 684-7755...

The Alamo YMCA Gymnastics Program is offering classes for all age groups from toddlers to age 17. Parent-tot, beginners, advanced beginners, pre-teams and competitive teams are all offered. For more information, contact Stephanie Barr at 694-2528...

The 1998 West Texas Christian Track Meet is May 9 at Odessa's Ratliff Stadium. All proceeds benefit St. John's Episcopal School. Entry fee is $5 and entry deadline is April 17. Events are long jump, softball throw, dashes 50 through 800 and 400, 1500 and 1600 relays. Spectator admission is free. Call 362-5168 or 332-2290 for information...

The West Texas Dirt Track Booster Club in Lubbock has the following events slated: March 28, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., car show at Lowe's Home Improvement Center; March 29: Play Day at West Texas Speedway, pit gates open at noon and practice begins at 2 p.m., pit pass is $5 and free general admission; April 3, First Night of Racing, 8:30 p.m., pit pass $15, general admission $5, children (6-over) $1. For more information call Joe Scott a 1-806-745-7817...

Venus overpowers Hingis in semis of Lipton tourney

Associated Press

■ **Tennis Roundup**

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. — There's a new grand slam in women's tennis, and it takes place every time Venus Williams hits an overhead.

The acrobatic shot was part of an overpowering performance Thursday by Williams, who beat Martina Hingis 6-2, 5-7, 6-2 in the semifinals at the Lipton Championships.

The upset in the showdown of 17-year-olds won't affect Hingis' No. 1 ranking, but it might shuffle the balance of power on the WTA Tour. Hingis has now lost twice this year to the 11th-ranked Williams, who will break into the top 10 next week for the first time.

"I haven't arrived yet," Williams said. "I'm just coming. I'm on my way."

The final Saturday could be another all-teen affair. Williams' opponent will be the winner of Thursday night's match between 16-year-old Anna Kournikova and two-time Lipton champion Arantxa Sanchez Vicario.

"For sure, the youngsters are coming," said Hingis, the defending Lipton champ.

In the men's quarterfinals, Andre Agassi continued his resurgence by beating Jeff Tarango 6-4, 6-3. Agassi's opponent in the semifinals Friday night will be Alex Corretja, who beat qualifier Steve Campbell 6-3, 6-1.

Williams' victory could have been more lopsided, but in the second set she squandered a 3-0 lead and three match points serving at 5-3.

"I was just much too tight and much too pumped," she said. "After I lost that game, it was like, 'Wow, how could I have done that?' "

Hingis survived two match points to beat Williams' sister, Serena, in the quarterfinals. But there was no escaping Venus.

"It's difficult to play the Williams family two matches in a row," Hingis said with a laugh.

Williams marched quickly to and from her chair during changeovers, as though on a mission, and hit winners from the baseline that even the speedy Hingis couldn't reach.

And then there were those overheads, including two in a row to punctuate the final game of the first set. Each time, the 5-foot-10 Williams leaped into the air on the run, long limbs flailing as she clobbered the ball and sent it on one hop into the stands while the crowd gasped.

Williams kept swinging for a 3-0 lead in the second set. When Hingis finally won a game, she raised her arms with a smile in mock jubilation.

The 5-foot-6 Hingis conceded that she couldn't match Williams' power.

"She's taller than me," Hingis said. "What can I do about that? I know I can't hit the ball as hard as she can."

Williams' father, Richard, watched from the first row behind his daughter's changeover chair. He held up signs that said "I love my wife" and "We thank the ballkids," then later clasped his hands over his head and made other gestures to Venus that looked suspiciously like coaching.

If he was signaling her to hit the ball hard, she followed orders well.

Williams let the second set slip away but regrouped quickly. Hingis took a break to change shirts early in the third set, and the crowd jeered when she returned, mindful that she tried similar gamesmanship against Serena.

The move failed to cool off Venus, who won first four games of the final set, including two at love. On match point, Williams socked a forehand winner down the line and broke into a slow dance step in celebration. Then she climbed over the rail to hug and kiss her father.

The victory avenged a 6-0, 7-6 loss to Hingis at Indian Wells two weeks ago, but Williams still trails the rivalry 4-2. Her other victory over Hingis was at Sydney in January.

Hingis, it should be noted, still leads Williams in Grand Slam titles, 4-0. But the gap in talent is closing fast.

"Before, I was the hunter," Hingis said. "Now I'm the hunted one."



AP Laserphoto

Venus Williams returns a shot against top-seeded Martina Hingis Thursday at the Lipton Championships in Key Biscayne, Fla. Williams upset Hingis 6-2, 5-7, 6-2, in the semifinals of the tournament.

Navratilova, Connors picked in TeamTennis draft

CHICAGO — Two of the sport's greatest stars — Martina Navratilova and Jimmy Connors — and one of today's top players, Lindsay Davenport, were selected Thursday in the World TeamTennis Marquee Player draft.

Connors, who will be inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame this summer, was selected by the Kansas City Explorers in the first round.

The Delaware Smash drafted Navratilova, a three-time WTT Female MVP, while Mary Joe Fernandez, a gold medalist in doubles at the Atlanta Olympics, was picked by the New York OTBzz.

The defending champion Sacramento Capitals protected their rights to Davenport, the world's No. 2-ranked player and the 1997 WTT Female Most Valuable Player. In the second round, Sacramento also protected the 1997 WTT Male Rookie of the Year and U.S. Davis Cup team member Richey Reneberg.

The Idaho Sneakers selected Patrick McEnroe, while the Springfield Lasers protected their rights to Larisa Neiland.

The Smash had the first choice in the draft, based on their 1997 record, and used it to protect their rights to the doubles team of Luke and Murphy Jensen.

The 1998 DuPont WTT Professional League season will be played July 8-26 and Sept. 12-20, with the top four teams advancing to the championships Sept. 23-26.

Lemke finds job with Boston; A's pitching coach loses his

Associated Press

■ **Spring Training**

On a day when second baseman Mark Lemke found a job, the pitching coach for the Oakland Athletics lost one.

Lemke, out of work since being let go by the Atlanta Braves after last season, agreed to a minor league contract with the Boston Red Sox on Thursday.

Although he is a career .248 hitter with little power or speed, Lemke became known for his clutch hitting during five NL playoffs and four World Series with the Braves.

"I've just seen him make so many plays and be in the middle of so many rallies a key times, in big games," said Boston manager Jimy Williams, who was a coach in Atlanta at the time and lobbied to get him.

The Red Sox had signed second baseman Jeff Frye to a three-year, $7 million contract in the offseason, but he tore his anterior cruciate ligament during spring training and is lost for the year.

Either Mike Benjamin, Donnie Sadler or Lou Merloni will play second until Lemke, 32, is ready. Mike Gallego, a 13-year veteran, was released after Lemke was signed.

The Athletics, who had the worst staff in the majors last season and a 6.10 ERA this spring, fired pitching coach Bob Cluck. He was replaced by Rick Peterson, a roving minor league pitching instructor.

"At some point, results become the end-all in this business. We had to address the fact that we weren't getting results," general manager Billy Beane said.

The team ERA of 5.48 last season was the worst in Oakland history and the A's had only two complete games, setting a major league record. The A's have gone consecutive seasons without a 10-game winner, joining the 1927-28 Phillies as the only teams to do that.

Reds 2, Rangers 0

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. — Dave Burba gave up five hits through five innings, and the Cincinnati bullpen kept Texas hitless the rest of the way as the Reds beat the Rangers.

Burba (2-1), the Reds' starter on opening day against San Diego, walked one and struck out two. He finished spring training with a 2.13 ERA in seven starts.

Jeff Shaw relieved Burba for two hitless innings, and Gabe White and Scott Sullivan worked an inning apiece. Sullivan got the save.

Texas starter John Burkett (4-1) gave up a sacrifice fly to Dmitri Young in the third. The Reds got their other run on a sacrifice fly by Chris Stynes in the seventh.

Tim Crabtree pitched two scoreless innings for Texas.

Burkett, who will start for Texas on opening day against the Chicago White Sox, completed the exhibition season with a 1.01 ERA in six starts.

Astros 2, Tigers 1

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — Dave Clark tripled and scored the winning run on first baseman Tony Clark's ninth-inning error, leading the Houston Astros to a victory over the Detroit Tigers.

Dave Clark tripled off Sean Ruynan (1-1), who then struck out Brad Ausmus and got Luis Rivera to line out to second base prior to the error.

The Tigers got their run in the third inning when former Astros outfielder Brian Hunter doubled to left field and scored on Bip Roberts' single.

Derek Bell doubled home Craig Biggio in the third inning for Houston.

Astros starter Shane Reynolds and Detroit's Justin Thompson each allowed one run in six innings. Trever Miller (1-0) pitched a scoreless ninth for the victory.

Red Sox 3, Twins 2, 11 innings

At Fort Myers, Fla., Mo Vaughn homered twice, giving him nine this spring, and Jason Varitek homered in the bottom of the 11th inning as Boston beat Minnesota.

Bret Saberhagen allowed two runs on six hits in 4 2-3 innings, striking out five and walking none.

Mariners 6, Padres 4

At Peoria, Ariz., Randy Johnson tuned up for his opening-day start with his longest outing of the spring, pitching six innings as Seattle defeated San Diego.

Johnson allowed three hits and two runs, while striking out six and walking none.

Yankees 3, Devil Rays 3, 10 innings

At St. Petersburg, Fla., Tampa Bay's Russ Morman hit an RBI single with two outs in the bottom of the ninth, and the Devil Rays and New York Yankees tied in a game called by mutual agreement after 10 innings.

Morman's hit off closer Mariano Rivera scored Kevin Stocker, who drew a leadoff walk and moved up on Quinton McCracken's sacrifice.

Orioles 6, Marlins 4

At Melbourne, Fla., Jeffrey Hammonds hit a pair of two-run homers to help Baltimore beat World Series MVP Livan Hernandez and the Florida Marlins.

B.J. Surhoff also hit a solo shot off Hernandez, who was 0-4 this spring. He gave up three hits and three runs while striking out three in six innings.

Phillies 4, Pirates 3

At Bradenton, Fla., Doug Glanville hit a go-ahead, two-run double with two outs in the ninth inning off Pittsburgh closer Rich Loiselle, rallying Philadelphia.

Curt Schilling pitched six innings in his final tuneup before starting on opening day for Philadelphia, giving up three runs — two earned — on five hits, walking one and striking out six.

Expos 1, Cardinals 0

At Jupiter, Fla., Chris Widger hit a double off the left-field wall that drove in Ryan McGuire in the 10th inning, lifting Montreal over St. Louis.

Todd Stottlemyre pitched seven shutout innings for the Cardinals, stopping Montreal on four hits and striking out four. He walked none.

Mets 3, Braves 3, 12 innings

At Port St. Lucie, Fla., John Olerud singled home the tying run in the eighth, and the New York Mets and Atlanta Braves played to a tie in a game called after 12 innings.

Andres Galarraga hit a solo home run and an RBI double for Atlanta. Greg Maddux pitched the first five innings for the Braves, allowing two runs and four hits.

Cubs 5, Rockies 5, 10 1/2 innings

At Mesa, Ariz., Henry Rodriguez drove in the tying run with a sacrifice fly in the seventh and the Chicago Cubs and Colorado Rockies tied in a game stopped by rain in the 11th inning.

Sammy Sosa and Henry Rodriguez hit two-run homers in the first inning against Colorado starter Darryl Kile. Vinny Castilla hit a grand slam for Colorado.

Blue Jays 4, Syracuse 3

At Dunedin, Fla., Chris Carpenter, scheduled to be the fourth starter for Toronto this season, gave up one run in 5 1-3 innings as the Blue Jays beat Triple-A Syracuse.

Doctor tells Dykstra to quit or risk disability

BRADENTON, Fla. (AP) — Lenny Dykstra must stop playing baseball or he will risk serious future injury, the Philadelphia Phillies center fielder has been told by one of the country's leading back specialists.

Dr. Robert Watkins examined the former All-Star on Tuesday in Los Angeles and "felt that Dykstra stood a chance of increased future disability if he were to continue to play," Phillies general manager Ed Wade said.

Reached by telephone at his home in suburban Philadelphia, Dykstra refused to say he was retiring — to do so would void the $5.5 million contract he has this year — but sounded like he wasn't planning to play again.

"I knew my back was in bad shape, but I didn't know it was in that bad shape," he said.

Dykstra, 35, missed the last 1 1/2 seasons after he was diagnosed with spinal stenosis. The congenital condition narrows the opening where nerves go through the spinal canal, causing pain when the nerves rub against the passageway.

He had surgery to help fix the condition in July, 1996, and after an arduous rehabilitation, attempted a comeback this spring.

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Tyson answers Austin's challenge with smooch

By Alison Fitzgerald
Associated Press Writer

BOSTON — Wrestler "Stone Cold" Steve Austin asked Mike Tyson last month if he was man enough to take him on in the ring.

Tyson responded Thursday with a big, wet smooch.

The former heavyweight champion and the wrestler met in the ring on City Hall Plaza during a promotional workout for the World Wrestling Federation's WrestleMania on Sunday at FleetCenter.

Tyson, banned from boxing last July when he bit off a piece of Evander Holyfield's ear, was booed by the rowdy crowd of wrestling fans that gathered for the workout.

"I hate Mike Tyson. I hope he gets killed," said accountant Jamie Chamberland.

"I'm waiting for something to happen, like he's going to flip out and hurt someone," said 24-year-old Mary Candler, waiting with a camera in the midst of a mostly male crowd.

The crowd hollered obscenities at Tyson. Austin and other wrestlers, and many held up signs and giant foam gloves showing an obscene gesture.

Tyson is supposed to play the "special enforcer" at the WWF championship match between champion Shawn Michaels and Austin, the WWF's most popular wrestler. But there has been speculation that the boxer would enter the ring and throw some punches.

At Thursday's promotion, Tyson joined Michaels and two other wrestlers giving Austin a beating, and finished it off with a long kiss on the forehead while Austin was held against the ropes.

Tyson — who wore a brown jacket and slacks in contrast to the colorful or menacing costumes favored by the other wrestlers — looked decidedly awkward trying to join the theatrics of professional wrestling as he lightly kicked Austin's legs.

Tyson got a few moves and gestures down, but refrained from mooning the crowd from the roof of a limousine, like Michaels did.

During the event, someone in the crowd threw a film canister containing two batteries that hit Michaels in the head, and the wrestler promptly left the ring.

On Jan. 19 in Las Vegas, just as WWF owner Vince McMahon was to announce Tyson's Wrestlemania appearance, Austin appeared from nowhere, entered the ring and — with a push and an obscene gesture — questioned Tyson's manhood. McMahon suggested later that Tyson would wrestle Austin.

"I don't think he should really be here, because he blew his chance in the ring," said Jeremy DiFlaminies, 14, of Norwood. He and many other spectators said they'd rather see Holyfield — boxing or wrestling.

Tyson, whose purses have topped $100 million in his last six fights, said he would be making a little more than $3.5 million for being involved in the WWF championship match — a $34.95 pay-per-view event.

As for how Tyson's appearance might affect any attempt to reapply for a boxing license with the Nevada State Athletic Commission, McMahon said he's been told the commission has "no problem whatsoever with Mike being involved with the WWF in any capacity."



AP Laserphoto

Pro wrestler Steve Austin, center, is tied up in the ropes while being taunted by Mike Tyson, second from left, as Shawn Michaels, right, and Chyna, far left, look on during a Pre-Wrestlemania Public Workout Thursday in Boston. Wrestlemania XIV is scheduled for Sunday and pits Michaels against Austin in a match which will feature Tyson as a "Special Enforcer."

More Sports/3D

Briggs not intimidated by fighting in title bout

By Ed Schuyler Jr.
AP Boxing Writer

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — What's the big deal in fighting a heavyweight champion after having beaten a legend?

"I think fighting a legend is much harder," said Shannon Briggs, who upset George Foreman in his last fight and who will challenge Lennox Lewis for the WBC heavyweight title Saturday night in the Convention Center.

Briggs thinks his controversial victory over Foreman, something of a folk hero as the oldest man ever to be a heavyweight champion, is helping him in handling the pressure of a big fight.

"I'm starting to feel some butterflies," Briggs said Thursday, but he added that is normal before a fight.

Emanuel Steward, Lewis' trainer, agrees that the big-fight atmosphere surrounding the Foreman fight and the victory, disputed or not, were big boosts for Briggs.

"I thought he grew up in the fight," Steward said. "He got over the hump he had to get over."

Lewis is the 12-1 favorite to win a fight he didn't want.

He would rather be fighting Evander Holyfield, the IBF and WBA champ, in a match for more money and more prestige. Negotiations for that fight, however, failed, and so Lewis took Briggs.

Holyfield is scheduled to make a mandatory WBA defense against Henry Akinwande June 6 in New York's Madison Square Garden.

There's no doubt that the attention generated by the controversy surrounding Briggs' 12-round majority decision over Foreman last Nov. 22, helped get him the title shot.

"I want to say the George Foreman fight was close, but not as close as you guys said it was," Briggs told reporters.

"I wouldn't have wanted to be a judge, it was close," Lewis said diplomatically.

One judge called it even, another favored Briggs by three points and a third scored it for Briggs by four points. Most ringside observers favored Foreman by clear margins.

Less diplomatically, Lewis said, "In my mind I'll knock Shannon Briggs out."

"I'm going out there and set the pace and let him know what I'm here for," Briggs said.

"I think he thinks that's the way to beat me," Lewis said, "but if he comes out like that, it's a crazy mistake."

The upset of Foreman paid off in a big way for Briggs, who grew up in the Brownsville section of Brooklyn, N.Y., as did former heavyweight champions Mike Tyson and Riddick Bowe. He will get $1.75 million for the HBO-televised title bid. He was paid $400,000 for fighting Foreman, while in 30 previous fights, his biggest purse was $30,000.

Lewis is getting about $4 million for his first fight since knocking out Andrew Golota in the first round of what figured to be a tough match last Oct. 4 in Convention Hall.

The 6-foot-5 champion from Britain (32-1, 26 knockouts) weighed in Thursday at 243 pounds. The 6-4 Briggs weighed 228.

On the same card, Charles Brewer (30-5, 20 knockouts) of Philadelphia will defend the IBF super middleweight championship against Herol Graham (48-4, 28 KOs) of Britain.

Rangers' LaFontaine gets approval to fly to Chicago

NEW YORK (AP) — New York Rangers center Pat LaFontaine, sidelined since March 16 because of a head injury, has been given the OK to travel to Chicago to see a specialist.

Rangers general manager Neil Smith announced Thursday that LaFontaine will travel to Chicago for a meeting with Dr. Jim Kelly of the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago.

LaFontaine has missed the last four games after suffering a head injury against the Ottawa Senators. He had complained of headaches and was advised by doctors not to travel until he felt better.

LaFontaine, 33, is the Rangers' leading goal-scorer this season with 23 in his first year with the team. He missed most of last season for Buffalo after suffering the fifth concussion of his career.

In other Rangers' news, defenseman Alexander Karpovtsev underwent surgery Thursday to repair torn ligaments in his right wrist.

Smith announced that Karpovtsev will miss the rest of the season, but is expected to be back in time for training camp.

Karpovtsev, 27, had three goals and seven assists in 47 games this season.

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Year Ago $18.75

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Thursday $2.338

Crude jumps

NEW YORK — Crude oil rose 2 percent to a seven-week high on expectations that Norway may join 14 other nations in cutting production to boost sagging prices.

Norway, the second-biggest oil exporter after Saudi Arabia, said it was considering output reductions of between 3 percent and 6 percent. It postponed a decision until April 3, after the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries meets to consider cuts of its own.

Crude oil for May delivery on the New York Mercantile Exchange rose 35 cents, or 2.1 percent, to $16.83 a barrel, the highest closing price since Feb. 2. Crude is down 20 percent since October.

Norway's proposed output cuts would range from 100,000 to 200,000 barrels a day.

Prices retreated from a high of $17.20 a barrel on disappointment that cuts weren't made immediately. Norwegian television reported that a majority of parliament opposed reducing output.

Crude prices were also boosted by news that Vitol SA's refinery in Newfoundland, Canada, was forced to cut gasoline and heating oil production because of a fire. Vitol said it expects the 99,750 barrel-a-day refinery to resume operation next week. The fire, which started yesterday, was contained to a single unit, a spokesman said.

April gasoline rose 1.24 cents, or 2.4 percent, to 53.82 cents a gallon, while April heating oil rose 0.61 cent, or 1.4 percent, to 45.73 cents a gallon.

Dollar falls

NEW YORK — The dollar fell against other major currencies Thursday, slipping against the yen after Japan's ruling party announced plans to pour $124 billion into the country's ailing economy.

The U.S. currency also dropped vs. the British pound after the governor of the Bank of England warned of risks surrounding Europe's planned common currency. In addition, the dollar fell against the mark as traders anticipated that the German currency will strengthen.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 128.29 yen, down from 128.73 late Wednesday. The U.S. currency also was changing hands at 1.8192 marks, down from 1.8271.

The pound was quoted at $1.6872, up from $1.6742.

Other late dollar rates in New York, compared with late Wednesday: 1.4869 Swiss francs, down from 1.4925; 6.1014 French francs, down from 6.1235; 1,794 Italian lire, down from 1,801; and 1.4093 Canadian dollars, down from 1.4098.

Markets retreat

NEW YORK — Stocks ended mixed on Thursday, with small-company indicators continuing to reach new highs while the Dow industrials tried without success to rekindle an assault on the 9,000 mark.

The Dow Jones industrial average ended down 25.91 points at 8,846.89.

Volume on the New York Stock Exchange was moderate at 598.42 million shares. Declining issues narrowly outran advancers on the Big Board.

Broad market indexes were firmer, buoyed again by technology shares. The Nasdaq composite set its third consecutive record, rising 4.03 to 1,828.54. The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies rose 0.67 point to 477.81, also a third straight high. The American Stock Exchange composite index rose 2.50 to a record 739.39, beating the previous high reached Tuesday of 738.69.

The Standard & Poor's 500-stock list fell 1.13 points to end at 1,100.80. The NYSE composite index fell 0.55 to 572.21.

Bill allows limited credit union growth

■ House panel backs legislation that's less stringent than Supreme Court ruling.

N.Y. Times News Service

WASHINGTON — The U.S. House Banking Committee approved legislation that would put limits on the growth of credit unions, in an attempt to modify a more stringent Supreme Court ruling.

The Supreme Court dealt a blow to credit unions last month when it ruled the institutions could no longer take members from outside a single group or company.

The bill, approved on a voice vote, would allow members of existing credit unions to remain with their institutions. In addition, a credit union could accept outside members as long as they came from companies or groups with fewer than 3,000 employees.

Some version of the bill is likely to become law this year, because a growing number of legislators are lining up behind the effort. House Banking Committee Chairman James Leach said the bill would have "enormous" support when the full House votes, which could occur as early as next week.

Credit unions have endorsed the legislation, saying while the bill isn't perfect it would preserve access to credit unions and allow institutions to take on new members.

This legislation will in effect reverse the Supreme Court decision and protect credit union access for millions of consumers. Dan Micah, president of the credit union national association.

Banks, meanwhile, rejected the plan. "The specific provisions are generally so weak and provide such broad discretion to the NCUA (National Credit Union Association) as to be of little or no value in reining in the expansionist credit unions," said a memo sent to the House Banking Committee by the American Bankers Association Wednesday.

Before approving the bill, the Banking Committee narrowly turned back an effort to curtail credit unions' authority to offer commercial loans, a change that could have threatened the entire bill.

Louisiana Republican Rep. Richard Baker offered a change that would have limited all of a credit union's commercial loans to 5 percent of its assets and reserves. A credit union could have loaned no more than $1 million to a commercial borrower.

Instead, the panel voted to freeze existing limits on credit unions' commercial lending power for one year. That means the institutions can continue to make a commercial loan worth up to 15 percent of its capital and reserves. After one year Congress plans to review the lending practices.

The legislation would require the NCUA, the federal agency in charge of overseeing credit unions, to take "prompt, corrective action" when an institution runs into trouble. The agency would also develop criteria to ensure that credit unions are holding enough capital in reserve.

In addition, the bill would place new requirements on credit unions to ensure that the institutions are serving low- and moderate income individuals.

The bill also would also require insured credit unions with $500 million or more in assets to receive an outside audit every year.

To win the support of banks, the plan includes an unrelated proposal that would allow banks to earn interest on some reserve accounts held by the Federal Reserve. While banks have been seeking the change, they are more concerned with resolving the credit union issue, the ABA has said.

Grove resigns as Intel chief executive

■ Craig Barrett, president and COO, to take CEO post; Grove will remain Intel chairman.

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Andrew Grove, the microchip pioneer who helped bring about the personal computer revolution, is stepping down as chief executive of Intel Corp.

Grove, Time magazine's Man of the Year in 1997, will be succeeded by Craig Barrett, the chipmaker's president and chief operating officer. Grove, 61, will stay on as chairman, Intel said Thursday.

Neither Grove's health problems nor the company's recent slack financial performance had anything to do with the resignation, Intel said.

In 1996, Grove disclosed that he had prostate cancer, but he recently said the disease is in remission and that he is in excellent health.

Intel said its board of directors voted Wednesday to replace Grove after he approached Intel them about stepping down.

"My feeling was I was ready and Craig was ready and we were ready," Grove said.

Barrett, 58, replaced Grove as president last year. He will assume the new post May 20.

A Budapest-born Holocaust survivor, Grove arrived in America in 1956 as a penniless refugee of the Hungarian Revolution. He went to work for Intel at its creation in 1968 and was named president in 1979 and chief executive in 1987. Ten years later, he became chairman.

Intel, with a market value of $137 billion, makes microprocessors — the Pentium series of chips — used in 90 percent of the world's computers.

A microprocessor is a thumbnail-size silicon chip that processes information and serves as the brains of a computer. Each chip is crammed with millions of electrical switches that transmit information.

But recently Grove presided over six straight quarters of flat revenue growth and a warning early this month that chip sales were falling below expectations. Intel has also suspended construction of a $1.3 billion plant in Fort Worth, Texas, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Thursday.

Barrett joined Intel in 1974. He became chief operating officer in 1993 and is well-known in the industry as crucial to the company's remarkable success at making microprocessors.



AP Photo

Andrew Grove, right, smiles with Craig Barrett, left, at Intel headquarters in Santa Clara, Calif., Thursday. Barrett will succeed Grove as chief executive of Intel Corp. Grove will remain chairman of the board.

Southwestern economy holding steady

Associated Press

DALLAS — Companies in the Southwest believe that job growth and corporate spending will hold steady, according to an economic survey done by the Controllers Council of the Institute of Management Accountants.

Southwestern-based companies report that they expect growth through June to stay steady with the previous half-year period at 5 percent, the council announced Thursday based on a mail survey of more than 2,000 IMA members.

Employment is a strong indicator of a region's economic health and Texas' employment figures have been dazzling lately.

The Texas Workforce Commission reported this month that the state's unemployment rate for February was 4.8 percent.

"With only a few exceptions, total nonagricultural employment increased in every (area of the state) this month," said TWC Chairman Bill Hammond. "The Texas economy is strong and looks good for both employers and job seekers."

The Controllers Confidence Index said most of the growth in the Southwest has been in production-type jobs, followed by clerical positions.

"Relatively smaller companies seem to be driving current employment growth," said Carlos Ulibarri, an economist with the council.

Despite the good news, some areas are still suffering economic hardship.

McAllen-Edinburg-Mission continued to have the state's highest unemployment rate at 18.8 percent, although that was down from 21.1 in January and last February's rate of 21 percent.

New Mexico blowout costs $18,000 a day

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

LOVINGTON, N.M. — A well that blew out March 20 near Lovington, N.M., and has been blowing gas and condensate for six days has now caught on fire, said Gary McGregor, senior vice president for UMC Petroleum Corp. of Denver, operator of the well.

UMC is a wholly owned subsidiary of United Meridian Corp.

Listed as one of the biggest blowouts in the past 10 years, the well is blowing an estimated 8 million cubic feet of gas and condensate daily. Officials have estimated the value of the blow-out at approximately $18,000 a day.

The well, Carlisle State Com. No. 1, five miles east of Lovington in Lea County, encountered an uncontrollable blowout in the Morrow formation March 20. The rancher on whose property the well is located said the well blew out with a loud bang that was heard five miles away in Lovington.

"We have been listening to it blow for almost a week," said John Graham, publisher of the Lovington Leader. "It sounds like a big jet." Graham said law enforcement officials have not allowed the media close enough to the well to take photographs. State officials have also closed Highway 82 and State Road 238 in the vicinity of the blowout.

McGregor said Boot and Coots, an oil well blowout team, were in the process of a normal capping operation, which includes removing the rig and other equipment from around the wellhead, blowing out the fire, installing a new blowout preventer, and pumping downhole mud to control the blowout. The firefighters arrived at the scene within five hours of the blowout, and the well caught fire just as heavy blowout preventers from Houston arrived Thursday.

The Lea County Sheriff's Office said that the cause is unknown and there were no injuries. Approximately 12,000 feet of mud was in the hole at the time the well blew out, and several attempts to kill it with a mud column have failed.

Reports from an oil company executive who has visited the scene of the blowout said reports of $18,000 per day losses could go much higher, because the gas stream is laced with condensate and flows could be much higher than 8 million cubic feet. "There appears to be a thick layer of condensate covering the Carlisle ranch house and about 600 acres."

Graham said there were reports that shifting winds had spread condensate over an area "several miles wide."

INVESTOR'S GUIDE

Popular mutual fund rating system can be misleading

By Eric Tyson

Q: In looking through a recent edition of Morningstar, the publication that rates mutual funds, it seems that many of the stock funds had the highest four- and five-star ratings. How can this be? How useful is the rating system in selecting funds to invest in?



Tyson

A: Thanks to Morningstar's fund ranking system, the mutual fund universe is starting to look like a night sky with a new moon. Lots of stars are out.

Morningstar, a fund research firm, doles out from one to five stars to each fund it tracks — one star for the worst, five stars for the best.

Investors pay a lot of attention to those stars, and the Morningstar ranking system has become a high-stakes business. Funds blessed with Morningstar's four- and five-star ratings boast of their stars in advertisements. Now many people in the business are more "star-struck" than teeny-boppers at a Hanson concert.

Morningstar's rating system is misleading. For example, it makes some fund categories falsely look better than others.

Morningstar looks at what's called "risk-adjusted performance." Risk is measured by the volatility of a fund's share price over time. Because international securities don't always move in tandem with U.S. securities, a fund's holding of both types generally lessens the volatility of the fund's value. Thus, funds that diversify that way have an unfair leg up in the Morningstar ratings game.

Also, a fund needs to be around for only three years before it's eligible to get a star rating. Three years hardly qualifies as a long-term track record, but it's enough for an upstart fund bolstered by a great market to grab a higher rating than a fund that has been around for decades and has weathered multiple market declines.

There are dozens of five-star funds that have never been through even a modest 10 percent decline in the market.

Morningstar also has been afflicted by a problem that pervades the academic world: grade inflation. Recently, nearly half of the no-load domestic equity funds that Morningstar tracks had a four- or five-star ranking. It's hardly an exclusive club.

As for predicting future performance, Morningstar rankings prove to be stars of the falling variety. According to Hulbert Financial Digest, which has tracked Morningstar rankings since 1991, five-star no-load equity funds have underperformed the stock market by an average of 3 percent per year.

Q: How does bond investing work?

A: A bond is essentially a loan investors make to a corporation or government. Bonds generally pay a set amount of interest on a regular basis. All bonds have a maturity date, when the bond issuer must pay back at par (full) value the bondholders (lenders).

Bonds are an appropriate investment vehicle for conservative investors who do not feel comfortable with the risk involved in the stock market. While bonds might appreciate during times of declining interest rates, they primarily are used to provide income.

While investing in bonds is a good way to diversify your portfolio and to help protect yourself against a volatile stock market, bonds should not be your sole or major long-term investment vehicle. Because the interest rate of bonds usually shadows the rate of inflation, bonds produce little real growth on your original investment. Factoring in taxes along with inflation, a bond investor is likely treading water.

Also know that if and when the market level of interest rates increases, bond prices will dip. If, during such a period, you need to sell a bond before it matures, you would receive less of your principal back.

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THE MARKET IN REVIEW

MARKET SUMMARY

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Compaq s	153149	26⅝	+⅜
PhilMor	92382	42⅝	–1
Iomega s	79980	6⅞	–⅛
Seagate	59340	25 3/16	+⅞
McDnlds	57798	55⅜	+2⅜

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
PhmRes	3¼	+⅝	+23.8
HeclaM	6½	+15/16	+16.9
CMI Cp	6½	+⅞	+15.6
IndoTel	10 5/16	+1⅜	+15.4
PhysRes	4	+½	+14.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CmpMan	9 1/16	–1 5/16	–12.7
Bufete	6	–⅝	–9.4
TCC Inds	5	–½	–9.1
EA Inds	5¾	–½	–8.0
Guess	7⅛	–9/16	–7.3

DIARY

Advanced	1,488
Declined	1,503
Unchanged	513
Total issues	3,504
New Highs	134
New Lows	25
Volume	724,554,410

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
RoyalO g	40629	1⅜	+⅜
SPDR	33335110	3/32	–1/16
Harken	13601	6⅜	+5/16
Hasbro	13561	35⅜	+5/16
EchoBay	11294	2¼	+¼

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
AudioCm n	4	+½	+14.3
GldStarR	3½	+7/16	+14.3
IRIS	4¼	+½	+13.3
EchoBay	2¼	+¼	+12.5
BemaGold	2⅜	+¼	+11.8

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Oncor	3⅝	–½	–12.1
ArWat	2 1/16	–¼	–10.8
Gencor s	2 7/8	–3⅛	–10.2
MAI Sys	4⅜	–⅞	–9.1
Rottlund	3¾	–⅜	–9.1

DIARY

Advanced	306
Declined	291
Unchanged	170
Total issues	767
New Highs	35
New Lows	12
Volume	41,591,770

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Intel s	138981	78 3/16	+1 15/16
Microsft s	113606	88¼	–9/16
Oracle s	109324	31½	+⅝
SyQstTc	107124	3¼	+¼
3Com	100421	36¾	+1¼

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
LeakX	2 9/16	+13/16	+46.4
SonicSol	3 31/64	+61/64	+37.7
Blowout	2 1/16	+9/16	+37.5
JanusAm n	4	+1	+33.3
Initio	2 5/16	+9/16	+32.1

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
IFS Intl pf	3	–2⅛	–41.5
Sumito	38¼	–12¼	–24.3
InstrLab	2 5/16	–11/16	–22.9
Mitcham	13	–3¾	–22.4
PrvAm	5¼	–1½	–22.2

DIARY

Advanced	2,188
Declined	1,983
Unchanged	1,474
Total issues	5,645
New Highs	193
New Lows	61
Volume	725,072,100

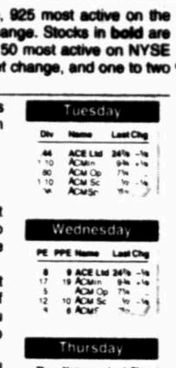
HOW TO READ THE MARKET IN REVIEW

Here are the 1,675 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, 925 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 405 most active on the American Stock Exchange. Stocks in **bold** are worth at least $5 and changed 5 percent or more in price. Underlining for 50 most active on NYSE and Nasdaq and 25 most active on Amex. Tables show name, price and net change, and one to two additional fields rotated through the week, as follows:

Name: Stocks appear alphabetically by the company's full name (not its abbreviation). Names consisting of initials appear at the beginning of each letter's list.
Last: Price stock was trading at when exchange closed for the day.
Chg: Loss or gain for the day. No change indicated by ...
YTD: Percent change in price since December 31.
How to use: The year-to-date percent change compares the most recent price with the company's price as of Dec. 31. The number is a good way to compare and track the performance of different companies in the same industry or the same town.

Benchmarks are important in investing and the year-to-date percent change can be a useful field of information when used as a benchmark. If you were considering investing in the automotive industry, for example, you could watch to see which auto stock was enjoying the best performance so far this year by looking at this field.

These numbers can be helpful in following stocks but as with all financial data are only one of many factors to use in determining how to invest. Consult your financial advisor before making any investment decision.



Stock Footnotes: cc – PE greater than 99. dd – Lose in last 12 mos. d – New 52-wk low during trading day. g – Dividend in Canadian $. Stock price in U.S. $. n – New issue in past 52 weeks. s – Split or stock dividend of 25 percent or more in last 52 weeks. Dividend begins with date of split or stock dividend. u – New 52-wk high during trading day. v – Trading halted on primary market. Unless noted, dividend rates are annual disbursements based on last declaration. pf – Preferred. pp – Holder owes installment(s) of purchase price. rt – Rights. un – Units. wd – When distributed. wi – When issued. wt – Warrants. ww – With warrants. xw – Without warrants.

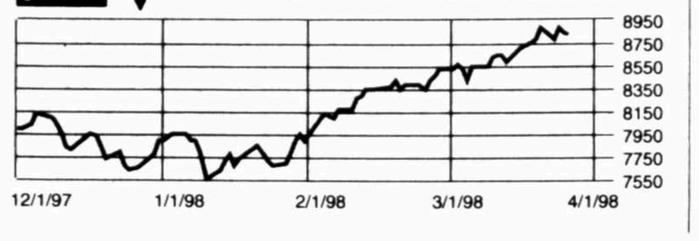
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Daily market roundup

March 26, 1998

Dow Jones **8846.89** -25.91

High	8,931.09	Highest close	8,906.43
Low	8,769.92	*March 20, 1998*	



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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Net Chg	% Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
8,959.24	6,356.78	Dow Jones Industrials	8,846.89	–25.91	– 29	+11.87	+31.25
3,652.74	2,336.12	Dow Jones Transportation	3,512.51	–5.01	– 14	+7.86	+46.09
288.37	208.98	Dow Jones Utilities	284.99	–2.01	– 70	+4.37	+30.06
577.88	387.12	NYSE Composite	572.21	– 55	– 10	+11.94	+40.44
741.66	541.02	Amex Index	739.39	+2.50	+ 34	+8.00	+27.94
1,840.83	1,194.16	Nasdaq Composite	1,828.54	+4.03	+ 22	+16.44	+46.34
1,113.07	733.54	S&P 500	1,100.80	–1.13	– 10	+13.43	+42.24
479.28	248.65	Russell 2000	477.81	+ 67	+ 14	+9.33	+36.93
10,507.21	7,059.97	Wilshire 5000	10,482.20	–5.58	– 05	+12.73	+42.10

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

YTD	Name	Last	Chg
	A-B-C		
+4.3	AAR s	27	–¾
+27.4	ACE Ltd su	40 15/16	
+3 11/16			
+3.4	ACMIn	11⅜	
–2.3	ACM Op	7 15/16	–1/16
+3.7	ACM Sc	10½	+1/8
–3.8	ACMSp	6⅜	–3/16
–.5	ACX Tech	24 5/16	+3/16
+14.2	AES Cp s	53¼	+⅞
+27.8	AFLAC	65 5/16	+3/16
+1.1	AGCO	29 9/16	+1/16
+4.9	AGL Res	21 7/16	+3/16
+19.4	AK Steel s	21⅛	–1/16
–1.0	AMF n	24¾	–1/16
+7.3	AMR	137 7/8	–1½
+18.0	APT Sat	13⅝	+⅜
+3.0	**ARCOCh**	**47⅞**	**–½**
+7.3	ASA Ltd	22 1/16	
+1 5/16			
+9.9	AT&T	67⅜	–5/16
+11.2	AVX Cp	20½	–5/16
+31.7	AXA UAP	51⅜	–1/16
+13.0	Aames	14⅝	+1/16
+15.1	AbtLab	75 3/4	+13/16
+36.6	AberFitch	42 11/16	–5/16
+12.1	Abitibi g	15 11/16	+3/16
+43.8	AccuSrt	33 1/16	–7/16
+14.7	Acuson	19	–1/16
+12.9	**AdaEx**	**27**	**–1/16**
+17.4	AdvCmG	n16 7/16	+1/4
+31.7	AMD	23⅜	+7/16
+33.3	Advoinc	u26	+3/16
+57.1	Aeroflex	13¾	+1/16
+19.4	AeroVick	58 9/16	+5/8
+14.7	Aetna Inc	80 15/16	–
2 3/16			
+21.6	**AffCmpSv**	**32–**	**3/16**
+7.1	Agnico g	5 11/16	+3/16
+16.9	Agrium g	u14¼	+1/2
+20.4	Ahmans	80 9/16	–1/2
+ .5	AirProd	82⅝	–7/8
+15.5	AirbFrt s	35 15/16	
+1 9/16			
+23.2	Airgas	17¼	–1/16
+17.6	AirTouch	48 7/8	–1/4
+15.8	AirTch pfB	41¼	–1 1/16
+14.3	AirTch pfC	71¼	–3/4
+1.3	**AlaP pfB24**	**15/16**	**...**
...	**AlaP pfC25**	**3/16**	**...**
–.3	**AlaP adj pf24**	**7/16**	**...**
–.7	**AlaPC pfQ**	**25**	**...**
+37.9	AlskAir	53 7/16	–1 16
–6.0	Alberto	30 1/16	+3/16
+12.2	Albertsn	53	
+1 3/16			
+16.7	Alcan	32¼	
+43.7	Alcatel	36 3/8	–15/16
+ .8	AlegEngy	32¾	–7/16
+11.8	AlegTeldy	28 15/16	–1/4
+12.7	Allegiance	39 15/16	
+1 1/16			
+11.0	Alergn	u37¼	+1/8
+33.0	AlnCap	52 15/16	–1 3/4
+2.3	AltaWrld2	13 13/16	–1/16
+8.7	AldSgnl s	42 3/16	–5/8
+29.3	AlstmFn	64 9/16	–3/4
+4.9	Alstate	94 15/16	+7/16
+6.5	Altel	43 3/4	–5/16
+34.3	Alumax	46	
+2.0	Alcoa	71 3/4	–7/16
+35.6	Aiza	43⅛	–1/4
+37.8	AmaxG	3 3/16	+1/4
+25.1	AmbacF	s57 9/16	–5/16
+10.5	AmHes	60 5/8	+5/8
+ .5	Amerc pf	26 5/8	–1/16
–2.0	Ameren n	41 15/16	–1/2
+47.8	**AmOnline**	**s66 7/16**	**–1/16**
+36.9	AmWest	25½	
+80.8	AmWest wt	13 9/16	–5/16
+39.5	AmBankrs	s64 1/16	+1/16
–27.4	AmBkInt	3 1/16	
–2.7	AEP	50¼	–5/16
+4.2	AmExp	93 –21⅛	
+7.8	AFncIGp	43 7/16	+3/16
+16.4	AGenCp	62 15/16	+7/16
+ .7	AGnHosp	26 15/16	–1/16
+22.0	AGreet	47¾	–1
+17.2	**AHome**	**89⅝**	**–9/16**
+14.5	AmIntG s	124 9/16	–2
–16.2	APadP	8 1/16	+1/16
+16.3	AmRadio	62	–¾
–39.2	AResidSvc	9½	–1/16
+22.7	AmStd	47	–1/4
+21.6	AmStor s	25	+⅜
+4.4	AmSIP3	11¾	
+138.5	AWste	37⅜	–1/16
+15.3	AmWtr	31½	–⅝
+2.9	Amercrd	28½	–1/2
+1.0	AmeriSrc	58 13/16	–⅝
+21.7	Ameritch s	u49	+¾
+2.1	**Amoco**	**86 15/16**	**+¾**
+1.5	AMP	42⅝	–½
+11.2	AmSouth s	60 3/4	–1/4
–8.7	**AmwyAs**	**17 13/16**	**–**
1 1/16			
+13.7	**Anadrk**	**69+**	**9/16**
+23.3	Analog	34½	–3/8
+5.8	Anheus	46 3/16	+1/4
+17.8	Anixter	19 7/16	–13/16
+20.6	AnnTayl	16⅞	+¾
+ .4	AnthCap	n15	+1/16
+12.9	Aon Cp su	66 3/16	+3/16
+6.4	**Apache**	**37 5/16**	**+¼**
+3.4	Aptinv	38	+3/16
+11.9	ApplMg	12 5/16	+9/16
+10.5	ApldPw su	38 1/16	+3/16
–35.8	Apria	8⅝	–¼
+7.4	Aracruz	15 7/16	
–10.1	ArcadiaFn	6 11/16	+1/16
– .3	ArchDan	21⅝	–¼
–6.7	ArdenRlt	28 11/16	+9/16
+40.3	Argentar	42⅞	–1/2
+22.8	Armco	6⅛	–1/16
+16.1	ArmWi	86 13/16	–5/16
–13.9	ArrowEl s	27 15/16	–⅜
+18.4	Arvin	39 7/16	+1/16
+15.6	Asarco	25 15/16	+3/16
+14.1	Ashanti	9⅞	
+6.3	Ashland	57 1/16	+1/4
+6.7	AsiaPac	2	+1/16
+48.1	AsiaPlp	14 5/8	+3/16
+10.8	AsiaTgr	8 5/16	+1/16
–12.1	AsdEstat	20 7/8	–1/16
+10.3	AscFCap	78½	–1/8
–3.2	AsFCap wi	78 3/16	–3/8
+24.4	AstraAs	21 3/8	–1/16
– .2	AtlRich s	80	–1/16
–4.8	**ATMOS**	**28 13/16**	**–1/8**
+2.0	AuthFd	19	–1/2
+13.7	AutoDt	69 13/16	+1/2
+12.9	AutoZone	32 3/4	+1/4
+6.7	Avatex	2	–1/8
+18.0	AveryD	52 13/16	–1/2
+15.0	Aviation	43¾	–5/8
+1.8	Avis n	32½	+1/8
–12.3	Avnet	57⅞	–1/16
+31.2	Avon	u80½	+5/8
+37.3	Aztar	8¾	–1/16
+3.5	BB&T Cp	66 5/16	+9/16
+24.6	BCE g s	41½	–5/8
+68.4	BCP Bk pru	125	+5
–4.3	BEA Inco	8 5/16	+1/16
+9.4	BJS s	39⅜	+5/8
+27.1	BJs Wh nu	39 7/8	+⅜
+22.6	BMC	20	–5/8
+1.1	BRE	28 9/16	+5/16
–3.7	BakrHu	42	+1/8
–8.1	Ball	32½	+1/8
–12.5	Ballnty	15¾	–1/4
–4.0	BaltGE	32¾	+1/16
+25.4	BancOne	61 15/16	
+70.1	BnCPortu	34 7/16	+1¾
–11.2	BcoRioP n	12 7/16	–1/16
– .9	BcSantCh	14	–1/4
–8.4	Banctec	24 9/16	+⅛
+9.7	Bandag A	35½	–1/16
+ .9	BkUtd pfB	27½	+3/16
–5.8	BkTokyo	13¼	+⅜
+7.0	BkNY	61⅞	–3/16
+16.5	BankAm s	85 1/16	
+1 3/16			
+6.7	BkAtlA s	13⅞	+1/16
+16.3	BkBost	10 9/16	–1
– .5	BkUtd pfC	25¼	–1/16
+5.6	BankTr	118 3/4	–1 1/16
+4.0	BanrAer	11½	–3/16
+18.2	Bard	37	
+17.6	BarnNbl s	39¼	+1/16
+12.8	BarrettRs	34½	+1/2
+14.4	**BarrickG**	**21 5/16**	**+1½**
+6.5	BatlMt	6⅛	+9/16
+14.2	BauschL	45¼	+7/16
+16.4	Baxter	58 11/16	–
2 7/16			
–4.8	BayApt	37⅛	+1/8
+10.7	BayNtwk	28 3/8	–9/16
+9.7	BearSt	52⅛	–5/8
+49.8	BckIns	59 15/16	–1/2
+39.8	BectDk	69⅞	–3/8
–10.9	BedfrdP	19½	
+13.4	Bell&Hwl	27 7/16	+3/8
+12.2	BellAt	102 1/16	–1/16
+14.2	BellSo	64 5/16	
+49.8	BenefCp	124 9/16	–1⅛
+30.0	BengtB	13¾	+1/4
–7.7	BentonOG	11 15/16	+1/4
+12.8	BergEls	25⅞	+1/4
+ .1	BergBr s	42 3/16	+9/16
+45.7	**BerkHa**	**A67000**	
+900			
–11.8	**BerryP**	**15⅜**	**...**
+77.5	BestBuy	65 7/16	–13/16
+16.0	Bestfoods	116⅝	–1/8
+66.9	**BethStl**	**14½**	**–1/16**
–5.9	BetzDearb	57 7/16	–1/2
+10.1	Beverly n	14 5/16	+5/8
+21.2	BigFlower	29¼	
+17.4	Bindly	36¼	+9/16
+22.2	Biovail	47¾	–1/8
+5.6	BirSti	16⅝	–5/8
+35.4	BlackD	u52	+9/16
+8.8	**BlkHlCp**	**su25**	**9/16**
+ 7/16			
	Blk1998	9¾	
+ .7	Blk2001	8⅝	
–3.5	BlkIT	6 13/16	–1/16
	BlkIQT	8¾	
–4.0	BlkMTar	10⅜	+⅛
+ .6	BlkNA	10⅝	
+ .7	BlkStr	8⅜	
– .7	BlkTT	9¼	
+4.7	BlckHR	46 15/16	–1/16
+94.3	Bluegreen	8½	+1/16
+13.6	Blyth s	34	+1/4
+6.5	Boeing s	52⅞	–¼
+21.5	BoiseC	36¾	–1/16
+6.8	Bombay	4 15/16	
–17.3	BordCh	6⅞	+1/16
+7.6	Borders	33 11/16	–5/16
+22.8	BorgWA	63⅞	
+7.4	BostEd	40 11/16	–3/16
+5.9	BostPrp n	35 11/16	
+45.5	BostSc	66¾	–⅞
+25.3	Bowatr	55 11/16	–¼
+6.6	BoxHill n	11⅞	+1/8
+10.4	BoydGm	7 5/16	+1/4
–5.4	BoykinL	25	+⅛
+6.2	Brahma n	15 1/16	+3/16
–6.5	Brandyw	23½	+⅜
+8.9	Brazil	22 7/16	–1/16
–6.4	BrigStrat	45 7/16	+5/16
+33.6	Brinker	21⅜	–¼
–4.5	BristHtls	27¾	–⅜
+9.8	**BrMySq**	**103⅞**	**–**
1 1/16			
+11.7	BrtPet s	89	–5/8
+16.9	BrtStl	25 1/16	–1/4
+32.5	BrtTel	106 7/16	–
2 3/16			
+1.7	**BrwnFA**	**53⅝**	**–⅜**
+.8	**BrwnFB**	**55 11/16**	**–7/8**
–11.8	BrwnFr	32⅝	+⅜
+16.7	Brunswick	35 3/8	+1/16
+49.3	Buckle s	51⅛	–2⅝
+7.1	BudgetGp	37	–⅞
–7.8	Buenavnt	14¾	+3/8
–37.7	Bufete	d6	–5/8
+6.5	BurCoat s	17 1/16	+3/16
+22.2	Burlinds	16⅞	+1/4
+13.4	BurlNSF	105 7/16	+5/16
+7.0	BrlRsc	47 15/16	+5/16
–4.9	BurrnPP	14⅜	+1/16
+1.8	CANTV	42¾	+⅜
+ .8	CBL Assc	24⅞	+1/16
+12.1	CBS	33	–¼
+20.2	CIGNA	u207 1/4	+2 1/16
	CIGHn	8 7/16	
+2.1	CIT Gp n	32 1/16	+1/16
–6.4	CKE Rst	35 13/16	+3/16
+11.1	CMAC Inv	67 1/16	+5/8
–49.1	CML Gp	1 1/16	–1/16
+5.1	CMS Eng	46 5/16	–1/16
–8.9	CNF Trans	35 5/16	+3/16
–1.9	CSK Ato n	23¼	+3/16
+8.9	CSX	58 13/16	+3/16
+15.4	CVS Corp	73 15/16	
+13/16			
+12.1	CabIDsg	s 29	
+1 5/16			
+ 1.7	CabItrn	15¼	+¼
+38.5	Cabot	38¼	+5/16
+29.3	CadbyS	53½	–
1 13/16			
+41.3	Cadence s	34 5/8	+1/16
–6.6	CadFair n	21 15/16	+1/16
+5.2	Calenergy	30¼	–¾
+3.1	CalGolf	29 7/16	–⅝
+21.0	Calpine	18	+¼
+23.3	Camco	65 13/16	–7/16
–3.8	CamdnP	29 13/16	+⅛
+7.1	CmpR g	15 3/32	+1/16
–50.0	CmpR wt	1/32	
+4.5	CampSp	60 3/4	–1/16
+36.0	CdnRy g	64 1/4	–9/16
+13.5	CdnPc g	30 15/16	+1/16
+49.0	CapOne	u80 3/4	+4¼
+31.7	CapSenL	n13¾	+⅛
– .4	Capstar	34 3/16	+3/8
	Capstd	19 15/16	–1/8
–6.6	CapstCT	23 7/8	–5/16
+16.1	CardnlH	87¼	+5/8
–5.9	CareyDv	n20 13/16	+1/4
–25.6	Carlsnr s	33⅛	–3/8
+22.2	CarnvCp	67 11/16	+1/16
+6.0	CaroPw	44 15/16	–1/16
–6.9	CarrAmR	29½	+3/8
+14.7	CaseCp	69 5/16	
–8.4	Catelus	18 5/16	+3/16
+12.9	Caterp s	54 3/4	–1/16
+16.5	**Cendant**	**40 1/16**	**–9/16**
+4.0	Cendnt pfI	52⅜	–⅜
+29.0	CentxCn	38⅞	+¾
+19.0	Centex s	37½	–1⅜
+1.4	CenSoWst	27 7/16	–⅜
+6.3	CenEurVal	12¾	–1/16
+4.4	**CenLAEI**	**33 13/16**	**–1/8**
+13.9	CeMPw	17⅜	+1/16
+8.8	CentPkg	su49 5/16	
+1 1/16			
–17.6	Centris s	12¼	–1/8
+20.7	CntyTl	60⅛	+⅜
+20.6	Ceridian	u55 1/4	+1 1/16
+31.3	ChmpE	27	–⅞
+28.8	Chmpln	55 5/8	–9/16
–5.6	ChAutoR	n18 13/16	+1/4
+ .7	ChartwlRe	34	+⅞
+23.2	ChaseM	134 3/16	
+1 3/16			
–7.9	ChateauC	29	+1/16
+21.1	Checkpnt	21 3/16	–1/4
–20.7	ChesEng	6	
+9.5	**Chevron**	**84 9/16**	**+1/2**
+3.5	ChicB&I	16 13/16	–1/16
–6.9	ChileTel	27 7/16	+1
–3.1	Chilgener	23¾	
+10.4	ChinSAir	n14 9/16	
+1/16			
–16.9	Chiquta	13 9/16	–1/4
+12.5	ChoiceH n	u18	
+15.7	Choicpt n	55 1/4	–⅜
+19.5	Chrysler	42 1/16	–9/16
+6.0	Chubb	80⅛	–1/16
+6.9	ChrDwt	30	+1/4
–26.8	Chyron	d3 1/4	–1/16
+10.1	CinnBell s	34 1/8	+⅞
+19.8	CinMil	31 1/16	+9/16
+35.0	CineOd	1 1/16	–1/8
–4.6	CiNergy	36 9/16	–⅜
+20.2	CircCtyCC	42 3/4	–1/16
+28.5	CirCGar	11 9/16	–1/8
+2.1	Circus	20 5/16	+1/4
+11.9	Citicorp	141½	+1/16
+12.5	CitzUtil	10 1/16	+⅛
+2.9	CityNC	38	–13/16
+16.7	ClaitresStr	22 1/16	+⅜
+16.0	Claytn	20⅞	–1/16
+23.9	ClearC	98 7/16	–5/8
–11.9	ClffsDr s	43 15/16	
+1 7/16			
+9.1	Cloroxs	86⅝	+5/8
+31.3	CoachUS	44	–1/16
+8.6	Coastal	67¾	+1/16
+14.6	**CocaCl**	**76 7/16**	**+1/4**
+3.7	CocaCE s	36⅞	+⅜
+1.9	CofFemsa s	19¾	–⅛
+39.9	Coeur	12½	+⅞
+29.1	Cogniznt	57⅝	
+1 3/16			
+91.8	Colemn	30 13/16	–9/16
+18.2	**ColgPal**	**su86 3/4**	**+1⅛**
–1.4	ColHlin	8½	–1/16
+3.9	ColonPT	31 5/16	+7/16
+7.5	Colltec	24 15/16	–3/16
– .7	ColumEgy	7⅞	–3/16
+6.3	ColHCA	31½	–3/16
+26.5	Comdisc s	42 5/16	–
+16.6	Comeric	105 1/4	+3/16
+5.0	CmcFdl s	35 3/4	–1/16
+5.5	ComScop	n14 3/8	–1/8
–15.5	CmpuSA	26 3/16	–1/2
+13.9	CBD–Pao	n22 1/16	–
7/16			
–5.8	Compaq s	26 5/8	+3/16
–35.3	CmpMan	d9	–
1 5/16			
+5.5	CompAs	s55 15/16	
+1 1/16			
+31.6	CompSci s	54 15/16	+3/4
+44.3	Comsat	35	–5/16
–12.0	ComstkRs	10½	+1/16
–3.0	ConAgra s	32⅛	+¼
+14.5	ConeMl	87⅜	+1/4
–6.0	Conectiv	21 11/16	–⅞
–3.3	Conectv A	n32⅞	–⅛
–1.0	**ConnEn**	**29 13/16**	**+1/16**
+24.8	Consecou	56 11/16	
+7/16			
+18.3	Consc pfF	u60⅝	+½
–41.3	ConGgar	16 3/16	–3/16
+13.1	ConEd	46⅜	–5/8
–5.6	ConsNG	57⅛	+¼
+1.4	ConStor	44 9/16	+11/16
–7.0	CGDIna	5	+7/16
–10.8	CGDIna L	3⅝	+1/16
+18.6	CtlAir B	57⅛	–7/16
+18.8	CtlHme	47 13/16	+15/16
+4.8	CoopCa s	63 15/16	–3/16
–4.3	CoopCo	39⅛	–⅜
+22.1	Cooper	59 13/16	–1/16
+ .5	CooprTr	24½	–½
+9.6	Copel n	15	–1/8
+14.1	CoreStF	9 17/16	
+1 3/16			
+19.3	CornPdt	nu35 9/16	
+15/16			
–4.6	CorPrpt	n18 5/16	+1/16
+17.7	CorningIn	43 11/16	+⅜
–5.1	CorrectCp	35 3/16	+3/16
+51.6	Cotellignt	u29	
+1 3/16			
+23.5	CntwCrdu	52 15/16	+⅞
–2	CousPr	29¼	+1/16
+20.4	Covance	23 15/16	+1/4
+ .9	CoxCm	40 7/16	–¾
–8.1	CresRE	36 3/16	–1/4
+2.6	CresRE pfu	25 1/8	
+3.7	Crestar	59 1/4	–1/16
+2.9	CrimiMa	15 7/16	+1/8
+9.2	CrmpKnl	28 15/16	–5/8
+21.1	**CrosTbr s**	**20 1/8**	**+¾**
+4.2	**CrosTim**	**16 15/16**	**–1/4**
+ .7	CrwnAm	9 3/16	+3/16
+8.0	CwnCork	54 1/8	+13/16
+15.9	CulignWtr	58 1/4	+⅜
–7.2	CumEng	s4 13/16	–1/4
+20.1	CypSem	10 1/16	+.1
+9.8	Cyprus	16⅞	
+13.4	Cytec	53 1/4	–13/16
	D-E-F		
+ .7	DPL s	19 1/4	–3/16
+3.9	DQE	36½	–1/4
+25.5	DR Horton	21 13/16	
+1 1/16			
+38.0	DSP Com	16 9/16	
+22.1	DST Sys	52⅛	–3/16
+12.4	DTE	u39	–¼
+30.3	DBenz	94⅛	–⅞
–14.1	DalSem	35	+¾
+20.9	DanaCp	57 7/16	–9/16
+21.0	Darden	u15	+⅛
–1.8	DataGn	17⅛	+1/8
+28.4	DaytHud	86 11/16	+¾
–16.5	DeanFd	49⅞	+¼
–4.7	DebtStrt n	10 1/4	–1/16
+8.2	Deere	63	+¼
+69.7	DekbGn s	66⅝	–
1 9/16			
+25.5	DelcoR	n15 11/16	–3/16
+64.8	DeltPne s	50¼	–9/16
–1.5	DeltaAir	117 3/16	–2⅜
–3.6	Deluxe	33¼	–⅜
–5.4	Denbury	17⅝	+1/8
+30.9	Dept56	37⅝	+1/16
+ .2	Depuy	28 13/16	–15/16
–17.8	DescSA	30 13/16	+5/16
+5.9	DevlDv	40½	+9/16
–4.5	Dexter	41¼	–½
+24.6	Diageo n	47 3/16	–⅜
+ .9	DiagPd	28	–1
+21.3	Dial	25¼	+7/16
+ .6	DialOffs	s48 7/16	
–13.1	Diebold	44	–3/16
+39.9	Digital	51 15/16	+3/16
+3.7	Dillards	36 9/16	–7/16
–1.0	DimeBcp	29 15/16	–9/16
–39.3	Dimon	d15 15/16	–3/16
–10.4	Disco	40¼	–¼
+27.5	DiscAut	24 3/8	+1¼
+8.8	**Disney**	**107 11/16**	**+13/16**
+7.0	Dole	48 15/16	+3/16
+25.0	DollarG s	36¼	–
1 5/16			
+18.3	DollarTh n	u24¼	+1/2
–2.3

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YTD	Name	Last	Chg
	A H C		
-8.8	ABC Rail	18¼	–¼
-33.3	ACS Elc n	3⅛	+⅛
-84.1	ACT Net	12	
-37.6	ADC Tel	28½	+1½
-7.9	ADECp	16⅛	+⅛
-7.0	ADFlex	15	–½
+9.3	APACT	14⅜	+⅛
+28.4	ASA Hold	36½	–⅜
+39.3	ASM Lith s	94	–3⅛
+68.5	ATEC G	5½	–⅝
+25.0	ATMI Inc	30⅝	+3⅛
+6.0	Abacan	12½	–3½
-23.8	Abaxis	2	
+10.9	**AbleTel**	7⅝	–7/32
-47.5	Abraxas	7¾	+⅛
+42.9	AccentS	⅛	
+91.4	Acclaim	6⅝	+1/16
-39.5	Activisn	10⅝	+⅝
-49.4	Actrade	13½	+⅜
+30.5	Acxiom	u25⅛	+1⅝
+19.0	AdacLb	23½	
-45.8	Adaptec	20⅛	–1⅛
+3.6	AdeptT n	10⅞	+¼
+16.4	AdobeSy	48	+3⅝
-28.6	**AdrianR**	⅛	–1/64
+6.0	Adtran	29	+2
+22.4	AdvPara	u38⅞	+2
+33.0	AdvFCm	38¾	+⅝
-15.0	AdvHthC	13½	–½
+98.4	AdvRdio n	15⅞	+15/16
+2.0	AdvTiss	12⅝	
-18.2	AdvantB	20¾	+1/16
-22.3	AehrTest n	6	–15/32
+28.9	Agourn s	37⅞	+⅞
-1.8	AgriBio	16¾	+¾
-13.5	AirExp s	26⅜	
+1			
+75.8	AirTran	7½	+¼
+69.0	Akorn	6⅛	–⅛
+20.3	**Akzo**	104½	+2
+18.2	Alkerm	23½	–⅛
+87.0	Allegiant s	u25¼	+3⅛
+21.3	AldCap	27	+½
+6.4	AldWste	24	–¼
+16.0	Alrenco	19	–¼
-23.5	Alteon	5	–5/32
+21.9	Altera	40	+1
-3.8	AltResc	22	–⅛
+37.3	Amazon n	82¾	+1⅛
+13.5	AmConn n	20	–⅞
-47.8	AcomS	18⅝	+⅛
-10.1	AhomPat	21⅛	+⅛
+15.7	AmintPt	3	+1/32
	AmOncol	16	+½
+24.3	APwrCnv	29⅜	+¼
-22.4	ASoft	7⅛	–3/32
+22.1	AmesDS	u21⅜	+⅝
+13.4	**Amgen**	61⅜	–1¼
+9.1	Amresco	33	+1½
-11.2	Analysts s	30⅝	–37/64
+23.5	AnchGm	68⅞	+1⅛
+66.7	AncorCm	7¾	+13/16
-16.7	Andrew	d20	
+11.4	Angeion	3½	+5/16
-11.0	Anicom	14⅛	+1/16
+.8	Antec	15¾	–⅜
+7.3	AntiVrls n	7⅝	+⅛
+13.0	ApexPC	25	+1⅛
+1.9	ApolloG	48⅛	–¼
+102.4	AppleC	26⅜	–15/32
+20.3	**AptMidt s**	36⅛	+1
+88.9	AMCC n	23⅛	–⅞
+28.1	ApMicro	7⅜	+¼
+1.5	Arakis	2	+1/32
+25.0	ArbrDrg s	23⅛	+⅛
+12.0	ArborSft	45⅜	+⅞
-3.2	ArcticCat	9⅛	–⅛
+20.6	AriadP	5⅛	–⅛
+35.1	ArisCorp n	28⅜	+1⅜
-3.3	Arnold	16½	+⅛
+17.3	ArtVasc s	38½	–⅜
+48.2	Ascend	36⅝	+1⅛
	AscentEnt	10⅜	
+39.5	AspectTch s	29⅛	+⅛
+52.2	Astec	u25½	+⅜
+8.3	AsystTch s	23⅛	+⅞
+35.3	AtHome n	34	–⅛
-94.3	vyAtkinsn	⅝	–1/64
-19.5	Atmel	14⅝	–⅛
-5.7	**AuraSy**	3	+1/32
-57.1	Autoinf	d3⅜	–⅛
+26.5	Autodesk	46⅝	+1⅛
+71.0	AutProt	11⅞	–5/32
-2.2	AutonoT	5½	–⅜
+12.7	Avanti	18⅞	–⅛
-50.8	AvrGrp n	d4	–¼
-11.1	Aviron	24⅛	–⅜
+70.0	AwrdSft	12¾	–⅛
+43.9	Aware	14¾	+⅜
+89.6	AxentT	u29¼	+1⅜
+27.3	BCAM Int	1⅝	
+65.7	BEA Sys n	u28	–⅛
		⅝	
-3.0	BEI Med s	4	–1/16
+22.3	BMC Soft	80¼	
+.9	BMJ Md n	7⅛	+⅛
-8.3	BPI Pkg	1½	+3/32
+45.5	Baan s	48	+⅜
+29.1	Ballard n	98¼	–3⅝
+12.0	BncGalic	24½	–⅛
+9.3	BkAtlB	14⅝	+⅛
+119.1	BanynSy	6⅞	–⅛
-50.3	BsTnA	5⅛	–1/32
+13.0	BedBath	43½	+1½
+24.8	Bchmarq	17	–¼
+2.9	BioSrce	6⅜	–⅛
+10.9	BioPhar s	23½	+3/32
-16.7	Biocrtrl	5/32	
+26.3	Biogen	45⅝	–⅛
+10.2	Biomet	28¼	–1/16
+81.7	BiosDiag	u16⅛	+1⅜
-18.3	BioTcG	8	–5/32
-21.4	Biotime s	14⅝	
+1			
-2	BlackBx	35⅝	–⅛
-7.3	BobEvn	20½	–⅛
+29.9	Borlnd	9¼	+⅛
-12.1	BostChk	57½	–⅛
-13.2	BostnCom	9⅞	+⅞
-23.5	BrassieG	⅜	+1/32
+37.4	Brightpt s	19¼	+1⅛
-17.8	BrodSft	21⅛	
2½		⅜	
-1.9	BrkineB n	16⅛	–⅝
+55.7	Brooktrl	u18	+1/2
+7.1	**BrownTom**	20¾	–⅜
+17.2	C-CUBE	19⅛	+⅜
-13.4	CCOR	13⅝	–
1½			
+8.9	CDW Cpt	56¾	
+11.9	CHS El s	19	+1/32
+38.9	CKS Gr n	19⅝	–1/2
+82.0	CMG Inf	55½	–
+1.3	CNET	29⅞	–1⅜
-17.3	**CNS**	5	–1/32
+26.3	Cadeln	3	+7/32
+25.5	Cadiz	u10¾	–¼
+33.3	Caere	11½	
+11.1	Caledon	⅝	
+4.3	CalPro	1½	+3/32
+1.3	CallonP	16½	+1/16
+16.8	CambTch	48⅝	–⅜
+30.9	Candies	7½	
+37.5	Carver	15⅛	+⅝
+25.0	Caseys su	15⅝	+⅛
-96.4	Casmyn n	1/64	
+33.3	Catgene	11¼	
-76.3	CatlTh	d4½	–9/32
+36.3	CatlNet	10⅝	–⅛
+56.8	CatlPro	3⅝	–⅛
-52.7	**CatlexB**	⅜	–1/32
+75.5	Catlstar s	34⅞	+½
+39.0	Catl Intl	u65	+1
-17.7	CatlVisn	4⅝	+1/16
+75.9	Caltrx	3⅜	–⅜
+30.8	CentCel	u26⅝	+⅝
+27.6	Centocor	42	+1⅛
+14.9	CEurMda	29	+⅛
+18.7	Cephln	13½	–¼
+2.4	Cerner	21⅝	–⅞
+22.4	ChancMd s	45⅜	–⅜
+2.7	ChrmSh	4⅜	–⅛
+5.3	ChtOneF	66½	–¼
+5.5	ChkPnt n	43	+½
-16.7	ChkFree	22½	+⅛
+237.5	ChemIntl n	1⅛	+9/32
+73.3	ChiMinL s	u39	+1⅜
+23.9	Chiron	21⅛	+⅛
+22.0	Choicest	15¼	–⅜
+27.5	ChromCS	12⅜	–⅜
-52.6	Cidco	d9¼	–⅛
-22.6	CienaCp	47	–1/32
-3.5	Cirrus	10¼	–⅛
+24.4	Cisco s	69⅜	–⅛
+4.4	CitrixSy s	52⅞	+5/16
+18.8	Ctyscape h	19/32	
-15.5	ClareTch	15⅝	+⅛
+24.2	Clarify	14	+⅛
-23.8	**ClayEng**	11	+⅞
+14.2	Coflexip	63⅜	+3⅜
+25.3	Cognos g	28⅜	+½
+35.1	**Cohernt s**	23⅝	+⅛
-17.1	CohoEn	7⅜	+1/16
+23.7	Cohu	37⅞	+⅛
-7.9	Coinmch	22⅜	–⅜
-23.0	CldwtrCr	26	–⅞
+91.2	ColtTel	81½	–1⅛
+13.2	Comair s	27⅝	+⅜
+12.9	Comcast	36	–⅜
+16.4	Comc sp	36¾	–⅝
+44.4	CmcstUK	13¾	–⅛
+7.7	CmnwltT s	27⅞	+⅞
-16.7	ComIntell	1¾	–1/16
-26.4	CmpuMed	1	
-1.1	Cmpcm	8½	–3/32
+6.3	**CptConc**	17/32	+1/8
-44.7	CptrLrn s	16⅝	–⅝
+54.5	Compwr s	49⅞	–1/16
+19.6	Comvers	46⅝	+⅞
-9.4	ConcMngd	30⅜	–⅛
+44.9	CodCam	4⅞	–⅛
+19.0	CncrdCm n	24⅞	+¼
+39.2	CncEFS	34⅝	+⅝
+33.3	ConcCm	3⅛	+3/16
+6.7	CndrTch n	14⅞	+⅝
-6.3	Copart	16¾	+1⅜
-12.5	Copytele	3⅛	+⅛
-44.2	CorTher	12⅜	+⅛
+26.9	CoreCp g	2⅛	–1/16
	Cornucp	9/32	
-24.3	CorpExp	9⅜	–3/32
+20.4	Costco	53⅜	–⅜
-8.0	**CostEner**	10	…
+9.8	**Coventry**	16⅜	…
+19.1	**CrkrBrl**	39⅝	–⅜
+9.3	CrBioMol	8⅛	–⅛
+10.5	CreTcLtd	24⅝	+1⅜
-12.2	CredSys	26	–⅛
+22.6	CrdAcp	9½	+⅜
+50.0	Cryomed	9/32	–1/32
-31.4	CrySys	17½	+⅞
+27.1	CybrCsh	16⅛	+⅛
+77.8	CyberGrd	10	–⅜
+84.3	Cyberonic	u29⅝	+1⅛
+20.7	CybrShp n	10⅞	–1/16
-15.1	Cygnus	16⅞	–⅜
+47.4	Cylink	14⅜	+⅛
+38.3	Cymer s	20¾	+⅜
+25.0	Cytogn	21/32	–⅛
+ .5	Cytyc	25	–⅜
	D E F		
	DECS III	23⅛	
-29.2	DSC	d17	–⅛
+41.0	Daisytk s	24½	–⅜
+15.3	Danka	18⅝	–⅜
-40.8	DaouSys	18⅜	+⅜
+5.6	DtBdcst	5⅝	+⅛
-22.8	DtaDimn	13⅛	–⅛
+27.2	DtTrNw	u35⅝	+3⅜
+22.6	DtaWks	24⅜	–⅛
+3.9	Datascpe	26⅞	+1⅞
+31.5	Datastrs	20⅜	–⅛
+15.1	Datatec	5	–⅛
+ .4	Datum	14⅜	+1⅜
-1.9	**Dawson**	16⅛	–⅞
-25.9	**DawsnP**	12⅞	–½
+4.0	DBeer	21¼	+⅝
+21.7	**DeepTech**	14	…
+12.4	Delias	25	–⅛
+63.1	DellCptr s	68½	+⅝
+3.3	Dentsply s	31½	–⅜
-36.5	Designs	12⅝	–1/32
+10.1	DiagHlt	13	–⅛
+34.8	Diametrc	7½	–⅛
+83.1	DiamM	16¼	+⅛
+59.6	Digiintl	27⅛	–1
-53.3	DigLght	6¼	+1/16
+3.4	DigMic s	15	
+1			
-21.4	Discreet	17¼	–⅜
+8.1	DrSolom	34⅞	+⅝
+ .6	DocuCp wi	9	+1/16
+18.7	Documnt	50	–1¼
+23.0	DlrTree s	50⅞	+1⅝
-13.0	DomBridge	1¼	+9/32
+18.2	DbleClick n	31⅝	–½
-1.3	DresB	28	+⅜
-41.1	DuraPh	27	–⅜
+13.2	Duramed	6⅞	+⅛
+54.2	DurbanRo	2⅝	+1/32
-64.4	Dynagn s	½	+3/32
+4.1	ETrade	23⅝	–¼
+28.4	ECI Tel	32⅜	
+3			
-21.2	EFTC Cp	12⅜	–¾
+13.6	EgiBsh	u25	+⅞
-9.4	EgilHrd	17⅝	+⅜
-7.5	EgleUSA	26⅜	–⅜
+45.0	EarthSc	1⅝	+9/32
-22.5	ErthShll n	d18¼	–
2			
+13.8	EstnEn	25	–⅜
+33.6	EchoStar	22⅜	–⅜
+53.8	**Egghead**	10	–⅛
+54.1	Eidos	18⅞	…
-36.0	8X8 Inc	7	+⅛
+39.4	Elantec	8⅝	–7/32
+31.4	ElderBr n	21¼	+⅝
+ .4	Elctrgls	15½	–⅜
+21.3	ElcArt	45⅞	–⅞
+55.6	EFII	25⅞	+1⅜
-72.4	**Elctarc**	2½	…
+3.1	**ElronEl**	16½	+⅜
+15.2	EmplySt	43½	+1⅛
-28.2	Emulex	d9⅞	–1⅞
-54.2	Encad	12⅝	–9/32
+3.5	EncoreW s	31¼	–¼
+50.6	Envoy	43⅞	–⅝
+6.6	**EqCompr**	2⅝	…
+27.1	**EricTel**	47	–3⅛
-85.2	Esclin wtB	⅛	+1/32
+53.3	EspritT	17¼	–⅛
+22.8	EtecSys	57⅛	+2⅛
+9.1	EuroCr	⅜	
+62.5	Excite n	48¼	–⅞
	ExdsCm n	27⅝	+⅞
+8.1	ExpdInt	41⅝	–⅜
-2.2	ExtndSys n	8⅝	+⅛
-52.7	**ExtrmNtwk**	35⅛	–⅞
-2.0	FPA Mid	18¼	–⅜
+43.1	FTP Sft	3	+1/32
+23.9	FamGolf	38⅞	–⅜
-37.1	FDaves	5⅝	
-23.7	FastCm	1⅝	+⅛
+5.8	FfthThrd s	u86½	
+1			
-47.5	FineHost	5⅝	+⅛
+55.2	FinLine	20⅛	+1⅜
+145.8	FstAlert	5	+3/32
-3.0	FtATn s	48¼	+⅛
+26.8	FComcaC	85¼	–⅞
+8.3	FstHlth	55⅜	+⅜
-12.6	FSecCp s	24⅜	–⅝
-2.2	FstTenn s	32⅝	–⅛
+23.3	Fiserv	u60	+1⅛
-33.1	Flanders	6⅜	–⅛
+34.1	FdLioB	11½	+⅜
+29.3	FdLioA	10⅝	+3/32
+26.2	FoodTch	5⅜	+23/32
-2.0	ForeSys	14⅝	–⅛
-4.9	ForteSft	7¼	–⅛
+38.9	Forward s	3⅛	+⅛
+25.8	4FrntTch	9¾	+1
+36.1	FranchM n	u25	+½
+3.3	FredBrw	1⅝	+⅛
+3.3	FGoldmn s	30⅞	+¼
+77.8	FrontrAr	3½	+3/32
+6.9	**FrozenFd**	9⅝	+¼
+48.5	FuelZT	12⅝	–⅛
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+21.9	Gentex	32⅜	
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+14.6	Genzym	31⅜	–⅞
+84.8	GeoTelCm	25¾	+⅝
+138.2	GeoWste	2	+3/32
-32.7	GeoTk	1½	–3/32
-21.8	Geoworks	7½	–3/32
+24.6	GibsnG	27¾	+⅜
+25.9	Glenayre	12⅞	+⅛
+9.8	Glatech	11¼	+1⅛
+24.3	Globlind s	21⅛	+½
+56.5	GlblMtrsp	18⅜	–⅜
+84.6	GlbVilag	2¼	+⅛
+38.5	Globalstr s	68⅛	–3⅛
+5.5	GoldBks	10⅞	+⅝
-57.1	**GoltTSy**	3⅛	–1/32
+28.3	GranBd	11⅝	+⅜
-30.0	Greenm s	13½	+3/32
+44.4	GristMil	14⅞	
+2.5	GuilfrdPh	20⅝	–1⅜
+6.8	Giffsind s	20⅛	+⅛
+5.4	GulfSou	u39¼	+2
-16.7	GumTch	5⅝	–1⅛
+21.6	HBO s	58⅜	+1⅛
-4.8	HMTTch	12⅜	+⅞
- 3	HUBCO	39	+⅝
+26.2	Harbngr	35½	–1¼
+6.3	HarbrFL s	11½	–⅛
+125.0	HarvRest	1½	+1/32
+87.5	HaupgD	u9⅝	–⅛
+43.8	HeadInd n	17¼	
+110.5	HlthMSys	12½	–⅜
+34.2	HlthCFP	47⅝	+2
+18.1	**HrstAvT n**	35⅛	–⅞
-51.8	HrtWire	2⅞	+1/32
-45.1	Heartprt	d11⅜	–⅝
+12.8	HelenTr s	18⅜	+⅛
-1.9	HelixTch s	19⅛	–½
+5.8	HerblfeB n	22⅜	–⅜
+34.7	HlywdE	14⅜	+1⅜
	HomLnF n	15¼	
+34.0	HmePrd	15¾	–⅜
-80.0	HmeCap n	7⅜	–½
+2.8	HuntBnk	37	
+18.9	HutchT	26	+1/16
-22.3	Hvidan	20	+½
+14.3	I–Link	7	+½
+5.6	I2 Tech	55⅛	–2⅜
+53.2	ICG Com	41¾	+⅝
-21.4	ICO Inc	4⅞	–⅛
-16.7	ICOS	15¼	–⅜
+84.6	IDTCorp	37⅜	–1⅛
+201.9	IGEN	40	–1¾
+11.6	IMC Mt	13¾	+⅛
+122.7	IMP	1½	+3/32
+47.6	INSO	17½	–3⅜
-35.7	ISG Intl	9	+3/64
-5.3	ISS Grp n	38¾	–⅜
+16.3	ITEQ Inc	13⅜	+⅝
+114.6	IVI Pub	5½	–⅜
+90.8	IXC Com	59⅞	
+1			
+63.3	Icn CMT n	16⅛	+1
+5.2	IlliniSup	12	+9/32
-47.4	ImarkTch	1¼	+3/32
-26.7	ImuLog	6⅝	–⅜
+23.7	Imunex	66⅝	–⅜
+24.1	Imunmd	4½	+⅛
+4.3	ImpCrdt n	15¼	+⅝
+18.9	ImpCrd	24⅜	–⅜
-7.4	InFocus s	14⅛	–⅜
+5.4	IndpCm n	18⅜	+⅜
+134.4	Infonau	4	–⅞
+48.7	InfMgeR	55	+1⅜
+73.0	Informix	8	–1/32
+89.8	Infoseek	18¼	–⅛
+56.1	InnovT	4	+⅛
+6.3	**Innovex**	24⅜	+⅞
-27.4	IntegCirc	20	+1⅛
+54.0	IntgDv	14	+3/32
+28.6	ItgPrc	20¼	+1⅞
+11.3	**Intel s**	78	+3⅛
+1			
+24.4	Intelect	6⅜	–⅜
+28.6	Intelli	4½	+⅛
+28.1	IntelEl	7⅛	
+39.4	IntrTel s	27	–⅞
+38.4	Intrficin	40	+⅝
-17.3	Intrfrn	7¾	+½
+44.9	IntrCm	88	–¾
+1.2	IntrFibcm	5⅝	–3/32
+24.8	IntlMur	12⅞	–1/16
+25.4	IntlNtwk	29	–¼
-13.2	Interneur	8¼	+⅛
+34.8	Intrnet	u37⅞	+⅜
+20.0	Intuit	49½	+½
+61.6	IonaTch	u33⅛	+⅜
+66.4	IridmWrn	u60	+3¾
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+7.2	JD Edwn	31⅝	–⅜
-19.3	Jabil s	32½	–⅜
+8.5	JacorCm	57⅝	–¾
+75.0	JavaCtrl	4⅜	
+68.2	JohnstnAu	16⅜	+1/16
+42.2	Metamor	37	–1⅛
+10.2	Methanx	8¾	+⅛
-11.5	MethdA	14⅜	+⅛
+3.6	Metrom	9	+3/32
+41.8	Metrocall	7	
+74.3	MiamiCptr	25⅛	–⅞
+26.9	**MichStr**	37½	–⅛
+26.8	Micrel s	35½	–2⅜
-19.8	MicroLin	6⅝	+⅛
+16.6	MicroWre	16¼	+⅝
-16.2	MicroAge	12⅝	
-26.0	Microchp	22⅜	–⅝
-7	MicroPh	8	+⅜
+34.2	MicronEl	12¼	–⅜
+36.6	**Microsft s**	88¼	–⅝
+15.8	MicPwr	8⅝	+27/32
+18.0	MilestnSci	19⅝	–⅛
+24.8	MillrHer s	34	+⅛
+94.1	MindSpr	85¼	–⅜
-2.6	Minorc	16⅝	+⅛
-26.8	**Mitcham**	13	–3⅜
+9.1	MblTel	24	–⅛
+3.1	Modine	35⅜	+⅛
-15.3	Mylex	7⅝	–⅛
-4.1	Mynad n	23¼	+1½
+73.8	NBTY	58	+⅜
+21.8	NCi Bldg	u43¼	+3
-3.9	NCO Grp s	24⅜	–⅛
+57.0	NTL Inc	43¾	–⅜
-35.0	NaProBio	1⅝	+1/32
-27.7	NatEng	2⅝	
+12.1	NTech	7	+25/32
+102.4	NaturiAt	21½	–⅛
+100.0	NatrlHlth	3/32	
-30.5	NatlMicr	32⅛	–
8		⅝	
+33.3	Nautica	u31	–½
+24.6	NetSpk n	31⅝	+⅝
+16.7	Netegrity	1	+3/32
+42.2	Netmng	4	–⅛
-20.5	Netscpe	19⅜	+⅛
+34.7	NetVant	8½	+⅛
+22.2	NetwkAsc	64⅝	–⅛
+13.3	Nwkimg	1⅛	
+62.2	Neurex	u22½	
+1			
-1.6	Neurcrine	7¾	+1/16
-13.3	NwWCfBg	1⅝	–3/32
+47.9	Newsedge	13½	+½
+17.5	NextelCm	30⅝	–1⅛
+64.2	Nextlink n	57⅜	–⅛
-16.7	NoiseCT	⅝	
+1.7	Nordst	61⅜	–⅜
+9.1	NrthFce	24	–1
+7.2	NorTrst	74¾	–1⅝
+23.2	NwstAirl	59	–⅜
+39.8	**Novell**	10	+5/32
+37.5	Novlus s	44	+⅝
+67.2	No9Vis n	31½	–⅝
+17.9	ON Tch	1	+⅛
	OakTech	6½	+⅛
+360.0	ObjctShre	27⅜	+⅛
-16.5	OcwenAs n	17⅛	+⅜
-3.8	OldKent s	38⅛	–⅜
+22.3	Omnipont	28	+⅞
+71.5	Onsale n	30⅞	–¾
+16.4	**Optimag**	4	+3/32
+63.6	**OptnCr**	4½	…
+41.2	**Oracle s**	31½	+⅝
+52.5	OrbSci	45⅜	–1⅛
-6.4	OrckitCom	17	+⅛
+23.9	Orthlog	6	–⅞
+117.4	Oscom	41⅛	+⅞
+4.8	Ostex	2⅜	+⅛
+27.6	OutbkSth	36⅛	–⅛
+14.2	OvrlndD	6	+3/32
-3.6	OxfordHlt	15	–⅛
+40.7	Oxis	1	–3/32
+116.4	OzEmail	16½	–⅛
+13.8	P–Com s	19⅛	+⅜
+41.4	PLD Tele	7½	–⅝
+17.7	PMC Srra	38½	–½
+27.5	PMT Svc	17½	+1/32
-6.9	PRI Auto s	26⅞	–1⅜
+129.8	**PSINet**	u11⅝	+⅜
-53.0	PSW Tch n	6⅝	–⅛
+7.5	PacGate n	57⅞	+1
+39.5	PacSun s	u41¼	–1⅛
+39.1	PacifCB	72⅞	–½
+44.8	PagingN	15⅜	+⅛
+14.5	PairgTch	22	+⅛
+11.6	**PalEx**	13¼	+⅛
+46.4	PalmrMd	1	+1/32
+36.8	PanAmSat	59	+¼
+9.7	PapJohn	38¼	–⅛
+24.2	Parmdgm	¼	–1/16
-19.4	**ParPet**	5	–⅛
+37.4	ParmTc s	32⅝	+⅛
-23.8	Paravnt	d3	–½
-44.8	Parvnt wt	d1	–1/32
-12.5	Parexel	32⅜	+1
+50.0	PartyCty s	32¼	–⅞
-34.8	**PattEng s**	12⅝	+1/16
+14.3	PHarris	11½	
+14.0	Paychex s	57	+⅛
+28.0	PerleSys	2	+⅛
+59.7	Pegasus n	23¾	+⅜
-18.9	Pegasys	16⅜	–⅛
+24.4	PenInter n	3⅜	+3/32
+12.1	PenskeM	31⅜	+⅜
+30.9	Peopsft s	51⅛	+1⅞
-57.1	PeritusS	8¾	+11/16
-16.7	PetcoAn	20	+1⅜
+37.3	Petsec	18⅞	+1⅜
+52.6	PetsMart	11⅛	–⅞
+22.7	PharMor	11½	–⅛
+36.7	PharM	14⅜	+⅛
+37.8	PhrmMkt	14⅛	
+51.2	PharmPdt	23¼	+1½
+58.3	Pharmos	u3⅛	–9/32
-3.7	Photon	3¼	+⅛
+8.8	Photrin s	26⅜	–⅛
-3.7	PhyCor	26	–⅝
+38.9	**PhysRell**	14½	+1⅛
+7.0	PhySafe	23	+1/32
-51.6	PhyCpt	1⅝	+3/32
+7.9	PhysioCon	17⅛	–1/32
+2.9	PicTel	6¹¹/₁₆	–⅜
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-12.8	PlatTc	24⅝	+⅛
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+20.0	PostFb gn	7⅞	+3/32
+18.9	PwrhseT	14⅛	+⅞
-20.1	Powrwv	13	–⅞
+28.1	PremT	35⅜	–⅛
+3.6	Primsy	27⅛	+½
+9.1	PrdEnt pf	1½	+⅜
+49.4	ProMdCo	15⅛	–⅜
+121.1	PrvAm	5¼	–1½
+7.8	PrvBksh s	34½	–1½
+24.7	ProvHlth n	24⅝	+2⅝
+84.2	Proxima	10⅞	+1⅛
+100.9	Proxymd	14⅜	+3⅛
–2.6	Qualcom	49¾	+⅜
+8.4	**Quantum s**	21¾	+1⅛
+21.2	Quartrdk	13½	+½
+20.3	Quarte	9⅝	
+21.1	QuormH s	u31⅝	+⅛
+34.5	QuestCm s	40	+⅞
+70.6	RCM	u29	+1
+20.3	RF McD n	14⅝	+⅞
+38.3	RacngCh n	10⅜	
-12.4	RadiSys	32⅝	–2⅛
+24.2	RadicaG	19⅛	+⅜
-33.0	RainOfle s	14⅜	+⅛
-14.8	Rambus n	39	–2⅝
-15.7	Ramtron	4½	+⅛
+18.5	RatnSft	13¾	+1½
-8.7	ReadRt	14⅜	+1½
+78.6	RltNetwr n	u24½	
+1⅜			
-14.3	RedBrick	6	–⅛
+5.6	RegCin	29⅞	–⅛
- 4	RegnFn s	42	+⅛
+18.9	Regis Cp	29⅞	+1
+24.2	Remec s	27⅝	–⅛
-4.5	Remedy	20½	–⅜
+26.1

REVIEWS & PREVIEWS

SHORT TAKES

Openers

"The Newton Boys," "Grease" and **"Meet the Deedles"** open today.

Box office
Top weekend movies
Weekend of March 20-22, 1998
All dollar figures in millions

	Gross to date, weeks in release, number of screens	Weekend gross
1	**Titanic** $494.5, 14 weeks, 3,169 screens	$17.1
2	**Primary Colors** $12, one week, 1,965 screens	$12.0
3	**The Man in the Iron Mask** $34.5, two weeks, 3,101 screens	$11.1
4	**Wild Things** $9.6, one week, 2,177 screens	$9.6
5	**U.S. Marshals** $43.5, three weeks, 2,817 screens	$7.2
6	**Mr. Nice Guy** $5.4, one week, 1,463 screens	$5.4
7	**Good Will Hunting** $115.6, 16 weeks, 1,805 screens	$4.0
8	**As Good as It Gets** $125.8, 13 weeks, 1,604 screens	$3.2
9	**The Wedding Singer** $68.4, six weeks, 2,065 screens	$3.2
10	**The Big Lebowski** $13.7, three weeks, 1,123 screens	$1.8

Top 10 lists

Weekly charts for the nation's most popular videos as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission. All lists c. 1998, Billboard Publications, Inc.:

Video Rentals

1. "The Devil's Advocate," (Warner)
2. "G.I. Jane," (Hollywood)
3. "The Game," (PolyGram)
4. "Air Force One," (Columbia TriStar)
5. "The Edge," (Fox)
6. "Mad City," (Warner)
7. "Conspiracy Theory," (Warner)
8. "Eve's Bayou," (Trimark)
9. "In & Out," (Paramount)
10. "The Peacemaker," (Universal)

Top Singles

1. "All My Life," K-Ci & Jojo (MCA)
2. "Frozen," Madonna (Maverick)
3. "Nice & Slow," Usher (LaFace) (Platinum)
4. "My Heart Will Go On," Celine Dion (Sony)
5. "No, No, No," Destiny's Child (Columbia) (Platinum)
6. "Let's Ride," Montell Jordan featuring Master P & Silkk the Shocker (Def Jam)
7. "Truly Madly Deeply," Savage Garden (Columbia) (Gold)
8. "Gettin' Jiggy Wit It," Will Smith (Columbia)
9. "Gone Till November," Wyclef Jean (Ruffhouse) (Gold)
10. "Too Close," Next (Arista)(Gold)

Top Albums

1. "'Titanic' Soundtrack," (Sony Classical) (Platinum)
2. "Let's Talk About Love," Celine Dion (550 Music) (Platinum)
3. "Life or Death," C-Murder (No Limit)
4. "Van Halen 3," Van Halen (Warner Bros.)

Country Singles

1. "Perfect Love," Trisha Yearwood (MCA)
2. "Nothing But the Taillights," Clint Black (RCA)
3. "If I Never Stop Lovin' You," David Kersh (Curb)
4. "Little Red Rodeo," Collin Raye (Epic)
5. "Then What?" Clay Walker (Giant)
6. "Bye Bye," Jo Dee Messina (Curb)
7. "I Can Love You Better," Dixie Chicks (Monument)
8. "The Day That She Left Tulsa (In A Chevy)," Wade Hayes (Columbia)
9. "This Kiss," Faith Hill (Warner Bros.)
10. "You're Still the One," Shania Twain (Mercury)

Latin Tracks

1. "No Se Olvidar," Alejandro Fernandez (Sony Discos)
2. "Una Fan Enamorada," Servando Y Florentino (WEA Latina)
3. "Asi Fue," Juan Gabriel (Ariola-BMG)
4. "Como Dueles En Los Labios," Mana (WEA Latina)
5. "My Heart Will Go On," Celine Dion (Epic)

REVIEWS AND PREVIEWS EDITOR
JIMMY PATTERSON

Clapton's anguish over son's death a focus in 'Pilgrim'

Associated Press

"Pilgrim" (Reprise) — Eric Clapton

It seems apt that a luxury car company is sponsoring the upcoming Eric Clapton tour. His music of late has been polished to a deep shine; he's a consummate professional, a luxo-rocker.

But Clapton cannot be written off so easily. His brilliance as a bluesman is undeniable. When he plays the blues, it is as if some occult hand is guiding his hand over the guitar, channeling the essence of the blues through Clapton.

So it is all the more frustrating that Clapton's recent music has seemed aimed at lite FM. "Pilgrim" is a mixed bag on that score. The strings are sometimes too prominent, the background vocals a touch too sweet. After a strong start, the album drags at about 75 minutes, and it's easy to pick a couple of songs that would have been better left off (start with "Needs His Woman"). And what's with that drum machine? It gives the songs a sterile feel.

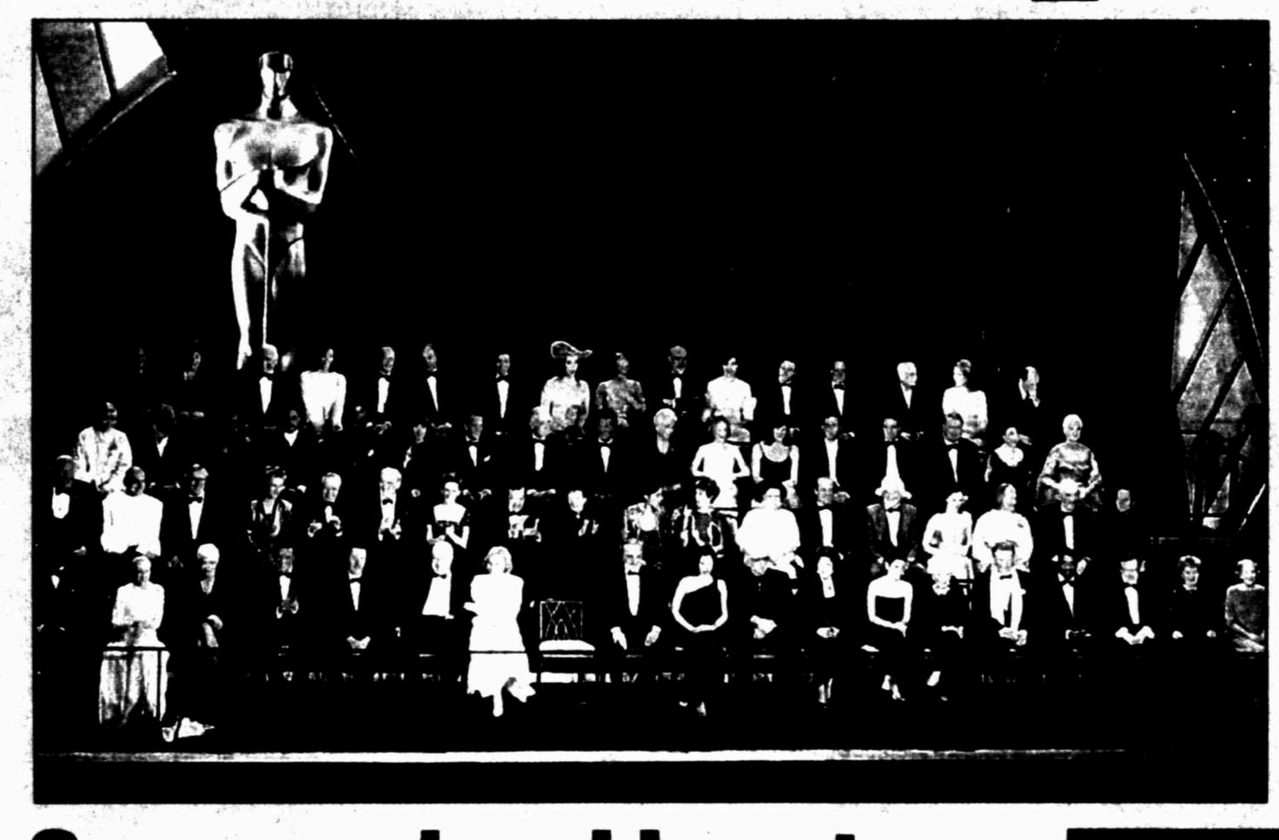
■ Review

But Clapton's voice sounds terrific and soulful, his guitar playing ranges from elegant to ferocious — although he never really busts loose — and the grooves eventually work their way into your brain. And lyrically, Clapton is giving voice to a deep pain that is ultimately so compelling it draws you into the songs, revealing soul at their core.

Clearly, many of the songs refer to the death of Clapton's young son. "Where do I draw the line between truth and necessary pain, and how do I know and where do I get my belief that things will be all right again?" Clapton asks on the title track. "It's like living in a nightmare, like looking in the blackest hole, like standing on the edge of nothing, completely out of control," he continues.

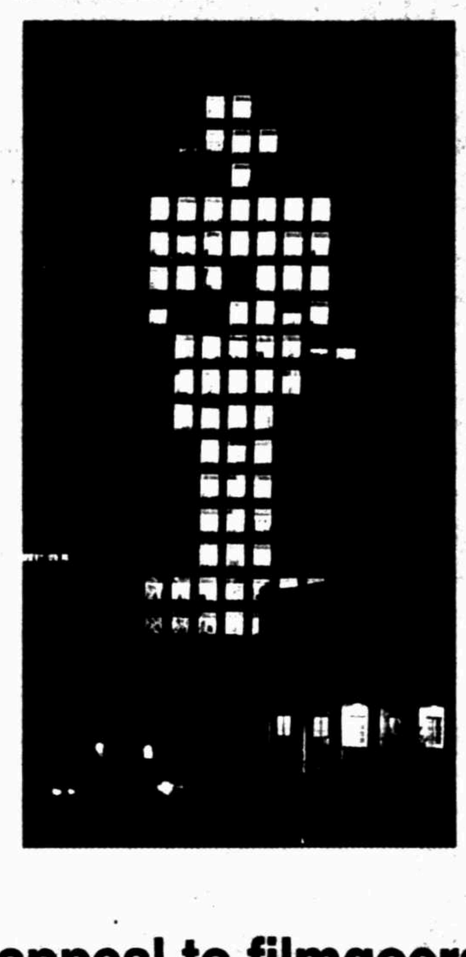
Overall, "Pilgrim" is not the monster deep-career album we might have hoped for. But it cannot be dismissed as so much adult-contemporary filler, either. Instead, it should be regarded as the work of a major talent still looking to find his way. Sort of like a pilgrim.

It's a wrap ...



Former Oscar winners appear onstage, left, at the 70th Academy Awards in Los Angeles Monday. The gathering of more than 75 previous Academy Award winners became a highlight of Monday night's ceremony — a reminder of the performers and films that have charmed moviegoers over the decades. Below, the lights of the 18-story Massachusetts Institute of Technology Green Building were put on in the shape of an Oscar by members of a secret group called the MIT Hacking Society, Tuesday, March 24, 1998, in Cambridge, Mass. The prank celebrated the two Oscars won by "Good Will Hunting."

Oscar makes big return to mainstream Hollywood



Academy Award winners

Best picture

"Titanic"

Best actor

Jack Nicholson,
"As Good as It Gets"

Best actress

Helen Hunt,
"As Good as It Gets"

Best supporting actor

Robin Williams,
"Good Will Hunting"

Best supporting actress

Kim Basinger,
"L.A. Confidential"

Best director

James Cameron,
"Titanic"

By Bob Strauss
N.Y. Times News Service

LOS ANGELES —If you've got to go Hollywood, there's no better place than at the Oscars.

That was the unmistakable message sent by the 70th Annual Academy Awards. After last year's excursion into small, independent and even (gasp!) foreign territory, the academy re-legitimized the traditional star and studio system with a single-minded vengeance.

Not only did "Titanic's" record-tying sweep of 11 Academy Awards validate the movie that was so big it took two major studios to make it, but all four acting awards went to longtime Hollywood favorites. Even the one nominally indie production that could claim one of the big six Oscars, "Good Will Hunting," got it for Robin Williams, as mainstream a star as there ever was.

Fortunately, Hollywood also stands for showmanship. That was nicely keyed by the show's time-consuming (but delightful) assembly of all those previous winning actors. But it was carved in stone by the selection of this year's winners.

Even though this year's show hardly rewarded adventurousness, it at least threw enough curves to keep the ceremonies worth watching — a good thing, too, since emcee Billy Crystal was off his game for the first time.

Please see **WRAP**/1D

'Titanic's' secret:

Mythological overtones appeal to filmgoers

By Tom Jacobs
N.Y. Times News Service

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — Other movies have equally impressive special effects. Many have featured more convincing acting and more compelling dialogue. But few have managed to bore their way into our imaginations with the force and immediacy of James Cameron's "Titanic."

Here is a film that breaks most of the rules for Hollywood blockbusters. It runs three hours plus; it's a period piece; it lacks a happy ending. And yet, enthralled audiences are returning to see it again and again.

■ Analysis

In a sense, "Titanic" is like a recurring nightmare that won't let us go until we figure out what it's trying to tell us. When a film exerts that kind of primal pull, it is safe to assume it has transported us into the realm of myth.

The "Titanic" film's links to mythology aren't as obvious as those of "Star Wars," which it passed on its way to becoming the top-grossing motion picture of all time. But, like the iceberg that sunk the ship, they are looming just below the surface. And the ancient stories that get retold in the film are ones that resonate strongly with today's audiences.

Please see **MYTHOLOGY**/1D

'Primary Colors' provides window on scandal-dogged presidency



John Travolta and Emma Thompson co-star in 'Primary Colors'

By Bernard Weinraub
N.Y. Times News Service

HOLLYWOOD — Mike Nichols, the director of "Primary Colors," and the studio executives involved in the film have insisted all along that their movie about a Southern governor's political ascendancy is not really about Bill Clinton.

Right.

Just ask moviegoers who saw the film, which stars John Travolta and opened over the weekend at a respectable No. 2 at the box office after, of course, "Titanic."

"Travolta had every gesture down pat, every one," said Pam Rodgers, a 40-year-old corporate controller in Little Rock, Ark. "It brought the house down." Moments later, Laura Burns, an executive assistant, left the theater and said:

"You forget you're watching John Travolta. He had Clinton down so well. The hands, the mouth, the gestures. We were laughing so much, an elderly lady in front of us got up and moved."

There was more intense interest in "Primary Colors" in Little Rock than other cities, but moviegoers in places like Denver, Boston, Atlanta, New York and Los Angeles seemed to be drawing a very blurred line between the screen characters and their White House counterparts, which is both a blessing and a curse for the $65 million screen adaptation of Joe Klein's best-selling roman a

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MYTHOLOGY: 'Titanism' has become a part of American culturism

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"Titanic" really tells two tales: The saga of the sinking of the famous ocean liner; and the fictional story of Rose, who is played by Kate Winslet (in the 1912 story) and Gloria Stuart (as the present-day narrator). The first is a tale of hubris, blindness and arrogance; the second, a story of love, heroism and redemption. Both have strong mythological roots.

The film's connection to ancient stories begins with its title — which, of course, is also the name of the doomed ship. In Greek mythology, the Titans were "the second line of gods," said Borimir Jordan, a professor of classics at UCSB. "There were 12 of them. They were huge — which is why the ship was called Titanic — and they had superhuman stature."

They were not, however, invincible. One of the Titans' sons, Zeus, led a successful rebellion against his father and became the leader of the pantheon of gods. In an unbelievably rich irony, the Titans were then imprisoned in a cavity in the underworld for the rest of eternity.

While the Titans were deposed, their energy lives on through the sort of obsessive, larger-than-life overachievers who periodically pop up in American culture. The 19th century had "titans of industry," such as Rockefeller and Carnegie; we have titans of technology, such as modern media moguls.

"Titanism is part of the cultural mythology of America," said Dennis Slattery, a member of the core faculty at Pacifica Graduate Institute in Carpinteria. "It keeps coming out in different forms. Bill Gates is a titanic figure."

As is film director James Cameron, whose perfectionist, spend-whatever-it-takes sensibility rivals that of the ship's creators.

"He got caught in a kind of Titanism," Slattery said. "If a lamp shade in one of the corridors wasn't the exact replica of the original, he had a fit. (He essentially decided) 'I can resurrect the ship, and I'm going to sink the sucker again.'"

Slattery is convinced audiences are drawn by that titanic energy. But once they are sucked in, they experience a cautionary tale about the dangers of believing in one's own invincibility.

"There are lots of themes of this kind in mythology, where human beings compete with the divinities and try to surpass them in some craft or art," said Jordan. "This story fits into that pattern of wanting to become superhuman. That's what the people who built the ship wanted to do. They thought they were not liable to human failings."

That self-willed blindness "is what the film captures so beautifully," Slattery said. "While the ship is sinking, the captain says 'This ship can't sink!' The myth is so powerful that it blocks out (from his mind) the water that is gathering around his ankles. He doesn't feel the cold water because the myth won't let him."

Like Slattery, nationally renowned mythologist Jean Houston finds it significant that the ship's rupture occurred below the surface. The sea, she noted, has long served as a symbol of the subconscious mind. It seems clear that the captain blinded himself to any possible dangers — banishing them, as it were, to his unconscious.

"The captain was asleep when it happened," Houston noted. "They had put all the engines on. They were going at full speed, and they were unconscious. That defines much of the modern world. It set the tone for the rest of the century."

Houston and Slattery argue that "Titanic" is a story we are still living. Like those aboard the doomed ocean liner, they noted, we are enjoying the good life, having successfully repressed any fears there may be consequences to our behavior.

But our unconscious minds know better. And when they recognize a relevant truth on the screen, they respond to it.

The iceberg could symbolize — well, take your pick. The increasing gap between rich and poor, which could ultimately result in a destabilized democracy? The increasing materialism of our age, with a corresponding loss of spiritual and communal values?

The most obvious analogy, in Houston's view, is our often-hostile relationship with the natural environment. As we obliviously drive our sport utility vehicles, more and more greenhouse gases get released into the atmosphere, and the global temperature continues to increase. While the ultimate consequences of this are uncertain, it is disquieting to learn that one result is the breaking up of giant ice floes in the Arctic and Antarctic.

In other words, we're creating more icebergs — literally as well as symbolically.

COLORS: Movie opens strong on coasts

(From 12C)

clef about the presidential campaign of a shrewd, seductive, womanizing, doughnut-eating Southern politician.

The blessing for Nichols and Universal, which made the film, is that "Primary Colors" has stirred enormous magazine and newspaper attention, especially in the two months since the Monica S. Lewinsky scandal broke. The curse is that moviegoers may be too saturated with real-life events to see a film based on them. For example, studio tracking of interest in the movie found a highly unusual dip early last week after the interview on CBS's "60 Minutes" with Kathleen E. Willey, a former White House worker who claimed Clinton made an unwelcome sexual advance.

As one top distribution executive at a rival studio said: "Normally the last week is when you're cooking with audience interest. And in this case you had the stars working the film on television, tremendous publicity and a lot spent on advertising. You can only assume that Kathleen Willey pushed things to the saturation point." Nikki Rocco, president of distribution at Universal Pictures, estimated this morning that "Primary Colors" would probably take in about $12.4 million at the box office this weekend, a runner-up to "Titanic," which will probably gross about $17.7 million. (The box-office earnings for "Titanic," the highest-grossing film ever, have reached nearly $495 million in the United States.)

Although Universal executives had privately hoped that "Primary Colors" would reach the $15 million range, Ms. Rocco said that the studio was delighted with the outcome. "It's great that we're No. 2 and taking home the silver," she said. "Our exit polls show that people love the film." As expected, the films plays mostly to an older audience, that is, over 25.

Although "Primary Colors" opened relatively strongly on the East and West Coasts, and in some Southern states, the box-office earnings were initially much weaker in the Midwest. But Ms. Rocco said that by Saturday night, attendance at theaters in larger Midwestern cities had picked up. In their smaller counterparts, she said, the movie's audience lagged a bit.

What pleased Nichols — "I'm really happy," he said Sunday morning — as well as Universal is that the film's box-office earnings mirrored the first weekend for another adult comedy-drama, James L. Brooks' "As Good As It Gets."

WRAP: Oscars took on a 'Show Me The Money' mentality

(From 12C)

History's funniest Oscar host sure got it right, though, when he opened his introductory monologue with "Welcome to the Titanic." It was an apt acknowledgement of the most inevitable Best Picture winner since "Gone With the Wind" in 1939.

But the academy quickly established its reluctance to just sail the plotted course when, in the first category announced, "L.A. Confidential's" Kim Basinger beat "Titanic's" sentimental favorite Gloria Stuart for Best Supporting Actress. It was at that instant that the voters notified all concerned that, at least a few times during their 70th annual praisefest, commercial success was not to be the sole judging criteria.

While the "Titanic" reactionary inside us surely welcomed that, the part that loves to see records broken — anyway, anyhow — couldn't help but be disappointed. A Supporting Actress nod was "Titanic's" only hope of surpassing "Ben-Hur's" all-time highest cache of 11 Oscars. It'll be a long time before another movie has enough popularity and emotional impact to scale those heights again.

Not that any tears need to be shed for James Cameron's magnificently profitable gamble. No film has ever made more than $1 billion or tied the highest number of Oscars ever earned, among a gazillion lesser milestones. But as unavoidable as "Titanic's" success may have been, it also got to the top by breaking some long-cherished (if never always followed) Oscar taboos, like the year's biggest moneymaker can't win Best Picture, nor can a film take the big prize without having earned a writing nomination.

And then there were the pundits who predicted that the academy isn't into three-peats. Right, except when the worthy fellow is his era's favorite movie star, doing his best and most committed work in more than a decade. Jack Nicholson's third acting Oscar puts him in the distinguished company of industry stalwarts Ingrid Bergman and Walter Brennan; and he still has a chance to match Katharine Hepburn's all-time record of four acting Oscars.

At least.

As for Nicholson's winning co-star in "As Good as It Gets," Helen Hunt proved her Oscar worthiness when she introduced the awkwardly written Visual Effects presentation with a sensible, unapologetic, "We've just gotta start over." Some of those distinguished British women she was running against may have had more technique going for them, But that's true movie star cool.

Of course, this won't go down in history as the boldest Academy Awards year. Sure, "L.A. Confidential" absolutely earned its Best Adapted Screenplay Oscar. But Matt Damon and Ben Affleck's job resume of an Original Screenplay winner, "Good Will Hunting," was hardly the most original vision to run in its race (though the kids do get points for the most exuberant acceptance speeches).

The same goes for the Supporting Actor category, where Robin Williams' reassuring turn in "Good Will Hunting" outdid more taciturn, and more terrific, work by "Boogie Nights' " Burt Reynolds and "Jackie Brown's" Robert Forster.

But you gotta love the irony. Produced by Miramax, the company behind last year's big indie winner "The English Patient," "Hunting" was this year's only multiple Oscar-winning independent — and it was more conventional than many of this year's major studio contenders.

Atypical of Hollywood, the voters restrained their worst sentimental instincts in what could have been a year of wall-to-wall comeback awards in the acting categories. The best nostalgia this year was kept in its proper place, in all of those swell montages of past Best Pictures (and best animals — perfect for the "As Good as It Gets" year).

And I wouldn't have missed the surprise appearance of Fay Wray for any amount of money. Nor honorary award winner Stanley Donen's impromptu soft shoe — and talking about perfect years, when better for the academy to finally recognize the master of that ultimate Hollywood genre, the American musical comedy.

How home team were this year's Oscars? Even the excellent Documentary Feature winner, "The Long Way Home," was co-produced by Rabbi Marvin Hier of L.A.'s own Simon Wiesenthal Center.

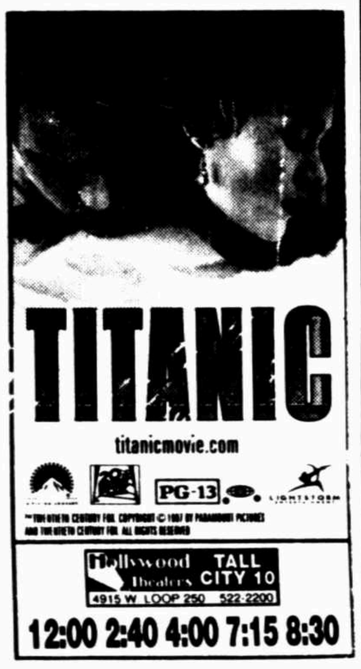
With this kind of Hollywood boosterism pumping, it's amazing "The Full Monty's" Anne Dudley even got a well-deserved Original Comedy Score.

And while we're on the subject of deserving, of course "Titanic" won more Oscars than it rightfully should have (that dreadful Celine Dion song, for the most obvious example). But the real question isn't about numbers of Academy Awards when it comes to this phenomenon; rather, it's does any movie deserve to make that much money?

How that will influence the kinds of movies that studios make in the future is infinitely more important than how many toys Cameron and company took home last night.

This year's Academy Awards battle cry seems to have come from last year's only major studio contender, "Jerry Maguire." With all but three of the feature film Oscars distributed to films that boast nine-figure grosses, and the vast majority of those won by the most expensive and profitable film of all time, the 70th Oscar race all but screamed "Show me the money!"

And there simply isn't anything more Hollywood than that.



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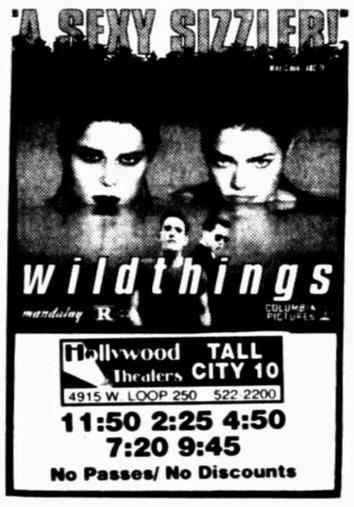
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■ Kids & Films

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BARNEY'S GREAT ADVENTURE
Trevor Morgan, Diana Rice, Kyla Pratt
Directed by Steve Gomer
G 75 minutes

In his big screen debut, Barney meets a formidable opponent: Cody, 9, tough guy and cynic extraordinaire. Cody is too cool to believe in Barney, despite all 434 pounds of purple plush singing-and-dancing evidence.

Still, the indefatigably optimistic dinosaur won't give up. Then Cody discovers a mysterious egg that takes him, his sister and her friend on a journey through places real and fantastic. With Barney's smiling encouragement, Cody finally trusts his imagination and the egg yields its secret.

PROFANITY "Oh, man" is as rough as it gets.

For Which Children?

AGES 3-5. Perfect. Although the film is longer than the television and video segments children this age are accustomed to, the pacing is brisk enough to hold them. There are also a lot of interactive opportunities — singalongs and audience participation bits — to keep them from getting restless.

AGES 6-10. Doubtful. No self-respecting elementary-school child would admit to liking Barney, although this film has a lot of fantasy elements that might appeal to younger children in this age group.

Patricia S. McCormick

MR. NICE GUY
Jackie Chan, Richard Norton, Miki Lee, Karen McLymont
Directed by Samo Hung
PG-13 87 minutes

Jackie — he of the lightning feet and hands so fast they don't seem to move at all — turns up in Melbourne, Australia, where he's just trying to be a friendly television cooking-show host.

But suddenly an unruly crowd of international drug cartel types burst upon the scene, preening gloweringly, smashing glass, taking hostages, terrorizing malls full of people and generally making a mess of city streets.

Scampering through, around and above it all, Jackie performs a stunt a minute while maintaining his crinkly grin even through his bloody noses.

VIOLENCE The bad guys inflict graphic damage with guns, knives, fists and the like, but Jackie's sunny, here-we-go-again attitude defuses much of the viciousness and turns the film into something resembling a comedy.

SEX A woman trots around in bra and panties at one point, and there is some talk about sex, but nothing is done about it.

PROFANITY Occasional exclamations of the four-letter variety.

For Which Children?

AGES 3-7 They'd like Jackie's antics, but the violence rules the film out.

AGES 8-10 It's parents' call. The film is vulgar and rough in places, but it's better-natured than most action movies.

AGES 11 and up Compared with nastier action fare, there really is no harm.

A RAT'S TALE
Beverly D'Angelo, Josef Ostendorf, Lauren Hutton and assorted marionettes
Directed by Michael F. Huse
G 89 minutes

The rats of Manhattan are threatened with extinction by Lou Dollart, a greedy developer who's flushing them out of the wharfs where he hopes to build his next big project.

But two plucky young rodents, Isabella, a royal rat, and Monty, a rat "from the wrong side of the drain," team up to thwart his plans. Riding the city's sewers on one of its mythical alligators, they end up in a magical underground city where they discover an antidote for Dollart's poison. The film, which features live actors and marionettes, is based on the book by Tor Seidler.

VIOLENCE None.

SEX None.

PROFANITY Not even an "Oh, rats!"

For Which Children?

AGES 3-5 Maybe. There's nothing scary or alarming in this film, but there may not be enough action to keep them interested.

AGES 6-8 In a pinch. They will find the story a little slow and the low-tech production values distracting. Be prepared to answer questions about what happens to those pet alligators when their owners tire of them.

AGES 9-12 No way. They're too old for this.

Patricia S. McCormick

THE NEWTON BOYS
Matthew McConaughey, Ethan Hawke, Vioncent D'Onofrio, Skeet Ulrich, Julianna Marglie, Dwight Yoakum
Directed by Richard Linklater
PG-13 121 minutes

In this Hollywood embellishment of a bit of 1920s American history, Willis Newton (McConaughey) is a young Texan who refuses to be tied to a life of cattle wrangling. Instead, he tempts his brothers Jess (Hawke), Dock (D'Onofrio) and Joe (Ulrich) to leave their horses and become the most up-to-date band of bank robbers in the land.

Along the way, the Newton brothers are careful to joke with the bank tellers they tie up and never to kill anyone. Willis falls in love with a single mother, Louise (Ms. Margulies), and is a good father to her son.

This life of crime proceeds in cheerful fashion until the Newtons plan to hold up a train that's carrying a federal shipment of cash.

VIOLENCE Despite the Newtons' pledge to be kind to their victims, there is much gunfire and blood-letting, though most of it is in the spirit of the traditional western rather than the contemporary action movie.

SEX Willis and Louise do engage in bed and bathtub play (with virtually no nudity), and there are many lighthearted references to sex.

PROFANITY A great deal, but with a venerable flavor.

'The Newton Boys': Bank robbery as boyish fun

By Janet Maslin
N.Y. Times News Service

■ Review

NEW YORK — The director of "Slacker" and "Dazed and Confused" has moved on to his first big-budget, elaborately costumed picture, and the immediate question is: Why? The answer becomes most apparent just when "The Newton Boys," Richard Linklater's film about America's most unsung and fiscally successful band of Prohibition-era bank robbers, is over. At the end of this sometimes old-hat story about young guns, Linklater suddenly includes real glimpses of the real Newtons beside the closing credits. They lived to ripe old ages and, in the case of one brother, to a jovial appearance with Johnny Carson on "The Tonight Show." One of them, at 77, was nabbed robbing one last bank.

What Linklater doubtless likes about the Newtons is that they weren't killers or crazy daredevils, and that they didn't even devote their lives to crime. Bank robbing was just something they fell into in their salad days. For a few years, with the brothers mostly in their 20s, it was simply a lark, not to mention a good living. The Newtons took up thievery thinking that if banks were insured by crooked insurance companies, then they deserved robbing, and the movie doesn't go much further in justifying its characters' behavior. It is seen here as just a smart business move and a footloose good time.

So "The Newton Boys" is a gentler genre piece than might be expected, with so much friendly roughhousing that you may wonder whether towel-snapping was big in the Old West. It's also the rare crime story that makes larceny look like awfully hard work, what with having to tote the nitroglycerine, painstakingly blow up safes and haul all the money home and so on. The movie is so boyish in spirit that one Newton is seen playing with a toy airplane. "You're mean, you know that?" complains Skeet Ulrich as Joe, the baby of the family, about a woman who threatens to call the police during a heist.

With Ethan Hawke, Matthew McConaughey, and Vincent D'Onofrio cast as the other well-dressed, wide-eyed Newtons, the film has marquee value without being strictly a glamor turn. McConaughey overworks his high beams in playing yet another rascally flirt (with Julianna Margulies as the true love he meets at a cigar stand), but otherwise the film is often straightforward bordering on sedate. (Dwight Yoakam and Chloe Webb, as the group's nitroglycerine expert and his insinuating wife, seem to have wandered in from a kinkier, possibly more interesting movie.)

Linklater, who wrote the screenplay with Claude Stanush and Clark Lee Walker, seems simply to want to tell a story that looks like a junior "Sting" and tells of the brothers' curious career. It was Stanush who first happened upon the Newtons' lore, which had long remained unknown. Really good bank robbers like to keep things that way.

The movie begins awkwardly, as if cobbled together from all the other movies in which cute, wayward brothers have a devoted old Ma back at the farmhouse. But it picks up steam as it goes along, much like the mail train that became the Newtons' most ambitious target. If Linklater is not entirely at ease with action sequences (or with the obligatory having-fun montage once the brothers become successful), he still makes this (after "Before Sunrise" and "Suburbia") another admirable directorial stretch. As the Newtons' story demonstrates, nobody slacks forever.

"The Newton Boys" is rated PG-13 (Parents strongly cautioned). It includes profanity, carousing, and some gore.

20 years later, 'Grease' is still 'The Word'

By Ron Kampeas
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Sara Wolensky has no idea who Sandra Dee is. But she and her best buddy, Amanda Philips, know all the lines — and moves — to the song lampooning the 1950s Princess of Prude.

In fact, the two teen-agers have memorized all of "Grease," the paean to hormonal longing that predates their births and ritualizes a time of Eisenhower innocence.

And they're not alone. Across the land, if revival, video, album sales are to be believed, there are millions of others who've got the same chills, and they're multiplying.

Twenty years after it first appeared on screens, "Grease" truly is the "The Word." Paramount Pictures, hopeful the faithful will still come, is releasing a digitally remastered version Friday.

Visiting New York from Peters Township, Pa., to replay the ritual at a restaurant that has given itself over to "Grease" karaoke, Wolensky and Philips are ready.

After hundreds of times viewing bad girl Rizzo (Stockard Channing) saying, "Look at Me, I'm Sandra Dee," they know exactly when to roll their eyes — bemoaning the state of "lousy with virginity" — and cross their legs, chiding Troy Donahue for saying, "What you wanna do?"

When they launch into the complex "hand jive" on screen, a coven of true believers in the audience, from as far afield as Texas and Sweden, join in the Gospel of Grease, hand-jiving with the actors.

"It's so carefree, so easy," 15-year-old Wolensky explained.

"Music today is so full of problems," she said. "Everyone I know is into 'Grease.'"

"It's up. It's bubbly," Philips, 17, chimed in.

Carefree, easy, up and bubbly. So is "The Sound of Music." But efforts to revive that triumph of treacle have largely failed. And who, for that matter, knows all the penguin moves to "Jolly Holiday" from "Mary Poppins"?

Why has "Grease," no less of a cartoon stocked with stereotypes, become such a cult? It continues to top video sales charts, reemerged on Billboard's album lists five years ago, and a recent Broadway revival enjoyed a long run with a bevy of celebrities rotating the roles of Rizzo, Sandy and Danny.

Even Randall Kleiser, the film's director, is nonplused by the phenomenon.

"I recently went to a midnight show with Olivia Newton-John and Didi Conn," two of the movies' stars, he recalled, his voice filled with wonder.

"It was like 'Rocky Horror,' the audience was in '50s outfits, repeating dialogue, singing along, hand-jiving in their seats."

Except, "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" was deliberately post-modern, with actors addressing the camera and inviting audience participation.

"Grease," at least to the nonbeliever, seems merely a relic of the nostalgia obsession of the 1970s that inspired TV shows and movies like "Happy Days," "The Waltons" and "The Way We Were." Costumed pretties spout bland homilies anachronistically interpolated with 1970s hallmarks (in "Grease's" case, leather pants and disco backbeats).

"I never imagined it would have done this business," says the movie's producer, Alan Carr, echoing just about every other participant in the production. Since its debut in 1978, "Grease" has grossed more than $340 million.

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Parcells defends signing of Martin

Associated Press

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. — Curtis Martin is a New York Jet, and there is nothing shady about the contract he signed, coach and general manager Bill Parcells said Thursday.

The NFL Management Council is looking into the deal, anyway.

Parcells, in his first media session since the 1997 season ended, insisted the Jets did everything according to the league's guidelines for negotiating with free agents. Martin, a restricted free agent of the New England Patriots, agreed to an offer sheet with the Jets last week. When Patriots owner Robert Kraft said Wednesday the team would not match the offer, the star running back became a Jet.

"We are continuing to look into some aspects of the transaction," said Harold Henderson, executive director of the Management Council.

"I welcome that in terms of any discussions the league wants to have in that regard," Parcells said. "We basically consulted with the Management Council the whole time. They didn't know who the player was, but we consulted with them all the way."

Parcells scoffed at reports that the league was concerned the contract was negotiated in bad faith, and that questions of tampering have been raised.

"There is no secret we were trying to create a contract that would be difficult to match," he said. "But we did so with what we believe to be in conjunction with the Management Council."

Martin's contract is for six years and $36 million. But it contains an option through which Martin would be paid $4 million for 1998, then could become a free agent. Another clause prohibits Martin from being made a franchise or transition player, which could limit his options as a free agent.

Although the contract probably won't be approved for a while, Parcells expects Martin to begin working out with the team in early April. Martin is recovering from abdominal surgery — he missed the final six weeks of last season, including the playoffs — and has a history of injuries.

Bengals obtain QB Justin from Indianapolis

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Bengals, looking for a backup for Jeff Blake, filled that need Thursday by acquiring Paul Justin from Indianapolis for a fifth-round pick in next the April draft.

Justin, entering his fourth NFL season, was a restricted free agent after last season. The 29-year-old quarterback arrives with a three-year contract already in place.

Blake became the clear starter once Boomer Esiason retired after the season to work for ABC's "Monday Night Football."

Justin gives the Bengals an experienced alternative if Blake falters in his seventh NFL season. The only other quarterback on the Cincinnati roster is Eric Kresser, a rookie free agent last year.

"We've been pursuing this deal for some time, and we're happy to finally pull it together," Bengals coach Bruce Coslet said. "Everyone knew we needed to add another experienced quarterback to our roster, and this is a guy who obviously has shown he can perform at a high level. It's also important we were able to get him before our spring camps."

Justin is 3-4 as a starter. The Colts signed him in 1995.

He played in eight games for the Colts last season, starting four, including the Colts' 41-38 victory over the Green Bay Packers. In that game, Justin was 24-of-30 for 340 yards, one touchdown and no interceptions.

■ NFL Briefs

Leaf impresses coaches, scouts at workout

PULLMAN, Wash. — Former Washington State quarterback Ryan Leaf flouted his considerable passing skills before a score of NFL coaches and scouts Thursday.

"I was very impressed with the workout," Kansas City coach Marty Schottenheimer said, after Leaf threw scripted passes to a half-dozen Cougars receivers in Martin Stadium. "He threw the ball accurately. He has great size."

Several NFL coaches and scouts watched from the stands as the Cougars' 1998 Rose Bowl quarterback threw about 60 passes during the 40-minute workout in gusty winds.

"I thought he had an excellent session," Washington State coach Mike Price said. "He only threw one bad ball."

Leaf, who is expected to be the No. 1 or No. 2 selection in next month's NFL draft, did not participate at last month's NFL scouting combine at Indianapolis. The Colts have the first draft pick, with San Diego choosing second.

Former Tennessee quarterback Peyton Manning, who is competing with Leaf as the first draft pick, already has held a similar workout for the NFL at his school.

San Diego quarterbacks coach June Jones watched Leaf and pronounced the 6-foot-6 quarterback the real thing.

San Diego made a blockbuster deal earlier this month, sending two players and three future draft choices to Arizona to move up a spot in the draft and ensure the services of either Leaf or Manning.

Report: DeBartolo to regain control of 49ers

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Eddie DeBartolo is close to regaining control of the San Francisco 49ers from his sister, who took over after he was named in a federal gambling probe in Louisiana, the San Jose Mercury news is reporting.

DeBartolo is expected to swap his holdings in the family business for his sister's share of the team, the newspaper said Thursday.

If successful, DeBartolo would drop plans for a $525 million stadium and shopping mall complex, with the belief that the team is more valuable without it, sources told the newspaper.

The report came a day after DeBartolo resigned from the board of Simon DeBartolo Group, a real estate investment trust based in Indianapolis.

Event of the Year draws picks to win Jim Beam

Associated Press

FLORENCE, Ky. — Event of the Year, winner of the El Camino Real Derby, was made the 8-5 favorite Thursday for Saturday's $600,000 Jim Beam Stakes at Turfway Park.

The colt, 3-for-3 at Bay Meadows, will be ridden by regular rider Russell Baze and start from post position No. 2.

Daniel My Brother, with Chris McCarron, is the second favorite, at 9-2.

The Grade II Beam is the top Kentucky Derby prep this weekend and drew a field of 11, including an entry.

"We have a barnful of nice 3-year-olds," said Jay Warhol, assistant to Jerry Hollendorfer, the leading trainer in Northern California. "When Event won the El Camino, I told Jerry, 'We have a very special horse.'"

Daniel My Brother, owned by John Perrotta's Star Racing Stables, won the Beam prep, the John Battaglia Memorial, and will try for a local sweep, as George Steinbrenner's Concerto did last year.

The colt was third in the Whirlaway Stakes at Aqueduct before winning the Battaglia.

"We've been running him in these stakes events rather than allowance races to find out if he was the real thing," Perrotta said. "The encouraging thing about the Battaglia was the way he finished up."

Daniel My Brother gets a change of riders for the Beam, from Julie Krone to McCarron.

"We had the opportunity to get Chris McCarron, and that speaks for itself," Perrotta said. "We got in at 110 pounds for the Battaglia and used Julie, and she did a good job."

The Beam entries all carry 121 pounds.

■ Horse Racing

Co-third choices at 5-1 are Time Limit, trained by D. Wayne Lukas, and Nite Dreamer, trained by Niall O'Callaghan.

Time Limit won the Hutcheson Stakes, beating Coronado's Quest, and has finished third and fourth to Comic Strip in two stakes at the Fair Grounds.

Nite Dreamer was second by a nose to Comic Strip in the Louisiana Derby.

Hall of Fame trainer Jack Van Berg will have the McIngvale entry of Yukon Pete and Sorceror — their fourth trainer in a month.

The field, from the rail out: Nite Dreamer (Craig Perrett, 5-1); Event of the Year (Baze, 8-5); Mr. Freeze (Francisco Torres, 50-1); Sorceror (e) (Jack Neagle, 15-1); Daniel My Brother (McCarron, 9-2); Yukon Pete (e) (Dean Kutz, 15-1); Yarrow Brae (Laffit Pincay Jr., 10-1); Silver Launch (Pat Johnson, 8-1); (Truluck, Pat Day, 8-1); Time Limit (Shane Sellers, 5-1); Heart Surgeon (Donna Barton, 50-1).

Can Jerry Bailey win another race in the desert?

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Trainer James Bond hopes Jerry Bailey has the magic touch one more time in Saturday's Dubai World Cup.

Bailey goes for his third straight World Cup win when he gets aboard Behrens to challenge favored Silver Charm in the $4 million race at Nad Al Sheba track in the desert.

"This mile-and-quarter track is Behrens' perfect distance," said Bond, whose L'Carriere was third against Cigar in Dubai in 1996. "The track, and having Jerry won on it twice in a row, we thought would be the ideal situation for my horse."

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Midland Masonic Lodge #623, 1600 W. Wall, P.O. Box 1758. Family Night, Friday Mar 27th, 7 PM. Tom Arnold, WM. Robert G. Kiker, Sec.

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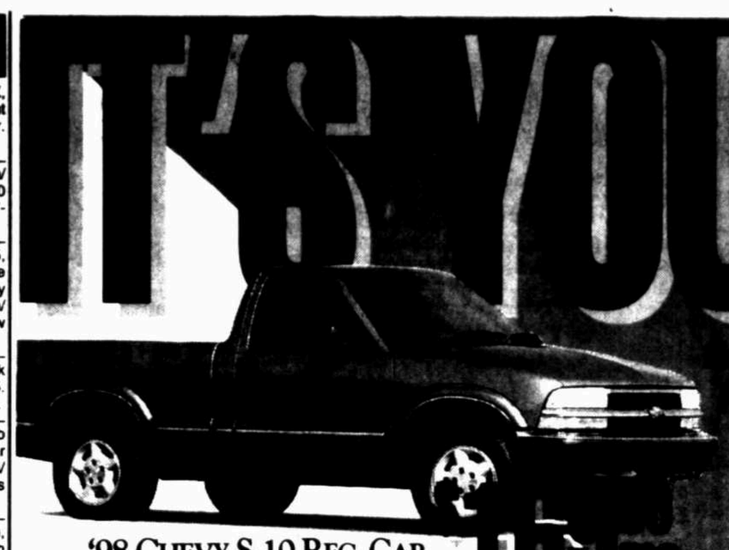
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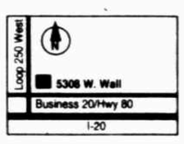
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CONTRACT PROGRAMMER- part- time position. Familiarity with one or more compiler languages (Java, C++), and query scripting languages (SQL). Familiarity with basic Internet terminology and concepts. Experience or some knowledge with HTML, DHTML, VBScript, ASP's and JavaScript a plus. Flexible hours. Send resume to Box T-5097, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

CRUDE OIL Pipeliner, experienced with knowledge of LACTS, electrical work and gaging. Send resumes to Box T-5094, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

DELIVERY or Tire Technician. Must have High School diploma and good driving record. Excellent benefits. including paid vacation, retirement, health insurance and opportunity for advancement. Apply in person Credit World, 305 N. Big Spring, in Midland.

DISHWASHERS & Line Attendants. Contact Mr. Chambers in person at Furr's Cafeteria, 1116 N. Midkiff.

DRIVER WANTED must be 25 years old, clean driving record, pass drug test. Apply at 1607 W. Florida, Monday thru Friday 9 am to 6 pm.

FIBERGLASS REPAIR Specialist. (Auto paint & body person would qualify). Starting $8 an hour or commission. Apply in person, 4511 W. Industrial.

FOR RESUMES that get results call 699-1919. Professional, quick service, affordable. Evening & weekend appointments available.

FRONT COUNTER pressers and assemblers need to have flexible hours and be willing to learn. 905 Andrews Highway. No phone calls please.

FULL TIME help wanted. No experience necessary. Apply in person between 8 am- 3 pm at Uncle's Convenience Store- 6601 Hwy 307/ Greenwood.

FURNITURE MOVERS with experience. Heavy lifting and Class C drivers license required. Leave name /number (915)553-1464.

GENERAL HELP Wanted. Full & Part time positions available. Apply at Raindance Car Wash, 1103 Andrews Hwy., Midland. Must have valid Texas drivers license or ID.

HAIR STATIONS Available. 1 Private, 1 wet, family salon. We have more business than we can handle! Centrally located with lots of parking. Call Kelli- Salon 2000, 9- 5, Tuesday thru Saturday, 694-2517.

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1905 N. Big Spring St.
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MAID NEEDED. 5 Days per week for private home. $6.00/ Hour. Call Mobile, 559-5214, Friday only, 10 am- 2 pm.

MAINTENANCE position available. No phone calls. Come by 1603 N. Midkiff.

METAL STUD Framers and Sheet Rockers- experienced only. Apply in person, Midland International Airport, Henley Interiors.

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY: Over the road truck driver. Call 1-800-658-2764 or 1-800-872-6032.

PARTS and SERVICE Personal applications now being taken. Apply in person at Bob's Rental Center, 2700 S. Highway 349.

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PINOCCHIO'S PIZZA- Now interviewing for Managers/ Assistant Managers. Pinocchio's offers our management team the following benefits: Competitive salary (based on experience) Monthly Bonus Program, Yearly Bonus Program, Health Insurance, Upward Mobility. Please apply in person, Pinocchio's Pizza, 3303 Midkiff- San Miguel Shopping Center. If you are presently employed, your interest in our company will be kept confidential.

ASSISTANT SUPPORT Counselor (primary function driver)- Full time position effective on/ about April 1, 1998. Primary function is to provide transportation for Center residents. Secondary function is to assist in presenting classes and to maintain a small caseload of residents. Must have high school diploma and good driving record. Knowledge of alcohol/ drug abuse field helpful. Position starts $1,282/ month. Apply between 8 am- 5 pm Monday- Friday at Court Residential Treatment Center, 215 W. Industrial Avenue, Midland, Texas 79701. Cut- off 4 pm, March 27, 1998.

SUPPORT COUNSELOR- Full time position effective on/ about April 1, 1998. Start $1,372/ month. Assists in group counseling and maintain a small client caseload. Other residential duties required. Good people skills necessary. Must have high school diploma and good driving record. Facility is an Approved Clinical Training Institute for A/ D trainees. Apply between 8 am- 5 pm, Monday- Friday at Court Residential Treatment Center, 215 W. Industrial Ave., Midland, TX 79701. Cut- off 4 pm, March 27, 1998.

RELIEF DRIVER needed part time for local company, must have own vehicle and good driving record for contract service. Driver will be filling in for vacations and sick days, light work, good pay and gas allowance, retirees encouraged to apply. Please call 689-6615 for interview.

❤ REPRESENTATIVES
Needed- sell Avon part time- full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520-0119, Independent Rep.

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*** THE BAR ***
Now accepting applications for several lunch and full time waitstaff positions. Apply between 8:00 to 10:00 or 2:00 to 4 pm only- Monday through Friday. 606 W. Missouri, 685-1757.

RESTAURANT
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Restaurant- KD's Bar-B-Que. Cashier & Bartender needed. Apply within, 3109 Garden City Highway.

RESTAURANT- La Mision now accepting applications for Experienced Waitstaff who love to be enthusiastic, work hard and have fun. Apply 4410 N. Midkiff.

RESTAURANT. The Bagel Wheel is now hiring for the morning shift- 6 to 1 pm. Apply in person only. 2101 W. Wadley.

SADDLERIDGE Lodge Assisted Living needs Cook. MUST know how to cook from scratch & follow special diets. We're looking for a well-groomed, enthusiastic team player who works well with the elderly. This part time position will eventually work into full time. Great benefits, great pay, great place to work! Apply in person, Saddleridge Lodge, 1808 W. Loop 250 North. No phone calls please.

SALES ASSOCIATE. Thursday thru Monday evenings only. Must be 21 years. Apply Amigo's Convenience Store, 3301 Andrews Hwy.

VARIOUS LABOR involved, service company, CDL and Backhoe experience a plus; or willingness to learn. Good driving record. Salary DOE. 684-6427 or leave name and number with service.

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HELP- WE NEED YOU!

We need 10 people to fill part time positions! Now! We are looking for Adults and Retirees who need an extra $100- $250 Weekly selling the Midland Reporter- Telegram. You pick the time and you decide how many hours you want to work. Full training and transportation if needed, It's that simple! Hurry- Call Today!

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Oilfield Sales Position open for the Permian Basin Area. Established business looking for an eager, self starter individual with a proven sales track record. Knowledgeable with P.O.C., Dynamometer, fluid level gun sounder & artificial lift, Diagnostic and predictive software. Downhole & surface equipment. Permanent position. FEE PAID. Business located in Midland. Fax resume to 915-570-8071. Apply at Select Professional Staffing/ VIP, 1315 W. University in Odessa or VIP/ Select Professional Staffing in Midland, 4305 N. Garfield, Ste. 200 A. Monday- Friday, 9-3.

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THE PETROLEUM Club Of Midland is now accepting applications for the positions of full time & part time waiters, waitresses, bartenders & bus persons. Excellent benefits package. Experience preferred. Apply in person, 501 W Wall Street, Monday- Friday, 10 am- 2 pm.

TILE SETTERS helper wanted. Must be experienced. Leave message if no answer, 570-5831.

TRUCK DRIVER needed with experience. References required. Must have CDL. Serious applicants only. Call 1-800-895-6220.

YARD HAND needed for cleaning pipe. Bilingual preferred. Call 682-3112 between 9 am- 3 pm.

311 Medical Help Wanted

*** WEEKEND * REGISTERED NURSE**

Trinity Towers has a temporary position open for Activities Director in the Personal Care Department. The right candidate must be enthusiastic and have experience in caring for the elderly in a loving manner. Applications may be completed at 2800 W. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701. No phone calls please. EOE M/F

COMPANY Expanding! Top pay. Needed immediately- EMT's, EMT-I's, EMT-P's. Full & Part time positions. Call 570-4892.

LICENSED Physical Therapist and P.T. Aide needed for an established medical clinic. Prior experience preferred. Friendly, professional individual with good communication skills. Competitive salary and benefits. Bilingual in Spanish a plus. Send resumes to: Box B-04037, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

LVN Charge Nurses 10 pm to 6 am night shift. Certified Nurse Aides needed for all shifts. Apply in person, 3203 Sage, Courtyard Care Center.

MEDICAL- Doctor's office needs experienced, dependable person to work front desk. Duties include heavy phones, appointment scheduling, insurance filing and transcription. Must have computer skills and be able to work well with people. Bring resume and apply in person at: 1300 W. Wall, Midland.

RECEPTIONIST needed for busy doctor's office. Must have typing and computer skills. Send resume to 1816 N. Midland Drive, Midland, Texas 79707.

RN & LVN positions available. For more information call (915)943-2741, Monahans Senior Health Center. Ask for Mary Moulton, Administrator.

RN for Weekends. Apply in person, 3203 Sage, Courtyard Care Center.

RN/ LVN/ GVN- Terrace West Nursing Center, has current openings for RN/ LVN. If interested please apply in person at 2800 N. Midland Drive, Midland, TX 79707.

Let Classified Work For You! Call 682-6222

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SYLVAN LEARNING CENTER
Sylvan Learning Center Teachers
Sylvan is looking for dynamic part- time certified teachers to instruct students of all age groups in our individualized educational programs. We emphasize positive reinforcement and self-esteem, and offer a caring learning environment for our students. Flexible hours. Please call Sylvan Learning Center 520-9411.

***CHIEF ENGINEER**
CBS Affiliate in Odessa/ Midland Texas seeking an individual with a degree in Electronic Engineering or equivalent technical training. Must have a minimum of 5 years in television station experience. Strong knowledge of transmitter operations repair and maintenance, FCC regulations, computers and budgeting a must. We are a large group of small market stations with compensation and benefits expected. Send resume and references to Andy Lee, V.P. and G.M., KOSA-TV, Box 4186, Odessa, Texas 79760. No phone calls. EEO.

Electrical Designer /Engineer. A/ E firm looking for individual with 3- 5 years experience in electrical systems design for commercial/ retail buildings. AutoCad or Microstation required. benefits and relocation. Send resume and salary history: CSHQA, 200 North 6th St., Boise, ID 83720. EOE.

ENGINEER- Mechanical or Chemical. 0- 5 years experience. Fax resume to Bennett & Associates 915-684-5209.

PART- Time land secretary employment opportunity with well established Midland independent oil company. Good land administration and word processing experience necessary. Preparation of assignments, leases, delay rentals, etc. Non- smoking environment.Send resume to: Box J- 1059, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

PRODUCTION CLERK 2- 10 years experience, $30,000- $45,000. Relocate to San Diego, California. Relocation paid. Fax resume to Bennett & Associates: 915-684-5209.

REAL ESTATE Assistant needed for fast paced company. Applicant must be outgoing, self motivated with organizational and clerical skills. Real Estate License desired but not required. Salary DOE. Please submit resume to: Box B-04035, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

SOCIAL WORKER needed for long term care nursing facility. Apply at: Terrace Gardens Nursing Center, 2901 W. Ohio or call 694-8831. EOE.

WELL ESTABLISHED Restaurant looking for highly motivated evening supervisor. Must be experienced working with public, controlling kitchen and waitstaff. Send resume to: Nita Hemme, PO Box 60010, Midland, Texas 79711.

312 Professional Help Wanted

SUPERINTENDENT- The City of Toyah is now accepting Job Applications for a Water Superintendent/ Sewer Operator until March 26, 1998. Must have a High School Diploma or GED. Some surface & wastewater experience preferred, as well as some experience with a backhoe and tractor/ mower. Job applications available upon request at City Hall on corner of First and Stocking Street. Mail sealed applications and/ or resume to the CITY OF TOYAH, P.O. Box 144, TOYAH, TX 79785. For more information call Mayor Pro Tem, Diana Tollett at 915-259-3621 or City Hall at 915-259-3908.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

CLOSING SECRETARY
Title Company
If you work for a title/ abstract company preparing real estate closing documents you need to call us at:
1-888-900-6683
A growing Midland company has a need for individuals experienced at preparing real estate closing documents. Salary plus benefits.
Call today for phone interview.

***ENGINEERING ASSISTANT**
Proficient in Windows95 and Office 97. Must have some knowledge of network systems. ARIES or OGRE and database systems a benefit. Non- smoking environment. Salary DOE. Box T-05096, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

***RECEPTIONIST/ SECRETARY**
Proficient in Windows95 and Office 97. Self- starter with good organicational skills. Oil and gas experience a benefit. Non- smoker environment. Salary DOE. Box T-05095, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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Cattle Baron Steak & Seafood Restaurant

We are currently seeking motivated energetic and dedicated individuals to join our management team! Must be willing to relocate. At least one year experience in a casual dining environment required. Competitive salaries and compensation package including bonus, health insurance, paid vacation and 401(k) plan. Please submit your resume to:
418 Wadley Ave.
Midland, TX 79705
Attn: Jim Bernacchi
or fax to 915-683-0917
No phone calls please.
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·TITLE CLERK
Needed immediately for temp to perm position. Title or Real Estate experience a plus. WordPerfect 6.1 or other Windows software. Salary DOE. No Fee. Fax resume to Fran at 684-0836
TEMPORARY RESOURCES
1601 W. TEXAS

***Traffic Assistant- Broadcasting**
Demanding position- heavy data entry. Some overtime, detailed oriented. By appointment only. Resume required. Send resume to KOSA-TV, 1211 N. Whitaker, Odessa, TX 79763 Attn: Traffic Dept. (915)580-5672.
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RECEPTIONIST POSITION available with independent oil company. Must be proficient in Microsoft Word and telephone etiquette. Responsibilities include heavy word processing, answering phones, greeting guests, filing and general office work. Non- smoking environment. Send resume to Box J-1060, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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BOOKKEEPER. The Edmar Company, LLC has a position available for a Full Charge Oil and Gas Bookkeeper. Applicants must have the following skills: Minimum of 3 years Oil and Gas Revenue Accounting and Data Entry, JIB Accounting, Word Processing, Spreadsheet, and Financial Software Experience. Strong Computer Skills. Please send resume, references and salary requirements to: The Edmar Company, LLC, Attention: Donald H. Judson, P.O. Box 3340, Midland, Texas 9702-3340.

CLERICAL OPENINGS, at least 6 months experience. Call OLSTEN today, 689-6607.

COLLECTOR NEEDED, in house collections, must have some experience, full or part time, interviews Saturday March 28th from 9 am - 12 pm at Caldwell Music 3205 W. Cuthbert.

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Good benefits with excellent pay potential.

Send resume with references to:
Basin Electric Co.
P.O. Box 963
Midland, TX 79702

314 Clerical Help Wanted

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST- Immediate opening for a full time position in an established medical clinic. Must be knowledgeable on insurance, medicare, worker's comp and computer. 2- 3 Years experience preferred. Detail oriented person with good communication skills. Competitive salary and benefits. Non- smoking environment. Send resumes to: Box B-04036, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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316 Sales Help Wanted

JOIN THE exciting World of Beauty Now! Progressive distributor of beauty products, searching for proactive Marketing Consultants. Positions available throughout Texas. Generous compensation, fabulous growth potential. Fax resume to Director of Sales, 512-847-6029.

316 Sales Help Wanted

Occasions Fine Jewelry seeks sales associates full and part time. Apply in person 4610 N. Garfield, Suite C2.

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

FIELD TECHNICIAN. Interested in re- locating? Wireline Service Company in the Four Corners area of New Mexico is looking for experienced field technicians. Must b familiar with slickline services, paraffin cutting and well testing. Salary DOE. Those with no experience, need not apply. Please remit applications to: Box P-06081, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

MUD LOGGERS with experience 5 plus years. Benefits, salary DOE. Fax resume to: 563-0086.

RIG HAND. Must have CDL, good attitude, dependable, good driving record, reliable transportation. Apply only if you meet these qualifications. Call 683-9479 and leave message.

WANTED: Experienced Only! Driller for Hydraulic Air Rig. Must be able to travel. Good attitude. Good driving record. Salary DOE. Call 683-9479 and leave message.

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97 FORD TAURUS Power Locks & Windows, Air, Stereotape $13,998 stk# 82128	90 CHEVY CARGO VAN Ready to Work! $2,995 stk# 48139A	95 LINCOLN MARK VIII Leather, All Options, Midnight Black $15,998 stk# 82372	97 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS Power Options $16,998 stk# 82316	93 CHEVY LUMINA Air, Automatic, Extra Sharp! $8,998 stk# 48114A
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* Pay based on experience

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Odessa, TX 79763
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Working 60+ hours per week.

Must apply in person & DRUG TEST REQUIRED.

CONSTRUCTION, metal framers, drywallers, painters, concealed spline, laborers. Full time. Call 559-4879 for application.

NEED QUALIFIED A.B. DICK press operator. Pay based on experience, $9.00 plus. Tidwell Business Forms, 610 N. Grandview Ave. ODESSA, TX, 580-3676.

WELDERS. Colorado based company needs experienced above- ground storage tank stick welders. Must be willing to travel. Steady work with good benefits. Weld test given to determine wages. Drug test required. Contact Larry at 1-800-745-2499, Monday thru Friday, 8 to 5 (MST).

330 Employment Wanted

JOB WANTED: looking for part- time bookkeeping or data entry job for evenings and/ or weekends. 684-8867, leave message.

335 Adult Care Needed

NEED Responsible Care giver- dependable, patient, follow explicit instructions, heavy lifting. Nights/ weekends. Call 697-6154

336 Adult Care Providers

ADULT CARE in your home. Day or night. Call 520-8596 for more information.

INHOME CARE your locally owned sitter service. If you need dependable help call 570-4475, ask for Tamara or Jackie. (Low Rates).

LVN desires full time private duty position in home, 26 years expenence. Dependable, good communication skills, and excellent references provided. Call Liz at 520-4736.

SHARE LIFE in handicapped home with loving, caring, mature, active, Christian CNA lady. Reasonable. 682-5491.

CNA looking for private duty. (Home, hospital, nursing home.) Hospital Oncology experience. Call Linda 699-4954.

WILL DO private duty in your home. Experienced, reasonable rates, excellent references. 697-2624 or 520-4736.

340 Child Care Needed

RESPONSIBLE loving child care needed for two children- 3 and 6- Monday thru Friday 7:30- 5:30. Need non smoker with own transportation. Call Christy at 694-1140.

IN NEED of responsible, experienced, Christian caregiver for 2 children in our home part time. Must have own transportation, references required. 522-7883.

341 Child Care Providers

REGISTERED QUALITY Child Care. 18 Months & Up. Monday- Friday, 7:30 am- 5 :30 pm. Lunch & Snacks provided. Please call 697-5226.

TWO FULL time openings available. Monday - Friday 7:30 to 5:30. Registered with TDPRS. 689-0774.

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LOCAL BUSINESSES for sale. Small and large. Some have low down payments and owner financing. Call for a free confidential interview- Sunbelt Business Brokers, 520-1515.

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Attention Readers

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ARE YOU Making $25,000 a year and still can't make ends meet?!! Call toll free, 1-888-663-9506.

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SERVICE STATION for sale. Small investment. Call 685-3532 after 6:30 pm or leave message.

PET GROOMING Shop for sale. Good location, established clientele. All equipment & stock included. Located at 2509 W. Ohio. $7,500 or best offer. Call Cathy, 686-0945.

400 Auctions

PUBLIC AUCTION! Saturday, March 28, 1998, 10:00 am. Sharp! *Shop Equipment, *Sheet Metal Equip., *Heating *A/ C Equipment. *Tons of Restaurant Equipment. 2215 W. Industrial, Midland, Texas. Absolutely No Minimums, No Reserves! Everything sold "As Is", "Where Is" without warranty. Items subject to change without prior notice. All oral announcements supersede any printed material. 10% Buyers premium. Vehicles subject to sellers confirmation. Preview March 27th, 1998, 10 am- 3 pm. Auction to include: Several pieces large industrial equipment, 4" Rockwell deluxe jointer, walk- in cooler & compressors, large stove- grill-oven- refrigerator unit, tables, file cabinets, coke machines, vent hood, rock hammer, 1978 Mack truck, 1971 Mack dump truck, Case 580E backhoe, 1949 Willis Jeep, too much to list!! Call for brochure or more information. Auction Conducted by: Auction Action Midland Supercenter, 201 W. Washington, Midland, Texas 79701. 915-682-1004. Fred F. Munoz, Senior Auctioneer TX License #6250.

410 Misc. Sales

SUN TANNING Bed, Wolff System- 24 lamp, great condition. Call 699-6362.

TICKETS FOR April 3rd and 4th for Texas International Speedway. 699-6646.

CRAFTSMAN rear tine garden tiller, 3.5 hp, good condition, $200. Call 694-4158 or leave message.

GO KART for sale. Less than 20 hours. $500. Call 689-6347 for more information.

CLOSING OF Business- furniture and fixtures available. Black oriental desk and chair, assorted chairs, loveseat, large gold mirror (5 1/2' x 3 1/2'), mirror panels, 1 glass jewelry case, acrylic hanging cubicles, telephone system, 3 phones & control panel, 2,500 sq. yards carpeting. Contact Bobbie Huckabee, 697-3896.

NEW DREAMER CANDLES, Texas made, 16 lovely fragrances. Super candles with aroma power that lasts 125-150 hours. Anna Marie Gifts, 1705 N. Big Spring.

PRICE REDUCED on all '97 Spas/ hot tubs. Shop early for best selection- delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

410 Misc. Sales

WEDDING DRESS, beaded halter style, straight satin skirt, chapel length train. 1997 Demetrios, size 6, $600. Call Pam @ 694-2993.

RESTHAVEN, Garden of Hope, 2 spaces, $1,025 each, negotiable. Call for more information, 699-7543.

CELEBRITY PRIDE Handicap Scooter (or for seniors). 4 Wheels, few months old. Originally $2,800, asking $1,400/ o.b.o. Cash. 683-6815.

NORDIC TRACK walk fit treadmill, exercise machine. In excellent condition. $200. 520-6270.

HOME GYM with multi station weight bench system and stepper. $125. Call 685-4022.

MICROWAVE+ Utility table, $85. Exercise bike, $25. Guinea Pig complete with new cage & accessories, $60 firm. Cash only. 697-4543 after 6 pm.

PAIR OF Soft Spot Shoes. Size 12 WW. Call 694-9315 for more information.

EVAPORATIVE COOLERS, Lawnmowers, Cook Stoves, Heaters, Refrigerators, Washers, Dryers, Dining Furniture/ Other. 570-4851.

HERBALIFE & Natural efx Independent Distributor. For products or opportunity call 689-HERB!

BEANIE BABIES- Coca Cola Collectibles, Ceramics and Gifts. 4411 W. Illinois, A-3 (Lone Star Plaza) Midland. 520-4911.

1989 POLARIS Indy 500 SKS Snowmobile. Low mileage, asking $2,700 O. B. O. (505)682-2931 and/ or leave message.

PAGEANT & PROM formals for sale. Sizes 3-5-7. Only worn once. Call 563-1005.

FOR SALE: 4 920 tires, tire, tube, bud 10 hole wheel, $100 each. 699-6137.

★BIBLE TALK: "How Far Was the Road up to Calvary?" Part 5. 520-0381. Free recorded message.

RESTHAVEN- Garden of Love- Lot 439, spaces 1 & 2. $1,000 each negotiable. 697-2038.

FOR SALE air compressor $100. One ton truck, tool box $75. Old French door $25. Air hockey table $100. Two, wood carved mahogany panels $75. Two bicycles $35. 686-0661.

410 Misc. Sales

COMPUTER REPAIRS & Upgrades. Warranty or Non-Warranty. Computer City at Midland Park Mall or call 520-4455.

LEANN RIMES tickets- floor and lowers, first ten rows. Credit cards accepted. (915) 520-2188.

413 Jewelry & Furs

3 CT Modrin Round Brilliant Cut Diamond. SI 1 Clarity, L Color. Appraised value $28,200. Must sell! Asking $12,500. (903)509-3439.

LADIES 14k yellow gold wedding set .41ct. Appraised at $1,250 asking $700. Call 522-7813 or 689-7234.

415 Misc. Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687–5039.

WANT TO Buy: McDonalds Teanie Beanies. Mint & In Package. Call 694-4767.

420 Good Things To Eat

COFFEE LOVERS- 20 flavors available at Anna Marie's Gifts, 1705 N. Big Spring. 570-7591. If we don't have your flavor, ask us and we will get it. Fine Teas available.

432 Household Furniture

REMODELING SALE. Saddle Club Ranch Estates. Antique Armoire, $300. 1920's Antique papered wicker couch, 1 rocker, 1 chair, secretarial desk & chair, $800. Call after 6 pm.699-6535.

TAN COUCH and matching chair $150, swivel chair $50. All very good condition, call 682-9077.

SOFA, loveseat, like new $500 round end tables $175. Please Call 520-0236.

EXECUTIVE DESK 64' X 34', 7 Drawers, excellent condition, $350. Two Drexel bookshelves, enclosed at bottom, $100 each. Round butcher block kitchen table, $50. Call 520-5292.

BUY NOW and save- above ground pools as low as $39 a month. Delivery and installation available. 563-3108.

432 Household Furniture

RANCH OAK Furniture. Game Table & Gun Cabinet. Call 684-8044 or 684-8484.

COMPLETE KING- size waterbed, 12 drawers with middle door for storage under bed. 2 sets of sheets with comforter. Headboard has etched mirrors and doors. 1 1/2 years old lumbar support mattress and multi function massager with wake up alarm. Also a free flow mattress, all are in excellent condition. $750 or best offer. 915-520-2347.

BLUE SECTIONAL with sleeper. Good condition. $300. Queen size oak head board, $75. 520-5991.

FOR SALE: Ornate Office Desk, 5 Foot Long, 30 Inches Deep, 6 Drawers, Walnut, $300. Secretary Chair with Mat, $100. Antique Coca-Cola Lampshade, $50. 699-6258.

MATTRESS sets, dinette sets, bunk beds, daybeds and Futon couches. Reasonable prices. Also catalog orders available. Credit Cards- Layaways welcome. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699–1224.

ANTIQUE BRASS glass fireplace cover with tools, and log basket. $50 or best offer. 697-8376.

432 Household Furniture

DAY BED, white, frame only, $50. Come see at 1606 W. College after 5 pm.

EXTRA LONG couch, golden brown color, very good condition, $75 or best offer. Call 683-3949.

435 Household Appliances

ALMOND AMANA dryer, good condition, + 2 bonus items. All for $75. 570-9388 after 5:30.

ALMOND, GIBSON Gas stove 1 1/2 years old, like new $175. Please call 689-7406.

APPLIANCES reconditioned with 6 month plus warranty. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699–1224.

★FREE REMOVAL of your unwanted appliances. 567-5221.

FULL SIZE Whirlpool washer & dryer for sale. Almond and white, good condition. $300. 684-9679.

UPRIGHT FREEZER. Good condition $50. Call 570-6659 for more information.

435 Household Appliances

REFRIGERATOR 3 years old $350, Whirlpool washer 3 years old $250, Kenmore dryer $150, Hewlett Packard printer $150. Call 520-0730.

440 Firewood

DICK'S FIREWOOD. Oaks, Mesquite, Pecan & Cedar. We deliver. 1-(915) 453–2151, Fax 1-(915)-453-4322.

450 Sporting Goods

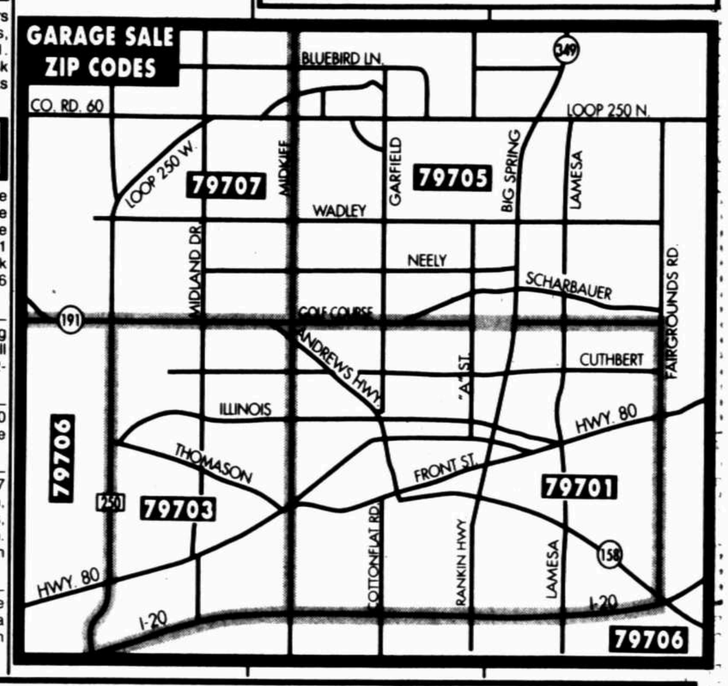
JIM'S GOLF CLUBS. Custom Clubs. King Cobra II, Big Bertha Irons (clone). $184 a set. Reshaft $14.50, Regrip $3. 3115 Haynes. 694-1334.

BICYCLES, Like new. All sizes. Call 687-1745, 1 pm- 10 pm everyday.

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79701

ESSENCE CANDLE CO. Quarterly 1/2 Price on Selected Candles! Also Garage Sale From Marsha's. Saturday, 9- 2. 2401 W Indiana.

QUALITY MOVING SALE by Joseph
Starts April 1st, 6:00 pm
Watch for Details!!!

Heloise **Classified Hints!**

Heloise Hint: Have tons of stuff to sell? If you've accumulated lots of items over the years you no longer want, plan a three-day garage sale. Thursday, Friday and Saturday are the best days for a sale, as more people are available then.
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MOVING SALE!!!
Fri. & Sat. 9 am- 2 pm
1001 N. Main
Furniture, wardrobe, exercise equipment, stereo, tools, lots of baby and adult clothes, lots more!

QUEEN BEDSPREADS, Books, Coleman Stove, Mowers, Gas Edger, 5 HP Outboard, Glassware, Household Miscellaneous!! 2806 Ohio. 8 am.

THURSDAY & FRIDAY 8- 1, 2716 Franklin. Twin bed, baby items, Easter wreath, step stool, full- blood Pit Bull puppies, lots of clothing and miscellaneous!

CARPORT SALE (in rear), Friday 8:30, Saturday 9- 12, (corner of Delano & Circle Drive). Lots of everything!!!

**** ELEVEN FAMILY ****
LOT SALE!
Antiques, Artifacts Saddles, Tack, Tools, Furniture, Clothing, Too Much To Mention! 10 am- 5 pm Saturday, 1915 Garden City Highway (next to Starlite Lounge).

1405 COLLEGE, Saturday 8 am. to 2 pm. Books, t.v. ladies clothes 8- 10 Kitchen things,unexpected items freebies,moving and priced to sell.

★SALE OF The Century! Everything from Midland to China! Building supplies, freezer, Little Tikes, miscellaneous household, clothes, bookcase, ski machine, Royal Daulton, silver, worldwide traveler items. 2604 Country Club, Saturday 8- 3, Sunday 12- 4.

79701

3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE! Clothes- Guess & Girbaud Southwest decorations, work uniforms, comforter sets toys, miscellaneous!! Saturday only, 8 am- 12 Noon. 3125 Roosevelt.

✔HUGE MOVING Sale! 1503 Community Lane, Saturday 7:30. No Early Sales. Nice coffee table, electric stove, brass headboard, desk, small chest, chairs, lots of U.S. military surplus, books, camping equipment, much miscellaneous. Don't Miss This One!!

❤MULTI FAMILY Saturday only 8- 4 3213 Sentinel. Sewing machine, exercise equipment, dishes and other household items, toys, baby swing, stroller and more baby items. Finer quality clothing, including mens, womens, maternity, lot's of childrens clothes, miscellaneous.

SATURDAY 8 am- 1 pm. Storage Unit Sale! 16 South Industrial Loop- across from Permian Mattress Co. South on Midkiff, cross tracks, left of Gist to Storage Units. Many Items- Sell All. Make Offers!

THREE FAMILY Garage Sale! 1608 W. Washington- in alley. Saturday 8- 3. Queen size bed set, clothes, bike, etc!

79703

Saturday and Sunday 9 am- ? .3601 W. Louisiana, lawn mower, gas grill, end tables, and lots of misc.

END TABLE, oak chairs, 3 couches, stainless sink & faucet, bike, miscellaneous. Friday- Saturday, 8 till ? 4611 Illinois.

***ESTATE SALE**
Fri. 9 - 3 Sat. 9 - 5
4206 Harlowe
Antiques, Dishes, Clothes, Books, And Lots More!

4729 PRINCETON. Friday & Saturday morning. Bargains, lots of miscellaneous. Something for everyone!

Furniture, dinette set, patio set,and linens, Saturday 8- 4. Cash only! 710 Ruby.

BEAUTIFUL ORIENTAL furniture. Coordinated bedding & linens, dishes, collectables, bicycles, books, barbecue, patio furniture, tv & records. 4808 Harvard Avenue. Saturday. 7- noon.

FRIDAY 7:30- 12, Saturday 8- 1, 5002 Joy Drive. Microwave, color tv, lots of miscellaneous!

✔4521 ANETTA. Baby stroller, baby clothes, regular clothing, pictures, TV, luggage, rugs, toys, and much, much more!! Something for everyone! Come See! Saturday only, 8:30 am- ??

79703

✈FRIDAY- SUNDAY. 4406 Leddy Drive. 9 till ? Pool table, (regulation size), upright piano, craftsman table saw, weight bench, ski machine, computer desks, two console tv's, file cabinet, chairs, loveseat, dining room table, Nintendo ,lawn mowers, lot's more.

79705

2517 NEELY, Friday/ Saturday 8:30. For Easter: like new childrens books, tapes, stuffed animals, toys, Springbok puzzles. Also housewares, lamps, fabrics, shoes, clothing.

MULTI- FAMILY Garage Sale! Lots of kids stuff, Little Tikes toys, clothes, bikes, much more! Saturday, 9- 2. 2201 Boyd.

GARAGE SALE! 2400 W. Shandon Avenue. Friday- Saturday only, 9 am- 5 pm.

EIGHT FAMILY Garage Sale!!! Saturday 8 am, 4303 Crenshaw. Bicycles, small appliances, clothes, and lots more!

★2815 DENGAR, Saturday/ March 28th, 7 am. Two Family Garage Sale! Baby bed, changing table, baby bedding/ curtains by Lundy Look, stroller, Little Tikes, Laura Ashley bedding/ curtains, maternity/ childrens clothing and shoes, lots of miscellaneous! No Early Sales! Cash Only!

2600 NEELY, Saturday 8 am till? Couch, shelves, clothes, stereo, bicycles, and much more!

LARGE YARD Sale! Thursday- Friday, 9- 5. Crafts, furniture, clothing, miscellaneous!! 1931 Morgan Way.

❀FOUR FAMILY patio sale. Saturday. 7:30 am. to ? 2313 Seaboard, through gate. King & twin beds, chairs, decorator bedspreads & drapes. Shutters, freshly painted screens, toys, weight trainer, clothes, clothes, clothes.

CHILDRENS CLOTHING, Lamps, Pictures, and Many household items! No Junk- All items excellent condition. Saturday, 7- 12. 3210 W Dengar Ave.

3214 FRONTIER; Thursday 8 am- 12 pm, Friday 8 am- 2 pm. Computer desk & components, couch, loveseat, bedroom furniture, childrens toys, Antique Glass, knick knacks, etc!

ESTATE SALE. Saturday, March 28, 8 am. Sofa bed, chairs, tables, lamps, clothes, miscellaneous. 2413 Flare Court.

DOUBLE GARAGE FULL!! Primitive furniture, quality clothing, bicycles, lawn equipment, much interesting misc. Thursday 9- 5 , Friday 9- sold. 712 West Spruce, near "A" and Neely.

79705

3300 Cord, (Corner of Cord and Wadley) Friday and Saturday 9- 1. Designer mens clothing, signed Joe Grandee print, Diane Davis animal watercolors, Frank Lloyd Wright "style" chase lounger, James Avery St. Christophers, gold coins, kitchen items, vintage Christmas decorations, Lots of "stuff", still boxed, make reasonable offer and it's yours. Cash only.

✿SATURDAY ONLY, 9- 1. No Early Sales. 2513 Humble. Xerox Copier, Wicker Couch, Gate Leg Drop Leaf Table with 4 Windsor Chairs, Lot of Very Nice Spring & Summer Clothes for Kids, Women & Men, Shoes, Bikes for the Whole Family, Twin Comforters with Matching Shams, Luggage, Little Tikes Playhouse Castle, Body by Jake Hip & Thigh Exercise Machine, Lots More You Won't Want To Miss!!!!

❤GREAT STUFF SALE! Lot's of baby items, car bed, changing table, strollers, nice baby clothes, satellite dish, household items, furniture, exercise equipment, microwave, too much to mention.Don't miss it. 5003 Chapel Hill (alley). Saturday Only!! 7:30- 2.

GARAGE/ ESTATE Sale!!!! Today 8 am till? 2700 Garfield. Antiques, loveseat, sectional, lamps, lovely dining set, Art deco coffee table, skis, silk plants, kitchenware, small appliances, bicycles, Ultrasonic machine, ultraviolet machine, oxygen tank, rare paintings, dishes, tools, record collection, CD's, more!!!

❤SATURDAY ONLY 8- 12, 446 W. Pine. Furniture, clothing, household items, CDs, records, Christmas items, more!

2822 Metz Dr. Saturday 8:00 to 2:00. Some baby items, furniture, lamps, aquariums, tape player, tapes, CD's jewelry, household items, stuffed animals, porcelain dolls, air compressor, tools, tool boxes, jeans, and more. Great prices!!

79707

SATURDAY 9:00- 1:00. 4002 Crestgate Ave. Alley. Antiques, ladies clothing sizes 2- 12. Curtains, blinds, bedding and lots of miscellaneous.

3700 OAKMONT FRIDAY 8:30- 1. Games, toys, puzzles, adult & kids clothes, costumes, ski boots, exercise equipment, books and more.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY only, 4323 Greenbriar. Lots of clothes and miscellaneous!

SATURDAY 7 am- 1 pm, 4206 Russell Drive. Golf clubs, computer monitor, base & keyboard, clothes, pictures, games and videos, lots more!

79707

SATURDAY, 9- 5. SUNDAY, 9- 12. Lots of nice boys clothes, toys, books, Little Tikes Riding Train, bikes, kitchen items, nice womens clothes, lots, lots more! Reasonable prices- everything must go!! 3706 Fairhaven.

GARAGE SALE: Saturday 8- 1, one day only. Tons of baby and childrens clothes, toys, other goodies. 4105 Dyer Circle (in alley).

5 FAMILY SALE! Saturday, March 28th, 8- ?? Furniture, antiques, much 50's stuff, kitchen sink, much more!! 2102 Rosita (alley).

·GRANDDADDY OF ALL SALES!!
3327 MAXWELL
Friday, 8 till 6
Saturday, 8 till ??
Antiques, furniture, 2 cedar chests, work benches, file cabinet, desks, tables, office miscellaneous, dining table & chairs, china cabinet, TV, linens, old kitchenware, collectibles, dishes, ostrich boots, coffee table, end tables, brass trundle bed, BOOKS, CD's, tapes- audio & video, lamps, couch & loveseat. Good prices but NO CHECKS, PLEASE!!

★BLOCK GARAGE SALE! 3600 Block of Springmont. Little Tikes, Craftsman riding lawnmower, entertainment center, dinette set, baby items, infant & childrens clothes, much, much more! Saturday, 8- ??

SATURDAY ONLY 9 am till? 3701 Mark Lane. Furniture, wicker, Fisher Price, toys, clothes and lots more!

★FRIDAY- SATURDAY, 8:30. 2708 Whittle Way. Multi- Family! Furniture, electronics, futon, baby items, toys, clothing, kitchen & household items, treadmill and more!!

SATURDAY 8 am- 3 pm, 3308 Fannin. Truck, furniture, books, toys and lots of clothes!

GARAGE SALE! Saturday only 8- 2, 2602 Wydewood. Bikes, mowers and too much to list!

MOVING SALE!! 3712 Fairhaven Ct. Saturday and Sunday 8:30- 3:00. Model A Ford parts and trailer, antique round oak table and chairs, gas grill, bikes, port- a- potty, many mens suits and slacks, etc..

4215 ST. ANDREWS (in alley) Baby furniture, baby- toddler- adult clothes, tools, furniture, miscellaneous. Saturday 8- 1.

SATURDAY, 1- 5 ONLY!! Toddler girl clothes, camping, stereo & computer equipment. 4413 Fairbanks- Park in front, enter side gate.

FRIDAY ONLY 9- 2. No Early Birds! Body by Jake, Antiques, Little Tikes, Country Crafts, Clothes, Books, Barbie House. Cash only.4704 W. Dengar.

79707

GIANT GARAGE Sale! Thousands of items in huge sale sponsored by the Lee Football Booster Club- located in the "turf room" behind the football fieldhouse. Saturday- All Day, Sunday 1- 5. Call 689-1649 for information.

HUGE GARAGE Sale! Refrigerator, washer, bedroom furniture, VCR movies, video games, toys and lots more! Friday and Saturday 10 am- 3 pm, 4204 Dawn Circle.

★ANTIQUE DINING Tables, Bedroom Suite, Lawn Equipment, Gas Double Oven, Electric Dryer, Exercise Equipment, Baby Stuff, Buffet, Stereo Equipment with Cerwin- Vega Speakers, Lots of Furniture, Much More! Friday- Saturday- More Items Saturday! 4407 Spence Drive.

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

$20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20

GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE $20

★7 Lines (approx. 28-35 words)
★2 Days
★ ■/●/♥ Stand Out Emblem
★Garage Sale Kit
(includes Signs, Stakes, Marker, Balloons, Helpful Hints $6 Value!)
★Package of Flavored Drink Mix
(for the Kids to Open a Drink Stand!)
★$3 Off Classified Coupon
(Place an ad to sell those left-over garage sale items & get $3 off!)

Or Get 3 Days for Only $24!

Call 682-6222 Today!

$20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20 $20

DON'T MISS OUT!

The deadline for a Saturday Garage Sale ad is Friday at Noon.

Please be sure to call 682-6222, before noon, to ensure your ad will be in Saturday's paper.

Tami, Pam, Brandi, Jennifer or Nancy are ready to help you!

595 Antiques & Arts

ANTIQUE TOOL- Hand made wood planes solid hardwood. 2 priced at- $45 each. 697-8226 after 5.

SOLID OAK antique wardrobe. Excellent condition. Must see to appreciate. $525/ best offer. 699-1903, 563-2111.

HAYWOOD- WAKEFIELD Bentwood Furniture. Couch, Large Chair, 2 Captains Chairs & Table. 687-4779.

ESTATE Sales by JOSEPH'S. Let our experienced team liquidate your estate. 687-3040, 687-2868, 694-5034.

JUDY JACKSON'S Estate Sales. An experienced professional working for you! 689-3536, 682-6147.

NATIONAL CANDY store cash registers, 313 & 323 styles; Framed Coors Western Cowboy prints, American Fostoria; Franciscan Dinnerware; Estate Jewelry; lots of other Collectibles and Antiques. D&D Antiques, 2210 W. 46th Street, Odessa (915)367-9427.

ANTIQUE WALNUT Armoir, 2 mirrored doors, $1,000. Triple drawer chest with beveled mirror $500. Walnut marble topped washstand $300. All in perfect condition. 580-3706 or 697-8226.

(4) ORIGINAL OIL paintings by Harry Dyke for sale. "Shades of Spring." "John 10:09". "Number One At Boulders". "Martha's Garden". Frontier Galleries, 1926 E. 8th Street, Odessa. 580-8600.

FOR SALE: Claw Foot Bathtub with feet. $200. Call (806)546-0931 for more information.

***ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLE SHOW AND SALE**
Midland Park Mall
Thursday March 26th thru Sunday March 29th
Furniture, Antiques, Sports Memorabilia, Movie Posters, Beanie Babies, Collectibles, and Much More!
Pottery & China Restoration Service Available

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605 Collectibles

BEANIE BABY Erin, $190. Call 685-0694.

BEANIE BABIES: (Retired) Erin, Sting, Kiwi, Lefty, Righty, Liberty, Tusk, Seamore, Bubbles, Princess, Tobasco, 27 others. (Current) 65 varieties. (New) 11 Varieties. Tag Protectors. Call 694-4767 weekends or after 5 Monday-Friday.

STONE CRITTERS Collection of unique Easter Bunnies by United Design at Anna Marie Gifts, 1705 N. Big Spring, in Midland.

PRINCESS BEANIE babies $225 ea. Please call 697-4128 serious enquiries only.

FREE TY Beanie Baby! Buy $50 or more merchandise from Booth #99 at Crafts Bazaar, 3712 W Wall. Friday- Saturday, March 27th & 28th & receive 1 Ty Beanie Baby while supplies last!!

PERSONAL COLLECTIBLES for sale: 1930's Upright Coca-Cola Box, $1,500. Rare 1950's Coca-Cola Box, $1,800. Coca-Cola Sign, $100. 1927 Model T Ford Truck. Cab & Chassis, $300. 686-0661.

400 Computers/ Access.

386 33DX LSI clone with 16 meg RAM. 275 MB hard drive with 5 1/4 hd and 3 1/2 hd disk drives, 256 color VGA monitor, software,. $500. or best offer 570-9738.

✔✔★✔✔ INTERNET ACCESS. Call 620-0839 for details. ✔✔★✔✔

SERVICE AFTER THE SALE Computers- New and used, upgrade and repair. Night Owl Computers, 10am- 8pm, 1015-B N Midkiff. 520-5917, 686-8835.

405 FOR FREE

MIXED BREED Lab Male- year old. Has shots, need to give to a good home. 694-6009 after 5.

HAND RAISED, litter trained, loving cats & kittens. Call 520-7783.

2 PAIR grown New Zealand white rabbits. Call 687-2697.

FREE PUPS to good home. Lab/ Boxer mix. 2 black and 2 brown. 520-7270. Leave message.

2 FEMALE Cats. Spayed. 1 Year old. 1-Black long hair & 1-Brindle. 684-6155 after 5 pm.

FREE TO Good Home: Small short haired black cat. Spayed, all shots. Call 520-4331.

500 Pets and Supplies

AKC WIEMARANER Puppies. 7 Weeks old. 1st shots & wormed. Male & Female. 915-896-2216.

DACHSHUND 10 month old male black/ red. $100. 699-0997.

DACHSHUNDS- AKC. Ages 2-10 1/2 months. $75- $175. Not house broken. 915-573-7369-Nights.

AKC SCOTTISH Terriers, black and brindle, wormed, first shots, 3- 6 week old females left. $400 each. (915)558-2717.

STUD NEEDED for Small Boston Terrier black and white. Call 520-5004.

500 Pets and Supplies

CARALOT Obedience Training Center. Puppy, beginner and advanced classes. Board and train service available. 683-4718.

BOXER puppies. 6 weeks old, full blooded. Tails docked. Parents on premises. 520-7044

AKC PUPPIES- Tea Cup Chihuahuas. Toy Party Poodles and solid colors. No checks. 915-943-5516.

DOG OBEDIENCE Classes. Starting April 1st. Puppy, Adult, Canine Good Citizen. Call Permian Basin Obedience Training Club, 570-HEEL.

SEEKING Stud for female Chinese Pug in exchange for puppy. Please call 520-7586 for information.

FOR SALE. White German Shepherd puppies, 3 months old. Registered with papers. $200. 699-0113

AKC Akita puppies, born 1/ 31/ 98. Females $250, Males $300 firm. Parents on premises. 520-7348 or 620-8855.

PUPPIES! 1/2 Rottweiler, 1/2 Sharpei. Will be large dogs. $35 Each. 620-0074.

DOBERMAN PUPPIES. 5 Weeks old. Not registered. $50. Call 570-4559.

505 Livestock & Poultry

WTBBA BRANGUS SALE! Reg Bulls (75), Females (60). Show HF/ ST (10). Commer Fem (600). Saturday 3-28-98, 12:00 Noon. Abilene Auction Barn. Jack Luther, 915-698-2301.

HORSE FOR Sale. 8 Year old Palomino Mare (Bloodline: Roy Rogers Trigger). Circle Y Roping Saddle. Call 520-0025.

RAFTER H. Trailers & Tack. Trail Magic Trailers in stock at 5203 E. Hwy 158 at Hodge Welding. 684-5850. Monday thru Friday, 8- 5. Saturday, 9-1.

17 YEAR Old Gelding. Trained Western & English. Gentle. Smart, Big Heart. Teresa, 687-5115 Days or Evenings 689-6068.

LLAMAS for sale. Excellent prices, registered stock. Call 689-7360 for more information.

550 Portable Buildings

We move, buy, sell and rent portable buildings.
MORGAN
(915) 563-1860

BACK FROM rent- 12x20 storage building/ shop. Heavy duty floor. Delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

570 Oil Field Equip & Supplies

FOR SALE: Structural rods and pipe of all sizes at bargain prices. Call 682–1546.

SAFETY STORAGE Safe- T-Pallet 4- drum ENVIRONMENTAL sump (with grate); extra heavy construction, $475. Bredko Corporation- 683-5181.

590 Legal Notices

THE CITY COUNCIL of the City of Midland, Texas, will hold a public hearing at **11:06 A.M., Tuesday, April 14, 1998,** in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, on a request by **TEE-OFF Practice Range** for a **Specific Use Permit with Term for the sale and on-premise consumption of beer and wine only, in a place of commercial amusement**, on Lot 1-A, Block 7, Westgate Acres, Section 5, City and County of Midland, Texas. (Generally located on the north side of Princeton Avenue, approximately 300 feet east of N. Loop 250 West.) The meeting facility is accessible to disabled persons. A wheelchair entry ramp is located at the southeast entrance to City Hall. A parking space designated for use by disabled persons is available near the southeast entrance doors. Any disabled person needing special accommodations or hearing impaired persons wishing to have an interpreter should request services through the Administrative Services Department at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting by contacting David Hunter, Compliance Coordinator for the City of Midland, at (915) 685-7250. If communication via TDD is required, please call 1-800-735-2989.

CITY OF MIDLAND
Kaylah McCord
CITY SECRETARY

CORRECTION

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF EMIL COTEY JOE CSWAYKUS, A MINOR

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Guardianship upon the Estate of Emil Cotey Joe Cswaykus, a Minor, were issued to Holly Cswaykus on March 3, 1998, in the proceeding indicated below my signature, which is still pending, and that I now hold such Letters. All persons having claim against said Estate which is being administered in the County named below are hereby required to present the same to the undesigned in care of my attorney, Andrew P. Ray, P.O. Box 1540, Midland, TX 79702, before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such Estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law.

Holly Cswaykus
Guardian of the Estate of Emil Cotey Joe Cswaykus, A Minor,
Cause No. 12,017, in the County Court of Midland County, Texas

590 Legal Notices

CORRECTION

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JAKE ALEXANDER CSWAYKUS, A MINOR

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Guardianship upon the Estate of Jake Alexander Cswaykus, a Minor, were issued to Holly Cswaykus on March 3, 1998, in the proceeding indicated below my signature, which is still pending, and that I now hold such Letters. All persons having claim against said Estate which is being administered in the County named below are hereby required to present the same to the undesigned in care of my attorney, Andrew P. Ray, P.O. Box 1540, Midland, TX 79702, before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such Estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed bids will be accepted by the County Purchasing Agent, First Floor, Suite 101 of the Midland County Courthouse, 200 W. Wall, Suite 101, Midland, Texas 79701 until 4:00 PM local time, April 16, 1998 and April 21, 1998, as indicated. The bids will be opened and read aloud at 4:30 PM on the respective days.

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Single white female, 42, 5'3", 128lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys working in the yard, drama movies, exercising, swimming and more, seeks a sincere, honest single white male, 25-42. Ad# 7705

UNTIL WE MEET
Single black female, 30, 5'8", black hair, brown eyes, likes music, basketball and dining out, seeking a single black male, 28-37. Ad# 7851

YOUR HEART
Fun-loving single white female, 51, 5'5", 130lbs., brown hair/eyes, attractive, educated, enjoys painting, gardening, reading and more, seeking a flexible single white male, 48-58, N/S. Ad# 8097

SWEET & SENSITIVE
Divorced Hispanic female, 52, 5', brown hair/eyes, outgoing, enjoys her work, movies, good company and more, seeking a sweet, understanding single white Christian male, 50-54, for a great relationship. Ad# 8442

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Happy single Hispanic mother, 38, 5'5", 160lbs., short black hair, brown eyes, loves a good laugh, likes scary and romantic movies, country music and dancing, sports, seeks an upfront single Hispanic male, 31-40, for friendship first, maybe more later. Ad# 7354

THIS IS IT
Single white mom, 22, 5', 99lbs., blonde hair, brown eyes, enjoys singing, sports, movies, dancing, dinging out and more, seeking an honest single white male, 23-28. Ad# 9115

HELLO THERE
Positive, enthusiastic single white female, 35, 5'6", 130lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys teaching, reading, spending time with friends, relaxing at home and more, seeking a single white male, 36-42. Ad# 9286

VALUES
Single white mom, 24, 5'4", full-figured, blonde hair, green eyes, loves her son, cooking, movies, Bible and more, seeking a kind, sensitive, fun-loving single Christian male, 22-38, race unimportant. Ad# 8560

TRY ME
Free-spirited single Hispanic mom, 19, 5'3", full figured, dark hair, brown eyes, enjoys dancing, movies, barbecues, the outdoors, long drives and summer time, looking for single Hispanic male, 21-27, who likes children. Ad# 7469

COMMON BOND
Motivated single white female, 43, 5'6", medium build, light-brown hair, green eyes, enjoys, reading, sports, traveling, dining out, socializing and the outdoors, seeking single white male, 37-50. Ad# 7040

SEARCHING
Outgoing single white mom, 38, 5'2", 102lbs., blonde hair, green eyes, employed, enjoys traveling, quiet evenings at home, dancing, long walks, country-western music and family times, in search of sensitive, non-smoker, single white male, 39-45. Ad# 8132

MY ONE TRUE LOVE
Honest, sincere, outgoing single black mom, 34, 5'1", 135lbs., black hair, brown eyes, likes reading romantic books and movies, looking for a single black male, 30-40. Ad# 7829

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Single white Christian female, 34, 5'3", blonde hair, green eyes, likes music, sports, animals, having fun and much more, seeks an easygoing, fun-loving single white Christian male, 32-38. Ad# 7324

IN GOOD SPIRITS
Honest single black mom, 35, 5'9", 140lbs., brown hair/eyes, employed, enjoys cooking, the outdoors, go-kart racing and more, seeks truthful single male, 35-50. Ad# 8168

FOR COMMITMENT?
Single black female, 21, 5'1", 130lbs., enjoys singing, swimming, taking walks, reading, writing, seeks a honest single black male, 21-25. Ad# 9410

HONEST COMPANION
Single white mom, 48, 5'7", 125lbs., blonde hair, hazel eyes, professional, likes movies, travel, cooking, the lake, family and dancing, seeks an open-minded single white male, 45-65. Ad# 9966

PICTURE PERFECT
Attractive, single white mother, 29, 5'2", blondish-brown hair, greenish-blue eyes, petite, motivated, loves animals, the outdoors, the beach, beauty, and laughter, single white male, 25-44. Ad# 7432

LOOKING FOR MY SOUL MATE
Single white female, 45, 5'5", 280lbs., dark hair, brown eyes, enjoys reading, entertainment and much more, seeks a dedicated, humorous single black male, 40-60 with good morals and values. Ad# 9116

ALL TYPES OF...
Single white female, 22, 5'4", 160lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, enjoys hanging out, the shore, swimming, the beach, action movies, seeks a single white male, 20-26. Ad# 8402

WHAT'S YOUR NAME
Single Hispanic mom, 34, full-figured, brown hair/eyes, enjoys the outdoors, children, happiness, sports and life, seeking a compassionate single Hispanic male, 32-41, for a possible relationship. Ad# 8792

ALL AMERICAN GIRL
Professional single white female, 23, 5'6", brown hair, hazel eyes, loves horses, the outdoors, reading and football, seeks honest single white Christian male, 25-35, for possible relationship. Ad# 7848

MUST BE A GENTLEMAN
Single white female, 24, blonde hair, hazel eyes, enjoys reading, movies, football, drawing, music, seeks a single white male, non-smoking, 24-40. Ad# 7995

LOADS OF FUN
Lively single white female, 19, 6'2", brown hair, green eyes, likes poetry, music, reading romance stories, karaoke and dancing, seeks a sweet, romantic single white male, 19-22. Ad# 8279

ATTRACTIVE !
Caring, fun loving, professional, slender single white female, 42, long blondish/brown hair, seeks trustworthy, secure and caring single white male 40-53, to enjoy life's hopes and dreams. Ad# 8352

FOREVER YOUNG
Single white female, 48, 5'6", 142lbs., long brunette hair, blue eyes, employed, home owner, loves animals, fishing, reading, country music, dancing, seeks single white male, 45-55, 6'+. Ad# 9754

BUBBLY & CHEERFUL
Single Hispanic female, 19, black hair, hazel eyes, enjoys dancing, romantic walks and going out with friends, seeks a fun-loving single male, 19-25, with a sense of direction. Ad# 8572

LIFE, LOVE & LAUGHTER
Single Hispanic mom, 21, 5'1", full-figured, black hair, brown eyes, even-tempered, fun, employed, looking for single male, 18-30, for friendship, possibly more. Ad# 9195

I KNOW YOU'RE OUT THERE
Single white mom, 33, 5'8", 160lbs., blue-eyed blonde, likes swimming, volleyball, dancing, fireside chats, pool, family activities and the park, seeks honest, sincere single Hispanic male, 35-45. Ad# 7677

COUNTRY GIRL AT HEART
Single white mom, 32, 5'2", 115lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, employed, likes fishing, water skiing, the outdoors and good conversations, seeks family-oriented single white male, 30-42. Ad# 8668

TIRED OF BEING ALONE
Widowed Hispanic mom, 35, 250lbs., brown hair/eyes, homemaker, likes sewing, nice weather, Spanish music and sports, seeks sociable single male, 40-50, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 8588

POSITIVE REACTION
Petite single white mother, 29, green eyes, enjoys meeting new people, reading, dancing, going out on the town and spending time with her kids, seeks a laughable, easygoing single white male, 28-40. Ad# 9062

BE KIND TO MY HEART
Moralistic single white female, 45, 5'5", dark hair, brown eyes, into reading, creative writing, upbeat music, basketball and cuddling, looking for a funny single black male, 35-55, who loves to laugh. Ad# 7870

LIFE TO THE FULLEST
Single white female, 48, brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys fishing, bowling, Bingo, science fiction movies, sewing and walking along the river, seeking a single white male, 44-58. Ad# 9378

LIVE FOR TODAY
Personable, faithful single white female, 30, 5'1", short blonde hair, greenish-blue eyes, loves the spring time, reading magazines, rodeos, country dancing and cookouts, seeks a single Hispanic male, 30-40. Ad# 8716

LIVING DAY BY DAY
Single white female, 56, 5'4", blackish-grey hair, hazel eyes, employed, loves romantic novels, sunsets, windmills and meeting new people, looking for a single white male. Ad# 2841

MAKE AN INTRODUCTION
Single white female, 44, 5'7", dark brown hair, employed, loves her cat, into the arts, gardening, being outside and going to sporting events, seeks a friendly single white male, 35-49, to share companionship. Ad# 7112

FOLLOW YOUR HEART
Vivacious, positive single hispanic female, 19, 5'5", brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys country music, riding horses, hiking, collecting old comic books, seeks honest single male, 19-40. Ad# 8622

JUST BE YOURSELF
Single black female, 48, 5'1", 165lbs., brown eyes, likes animals, traveling, football, seeks personable single male 45-50 with common interests. Ad# 8053

PETITE & PLEASANT
Single Hispanic mother, 20, 4'10", brownish-black hair, brown eyes, enjoys dancing, fishing, going to movies, horseback riding and romantic dinners, seeking a single male, 23-40, who likes children. Ad# 8797

QUIET TIMES
Lively single white female, 33, 5'8", blue-eyed blond, enjoys dancing, sports, spending time with her daughters and watching movies, seeking a single Hispanic male, 27-40. Ad# 8006

ON A POSITIVE NOTE...
Reserved single white female, 46, 5'7", slender, brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys comedies, hiking, biking, skiing, snorkeling and gardening, in search of active single white male, 40-51, who enjoys life. Ad# 9260

DISCOVER ME
Single white female, 22, 6', blonde hair, green eyes, sports fan, loves basketball, softball, action movies and country music, seeks a humorous single white male, 20-28. Ad# 9187

FUN IN THE SUMMER SUN
Single white female, 18, 5'9", 170lbs., long dark brown hair/eyes, likes many kinds of music, hanging out with friends, shooting pool, seeks single white male, 18-23, blue eyes a plus. Ad# 7536

SOFT AND SWEET
Attractive, intelligent, spiritual, widowed white female, 65, 5'7", 120lbs., blonde hair, light-brown hair, enjoys music, fun and quiet times and the outdoors, seeking intelligent single white male, 55-67. Ad# 7418

COULD IT BE FATE?
Sincere single white mom, 23, 5'6", 130lbs., blonde hair, loves the summertime, chocolate, seeks honest, good-looking single white male, 23-36, who loves country music and dancing. Ad# 7743

LET'S DO LUNCH
Employed single white female, 46, 5'6", 120lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, smoker, likes all sports, drawing, animals, seeks tall, slender, dependable single white male, 45-55, to spend some time with. Ad# 8399

VERY INTERESTING
Single Hispanic mom, 55, 5'2", 147lbs., black hair, brown eyes, likes sewing, yard work, baking, taking walks, conversation and movies, seeks a single Hispanic Christian male, 55-60. Ad# 7429

MR. RIGHT?
Shy single Hispanic mom of two, 22, 5'3", long black hair, brown eyes, enjoys music, going to the beach and family outings, would like to share friendship with a dependable, single Hispanic male, 20-32. Ad# 9991

BIG HEART?
Humorous, stable, single, white female, 34, 6', brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys gardening, camping, the oldies, seeks communicative, honest single white male, 30-40. Ad# 8198

SWEEP ME OFF MY FEET!
Single white female, 19, 5'8", blonde hair, hazel eyes, enjoys movies, concerts, pool, music, writing, playing guitar, outdoor activities, seeks handsome, responsible single white male, 18-30. Ad# 7557

LET'S TALK IT OVER
Outgoing single white female, 51, 5'4", 145lbs., light brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys dining out, dancing, movies and country music, in search of single white male, 45-65, with similar interests. Ad# 7274

CUDDLE UP TO ME
Full-figured single black mom, 19, 5'7", reddish-brown hair, brown eyes, smoker, enjoys dancing, basketball and music, seeking fun, educated, employed single male, 18-30, who likes kids. Ad# 8603

HEART TO HEART
Single hispanic female, 49, 5'7", medium build, light brown hair, green eyes, likes football, baseball and hockey, country-western music and more, seeks a serious single white male, 45-55, mustache a plus. Ad# 8791

HOW I WISH YOU WERE HERE
Professional single white mom, 40, 5'6", 135lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys fishing, camping, the outdoors, rock climbing and much more, seeks secure, spontaneous single white male, 32-44. Ad# 7069

WE CAN WORK IT OUT
Single white female, 19, 125lbs., brown hair/eyes, likes skiing, swimming, music, seeks friendly, family-oriented single white male, 18-29, who is easy to get along with. Ad# 8344

A TASTE OF NOSTALGIA
Single white female, 45, 5'4", blonde hair, non-smoker, enjoys reading, classical music, travel and dancing, seeks loyal, content single white male, 45-60, without children please, for possible serious relationship. Ad# 7442

GET TO KNOW ME
Single white female, 54, 5'2", full-figured, brownish-blonde hair, blue eyes, enjoys light reading, spring and fall seasons, movies, desires to meet a single white male, 48-65, to share interests and friendship. Ad# 9469

I CAN BE YOUR COWGIRL
Single white female, 18, 5'5", reddish-brown hair, blue eyes, who is four months pregnant, enjoys dancing, singing and having fun, seeks outgoing and friendly single white male, 18-25. Ad# 1654

MUTUAL TRUST & RESPECT
Single white female, 42, 5'6", 125lbs., blondish-brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys movies, cooking, dancing and quality time at home, seeks outgoing and fun-loving single male, 38-50. Ad# 5517

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED
Divorced white mom, 39, 5'6", medium build, brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys dining out, sporting events, country dancing seeks single white male, 35-48, to share life's adventures with. Ad# 8822

VERY INTERESTING
Witty, funny single white female, 35, 5'6", 128lbs., green-eyed blonde, enjoys animals, the mountains, sports, skating, biking, rollerblading, seeking single white male, 25-45, who has goals for the future. Ad# 7978

THIS ONE RATES
Single white female, 25, 5'7", brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys movies, animals, country-western dancing, the outdoors and more, seeking a single white male, 26-34, who has a great sense of humor. Ad# 7522

NEW BEGINNGS
Single white female, 51, 5'3", 120lbs., brown hair/eyes, enjoys nature, shopping, travelling, bowling, reading, dining out, seeking single white male, 49-55, for companionship. Ad# 7227

IS IT YOU?
Single Hispanic female, 19, tall, brown hair/eyes, enjoys biking and walking, dancing, sports and reading, would like to meet a single Hispanic male, 20-24, for friendship first, maybe more. Ad# 8859

GOAL-ORIENTED
Single white female, 18, 5'2", 125lbs., enjoys swimming, volleyball and going for walks, seeking a single white male, 25-28. Ad# 7261

QUALITY TIME
Single Hispanic female, 36, 5'3", brown hair/eyes, enjoys children, movies, would like to meet an sincere, understanding, SM, 35-50, to share interests and friendship. Ad# 7306

GOING BACK TO SCHOOL
Shy single white female, 40, 5'4", brown hair/eyes, enjoys music, travel, seeks single white male, 39-48, for lasting relationship. Ad# 9931

ADVENTUROUS
Crazy, fun-loving single white Christian female, 33, 5'5", red hair, brown eyes, enjoys reading, country music, horses and movies, seeking single white male, 30-40, with dark hair. Ad# 8908

LOOKING FOR MY COWBOY
Professional single white mom, 45, 5'7", blonde hair, green eyes, enjoys football, rodeos, traveling, skiing, singing, dancing and quality family time, seeks a tall single white male, 35-55. Ad# 9092

WARRANTS CONSIDERATION
Single Hispanic mother of two, 34, social drinker, likes country music, dancing and going to the movies, seeks a faithful, truthful single Hispanic male, 28-36. Ad# 9772

COMPLETE MY FAMILY
Nurturing, outgoing single white mom, 23, 5'6", 120lbs., brown hair/eyes, likes hunting, fishing, horseback riding, dog races, seeks honest, caring, open single white male 22-35. Ad# 8992

LIKES THE QUIET LIFE
Personable single Hispanic female, 38, 5'7", medium weight, brown hair/eyes, loves children, seeks educated, humorous, mannerly single white male, 35-45, non-smoker, non-drinker. Ad# 7966

SEEKS HER COWBOY!
Divorced white female, 45, 5'7", blonde hair, green eyes, enjoys time with her kids, country-western dancing, miniature golf, seeks single white male, 35-52. Ad# 7867

LOOKING AT THE STARS
Attractive single white female, 43, medium build, green-eyed blonde, professional, enjoys travel, sewing and reading, seeks a confident, assured, employed single white male, 30-55, without kids at home. Ad# 9146

WAITING FOR MR. RIGHT
Single Hispanic Christian female, 53, 5'2", 135lbs., brown hair/eyes, never married, enjoys reading, long walks and quiet evenings, seeks neat, tall, understanding single white Christian male, 47-57. Ad# 8092

WIN MY TRUST
Single white female, 36, 5'7", full-figured, dark blonde hair, green eyes, a real people person, likes to read, music, do needle work, seeks an honest single white male, 34-43, for a committed relationship. Ad# 8202

COWBOY WANTED
Single white mom, 45, 5'7", enjoys horseback riding, shooting pool and country music, seeking tall single white male, 35-50. Ad# 9379

CHRISTIAN VALUES
Professional single white female, 46, 5'7", 117lbs., blonde hair, green eyes, enjoys theatre, biking, walking, dining out, dancing and watching movies, seeks educated, single white male, 45-54. Ad# 9719

THERE'S ROOM IN MY HEART
Single divorced white mom, 34, 5'6", auburn hair, green eyes, friendly, outgoing, enjoys dancing, being outdoors, seeking dependable, sincere single white male, 28-40. Ad# 8223

BREATHTAKING
Single Hispanic mom, 36, brown hair/eyes, enjoys bowling, the park, movies, dancing, times with her kids, seeking nice, easygoing single Hispanic male, 30-40, that loves children. Ad# 8564

KIND-HEARTED
Single white female, 34, 5'6", brown hair, green eyes, full-figured, humorous, enjoys reading, listening to music, roller-skating, quiet times at home and more, seeking a single male, 29-45. Ad# 7359

LAID-BACK BUT STRONG
Confident single black female, 22, full-figured, hazel eyes, likes symphony, bowling, tennis and swimming, seeks a romantic, strong, healthy, hardworking, intelligent single black male, 22-35. Ad# 8173

I LOVE LIFE AND THE LORD
Single white Christian female, 45, 5'7", brown hair/eyes, enjoys camping, hunting and the outdoors, seeks honest and intelligent single white Christian male, 40-50, to be a companion. Ad# 8136

COUNTRY-WESTERN ROMANCE
Single white mom, 26, 6'2", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys dancing, rodeos, camping and quality family time, seeks honest and fun-loving single white male, 20-35. Ad# 9207

HONESTY & PATIENCE
Single Hispanic mom, 22, 5'2", 125lbs., brown hair/eyes, enjoys spending time with her children, dancing and socializing with friends, seeks single Hispanic male, 25-35. Ad# 7332

CANDLELIGHT DINNERS
Single white female, 43, 5'2", light brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys cooking, fishing, crafts, sports, horseback riding, singing, moonlit walks and watching movies, seeks single white male, 40-50. Ad# 9042

WIN ME OVER
Divorced black mom, 48, 5'8", brown eyes, enjoys socializing, fishing, bowling, playing cards and Bingo, seeking loving, outgoing single male, 40-69. Ad# 8674

OUTSPOKEN TWIN
Single white female, 18, 5'8", green-eyed blonde, non-smoker, employed, hobbies include dancing, dining out, movies, family time, seeks secure, honest single white male, 18-20, with a good personality. Ad# 2424

KEEP ME WARM
Attractive single white female, 38, mild-tempered, enjoys listening to music, motorcycles and hugging, desires a tall single white male, for possible relationship. Ad# 7979

NOTHING SERIOUS
Outgoing single white female, 25, 5'5", 135lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, employed, likes dancing, swimming, horseback riding, seeks nice, easy-going, fun-loving single white male 28-38. Ad# 8383

INSIDE IS WHAT COUNTS
Athletic, open-minded single black female, 39, black hair, brown eyes, enjoys the outdoors, traveling, puzzles, reading and going for walks, seeking honest, strong single black male, 32-42. Ad# 9903

LOOKING FOR MY SOUL MATE
Professional single white female, 47, 5'7", 115lbs., blonde hair, hazel eyes, enjoys going to the movies, dining out, live plays, concerts and the outdoors, seeks single white male, 45-55. Ad# 8750

CAN'T WAIT TO MEET
Single white female, 21, 5'6", 145lbs., blue-eyed brunette, likes sports, ice skating, the internet, playing sports, swimming, seeks romantic, nice single white male, 21-25. Ad# 8063

HOPELESS ROMANTIC
Single white Christian female, 42, 5'2", medium build, reddish-brown hair, brown eyes, enjoys travel, candlelit dinners, cooking, working with children, seeks a warm-hearted single white male, 37-47. Ad# 7919

THE GOOD LIFE
Professional, attractive single white female, 46, 5'2", personable, smoker, enjoys traveling, the arts, seeking single white male, 40-55. Ad# 2121

TELL ME NO LIES!
Single Hispanic female, 23, 5', 120lbs., shy, friendly, enjoys movies, country music, bowling, dancing, seeks single white male, 21-34, to spend time with. Ad# 5088

INTERESTED IN YOU
Single white mom, 27, 5'5", slender build, fun-loving, outgoing, student, enjoys the outdoors, spending time with her daughter, summertime, seeking single white male, 33-45, with similar interests. Ad# 1206

EASY TO PLEASE
Single white female, 47, 5'2", 145lbs., a smoker, lives in Midland area, enjoys dancing, music, outdoors, seeks single white male, 45-55, medium build, children welcome, for companionship. Ad# 7850

SHARE YOUR LIVES
Divorced white female, 51, 5'3", brown hair and eyes, enjoys country music, slow dancing, dining out, reading, seeking single or divorced white or hispanic male, 49-55, with similar interests. Ad# 5656

ARE YOU THERE?
Friendly single white female, 27, 5'6", from Blackwell, enjoys dancing, reading, seeking single white male, under 45, for friendship, maybe more. Ad# 2525

TREAT ME RIGHT!
Friendly single white female, 18, 5'4", medium build, blonde hair, blue eyes, non-smoker, non-drinker, enjoys socializing, dancing, horseback riding, movies, seeking handsome, employed single white male, 18-23. Ad# 3979

MUTUAL RESPECT
Single white mom, 34, 5'6", medium build, smoker, non-drinker, from Odessa, enjoys reading, fishing, hiking, romantic walks and dinners, seeks caring, genuine, truthful single white male, under 45. Ad# 1813

WILL MAKE YOU LAUGH
Spontaneous single white female, 34, 5'6", brown hair, green eyes, serious, humorous, enjoys reading, dancing, outdoor sports, seeks truthful, kind, warm-hearted single male. Ad# 2362

NO HEAD GAMES
Laid-back single white mom, 41, 5'7", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys fishing, taking walks, barbecues, quiet times at home, seeking sincere, honest single male. Ad# 8833

NOT A CHEAT
Single white female, 19, 5'10", full-figured, brown hair, hazel eyes, funny, likes taking walks, drives, times together, looking for tall, dependable, fun-loving, communicative single male, to share happiness with. Ad# 4117

Males Seeking Females

DON'T LOOK ANY FARTHER
Educated single black male, 40, 5'7", 170lbs., brown eyes, enjoys movies, sports, socializing, taking walks and more, seeks single female, 30-45. Ad# 7976

GOOD SENSE OF HUMOR
Single white male, 55, 6'1", 165lbs., brown hair/eyes, a sports fan, looking for a single white female, 50-65. Ad# 8415

NEW IN TOWN
Outgoing single white male, 31, 6'1", 200lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys reading, playing softball, dancing and more, seeks a single white female, 21-31. Ad# 9813

APPRECIATES HONESTY
Single Hispanic dad, 36, 5'6", 160lbs., black hair/eyes, enjoys music, reading magazines and traveling, seeks a single Hispanic female, 21-36, who likes children. Ad# 9896

WEEKEND COMPANIONS
Easygoing single black male, 33, brown eyes, enjoys music, cool weather, movies, diningout, singing and more, seeks single female, 33-35. Ad# 8121

HEY, YOU NEVER KNOW!
Single white male, 18, 6', 145lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys sports, movies, horror novels, playing golf, go-kart riding, dirt bike riding and more, seeks single white female, 18-21. Ad# 7113

LET'S TALK SOON
Single white male, 40, 6', 175lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys swimming, traveling and good conversation, seeking a single female, 18-50, for friendship. Ad# 9786

NEW MAN IN TOWN
Single Hispanic male, 38, 5'8", 185lbs., employed, likes boxing, a wide variety of foods and meeting new people, seeking a respectful single female, 23-35. Ad# 9066

CHOICE IS YOURS
Calm single white male, 25, blond hair, blue eyes, loves music, camping, hiking, bike riding and going to the movies, seeks a sincere single female, 18-28. Ad# 8054

MANY INTERESTS
Single Hispanic male, 20, 5'6", 170lbs., black hair, dark brown eyes, loves football, baseball, variety of music, cuddling, lifting weights, seeks a good-hearted, intelligent single female, 18-25, who is a good listener. Ad# 7597

JUST A REGULAR GUY!
Divorced Hispanic dad, 45, 6', 257lbs., light brown hair/eyes, enjoys movies, the outdoors and much more, seeks commitment-minded single female, 19-42. Ad# 8877

GIVE ME A CALL
Single white male, 32, 6'2", 160lbs., brown hair/eyes, employed, likes movies and outdoor sports, seeking a single Hispanic female, 19-30. Ad# 9570

CLOSE FRIENDS
Single white male, 19, 6'2", brown hair, hazel eyes, fun-loving, likes going out and traveling, would like to meet a single white female, 18-23. Ad# 7452

SHOE ME THE WAY
Single white dad, 36, 5'10", blond hair, green eyes, likes cooking out, camping and going to the lake, seeking a single white female, 34-42. Ad# 8735

ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE
Outgoing and caring single white male, 29, 5'11", 180lbs., auburn hair, green eyes, enjoys the outdoors, football and spending time with friends, seeking a single white female, 23-32, kids okay, for friendship first. Ad# 8079

LET ME ENTERTAIN YOU
Fun-loving single white male, 27, 5'9", 135lbs., blue eyes, seeking a special single black female, 19-40, for a serious, long-term relationship. Ad# 9868

ARE YOU OUT THERE
Single Hispanic male, 23, 6'1", 180lbs., brown hair/eyes, enjoys animals, cooking, country music and more, seeking a single white female, 18-25, for possible relationship. Ad# 7010

HERE HE IS...
Single white male, 50, 6', 215lbs., dark brown hair, green eyes, fit, enjoys children, spending time with friends, the outdoors, motorcycles and more, seeking a single white female, 35-48. Ad# 9012

VERY INTERESTING
Single white male, 43, 6'5", 200lbs., brown hair/eyes, self-employed, enjoys music, good company and more, seeking a single female, 25-45, race unimportant, for a possible relationship. Ad# 7892

LET'S BUILD A HOME
Single Hispanic male, 26, 5'6", dark hair, self-employed, enjoys fishing, camping, watching sports and having barbeques, interested in meeting a single Hispanic female, 20-30, to share life with. Ad# 9335

HONESTY
Easygoing single white dad, 32, 6', 165lbs., reddish-blond hair, blue eyes, enjoys water sports, family times and more, seeking an honest single female, 18-30, race unimportant. Ad# 9698

PHONE ME NOW
Hispanic single male, 19, 5'3", 147lbs., brown hair/eyes, a sports fan, likes summer outdoor activities, seeking for a single female, 18-25, race unimportant, with a great personality. Ad# 9561

HONESTY IS KEY
Single white male, 30, 6'1", 160lbs., light brown hair, blue eyes, a sports fan, likes dancing, walking, horseback riding and reading, seeks a single white female, who likes country line dancing. Ad# 8018

ARE WE COMPATIBLE?
Professional, attractive single white male, 46, 6'4", 200lbs., brown hair/eyes, likes summer outdoor activities, hunting and motorcycling, seeks an easygoing single white female, 36-46. Ad# 8575

A RELATIONSHIP
Proud single white male, 41, 6'1", brown hair, blue eyes, mustache, enjoys drawing, most animals, boating, cookouts and fishing, seeks a sincere, open, communicative single white Christian female, 30-45. Ad# 8015

SOUNDS WONDERFUL
Open-minded, humorous single white male, 43, 6'1", 175lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys reading, animals and going for walks, seeking single white female, 24-36, for possible relationship. Ad# 9189

TO THE POINT
Single white male, 58, 6', medium build, brown hair, blue eyes, likes fishing, camping, sports and more, in search of a single white female, 45-58. Ad# 8157

GET TO KNOW ME
Shy single white male, 24, 6'5", 250lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, likes spending time with friends, snowball fights and baseball, searching for a single white female, 18-40. Ad# 8953

LET'S MEET SOON
Romantic, divorced black dad, 34, 5'9", 220lbs., enjoys basketball, going to church, walks in the park and family activities, seeking a single Hispanic female, 26-44, children okay for companionship. Ad# 7109

JUST RIGHT
Good-natured, shy, affectionate, loyal single white male, 36, 6'1", 195lbs., likes baseball, four-wheeling and adventure movies, seeks a single white female, 29-37, to treat like a lady, kids okay. Ad# 9228

LET'S GET GOING
Single Hispanic dad, 36, 5'4", black hair, brown eyes, enjoys sports, travel, camping, renting movies, seeks nice, truthful, honest single Hispanic female, 25-36, to go out with. Ad# 7572

STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART
Outgoing single white male, 18, 5'10", medium build, blond hair, blue eyes, romantic and caring, enjoys meeting new people, dancing, the outdoors and enjoying life, seeking a single white female, 18-21. Ad# 8029

STAMP OF APPROVAL
Single Hispanic male, 29, 5'11", 185lbs., brown hair/eyes, likes sledding, biking, reading, western movies and dining out, seeks friendship with a single Hispanic female, 18-32, who is a lady. Ad# 8988

PICTURE PERFECT
Single Hispanic male, 29, 5'6", brown hair/eyes, music, the outdoors, family, dancing, movies and designing things, seeking a single Hispanic female, 21-35. Ad# 8131

TOTALLY DEVOTED
Hardworking single white dad, 36, 6'1", 200lbs., brown eyes, likes going to the movies, camping, fishing, hiking and being outdoors seeks single white female, 28-38 to share similar interests. Ad# 8868

TIME TO CALL ME
Single white male, 42, 5'7", 150lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, beard/mustache, likes movies, cook-outs, picnics, day-trips and woodworking, seeks a single white female, 30-43 with similar interests. Ad# 9456

END MY SEARCH
Hispanic male, 50, 5'6", social drinker, enjoys reading, traveling, dining out, romantic evenings, seeks single female, 40-50. Ad# 9598

LOVER OF LIFE
Single white male, 28, 6'1", 180lbs., brown hair/eyes, hobbies include dancing, skiing, horseback riding and country music, seeks a long haired blue eyed single white female, 19-30. Ad# 8553

SIMPLE WITH ME
Divorced white male, 56, 6', 180lbs., blond hair, blue eyes, likes animals, camping and football, seeks single female, 30-45. Ad# 7064

HERE HE IS...
Single white male, 24, 5'6", 120lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, likes fishing, going to the movies, dancing and ice skating, seeks single white female, 20-25. Ad# 7416

LOVES A HARLEY
Widowed white male, 49, dark hair, blue eyes, retired, likes sports, plays drums and guitar, fishing, hunting and woodworking, seeks a single white female, 30-48. Ad# 7686

STAR GAZER
Single white male, 43, 6'2", 220lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, Baptist, non-smoker, enjoys the movies, shopping, hockey, fishing, hunting, football, seeking a single female, 30-45, non-drinker. Ad# 7933

TIME TO END LONELINESS
Friendly single white father, 39, 5'11", grey hair, green eyes, mustache, loves snowmobiling, walking, working on cars, fishing and children, seeks an easygoing, faithful single white female, 30-42. Ad# 9764

ABILITY TO LAUGH
Divorced white male, 46, 5'11", light brown hair, dark blue eyes, enjoys dining out, going to the movies, pleasant walks, reading and animals, seeks a cute, charming single white female, 33-51. Ad# 9658

LASTING MEMORIES
Hospitable single black male, 31, 5'5", light brown eyes, employed, loves most music, vacations and socializing, seeks a mature, hard-working single white female, 19-27. Ad# 8463

MECHANICALLY-INCLINED
Shy single white male, 24, 6'6", 260lbs., dark brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys science fiction and romance novels, barbecues at the beach, time with friends, looking for single female, 18-40. Ad# 7407

THE TIME IS NOW
Easygoing single Hispanic male, 23, 5'9", dark hair, brown eyes, employed, likes fishing, rodeos, shooting pool and country music, seeks single female, 18-28, friendship, possibly more, kids okay. Ad# 8347

AWAITING YOUR CALL
Single Hispanic male, 18, 5'6", 140lbs., light brown hair, loves sports, social events, action movies and hip hop music, seeking a sociable, fun-loving single female, 30-45. Ad# 7987

PROUD & POLITE
Single white male, 24, 5'5", in a wheelchair, enjoys drawing, building snowmen, armchair sports, figure skating, comical movies and reading interesting books, seeks a pretty single female, 18-29. Ad# 7683

LIVE FOR TODAY
Single white male, 20, 5'8", brown hair/eyes, employed, enjoys movies, country music, animals and dancing, seeking an employed single white female, 18-24. Ad# 8557

HONESTY IS KEY
Single white male, 30, 6'1", 160lbs., light brown hair, blue eyes, a sports fan, likes dancing, walking, horseback riding and reading, seeks a single white female, who likes country line dancing. Ad# 8018

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Professional, attractive single white male, 46, 6'4", 200lbs., brown eyes, likes going to the movies, camping, fishing, hiking and being outdoors seeks single white female, 28-38 to share similar interests. Ad# 8868

TIME TO CALL ME
Single white male, 42, 5'7", 150lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, beard/mustache, likes movies, cook-outs, picnics, day-trips and woodworking, seeks a single white female, 30-43 with similar interests. Ad# 9456

END MY SEARCH
Hispanic male, 50, 5'6", social drinker, enjoys reading, traveling, dining out, romantic evenings, seeks single female, 40-50. Ad# 9598

LOVER OF LIFE
Single white male, 28, 6'1", 180lbs., brown hair/eyes, hobbies include dancing, skiing, horseback riding and country music, seeks a long haired blue eyed single white female, 19-30. Ad# 8553

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ABILITY TO LAUGH
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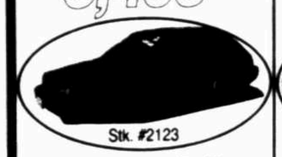
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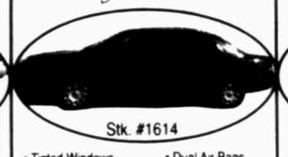
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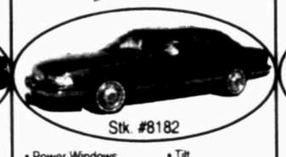
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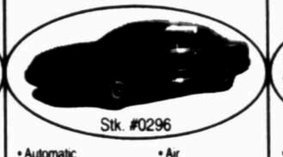
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Ba	Bath
Kit	Kitchen
Dbl	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm	Master Bdrm
Gar	Garage
Bldg	Building
Cond	Condition
N-QA	Non-Qualifying Assumable
QA	Qualifying Assumable
Ac	Acre
3/2/2	Bdrm./Ba./Gar.

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Tumbleweed chapter, Smocking Arts Guild of America, will present a display of doll clothing, made by guild members, at the Centennial Branch of Midland County Public Library at Midland Park Mall. The 18-inch dolls wearing the clothing will be on display until April 8.

The guild will host sewing classes for 18-inch dolls with Joan Hinds of Fancywork and Fashion of Duluth, Minn. Classes will include pattern drafting for dolls, Sleeping Beauty gown, making doll accessories and silken elegance.

Classes, funded in part by Arts Assembly of Midland and Texas Commission on the Arts, will be 6:30-9:30 p.m. April 16, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 6:30-9:30 p.m. April 17 and 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 1:30-4:30 p.m April 18 at Golf Course Road Church of Christ.

Attendance at all classes is not required. Registration deadline is April 8. For more information call 687-0320 or 699-6932...

..."YOUR ESTATE: How to Plan It" seminar will be presented 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. April 7 at Manor Park Chapel. Participants may attend either session. Robert H. Dawson, board certified in estate planning and probate law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and a shareholder in the law firm of Cotton Bledsoe Tighe and Dawson, and David Theobald, CLU, ChFC, CFP, certified financial planner with Prudential Preferred Advisors, will conduct the seminar.

Attendance is free, but reservations are required to ensure adequate seating. Call 689-9898 by April 3...

...MIDLAND CHRISTIAN Women's Club will have a "Route 66 Guest Night" 7-9 p.m. April 3 at Midland Country Club. Larry Simmers will speak on "Get Your Kicks." Shane and Kim Stokes will provide music. Guest speaker George Patton of Midland will present "Who's in the Driver's Seat?"

Cost is $20 per person. RSVP by check to Midland Christian Women's Club by March 31. Include the names of those attending and mail to2502 Goddard, Midland, Texas, 79705.

Midland Christian Women's Club is non-denominational and has no membership or dues. For more information call 682-5851...

...AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of Retired Persons, Midland-Odessa chapter #256, will meet for a potluck supper 6:30 p.m. April 6 at the Senior Center in Kingsway Mall. Social time will begin at 6 p.m. There will be a business meeting followed by table games. Anyone aged 50 or older who would like more information may call 684-8419 or 697-1212...

...VAN (Visual Aids Needs and Services) will meet for bingo 10:30 a.m. April 1 at the VAN House, 2908 W. Ohio. The games will be followed by lunch and social time. For more information call 694-2648...

...WOMEN OF COLOR will host its fourth annual Citywide Easter Egg Hunt 11 a.m. April 4 in Washington Park, 1703 E. Wall St. The hunt is for children age 12 and younger. For more information call 520-9674...

...COMMUNITY CONCERTS membership drive will be 10 a.m.-5 p.m. today at 'United Way of Midland, 1209 W. Wall; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and 7-9 pm. March 28 at Barnes and Noble; and 7 p.m. March 30, the last concert of the season, at Midland High School. The White Cliffs of Dover will perform. For more information call 686-8585 or 620-8585...

...MIDLAND-LEE Youth Centers will host a junior high activity night 7-9 p.m. March 27 at Lee Youth Center, 1001 W. Illinois Ave. The activity will include hot dogs, dancing, playing pool, ping pong and basketball. Admission is $4 with a student ID and $5 without a student ID. Admission cost includes the hot dog dinner. For more information call 689-1175...

...NEWCOMERS' CLUB will meet for coffee 9:30 a.m. April 2. For location and more information call 686-8737 or 570-6262...

FAMILY MATTERS

Grief, anger, love, forgiveness follow mother's death

By Jim May, Ph.D.

DEAR FAMILY: My mother died in January after a long battle with cancer. She was 81 years old and had a long life. We were never close emotionally, even though I did almost everything for her. My father died when I was 19, and mother never remarried. I became my mother's "husband" from then on.



May

I got married a year later and it made my mother very unhappy. She never liked my husband even though she had him fixing any and everything that broke at her house. There were many years that he even did all of her yard work for her. All the time he was doing it she never once thanked him, she just complained about his not doing it to her liking.

My mother did have lots of friends, but she always depended on me as her "best friend." I saw a side of her no one else ever saw. She was so critical of me and my husband. Just about every decision we made was wrong for some reason.

She also would give us money and then tell us exactly how she wanted us to use it. There would be strings attached to everything she did for us. Everyone else would just see how "giving" she was; they didn't know about all the strings.

I have resented my mother and the way she treated me and my husband for years. I had wanted to tell her what I really thought but couldn't get the courage to do it. I was a dutiful daughter her entire life although she never, ever thought I did enough.

Now I feel guilty, guilty, guilty. At first I felt relieved when she died and I'm ashamed to admit that to anyone. Now I feel guilty over not being a good enough daughter. She did give us a lot of money and other gifts. Maybe I didn't do all that I should to honor her.

Is there anything I can do to help me with this guilt? My husband says that I'm depressed. He may be right, all I feel like doing is staying in the house and hiding from everyone. I'm doing worse now than I was when she died. NOT THE DUTIFUL DAUGHTER

DEAR DUTIFUL: When a parent dies after a long-standing relationship, a long period of grief often follows, especially when unresolved issues with the parent exist.

Your mother's behaviors toward you and your husband did not exactly qualify her for the "mother-of-the-year" award. The really wonderful thing is that she can love you and you can love her but really dislike her inappropriate behaviors.

Would it have done any good to try and change her behaviors? I don't know. Sometimes one can change, but sometimes the parent ups the ante and cuts the adult child off completely. Any intervention carries a risk.

Try to make peace with the memory of your mother. What has happened is past but is still painful. Get a notebook and start writing your mother direct letters telling her how you feel. Start wherever you wish, but express your anger over how she treated you and your husband. Be specific and concrete. Usually anger must precede forgiveness.

You will know when you have written enough — a peace will come to you. At that point, take the journal to some appropriate place and burn it.

Then get another notebook and start writing to the mother you love and miss.

You may also find John James and Frank Cherry's book, "The Grief Recovery Handbook," to be of help in the mourning process.

Forgive, then mourn. You can honor the memory of your mother by focusing on her spirit, not on some of her painful behaviors. Acknowledge and express your anger, forgive, then mourn. Pray for God's help. He understands the conflicts of our humanness.

THE CENTERS FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES OFFER THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS ON USING "TIME OUT FOR NON-COMPLIANCE OR MISBEHAVIOR:"

- Never give a command that you are not willing to back up with a consequence.
- Give your child a command in a firm but pleasant voice.
- Do not yell it at your child, but also do not ask it as a favor.
- Make it a simple direct statement of what you want or expect.
- Avoid giving complex two- or three-part commands.
- After you have given the command, count to five to yourself.
- Do not count out loud, as the child will come to rely on your counting prior to complying with a command.
- If your child has not made a move to comply within these five seconds, make direct eye contact with the child, make your voice more firm, and say: "If your don't set the table then you are going to time out."
- Having given the child this choice, count to five to yourself again.

Next week we will complete this process.

Jim May is the director of the Family Wellness Center.

Questions for this column should be addressed to Family Matters, P.O. Box 10485, Midland, 79702.

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DEAR ABBY

Caring presence eases fears of nursing home patients

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I have waited for more than two months to write this letter, and many prayers have been said to Our Father to help me get it right.



Van Buren

I have traveled from the Southwest to the Northeast visiting nursing homes with family members and dear friends, as well as doing volunteer work in them years ago. I have seen people there with cancer, Alzheimer's, emphysema, and some who were just old and sick. The staff in some homes is not very kind to many of the lonely residents.

Please, Abby, urge your readers who want to do something worthwhile to volunteer in nursing homes. I have been there and heard the residents crying out for their family members by name all night. I would go up and down the halls and stop to pat them on the hand or brush their hair.

Please tell families to stay with the loved ones when their days are numbered — or hire, ask or even beg someone to be by their side. Believe me, they are scared to death, and no medicine I have seen completely eradicates the pain.

My darling aunt, whom I loved dearly, died last Thanksgiving Day of cancer — so beautiful, but so afraid of being alone. There was no way I could leave. She would say, "Please don't leave ... I'm afraid," and so I stayed.

Abby, I hope your readers will take what I've said to heart. After all, any one of them could be next. — GRIEVING IN ORANGE, TEXAS

DEAR GRIEVING: Please accept my sincere sympathy for the loss of your beloved aunt. I'm hopeful your eloquent letter will move others to volunteer in nursing homes. Although there are medicines that can alleviate physical pain, the most effective cure for loneliness is caring human contact.

DEAR ABBY: Is the following happening all over the country, or is it just happening in the Southern states? I mean, females going all out to get a man.

My husband and I are retirees who have moved to Florida for our so-called "golden years," and this is the second time that this has happened. The most recent incident concerns a somewhat younger woman (a clerk in a food specialty shop) who used sexy conversation and spoken intimacies to attract my husband — who will be 80 years old his next birthday, but doesn't look it.

I am afraid that if this business continues, I will use physical violence on this person. I don't know what to do otherwise. Please help me. — R.L. IN WINTER HAVEN, FLA.

DEAR R.L.: Calm down — there is no guarantee your husband is buying what she's "selling." A word to the owner of the shop should be sufficient to stop the problem. Or you can take your business elsewhere. Violence is not a viable option.

DEAR ABBY: The letters you receive about the kindness of strangers are always enjoyable to read. Let me take this opportunity to thank the gallant young man who, during an unexpected gust of wind, chased after my wig as it rolled across the library parking lot. Sign me ... NOW COVERED IN PHOENIX

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'Underground' publications shown

NEW YORK (AP) — Scores of poets such as Allen Ginsberg, Ted Berrigan and Anne Waldman produced their own publications from their apartments, basements and garages in the 1960s and '70s, as an alternative to the academic mainstream of the mid-20th century.

More than 400 of these publications, many mimeographed, some with designs and original art by artists such as Robert Rauschenberg and Andy Warhol, are being shown in an exhibition at New York Public Library through July 25.

The exhibition, "A Secret Location on the Lower East Side: Adventures in Writing, 1960-1980," documents what became known as the "mimeograph revolution." Much of it was centered in New York, but it thrived in many other locations around the country, especially the San Francisco Bay area.

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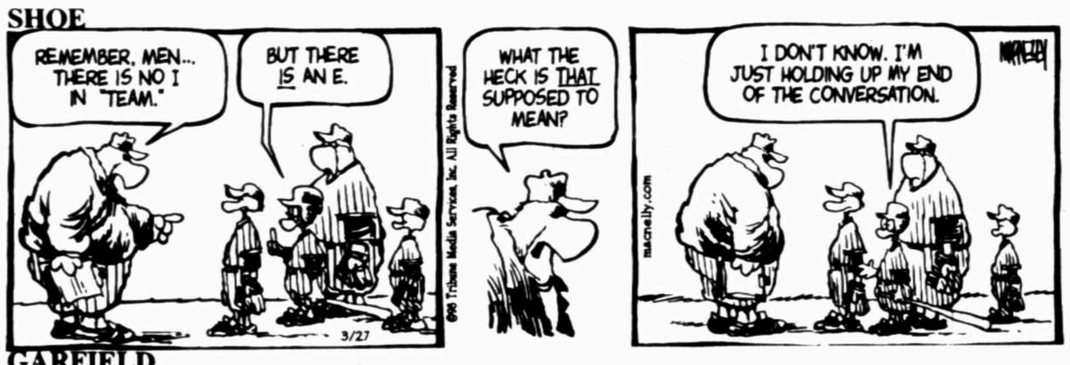
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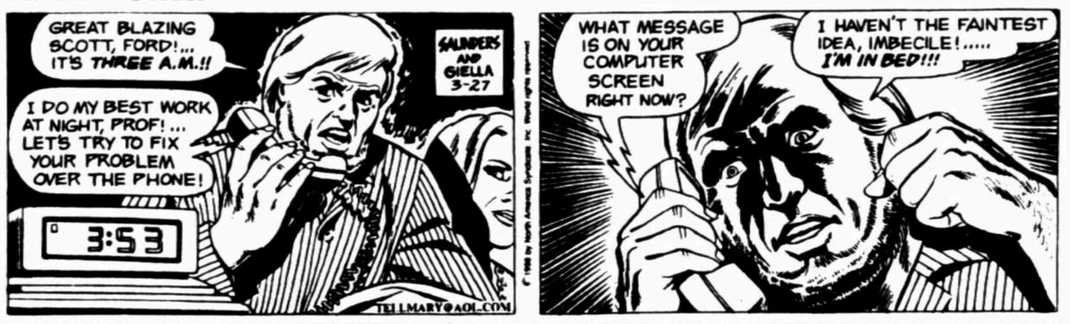
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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 1998

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, March 27, 1998:
You are unusually creative this year, able to come up with unique solutions and head in a new, dynamic direction. Others appreciate your high energy. Intuition is strong, especially concerning friends. You'll instinctively know which way to go. If you are single, you have a difficult time understanding other people's agendas. You tend to see things only from your point of view. Learn to empathize more. Someone you meet provides illumination. If attached, relationships flourish as long as you let your partner express and act on his feelings as you do. Time together is precious. ARIES is there for you.

BORN TODAY
Football player Randall Cunningham (1963), auto racer Cale Yarborough (1940), actor Michael York (1942)

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ A new beginning is possible. Be careful with any contracts that you sign today; you could discover a problem later. Your high energy helps you see the big picture. Explore inspired ideas, look to new frontiers and experience life to the ultimate. Tonight: A ball of fire!
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Take risks, and open up to change. Romantic innuendoes are likely, but you are still in control. Make choices accordingly. Be careful with money; you could inadvertently slip. Think before you leap. Tonight: Be mysterious about plans.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You are out of kilter, as your ruling planet, Mercury, goes into retrograde. Still, it is as if the world lies at your feet. Grab an opportunity, and run with it. A partner helps you make good things happen. Network, and expand your boundaries. Tonight: Party with friends.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Accept a stronger role at work. Others don't seem to understand. A partner might be vague but is there for you. Discussions about new beginnings are promising; they could go on for a while. A change in your work style is imminent. Tonight: A force to behold.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You are a bundle of energy, and virtually unstoppable. A loved one piques your imagination about what could be. Break past barriers with your thinking. Be innovative and open. Accept an invitation. Tonight: Do what feels right!
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ You are out of whack and need balance. Take a deep breath, and try not to react. Bosses and partners push you, but a friendly associate means well. One-to-one relating helps you realize what you want. Let your creativity roam freely at work. Tonight: Quiet night for two.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Don't overdo or push too hard. Your perspective changes once you open up. A loved one can be enchanting. Enjoy the rosy haze around a relationship. You might find out that what you wanted isn't what you want. Tonight: Let another charm you.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ You have a feeling that something is out of the ordinary. A friendship is subject to change with information that comes forward. Listen to a family member who has inspirational ideas. Make plans for a low-key few days. Tonight: Whatever relaxes you.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Fun and games erupt, and you have a good time no matter where you are. New beginnings happen in a key endeavor; let your imagination roll. It might be time to launch an important project. Confusion surrounds a partner and work. Tonight: Be where the fun is.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Prioritize; you have a lot to accomplish. It seems that another is not getting a message. Don't stand on ceremony, but stay on top of demands and long-term domestic goals. Pace yourself, take your time and decide to not get upset. Tonight: Happy with hearth and home.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Express your feelings, and get to the bottom of chronic problems. Your creativity and sense of direction might be thrown off. One-to-one relating might not resolve what you hoped it would. Communications are accelerated, and your flirtatious ways set the tone. Tonight: Do what works for you.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Partners throw you off with their odd behavior. You might not be sure what is best to do, and you can't seem to find the answers. Handle what you need to, and manage finances. Resolutions can be made to stick right now. You are more in control than you have been. Tonight: Treat yourself.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

BOLSTER THE ODDS

East-West vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ A 8 7 5 2
♡ K 5 3 2
◇ K 8 6
♣ K

WEST
♠ K J 4
♡ A J 9 8 7 6
◇ Q
♣ J 10 6

EAST
♠ Q 10 9 6 3
♡ 10 4
◇ J 9 7
♣ 5 4 2

SOUTH
♠ Void
♡ Q
◇ A 10 5 4 3 2
♣ A Q 9 8 7 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1◇	1♡	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♡	Pass
6♣	Pass	6◇	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Ace of ♡

The mathematics of the problem were clear enough on this hand from a U. S. — China World Championship match some years ago. Declarer was simply looking for some confirmation.

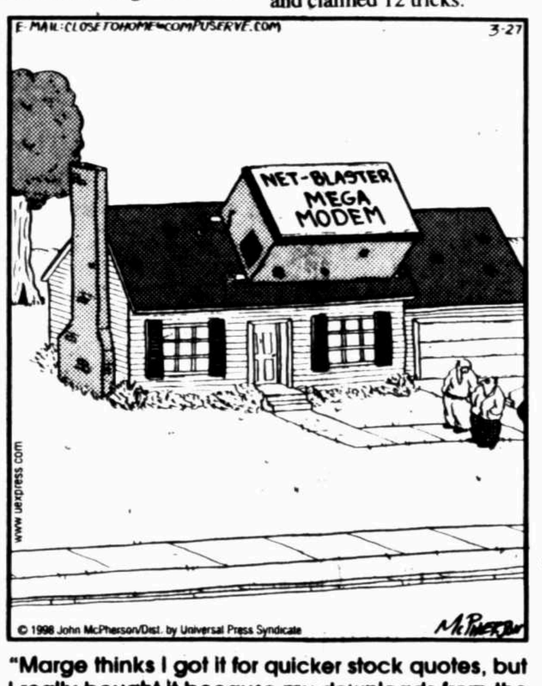
South's two-club rebid might seem pusillanimous to some, but the possibility of a misfit because of the spade void had to be taken into consideration. When North showed a good hand by next cue-bidding hearts, South wasted no time in getting to the slam level, and North's diamond preference ended the auction.

Those who do not think it right to lead an ace against a slam would not do well here. The heart loser would vanish on the ace of spades and it would simply be a matter of whether or not declarer could score an overtrick. But West banked the ace of hearts and continued with a low heart, declarer ruffing. A low diamond to the king fetched the queen, and the contract now hinged on how declarer played the diamonds.

The Principle of Restricted Choice states that a finesse of the ten is twice as likely to succeed as continuing with the ace. Before trying that, declarer led dummy's king of hearts, trying to tempt East to solve declarer's problem by ruffing. But East would have none of that, discarding a spade instead. Declarer discarded a club and, since West might have ruffed with only a doubleton trump, declarer felt even more comfortable in next finessing the ten of diamonds. After that won, South organized a club ruff on the table to guard against a 4-2 split, drew the remaining trump and claimed 12 tricks.

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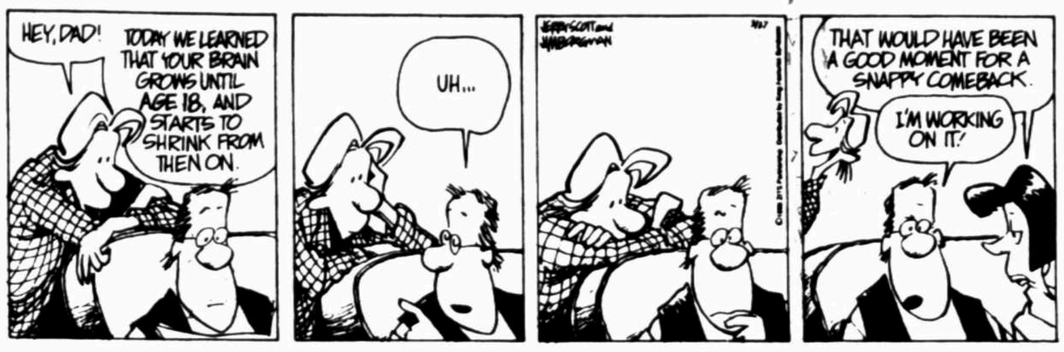


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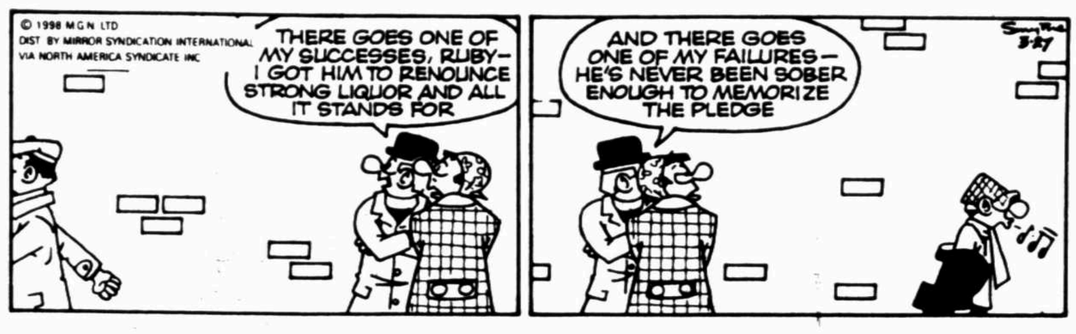


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TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

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(3) KMID	2	3	News 553	Wheel of Fortune	Sabrina, Witch	Boy Meets World	Sabrina, Witch	Miller and Diller	20/20 3805		News 19195	Cheers 28843	Nightline 9737	Keenen I. Wayans
(5) KPEJ	24	5	The Simpsons	Home Improvement	Beyond Belief: Fact or Fiction? 34621		Millennium: 19 19 50669 (TV14-LV)		Soldier of Fortune, Inc.: Surgical Strike 30805		Home Improvement	Mad About You	Vibe 67195	
(7) KOSA	7	7	News 3843	Grace Under Fire	Kids Say/Things	Candid Camera	Figure Skating: The Great Skate Debate 27640				News 9497534	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35)		Married ... Children
(9) KWES	9	9	News 5089	Seinfeld 9669	Players: Conspiracy 67282 (TVPG)		Dateline NBC 43602		Homicide: Life on the Street 63466 (TV14)		News 4832553	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (10:35)		Late Night Conan
(12) KMLM	42	12	Joe Good	J. Hagee	The Light of the Southwest 50843				News	J. Meyer	Richard Roberts 15534	S. Soleyn		Tabernacle
(13) KOCV	36	13	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer 726282		Washington Week	Wall St./Ruksyser	McLaughlin Group	TechnoPolitics	Talking With David Frost 549060		Telecourse 559447		Off the Air	
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(10) WGN		10	Family Matters	Coach 602824	Assassination (PG-13, '87) ★ (Charles Bronson, Jill Ireland) 493398				News 857447		Beverly Hills, 90210: Rave On 850534 (TVPG)		In the Heat of the Night 482282 (TV14-V)	
(11) WTBS		11	Preseason Baseball: Atlanta Braves at Tampa Bay Devil Rays 500945						Brewster's Millions (PG, '85) ★★ (Richard Pryor, John Candy) 3402486				Leverboy (11:15) (PG-13, '89) ★ 52306114	
(14) FAM		14	The Very Best of the Ed Sullivan Show 182824 (TVG)				Diagnosis Murder: Lily 183553 (TVPG)		Hawaii Five-0 170089 (TVPG)		The 700 Club 173176		Bonanza 705824 (TVG)	
(24) BRAV		24	Pavarotti: 'La Boheme'		Testament (PG, '83) ★★★ 1105373				Silence of the North (9:15) (PG, '81) 97136992				Inside Actor's Studio	
(26) BET		26	Planet Groove Top 20 498718				Hit List 499447		Comicview 402911		Rap City Top 10		227	Mid. Love
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(28) CNN		28	Moneyline	Crossfire	The World Today		Larry King Live 721602		The World Today		Sports	Moneyline	Newsnight	Showbiz
(29) ESPN		29	Women's College Basketball: NCAA Tournament, First Semifinal 573027				Women's College Basketball: NCAA Tournament, Semifinal 960466					SportsCenter: Final Four Edition 177553		Baseball Tonight
(30) USA		30	Highlander: Innocent Man 997718 (TVPG)		Walker, Texas Ranger 730350 (TVPG)		Beverly Hills Cop II (R, '87) ★★ (Eddie Murphy, Judge Reinhold) 780114				Bikini Drive-In ('95) (Ashlie Rhey, Richard Gabai) 262991			
(31) FX		31	Miami Vice 7000195		The X-Files 1434602		NYPD Blue 1443350		In Color	In Color	The X-Files 1433973		NYPD Blue 8227621	
(32) A&E		32	Law & Order: Self-Defense 342244 (TVPG)		Biography 192176 (TVG)		America's Castles 101824 (TVG)		20th Century With Mike Wallace 181060		Law & Order: Doubles 191447 (TVPG)		Biography 525640 (TVG)	
(33) TLC		33	Vila's Home Again	Vila's Home Again	Real America: 48 Hours 426466		Ancient Warriors 435114 (TVG)		Science Times 415350 (TVG)		Real America: 48 Hours 425737		Ancient Warriors 842640 (TVG)	
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(39) OUTDR		39	Great Outdoorsman	Wilderness Camper	Saltwater Angler	Complete Angler	Outdoor Adventure	On the Fly	Pull 3545973	Hunting With Hank	Saltwater Angler	Complete Angler	Outdoor Adventure	On the Fly
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PEOPLE

Hunter Tylo's former boss asks judge to throw out her discrimination lawsuit

LOS ANGELES — **Hunter Tylo's** former boss asked a judge to throw out the $4.9 million awarded in her discrimination lawsuit after she was fired from "Melrose Place" for being pregnant.

Paul Grossman, a lawyer for Spelling Entertainment Group, argued Tuesday that the December award was excessive and that her pregnancy broke a contract requiring her to play a vixen on Spelling's steamy nighttime soap opera.

"In Hollywood, appearance is everything," said the lawyer. On "Melrose Place," the actors "all have tight, thin stomachs," Grossman said, patting his own ample midsection.

Ms. Tylo's attorney, **Nathan Goldberg**, said the show's producers acted rashly in firing her when she was only two months pregnant in March 1996.

"They summarily fired her before she was even showing," he said.

Ms. Tylo, 34, sued Spelling Entertainment Group and Spelling Television Inc., alleging breach of contract, wrongful termination and pregnancy discrimination.

The ruling wasn't expected before April 1.

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LOS ANGELES — When Oscar asked his old pals to a reunion, most couldn't resist.

The gathering of more than 75 previous Academy Award winners became a highlight of Monday night's ceremony — a reminder of the performers and films that have charmed moviegoers for years.

Luise Rainer, a winner for 1936's "The Great Ziegfeld" and 1937's "The Good Earth" showed up for the reunion on stage. So did **Cher**, who won for 1987's "Moonstruck" and **Michael Douglas**, who won for 1987's "Wall Street," and **Martin Landau**, a winner for 1994's "Ed Wood."

Invitations went to all 126 living recipients of acting Oscars, but such well-known faces — and multiple winners — as **Tom Hanks, Meryl Streep** and **Sally Field** couldn't accept.

"Every single person, save one, either had a working conflict or a family conflict," **Eva Demirijian**, a spokeswoman for awards producer **Gil Cates**, said Tuesday.

The exception was **Marlon Brando**. No surprise there: He refused to accept his best actor trophy in 1973 for "The Godfather" on political grounds and sent a Native American representative to decline for him.

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VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Don't expect prince-mania to wane now that Princes **William** and **Harry** and their dad have taken off to hit the ski slopes at Whistler.

Screaming fans greeted the bashful princes — 15-year-old William and 13-year-old Harry — at every public appearance in Vancouver and Tuesday was no exception.

Shannon Raimondo, 14, was near tears because she didn't get close enough to William to deliver a bouquet and a teddy bear when the princes arrived at the Pacific Space Center for a tour.

"I love him so much," she told Canadian Press. "He's royalty. He's so hot."

Before **Prince Charles** and his sons left Tuesday for a skiing holiday at Whistler, Charles was guest of honor at ceremonies celebrating efforts to preserve British Columbia's coastline and programs encouraging young people to fight racism.

"The tragedy and the shame is that such work is required, even in a multicultural country like Canada," he said. "But you have set — already — a great example here in Canada."

As for the fans that have flocked to see the shy princes, the admirers aren't likely to go away.

Caroline Carter, 14, said she wanted to follow William to Whistler.

"Not to harass him," she said. "Just to look for him. And make a huge effort to see him."

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SANTA ANA, Calif. — **Gene Autry**, the singing cowboy who brought major league baseball to Anaheim, is getting a bronze statue in his honor at his California Angels' stadium.

The likeness of Autry depicts him wearing a bolo tie and cowboy boots and carrying a Stetson — as a businessman after he retired from making movies three decades ago.

Autry, 90, who strummed and sang cowboy melodies in dozens of movies including "Tumblin' Tumbleweeds" and "Back in the Saddle," brought the Angels in 1966 to the then-new stadium, where the newly remodeled ballpark will be opened to the public Friday.

The statue was commissioned by the Walt Disney Co., which owns a managing interest in Autry's ballclub and leases the stadium. Disney plans to install the bronze in a courtyard, surrounded by replicas of Autry's five stars on Hollywood Boulevard.

Autry and his wife, **Jackie**, were expected to be at the stadium Friday when the ballpark opens.

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LAS VEGAS — Magician **Lance Burton** offered a $10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a gunman who shot a cab driver to death over the weekend.

Cab driver John Harris was fatally shot early Saturday, apparently by a fare who tried to rob him. Police said the driver fought with his assailant. Harris' body was found in an apartment building's parking lot.

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

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Edited by Trude Michel Jaffe

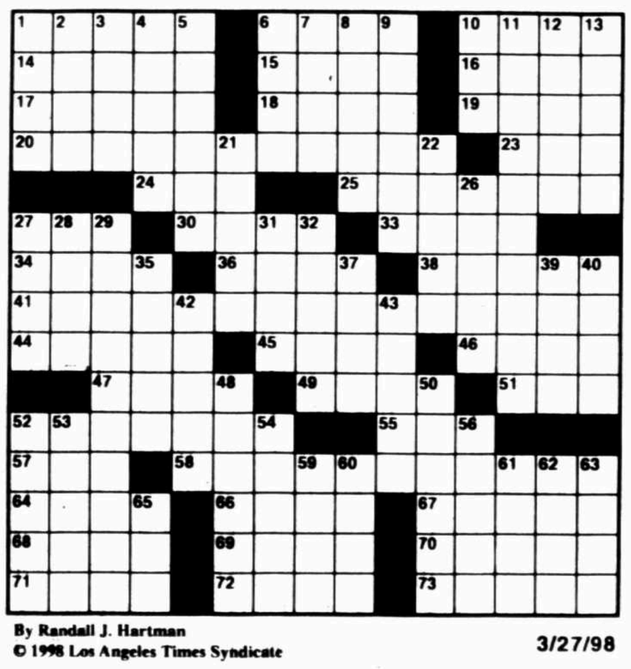
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PRIME TIME

PRIME TIME CALENDAR

CASA DE AMIGOS

Casa de Amigos is located at 1101 E. Garden Lane. For more information about services provided call 682-9701. Activities include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. billiards/bowling; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. gem and mineral; 10:15 a.m. sing-a-long; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. advisory meeting; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. table games.

■ Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. adult classes; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. billiards; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. Bible study.

MIDLAND YMCAs

The Midland YMCAs have many activities scheduled for Prime Time adults. For more information regarding available activities and classes contact Central YMCA, 800 N. Big Spring, 682-2551; Alamo YMCA, 901 N. Midland Drive, 694-2528; Northeast YMCA, 2301 Butternut, 682-8469.

Scheduled activities at the Central YMCA are:

■ Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8 a.m., 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Low impact aerobics; 7 a.m. YMCARDIAC (YCT) Therapy, call for appointment.

■ Call for information, Y's Way to a Healthy Back.

■ By appointment, Specialized Strength Training for Seniors.

Scheduled activities for Alamo YMCA are:

■ Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 10:15 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 pm. and 5 p.m. Arthritis Water Class.

■ Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 1-1:45 pm. P.A.C.E. class, dry land class for people with arthritis (arthritis classes co-spnsored by Northwest Texas chapter of the Arthritis Foundation).

■ Monday-Friday 11 a.m.-1 p.m. lap swim, open swim and water walking.

SOUTHEAST SENIOR CENTER

The Southeast Senior Center, 1803 E. Indiana, is open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information about services offered, call 685-7231. Activities include:

■ Monday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics, needlework and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. quilting, crafts and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics, choir and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Thursday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics and table games; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. Bible class and table games; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. movie and center bingo.

MIDLAND SENIOR CENTER

The Midland Senior Center is located in Kingsway Mall, 3303 W. Illinois, Space #18. For more information call 681-7636. Activities for March 30-April 3 include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. billiards, cards, dominoes and exercise; 9:30 a.m. art class; 10 a.m. Kitchenettes; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. ceramics for fun; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes and ceramics; 9:30 a.m. line dancing for fun; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. art class; 1 p.m. income tax help, bridge, dominoes, cards, billiards and ladies billiards; 1:30 p.m. ATAC exercise class.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards, cards, dominoes and exercise; 10 a.m. ceramics class and Gospel singing; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

■ Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards and dominoes; 9:30 a.m. country/western dancing and country line dancing; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. art for fun; 1 p.m. income tax help, bridge, dominoes and cards; 1:30 p.m. ATAC exercise class.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards and dominoes; 10 a.m. advisory board meeting; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

American Association of Retired People will have tax volunteers to help low income elderly with 1997 income tax preparations. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays through April 15. The center's major fund raiser, a mailout project, is being conducted 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays through the end of March.

MISSION ADULT DAY CARE CENTER

Mission Adult Day Care Center of Midland is open 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 5212 Sinclair. For more information call 699-5825. Weekday schedule includes:

■ 8 a.m. light breakfast or snacks; 9 a.m. visitation, dominoes, special events; 10 a.m. exercise, R.O.M., discussion, current events, Dear Abbey, devotion prayers; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:30 p.m. rest period; 2:30 p.m. snacks.

■ Men's bowling, second Friday of each month; women's shopping trips, first Friday of each month.

Birthday parties and visits by the Kitchenettes are monthly.

Licensed professional staff includes nurses, activities director and certified nurses aides present daily. Transportation is insured.

COM AQUATICS SENIORS AND THERAPEUTIC EXERCISE

City of Midland Aquatics has programs of water exercise for seniors. The schedule is:

■ Monday: 7-11 a.m. water walking; 8 a.m.-noon, aquatic physical therapy by appointment; 10:15-11 a.m. seniors/therapeutic deep aerobics; noon-12:45 p.m. or 1-1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.

■ Tuesday: 7-9:30 a.m. water walking; 9:30-10 a.m. stretch and strengthen; 10 a.m.-noon aquatic physical therapy by appointment; 10:15-11 a.m. seniors/therapeutic aerobics; 12:30-1:30 p.m. arthritis plus; 7-8 p.m. healthy happy hour.

■ Wednesday: 7-11 a.m. water walking; 8 a.m.-noon, aquatic physical therapy by appointment; 10:15-11 a.m. seniors/therapeutic deep aerobics; noon-12:45 p.m. or 1-1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.

■ Thursday: 7:30-11 a.m. water walking; 9:30-10 a.m. stretch and strengthen; 10 a.m.-noon aquatic physical therapy by appointment; 10:15-11 a.m. seniors/therapeutic aerobics; 12:30-1:30 p.m. arthritis plus; 7-8 p.m. healthy happy hour.

■ Friday: 7-11 a.m. water walking; 8 a.m.-noon, aquatic physical therapy by appointment; 10:15-11 a.m. seniors/therapeutic deep aerobics; noon-12:45 p.m. or 1-1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.

■ Saturday: 11 a.m.-noon water walking.

CITY OF MIDLAND HOUSING AUTHORITY

Recreation and leisure activities at Hillcrest Manor, Langtry Village and Parker Place are managed by City of Midland Housing Authority and coordinated through Community and Senior Services. The schedule is:

■ Tuesday: 10 a.m. exercise at Parker Place; 2 p.m. exercise at Hillcrest; 2:45 p.m. exercise at Langtry Village.

■ Wednesday: 10 a.m. crafts at Paker Place; 2 p.m. bingo at Hillcrest.

■ Thursday: 10 a.m. exercise at Parker Place; 2 p.m. exercise at Hillcrest; 2:45 p.m. exercise at Langtry Village; 3 p.m. bingo at Langtry Village.

RSVP

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) is recruiting persons 55 years and older to volunteer with non-profit agencies. RSVP will match volunteers' skills and interests to community agencies' needs. The program is sponsored by Community and Senior Services, 3301 Sinclair. For more information, call 689-6693. A sample of current opportunities include:

■ National Multiple Sclerosis Society needs volunteers with telephone and writing skills to make telephone calls to medical professionals for information and referral sources. Shifts are two days each week. Instruction and support provided.

■ Community Children's Clinic needs interpreters to work two mornings a month, interpreting for Spanish-speaking patients for receptionist, nurses and doctor. Receptionists are also needed two mornings a month.

■ Midland County Public Library needs helpers to assist with information desk, providing direction to patrons and minimal computer assistance. Shifts are 1-5 p.m. Saturdays or 5-9 p.m. any evening.

Volunteering keeps retiree busy

By Lana Cunningham

"When I was living in Utah and Wyoming I got to know some cowboys. One old cowboy was really neat. He said he'd never had a bad day. He'd had some hard ones, but never a bad one."

Lon Pardue reflected for a few moments on the attitude of his cowboy acquaintance. "He said if you're able to get up and go about your day, that's good. Now, there are some circumstances that may make it hard. But this old cowboy looked at every day as a good day."

That's the attitude Pardue builds into each of his days since retiring and moving to Midland in October 1992. He turns each day into a good one as he works with Habitat for Humanity and Area Mission Outreach Services (AMOS), goes square dancing with wife, Pat, builds furniture, serves on Walk to Emmaus teams and gives tours at The Petroleum Museum.

Pardue grew up in the petroleum industry, living in a Mobil Oil camp at El Dorado, Kan. "I went to a little one-room schoolhouse that had a shed out back for those who rode horses to school," he recalled with a grin. "There was a basement that had a wall you could crank up and down. On Fridays, the big kids would go down to the basement and roll the wall down and we would have some event there, like PTA meeting or a supper."

After graduating from high school in El Dorado, Pardue served in the Marine Corps before going to work as a roughneck in the oilfields. Eventually, he decided an education might be a better route and chose Texas A&M University. While there, he met his roommate's cousin in Glen Rose and they married at the end of his sophomore year.

After graduation, he started a 30-year career with Unocal, with his first assignment in Midland. "Then I worked everywhere else — Lovington, N.M.; Mobile, Ala; Moab, Utah; Wyoming. I lived in Midland three times."

When retirement came, the couple was living in Sugar Land and decided that wasn't where they wanted to stay. "I like the Rockies and my wife likes the Gulf Coast. Midland was midway between both places," he said with a laugh.



Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

Lon Pardue fills a box with food at Area Mission Outreach Services (AMOS), one of the agencies where he serves as a volunteer. The retiree also volunteers with Habitat for Humanity, The Petroleum Museum and Walk to Emmaus teams, and still finds time to build furniture and go square dancing with his wife, Pat.

With a degree in mechanical engineering, Pardue always had been interested in construction. He turned the extra time on his hands into a productive venture, working on Habitat for Humanity houses. "I've helped build a lot of houses they have here. Last year I worked every day on the Blitz. I was impressed seeing six houses go up in seven days.

"I enjoy doing the work and I enjoy the people I work with. They're there because they want to be. No one complains and you get things accomplished. You feel good for the people who are getting these homes."

Habitat for Humanity became the foundation for his volunteerism. The next brick he added was with AMOS. "I saw in the church newspaper (First United Methodist Church) an advertisement for a budget counselor." That's what he first started doing, then worked into stocking shelves, sorting groceries and filling boxes with food for clients.

"I see a lot of this community that a lot of people in town never see. It makes you appreciative of the life you have. Everybody needs a little help now and then, I don't care who you are," Pardue said.

With the next layer of volunteerism came The Petroleum Museum. "I give tours for people of all ages and some tours of the drilling rig (located off Interstate 20). The Museum is something Midland can be proud of. It's fun out there.

"One of the neatest tour groups I had was with a Christmas in April national convention. I took people from all over the country on tours, and most of them knew nothing about the oil business. They asked a lot of questions and they came away with a better idea of the industry," he said.

Other building blocks include serving as a hunting guide for Midland Association for Retarded Citizens and square dancing with his wife. For fun, he delves into his favorite project — attending cowboy poetry readings, such as the recent one in Alpine. "If I can come back reincarnated, I'll come back as a cowboy," he laughed.

He's been active at First United Methodist Church, serving on the Staff Parish Relations Committee and Evangelism Committee. And he's preparing to help as a staff person at the Walk to Emmaus.

When he has some slow moments, Pardue turns to his furniture building hobby, pointing out several pieces in his home he designed and constructed.

"Retirement is doing things I always wanted to do but never had the time when I worked," he said of the lessons he's learned since leaving Unocal. "I used to think retirement was sitting in a rocking chair on the front porch. It doesn't have to be that way. We're busy; we do the things we enjoy. Sometimes I'm busier than I want to be.

"My philosophy for others is to try some of the things you always wanted to do. And you should spend your time helping someone else. Give back some of what you've got."

Pardue had discovered the truth to his cowboy friend's view of life. Retirement can be filled with good days — and maybe, just maybe, a few hard ones.

DR. PAGE

Prevention is best 'cure' for dental problems

By Henry F. Page, M.D.

Talk about the hazards of aging! In one day I watched the antics of an old, toothless tiger struggling with a T-bone steak, then later I saw a Lawrence Welk program displaying mouths full of gleaming, white teeth — all in all a comparison conducive to raising the subject of oral appendages.



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Teeth reflect in part the evolution of both animals and man.

Primitive animals such as tadpoles and platypuses have hard, horny outgrowths of skin.

Elephant tusks and rabbit incisors have open-ended root growth and never completely wear down. This feature apparently killed off the wooly mammoth, since its ever-enlarging and curving tusks became a lethal impairment.

Dogs, cats and humans have closed roots and two sets of teeth. The fact that humans grow both incisors and cuspids (canine) for biting and grasping, and premolars and molars for grinding and crushing, makes one think humans were meant to be both carnivorous and vegetarian.

Teeth not only affect nutrition and personal appearance, but if infected can cause pain, disability and disease.

The vulnerability of aging lies in the fact that the gums recede, resulting in portions of the tooth root becoming visible; the enamel covering wears down, thus exposing an inner layer of dentin; the pulp becomes fibrous; and the bony base recedes, thereby loosening the tooth.

All this explains the accepted picture of the edentulous elderly.

The principal aggravating cause of this pathetic picture is dental caries (tooth decay) with subsequent periodontal (supporting areas) infection.

The caries commences with a yellowish-white material called plaque forming on the tooth.

Next, bacteria become meshed and covert sugars and other foods into acids, which then destroy the enamel and dentin, creating a cavity.

Finally, the plaque hardens into tartar, the irritation which creates periodontal disease.

The dental profession has created many sophisticated appliances and procedures that help to improve this unfortunate situation, thus preserving both health and good looks.

However, the best possible approach — and one easily obtainable — is prevention. This means periodic (every six to 12 months) examination with simple care by the dentist and his or her hygienist.

Actually, all this is nothing new. Wasn't it The Bard who warned "uneasy lies the tooth that wears the crown"?

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What's Cooking At Ruby Madison's?



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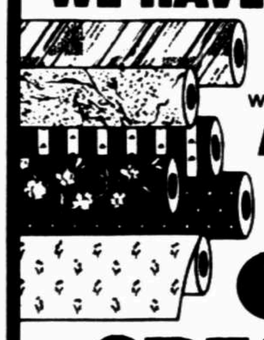
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