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Brown brings chamber into mayoral race

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

Midland mayoral candidate Dale Brown this week criticized Midland's job creation efforts with talk that was, at the same time, unique and piercing.

As Midlanders look for a scapegoat for the loss of thousands of jobs, Brown suggested the Chamber of Commerce and its leadership should be held accountable for their actions ... and the results of those actions.

He seemed to suggest the results were lacking.

Brown might also have found another way to antagonize a few of his opponents, especially those with close ties to the chamber, during the days leading to the May 5 election.

But will the Midland Chamber be an issue?

Brown thinks it should.

On Wednesday, he unveiled his "Conservative Agenda for Midland's Future," and specifically said it is time to hold the chamber accountable for job creation results.

He emphasized that point by stating, "Over the last several years, the (Midland) Chamber of Commerce has spent nearly one quarter of a $1 million per year of our tax dollars for economic development and clearly our community is dis-

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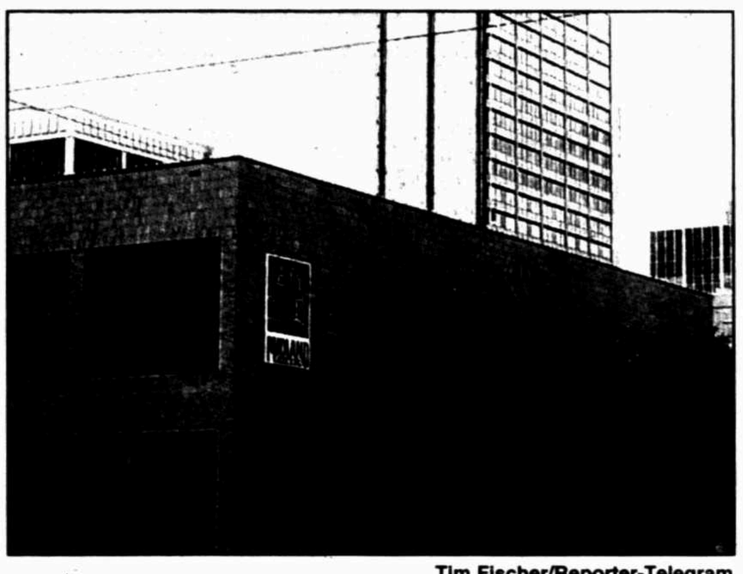

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram
The Midland Chamber of Commerce building.

Diversification, revitalization top Scott Dufford's wish list

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

May 5 could be a telling day as far as Midlanders are concerned — or as Scott Dufford hopes — if Midlanders are concerned.

Dufford

"I hope they are (thinking about the future)," Dufford said. "If we don't, we will look up 10 years from now and we will be just like those other communities which are no longer viable communities. You don't want that to happen to Midland."

Dufford is one of two candidates who have announced an intention to run for the District 3 City Council seat. Mark Nicholas is the other. Nicholas publicly announced and filed on Tuesday. Still waiting to make a decision is former school board member Robin Hightower. She said Wednesday an

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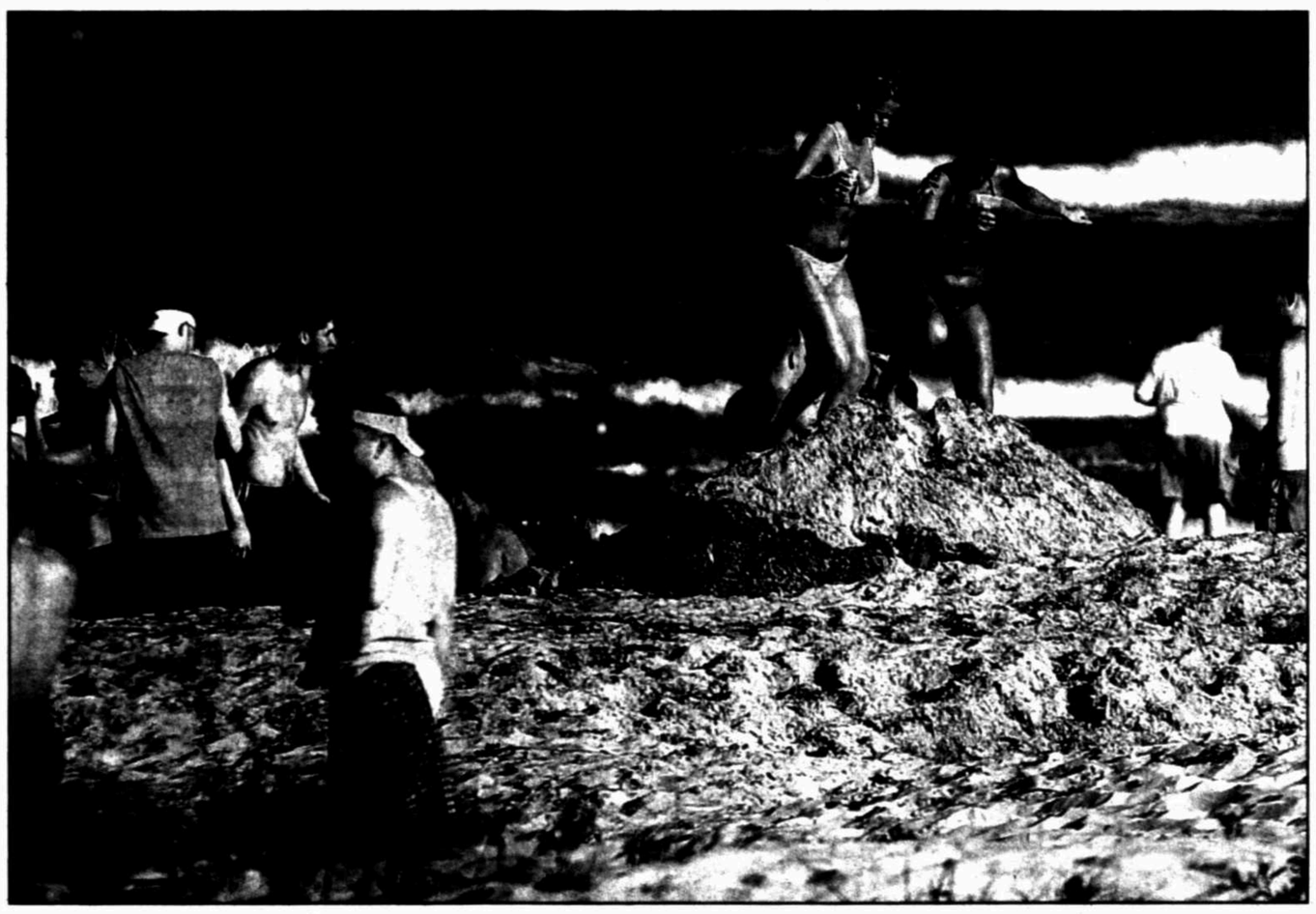

Left: Spring break started on South Padre Island Tuesday as students from Illinois, Indiana, Colorado, Kentucky, Wisconsin, South Dakota and Florida were enjoying the sun, surf and sand on the beach behind the Radisson Hotel. (AP Photo)
Below: Junior Aguilar, 7, shops for clothes at Target Thursday afternoon. (U. Frank Williams Jr./Reporter-Telegram)

Some plan to work, some to play and a few are going to — would you believe — study

By Danielle Belton
Staff Writer

For some it will be just another week — another week of work and drudgery, another week of the same old, same old.

That is unless you're a student.

In that case, that week will be spring break — the most glorious of breaks.

"I'm going to have fun, that's what I'm going to do," said Coleman High School student Marie Lombardo.

Spring break for Midland Independent School District students in Midland is once again in season.

MISD students will be off from March 12 through 16. This March holiday has spawned from a week off in some places to an entire tourism enterprise. It's a condensed 7-day faux summer in the midst of spring that nearly everyone and everything tries to capitalize on.

But for students, it's a brief reprieve

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Sales tax receipts post modest gain

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

The city of Midland noticed a microscopic increase in March's sales tax revenues, according to the figures released by the state's Comptroller's office.

The total amount of revenue was $951,042, which was a 0.42 percent — or $4,008 — increase from March of 2000.

The tiny increase follows a very solid month of February when the city saw a 8.47 percent increase from one year earlier, and local officials like the upward trend the city has enjoyed of late.

"Anytime you receive a positive, that's good," Assistant City Manager Tommy Hudson said.

Sales tax revenues are generated by sales tax income from two months previous, so the March collection is based on January sales.

City of Midland officials say comparing individual months will not offer as much insight as longer periods of time.

"Period comparisons are more valid," said Troy Gifford, director of finance for the city of Midland. "Variables (which often affect individual months) over a period of six months or more tend to even out."

The year-to-date sales tax revenue from fiscal year 2000-2001 is $6,555,312, up 5.04 percent — or more than $314,411 — than last year's total at this time.

"It looks like things are getting better," Gifford added. "Our local economy is largely based as an oil and gas economy and employment is a little better in that industry. It's not what people get for oil and gas but the employment in the industry and the confidence that people have in spending money. I would say we have more money and a little more confidence."

Hudson said the city is well on its way to meeting the yearly projection of $12,975,000.

"At six months, you get a good gauge of everything that is coming into play," Hudson said. We feel good we will meet our projections — $12,975,000. That is doing really good."

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Partly cloudy with high in lower 60s.
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School shooting

Charles Andrew Williams, 15, appears for his arraignment Wednesday. Williams was charged in the shootings at Santana High School on Monday that resulted in two dead and 13 wounded. Despite all the precautions Santana High School took to prevent such a tragedy, somehow, it wasn't enough.

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Henry saluted for his role in community

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

The Midland Petroleum Club was packed to capacity Thursday night, as more than 250 friends and associates turned out for a "Dinner of Champions" that honored Midland oilman Jim Henry with the Hope Award, the highest honor of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

"It's called the Hope Award," said Kristen Stubbs, executive director of the West Texas Division of the Multiple Sclerosis Society, "because it is presented to individuals who are champions of community service." She said Henry was selected for the high honor because he epitomizes community service in Midland, because of his involvement in his church, United Way, Casa de Amigos and as a former president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association. "We are honoring him for all he has done," Ms. Stubbs said.

Paul Morris, president of Wagner & Brown Ltd. and chairman of the first Dinner of Champions, said Henry was a neighbor and a friend of Midland. Morris said he was very pleased at the turnout to honor the local oilman.

Morris said he had a personal interest in the multiple sclerosis (MS) event, because he had a sister and four associates with the disease that destroys the coating on nerves, making them unable to transmit signals to the brain.

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MRT staff photo
Midland oilman Jim Henry was honored Thursday night with the Hope Award, the highest honor of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

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OBITUARIES

Helen J. Frederick

Helen J. Frederick died in a local hospital, Thursday, March 08, 2001.

Memorial services have been scheduled for 3:00 p.m., Saturday, March 10, 2001,

at Manor Park Chapel with Reverend Jan Reed officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Helen Frederick was born October 5, 1924 in St. Petersburg, Pennsylvania to Claude and Louise Frederick. She was reared and educated in St. Petersburg. On June 12, 1945, she married Ralph Arthur Frederick. Helen was a nurse's aide and was employed by St. Joseph's Hospital in Bryan, Texas for 3 years and Garland Memorial Hospital in Garland, Texas for 26 years.

Helen was preceded in death by her husband and parents.

She is survived by her son, David Frederick and his wife, Kenda, of Midland, Texas; her daughter, Claudia Reynolds and her husband, Dale, of The Colony, Texas; her brothers, Darrell Frederick and his wife, Maudie, of Knox, Pennsylvania, and Chancey Frederick and his wife, Julie, of Vacaville, California; her 3 granddaughters, Krista, Kara, and Kelli Frederick; and her grandson, Patrick Reynolds.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the First United Methodist Church in St. Petersburg, Pennsylvania.

Willie Thomas

Willie "Shine" Thomas, died Monday, March 5. Funeral Services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Thomas Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. George Bell officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetary.

Born, June 6, 1930 in Abilene, TX. to Thurman Thomas and Annie Lee Tollerson, he moved to Midland in 1956. He worked for Armstrong Moving Van for many years.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his very special friend, Shela A. Williams, and three sisters, Mattie Lyons of Abilene, TX., Lovie Brown of Glauster, Virginia, and Elizabeth George, of Tuscon, Arizona; five brothers, Thurman Thomas of Midland, R.T. Thomas of Los Angeles, Earl Thomas and Elijah Thomas of Abilene, and Parish Thomas of Ft. Worth, Texas; and a host of other nieces, nephews and friends. Preceding him in death were his parents and four sisters.

Willie "Billie" Phillips

Willie Belle "Billie" Chalmers Phillips, died March 6, 2001.

Funeral services will be Saturday, at 2:00 p.m., at the Kentucky St. Baptist Church, with the Reverend Bob Porterfield officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven North under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

Born March 21, 1923, in Whitewright, Texas, she went to school in Leonard, Texas and then moved to Dallas. She married Rector Chalmers and they moved to Midland in 1953. They owned Chalmers Signs. She then went to Nursing School, graduating as a LVN. She worked in hospitals, homes and nursing homes in this area for the past twenty years before retiring. She married Fred W. Phillips in May of 1972 in Midland.

Preceding her in death was her husband, Fred Phillips; her parents; and a brother, Doyce Walker.

She leaves to cherish her memory her son, Clifford Chalmers and his wife, Fenda; her daughter, Bernice "Cricket" Chambers Merworth, and her husband, Brandon of Brenham, Texas; a brother, Von Ray "Pete" Walker of Midland; and granddaughters, Melinda Merworth Laxrine of Brenham, Texas, Leigh Anne Chalmers Watson of Abilene; grandsons, Christopher Merworth of Brenham, and Houston Chalmers of Midland; four great-granddaughters, Menika Watson, Kayla and Megan Lazeine and Autumn Merworth of Brenham.

She was a loving wife, mother and friend.

Reyes Portillo

Reyes Portillo died Wednesday, March 7, 2001. A rosary prayer vigil will be Friday night at the Thomas Funeral Home and Chapel, at 7:00 p.m.

Funeral Mass will be Saturday, at 11 a.m., at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

He was born Jan. 6, 1919.

Survivors inclu' five sons, Lupe Portillo, Jesse Portillo and Johnny Portillo, all of Midland, Reyes Portillo Jr., of Stanton, and Rosario Portillo of Snyder; four daughters, Virginia Hinojos of Midland, Gabina Rodriguez of Midland, Juanita Carrasco of Midland, and Mary Ellen Vasquez of Midland; 54 grandchildren and 60 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Maria Ramos of Pecos, and Lucia Portillo of Arizona; four brothers, Antonio Portillo of Pecos, Juanello Portillo also of Pecos, Daniel Portillo of Alpine, and Octavio Portillo of Arizona.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lucy Portillo, who died December 1998, a daughter, Reina Arrdondo, and two brothers, Willie Portillo and Robert Portillo.

DEATH NOTICES

James Lewis

James Lewis died in a local care facility, Thursday, Feb. 22.

Funeral services were held in Sand Springs, Okla., Monday, Feb. 26, at Mobley Funeral Home with the Rev. Ed Zickefoose officiating. Interment will be held in Siinit Cemetery.

He was born May 11, 1937, in Odessa to Foy Wilford and Pansy Pauline Lewis. He was reared and educated in Beaumont. He was of the Assembly of God faith.

He was preceded in death by his father, and a younger sister, Janice Lewis.

He is survived by his mother; two sisters; a daughter; three grandchildren; a step-daughter; four aunts; two uncles; and a host of cousins, nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Trinity Haven Health Care Center, 3203 Sage, Midland, 79705.

T.O. Oldham

LAMESA — T.O. Oldham died Wednesday, March 7, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, March 10, at 2 p.m., at the Gaines County Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. E.R. Holder of Lamesa officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Boyer Funeral Home in Lamesa.

He was born Nov. 27, 1923 in Thockmorton County, and he married Helen Joyce Chapman Seitern March 15, 1997, in Lamesa. He had worked in the oilfields and he was a member of the First Baptist Church as well a a member of the American Legion.

He is preceded in death by his first wife, Loudell, in 1994 and a son, Harry, in 1995.

Survivors include, one son, Leslie Oldham of Abilene; one daughter, Martha Ann Whitehead of Plano; one step-son, Darrell Seitern of Carlsbad, N.M.; two step-daughters, Janette Turner of Lamesa and Dolores Walker of Midland; two sisters, Kathleen Burrows of Fort Worth and Avis Boyd of Wichita Falls; 16 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Bethany Welch

Graveside services for Bethany Ranae Welch are scheduled for Saturday, March 10, at Resthaven Memorial Park with the Rev. Verl Gunter officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel.

She was born and died Tuesday, March 6, at an Odessa hospital.

Survivors include her parents, Roger and Chandra Welch of Midland; a brother, Tyler Welch of Bonham; her grandparents, Lee Castleberry of Midland, Sharon Crews of Ruidoso, N.M., and Ray and Vickie Lipps of Midland; her great-grandparents, Minie Wells of Stanton, Jackie Shires, Bill and Nona Smith, Frank and Sally Castleberry, all of Midland, and James and Faye Welch of Tom Bean; several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Merldene Barker

Merldene R. Barker, 72, died Tueday, March 6, in Hobbs, N.M.

Services will be today, March 9, at 2 p.m., at Calvary Memorial Chapel with Eli Borden of Taylor Street Church of Christ officiating. Interment will follow in Prairie Haven Memorial Park in Hobbs, N.M.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Francis and Rosa Dunn; one brother and one sister.

Survivors include her husband, Paul Barker of Hobbs; one son, Jeff Barker of Hobbs; two daughters, Paula Clark of Lubbock and Barbara Brown of Midland; six grandchildren; and numerus nieces and nephews.

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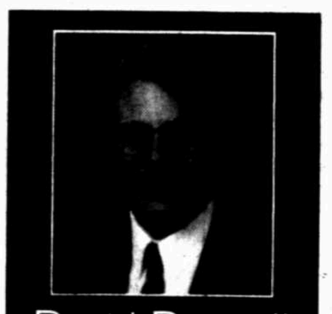
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Study: Midland tops list for pesticide use

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

According to a year long study by an Austin-based environmental coalition, Midland ranked first in the state in pesticide use per acre and the toxic pesticide applications.

The group, which wants to monitor types and amounts of pesticide used, also said in its study that West and South Texas locations had the largest amount of toxic applications, as evidenced by Odessa's and Brownsville's positions right behind Midland on the list.

"We haven't seen the survey," said Monette Burke, assistant director of community service for the city of Midland. "It does surprise me. I know surveys and numbers can be skewed to reflect what you want it to. Having not seen how other cities report or the date, it could be a little misleading."

Ms. Burke went on to say rural areas tend to promote the growth of certain types of vegetation. That could also have been a factor in the study.

"Out here, we have less developed land," Ms. Burke said. "Weeds and those type of things are more prevalent than they would be in Dallas-Fort Worth or larger metropolitan areas. The area and the uniqueness of a geographical area need to be considered also."

Other cities identified as heavy users of pesticide were Garland, Wichita Falls, Irving and Tyler.

Cities identified with the lowest use include Corpus Christi, El Paso, College Station, San Antonio and Lubbock.

Again, Ms. Burke was cautious to expound on the study other than noting, "I think they have lumped pesticides herbicides and fertilizers all together. I don't know, and we don't know how other cities reported. Some may have been more forthcoming than others."

According to Ms. Burke, the city has not received any complaints, has not been involved in any court cases or been cited in any way for the negligent use of pesticides or any products.

"The pesticides we use are things like Andro and Orthene for spot treatment of fire ants," Ms. Burke said. "Those can be bought over the counter.

"In the cases when we are going to use something that is labeled for application by a certified pesticide applicator, our turf company we contract to do the application in the parks is governed by the Texas Structural Pesticide Control Board. They are always in compliance. We are not going to use something that will hurt the public."

The Pesticides Information Network, formed in 1998, includes Texas Center for Policy Studies, Consumers Union Southwest Regional Office and the Texas Clean Water Fund.

The group's members want the state to monitor the types and amounts of pesticides used in public places. No state agency currently monitors the use of pesticides in parks, homes, schools, golf courses or rights-of-way along highways.

The Associated Press contributed to the article.

Area briefs

CDBG training

Organizations or individuals interested in applying for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) money should note that mandetory pre-application training for all prospective applicants will be held at 10 a.m. today at City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, in the council chambers.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has announced that the city's 2001/2002 CDBG program allocation will be $1,353,000. That amounts to a $39,000 increase from the previous year.

CDBG funds are to be used primarily on programs and projects the benefit low- to moderate-income persons.

Organizations interested should note the following dates:

- Today: pre-application training.
- March 22 and 27: Meetings to gather neighborhood input.
- April 6: Pre-application deadline.
- April 18: Project application deadline.
- May 8 and June 12: Public hearings at City Hall.

For additional information, contact the city's Community Development Office at 685-7402 or 685-7408.

State appeals ruling against licensing law for abortions

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A Texas law would make abortion safer by regulating clinics that perform 300 or more of the procedures per year, a Texas assistant solicitor general argued on Thursday in a federal appeals court.

The Texas Legislature passed a bill in 1999 to require the licensing of such private medical practices, but three clinics and five doctors successfully challenged the law in U.S. District Court later that year. Texas Attorney General John Cornyn's office appealed to the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans, which heard arguments Thursday.

Kyle Duncan, a Texas assistant solicitor general, argued that the law makes abortions safer by regulating high-volume clinics and increasing the criminal liability of doctors who perform abortions without a license.

"When the Legislature decided to draw the line at 300 abortions, it was within its discretion," Duncan said. "When a state draws a line, it is acting rationally."

Janet Crepps, lead counsel on the case for the New York-based Center for Reproductive Law and Policy, called the law "irrational." Abortion doctors are a "traditionally disfavored" and "politically unpopular group" who would suffer discrimination under the law, Crepps told the three-judge panel.

"No other law in Texas regulates medical procedures based on the number performed," she said.

U.S. District Judge John Rainey in Houston ruled in 1999 that the law violated the equal protection under the U.S. Constitution and was unconstitutionally vague.

Rainey's ruling said the law set apart physicians who perform abortions from those who perform other outpatient surgeries, violating their right to equal protection under the law.

The law's other requirements — to ensure that abortion patients receive care in a manner that enhances their dignity, maintains their self-esteem and meets their expectations — are unconstitutionally vague, the judge said.

Rainey blocked enforcement of the law in December 1999.

In his 1998 campaign, Cornyn said he is opposed to abortion except in cases of rape, incest or when the mother's life is at stake, but his spokeswoman said his personal view of abortion is irrelevant to the appeal.

The appeal stems from Cornyn's duty to defend the state against lawsuits, "irrespective of his personal beliefs," said Cornyn spokeswoman Jane Dees Shepperd.

Anti-abortion supporters of the law said the law makes abortions safer by allowing the state to monitor high-volume abortion clinics.

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast

Today	Saturday	Sunday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Cloudy
High 63	High 71	High 64
Low 42	Low 43	Low 41

For today, the forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high in the lower 60s. Also, expect light and variable winds that will become southeasterly winds at 10 to 20 mph by afternoon.

For tonight, look for mostly cloudy skies with a low in the lower 40s.

On Saturday, the weatherman is calling for partly cloudy skies and highs in the lower 70s.

On Saturday night, partly cloudy skies are anticipated with a low between 40 and 45.

On Thursday, temperatures reached a high of 62, and a low of 48. The record high for March 8 is 86 set in 1951. The record low is 18, set in 1932.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Thursday	0.09 in.
Rainfall Wednesday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.09 in.
Total for year	2.02 in.
Normal total (year to date)	1.16 in.

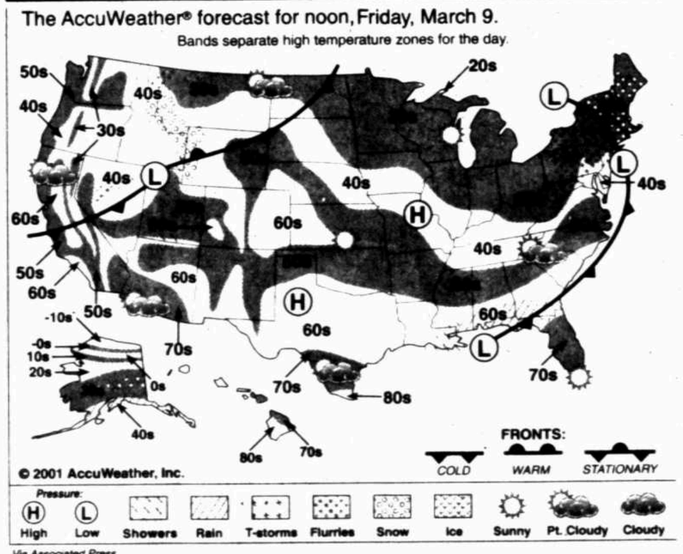
Yesterday's temperatures

High	62
Low	48
Normal high	69
Normal low	38

Sunrise ... 7:07 a.m.
Sunset ... 6:53 p.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Friday, March 9.



Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Atlanta	65	33	clr	
Atlantic City	43	22	m	
Baltimore	50	26	cdy	
Baton Rouge	73	40	m	
Boston	36	22	sno	
Casper	53	24	cdy	
Cheyenne	54	27	cdy	
Chicago	35	30	.01	cdy
Cincinnati	42	25	cdy	
Cleveland	33	26	sno	
Daytona Beach	66	38	cdy	
Denver	58	31	clr	
Detroit	38	26	.01	cdy
Fargo	28	24	clr	
Flint	37	28	cdy	
Green Bay	33	26	.04	cdy
Honolulu	82	72	cdy	
Indianapolis	36	27	cdy	
Jackson,Miss	71	37	m	
Jacksonville	68	32	clr	
Kansas City	46	27	clr	
Knoxville	59	27	cdy	
Lake Charles	71	44	cdy	
Lansing	37	29	cdy	
Las Vegas	68	47	cdy	
Lexington	51	28	cdy	
Lincoln	42	24	clr	
Little Rock	64	42	clr	
Los Angeles	65	51	cdy	
Memphis	59	39	clr	
Milwaukee	33	27	cdy	
Mpls-St Paul	31	23	cdy	
Nashville	60	29	clr	
New Orleans	71	46	m	
New York City	39	31	sno	
Oklahoma City	44	42	.16	clr
Orlando	70	43	cdy	
Philadelphia	47	30	m	
Pittsburgh	40	23	sno	
Salt Lake City	57	32	m	
San Francisco	58	51	cdy	
Tupelo	68	32	clr	
Washington,D.C.	50	30	cdy	
W.Palm Beach	75	45	cdy	
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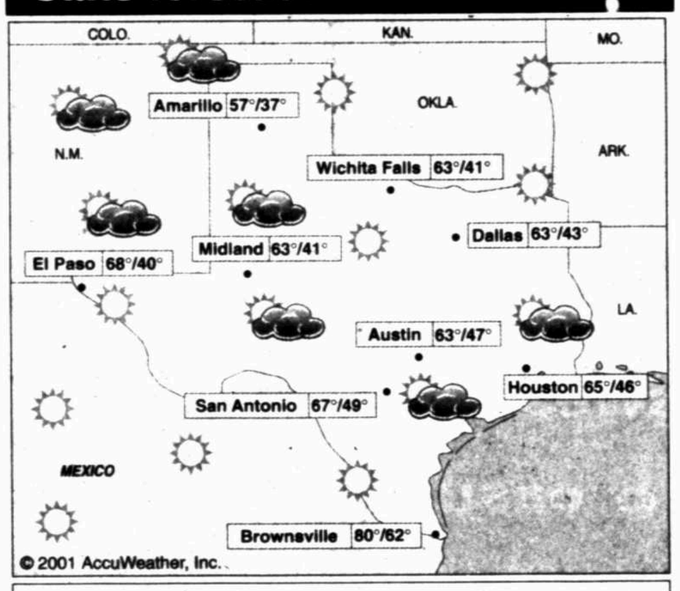

Via Associated Press

HENRY: Oilman deeply honored to receive award

(From 1A)

The program for the evening was comprised of a tribute to Henry by former neighbor Tom Hoskins and a video tribute.

Friends and associates on the video described Henry as a caring, giving, optimistic, funny and hard working family man.

"The reason I joined Henry Petroleum," said Dennis Johnson, president of Henry Petroleum, "was because Jim Henry is a family man and will not let you become a workaholic." Henry has noted to his employees that his life is his life and his job is not his life.

Wife Paula Henry said her husband had many jobs in the community, but he never sought to become the leader of any organization, but often started out at the bottom just to help people.

Lael Cordes Pitts, executive director of Casa de Amigos, credited Henry with starting a building program that built the very small community ministry into a major force for good in the community.

"He saw that there were eight of us sharing the same office and launched the building program," Ms. Pitts said.

Morris Burns, executive vice president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association, said Henry would be remembered for all the good things he did for Midland, but also for all he did for the petroleum industry. Henry was president of PBPA, in 1997 and 1998, when the industry suffered its worst price crash.

Hoskins, meanwhile, joked about the time he used fertilizer to spell CARTER on the front lawn of Henry. He said the two families were neighbors for only six years, but have been friends for 24.

Henry said he was deeply honored to be selected as the recipient of the Hope Award. "My granddaughter is named Hope. And it is my hope that one day we find a cure for MS."

Ms. Stubbs said funds raised by the Dinner of Champions would be used for research and programs to assist the 850 individuals with MS in the West Texas Division.

BREAK: MTV specials don't show darker side of events

(From 1A)

before tedious things like final exams, tests and other various end-of-the-semester course work. The break is a God-send. From out-of-town vacations to a leisurely week at home, students have found different ways to spend their precious time off.

"I go to work all week so I can pay my bills," said Mike Molina, 17. "I might go out of town to the lake during the weekend though."

Some students plan to go as far as New York to check out Broadway shows. Some students will be stuck here in Midland working full-time at their normally part-time jobs. And if you're a lucky member of the Lee High tennis team, you're heading to Germany.

Of course, students are expected to work or have a little fun, but will anyone spend this time to catch up on their studies before exam time?

"I'm not going to study or do homework," said Eric Ortega, 18, who plans on spending his break working at H-E-B and spending his free time relaxing with friends. "We need like a two-week spring break."

In the midst of all this fun, there is always the chance when partying away from home trouble may be right around the corner. TV shows like MTV's "Spring Break" specials have treated the week-long vacation like a giant festival of hedonism without showing the darker side of events — jail and pregnancy. This lassiez presentation of sex and alcohol doesn't set well with many parents and law enforcement officials.

Of course most teen-agers in Midland will not be traveling to the far off regions of the world to do their partying. Most will be doing it at home disturbing the neighbors.

"They're all out of school and they have nothing to do," said Midland Police Sgt. John Ingram, who heads the police department's juvenile and gang units. "They have to find something to occupy their time. There will be more loud party calls."

Attitudes toward these parties varied. While some students were looking forward to some unsupervised drinking and carousing, others thought the idea of drunken teen-agers crowded in someone's backyard to be tiring.

"There are those kind of parties — beer parties," Molina said. "But I never go to them. They're kind of dull. I just kind of stay at my own house."

Misguided immature actions during spring break can last long after a week if they come in the form of a sexually transmitted disease or an arrest warrant. But this trouble can be avoided and a spring break can remain safe if students pay close attention to where they go and what they do.

"Observe the curfew, which is 12 midnight, and don't drink," Ingram said. "That will probably be the two most important things. For those (who) are going out of town, drive carefully, because there is going to be a lot of traffic on the road. So the highways will be dangerous."

Typically in Midland, vandalism, loitering and loud party police calls go up during spring break. There are also increased incidents with underage drinking. Ingram said the increase is typical of any time a lot of young people are out of school.

"None of them have to get up to go to school the next morning," Ingram said. "And if there's more parities then naturally you're going to have alcohol at least at some of them and some underage drinking."

Minor thefts and car thefts go up as well. Ingram said Midland police officers have been preparing themselves for the increased number of calls that will be coming through as spring break rapidly approaches.

"We anticipate a heavier call load with the younger people," Ingram said.

Parents can also play a major role if in keeping their children out of trouble, said Ingram.

"Know where your kids are, who they're with and what they're doing," Ingram said. "If we had more of that we'd have less problems with kids."

Tips for spring breakers

- ✔ When traveling out of state try to use credit cards and travelers checks whenever possible.
- ✔ When traveling abroad make sure you are aware of how different laws vary for different countries. More than 2,000 American citizens are arrested overseas every year. Most are college age.
- ✔ Observe state drinking laws. In Texas the legal age is 21.
- ✔ When going out stay with a group of friends; don't go out alone.
- ✔ When attending a function where alcohol is present, never leave your drink unattended. Drugs such as rohypnol (roofies) and GHB can easily be slipped into drinks and can cause blackouts and memory lose.
- ✔ Observe the Midland curfew; which is midnight.

Source: Studentadvantage.com and Midland Police Department.

CHAMBER: Wynn says lack of tax hampers growth

(From 1A)

appointed with the results. I am convinced we must completely overhaul our economic development efforts, starting with holding the chamber leadership accountable for results."

With his to-the-point statements, Brown probably raised a few eyebrows and has some Midlanders asking, "What has the chamber done?"

By admission of the chamber's Chairman of the Board Mike Conaway, that answer is not much, although at the same time about as much as conceivably possible.

"Have we brought jobs in to replace the 3,000 oil field jobs that left? No," Conaway said. "If you strictly look at it in terms of jobs brought in, then we are disappointed. We have not been able to do that. In terms of the efforts the chamber has put in and the way we have gone about shepherding those dollars, I am proud of that effort."

Conaway, who for a time was pondering a mayoral run himself, said "I don't think that the chamber is an issue. I think that job creation is an issue. I thought that (job creation) would be the single most important issue for anybody running for mayor to address in terms of their vision.

"I still don't think the chamber is an issue. We are doing a great job with the resources that we get in the arena that we are allowed to play in."

If this becomes a battle between Brown and the Midland Chamber, the latter will have backup, and Midland will indeed have an issue.

Mike Canon and Buddy Sipes have strong connections as current and former chamber leaders. As economic development continues to become more relevant, they see the chamber as an ally. They believe the lack of an economic development sales tax has tied the chamber's hands.

"With the money they get and are obligated to raise, they are doing all they can do," Sipes said. "That is only enough money to keep the doors open, for retention expansion and dealing with prospects."

Canon added more. He said in the game of economic development, Midland has been dealt a bad hand.

"In today's environment, in order to entice a company to come to Midland or to come to any community, the name of the game is incentives," Canon said. "They have been handicapped. They have not had available to them the type of resources to provide incentive packages other cities can provide. Because of that, they have not been as successful as they otherwise could have been.

"We can't provide the sweeteners. We can talk about how nice the community is today, but that is not enough today."

Canon noted the chamber and its president Marvin Wynn have brought businesses to the doorstep of the city limits only to be left with nothing for its work.

"They worked hard at trying to put together an incentive package that would bring that company (Nationwide Insurance) to Midland, including going to the Legislature and getting special legislation passed to enable this company to come to Texas and to do what it wanted in Texas."

The outcome was not determined by effort, but by dollars and cents, Canon said.

"After we did that and after the legislation got passed, the Amarillo folks enticed them with $3 million (a figure Wynn later confirmed) and the insurance company went to Amarillo instead. Is that Marvin's fault? I don't think so."

According to Wynn, Amarillo did it to Midland again, luring Energas with another incentive-laced deal.

But Brown said the chamber needs to work around the lack of a sales tax.

"I think we need to make sure we are attractive," Brown said. "We need to make the focus on making the city attractive by lowering our tax rate, making sure we have good schools, and getting these entrepreneurs that have venture capital available in touch with folks that would be benefited by them."

Wynn noted not having the sales tax makes Midland nowhere near the economic power many people believe it is.

Amarillo has a half-cent sales tax which goes toward an overflowing economic development budget. Wynn said Abilene has a "multi-million dollar flow of funds to finance economic development."

"Our economic development budget is $250,000 to $300,000. That is smaller than Big Spring," Wynn said.

Brown said a big part of his agenda deals with "accountability," something many people can support.

Bill Dingus, the fourth of the filed mayoral candidates said, "Like any organization which receives tax money, they need to be scrutinized every year."

Conaway, himself, didn't find fault with the accountability issue.

"We subcontract to the city in effect to run that effort (to bring in jobs) and we ought to be doing a good job," Conaway said.

If Brown has any success butting heads with the chamber, the future weeks will be important. Brown has said his opponents just want to throw more money at Midland's problems, in part because of their support for an economic development tax. However, he, too, could support an E.D. tax if the right plan was in place.

"The fact is the voters said no," said Brown, referring to the two times the sales tax has failed at the polls in the 1990s. "My answer is we are not going to get a sales tax unless we can fix the plan and overhaul the plan to where people feel the urgency to get new jobs in Midland.

"The focus on economic development needs to be getting the plan right."

Again, Brown will not get an argument from Conaway. The Chamber spent $120,000 on the Midland Assessment and Action Plan (MAAP), which will give Midlanders a plan to improve their ailing economy.

"I think that will fall in line with what he is calling for," Conaway said. "We are on the same page in terms of job creation and the benefits that this brings to our community."

DUFFORD: Candidate wants to revitalize downtown

(From 1A)

announcement should come some time next week.

Dufford represents a new breed of candidates, those who say they are ready to lead the city into the 21st century. They respect the oil business. It is the reason for Midland's existence. At the same time, they insist it is time to move on and diversify.

The city seems to be moving in the same direction. Last May, four new council members were elected. This election could produce more changes including one to District 3 since incumbent Lee Wood has decided not to run. Wood, before exiting, decided to endorse Nicholas.

"I planned on running against Mr. Wood," Dufford said. "He is backing Mr. Nicholas, so in essence I am running against him."

All told there is a real chance that come May 5, Berry Simpson could be the only council member with more than one year of experience.

"I think it is time for new leadership," Dufford said. "I believe I can add a lot of insight. We can do better."

In April, Dufford did all right for himself, making a tidy profit when selling his portion of Trend Exploration — a company he and a friend formed shortly after leaving Marathon Oil.

"I sold out," Dufford said.

When asked how much earned selling out, he let out a slight chuckle.

Dufford knows how to make money and is ready to invest his time in the city's future.

"I am primarily interested in streamlining city hall and privatization," Dufford said. "I think property taxes are too high. I want to see a significant reduction in those also. I think over the years we have been concerned with building new stadiums and building new airports and, not been concerned with keeping costs in line. Looking at property taxes, they are onerous."

Another area that concerns him is downtown, where vacant office space is the rule, not the exception.

"We have to do something to bring business back downtown. That is the first image a lot of people see. You look at a lot of more successful cities. There seems to be a 24-hour downtown more than a 9-to-5 downtown."

SALES: Receipts for sports complex not included

(From 1A)

Not included in this month's $951,042 figure is sales tax receipts used to pay off the Scharbauer Sports Complex.

On April 1 of 2000, the sales tax rate was increased a quarter-cent to eight percent. Proceeds of the extra sales tax will be used to pay off the debt from the bonds that will be used to build a $45 million dual stadium facility.

In March, that amount was $237,760.61.

Last month, the city received $1.58 million, which resulted in approximately $395,000 being used to pay off the sports complex.

According to city figures, the funds raised after nine months, which will be devoted to the debt repayments, is $2,407,353. Using this figure, the city's 12-month projection is $3,209,804.

To pay the debt on the bonds, the city is planning on receiving between $2.8 and $3 million each year. City Manager Rick Menchaca said that estimate was conservative enough that there should never be any difficulty in meeting those numbers on an annual basis.

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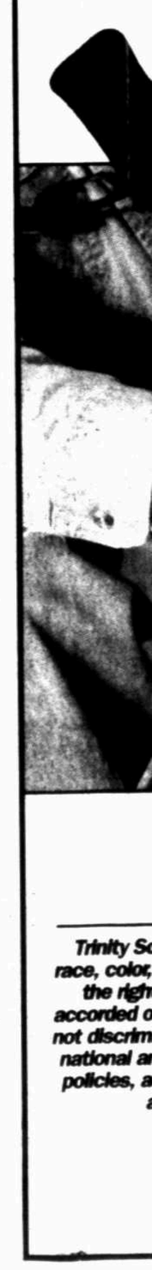

Texas to open Mexico trade center near Dallas

By Dino Chiecchi
Associated Press

IRVING — Hoping to give small businesses on both sides of the border a chance to reap financially from NAFTA's windfall, Gov. Rick Perry on Thursday said Texas will open a distribution center in late spring to help foster business between Texan and Mexican firms.

"This first-of-a-kind Texas-Mexico trade center is a strong symbol of our special relationship. It signifies that greater opportunity and prosperity (are) ahead," Perry said.

The center, about halfway between Fort Worth and Dallas, will provide "information, research, consulting and match-making services" for businesses, said Juan Hernandez, Mexico's coordinator in the Presidential Office for Mexicans Abroad, a cabinet-level position.

Officials said they hope trade representatives from all of Mexico's states will open offices in the center.

Trade representatives from the state of Guanajuato, where President Vicente Fox formerly was governor, already have an office in Dallas. The state of Chiapas opened an office in Fort Worth on Wednesday.

The announcement capped the two-day Governor's Trade Alliance summit, which began Wednesday. Perry invited all 31 of Mexico's governors to the meeting. Eight of the governors attended, and another nine sent delegations, Texas Secretary of State Henry Cuellar said.

The center will be in an Irving warehouse just south of Interstate 30, and near the Dallas community of Oak Cliff, home to many Mexican nationals.

It is expected to open in late May or early June with 50,000 square feet, and could expand to a maximum of 270,000 square feet, said Linda Burns, director of economic development for Dallas.

"We want to especially facilitate the micro companies, the small companies and the medium-sized companies," Hernandez said.

Texas exports to Mexico reached an estimated $52 billion in 2000, up from $18.8 billion in 1992. Mexico already is Dallas's fourth largest trading partner, Burns said, just behind Taiwan, Japan and South Korea.

Dallas Mayor Ron Kirk said "75 percent of goods that move between Mexico and the United States by truck move come through our community on Interstate 35. This is our effort to make that corridor designated the 'NAFTA Freeway' the true river of trade between our communities."

Kirk said Chicago, Los Angeles and other cities competed for the center.

Perry also discussed Mexico's water debt during the meeting.

Under a 1944 treaty, Mexico agreed to release at least 114 billion gallons, or 350,000 acre-feet, of water into the Rio Grande per year every five years from six Mexican tributaries.

"Mexico is behind on those releases," said Perry, who has pressed Mexican ambassador Juan Jose Bremer to help obtain the immediate release of nearly 130 billion gallons of water owed Texas.

Bremer said "high-level" meetings were scheduled next week in Washington, D.C. to try to resolve the problem.

Perry briefly addressed the issue of Mexican truck traffic in the United States.

Under the North American Free Trade Agreement, Mexican trucks were supposed to be able to travel throughout border states by 1995 and throughout the nation by 2000.

However, in 1995 President Clinton refused to permit the access, limiting Mexican trucks to within 20 miles of the border.

An arbitration panel created by NAFTA ruled Feb. 6 that the United States would have to allow the trucks in, but could enforce their commercial trucking safety standards.

The Bush administration had until Thursday to implement a policy acceptable to Mexico or face sanctions, if Mexico chose to impose them.

"We expect Mexican trucks to be treated as a Texas trucker would be treated," Perry said. "Mexican truckers will be treated as those who do not meet those requirements who are Texas or U.S. truckers. They will be stopped. They will be fined," Perry said.

Hernandez said that American and Mexican government officials are working on a solution.

Gov. Felipe Gonzalez of Aguascalientes said he thought it was ironic that "the United States — the global proponent of free trade — won't let our trucks into its borders."

Lawmakers may get $99 million more to spend on new projects

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas lawmakers wrestling with a tight budget could get $99 million more for new spending under a bill approved by the Senate on Thursday.

The money would come from a fund that holds interest on disputed tax payments.

Currently, interest on property, franchise and other taxes being disputed by a taxpayer and the state is held in a fund. If the state wins the dispute, the taxpayer's money goes where it's owed and the interest is put in a separate fund.

The bill by Sen. Rodney Ellis would let the comptroller move the interest in that fund -- about $99 million in June 2000 — into the Legislature's general revenue, where it could be used to pay for new projects.

Ellis, D-Houston, could not be immediately reached for comment.

'Those dollars were just over there gathering dust.'
— Carole Keeton Rylander
state comptroller

The measure now heads to a House committee.

The idea for the bill came from Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander's e-Texas recommendations.

"Those dollars were just over there gathering dust," said Rylander, whose December report outlined ways for the state to manage its money more efficiently. "This is long overdue. It's fiscally responsible."

The money could be used for any expenditures lawmakers see fit to fund, Rylander said.

"That's almost a $100 million that we don't have to raise taxes to have," she said.

It's only a one-time shot of money, but it's a valuable gift in a legislative session strapped for cash because of increases in spending requests.

More than $1 billion in additional state funds is expected to be needed to cover health care costs in the state's Medicaid, state and public school retirees and nursing home programs. That's $700 million more than budget writers expect to have available for new spending from the proposed $108.2 billion 2002-2003 budget.

Other issues weighing heavy on the state's pocket book are teachers' health insurance and pay raises for prison employees and other state employees.

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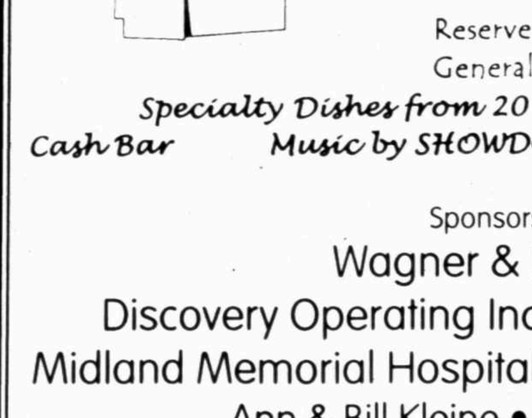

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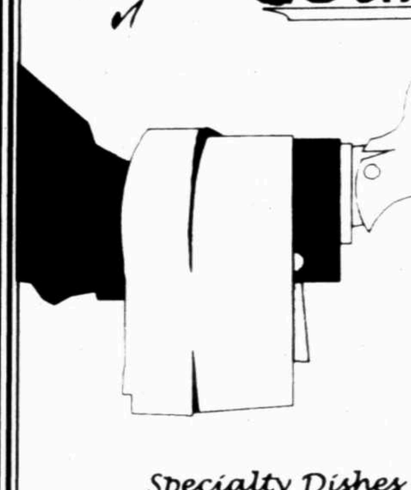

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Happy 'chaos' erupts at store where winning ticket was sold

By Lisa Falkenberg
Associated Press

AUSTIN — The winner of an $85 million lottery jackpot remained out of sight Thursday while the curious descended on the Austin convenience store that sold the single winning ticket.

No one had come forward by Thursday afternoon to claim the prize, said Texas Lottery Commission spokeswoman Kristina Childress.

"It's just kind of a wait and see," she said, noting that the winning ticket holder has up to 180 days to make a claim.

The ticket is a "cash option" type, meaning it would pay one lump sum of $51.2 million before taxes, Childress said.

At Shoppers Mart, where the ticket was sold, speculation centered on the unknown buyer. Store clerk Marvin Bailey, 53, said he just hopes it is one of his regular customers.

"They put that kind of money into it, and they keep taking care of the business," Bailey said. "Hopefully, we could give something back."

Shoppers Mart is eligible for a 1 percent bonus up to $500,000 for selling the ticket.

Visitors descended on the store after news spread of its sale of the winning ticket. Motorists honked their horns as they passed the store, located about two miles from a Dell Computer Corp. office. Some of the curious came in and looked around.

"This is total chaos," Bailey said. "I've seen more news media and telephone calls this morning than I can shake a stick at."

The jackpot was the largest in Texas lottery history. The previous highest Texas jackpot was $75 million in 1994.

When ticket holders come in to claim a large prize, lottery officials urge them to seek legal or financial advice, Childress said.

"It's a lot of money to manage. We just encourage people to go talk to somebody," she said. "It is life-altering."

In some cases, the winner does not want publicity and chooses to keep his or her identity secret.

The lottery commission said one ticket matched all the numbers drawn from a field of 54. The numbers were 10-31-36-37-45-51.

All over Texas, interest in Wednesday's jackpot was overwhelming.

"It's against the law not to buy tickets when it's that high," said Nicholas Banks, bartender at Side Pockets, a pool hall.

People poured over the state's borders from Oklahoma, Arkansas, New Mexico and Mexico to join millions of ticket-buying Texans in their dreams of getting rich quick.

At 5 p.m. CST, tickets were selling at a rate of 43,238 a minute across Texas.

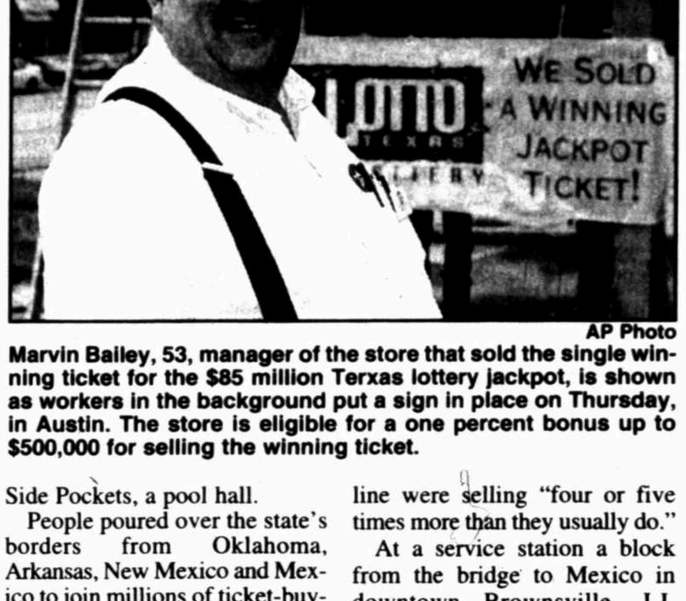
"It's madness," said Martin Diaz, a sales representative for GTECH, the Rhode Island company contracted to run the state lottery, as he made his rounds Wednesday near El Paso.

Diaz said stores along the state line were selling "four or five times more than they usually do."

At a service station a block from the bridge to Mexico in downtown Brownsville, J.J. Ayala swung into the store and tossed a bill onto the counter.

"Give me the winning ticket, please," said Ayala, who owns a business across the border in Matamoros. "I play in Texas, I play in Matamoros. ... I'm lucky in everything. I'm a lucky man."

Perhaps he'll be lucky on Saturday, when the lottery jackpot drops to $4 million.



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Marvin Bailey, 53, manager of the store that sold the single winning ticket for the $85 million Texas lottery jackpot, is shown as workers in the background put a sign in place on Thursday, in Austin. The store is eligible for a one percent bonus up to $500,000 for selling the winning ticket.

Bill would allow warrants to be sealed for up to 73 days

AUSTIN (AP) — Judges and prosecutors would have to follow certain criteria if they wanted to seal a search warrant affidavit under a bill by a senator who has been an advocate of open government.

Under the bill, the search warrant could be sealed to protect the safety of a confidential informant, witness or peace officer; to prevent the destruction of evidence; to prevent the disclosure of certain information obtained from a court-ordered wiretap; or to prevent flight from arrest of prosecution

The bill is aimed at preventing information that could damage a case from being released to the public, said Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio. Under his bill, an affidavit could be sealed for up to 73 days.

The Senate took up the bill Thursday and is expected to take action on it next week.

"We feel we are probably better off with a set of criteria under which affidavits can be sealed for search warrants," said Donnis Baggett, publisher of the Bryan-College Station Eagle and chairman of the legislative advisory committee for the Texas Daily Newspaper Association

"Previously, the judge has been able to determine at will whether an affidavit may be sealed. A newspaper wishing to challenge that had to go to court to fight it," Baggett said. He said the Texas Daily Newspaper Association does not have a position on the bill.

Current law mandates now that the documents should be available for public use, but sometimes judges determine that the affidavits should be sealed anyway, said Tony Pederson, executive editor and senior vice president of the Houston Chronicle.

"The law as it is right now is that these documents are open and in a perfect world I would like to see these documents open," Pederson said.

A part of the bill that would allow defendants to have access to the affidavit even if it was sealed came under fire by Sen. Steve Ogden, R-College Station.

"I can't see the public purpose," Ogden said. "It gives the guy prior notice."

Wentworth said the bill was not intended to protect the defendant.

Simplification bills stall in committees as lawmakers work on funding

By Connie Mabin
Associated Press

AUSTIN — A package of bills that would break down barriers believed to be blocking uninsured children from accessing health care are getting rave reviews. House sponsors say they've got the votes to pass the legislation. Dozens of people have testified in favor of the bills.

But the bills lingered in House and Senate committees Thursday as lawmakers scrambled to find the estimated $300 million it will take to implement the ideas.

"The big hurdle is always money," House Public Health Chairwoman Patricia Gray, D-Galveston, said last week.

Gray, who is spearheading the House efforts, said the state will save money in the long run.

She said the bills would get more children signed up for the federal-state Medicaid program because local governments are footing expensive bills for indigent care at hospitals overwhelmed with uninsured patients.

The proposed 2002-2003, $108.2 billion budget is tight and the anticipated surplus is threatened by unexpected overruns in several state agencies.

Despite the budget crunch, simplifying the complicated Medicaid application process has been called a priority by top lawmakers, including House Speaker Pete Laney.

An estimated 600,000 of Texas' 1.4 million uninsured children eligible for Medicaid are not enrolled.

Many say the complicated application process that includes more than a dozen forms and face-to-face interviews deters needy people from applying.

"It's a miracle that people are even on (Medicaid) when they have to go through all that," Dr. Shelia Collins of Houston told the House Public Health Committee on Wednesday.

The committee left pending a package of simplification bills filed by Gray and co-authored by 85 members. Similar legislation will be heard Thursday at the Senate Health and Human Resources Committee, which also is expected to leave the bills pending because of the fiscal implications.

Medicaid applicants can be inundated with a 17-page application, up to 14 forms and up to 20 verifications of those forms from the Texas Department of Human Services.

Lawmakers want to cut paperwork to a volume comparable to the Children's Health Insurance Program, which has a one-page application and up to five verification forms.

To date, CHIP covers more than 245,000 Texas children whose parents don't qualify for Medicaid but can't afford private insurance. The federal-state program has few of the restrictions of Texas Medicaid.

Like Gray's bills, legislation filed by Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, would eliminate assets tests. Those tests exclude families from Medicaid coverage if they have more than $2,000 in assets other than their home and one vehicle.

Also under the bills, applicants would be screened and recertified for the program by telephone or mail, instead of by face-to-face interviews. Children would be provided 12 months of continuous eligibility, instead of the current month-to-month eligibility that fluctuates with the family's financial situation.

Some of the Medicaid simplification bills are HB825, HB826, HB827, HB828 and SB376.

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New picture of American melting pot emerges from Census figures

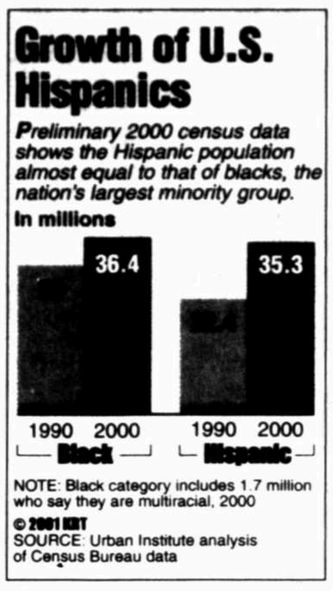
By Genaro C. Armas
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Hundreds of thousands of Americans identified themselves to the government as members of more than one race in the first official results from the Census Bureau's once-a-decade national headcount.

Data for New Jersey, Mississippi, Virginia, and Wisconsin were the first to be released by the Census Bureau. The figures were made public Thursday.

New Jersey saw its Asian population soar at least 77 percent over the last 10 years, from 270,839 in 1990 to at least 480,276 in 2000. At the same time, 213,755 people took advantage of a first-time option to identify themselves as more than one race. The black population, the state's biggest minority group, increased by at least 10 percent, to 1.1 million.

Direct comparisons of figures for 1990 and 2000 were impossible because people previously could choose from only five racial categories compared to 63 in the latest census.



State lawmakers will use this critical information to reshape congressional, state, and local legislative district boundaries. The figures also will be used to redistribute over $185 billion a year in federal money among states and communities.

Because of changes in federal guidelines for collecting statistics on race and ethnicity, Census 2000 was the first which allowed people to "mark one or more races."

Release of the data for the four states set the stage for a weeks-long outpouring of Census 2000 statistics by the government.

The newly released figures confirmed a trend long predicted, but now startlingly illustrated — a picture of an America more diverse than ever.

The first burst of figures for the states involved answers that Americans gave to questions about their racial and ethnic makeup. The Census Bureau also asked people about how they live, where they live, how much they make and a broad array of questions that will furnish a wealth of information throughout the year.

Figures for seven other states — Arkansas, Indiana, Louisiana, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas and Vermont — also were to be sent this week.

The numbers are made available to the public by the Census Bureau only after officials in the states notify federal officials that they have received them.

"America isn't just described as black and white. It should be described in many hues, many color, many ethnicities," said Hilary Shelton, director of the NAACP's Washington bureau.

But, Shelton said, the new descriptions also bring "new challenges to ensure that people are treated equally and fairly, and not discriminated against in our society."

Respondents in 1990 could only select from one of five categories: "white", "black", "American Indian, Eskimo or Aleutian", "Asian or Pacific Islander", and "some other race."

The 2000 census gave people the option of choosing from one of 63 race options, including "white", "black or African American", "American Indian and Alaska Native", "Asian", "Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander", and "some other race."

As a result, there are no direct comparisons for race data between 1990 and 2000. In New Jersey, for instance, 480,276 people classified themselves as Asian only, but another 44,080 people identified themselves as Asian and some other race.

A separate question asked people to identify themselves as either "Hispanic" or "non-Hispanic." "Hispanic" is considered an ethnicity, not a race; people of Hispanic origin can be of any race.

The new classifications documenting the broader swath of racial characteristics could instigate changes in social policy and be the focus of civil rights lawsuits, said University of Michigan demographer William Frey.

"There is a potential of a real blurring of the lines in racial identity," Frey said. These "numbers coming out are just the tip of the iceberg."

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Lawyers seek to shift blame to crewman who kept quiet during submarine accident

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii (AP) — Lawyers for submarine officers under investigation for the sinking of a Japanese fishing boat sought to shift the blame Thursday to a crewman who failed to report that the ship was nearby.

As testimony at a rare Navy court of inquiry entered its fourth day, criticism mounted of a fire control technician. The crewman neglected to tell officers another boat was in close range of the USS Greeneville minutes before the submarine surfaced and smashed through the Ehime Maru, killing nine people.

Today will mark one month since the accident happened. The court will help determine the fate of Cmdr. Scott Waddle; Lt. j.g. Michael Coen, the Greeneville's officer of the deck; and Lt. Cmdr. Gerald Pfeifer, the second in command. They all face courts-martial.

Waddle and Coen both verbally reported seeing no close ships when they performed periscope checks prior to an emergency surfacing drill conducted for 16 civilian guests aboard.

The technician, who analyzes sonar data to determine the location of other ships, should have heard that call and questioned it, Rear Adm. Charles Griffiths Jr. testified.

"At the very latest the FT of the Watch should have spoken up and said, 'That may be, but I think we have a close guy here,'" Griffiths said.

When a lawyer for Coen asked whether that could have prevented the collision, Griffiths replied: "Most emphatically yes. That was a key piece of information that they were not provided."

Later, Griffiths added: "I'm certain it wouldn't have occurred. It was a key piece of data."

Griffiths conducted the preliminary investigation into the accident. The Navy has refused to name the fire control technician, but lawyers identified him in court as Patrick Seacrest.

Seacrest is a veteran, 34-year-old petty officer who was served aboard the Greeneville for nearly a year. He did not immediately return messages from The Associated Press on Thursday.

Griffiths has said the technician didn't report the presence of the ship because the civilian guests blocked his access to Waddle.

Before Thursday's hearing began, Waddle approached relatives of the Japanese victims in court and tried to offer an apology. They asked him to wait until all of the relatives could be present.

Some family members have complained that Waddle has refused to make eye contact with them this week. Last month, he issued a statement expressing "sincere regret" for the crash.

The three admirals on the panel appear to have different opinions as to who may be most responsible for the accident.

Rear Adm. David Stone suggested the Greeneville's officers failed to do enough to ensure the safe operation of the submarine, such as having enough qualified personnel manning key positions, including sonar stations.

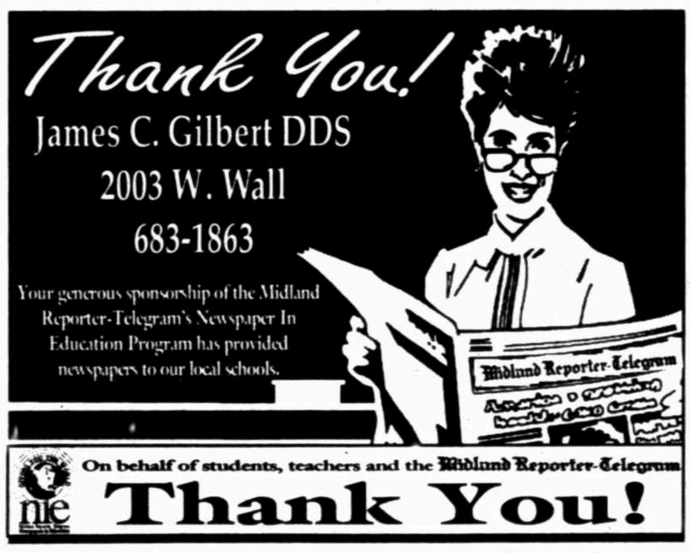
Testimony has shown the sonar room was staffed with one qualified operator, a trainee and a supervisor, even though a second qualified operator should have been present.

"Do you agree that these events ... are reflective of a command that actually increased its risk while conducting these underway operations?" Stone asked Griffiths.

The investigator said some areas of his probe must be further examined, although "I do agree that the ship made some mistakes, perhaps mistakes in judgment."

Stone also suggested Waddle was ultimately responsible for the accident, even if on the surface he acted properly based upon the information he had.

"The commanding officer's best judgment or his good intentions are not the metric" by which proper command is judged, he said. Stone asked Griffiths whether he felt Waddle did everything he should have to ensure the safety of the ship.



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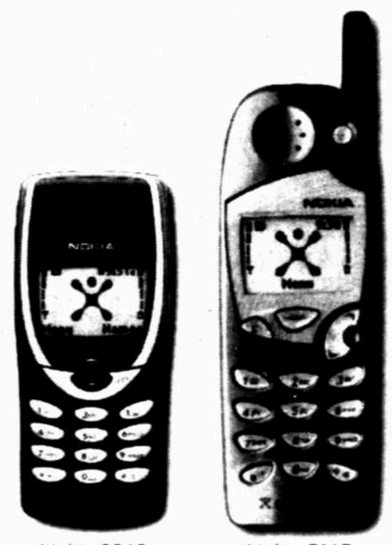
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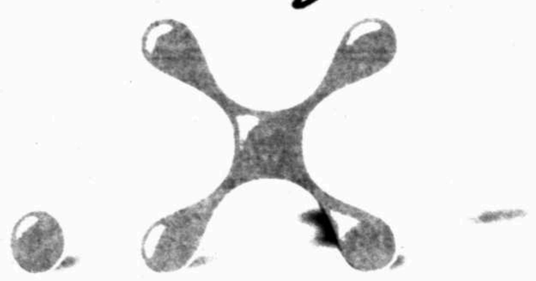

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House set to vote on Bush income tax cut

By Curt Anderson
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Trying to build momentum for President Bush's $1.6 trillion tax relief package, Republicans sought a quick House victory Thursday on a bill that would cut income taxes for every American who pays them.

"These across-the-board tax reductions are not the end, but only the beginning, for tax relief and tax fairness," said Rep. J.C. Watts of Oklahoma, the fourth-ranking House Republican.

While most Democrats were opposed, majority Republicans predicted the 10-year, $958 billion income tax cut would pass and move to the Senate, where its fate is less assured and little action is expected until May.

House Democrats tried to slow things using a variety of rules, including motions to adjourn requiring lengthy roll-call votes. A final vote was still expected later in the day.

"There should be no tax bill on this floor until we have a full, complete budget so we can see the entire game plan," said Rep. David Obey of Wisconsin, ranking Democrat on the Appropriations Committee.

Prior to leaving on a trip to North and South Dakota and Louisiana to push his tax plan, Bush said he was confident the House would "do the right thing" and pass the income tax cuts.

There are, Bush said, "ample revenues to send money back to the people who pay the bills, the taxpayers. I strongly believe, and I hope the House of Representatives sends a message, that the people of America are overtaxed and deserve a refund."

Bush, who has spent much of his young presidency campaigning for tax cuts, said the projected $5.6 trillion budget surplus over the next decade is more than ample to meet government obligations, pay down public debt and still return money to overburdened taxpayers.

The White House is also selling the tax cut as a tonic for the ailing economy. Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill, who gave House Republicans a pep talk Wednesday on the tax cut at a private caucus, said millions of taxpayers would begin seeing less tax withheld from paychecks a few weeks after the president signs the bill into law.

"As we look at the economic statistics, we feel it is important to get money flowing back to the American people as fast as we can," O'Neill said.

The House bill would gradually shrink and compress the current rates of 15 percent, 28 percent, 31 percent, 36 percent and 39.6 percent. In 2006, the new rates would be 10 percent, 15 percent, 25 percent and 33 percent. A temporary 12 percent bracket would be created, retroactive to Jan. 1, 2001, to give all taxpayers an immediate break.

Seeking to augment the administration's contention that lower- and middle-income people benefit most, the Treasury Department released an analysis Thursday showing that the share of income tax relief in Bush's overall plan when fully phased in for taxpayers earning less than $100,000 is greater than their share of federal taxes.

But the same administration analysis also shows that 45 percent of the total tax cuts would go to people earning more than $100,000 a year — including 25 percent for those earning over $200,000.

Most Democrats oppose the tax cut. They contend the Republicans are moving too fast, without a budget blueprint that clearly shows whether enough money is available to cut taxes, meet national spending priorities such as education and defense and guarantee Social Security and Medicare.

"Before we enact a tax cut, the American people deserve to know what the tax cut means for other priorities that are important to them," said Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Texas.

Democrats also contend the GOP tax cut is skewed to the wealthiest — who also bear the largest share of income taxes — and depends on surplus projections that are far from certain. A Democratic alternative costing $586 billion over 10 years would lower the bottom 15 percent tax rate to 12 percent by 2003 and ease the marriage penalty paid by millions of two-income couples but would make no change in the higher tax brackets.

Like the income tax cut, House Republicans plan to continue moving parts of Bush's overall tax plan in pieces during the coming weeks. Other provisions would address the marriage penalty, double the $500 child tax credit, repeal the estate tax and boost tax breaks for charitable giving.

But the real battle on the entire package is likely to occur in the Senate, where the 50 Republicans have a bare majority over 50 Democrats because of Vice President Dick Cheney's tie-breaking vote. Senators of both parties say the overall plan wouldn't pass if the vote were taken now.

Republican and Democratic moderates who may decide the ultimate fate of the tax cuts proposed a "trigger" Wednesday to make tax relief contingent on reductions in government debt.

"We're reaching across party lines to make sure this is an issue on which we can come together," said Sen. Olympia Snowe, R-Maine, who joined forces on the trigger idea with Sen. Evan Bayh, D-Ind.

The intent, supporters said, is to ensure that Bush's tax cuts don't consume all of the projected budget surplus over the next decade before other national priorities are met, especially reduction of the $3.4 trillion in publicly held debt. Even if the triggering device were constructed so that Congress could largely ignore it later, the measure may make it easier for many moderates to support large tax cuts sought by the president.

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Bush's tax cut, sooner or later

House Republicans want to make President Bush's tax cut plan kick in sooner and phase in lower tax brackets faster. How the annual savings would differ for some households under the two plans:

Single person earning $30,000
■ 2001 federal income tax: **$3,383**

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Bush tax cut	$0	$60	$120	$180	$240	$300
House GOP tax cut	$180	$180	$240	$240	$240	$300

Married couple earning $60,000*, two kids
■ 2001 federal income tax: $5,120

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Bush tax cut	$0	$410	$820	$1,230	$1,580	$1,900
House GOP tax cut	$360	$650	$1,060	$1,350	$1,580	$1,900

Married couple earning $100,000, no kids**
■ 2001 federal income tax: $17,420

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Bush tax cut	$0	$662	$944	$1,588	$1,864	$2,490
House GOP tax cut	$360	$920	$1,184	$1,708	$1,864	$2,490

*Incomes split $40,000 and $20,000 **Incomes split $60,000 and $40,000

NOTE: The House GOP bill includes only reductions in income tax rates. Scenarios assume Bush's proposed deduction for two-earner families ("marriage penalty") and increase in the child credit are approved. Assumes $30,000 and $60,000 households claim standard deduction and $100,000 household itemizes deductions. Incomes are adjusted gross income.

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Rumsfeld and NATO chief say renewed violence on the wane

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and NATO's top diplomat sought to play down the significance Thursday of renewed violence along the Kosovo-Macedonia border, where U.S. and other peacekeeping troops have skirmished with ethnic Albanian insurgents.

"We want to prevent what can be limited, localized skirmishes becoming bigger or spilling over into the wider region," Lord Robertson, the NATO secretary-general, said at a joint Pentagon news conference with Rumsfeld.

On another topic, Rumsfeld said the Bush administration is eager to assure the European allies that its proposed defense against ballistic missiles would protect Europeans as well as Americans. He said he has stopped using the word "national" in the term "national missile defense," which is what the Pentagon has called its program for several years.

"What's 'national' depends on where you live," he said. "The United States has friends and allies that we're linked very tightly to."

The missile defense system pursued by the Clinton administration was designed to protect only the 50 U.S. states. Bush has said he wants a system that will provide broader protection, to include the European allies and other nations friendly to the United States, as well as U.S. troops abroad.

Before meeting with Robertson, Rumsfeld held talks with German Defense Minister Rudolf Scharping, who later told reporters that his government was pleased the Bush administration is moving away from a "national" approach to a broader vision of defense against ballistic missiles.

Also Thursday, the White House announced that Bush will visit NATO headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, in June to discuss trans-Atlantic security issues. White House officials said his visit will include talks with Robertson and allied officials but it will not be a NATO summit meeting of leaders of the 19 member countries. The last NATO summit was in April 1999 to mark the alliance's 50th anniversary.

At the Pentagon news conference, Rumsfeld said the situation along the Kosovo-Macedonia border is now "relatively stable," although he described the Balkans as "a difficult part of the world" to keep the peace.

Rumsfeld was asked whether American forces in Kosovo are running the risk of being drawn into a shooting war along the Macedonian border.

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Santana was prepared — but tragedy struck anyway

By Erica Werner
Associated Press

SANTEE, Calif. — Santana High School did everything right: anonymous sign-in sheets for students to report threats, SWAT training for the principal, programs to help youngsters get along, including one called "Names can really hurt us."

A sheriff's deputy was assigned part-time to the school. Seven full-time campus supervisors roamed the grounds. Extra phones, radios and speakers were installed to spread word of trouble quickly across the 1,900-student campus.

Somehow, it wasn't enough.

On Monday morning, a freshman who had been picked on and had threatened over the weekend to shoot his schoolmates opened fire in a boys' bathroom, killing two students and wounding 13 others, including two adults, police said.

"We were so prepared, but it still happened," the shaken principal, Karen Degischer, said at a meeting of parents Wednesday night.

Like Santana, hundreds of schools across the country have tried to learn the lessons of Columbine from two years ago.

The question now is: Is any of it ever enough?

AP Photo

Members of North Park Apostolic Church gather with students from Santana High School for a prayer Thursday morning, in Santee, Calif. Students returned to school Thursday for a normal academic schedule for the first time after the shooting on campus Monday.

"I think what we have to say here is there are no guarantees a tragedy can be prevented," said Pam Riley, former director of the Center for the Prevention of School Violence in Raleigh, N.C. "I've started over the past couple of years since Columbine to focus on safer schools. Not safe schools, but safer schools."

Most agree that in the end, one student with a gun can thwart all the precautions.

Sharon Davis, the wife of Gov. Gray Davis and a 1972 graduate of Santana High, likened the slayings at Santana to the shooting of President Reagan, who was surrounded by Secret Service agents.

"People see this for what it was — an isolated incident," Davis told grieving students during a visit Tuesday to the campus and a local church.

Ted Crooks, a school board member, said: "We need to look for the complicated and subtle forces behind this, because the simple things have been done."

Crooks and others said that too often, the measures schools put in place to prevent violence do not reach what some view as the core of the problem: the failure of communication between students and adults.

At Santana, for example, students who heard 15-year-old suspect Charles Andrew "Andy" Williams' threats did not report them. Some said they did not take him seriously. According to many students, the skinny, baby-faced boy was bullied and called names. But he never once complained to a school official, according to district Superintendent Granger Ward. And the students who witnessed the bullying did not say anything either.

It was the kind of treatment the district's "Names can really hurt us" program was supposed to thwart.

School officials and students agree there is a gap between them.

"Kids live in a totally different world than adults," said Karly Doyle, 16, a Santana student who said she once heard students make threats about setting a house on fire but didn't report them because, she said, she felt sure they were not serious.

The superintendent said communication between students and teachers will be emphasized anew in the aftermath of the shooting.

Already, county officials have committed themselves to providing Santana and other district schools with full-time sheriff's deputies, instead of spreading deputies' duties among different schools.

Whether the new efforts will make a difference remains to be seen.

"Schools have done a lot. They have done a lot of physical changes by putting locks on doors that were never locked. They've put a lot of fences up. There are eight times as many resource officers as there were 10 years ago," said Bill Bond, a school safety consultant and former principal of Heath High School in West Paducah, Ky., scene of a deadly shooting in 1997.

"But the issue still comes down that we're dealing with young, juvenile kids who are often mixed up and having a hard time growing up."

Victim's father doesn't want shooter charged as adult

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. (AP) — A man whose daughter was shot while having lunch in a school cafeteria said Thursday he doesn't want the 14-year-old suspect to be charged as an adult.

Michael Marchese's daughter Kimberly, 13, was shot in the shoulder Wednesday in the cafeteria at Bishop Neumann Junior-Senior High School. A girl in eighth-grade was charged as a juvenile in the shooting.

"I think this girl was a lonely girl," Michael Marchese told reporters Thursday at Geisinger Medical Center in Danville.

He said he used to see the suspect come out of school and wait for the bus without speaking to anyone. "What she did was wrong. But to be tried as an adult ... I disagree," he said.

Authorities said they would need to petition a court to charge the girl as an adult. They would not say whether they planned to do so.

Kimberly Marchese underwent surgery at Geisinger. Her condition was upgraded to satisfactory and she was expected to be released by today. Doctors were watching for signs of nerve damage.

Her mother, Christine Marchese, said she stayed up with her daughter most of the night.

"She had a very rough night," Christine Marchese told ABC's "Good Morning America." "We've been crying a lot and talking all night. I think it's best we talk and get it out."

Meanwhile, faculty and staff were meeting with counselors Thursday at the school, which was closed, said the Rev. Andrew Kurovsky, president of the school's Board of Pastors. The school planned a private prayer service when it reopens today.

Adam Welteroth, a junior at Bishop Neumann, came to the school Thursday to pick up his backpack. About two dozen students had dropped by the school Thursday and of those, about a dozen had asked to talk to the counselors.

"It's really sad because we pride ourselves on being different at this school. We're supposed to be a cut above the rest and it's just sad this happened," Welteroth said.

Kurovsky said the approximately 230 students who attend the school had attended a regularly scheduled Mass before Wednesday's lunchtime shooting. At the service, Kurovsky asked the students to pray for students at a school in Santee, Calif., where a teen-ager on Monday opened fire with a pistol, killing two people and wounding 13.

"It was my worst nightmare," Kurovsky said. "The fact that they were girls and that we are a Catholic institution, it does bother me. But no one is immune."

Police said the shooting seemed to be the result of some sort of feud between the girls.

"This is a situation of a student who was upset with another student," Williamsport police Officer David Ritter said. "This is not a random act of violence, and as far as I understand there are no other targets for this violence."

The suspect's attorney said his client had been subjected to "a lot of name-calling, derogatory comments and innuendoes."

"It strikes at the very core of another person's dignity," said attorney George Lepley, declining to detail the nature of the insults.

Welteroth, who plays on the school baseball team with Marchese's brother, said he disagrees with that theory.

"They made it out like it was some big grudge. That's just not true," Welteroth said. "Kim's really nice and I never heard her tease anybody."

About 100 students were in the cafeteria Wednesday when the shooting occurred.

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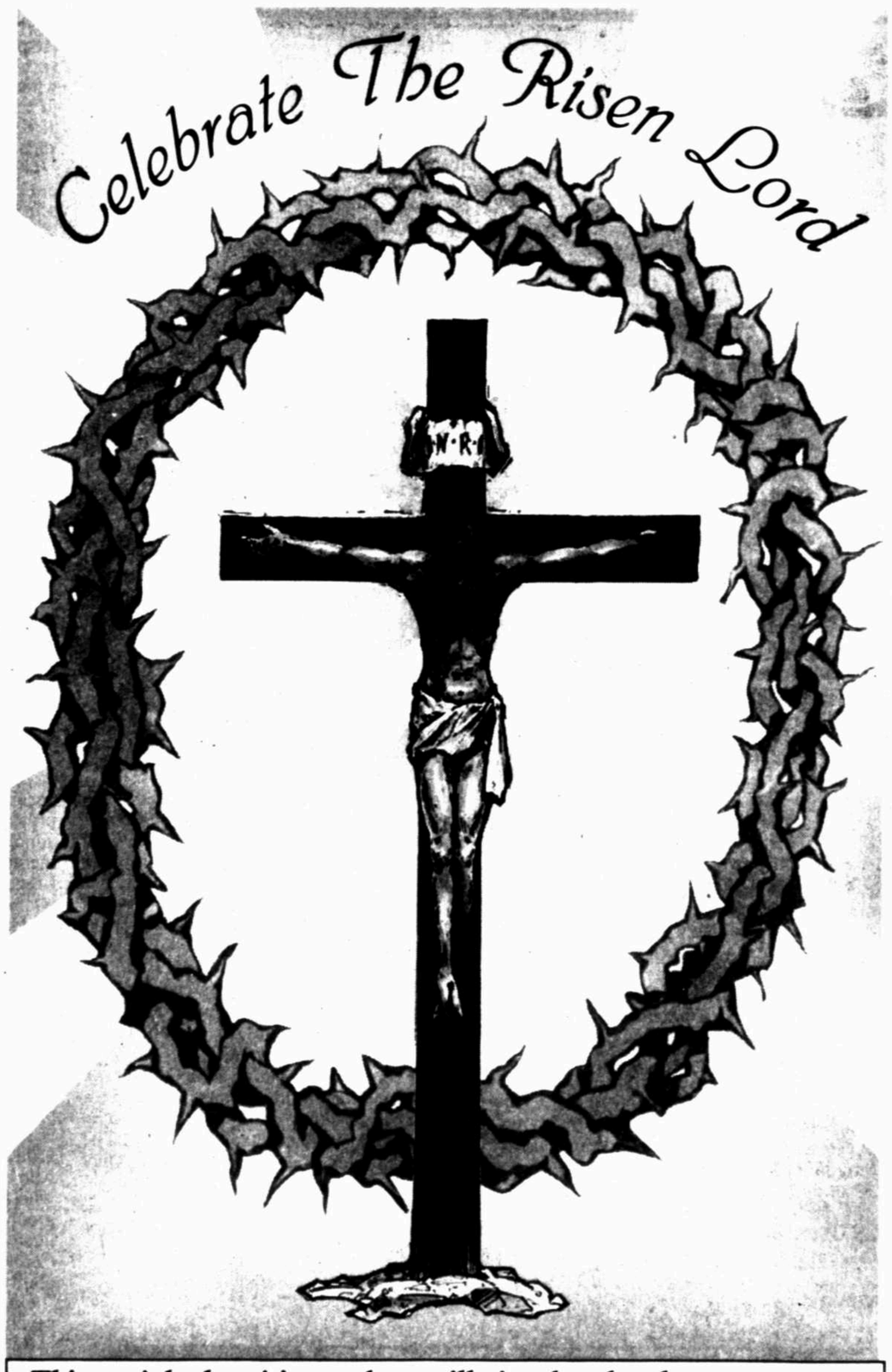

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Federal Reserve gives us hope for economic upturn

With a slightly positive trend in the stock market this week and President George W. Bush apparently gaining some ground in his national tour on behalf of his tax relief plan, we are breathing a cautious sigh of relief over the economy.

The latest national survey by the Federal Reserve also shows some positive signs.

In its report, the Federal Reserve said there were signs of "sluggish to modest economic growth in February."

While manufacturing, which has been bearing the brunt of the economic slowdown, saw activity continue to decline in most of the nation, manufacturers in the Boston and Richmond regions reported an improvement, the Fed said.

Consumer spending, which accounts for two-thirds of all economic activity, rose slightly in most districts, aided by deep discounts on winter merchandise, the survey said.

And, auto sales "were generally steady" but below last year's pace.

Housing construction rose in New York, Richmond, Atlanta, Chicago and Minneapolis, but declined in St. Louis, mostly because of bad weather, the survey said.

Sales of new and existing homes continue to be fairly brisk in many regions, bolstered by cheaper mortgage rates.

Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan has blamed much of the economy's weakness on an effort by businesses to cut back quickly on production in the face of falling sales. Greenspan has estimated economic growth was probably very close to zero at the start of this year.

In other words, psychology plays a huge role in the economy.

It seems day traders have suffered this jolt of reality and have been driven from the market. The days of easy money are over.

But overall, Americans should have faith in our economy and the ingenuity and work ethic we all share.

Meanwhile, the president is reaching out to average working men and women and sharing the specifics of his tax reduction plan with them.

The entrepreneurial, free market enthusiasm of our nation will flourish if it is not hindered by the cumbersome, spirit-draining burden of taxes we carry. That burden need not be heavier than necessary.

We're only in the first quarter of 2001, but we've already done enough hand-wringing for the entire year. Good news, in any form, is welcome at this point.

Today in History

Today is Friday, March 9, the 68th day of 2001. There are 297 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On March 9, 1862, during the Civil War, the Monitor and the Virginia (formerly the Merrimac) clashed for five hours to a draw at Hampton Roads, Va.

On this date:

In 1661, Cardinal Jules Mazarin, the chief minister of France, died, leaving King Louis XIV in full control.

In 1796, the future emperor of France, Napoleon Bonaparte, married Josephine de Beauharnais. The couple divorced in 1809.

In 1916, Mexican raiders led by Pancho Villa attacked Columbus, New Mexico, killing more than a dozen people.

In 1933, Congress, called into special session by President Roosevelt, began its "hundred days" of enacting New Deal legislation.

In 1945, during World War II, U.S. B-29 bombers launched incendiary bomb attacks against Japan.

In 1954, CBS newsman Edward R. Murrow critically reviewed Wisconsin Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy's anti-Communism campaign on "See It Now."

In 1975, work began on the Alaskan oil pipeline.

In 1977, about a dozen armed Hanafi Muslims invaded three buildings in Washington D.C., killing one person and taking more than 130 hostages. The siege ended two days later.

In 1981, Dan Rather made his debut as principal anchorman of "The CBS Evening News."

In 1990, Dr. Antonia Novello was sworn in as surgeon general, becoming the first woman and the first Hispanic to hold the job.

Ten years ago: Secretary of State James A. Baker III, on a fact-finding mission to seven countries, visited Kuwait following its liberation from Iraq.

Five years ago: Comedian George Burns died in Beverly Hills, Calif., just weeks after turning 100. The space shuttle Columbia landed safely a day late at the Kennedy Space Center, ending a 16-day mission.

One year ago: John McCain suspended his presidential campaign, conceding the Republican nomination to George W. Bush. Bill Bradley ended his presidential bid, conceding the Democratic nomination to Vice President Al Gore.

Today's Birthdays: Author Mickey Spillane is 83.

Jack Anderson & Douglas Cohn

Large tax cut: Windfall for the wealthy

WASHINGTON — Knock, knock. Is anybody paying attention out there? Poor people, low-income people, moderate-income people and even upper-middle-income people are blithely standing by while the Bush administration presses ahead with a tax-cut windfall for the wealthy. The president is correct in calling for a large tax cut, but for those of us who champion the nation's working people, it is simply misplaced.

Anderson

We listened sympathetically to Treasury Secretary Paul H. O'Neill defend the tax slash. The best he could come up with was that after the 1981 tax cut, the highest bracket was 28 percent, and now it is 39.6 percent. So, he said, it was only fair that it be reduced to 33 percent.

The argument doesn't hold. Before 1981, all brackets were higher, and the Reagan plan cut all taxes by 25 percent. Further, when the 16th Amendment authorizing an income tax was passed early in the last century, the resulting tax was only levied against the very wealthy. People who paid it looked upon the tax as a sign of prestige because only the most affluent people (0.5 percent of the population) were affected, and then with a meager 7 percent tax.

In other words, if O'Neill wants to use history to justify this windfall for the wealthy, we would refer him back to 1913.

Why is President Bush proposing this? Apparently he believes that money put into wealthy hands will do the most good. It is reminiscent of President Reagan's "trickle-down" supply-side theories. The facts are otherwise.

Sen. Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said the Bush tax cut would allow a middle-income taxpayer to buy a muffler for his used car while a wealthy earner would be able to buy a new Lexus, inadvertently implying that both would pump money back into the economy. In fact, the wealthy already have all the cars they want. Their tax refunds will most likely go into interest-bearing instruments, which do not benefit the economy so much as consumer spending does. And we should remember that consumer spending has been the basis for the decade of economic boom.

Daschle and like-minded members from both parties need to find their collective voice and then stay on message. We suggest either of the following allocations for a tax cut:

1) End the payroll taxes (FICA). Social Security and Medicare taxes take 15.3 percent of the first $72,600 of income, making it the largest single tax paid by 70 percent of all taxpayers. And remember, while it appears that your employer is paying half of the FICA, it is simply money that would otherwise go directly to you. And FICA is not paying for your retirement; it is paying for the previous generation's retirement. As such, it ought to be paid out of general revenues, not by a dedicated tax imposed on middle- and low-income earners.

2) Eliminate the 15-percent bracket, and remove from the tax rolls anyone who was paying it. Not only would this be equitable, it would not even take up the entire $1.6 trillion proposed cut. This would allow us to raise the base for filing a tax return even further, to around $30,000 or more. After all, how much sense is there in taxing people who are not making enough money to properly feed, clothe and house their families?

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

Dave McNeely

Lieutenant governor draws fire

AUSTIN — Bipartisanship was a major reason Republican Bill Ratliff won the narrow vote of his Texas Senate colleagues to be the state's lieutenant governor.

But a few weeks later, even as the gentleman senator from Northeast Texas has named an exploratory committee to see about winning a four-year term of his own in 2002, he is already drawing fire from Hispanics and Democrats — adding to doubts about whether he can even win his own party's primary next year.

McNeely

The most recent Hispanic-Democratic blast from folks whose vote he'd like to have in the general election next year was prompted by his statement Friday to a real estate group:

"We've got illegal immigrants clogging our hospitals, our emergency rooms, our schools, our courts, and we're not even allowed under federal law to ask them whether they're citizens."

But it was his next statement that really raised hackles:

"We have to serve them with medical care just like you and me," Ratliff said.

Ouch. Ratliff's colleagues of all colors say he's no racist. But that choice of "us and them" words reminded of presidential candidate Ross Perot, at a meeting of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), repeatedly referred to his audience as "you people."

Ratliff's remark was blasted by the chair of the Texas Democratic Party, Hispanic state senators and organizations like the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF) and the Tejano Democrats.

On Monday, Ratliff — standing with the Senate's six Hispanic Democrats and a couple other senators — said he isn't biased against immigrants, but was passing along complaints from local officials around the state, including the border.

While Ratliff is defending himself against charges he is insensitive to Hispanics for a second time — earlier he raised protests when he initially neglected to appoint an Hispanic senator to a seven-member redistricting committee — others suggest he should stick closer to his party's base because he is likely to have tough sledding in a Republican primary.

"My comments were entirely directed at what I believe to be a lack of assistance from the federal level to deal with the impact of immigration that has come into Texas over the last few years," Ratliff said. "We need to make people at the federal level aware these are national problems that are impacting Texas far more than other parts of the U.S." That's particularly true if he squares off with mega-millionaire Land Commissioner David Dewhurst, who can self-finance his own campaign and who has been funneling money to GOP groups like the Texas Federation of Republican Women for years. Or Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander, who's proven her ability to be elected statewide twice now.

On top of that, Ratliff is vulnerable to several political attacks:

Ratliff not only voted for the Robin Hood school financing system that has rich districts sending money to poor ones, he wrote it. (He says the state was under court order to do something, and as Education Committee chair, he did it.)

He not only fought state school board members and candidates he considered too far to the right, he helped finance their opponents.

Ratliff has said he's a Republican for the same reason he's a Methodist: "because I agree with the Republicans at least 51 percent of the time."

Dave McNeely's column is distributed by the Austin American- Statesman.

William Safire

Gee, what happened to that huge storm?

The TV weathercasters flew into a blizzy. "The East's worst storm in 50 years" was predicted in a tone of confident panic. Phrases like "three feet of snow" were bandied about as weathercasters in front of jerkily moving radar maps explained with certitude how the winter storm would stall, lashing the region for days.

Safire

Accordingly, alarmed educators closed schools; airlines canceled hundreds of flights; AT&T in New Jersey told 19,000 employees to stay home; grocery store shelves were ransacked for milk and bread lest marooned apartment dwellers starve. The drumbeat of doom over the airwaves and in print broke dates, postponed meetings, lost audiences.

And what happened to the prediction-paralyzed big cities? Nothing much; Washington got a dusting of snow, New York a few inches. To some, the non-nor'easter came as a blessed relief; to most, it was kind of a letdown. The New York Times, which had postponed an annual meeting of employees because of "inclement weather," noted tersely the next day that snowfall had been "generally short of predictions."

Journalists who hyped the story, hoping to cover themselves with glory by covering a disaster, found themselves hastening to cover their posteriors. Pictures rained down on viewers and readers of snowbound Saratoga Springs or Syracuse, where you can always get pictures of falling snow, or of the icy misery in Boston, where winter is always miserable.

An Associated Press feature writer looking for storm-tossed heroism was reduced to reporting from Rye, N.H., that a seal had been pitched over the seawall onto the coastal highway, where a man and his two sons wrapped it in a blanket and tossed it back into the Atlantic. "He waited for the waves and then took off," said the rescuer.

To be sure (this is known in the column dodge as "the to-be-sure graph"), power outages caused genuine suffering in some areas, and "weather-related loss of life" undoubtedly took place.

But the non-blizzard of '01 was a day late and a disaster short. We cannot fault the Almighty for being merciful, but isn't there somebody we can blame for being misleading? At whom can we rail for causing economic losses and human discombobulation?

The genial weathercasters shrug sheepishly and say: Gee, we rely on the National Weather Service. If those guys tell us a Big One is coming, we get more air time, more viewers, more advertisers and more exposure to national media barons. Sunshine is a ratings-killer, but a major winter storm means Gucci galoshes for our spouses. Thus to the TV news axiom "If it bleeds, it leads" weatherpeople add their corollary, "If it blows, it goes."

This media bias toward bad-weather news is reinforced by career protection within the weather bureau and among private forecasters. On one hand, they assure us that satellites and computers make forecasting more accurate; contrariwise, they warn us that meteorology (the study of the atmosphere, and not, as logic suggests, watching for meteors) is still an inexact science. When those assurances and warnings conflict, the meteorologist coolly reaches for the panic button; it's wiser to be derided for alarmism than furiously denounced for complacency. Better safe and looking silly than sorry and getting fired.

When both the scientific source of news (the National Weather Service) and the purveyor of news (the precipitation press) share a bias toward erring on the side of shouting "Batten down the hatches!" what is the consumer of weather news to do?

First, learn the difference between a "weather advisory" and a "storm warning." It is the difference between a stock analyst's "hold" (which means "do nothing until I tell you to sell") and "sell" ("bail out now that everybody else has"). Tune out the weathercaster whose source hunts headlines with phrases like "storm of the century."

Then demand a prediction scorecard. I make a dozen political predictions at year's end, and get three right in a good year (as President McCain can testify). What media critics will run a public check on panic-prone snowflake savants?

Finally, whether contemplating actual darkening skies or the metaphoric storm clouds of recession, factor in the countervailing optimism expressed by Al Smith in the economic depths of 1931: "The American people never carry an umbrella. They prepare to walk in eternal sunshine."

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Doonesbury

Parents say children forced to make fireworks before China school blast

By Christopher Bodeen
Associated Press

BEIJING — Parents of children who died in a schoolhouse explosion in southeastern China that killed at least 41 people said Thursday that pupils were forced to make fireworks in class.

They accused government officials — who insisted that fireworks were not the cause of the disaster — of lying.

Chinese Premier Zhu Rongji blamed a man with mental problems for Tuesday's explosion, which destroyed the school in Fang Lin village, Jiangxi province.

But Zhang Chenggen, whose 11-year-old son was killed, said the school forced children to manufacture fireworks to cover its budget and benefit teachers.

"Everybody knows it is caused by the fireworks. The government is trying to cover the facts. Please do not believe them," Zhang said by telephone.

Zhang Shushen, who also lost an 11-year-old son, said he was among the first on the scene and found dead children still clutching fuses in their hands.

"There is no doubt the fireworks they were making caused the explosion," he said.

Thousands of people demonstrated Wednesday and again Thursday outside the school, asking for punishment of those responsible and redress, parents said.

The disaster, in the week of the annual meeting of China's national legislature, is extremely embarrassing for Chinese leaders, whose reputations have already suffered from a string of fatal building collapses and fires.

Police erected roadblocks around the village to keep out reporters and detained at least three who tried to reach the remote mountainous area.

State media in Jiangxi were ordered Wednesday to withhold information from foreign reporters, according to a newspaper employee in Nanchang, the provincial capital.

Police experts were combing through the wreckage of the school where Tuesday morning's explosion ripped down walls and left a heap of books, bricks and furniture. Exposed inner walls had Chinese flags and patriotic slogans still neatly pinned up.

About 190 people were inside at the time of the blast. Witnesses have said that 37 of the dead were students and the four others were teachers, though no official breakdown has been given.

Zhu denied widespread reports that fireworks manufacturing in the school was to blame.

Speaking to Hong Kong television, he said the explosion was caused by a man who carried a bag of fireworks into the school. Zhu said the man died in the explosion.

"According to the initial investigation, he suffered from mental problems, but we'll continue with the investigation," Zhu said. "But it's certain that it's not a case of the primary school renting out space for the storage for the raw materials."

A government newspaper quoted a teacher as saying a 65-year-old man set off a bag of explosives on a student's desk during class.

The teacher, whom the Liao Shen Evening Paper identified only by the surname Deng, said the man refused repeated demands to leave the classroom, then used a lighter to ignite a fuse.

"I shouted for the students to run, then heard a huge noise and I don't know anything else," Deng was quoted as saying.

Zhang Chenggen said his son, Zhang Yu, and other third- and fourth-grade students had been required since 1998 to spend half the school day assembling fireworks.

Some of the profits subsidized school expenses and the rest went to local officials, Zhang said.

He said children were ordered not to tell their parents about their work, and those who did were punished by being forced to kneel on the classroom floor.

Another man reached by telephone said his 9-year-old child, who died in the blast, told him students had been assembling fireworks for three years.

The man, who identified himself only as Mr. Ding, declined to discuss how the business operated. According to Zhang, officials trying to calm angry relatives at Wednesday's protest said the school principal and other officials were detained for questioning.

The government gave the family of each dead child $3,660 for funeral expenses, Zhang said.

The town, about 480 miles southwest of Shanghai, is known for its fireworks industry. The official China Daily newspaper said numerous fireworks factories operate in the school's area, with one about a mile away.

Gunpowder was found in the rubble, the China Daily said. A local fire official, who gave only his surname, Chen, told The Associated Press that the debris was littered with firecracker wrapping papers.

The Yangcheng Evening News said Wednesday that students were inserting fuses in fireworks at the time of the blast.

UNICEF, the U.N. Children's Fund, expressed "outrage" in a statement Wednesday at reports that children were working. In response, Foreign Ministry spokesman Zhu Bangzao said Thursday that the government is investigating.

"To hire child labor is a serious illegal criminal act in China" that will be "severely punished," Zhu said.

Goddess search bumps up against the new woman

KATMANDU, Nepal (AP) — Goddess needed: Palatial accommodations, round-the-clock personal service, public adoration guaranteed, school and homework optional. Must be 5 years old or under and willing to serve until puberty.

It sounds like Nepal's dream job. So why aren't the applicants beating down the doors? Just ask former goddess Rashmila Shakya.

It was great while it lasted, she'll tell you. But it all came crashing down eight years ago when she reached puberty and was tossed out of the palace, woefully unequipped to cope with the real world.

In light of her experience, and that of others before her, fewer parents are eager for their daughters to be goddesses. They'd rather the girls got an education and a well-paid job.

"With society turning more commercial and modernized, people are losing their touch with religion and tradition, and most parents want their daughters to take up careers as engineers or doctors," said Tej Ratna Tamrakar, who heads the department that looks after Durbar Square in Katmandu and its palaces and temples.

The goddess is called a kumari, Nepalese for virgin, and is revered by both Hindus and Buddhists, who believe she has blessed the king and 22 million people of this Himalayan nation with peace and prosperity.

But once a kumari menstruates she becomes a mortal and is shown the door.

In the old days, life as a goddess was viewed as a route to a better life. But Nepal now has a constitution that guarantees equal rights to women, and more women are getting educated and competing for jobs once held exclusively by men.

Meanwhile, the modern world has been encroaching relentlessly ever since the kingdom was discovered by hippie travelers and Himalayan trekkers in the 1960s. Nowadays, Internet cafes are sprouting next door to the goddess' temple.

Shakya, the former goddess, is now 20 and has been struggling for eight years to adapt to normal life.

"As the living goddess I was carried everywhere and did not need to walk or go out to the market. I played and everyone listened to me," she said.

"Now my whole world has changed."

She lives with her family in a small mud and brick house on a narrow alley — quite a comedown from the palace and its dozens of attendants ministering to her every whim.

Shakya the goddess had a personal tutor for an hour a day, but he, mere mortal, would never dare order her to study. So her schooling fell behind and at age 12 she had to enter second grade.

"It has been the biggest handicap. We had to teach her everything from alphabets to activities of a normal life, like conversing," said Pramila Shakya, her older sister.

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Americans move into border area after ethnic Albanian rebels flee

By Danica Kirka
Associated Press

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia — U.S. peacekeepers pushed to the edge of Kosovo's border with Macedonia on Thursday — a move that places them in the midst of a new Balkan conflict — after ethnic Albanian rebels fled one of their strongholds.

Ethnic Albanian villagers said the Americans crossed into Macedonia to take over positions held by the rebels, who have been battling Macedonian forces. U.S. officials denied those claims but acknowledged that there is confusion about the border.

The controversy over the Americans' location underlined the danger that U.S. soldiers may become more involved in border disputes and the deep-seated historical animosity between Albanians and Slavs.

In another move that could anger ethnic Albanians, NATO agreed Thursday to allow Yugoslav forces to help keep ethnic Albanians in Macedonia from crossing into Serbia, Yugoslavia's main republic.

U.S. peacekeepers took over a hillside elementary school being used as a base for ethnic Albanian insurgents fighting Macedonian troops, cutting off a key supply base for rebels in northern Macedonia. U.S. officials said the school was in the Kosovo village of Mijak.

U.S. Brig. Gen. Kenneth J. Quinlan, commander of the U.S. peacekeeping contingent, said his troops "were very careful to delineate this border between us and Macedonian authorities."

But residents said the school was in Tanusevci, Macedonia.

"I've been living here for more than 50 years and this place was called Tanusevci and this is Macedonia," said Bajram Sinani, as he showed his Macedonian identification card and Macedonian currency.

He also said that Yugoslav guards who used to man the border would never allow them to go shopping in Kosovo — even though it was right next door.

Also Thursday, ethnic Albanian rebels ambushed a Macedonian police convoy near the border village of Brest, which was evacuated earlier by the insurgents. At least one officer was killed, police spokesman Stevo Pendarovski said.

The Americans are part of a multinational effort to curb the flow of weapons and fighters from Kosovo into northern Macedonia.

The present border between Macedonia and Yugoslavia was decided only last week. For a decade, the placement of the border remained the only unresolved issue between the two countries following Macedonia's peaceful split from the former communist-run Yugoslavia in 1991.

After Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic was ousted in October, the new president, Vojislav Kostunica, and Macedonian leader Boris Trajkovski agreed to resolve the dispute.

The deal was ratified in Macedonia's parliament last week despite protests by ethnic Albanians who said they do not recognize it because Kosovo's ethnic Albanians had not been consulted.

In Washington, U.S. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said the situation along the Kosovo border was "relatively stable." He acknowledged that peacekeeping was risky but added that shooting in the area had been "relatively minor."

Although the rebels have not spelled out their goals, they have issued press releases indicating they want more rights for the largely ethnic Albanian areas of Macedonia bordering Kosovo. Albanians make up about 25 percent of Macedonia's population of 2 million.

The Americans moved into the disputed area after 20 to 40 insurgents packed up their mules and horses and left. U.S. peacekeepers fired no shots and made no arrests, describing their capture of the area as a triumph in the effort to prevent Kosovo from being used as a staging area for rebellion.

Bulgarian military trucks on their way to the Bulgarian-Macedonian border near Gyueshevo, Thursday. Bulgaria is sending hundreds of tons of munitions and other military hardware to neighboring Macedonia to help stop incursions by ethnic Albanian militants from Kosovo.
AP Photo

Police: 23 students killed in Nigerian blaze while praying

ABUJA, Nigeria (AP) — Fire killed at least 23 students trapped behind chained doors and barred windows in an all-girls high school dormitory in remote northern Nigeria, local officials and news reports said Thursday.

Villagers used a shovel to force open a bathroom window, saving some of the girls, the Guardian daily in Lagos said.

The fire broke out late Monday at a 165-bed residence for a government school in Gindiri village, 120 miles north of the capital, Abuja. The fire burned overnight and into the day Tuesday.

A police spokesman, Aliyu Yusuf, confirmed the deaths. There were unconfirmed reports that a 24th victim had died later at a hospital.

Because of this week's Muslim holiday, all but about 60 of the students were home with their families.

The fire broke out as the girls remaining at the school held an all-night prayer vigil, villagers and officials said. A government statement noted the victims died "praying for themselves and interceding for others."

The Guardian quoted an unidentified villager as saying residents came to try to rescue the girls, but were blocked by iron bars on the windows and locked, chained doors.

The villager said the doors had been chained to keep the girls from sneaking out at night. Buildings in Nigeria customarily are heavily protected against theft, however.

Nigerian state-run radio reported the fire was started by an overturned kerosene lantern.

School authorities refused to release the bodies to parents, saying the remains were burned too badly for identification. The bodies were buried instead at a cemetery across from the school.

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'Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon'

M.Y. Oscar Picks

by Mike Yager

In roughly two weeks, the Oscar race finally will be decided. Will Tom Hanks become the first three-time Best Actor winner? Could "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" become a surprise foreign success story? Or will "Gladiator" rule over all? I'll try to sift through the nominees, analyze each participant's chances, and, hopefully, give you all an edge in MRT's "Pick the Winners" contest to boot. I'll be focusing on the big ones: Best Supporting Actor/Actress, Best Director, Best Actor/Actress, and of course, Best Picture. Therefore, without further ado, your best bets for this year's Oscar race. You're on your own in the animation category.

Best Supporting Actor:

Jeff Bridges — The Contender

Bridges really snuck in under the wire for a surprise nomination as President Jackson Evans. I have not seen "The Contender" as of yet, but it's short life span in theaters stifles its chances for a profound impact at the awards. Don't expect Bridges to contend.

Willem Dafoe — Shadow of the Vampire

This is Dafoe's second trip to this category (the first was for "Platoon"), and I think he has a fair shot. Encased in creepy Nosferatu makeup, Dafoe plays a vampire playing an actor, in what has been universally praised as a remarkable performance. Once again, however, the lack of exposure could be the stake in the heart for Dafoe.

Benicio Del Toro — Traffic

As Javier Rodriguez, a Mexican cop going undercover in the world of drug trafficking, Del Toro already has earned several awards, including the Golden Globe in this category. Another plus is his relative youth in the industry, as the Academy normally shines on newfound talent in the supporting categories. Del Toro is a safe bet for the win.

Albert Finney — Erin Brockovich

Erin Brockovich is a wonderful movie, and Finney is excellent as Ed Masrey, Brockovich's boss. However, the movie is held up around one person, and that's Julia Roberts. Finney fades into the background at most times and will most likely fade into the annals of history as merely a nominee.

Joaquin Phoenix — Gladiator

Phoenix may be the only guy who can say he's "terribly vexed" and be taken seriously. As Emperor Commodus, Phoenix's sadist smile and villainous rage made

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Best Actor

Bardem ■ Crowe ■ Hanks ■ Harris ■ Rush ■

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Cinematography

'Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon' ■
'Gladiator' ■
'Maléna' ■
'O, Brother, Where Art Thou' ■
'The Patriot' ■

Best Animated Short Film

'Father and Daughter' ■
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'Rejected' ■

Best Picture

'Gladiator' ■

'Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon' ■

'Erin Brockovich' ■

'Traffic' ■

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So, there's nothing to do in Midland?

Friday, March 9

The Bar: today & Sat.: (9 p.m.): Liquid Gypsies, $3 cover Fri. & Sat. 606 W. Missouri Ave. Call: 685-1757.

Blakemore Planetarium: today: Sky Show: Journey to Centaurus, 8 p.m., Museum of the Southwest Complex, 1705 W. Missouri. Call: 683-2882. Admission $3 adults, children 12 & under $2. Children 12 & under welcome with an adult.

Doc's Bar: today & Sat.: Check Point. 4519 N. Garfield, 620-8130.

Midland Community Theatre: Today & Sat.: Hello, Dolly!, 8 p.m., Davis Theatre I. Admission $14. Comedy: The Complete History of America (abridged), 8 p.m., Mabee Theatre II. Tickets $10. 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Performance: Award winning troupe from "There Should Be Roses," 8 p.m., Yucca Theatre.

The New Sans Souci: Today & Sat.: Vance Laine. No cover. Tues. & Wed.: Karaoke with She & I, 9 p.m.-2 a.m. Call: 683-6944.

The Ranch: today & Sat.: Live entertainment, 4400 N. Big Spring. 682-5911.

Riley's Bar & Grill: today & Sat.: Delbert Snook & The Boogie Man, 9:30-1:30 p.m. 3421 W. Wall. Call 520-0006. Call for cover.

Your Place: today: Broken Spoke Band. Sat.: Shade Country, 9-1:30 p.m., no cover. 3704 W. Wall. Call: 689-3022.

Opening: "Traffic," "15 Minutes," "Get Over It" Tall City 10.

Odessa

Globe Theatre: today & Sat.: Performance: 8 p.m., Twelfth Night, by William Shakespeare, performed by Sul Ross State Theatre Dept., Sun.: 2:30 p.m. 2308 Shakespeare Rd. Call 580-3177. Admission $10 adults, $8 seniors & students, $6 for group of 15 or more.

Graham Central Station: today: Country Vocalist Competition, Short Skirt Contest, plus Star of Tomorrow, and the Lakers Cheerleaders. Sat.: Beat the Clock, adults free before 9 p.m., Sun.: Teen night, your favorite celebrity night. Wed.: Tight fittin Jeans competition, $200 cash prize, Ladies night.: Thurs.: Open mic karaoke night, 21 & plus free, 18 to 20 $5 cover. 4240 Preston Smith Rd. Call: 552-0552.

Incredibles: today & Sat.: Voodoo Poet, $5 cover, 9:30 p.m., Wed.: Back to Back (Charlie & Barbara). Thurs.: Karaoke with Bennie & Dendy. 600 N. Grandview Ave. Call: (915) 332-1812.

Kay Kay's Blues Club: today: Live entertainment, 9:30 p.m. 2117 E. 8th St. Call: (915) 333-3133.

Permian Playhouse: today & Sat.: Adult Comedy: Gargoyles & Scarecrow Sins, 8 p.m., 310 W. 42nd St., 550-5456. Tickets $12 adults, $10 seniors & students.

Sunday, March 11

Music City Mall: Sun.: Ricky Boen & Texas Mud, 2 p.m. & 3 p.m. They feature a variety of authentic cowboy songs, western swing, Texas old time fiddle tunes and comedy. Free.

Monday, March 12

Chelsea Street Pub: Mon.: Karaoke with Reed Boyd, 9 p.m., Tues. - Sat.: Karaoke performed by Edgar, Music City Mall. Call: (915) 368-0949. No cover. Outside entrance after mall hours.

Midland Festival Ballet: Mon.: Spring Break Ballet Camp: ages 4-12, Studio One, 1024 Andrews Hwy. Tuition $45 ea. session. 685-6018.

Tuesday, March 13

45 Plus Dance Club: Tues.: country western band, Midland Downtown Lions Center, non-smoking/non-alcoholic. 7:30-10 p.m. Members: $4 Guests: $5. Guests welcome without member. Call: 699-5202 or 694-1869.

Odessa

The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin: Tues.: Video: part of the Brown Bag Art Education series, 12-1 p.m., 4909 E. University. 550-3811. Free.

Wednesday, March 14

Seniors Over 50 Dance Group: Wed.: 8-10:30 p.m., American Legion Hall, 501 Air Park Road. Country western. Professional bands. Admission: $4. Call: 682-5511, 694-3236, 687-1633.

First Presbyterian Church: Wed.: Recital: 2001 Lenten Luncheon Recital series, Lone Star Brass, noon, 800 W. Texas 684-7821.Free. Lunch available for purchase one-half hour before & after performance.

Thursday, March 15

ArtWalk Midland: Thurs.: Monthly Event: Themed "Celebrating Spring," 6-9 p.m., downtown Midland, 697-0701. Free.

Safe Place of the Permian Basin: Thurs.: Benefit: 6th annual style show & luncheon, benefiting battered women & their children, 11:15 a.m., Midland Country Club, 522-7202.

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PREDICT: Who should win, who will win — 2 different stories

(From 1B)

the normal "villain" more than a one-dimensional character. I expect Phoenix to appear on that stage come March 25th, and maybe the villain will win for once.

Should Win: Phoenix
Will Win: Del Toro

Best Supporting Actress:

Judi Dench — Chocolat

Judi Dench won this award in 1998 for "Shakespeare in Love," but her performance is far less praised in "Chocolat." This leads me to believe she won't make too much of a fuss for the award. The been-there-done-that syndrome will most likely hit Dench as well.

Marcia Gay Harden — Pollock

As Krasner, the wife of painter Jackson Pollock, Harden showcases a near-perfect "neu yawkah" accent to compliment a character she fits incredibly well. Pollock has been less than admirably received by several critics, however, and its lack of exposure will ultimately paint Harden's loss as well.

Julie Walters — Billy Elliot

Speaking of movies I wish would come to Midland, Billy Elliot is one of the year's big surprises, and I've heard well of Julie Walters' performance. The only person keeping Walters down is her costar Jamie Bell, the titular Elliot. Billy Elliot and Jamie Bell are always mentioned in the same breath, and Walters doesn't really have the buzz-power going into the big night. Sorry, Julie.

Kate Hudson — Almost Famous

Hudson already has won the Golden Globe for her portrayal of groupie Penny Lane, despite her costar Frances McDormand in nomination as well. She surprised many because normally the votes are split between costars. If this trend holds up, expect Hudson to pull out the victory.

Frances McDormand — Almost Famous

Same story as Hudson's, but McDormand gets the losing end as the mother of Patrick Fugit, the film's star. The former Oscar winner (Fargo) will have to settle for second best, because Almost won't be good enough to beat Hudson.

Should Win: Zhang Ziyi- Crouching Tiger, "Hidden Dragon" (not nominated, but I digress)
Will Win: Hudson

Best Actor:

Javier Bardem — Before Night Falls

Ed Harris- Pollock

Geoffrey Rush- Quills

Why did I put the Oscar winning Rush (Shine), the now thrice nominated Harris (Apollo 13, The Truman Show) and the acclaimed new Spanish sensation Bardem together? Because none of them stand a snowball's chance in you know where. All three movies were reviewed fairly well, but the lack of American exposure for any of their performances will knock them before the feet of the gladiatior and the castaway, bringing us to...

Tom Hanks — Cast Away

Won for "Philadelphia," won for "Forrest Gump," nominated for "Apollo 13" and "Saving Private Ryan" (which he should have won), and now Hollywood's golden boy is trying a feat that no actor has yet accomplished, making that third win as best actor. As Chuck Noland, Hanks once again brings the everyman persona to his performance and draws the audience along for the ride. The only storm he may encounter is that the Academy doesn't often go for a repeat visit. Despite that, Hanks deserves to cast himself onto the podium.

Russell Crowe — Gladiator

Crowe makes a repeat appearance after last year's nomination for "The Insider" and his chances look very bright this year. Even though he's a bloodthirsty savage looking only for vengeance, he does it with so much heart that you can't help but root for him every step of the way. More than the ordinary action hero, "Gladiator" has made Crowe a bona-fide superstar, Oscar or not.

Should Win: Hanks
Will Win: Crowe

Best Actress:

Joan Allen — The Contender
Juliette Binoche — Chocolat
Ellen Burstyn — Requiem For A Dream
Laura Linney — You Can Count on Me

Joan Allen will suffer from the poor reception of "The Contender"; Binoche has almost no real buzz leading into the award; nobody saw "Requiem," so Burstyn will go home empty handed; and "You Can Count On Me" will make a bigger splash in the screenwriting category than for its acting. Therefore, only one real contender is left, none other than...

Julia Roberts — Erin Brockovich

Nominated for "Steel Magnolias" and "Pretty Woman," America's sweetheart has always gone home with no trophy, but this year is different. Forget the fact that Brockovich's early release could yield some forgetfulness from the Academy because her performance even prompted the real thing to say, "You got it so right...everything you did." Roberts will win, and the third time will, in fact, be Julia's charm.

Should and Will Win: Roberts

Best Director:

Steven Soderbergh — Traffic/ Erin Brockovich

Any guy who directs two Best Picture quality movies in one year deserves the win, but sadly, these votes will cancel each other out. It's a shame he made both movies so equally excellent (sarcasm), but that's the way the ball bounces.

Stephen Daldry — Billy Elliot

Never before has a director won without the picture being nominated, don't expect this trend to change.

Ridley Scott — Gladiator

Scott's unparalleled ability to flawlessly mix amazing character development with a crowd pleasing popcorn-movie bring him into a world of his own. He recreates the world of the Roman empire with ease, and I'd say he has a very good shot to pick up his first award.

Ang Lee — Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon

Having already won the Golden Globe, winning many awards from other critics, and his movie paving through the States all spell good news for Lee. Nobody ever has made a movie quite like "Dragon" and not many movies are as good. He could very well fly to the podium and become the first winning director for a foreign-language film.

Should Win: Soderbergh
Will Win: Lee

Best Picture:

Chocolat

Ten Mirimax films have been nominated in the last ten years, but a nomination will have to be good enough for "Chocolat." Its lack of appeal and lack of a directing nod for Lasse Halstrom will do away with this film.

Erin Brockovich and Traffic

Both of these movies have the same director, both of these movies are excellently made, but both will lose. "Traffic" ends up in the same dilemma as "The Insider" last year, being that the current-events film usually grows tiresome with the voters as they attempt to go through all of the nominees. "Brockovich" has the same problem, because biopics usually don't make a huge competitor either, no offense to either movie, but this race comes down to the clashing epics.

Gladiator and Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon

Both movies have more than action, they have love, revenge and outright epic storytelling. So how do you decide who the winner is? This will be the toughest race to pick this year (as in every year, I suppose), as "Dragon" could become the first foreign film to win. This wouldn't be a surprise considering the exponential growth of the film in the public's eye. However, "Gladiator" is the next "Braveheart" and more, a movie that universally pleased while still having energy left for some of the best acting of the year. I believe in the end, it comes down to the simple fact that not only did Crowe beat the tigers in "Gladiator" but will most likely down a dragon.

Should Win: Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon
Will Win: Gladiator

I hope I may have helped sort out this mess. Note it seems the supporting categories are more competitive than any of the others; I didn't just cover them more on purpose. When it comes down to it, only the Academy knows who wins, until the big night that is. The race is heating up however, and you never know what kind of surprises may happen. "Shakespeare in Love" beat "Saving Private Ryan," need I say more?

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Chinese Acrobats astound audience

Feats of the Chinese acrobats in Wednesday's Midland Community Concerts series were astounding.

In a two-hour performance, save for intermission, the Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats amazed the virtual full-house audience in the Midland High School Auditorium.

The beauty and grace of the contortionists could only heighten one's appreciation of the splendor of the wonders of the disciplined mind and body.

Their colorful costumes, as charming as the hues of the rainbow in its antiquity, only accentuated the acrobats' marvels of balance and timing in such wonders as the Tower of Chairs and acrobats in numbers approaching a dozen or so on a lone, circling bicycle. Acrobats became as wings on the 'cycle.

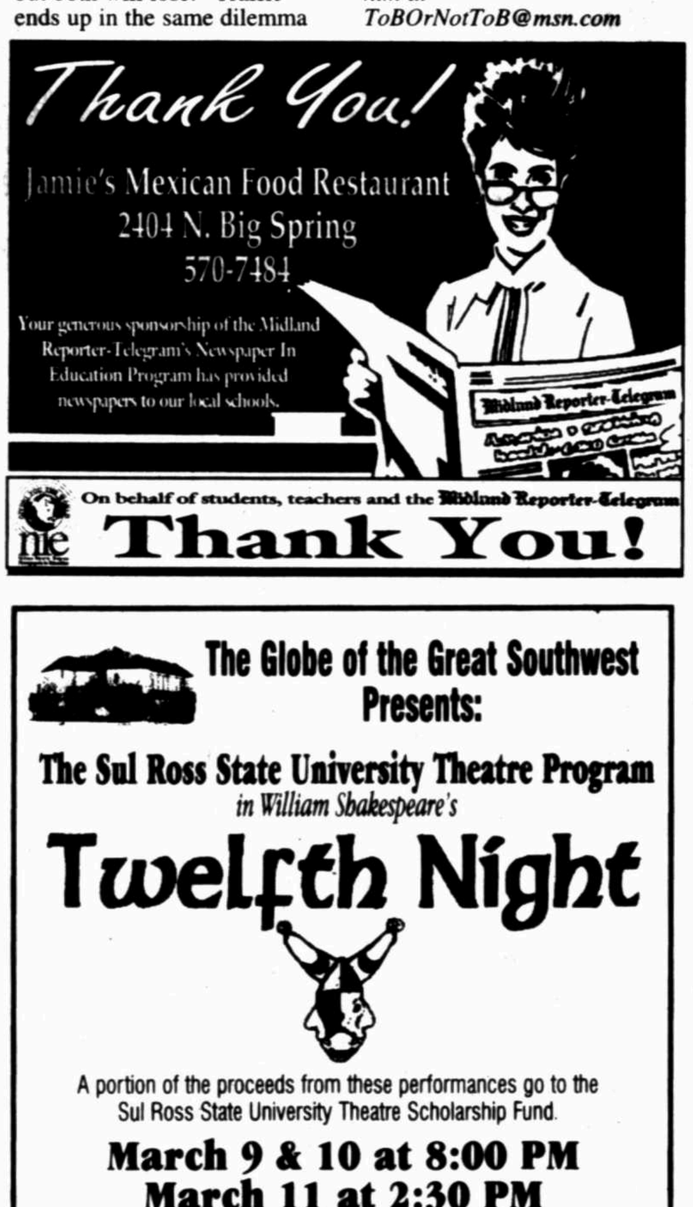
The acrobats' acts, developed throughout centuries and demonstrated in scores of countries on five continents, included grace body sculpture, hand and foot juggling, the storytelling of dancing plates, trapeze balancing, roping-dancing, spinning rings, tumbling and dancing.

The audience cheered the acrobats and offered standing applause over and over.

The acrobats were delightful and beautiful in their grace, charm, and waves and swirls of motions.

The next Midland Community Concert performance will be at 7:30 p.m. April 21, when the 1959-founded folk-singing trio, the Limeliters, will perform in the Midland High School Auditorium.

— Ed Todd



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ONE ON THE AISLE

By Pamela C. Allen

THE COMPLETE HISTORY OF AMERICA (Abridged)

What happens when you cross the Three Stooges with Mel Brooks? You get this play ..."The Complete History of America (Abridged)" by Adam Long, Reed Martin and Austin Tichenor.

Three actors whose names haven't been changed to protect the innocent give us the authors' version of United States history from 1492 to Vietnam and then some. Much of the text sounds like Second City improvisations: fast-paced, silly, with lots of fun props.

To quote the programs: "WARNING: this show is a high-speed, roller-coaster-type condensation of all of American history, and is not recommended for people with heart ailments, back problems, American history degrees, bladder problems, inner ear disorders and/or people inclined to motion sickness." You can also add people with no sense of the ridiculous.

We take a look at Amerigo Vespuci in his map making shop — "Maps Are Us," a rap that takes us from the Jamestown colony through the 13 colonies. Then the audience is taken on a quick tour of the American Revolution, writing of the Declaration of Independence, George Washington talking to his minute men (that's minute as in small).

The three actors — Beau Dameron, Mike Harrell and David Odom, quickly change from character to character with the help of hats, wigs, dresses and jackets. Moving at breakneck speed they leave us breathless. This is one play I'd like to see the script on. There were Midland references that sounded a lot like a mummers' script.

Most bits were played to the audience, as if to give us a wink, wink feeling. The whole Lewis and Clark of 1805 routine reads just like a Vaudeville act, with audience participation. For the Civil War slide show they... on second thought, see for yourself.

This play is a punster's heaven and actors like Harrell live for this type of script. Harrell was right at home. All three actors were well matched. This is the best piece of work that I have seen of Dameron. Odom was the novice in the group, at least to the Cole Theatre. He definitely held his own with the other two scene stealers.

The film noir ending contained every cliche in the book. Even though you can recite lines like that, it is fun to see actors having a good time. Good show guys!

Buy your tickets soon; it is in the small theater and seating is limited. The play runs until March 24. Call 682-4111 or 570-4111.

Opening at Permian Playhouse tonight is "Gargoyles and Scarecrow Sins" and the Globe of the Great Southwest has brought in Sul Ross with "Twelfth Night." Get out of the house, go see a show.

Pamela C. Allen, a 15-year member of the Midland Reporter-Telegram staff, has been involved in all aspects of live theater since 1963 from finding props to producing.

THE MOVIE GUYS'

Black Gold Review

By David R. Allen, MC drama instructor, and Tim Jebsen, MCT executive director

A gusher: good to excellent

Dry well: Fair to poor

Last week we looked at the nominees for the Best Supporting Actor Oscar, this week we take a look at the nominees for Best Supporting Actress: Judi Dench for "Chocolat;" Marcia Gay Harden for "Pollack;" Kate Hudson and Frances McDormand for "Almost Famous;" and Julie Walters for "Billy Elliot."

TIM: Because I only had the chance to see one of these movies, I do not think I can comment on these nominations. Therefore, I hand this week's column over to David.

DAVID: Tim, I am sorry you did not get the chance to see some of these movies. You missed a few excellent performances.

As with the supporting actor award, I was only able to see four of these performances. I missed Marcia Gay Harden's ("Space Cowboys") performance in "Pollack," but I did get to see her on Broadway once. She is a fine actress whose name you probably do not know, but may in the future.

As for the other roles, like last week, two of them, Frances McDormand ("Fargo") in "Almost Famous" and Julie Walters ("Educating Rita") in "Billy Elliot" were competent, but not of Oscar caliber. This again leaves me to choose between two excellent performances: one by Judi Dench and the other by Kate Hudson.

I must admit I am an unabashed fan of Ms. Dench. From her Oscar-winning performance as Queen Elizabeth in "Shakespeare in Love," to her wonderfully off-the-cuff work as M, James Bond's boss, and on to her delightful characterization in the British television comedy "As Time Goes By" (Saturdays at 10 p.m. on channel 13), Ms. Dench exhibits a chameleon-like ability. She breathes fresh life into a wide range of characters and styles. Her work in "Chocolat" as a gruff but loving grandmother is further proof of her abilities.

On the other hand, Kate Hudson (Goldie Hawn's daughter) is spectacular in "Almost Famous." Playing an inexperienced and worldly wise, teen-age groupie in the 1970s, Hudson was faced with one of the most difficult scenes for any actor. She had to play a bittersweet moment that requires two opposing yet equally important emotions — overwhelmingly joy and overwhelming sadness.

Ms. Hudson may be a relative newcomer to movies, but in that one moment she proved her metal by creating tears and laughter in the same moment. Now, that may seem an easy fete, but as an actor, I can tell you it is extremely difficult to achieve.

Like last week, I must choose between two wonderful performances. Last week I picked the more-experienced actor over the less-experienced one. In this case, I will go with the less-experienced actor because of that one perfect moment in a performance filled with many great moments. I will remember that tearful laughter for years to come, and, therefore, I think Kate Hudson deserves that Best Supporting Actress Oscar.

Next time we will look at the nominations for Best Actor.

Box office

Movie revenues for March 2-4. All dollar figures in millions.

Rank • Film • Weekend gross
Gross to date • Weeks in release • No. of screens

1. The Mexican	$20.1
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2. Hannibal	$10.1
$142.8 • Four weeks • 3,272 screens	
3. See Spot Run	$9.7
$9.7 • One week • 2,656 screens	
4. Down to Earth	$7.8
$43.9 • Three weeks • 2,521 screens	
5. Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon	$4.9
$88.7 • 13 weeks • 1,751 screens	
6. Traffic	$4.5
$92.3 • 10 weeks • 1,638 screens	
7. Chocolat	$4.2
$45.7 • 12 weeks • 1,857 screens	
8. Recess: School's Out	$4.0
$27.6 • Three weeks • 2,503 screens	
9. 3,000 Miles to Graceland	$3.1
$12.3 • Two weeks • 2,545 screens	
10. Sweet November	$2.3
$21.4 • Three weeks • 2,037 screens	

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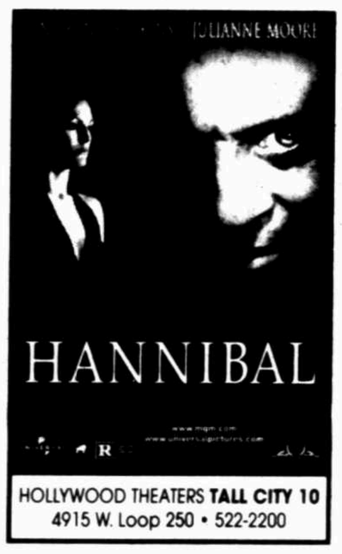

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Please be advised the Keter Betts Trio will be in Midland for the West Texas Jazz Society on March 22 at the Yucca Theater. Many do not know Keter but you will recognize his music because you have heard him for a lifetime accompanying artists like Ella for 25 years. Before-during-and after that time he worked with Dinah Washington, Benny Goodman, Charlie Byrd, Joe Williams and Louie Belson among others.

I met and had the privilege of interviewing Keter on the radio the year before last and that turned out to be one of the best and most entertaining interviews I had ever conducted. Here, this big man (as large as the bass he plays), comes into the studio about 8:15 a.m. on a Saturday. He was bright and alert especially after playing until 11 p.m. the night before. The stories he told, the music he discussed, the in-depth explanations of good jazz left me with a feeling of "where have I been" all this time. Then Saturday night I could relate more to his musical knowledge as I saw him delivering the same messages on his instrument giving me an even more in-depth appreciation to his performance.

Keter is a resident of the Washington area and performs there as well as teaching and working with the Washington Performing Arts Society's school programs. These concerts are designed to expose youngsters to jazz music and he will display this ability to teach and work with students twice in Odessa for Child's Play and also for Trinity School in Midland while he is in our area. These offerings are not unusual for musicians performing for the West Texas Jazz Society as most of them share the same idea of "at least let the youngsters have the exposure to jazz and then they can decide if they like it." This same idea is included in the mission statement of the West Texas Jazz Society and it works pretty well.

Tickets are automatic for members of the West Texas Jazz Society and general admission tickets will be available at the Yucca box office on performance night. Table reservations or ticket reservations may be made by calling 682-4124 or metro number 552-7265.

Since I last shared my notes with you several things have happened on the local scene that encourage local attendance and provided some good music. There was a jam session at Zucchi's in Odessa that was one whale of a good Sunday afternoon. It featured a local group gathered by Mark Lowe and every participant was a star in their own right. During the intermission break, pianist Larry Breeze filled the time and had, among others, percussionist Ed Adams. Longtime residents of our area may remember Ed as one of the most promising young drummers (that was 30 years ago) and he has not disappointed an audience in those 30 plus years. It surely is good to have him playing in the area again.

Now, If I may, on a personal note: As many of you are aware I retired from broadcasting the first of March. This was a health and personal determination made by me and Father Time. I'm sure many of you understand. Only after you've been in this retirement situation after 42 years can you realize the pride provided me by the deluge of cards and telephone messages I have received. Thank you, every one of you, and remember "the world has music for those who will listen." More to follow next time.

Max Howard-
a 42-year veteran of broadcasting and is now a general goof-off and so far enjoying every minute of it.

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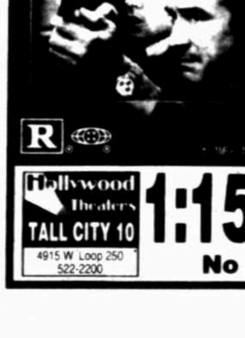
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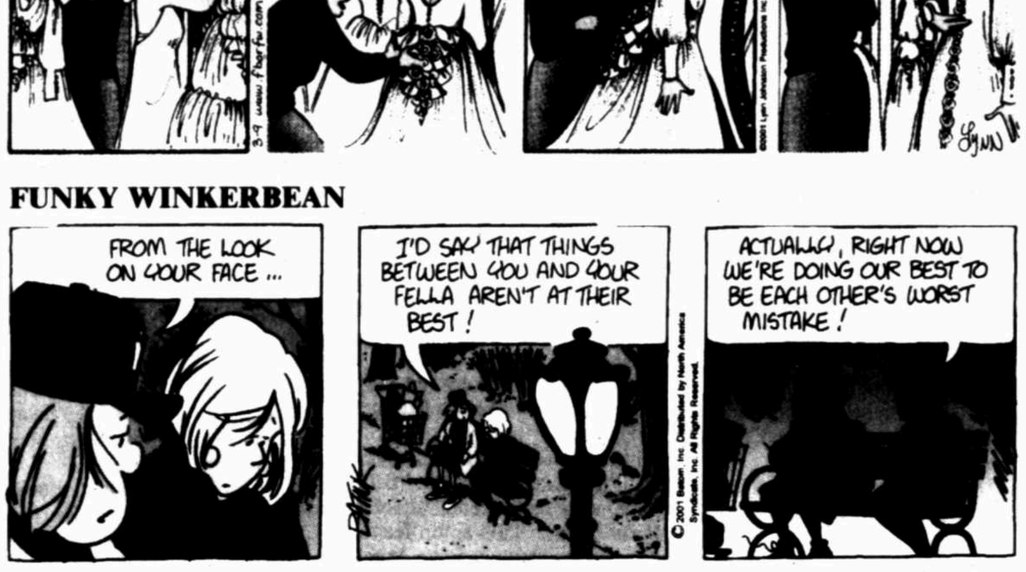

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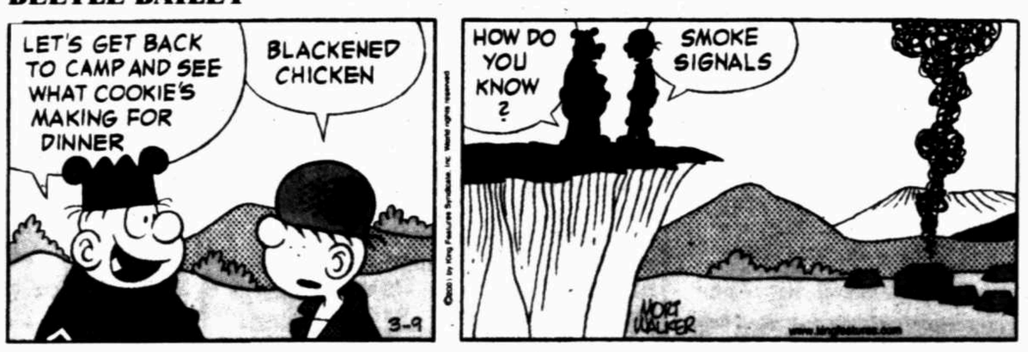

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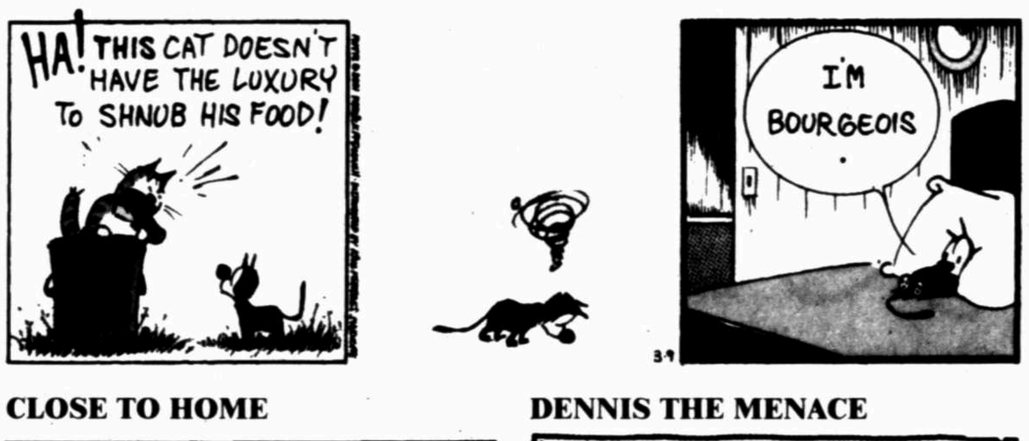

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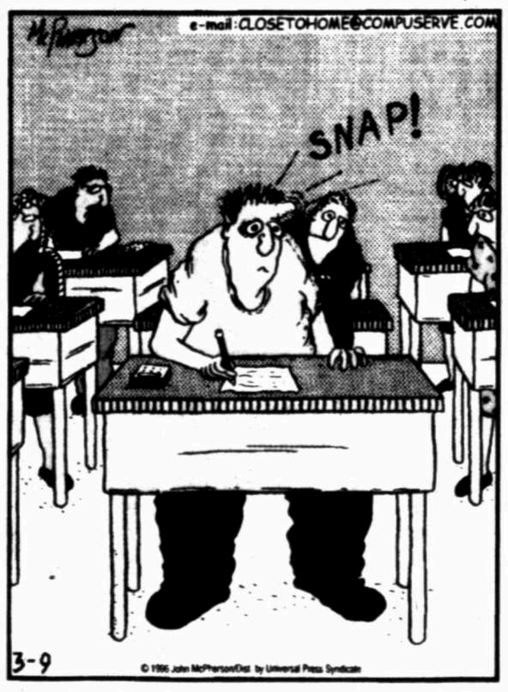

Unfortunately, Brad had neglected to stretch his brain before taking the big algebra midterm.

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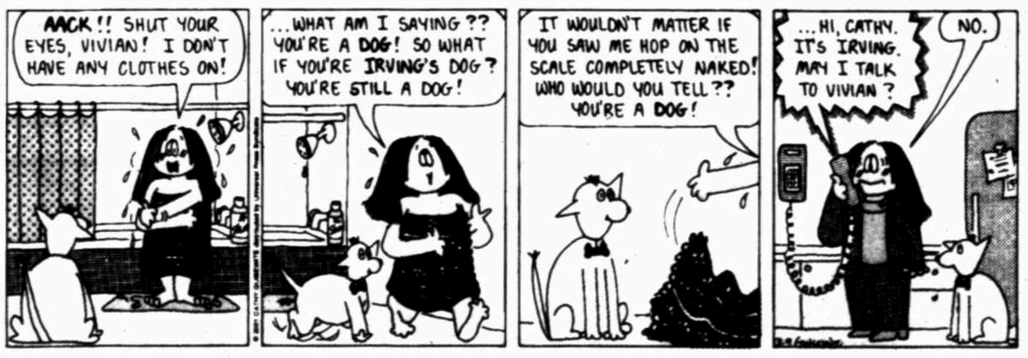

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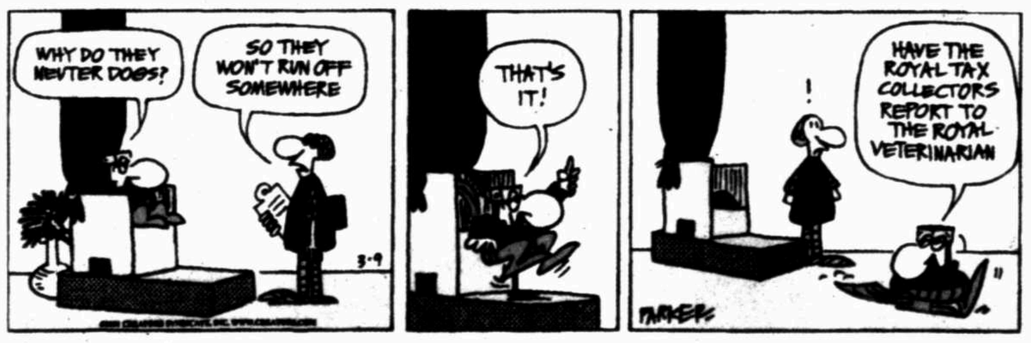

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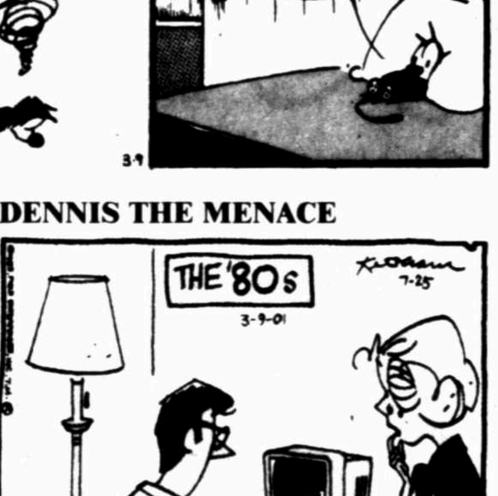

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Schwarzenegger may run for governor of California after all

LOS ANGELES — Is muscle-bound Hollywood action hero **Arnold Schwarzenegger** going to run for governor of California?

A day after saying Schwarzenegger wouldn't try next year for the office held by Democratic Gov. Gray Davis, publicist Jill Eisenstadt said Wednesday her client's mind "is not made up," and that Schwarzenegger will decide in the next couple of months.

On Tuesday, Eisenstadt said the "timing's not right" for the action star, explaining that Schwarzenegger had family and film obligations preventing him from running for public office next year.

The star of the "Terminator" films and "Predator," among others, whet the appetites of fellow Republicans dreaming of an actor-to-governor sequel when he told a Los Angeles Times columnist a month ago that the governor's job was appealing.

After all, Republican Ronald Reagan had gone from Hollywood to Sacramento to the White House.

"I've thought about it many times because I love politics," Schwarzenegger said then. "I get such great satisfaction out of helping people."

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NEW YORK — Burglars stole $360,000 worth of jewels and other valuables from the Manhattan townhouse belonging to the daughter of actor **Dennis Hopper**.

Marin Hopper, a fashion consultant, and her husband, John Antonopoulos, were out of town when the burglary occurred sometime between last Friday and Tuesday, police said. The investigation continued Thursday.

Antonopoulos, 56, discovered the theft Tuesday night after he returned from Europe. Hopper, 38, had gone on to Los Angeles from Europe.

"These very valuable things that are important to my family — heirlooms — have been stolen and violated, in such a manner that it's devastating," Antonopoulos told the Daily News.

Police said the townhouse door was open when Antonopoulos arrived home. Antonopoulos speculated that the heist "had to be an inside job," but did not elaborate.

Hopper is the former fashion director for Elle magazine. Her mother is author Brooke Hayward. Her father, Dennis Hopper, has appeared in dozens of films, including "Apocalypse Now" and "Easy Rider."

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LOS ANGELES — It's a boy for "The Practice" actress **Camryn Manheim**.

Milo Jacob weighed 9 pounds, 2 ounces when he was delivered at 4 p.m. Tuesday during a natural childbirth at an undisclosed Los Angeles area hospital, publicist Carri McClure said.

"Mother and son are resting comfortably," McClure said.

It was the first child for the Emmy-winning Manheim, who turned 40 on Thursday. The unmarried actress has never identified the father.

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LOS ANGELES — The 1995 Jeep Wrangler Sahara that **John F. Kennedy Jr.** drove to a New Jersey airport hours before his plane's fatal crash is being sold online by eBay Motors.

Bidding began Thursday and continues through March 18. The Jeep is listed by the Kruse International collector car auction firm on behalf of the seller, who wants to remain anonymous.

Kennedy bought the tan-and-green Jeep in 1998 from a used car dealership in Westwood, N.J., and eBay purchase includes a copy of the title bearing Kennedy's name and Manhattan address and a photograph of him in the driver's seat.

Kennedy died in 1999 at age 38 when his single-engine Piper Saratoga went down off the coast of Martha's Vineyard. His wife, Carolyn Bessette Kennedy, and her sister, Lauren Bessette, also died in the crash.

The Jeep was parked at a Fairfield, N.J., airport. Its current owner bought the vehicle from Kennedy's estate last year. The 6-cylinder Jeep has 35,884 original miles and has a 5-speed manual transmission.

In December, a 1974 BMW Bavaria once owned by Kennedy's mother, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, sold on eBay Motors for $57,100 after receiving 67 bids.

On The Net: http://www.ebaymotors.com

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HILO, Hawaii — A judge has dismissed a marijuana possession charge against singer **Whitney Houston**, leaving her with a clean record in Hawaii, prosecutors said.

District Judge Joseph Florendo Jr. dismissed the petty misdemeanor marijuana possession charge Monday after a substance abuse assessment was filed on her behalf, said Deputy Prosecutor Melvin Fujino.

The assessment, submitted on Feb. 22 by Michael Burke, a certified substance abuse counselor in Highland Park, N. J., stated Houston doesn't require treatment for substance abuse.

Houston's bag was seized at the Keahole-Kona Airport on Jan. 11, 2000. Fujino and Houston's attorneys stipulated in court in November that the bag contained less than half an ounce of marijuana.

The 37-year-old singer, who was not arrested, allegedly abandoned the bag and boarded a United Airlines flight for San Francisco with her husband, singer Bobby Brown, before police arrived.

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Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

TV TONIGHT

FRIDAY EVENING — MARCH 9, 2001

For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

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(3) KMID	2	3	2	News 625	Wheel of Fortune 977	Two Guys-Girl 1921	Norm (N) 489	Who Wants to Be a Millionaire 'G' 6441		20/20 (N) 3977		News 1688286	Nightline (N) 99640151	Politically 26073335	(:38) Cheers 5818151
(5) KPEJ	24	5	3	Cosby 99286	Spin City 80538	NAACP Image Awards (N) 83460				Arrest & Trial 90002	Nanny 16847	Jerry Springer '14' 67813		Blind Date 43737	Suddenly 52002
(7) KOSA	7	7	7	News 7712	Ent. Tonight 8064	Billy Graham 38118		Fugitive "Miles to Go" 'PG' 14538		Nash Bridges "The Partner" (N) 'PG' 27002		News 4258915	(:35) Late Show 'PG' 74061809		Late Late 3712083
(9) KWES	9	9	9	News 7118	Seinfeld 1170	Providence "The Good Doctor" 'PG' 41606		Dateline 50354		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit 70118		News 5405828	(:35) Tonight Show '14' 99186034		Late Night '14' 7918335
(12) KMLM	42	12	19	News 43644	John Hagee 34996	Light of the Southwest (Live) 52538				Hour of Healing 11660		News 55286	Life in the Word 31606	Promise 57335	Church 14880
(13) KOCV	36	13		Newshour With Jim Lehrer 614441		Wash. Week 921083	Wall St. 646880	Legends of New Orleans-Allen Toussaint 181538		Red Green, Big Screen 'G' 194002		Business Rpt. 987809	Telecourse 996557	(Off Air)	
(10) WGN		10		Fresh Pr. 125828	Suddenly 109880	Who Framed Roger Rabbit (PG, '88) ★★★★ Bob Hoskins, Christopher Lloyd. 534712				News 637248		MacGyver "Cease Fire" 630335		Matlock "The Prisoner" 530996	
(11) WTBS		11	11	Fresh Pr. 903712	Fresh Pr. 4711489	Star Wars (:05) (PG, '77) ★★★★ Mark Hamill, Carrie Fisher, Harrison Ford. The "special edition" of George Lucas' space opera. (TVPG) 66021441						Jaws (:05) (PG, '75) ★★★★ Roy Scheider, Robert Shaw, Richard Dreyfuss. 31925335			
(18) UNI		42	13	Carita de Angel 84286		Abrázame Muy Fuerte 89422		Mi Destino Eres Tú 98170		Estamos Unid. 58064	Lente Loco 'PG' 89731	Primer Impacto 51460	Noticiero Univ. 37880	Noche de Bienvenidos 'PG' 54996	
(20) DISC		20	26	Giants: Sharks 'G' 243977		Bodybuilders (N) 'G' 710064		Motorcycle Mania 'PG' 729712		Casino Diaries 795426	Midnight 248422	Justice Files "What's Ailing Medicine?" 719335		Bodybuilders 'G' 792828	
(21) AMC		21	31	Hollywood Lives 623199		Gunfight at the O.K. Corral ('57) ★★★ 1246828				Cinema		The Ghost of Frankenstein 95260731		Ride 'em Cowboy 326460	
(22) TNN		22	35	Miami Vice 458793		Martial Law 932170		Bull Riding 958118		Monster Jam 'G' 938354		Wheels-Justice 931441		Miami Vice 907644	
(23) TNT		23	28	Pretender 474731		As Good as It Gets (PG-13, '97) ★★★ Jack Nicholson, Helen Hunt. 885170						As Good as It Gets (PG-13, '97) ★★★ 524557			
(24) CNN		28	22	Moneyline	Crossfire (N)	Wolf Blitzer	The Point	Larry King Live 372828		Tonight	Spin Room	Sports	Moneyline	Larry King Live 321354	
(26) BET		26	33	106 & Park	BET.com	Ray Alexander: A Taste for Justice ★★ 194118				Comicview 280354		BET News	BET Tonight	Midnight Love 183002	
(27) DISN		27	41	The Luck of the Irish ('01) Ryan Merriman. Premiere. 4367199			Zenon: The Zequel (:35) ('01) ★★½ Kirsten Storms. 89510489			Lizzie 9073847	MusicVids 88069199	Lizzie 369335	Even Stevens 378083	Zorro 910083	Mickey 818286
(28) ESPN2		63		College Basketball: ACC Quarterfinal 3455267				TBA 3456996		College Basketball: Big Ten Quarterfinal 3459083				NBA 2Night	NHL 2Night
(29) ESPN		29	30	College Basketball Big East Tournament Semifinal -- Teams to Be Announced. (Live) 188441				College Basketball Big East Tournament Semifinal -- Teams to Be Announced From Madison Square Garden in New York. 265151					Sportsctr. 901489	College Basketball: Mountain West Semi. 500335	
(30) USA		30	38	JAG "Clipped Wings" 'G' 814489		Nash Bridges "Crossfire" '14' 358248		The Gingerbread Man (R, '98) ★★ Kenneth Branagh. A lawyer's one-night stand has unforseen consequences. 535557					Farmclub.com (N) 501199		Snow White 868460
(31) FX		31		NYPD Blue 1521489		M*A*S*H	USS Iowa	Predator (R, '87) ★★½ Carl Weathers 2583199				X Show '14'	In Color	X-Files 5548880	
(32) A&E		32	25	Law & Order "Vengeance" 261373		Biography "The Gambinos: First Family of Crime" 'PG' 781712				Poirot "Triangle at Rhodes" 'G' 734644		Law & Order "The Troubles" 737731		Biography: Gambinos: Crime 142335	
(33) TLC		33	21	Egypt's Lost City 'G' 483489		Police, Camera, Action! 934538		Secrets of the Stoneage: Wisdom 943286		Secrets of the Stoneage: Frozen in Time 923422		Police, Camera, Action! 933809		Secrets of the Stoneage: Wisdom 992712	
(34) NICK		34	37	Hey Arnold! 'Y' 202460	Rugrats 'Y' 293712	Rugrats 'Y' 574199	Spongebob Sq. Pants 299996	Thornberrys 583847	Rocket 562354	Sqre Pegs 595408	Sqre Pegs 246064	Sqre Pegs 530915	Sqre Pegs 516335	Sqre Pegs 545903	Sqre Pegs 397688
(36) LIFE		36	40	Intimate Portrait "Melissa Gilbert" 'G' 427977		Unsolved Mysteries 646426		A Match Made in Heaven ('97) Olympia Dukakis, John Stamos, Della Reese. (TVPG) 741070				Division 220257		Any Day Now 976828	
(39) OUTDR		39		Hunting 7838064	Sportsman 7852644	Outdoor 1089712	Bill Dance 7858828	Hunting 1096460	Sportsman 1084267	Sports. Jrnl. 3826847	Sportfishing 2262847	Outdoor 5605354	Bill Dance 5614002	Hunting 3898064	Sportsman 1328480
(43) FSN		43	29	Totally NASCAR	Last Word (N) 59644	SW Sports 23731	NBA Basketball Golden State Warriors at Dallas Mavericks. From Reunion Arena in Dallas. (Subject to Blackout) (Live) 941183					National Sports Report 73809		Sports Report 48625	Last Word 83083
(44) COM		44		Daily Show 9075460	Ben Stein 9066712	Presents 2677593	Presents 9062996	Presents 6372101	Presents 7627098	Love Potion No. 9 (PG-13, '92) ★★ Tate Donovan, Sandra Bullock, Dale Midkiff. (TVPG) 3466373				Premium 2625489	Presents 5227793
(45) CNBC	8	27		Business	Market	National Geographic Explorer (N) 1923286				Brian Williams 7288129		National Geographic Explorer 1087052			
(46) ANIM		46		Croc Files	Animals	Countdown	Countdown	Crufts Dog Show 54712		Wild-Set	Twisted	Countdown	Countdown	Crufts Dog Show 31408	
(47) E!		47		Homes	Talk Soup	Scandals	Scandals	True Hollywood Story 820996				Howard S.	Howard S.	Wild On 882996	
(48) TVL		48	24	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	BarneyM	Hogan	M.T. Moore	Van Dyke	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Charlie's Angels 5485915		Chico	Honeymnr
(49) ODY		49		Rescue 911	America!	Medicine Woman 930712		Tidal Wave: No Escape ★½ (TVPG) 927248				Rescue 911	America!	Young Riders 905286	
(50) HGTV		50	42	Old House	BeforAftr	Appraise It!	Appraisal	Kitchen	Homes	Open House	Dream	Appraise It!	Appraisal	Kitchen	Homes
(51) MSNBC		51		Banfield & Holt 1512731		Investigates 2541977		Brian Williams 2550625		Investigates 2570489		Weekend Mag. 2540248		Brian Williams 5546422	
(52) TELE		52		Estrellita 213967		Betty la Fea 639606		Por Qué Diablos 648354		Terra Nostra 668118		Noticiero	Laura en América 758625		Xica 762098
(54) FAM		14	6	Two-Kind	Boss?	A Fish Called Wanda (R, '88) ★★★ 967170				Freaks-Geeks 846624		700 Club 696101		Boss	Boss?
(59) FOOD		59		Cooking Live		Emeril Live		Wolfgang	Best Of	Iron Chef		Emeril Live		Wolfgang	Best Of
(60) TOON		60		Cartoon	Bravo	Dexter	Powerpuff	Powerpuff	Ed, Edd	Courage	Weasel	ToonHeads	Clampett	Dragon-Z	Outlaw Star
(61) TCM		61		Auntie Mame 1620606		Hud ('63) ★★★★ Paul Newman. 2856267				The Miracle Worker ('62) ★★★½ 1175977				Moonstruck PG, 5773557	
(62) HIST		62	32	History	History IQ	Most 'G' 5488002		This Week-Hist 5464422		Haunted History 5484286		Amazon Women 5487373		Most 'G' 8295977	
(63) BRAV		24		Weird Weekends 518539		Polish Wedding ('98) ★★½ Lena Olin. 547286				Smack Pony	Cold Feet 'PG' 572373		Polish Wedding ★★½ 481441		
(64) SCIFI		64	39	Babylon 5-In 2035373		Black Scorpion 1147460		Farscape 1123880		Jules Verne 1143644		Black Scorpion 1146731		Farscape 8534977	
(53) PLEX				Mike Hammer: Private Eye 1357642		The Sixth Sense (PG-13, '99) ★★★ Bruce Willis, Toni Collette, Olivia Williams. 1918354				Mystery Man ('99) ★★½ Hank Azaria. Substitute superheroes battle a nefarious criminal. 76726248				EDtv (:05) (PG-13, '99) ★★½ 78105422	
(65) FLIX		65		F for Fake (5:30) (PG, '73) ★★★ 4666880		The Sterile Cuckoo (PG, '69) ★★★ Liza Minnelli, Wendell Burton, Tim McIntire. 8202267				Reversal of Fortune (R, '90) ★★★ Glenn Close, Jeremy Irons, Ron Silver. 5470083				Throw Momma From the Train ★★★ 3555462	
(66) SHOW		66	20	Things Change (5:05) ★★★½ 85915422		The Talented Mr. Ripley ('99) ★★★½ Matt Damon. A young man murders then impersonates a wealthy playboy. 807286					Stargate 6856441	(:15) Stargate SG-1 76977644		Red Shoe 639625	Women 696170
(67) TMC		67	16	The Hi-Lo Country (R, '98) ★★½ Woody Harrelson, Billy Crudup, Patricia Arquette. 290731				Stigmata (R, '99) ★½ Patricia Arquette, Gabriel Byrne. 3086354			Risky Business (:45) (R, '83) ★★★ Tom Cruise, Rebecca De Mornay. 53832688			Outsiders 61332977	
(68) HBO		68	15	Crazy in Alabama (5:00) ('99) ★½ 974335		Three Kings (R, '99) ★★★½ George Clooney, Mark Wahlberg, Ice Cube. 141170				Judgment Day (R, '99) ★★½ Ice-T, Suzy Amis. 442151			Dennis M. 903847	House on Haunted Hill ('99) ★½ 9670712	
(69) HBOP		69		Dreaming of Joseph Lees (5:30) ★★ 8027996.		Sopranos Agent Harris develops a plan to wiretap everyone in the Soprano home. 6105809				The Dentist II (R, '98) ★★ Corbin Bernsen. 9327002			Man With a Gun (:45) (R, '95) ★★ Michael Madsen. 17281538		
(70) HBOS		70		The Remains of the Day (5:45) (PG, '93) ★★★ Anthony Hopkins. 83930354				Sex & City 2285511	Sex & City 3530408	The Three Faces of Eve ('57) ★★★½ Joanne Woodward. 8745083			Eyes Wide Shut (R, '99) ★★★ Tom Cruise. 36922147		
(71) MAX		71		Stuart Little 1834373	True Crime (:45) (R, '99) ★★★ Clint Eastwood. A reporter tries to save an innocent man from execution. 95972373					Pale Rider (R, '85) ★★★ Clint Eastwood, Michael Moriarty, Carrie Snodgress. 896129				Passion 336151	Sinful 8251170
(72) MAX2		72		FIX (4:40) 71207977	Run (R, '91) ★½ Patrick Dempsey, Kelly Preston. 2392335			Friday the 13th, Part VI: Jason Lives ('86) ★ Thom Mathews. 2300354			Friday the 13th Part VII -- The New Blood (R, '88) ★½ 6822373			T.N.T. ('98) ★½ Olivier Gruner. 4436118	

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, March 9, 2001:

Make the most of challenges. Use hurdles to strengthen your character and look at your life. Decide what is or isn't valid in your life, and be willing to change what no longer works. You will often be juggling many interests. With others, you might wonder how much to give or when to pull back. Keep communication open and active. If you are single, work on shaping your life into what you want it to be. In about a year, you will be in a major relationship. If you are attached, work with your significant other. Share more of what you are thinking. VIRGO challenges you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Your steady hands on the helm make a big difference. You can absorb new information and accept unpredictability far more easily than many. Your energy fluctuates dramatically. Don't be a hare; be the tortoise — and win. Understand financial ramifications. Tonight: Take it easy.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You might feel pulled in two directions. Review recent decisions that involve a long-term goal. A meeting or a friend could be putting pressure on you. Hold your own. You know what you want — don't allow others to sway you. Tonight: Grab a loved one and celebrate the weekend.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Listen to the drumbeat. Figure out what is ultimately important to you. Pressure builds, quickly forcing you in a new direction. A partner takes a strong action that causes you to pause. Don't hold back. Explain what is on your mind. Tonight: Plan on a cozy night at home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Juggle work and calls. Clear your desk. You could be overwhelmed by news that heads your way. You are subject to mood swings. A friendship becomes important. Don't worry so much about what is going on. Let everything happen naturally. Tonight: Join the gang.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Mind your p's and q's with a loved friend or partner. Instability punctuates others' moods. Take your time with a boss or someone who might be an authority figure. A creative project could experience a jolt. Consider it a jump-start rather than a problem. Tonight: Your treat.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You might feel as if you have had enough. Take your time with others. Resist letting a personal issue or domestic matter interfere with your whole day. Remember, it is mind over matter. Carefully consider another's feelings. Imagine how this person feels. Tonight: Go along with a suggestion.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★ Slow down. Someone proves to be far more difficult than you thought possible. Realize what is going on in your dealings with another. This person might really have had enough. You might find it hard to make peace. Tonight: Have an important discussion.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Aim for more of what you want. Expenses get out of whack early on. Be careful when expressing your thoughts to a child or loved one. Others are reactive, and your words might not be clear. Sensitivity pays off with a partner or friend. Tonight: With your friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ Stay in the limelight and deal with whatever gets tossed into your path. You might not be comfortable with all that is happening. Express your sunny side with a family member who feels pressured. You accomplish a lot if you stay focused and direct. Tonight: You're a force to be dealt with.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Take an overview. A lot might be happening quickly. Maintaining a sense of humor will help you deal with the many calls and requests. You could be overwhelmed, but understand just how much you are needed. Keep a high profile. Tonight: Go where the music is.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ The emphasis is on a relationship. You might need to dissect what is going on. Clearly, your expectations weren't realistic, at least with this person. Share the depth of your feelings. Another needs to know where you are coming from. Tonight: Take your time when making a decision.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Defer to another and listen to his problems. You could also be stressed out. Take your time to think and evaluate before making grand statements. Keep talking, but you might want to close someone off. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

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BORN TODAY

Chess player Bobby Fischer (1943), railroad builder Leland Stanford (1824), astronaut Yuri Gagarin (1938)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Do or Die

Both vulnerable. North deals.

NORTH
♠ 2
♡ 7 4 3
◇ A K 8 4
♣ A K Q 9 5

WEST
♠ 10 8 4 3
♡ K Q 6
◇ 9 7 6 3
♣ J 2

EAST
♠ 5
♡ A 9 8 2
◇ Q J 10
♣ 10 8 7 6 3

SOUTH
♠ A K Q J 9 7 6
♡ J 10 5
◇ 5 2
♣ 4

The bidding:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2◇	Pass	4♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: King of ♡

Trust your eyes. If you can see that nothing else will help, forget all you have been taught and go for broke.

North's reverse bid showed at least 16 points. With a solid suit, South felt obliged to alert partner to this feature by jumping to game in case North had a better hand and could make a move toward slam.

The defense got off to a quick start, taking the first three tricks. West led the king of hearts, East encouraging enthusiastically with the nine. After winning the second trick with the queen, West continued with the six of hearts to the ace. Remembering the old adage against yielding a ruff-sluff, East shifted to the queen of diamonds, and declarer quickly wrapped up the rest of the tricks.

East defended by rote, not reason. One look at dummy should have been enough to convince anyone that there were no tricks available to the defenders in the minor suits, so persisting with hearts could neither harm the defense nor do declarer any good. What it might achieve, though, is to fatally weaken declarer's trump holding, a live possibility in view of East's singleton spade.

Leading the 13th heart would have forced declarer to bow the knee. Should declarer trump with the nine or lower, West overtrumps; and ruffing with a spade honor promotes West's 10 to the setting trick.

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS
1 First-timer
9 Find innocent
15 "Betsy's Wedding" director
16 Salon preparation
17 Levy on Tom?
18 Cue
19 Quilt filler
20 Sephia auto maker
22 Court orders
23 Comedian Allen
25 Revelry
27 B.C. clock setting
30 Nuke
32 Breakfast choice
36 Piggyback
38 Welsh breed
40 Barney's boss
41 Second opening?
42 Strange
43 Fix up
44 "You Don't Bring Me Flowers," e.g.
45 Star in Cygnus
46 Comics superteam
47 Name meaning "father of many"
49 Blubber
51 Mos. and mos.
52 Swollen
54 "I __ robbed!"
56 Eschews a 44 Across
59 Op. __: footnote abbr.
61 Legend
65 Bank withdrawals?
67 Exchange breakfast delicacies?
69 Yearly record
70 Circus instrument
71 Frauds
72 Gags

DOWN
1 Suitor's quest
2 K-12, in the ed biz
3 Data transfer speed unit
4 Not fulfilled, as expectations
5 NW Iranian city
6 PC key
7 State containing the geog. center of this continent
8 Curb waiters
9 Band piece
10 Middle manager?
11 Say, "Room service? Send up a larger room," e.g.?
12 Govt. school on the Hudson
13 '60s Cosby/Culp series
14 Eastern holidays
21 Orbital points
24 Paving material
26 It always appears opposite the sun
27 Bamboo eater
28 Memorable baseballer Rusty
29 Office solution
31 Controversial argument
33 The other side
34 European viper
35 City on the Rhone
37 Instrument made in Idaho?
39 __ Tin Tin
48 Disco ballroom dance
50 Confuse
53 Spinners
55 Substituted
56 Exile of 1979
57 Fine dining prefix
58 Italian director Wertmüller
60 Bangkok native
62 Coalition
63 Go easy?
64 Some court opponents
66 Draft initials
68 Adverse

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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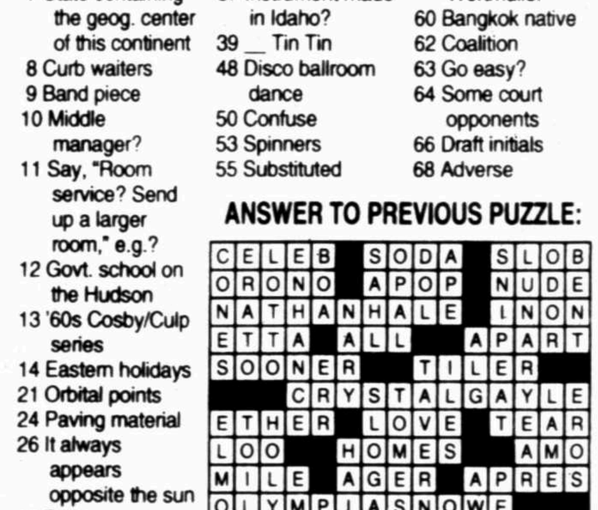

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AROUND TOWN

■ **Midland Alliance for the Mentally Ill**, a non-profit support group for families who have a loved one who has been diagnosed with a mental illness, will meet Monday, March 11 at Westwood Medical Center, Classroom A at 7 p.m. The program will be presented by Desert Springs Hospital and will be on stress management. For more information, call 684-6709 or 694-4248.

■ **Permian Basin Stamp Club** will meet at 7:30 p.m. March 13 at the airport post office. There will be a program, door prize and refreshments. The public is welcome. For more information call 699-0202.

■ **Midland Palette Club** will meet at 9:30 a.m. March 13. The free demo will be done by local artist Herb McKinley who specializes in wildlife painting. Helen Pogue's work will be featured during March. Herb Cooper is still teaching water color from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. through March 26. Call 683-2295 to register.

■ **The Trans-Pecos Section of the Society of Petroleum Engineers** will meet Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. at the Odessa Country Club. Jeff Whittaker will make a presentation on "Downhole video camera systems, their capabilities and applications." The cost of the lunch is $15 per person. For more information, contact David Unger at 368-1474.

■ **Midland Kappa Delta Alumnae Association** will meet for its Spring Break luncheon on March 13 at Michael's restaurant. Plans for the up-coming garage sale will be discussed with the proceeds going to the Shamrock Project. All area Kappa Deltas are invited, and members are also reminded to bring their Sunshine Bag gifts. Call 682-3376 for information.

■ **San Angelo Writers' Club** will be meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd at 3355 W. Beauregard. Paul Frizell will speak. For more information, contact Kate Sanderson at 915-947-3403.

■ **Midland Society of University Women** will meet at 10 a.m. March 16 at Midland County Library downtown. Ritzie Williford will speak on "The Unbreakable Code," a story of the Navajo code talkers of World War II. Open to the public.

■ **Odessa High School Class of 1961, Lee High School Class of 1991 and Permian High School Classes of 1961 and 1991** are planning their Class Reunions with Taylor Reunion Services and Caryn Truitt. They are updating addresses and phone numbers of former class members and ask that inquiries be referred to Taylor at the Web site: www.taylorreunions.com, e-mail: info@taylorreunions.com or ctruitt@taylorreunions.com, call: 800-677-7800 or write: Taylor Reunion Services, P.O. Box 597, Dallas, TX 75221-9929.

■ **The Alumni Association of UTPB** scholarship benefit dinner and dance will be 7 p.m. March 23 at The Plaza of Graham Central Station in Odessa. Music will be provided by the band Fever. Reserve tickets by calling 552-2809 or 694-0147. Proceeds will benefit the Alumni Association Scholarship Endowment.

■ **Permian Basin Poetry Society** will meet 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. March 10 at the Presidential Museum, 622 N. Lee in Odessa. Visitors are welcome and membership is open to anyone interested. For information call 520-4679.

■ **West Texas Orchid Society** will visit two greenhouses at 909 Shirley Court and 2602 Cessna at 2 p.m. Saturday. For information call 683-6639.

■ **The Col. Theunis Dey Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution** will meet at 1 p.m. Monday at 1009 Ventura. Mrs. Jack Blake will speak on West Point, "The Fortress."

■ **The Midland Business and Estate Council** is sponsoring a continuing education presentation Tuesday. Kenneth McLaughlin of Porter & Hedges, L.L.P. of Houston, will be speaking. Registration will begin at 5:30 p.m., dinner will start at 6 p.m. and the meeting begins at 6:45 p.m. The cost for meeting, materials and dinner is $20 and without dinner is $10. Call 683-5226 by today to make reservations.

Older adults find job hunting difficult

By Michael Rubinkam
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — He operated a successful video production company for 14 years, but now Richard Krantz is looking for a job in his old field: journalism.

Krantz, 60, an award-winning former newspaper and television reporter, said he became tired of running his own business and longed for the camaraderie of the newsroom and the comfort of a steady paycheck.

But several months into the job search, Krantz has had few responses. He wonders if his age has anything to do with it.

"No matter how good you were in the past, the question becomes, how good are you now? Your potential employer doesn't know, and in some ways even you don't know," said Krantz, of Columbia, Md.

"It's very scary. You're very much fighting the fear of rejection," he said.

There's no question that older workers have been helped by the longest economic expansion in U.S. history. The booming economy had companies scrambling to find employees — and more than willing to consider older ones.

The numbers tell the story: In 1992, with the country emerging from a recession, the unemployment rate for workers 55 and older was 4.8 percent. It has declined every year since, to 2.6 percent last year, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

But now that the economy has cooled off, some advocates for the elderly worry that older workers may soon encounter difficulty finding or keeping jobs.

And they question whether stereotypes about older workers have really melted away, or whether tight labor markets are the primary reason why workers over 55 have had an easier time the last few years.

The unsettled economy could provide some answers, but experts are divided over the effect it will have on the older work force.

"In a time when we are perhaps leading into a recession, older workers are going to be the hardest-hit," said Deborah Russell, who studies work force issues for the AARP. The group maintains age discrimination is alive and well, despite the gains of the last several years.

Some employers still view older workers as frail, unmotivated and set in their ways, advocates say. And during an economic downturn, employers are often reluctant to hire or keep older workers because they are perceived to be more expensive, career counselor Ben Shuster said.

"It's a false assumption. It's probably ultimately more expensive to train somebody to a level of competence than to take someone with experience," said Shuster, a board member of Forty Plus of Philadelphia Inc., a non-profit career counseling organization for professionals over 40.

But other labor experts said employers have become much more receptive to the strengths of mature workers.

Bill Perdue, a career counselor to older adults, said hiring executives have found older adults to be loyal and reliable.

"So even if the economy gets worse, we don't think the effect on the older worker is going to be disproportionate to the younger worker," said Perdue, a staffing specialist at Experience Works!, a nationwide staffing service for older adults.

AP Photo

Bill Dowdell, left, and Rosemary Hill participate in a discussion at Forty Plus of Philadelphia Inc., a non-profit career counseling organization for professionals over 40, in Philadelphia, Feb. 15, 2001. Now that the economy has cooled off, some advocates for the elderly worry that older workers may soon encounter difficulty finding or keeping jobs.

Although her company gave plenty of warning, Margaret McCaul was saddened and apprehensive when she was laid off in November — a victim of corporate restructuring.

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FAMILY MATTERS

Parents should consider what punishment really is

By Jim May

May

DEAR FAMILY: What activities should a 10-year-old boy be doing? If a 10-year-old is grounded, how long should he be grounded for? My 10-year-old grandson is always grounded and for weeks at a time. When he is grounded he cannot watch TV or play video games for weeks. He gets grounded for anything that he does. When does this become child abuse? Please print this in the paper so we can see what to do. — A CONCERNED GRANDPARENT

DEAR CONCERNED: In general, I believe that children should be encouraged to engage in healthy activities that help them to develop spiritually, socially, physically and intellectually. One of the parent's tasks then becomes to help encourage the child to participate in those appropriate activities balanced with the time available to both parent and child. For example, time permitting, I would like to see a 10-year-old involved in such activities as Sunday school, children's choir, scouts, a team or individual sport, and perhaps music lessons to play an instrument. A goal would be to help the child develop a curiosity with an action. I would also want to encourage additional social development, typically by inviting friends over to do things or to go do activities.

In terms of grounding, it might be worthwhile to consider the difference between punishment and consequence. In Don Dinkmeyer and Gary McKay's book, "The Parent's Handbook," they suggest the following differences between punishment and logical consequences:

■ Punishment expresses the power of personal (parental) authority, whereas logical consequences express the reality of the social order. Logical consequences acknowledge mutual rights and mutual respect.

■ Punishment is arbitrary or barely related to the logic of the situation, whereas a logical consequence is related to the behavior.

■ Punishment is personalized and implies moral judgement. Logical consequences are impersonal; they imply no element of personal judgment.

■ Punishment is concerned with past behavior, while logical consequences are concerned with present and future behavior.

■ Punishment threatens the "offender" with disrespect or loss of love; it is a put-down. When logical consequences are involved, the parent's voice is "matter-of-fact" and implies good will.

■ Punishment demands obedience, whereas logical consequences permit choice.

I try to work with the simple idea that as parents we are trying to give the child/teen-ager the least possible consequence that will change his or her specific undesirable behavior. If we keep the consequence simple and related to the undesirable behavior (when possible), then we can "stack" an additional limited consequence if the behavior continues. For example, if a child is "grounded" for every undesirable behavior for long periods of time, then the consequence becomes a punishment and loses its effectiveness.

I encourage parents to create a proposed set of family rules with consequences and rewards for non-compliance/compliance. The family then would all meet together to discuss the rules, consequences, rewards and agree on them. The parents then write the "rules, consequences, rewards," all sign, and then post on the refrigerator. If and when an infraction occurs, the parent simply points to the rule and applies the consequence without condemnation — much like a judge would in court in handing down a sentence. The parent is careful to separate the child from the behavior; that is, "I love you, but that behavior is inappropriate and so here is your consequence."

I have covered a lot of ideas quickly here, but hopefully you can get the gist of where I am coming from. You may want to consider getting Dinkmeyer and McKay's book or Dr. Foster Cline's book, "Parenting With Love and Logic." There are also several different structured parenting courses available such as "Active parenting," "STEP Program," and "Parenting with Love and Logic." You can call Centers for children and Families (570-1084) about possible parenting courses.

In terms of child abuse, you can call the Child Abuse Hot Line (800-252-5400) and discuss the specifics with them. You can remain anonymous and they will give you professional advice on your situation.

Jim May is the director of the Family Wellness Center.

Questions for this column should be addressed to Family Matters, P.O. Box 51638, Midland, 79710-1638.

DEAR ABBY

Now is the time to get divorce papers from husband's previous marriages

By Abigail Van Buren

Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am a 70-year-old male. I have had erectile dysfunction for five years. I am sure this was the cause of my last divorce. I like to date women, but when it's time to initiate a physical relationship, I usually move on.

When I showed no interest in sex, one woman asked if I was gay. Another went so far as to ask me to "prove it."

I have a heart condition, diabetes, and the medicine I am prescribed prevents me from taking Viagra.

Abby, how do I handle this gracefully? — JUST WANT TO DATE IN MODESTO, CALIF.

DEAR JUST: You don't owe these women an explanation unless you're considering a committed relationship. I see no reason to disclose your medical problems before that.

Continue dating. Don't isolate yourself. Many women out there are just looking for companionship, too. You will find someone. Trust me!

DEAR ABBY: I just lost my husband. He was 61 years old and suffered a massive coronary at home. Taking care of all the things a "new" widow must do has been very hard.

My husband had been married before, briefly, in the 1960s. When I contacted the Social Security office, they told me I would have to provide a copy of his divorce papers — among other documents — before I could receive his widow benefits. (Thank God his mother is still living and could tell me which city to contact and the approximate year of the divorce.)

I am writing this for the benefit of other women who are second and third wives. NOW is the time to get the divorce papers from their husbands' previous marriages. Doing it while you are grief-stricken is very stressful. — HANGING BY A THREAD, TULSA, OKLA.

DEAR HANGING BY A THREAD: Please accept my condolences for the sudden loss of your beloved husband. I am sure many couples will be grateful that you made it a point at this difficult time to warn them.

You now need all of the support you can get, and I do not mean just financial. I hope you will find a grief-support group to help you through. Many readers have written to tell me how helpful they are. Please let me know how you are in six months. I care.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have been married for 23 years. Last week she got a letter from an old boyfriend, and she called him. I can understand why this guy is curious, and I don't mind that she called him, but they've been meeting for coffee.

I am not a jealous person, but I don't understand what he wants. I feel she should have just said "thanks for calling," and let that be the end of it.

We have never had any problems in our marriage, but I feel we are now definitely headed for one. Got any suggestions? — WORRIED IN WICHITA

DEAR WORRIED: It's time for you to meet this old beau. The next time they have a coffee date, you should be included. It may put your fears to rest — or alert you that trouble is brewing.

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PRIME TIME

PRIME TIME CALENDAR

■ **Helping Hands of Midland** needs volunteers to work flexible hours. Jobs include caseworkers, stocking food pantry and thrift store, furniture pick up and office work. call 520-8900 for information or attend board meetings held at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday at 1301 Brinson Lane.

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 YMCA

Midland YMCA has many activities scheduled for Prime Time adults. Contact Central YMCA 682-2551. Scheduled activities are:

■ Low impact aerobics: 8:15 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 6 p.m. Monday and Wednesday.

■ YMCARDIAC (YCT) Therapy, call for appointment before beginning class.

■ Senior water aerobics, 8 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. Monday through Friday.

■ Water arthritis classes, 10:15 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

■ Deep water aerobics, 6:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday;

■ Hydro-fit and water aerobics, 9 a.m. Monday through Saturday.

■ Hydro-fit aerobics, 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

■ Lap swim/water walking, 5:30 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday; 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday; 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 10 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Saturday; and 1:15 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. **Certified lifeguard is on duty during lap/open swim times and water classes.**

Weights and exercise equipment available during hours of operation.

SOUTHEAST SENIOR CENTER

The Southeast Senior Center, 1803 E. Indiana, is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information about services offered, call 685-7231. Activities for **March 12 - March 16** include:

■ Monday: 10 a.m. ceramics and billiards; 10:20 exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games and painting.

■ Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. quilting and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. clinic; 10 a.m. ceramics and billiards; 10:20 exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games and painting.

■ Thursday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. quilting and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Friday: 9:45 a.m. choir; 10 a.m. Bible class and ceramics; 10:20 exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games 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 12 - March 16** include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes and spinner lessons; 9:30 a.m. art class; 10 a.m. Kitchenettes; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. bridge, cards and dominoes.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes and ceramics; 9:30 a.m. blood pressure check; 11:30 a.m. lunch; Noon pool tournament; 12:30 p.m. shopping; 1 p.m. art class, bridge, dominoes, cards and AARP tax help.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards, cards, dominoes, and exercise; 10 a.m. Gospel singing; 11:30 a.m. lunch and St. Patrick's party; Noon pool tournament; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

■ Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards and dominoes; 9:30 a.m. country and western dancing and Tall City dancers; 10 a.m. prescription help; 11:30 a.m. lunch; Noon pool tournament; 12:30 p.m. art for fun and 42 tournament; 1 p.m. bridge, cards, dominoes and AARP tax help.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. bridge, cards and dominoes.

MISSION ADULT DAY CARE CENTER

Mission Adult Day Care Center of Midland is open 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 5212 Sinclair. The center is closed for major holidays. For more information call 522-1221. Weekday schedule includes:

■ 8 a.m. light breakfast or snacks; 9 a.m. visitation, special events; 10 a.m. exercise, R.O.M., singing or live music; noon lunch; 12:30 p.m. rest period; 2:30 p.m. snacks.

■ Activities include visits from Gospel groups, line dancers and country groups, and golfing.

Skilled nursing services with registered nurse director and certified activity director. Medicaid licensed, with adequate, caring skilled staff and transportation available.

COM AQUATICS

City of Midland Aquatics has programs of water exercise for seniors. The schedule is:

■ Monday: 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Seniors Shallow, 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. water walking; 10:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); 11 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., noon to 12:45 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.

■ Tuesday: 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Seniors Shallow, 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. water walking; 9 a.m., 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. arthritis plus; 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); 2 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. arthritis plus.

■ Wednesday: 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Seniors Shallow, 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. water walking; 10:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); 11 a.m. to 11:45 p.m., noon to 12:45 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.

■ Thursday: 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Seniors Shallow, 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. water walking; 9 a.m., 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. arthritis plus; 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); 10:30 p.m. and 12:15 p.m. arthritis plus.

■ Friday: 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Seniors Shallow, 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. water walking; 10:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); 11 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., noon to 12:45 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.

■ Saturday: 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. water walking.

CITY OF MIDLAND HOUSING AUTHORITY

Hillcrest Manor, 700 W. Scharbauer 682-0011, **Langtry Village**, 2000 N. Pecos 682-7729 and **Parker Place**, 503 E. Parker 570-6694 Calendar of events from **March 13 - March 15**.

■ Tuesday: Parker Place 9 a.m. clinic, Hillcrest Manor 2 p.m. exercise, Langtry Village 2:30 p.m. exercise.

■ Wednesday: Parker Place 11:30 a.m. birthday/lunch, Hillcrest Manor 2 p.m. bingo and 3 p.m. crafts, Langtry Village 4 p.m. crafts.

■ Thursday: Hillcrest Manor 2 p.m. exercise, Langtry Village 2:30 p.m. exercise and 3 p.m. bingo/birthday.

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 or a sample of current opportunities call 689-6693.

Travel destinations target mature travelers

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — For just about three weeks every year, Gene and Barb Haggar toss some light clothes into their suitcases and set off for warmer climes, leaving behind their home in frigid Sioux Falls, S.D.

In the past year alone, the couple — he's a retired grocer who sells cars these days, she's a bookkeeper and insurance saleswoman — have been to San Francisco, Santa Barbara, Calif., and New York. Their latest trip landed them at Walt Disney World's Magic Kingdom, where they waited patiently for the Main Street afternoon parade.

"We just wanted to get away to where it's warm," said Barb, 66, as she sat on the curb beside her 70-year-old husband. "We just wanted to get out of the cold."

Whether it's the weather, or simply a desire to see the country, the increasing number of older travelers like the Haggars are making the tourism industry take notice.

Mature tourists, age 55 and up, make up almost a third of all U.S. travelers, and their ranks are growing swiftly as baby boomers, some 78 million strong, enter their golden years, according to a recent study by the Travel Industry Association of America.

Companies such as Walt Disney World and Loews Hotels have taken notice, and in recent months have begun offering packages geared toward mature travelers, particularly grandparents.

"The potential of the mature market is tremendous because in less than a year the first members of the huge baby boom generation will turn 55 years old," said William S. Norman, president and CEO of the Travel Industry Association. "The travel industry should be prepared for explosive growth in the mature consumer market."

Although baby boomers currently make up the highest share of domestic trips, at 45 percent, travelers older than age 55 will be the fastest-growing in the near future. The market for mature travelers — there are currently about 58.8 million people aged 55 and older in the United States — is expected to increase in size by 28 percent between 2000 and 2010, the study says.

By comparison, the market for people aged 35 to 54 is expected to increase only by 2 percent and the 18 to 34 age market is expected to increase by 8 percent during the same 10-year period.

Today's mature travelers are better educated, richer and more technologically savvy than their predecessors, according to the study. Almost half are college-educated, more than a quarter have an annual household income of more than $75,000 and more than half own a computer, which they can use to make travel plans.

Others like Jim Mulvey, 74, and his 73-year-old wife, Ann, rely on relatives to get them travel information on the Internet when they go to places such as Reno, Nev., Branson, Mo., and Walt Disney World.

"I'm not quite computer literate, but we can get anything we want on the Internet," said Mulvey, a retired electrical engineer from South Amboy, N.J.

Since many are retirees, mature tourists are more likely than other age groups to travel for leisure than business and are more likely to drive their own vehicle on a trip than travel by plane. Mature travelers are also more likely to stay at the homes of friends or relatives than hotels, according to the study.

AP Photo

Louis Romano, 62, third from left, looks at a map with his grandson, from left, Tyler Titus, his wife, Mary Ann, his granddaughter, Taylor Titus, and his daughter, Nicole Olszewski, during a visit to the Magic Kingdom theme park, in Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Feb. 28. Mature tourists, age 55 and up, make up almost a third of all U.S. travelers.

The tourism industry is catching on. Disney has been marketing to empty-nesters for some time, but recently decided to reach out to grandparents after seeing large numbers of them traveling with their grandchildren on cruise ships.

Disney recently launched a national television campaign selling a travel package starting at $424 per grandparent and $220 per child under age 9. It includes three days of lodging, theme park tickets, breakfast with Disney characters and an autograph book for each grandchild.

"Today's grandparents are more physically and fiscally capable to do things like this with the grandchildren, whereas in the past, many grandparents were typically older," said Linda Warren, a Disney World executive vice president.

New York-based Loews Hotels started programs last summer for grandparents. They can get adjoining rooms with their grandchildren for reduced rates, a disposable camera, a take-home photo album and a phone card. The hotel can also set up an itinerary of activities for grandparents and their grandchildren.

"It has been really well received by seniors at all levels," said Jonathan Tisch, Loews' chairman and chief executive.

JOBS: Big plus on resumes is current schooling

(From 6B)

Ms. McCaul, 59, had grown comfortable in her job as an administrator for a mortgage company and was a bit jittery about the search for a new one. "It was the idea of going to a new job and not knowing how things were done, or the background of the company," she said. She also worried potential employers might not be able to see past her age.

It turns out she had nothing to worry about. Ms. McCaul quickly landed work at a company that places human resources executives.

"The biggest plus on my resume was being in school. It seemed a sure signal that I could learn, was able to change environments," said Ms. McCaul, who is pursuing a master's degree in industrial organizational psychology.

A demonstrated ability to change and grow can help prospective employees overcome any reservations an employer might have, according to career counselor Deb Koen.

"It's likely that an individual may be moving into a very dynamic work environment in which goals change regularly, management changes, and the ability to deal positively with that kind of change is a marketable quality," she said.

Ms. Koen recommends that older workers ask themselves several questions at the beginning of their job search:

■ Are my salary expectations realistic?

■ Are my skills current and does my resume reflect this?

■ Am I technologically savvy?

■ Am I flexible and open-minded?

"In many cases, older job seekers do face distinct challenges that in some cases translate into extended job searches," said Ms. Koen, vice president of Career Development Services of Rochester, N.Y.

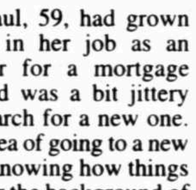
Krantz, the businessman hoping to resurrect his career as a journalist, remains optimistic despite nagging doubts that employers no longer consider him a "prime prospect."

"You would think there would be a place for me somewhere, and there probably is," he said. "I just haven't come across it yet."

DR. HENRY PAGE

Chocolate lovers need not feel guilty any longer

Attention all ye cravers of chocolate, there is good news. Such prestigious research organizations as The American Chemist Society, Harvard University School of Public Health, Penn State University and Health Oasis (Mayo) have identified many positive effects of the husked, roasted and ground seeds of the Central American cacao tree (theobromine cacao) when pressed into a chocolate liquor containing 50 percent cocoa butter.



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The latter provides fat and fatty acids and the former includes fiber, protein, mineral salt, theobromine, caffeine, polyphenoids and water. In its natural, bitter flavor it is used for cooking but as candy, sugar is added (dark chocolate) and also milk and vanilla (milk chocolate.)

In 1996 researchers at the University of California at Davis first noted the presence of large amounts of phenols similar to the antioxidants in red wine, thereby joining fruits and vegetables in the body's defense against heart disease, cancer and aging. In addition, chocolate also contains moderate amounts of caffeine and theobromine, mild stimulates but not strong enough to keep one awake.

Another positive attribute is that the fat in chocolate is stearic acid, a unique type of saturated fat that does not raise the cholesterol level. Perhaps confirming all the above, a Harvard study found that people who consume candy do indeed live an average of a year longer than those who don't.

Many myths concerning chocolate have been refuted. It does not trigger migraines or chronic headaches, and although many people experience a craving for chocolate, it fails to cause true addiction. Tooth decay and acne because of sweets probably still constitute negatives, but recent studies suggest the risk is less than previously thought.

Americans eat about 10 pounds of chocolate a year, but northern Europeans consume twice as much. A typical candy bar contains 210 calories from sugar and fat, but the presence of antioxidants in chocolate, plus its soothing emotional aspect contribute definite health benefits. It truly has been found to be a complex and interactive food.

Now that chocolate is no longer a sin, one can enjoy and relish, but in small amounts only, if you wish to stay thin.

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Oklahoma State finishes off Tech

By Dick Lipsey
Associated Press Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Oklahoma State may have locked up an NCAA tournament bid Thursday, but the fate of Texas Tech coach James Dickey was the main topic of conversation after the Cowboys' 71-59 win over the Red Raiders in the first round of the Big 12 Tournament.

Before the game, Dickey refused comment on reports that the school had talked with former Indiana coach Bob Knight about joining the Red Raiders.

Afterward, Dickey didn't have much more to say.

"I'm going to be the basketball coach at Texas Tech as long as I'm allowed to be," he said. "I'm the coach until someone tells me differently."

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AP Photo

Texas Tech coach James Dickey sticks his tongue out as he watches his team lose to Oklahoma State, 71-59, in the first round of the Big 12 Tournament Thursday in Kansas City, Mo.

Dickey isn't sure about his status

By Doug Tucker
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — If Texas Tech plans to hire Bob Knight, it's keeping current coach James Dickey in the dark along with everyone else.

"Tough loss," was all athletic director Gerald Myers said to Dickey on Thursday after Oklahoma State defeated Texas Tech 71-59 in the first round of the Big 12 tournament.

Dickey, who finished in a tie for last place in the Big 12's regular season, said he met with Myers on Tuesday and asked him face-to-face if he was going to be replaced.

"He said he'd talk with me later," Dickey said.

Meantime, reports swirled that Tech officials were courting the fired Indiana coach.

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MIDLAND COLLEGE AT THE REGION V TOURNAMENT

White fills MC's need for leader

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

MC Chaparrals at Region V Tournament

At the end of last season, Midland College point guard Quannas White saw teammates like Eugene Costello, Armon Whitaker and Teohn Conner depart after exhausting their eligibility. Those three players were part of the heart and soul of the Chap team that finished sixth at the NJCAA National Tournament.

Going into this year, White made up his mind to step up into that vacated leadership role. When he decided to do that, he took the same route as Costello took prior to his sophomore season. White worked hard over the summer with Midland College head coach Junsie Cotten and Chap assistant Scott Raines.

"Coach Cotten and Coach Raines helped me out a lot shooting the ball, just like they did with Eugene," White said. "I just worked during the offseason in getting better and getting stronger. I think that's what made me a better player. I owe a lot to Coach Cotten and Coach Raines for helping me out."

That hard work has paid off for the 6-foot-2 sophomore as his scoring average improved from 4.7 points per game last year to just less than 16 points per contest this year. White has also gone from a part-time player to a player who rarely leaves the court.

"He's been our iron man," said Cotten. "Quannas has probably averaged 35 minutes a game for 30 games. Yes, I've played him more than I would like to, but that tells you the type of kid he is. He's accepted his role and he does whatever it takes to win the game. That tells you about the character of Quannas. He does what it takes to win."

White would love nothing more than to continue that winning and make a return trip to Hutchinson, Kan., for the national tournament. But

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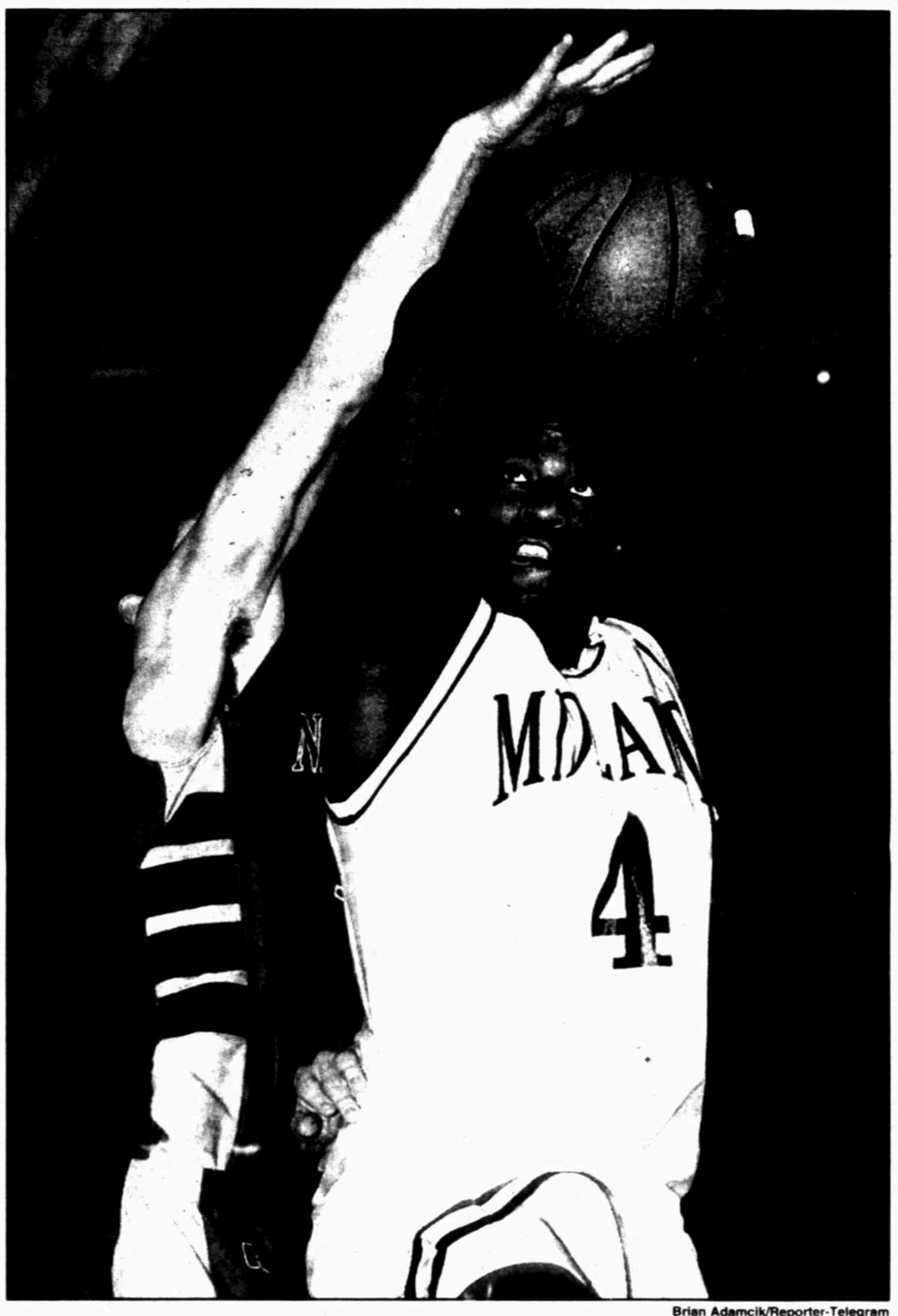

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Quannas White will lead the Midland College men against Weatherford College today in the Region V Tournament at United Spirit Arena in Lubbock

Lady Chaps scrape past Highlassies

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

LUBBOCK — Somehow McLennan Community College always finds ways to give the Midland College Lady Chaparrals some trouble in the first round of the Region V tournament.

MC Women
Mid. College 74
McLennan 63

In two of the past three meetings in the tournament, the Highlassies have walked away with victories. On Thursday at United Spirit Arena, the Lady Chaps had as much as a 22-point lead in the second half only to see it dwindle away to a nine-point advantage late in the game.

■ **Other Women's Games/5C**

As much as the Highlassies tried to spoil No. 3 Midland College's dreams of making a national championship run, McLennan just didn't have enough against the bigger and more athletic Lady Chaps in a 74-63 win by Midland College.

The Lady Chaps (30-1) move to the Saturday's 12:30 p.m. semifinals against Hill College, a 70-63 winner over South Plains College earlier in the day.

"I feel better that we got this over with," said Midland College sophomore Heidi Lange about the first round game. "Now, we can go have a good practice, get ready for the next game and instead of playing for 20 minutes, we'll play for 40 minutes."

"There's no such thing as a bad win," said MC coach Ron Jones, whose team will make its third straight Region V semifinals appearance. "I thought we played a great first half. I just thought we got a little tired in the second half and made some soft choices on defense. But I thought when they took the floor they were ready to play."

The Lady Chaps never seemed to be in jeopardy as they took a 37-19 lead at the half despite shooting 34 percent (15 of 44) from the floor. The

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Chaps need good defense, rebounding

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

LUBBOCK — Midland College's formula for basketball success over the last two years has been quite simple: defending plus rebounding usually equals victory.

MC's second-year head coach Junsie Cotten preaches that formula to his team constantly. As long as the Chaparrals do both of those things in a game, Cotten believes they will be successful. Last year, defending and rebounding helped the Chaps finish sixth place at the NJCAA National Tournament. This year, even though the Chaps go into today's Region V tournament at United Spirit Arena having lost two out of the last three games, if the Chaps defend and rebound, they like their chances to get back to the national tournament.

At 2:30 p.m. today, the No. 2-seed Chaps (22-8) are going to be called upon to do plenty of defending and rebounding against high-flying No. 3 seed Weatherford (17-11).

"That's what we've been preaching in the last few days of practice," said Cotten about the formula. "We have go and guard. They can score in bunches. They have athletic guards, they have a presence on the inside, but the bottom line is we just have to defend and rebound."

One of those athletic WC guards who quickly comes to mind is 6-foot-1 sophomore Cedric Brooks, who scored an astonishing 55 points in a recent 118-83 win over Southwestern Christian. Brooks hit for eight 3-pointers for SWC in his school record performance. Brooks comes in as the second-leading scorer in the Northern Texas Junior College Athletic Conference at 23.6 points per contest.

"He's very explosive," said Cotten about Brooks. "He's a streaky

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Region V Tournament

Women

Thursday
First Round
Grayson County 83, Howard College 73.
Hill College 70, South Plains College 63.
Midland College 74, McLennan Community College 63.
Weatherford 83, Odessa College 63.

Saturday
Semifinals
(N2) Hill College (29-2) vs. (W1) Midland College (30-1), 12:30 p.m.
(N3) Grayson County (23-8) vs. (N1) Weatherford (26-4), 2:30 p.m.

Sunday
Championship Game
Semifinal winners, 2 p.m.

Men

Today
First Round
(W3) South Plains College (18-6) vs. (N2) Temple College (26-4), 12:30 p.m.
(W2) Midland College (22-8) vs. (N3) Weatherford (17-11), 2:30 p.m.
(W4) Howard College (13-17) vs. (N1) Collin County (25-5), 5 p.m.
(W1) Odessa College (24-5) vs. (N4) Hill College (18-12), 7 p.m.

Saturday
Semifinals
Game 5 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 5 p.m.
Game 6 — Game 2 winner vs. Game 3 winner, 7 p.m.

Sunday
Championship Game
Semifinal winners, 4:30 p.m.

Cowboys start over without Aikman

By Jaime Aron
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Jerry Jones started dropping the hints late last season. As he talked about the rags-to-riches turnarounds made by other NFL teams, the owner of the Dallas Cowboys seemed to envy them.

The former oil wildcatter remembered doing that himself, transforming his Cowboys from 1-15 in his first season to Super Bowl champions three years later.

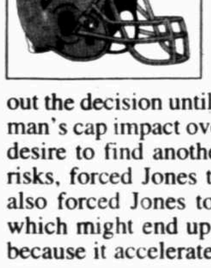
So when Jones announced Wednesday that he had waived Troy Aikman, he was really saying he would take it on the chin in 2001 and start fresh in 2002 with a cleaned-up salary-cap situation.

Aikman, who would have gotten a $7 million bonus and extension through 2007 had he been on the roster Thursday, will still soak up $10 million of the cap this year.

Ten more ex-Cowboys will cost another $13.4 million, leaving Dallas with only $44 million of the league-mandated $67.4 million cap.

Jones calls it a one-year "belt tightening." After that, he can again start writing big checks and try luring in free agents to revive his team.

"One year from today, we'll see the effects I'm talking about," Jones said. "In today's NFL, having that type of cap room, you can turn a non-playoff team into a contender. We've seen four teams in the last two years end up in the Super Bowl when they weren't in the playoffs the year before."



Jones was hoping to drag out the decision until June so he could spread Aikman's cap impact over two seasons. But Aikman's desire to find another job, despite serious health risks, forced Jones to make the move now. That also forced Jones to take the entire hit in 2001, which might end up being the best thing for him because it accelerates his plan.

It didn't have to work out this way. If Jones wanted to keep Aikman, he could have reworked the contract to lessen the blow in 2001. However, delaying the big crunch would also have worsened it — plus cost him 7 million real dollars, not just cap ones.

That Jones didn't take that route indicates he believes the Cowboys need more of an overhaul than a tuneup. They went 5-11 last season. Dallas is 39-41 in the regular season and 1-3 in the playoffs since its last Super Bowl.

In recent years, while trying to recapture the glory, Jones gladly took a win-now, pay-later approach to cap-o-nomics. The key, though, was the "win now" part.

Because the 34-year-old Aikman missed all or parts of eight games last season and because of the caliber of the other players on the roster, Jones wasn't convinced the Cowboys would win with their old quarterback.

"The absolute worst thing that could happen to this club would be to try to do something that would salvage another year or two and then go out and have a 6-10 season or an 8-8 season," Aikman said. "To do what would need to be done to give us a chance to be successful would have definitely created some problems down the road.

"It would have been done in an attempt to go all

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Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones talks about the future of the team at a news conference Wednesday in Irving.

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The Texas Rangers' Ivan Rodriguez missed much of last season with a broken thumb, but he appears to be fully recovered now.

Pudge leaves little doubt: he's back in good health

Associated Press

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. — Ivan Rodriguez springs out of his crouch and throws the ball to first base trying to catch a runner gradually stretching his lead.

Moments later, he tries to pick off another runner at second.

When he becomes a baserunner himself, Rodriguez takes off and slides headfirst into second with a stolen base.

And all of that was in an exhibition game nearly a month before the regular season.

"I'm feeling good, I'm feeling great," Rodriguez said. "I came to camp to get ready and just look forward to staying healthy and playing all year. It's feeling all right, it's feeling OK."

After winning the AL MVP award in 1999, Rodriguez was putting up more MVP-worthy numbers last season (.347, 27 home runs and 83 RBIs) before breaking his right thumb July 24.

Just two weeks after starting his eighth straight All-Star Game, Rodriguez's season was over. He was making a throw to second base against Anaheim when his hand hit the bat on Mo Vaughn's backswing.

Rodriguez played just 91 games, the fewest since his rookie season of 1988, when he played 88 after being promoted to the majors from Double-A Tulsa. Still, he earned his ninth straight Gold Glove award.

Until exhibition games started this spring, Rodriguez had gone six months without playing. That's an eternity for a 29-year-catcher who loves to play the game every day.

"He's anxious to play, he's healthy and he likes being part of this ballclub," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "He's an important part of our club. Hopefully, we can keep him healthy. He's mentioned to me more than once he can't wait for the season to start. He's excited about playing again."

With his return, and the offseason signings of free agents Alex Rodriguez, Andres Galarraga and Ken Caminiti, there is plenty of optimism that the Rangers will rebound from last year's 71-91 last-place finish in the AL West to more resemble the teams that won division titles in 1996, 1998 and 1999.

"We're going to have a great, great team," Ivan Rodriguez said. "Everybody is here together. We have a bunch of veteran guys, and we are team. That's what matters."

While Rodriguez is signed through 2002, the Rangers have talked to his agent about a long-term contract extension. Texas general manager Doug Melvin has said the goal is to keep Rodriguez with the team for the rest of his career.

Rodriguez has two years left on the five-year deal he signed in 1997. He will make $8 million in base salary this season — $13 million less than A-Rod, his new teammate and offseason neighbor in Miami.

The catcher's price is certain to go up, but Texas owner Tom Hicks has said the team can afford both players.

In the wake of the A-Rod deal, Ivan Rodriguez has insisted that he is still happy with his contract as he was when he signed it.

Right now, he's happy just to be back on the field playing again.

Belle's arthritic hip leaves him unable to play for O's

Associated Press

Albert Belle's career, known for big hits and big blowups, came to a quiet end Thursday.

The Baltimore Orioles said the outfielder was "totally disabled and unable to perform as a major league baseball player."

Belle was examined by two team doctors Wednesday and found to have a severe case of degenerative arthritis of the right hip.

"Belle has agreed that he is physically incapable of performing as a player and concurs with the findings of the doctors," the Orioles said in a statement.

Belle will be placed on the 60-day disabled list Friday — the first step to protect the Orioles' insurance coverage of his contract, which guarantees the slugger $39 million in the next three years. About 70 percent of that total will be reimbursed to the team by the insurance company.

"It's a very sad event for a young man 34 years of age not to be able to play baseball again," said Syd Thrift, the Orioles' vice president of baseball operations.

When he played the game, Belle did it with vigor and sass. He hit 381 homers and drove in 1,239 runs over 12 seasons. He was also disciplined repeatedly for run-ins with fans, media and other players.

"He was a fierce competitor, the kind of person you love on your side," Orioles right-hander Pat Hentgen said.

Elsewhere, Dodgers third baseman Adrian Beltre will have surgery Monday to close a wound in his abdomen from an emergency appendectomy two months ago.

Beltre will not be ready by opening day and it is uncertain when the 21-year-old third baseman will return.

"If you're asking do I think Adrian will play baseball this year, unequivocally yes," team physician Dr. Michael Mellman said from Vero Beach, Fla. "If you ask me when, I'll be a lot smarter after the surgery."

Beltre underwent an emergency appendectomy in his native Dominican Republic on Jan. 12 and hasn't eaten solid food since. The wound, in his right lower abdomen, has not healed as doctors expected.

Also, the Mets are done trying to make a deal for Gary Sheffield, general manager Steve Phillips said.

Phillips talked again to Los Angeles GM Kevin Malone on Wednesday night and came away convinced there was no way to trade for the disgruntled Dodgers slugger.

Rangers 6, Blue Jays 5

At Port Charlotte, Fla., Ivan Rodriguez drove in his first two runs of the spring, helping Texas. Rodriguez, who broke his right thumb last July and missed the rest of the season, had been 1-for-8 in three games.

Cardinals 5, Marlins 4

At Melbourne, Fla., John Mabry homered twice, and J.D. Drew and Shane Andrews hit one each for St. Louis. Cardinals starter Chad Hutchinson, who likely will start the season at Triple-A, pitched three hitless innings.

Royals 7, Twins 5

At Fort Myers, Fla., Jermaine Dye went 3-for-4 with a double, two RBIs and three runs scored for Kansas City. Jon Nunnally drove in three runs.

Reds 8, Phillies 4

At Sarasota, Fla., Ken Griffey Jr., bothered this spring by a sore left hamstring, pinch hit and had a sacrifice fly. Rob Bell gave up a leadoff home run to Phillies rookie Jimmy Rollins, then allowed just two hits in four innings.

Indians 6, Devil Rays 2

At St. Petersburg, Fla., Danny Peoples' grand slam off Jesus Colome broke an eighth-inning tie for Cleveland.

Pirates 9, Red Sox 8

At Bradenton, Fla., David Cone allowed one run in three innings after struggling in his first spring start, but Boston lost on Chad Hermansen's two-run single in the ninth inning.

Expos 4, Dodgers 3

At Jupiter, Fla., Mark Smith's two-run single in the eighth allowed Montreal to overcome Hideki Irabu's sudden return to Japan. Irabu, scheduled to start the game, flew home to Japan earlier in the day to attend to personal matters.

Kevin Brown pitched three scoreless for Los Angeles.

Angels (ss) 5, Athletics (ss) 4

At Tempe, Ariz., Tim Belcher allowed one run in three innings as the Anaheim won a split-squad game.

Rockies 6, Angels (ss) 3

At Tucson, Ariz., Todd Walker went 2-for-2 and drove in the go-ahead run as Colorado rallied after Mike Hampton gave up three runs in the first inning.

Giants 2, Mariners 1

At Peoria, Ariz., Russ Ortiz gave up one hit in four innings and combined with four relievers on a four-hitter.

Padres 10, Brewers 5

At Phoenix, Ryan Klesko hit a pair of long home runs off Jeff D'Amico for San Diego.

Athletics (ss) 5, White Sox (ss) 4, 10 innings

At Phoenix, Ryan Christenson's single to left with two outs in the bottom of the 10th inning gave Oakland the win.

Diamondbacks (ss) 6, White Sox (ss) 1

At Tucson, Ariz., Armando Reynoso pitched four scoreless innings and Arizona got homers from Erubiel Durazo, David Dellucci, Jack Cust and Melvin Rosario.

Astros 2, Braves 0

At Kissimmee, Fla., Houston newcomer Kent Bottenfield threw four shutout innings to beat Greg Maddux and Atlanta.

Tigers 3, Yankees 0

At Lakeland, Fla., Dave Mlicki pitched three scoreless innings and Bobby Higginson homered for Detroit.

Orioles 4, Mets 1

At Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Jason Johnson pitched four scoreless innings and Jeff Conine hit a bases-loaded triple for Baltimore.

Ankiel makes some progress

Associated Press

JUPITER, Fla. — After watching Rick Ankiel's latest early-morning throwing session Thursday, the St. Louis Cardinals think he's almost ready for game action.

"We'll talk about it," general manager Walt Jocketty said. "I would think so."

Ankiel, who threw nine wild pitches in the playoffs last fall, didn't have much to say.

"I was OK. My changeup still needs work," the 21-year-old left-hander said.

Jocketty was much more effusive.

"He looked really, really good," Jocketty said. "I think what we saw today was about the best we've seen. He threw 30 pitches before anybody made contact."

Jocketty agreed with Ankiel's assessment about the changeup.

"But as far as the fastball and velocity, that was good," Jocketty said. "And his breaking ball was real good, a knee-buckler."

Ankiel was one of the top rookie pitchers in the major leagues last season, leading the team with a 3.50 ERA and going 11-7 with 194 strikeouts in 175 innings. He has been throwing in the early morning since a wild workout earlier this spring.

Rockets take care of Clippers; Spurs tear through Portland

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Cuttino Mobley's managed to ignore the pain in his ankle during the fourth quarter Thursday as he led the Houston Rockets to a 99-87 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers.

Mobley missed two games last weekend while nursing his strained right ankle. After three quarters Thursday, he had six points on 1-for-10 shooting, including an 0-for-4 third quarter.

The Rockets, who trailed by as many as 13 in the third, started the fourth behind 76-67.

"I told Steve (Francis) before the quarter started that I knew I had to help him out," Mobley said. "They were telling me to go to the basket. The guys said, 'You're a big-time player and you've got to play big-time.'

"I was missing easy shots because of my ankle before that. They were still sore in the fourth quarter, but when you need something like that, you've got to look past the pain."

Mobley scored 16 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter, hitting 3-of-5 from the field and 10-of-10 free throws. Francis also had 22 points and a season-high 15 rebounds.

"Steve helped us come back," Mobley said. "I just finished it off."

Francis just missed a triple double with eight assists.

"I think our whole team did a good job in the fourth quarter," Francis said. "Carlos (Rogers) sparked us with his rebounding and we started getting it to Cuttino and he was hot."

It was the second straight night Houston had fought from behind, rallying from 23 down to beat Atlanta 104-98 Wednesday.

"We can't keep that up," Francis said. "We're not in good enough shape to overlook anybody."

Coach Rudy Tomjanovich agreed. "We hung in there and limited them to 11 points in the fourth quarter," Tomjanovich said. "I'm grateful for our young legs. We've been so good on back-to-back games this year.

"But we've got to stop this. These kinds of games are hard on coaches."

They are even harder on the Clippers.

"I thought Mobley played great, but really Francis controlled the game," Clippers coach Alvin Gentry said. "He finds the open guy like Mobley and made things happen for them.

"Obviously the fourth quarter killed us. It's just too bad we went through that stretch for about five minutes where we just could not score."

"We had a lot of good looks that we just missed," said Jeff McInnis, who led the Clippers with 20 points. "Unfortunately at the end we did not get some of the calls we should have got.

"We knew we were going to have to do a surgeon's job on (Mobley and Francis). But we just came up a little short. They just outplayed us in the fourth quarter and we couldn't make a shot."

Maurice Taylor, who had scored only 7 and 16 points in the Rockets' two losses to his former team earlier this season, scored 21 points. Walt Williams added 11.

Spurs 93, Trail Blazers 79

PORTLAND, Ore. — The San Antonio Spurs are making the kind of late-season surge that started their march toward the 1999 championship.

The Portland Trail Blazers, meanwhile, are showing signs of self-destructing, and once again they're facing questions about Rasheed Wallace and his uncontrollable anger.

Derek Anderson scored 29 points and Tim Duncan had 16 rebounds as the San Antonio Spurs used a 23-6 run at the start of the third quarter to rout the Portland Trail Blazers 93-79 Thursday night.

"These are the kinds of games that define you, especially down the stretch," said Duncan, who also had 16 points on 4-of-16 shooting and six assists. "You've got to win on the road to be able to win in the playoffs."

David Robinson added 12 points and eight rebounds for the Spurs, who have won 19 of 23 games and 10 of 12 on the road. San Antonio finishes its four-game, five-day West Coast trip against the Los Angles Lakers on Friday night.

Two years ago, the Spurs won 12 of their last 13 regular-season games, including four of five on the road. During that stretch, they beat Portland three times, Utah twice and the Lakers once.

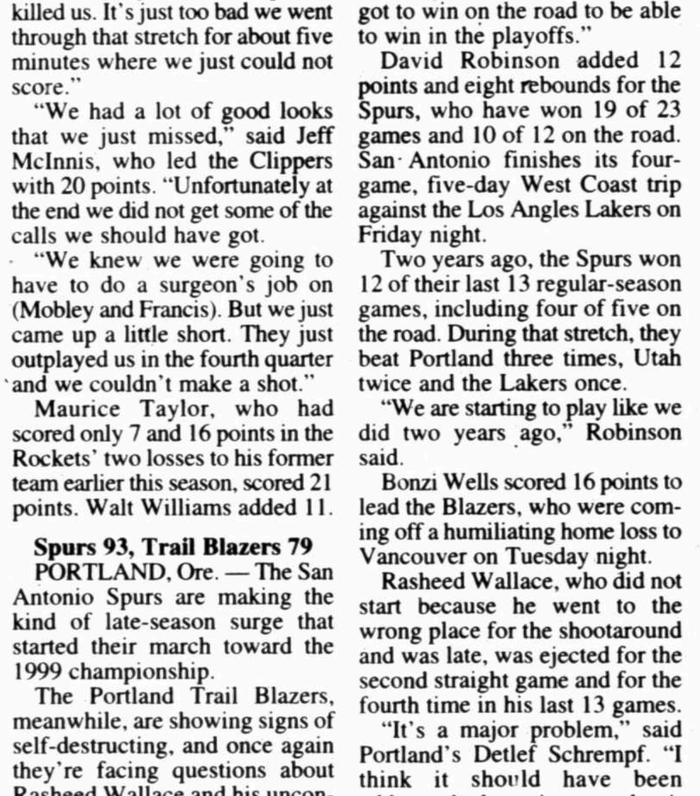
"We are starting to play like we did two years ago," Robinson said.

Bonzi Wells scored 16 points to lead the Blazers, who were coming off a humiliating home loss to Vancouver on Tuesday night.

Rasheed Wallace, who did not start because he went to the wrong place for the shootaround and was late, was ejected for the second straight game and for the fourth time in his last 13 games.

"It's a major problem," said Portland's Detlef Schrempf. "I think it should have been addressed a long time ago, but it hasn't been. (Now) it's too late."

"We've got to find a way to be more composed, and we've got to find a way to keep (Wallace) in the game," Blazers coach Mike Dunleavy said. "I don't have the answer. I keep looking for it and looking for it."



SPORTS SCOREBOARD

College Basketball Results

Texas Men

Baylor 86, Colorado 84

COLORADO (15-15): Pelle 7-17 4-6 18, Wilson 1-4 0-0 3, Mosley 5-11 9-12 19, Winston 0-1 1-4 1, Harrison 2-8 4-6 9, Brimmer 3-11 1-4 10, Mohr 0-0 0-0 0, Renfroe 1-1 0-1 2, Morandais 2-3 3-4 7, Harbert 3-7 0-0 9, Fox 3-3 0-0 6. Totals 27-66 22-37 84.

BAYLOR (18-10): Black 5-10 1-4 12, Davis 2-6 0-0 5, Othoro 2-2 5-8 9, Greenleaf 3-10 0-0 8, Minor 7-15 13-15 30, Sayman 1-7 2-3 4, Elsey 0-3 0-0 0, Flippen 2-3 1-2 5, Kosmalski 5-7 0-0 13. Totals 27-63 22-32 86.

Halftime—Baylor 46, Colorado 35. 3-Point goals—Colorado 8-20 (Wilson 1-3, Winston 0-1, Harrison 1-4, Brimmer 3-7, Harbert 3-5), Baylor 10-23 (Black 1-1, Davis 1-1, Greenleaf 2-8, Minor 3-5, Sayman 0-2, Elsey 0-2, Kosmalski 3-4) Fouled out—Baylor Davis, Othoro, Kosmalski. Rebounds—Colorado 50 (Mosley 20), Baylor 40 (Black 14). Assists—Colorado 18 (Winston 5), Baylor 20 (Minor 7). Total fouls—Colorado 25, Baylor 26. A—n/a.

Oklahoma State 71, Texas Tech 59

TEXAS TECH (9-19): Owens 7-16 4-5 18, Mitchell 2-8 0-0 6, Ellis 1-7 4-4 6, Brown 4-15 5-5 14, Marshall 2-5 2-2 6, Hayes 0-2 0-0 0, Bass 1-2 0-0 3, Shropshire 0-3 0-0 0, Emmett 2-8 2-2 6, Phillips 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-66 17-18 59.

OKLAHOMA ST. (20-8): Sanders 4-10 2-3 11, A. Williams 1-5 0-0 2, Jonzen 9-17 3-3 21, Baker 10-16 6-8 31, V. Williams 0-4 0-0 0, Crawford 0-3 4-6 4, Anderson 0-2 0-0 0, Broxsie 1-3 0-0 2, Keep 0-0 0-0 0, Marlow 0-1 0-2 0. Totals 25-61 15-22 71.

Halftime—Oklahoma St. 32, Texas Tech 18. 3-Point goals—Texas Tech 4-21 (Mitchell 2-7, Ellis 0-3, Brown 1-4, Marshall 0-2, Bass 1-2, Shropshire 0-1, Emmett 0-2), Oklahoma St. 6-15 (Sanders 1-4, Jonzen 0-1, Baker 5-6, V. Williams 0-3, Crawford 0-1). Fouled out—V. Williams. Rebounds—Texas Tech 42 (Marshall 9), Oklahoma St. 44 (Sanders 10). Assists—Texas Tech 9 (Brown 5), Oklahoma St. 12 (Baker 7). Total fouls—Texas Tech 15, Oklahoma St. 17. A—19,100.

Missouri 77, Texas A&M 62

TEXAS A&M (10-20): Anderson 6-12 2-2 14, B. King 3-10 0-0 6, Butterfras 0-0 0-0 0, Gilchrist 6-12 4-5 19, Leatherman 1-4 0-0 2, Bean 5-9 3-10 13, J. King 2-9 3-4 8, Brookhart 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 0-1 0-0 0, Scott 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-57 12-21 62.

MISSOURI (19-10): Rush 6-10 0-0 16, Soyoye 3-6 2-2 8, Johnson 4-6 3-3 11, Gilbert 10-15 2-2 30, Grawer 1-1 0-0 3, Stokes 0-2 3-6 3, Bryant 0-1 0-0 0, Gage 0-3 1-2 1, Paulding 1-3 2-2 5, Parker 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 25-48 13-17 77.

Halftime—Missouri 41, Texas A&M 25. 3-Point goals—Texas A&M 4-10 (B. King 0-4, Gilchrist 3-3, Leatherman 0-1, J. King 1-2), Missouri 14-19 (Rush 4-6, Gilbert 8-11, Grawer 1-1, Paulding 1-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Texas A&M 37 (Anderson 10), Missouri 29 (Johnson 8). Assists—Texas A&M 9 (B. King, Gilchrist 3), Missouri 14 (Stokes 5). Total fouls—Texas A&M 19, Missouri 20. A—15,200.

Hawaii 99, TCU 79

Hawaii (15-13): Savovic 8-13 3-5 24, Martin 3-5 0-0 6, Ostler 7-9 5-8 19, McIntyre 2-7 0-0 5, Puida 7-13 2-4 21, Hilton 0-0 0-0 0, Takaki 1-1 0-0 2, Shimonovic 4-4 1-2 9, Burneika 2-2 0-0 4, English 2-4 3-4 9, Holliday 0-0 0-0 0, O'Connor 0-1 0-0 0, Fields 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 36-60 14-23 99.

TCU (20-11): Carroll 5-9 0-0 14, Merriex 9-19 5-8 26, Davenport 0-4 2-4 2, Smith 4-6 1-3 9, McTyer 4-9 4-6 13, Allaway 3-6 7-10 13, Dumont 1-3 0-0 2, Paulk 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 26-59 19-31 79.

Halftime—Hawaii 47, TCU 34. 3-point goals—Hawaii 13-24 (Savovic 5-7, Puida 5-9, English 2-3, McIntyre 1-5). TCU 8-20 (Carroll 4-7, Merriex 3-8 McTyer 1-4, Allaway 0-1). Fouled out—Savovic, Allaway. Rebounds—Hawaii 38 (Savovic 6), TCU 28 (Merriex 8). Assists—Hawaii 26 (Ostler 8), TCU 11 (McTyer 4). Total fouls—Hawaii 24, TCU 20. A—2,759.

No. 25 Fresno State 60, Rice 52

Rice (14-16): Evans 0-1 0-0 0, Cooper 7-15 2-2 20, Morgan 0-3 3-4 3, Tyndell 0-6 0-0 0, Wilks 6-11 8-9 21, Mance 0-1 0-0 0, Walton 0-2 0-0 0, Kolik 0-0 0-0 0, Smith 1-3 1-2 3, Diene 2-3 1-1 5. Totals 16-45 15-18 52.

Fresno St. (25-5): Jefferies 1-8 5-8 8, Swillis 3-5 1-3 7, Ely 1-3 4-6 6, Maddox 2-7 9-12 14, Porter 6-9 6-10 21, Jackson 0-1 0-0 0, Felix 1-1 0-0 2, DeManby 0-1 0-0 0, Al-Sayyad 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 14-35 27-41 60.

Halftime—Fresno St. 35-23. 3-Point goals—Rice 5-18 (Cooper 4-8, Wilks 1-2, Mance 0-1, Smith 0-1, Walton 0-2, Tyndell 0-4). Fresno St. 5-15 (Porter 3-5, Maddox 1-2, Jefferies 1-6, Jackson 0-1, DeMnby 0-1). Fouled out—Evans, Wilks, Diene. Rebounds—Rice 33 (Mc gan 9), Fresno St. 26 (Ely 6). Assists—Rice 8 (Morgan, Tyndell, Wilks 2), Fresno St. 10 (Maddox 4). Total fouls—Rice 28, Fresno St. 19. Technical—Rice coach Wilson. A—NA.

UTEP 74, SMU 70

SMU (18-12): Davis 4-10 0-0 9, Niemi 2-10 2-2 6, Hancock 4-10 4-6 13, Sasser 6-19 3-5 15, Ross 8-15 3-4 23, Lowe 0-1 0-0 0, Kelley 2-3 0-0 4, Smith 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 26-69 12-17 70.

UTEP (22-7): Owens 4-7 1-2 10, Smallwood 2-5 8-10 13, Wolfram 3-8 6-7 12, Stewart 5-6 4-5 14, Costello 4-12 3-6 13, Neal 3-6 0-0 9, Jarrell 0-0 0-0 0, Enzweiler 1-3 0-0 3. Totals 22-47 22-30 74.

Halftime—UTEP 36, SMU 31. 3-point goals—SMU 6-20 (Ross 4-8, Hancock 1-3, Davis 1-3, Lowe 0-1, Sasser 0-5). UTEP 8-21 (Neal 3-5, Costello 2-9, Enzweiler 1-3, Smallwood 1-2, Owens 1-2). Fouled out—Davis, Smallwood. Rebounds—SMU 37 (Niemi 9), UTEP 41 (Smallwood 10). Assists—SMU 13 (Sasser 5), UTEP 15 (Smallwood 6). Technicals—Hancock, SMU bench, Smallwood). Total fouls—SMU 22, UTEP 21. A—na.

Top 25 Men

No. 10 Boston College 93, Villanova 79

VILLANOVA (18-12): Buchanan 2-9 3-4 8, Wright 9-9 3-5 21, Bradley 4-8 6-0 14, Medley 4-13 2-3 12, Snowden 1-4 0-0 2, Sales 4-6 0-1 8, Bryant 3-6 2-2 8, Bloch 2-4 0-0 6, Holley 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 29-60 16- 25 79.

BOSTON COLLEGE (24-4): Singletary 3-8 0-1 7, Walls 3-12 1-2 8, Agbai 2-5 1-2 5, Bell 10-15 2-3 25, Harley 8-10 0-1 19, Sidney 4-10 3-4 13, Beerbohm 6-10 0-1 12, Ross 0-0 0-0 0, Hadjisotiros 0-0 2-2 2, Dunn 1-1 0-0 2, DeMong 0-0 0-0 0, Ekweozor 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 37-72 9-16 93.

Halftime—Boston College 40-34. 3-Point goals—Villanova 5-24 (Bloch 2-4, Medley 2-9, Buchanan 1-6, Bradley 0-1, Bryant 0-1, Holley 0-1, Snowden 0-2), Boston College 10-24 (Bell 3-5, Harley 3-5, Sindey 2-3, Singletary 1-3, Walls 1-7, Beerbohm 0-1). Fouled out—Snowden, Ross. Rebounds—Villanova 35 (Bradley 12), Boston College 39 (Sindey 8). Assists—Villanova 15 (Medley 5), Boston College 20 (Harley 5). Total fouls—Villanova 19, Boston College 21. A—NA.

Seton Hall 58, No. 18 Georgetown 40

SETON HALL (16-13): Garrett 0-2 0-0 0, Griffin 3-12 5-7 11, Dalembert 2-5 1-2 5, Barrett 4-9 3-3 12, Lane 4-8 0-4 11, Shine 4-8 0-0 11, Morton 1-2 0-0 2, Toney-El 3-3 0-1 6, Manga 0-1 0-0 0, Herod 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-50 9-17 58.

GEORGETOWN (23-7): Riley 0-7 0-0 0, Sweetney 3-9 0-0 6, Boumtje Boumtje 4-5 0-0 8, Braswell 0-6 0-0 0, Hunter 1-7 1-2 4, Perry 2-5 0-2 5, Scruggs 5-13 0-2 12, Burton 1-1 1-2 3, Wilson 0-1 0-0 0, Samnick 1-3 0-0 2, Ross 0-0 0-0 0, Hillier 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 17-58 2-8 40.

Halftime—Georgetown 26-25. 3-Point goals—Seton Hall 7-17 (Shine 3-4, Lane 3-6, Barrett 1-4, Garrett 0-1, Griffin 0-2)), Georgetown 4-17 (Scruggs 2-4, Perry 1-2, Hunter 1-4, Riley 0-3, Braswell 0-4). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Seton Hall 40 (Dalemberg, Barrett, Lane 6), Georgetown 36 (Boumtje Boumtje 7). Assists—Seton Hall 11 (Barrett 5), Georgetown 11 (Braswell 3). Total fouls—Seton Hall 9, Georgetown 16. A—19,295.

Pittsburgh 66, No. 19 Notre Dame 54

PITTSBURGH (17-12): Greer 7-11 3-5 17, Zavackas 3-5 2-5 10, Hawkins 3-8 0-0 6, Knight 2-6 5-10 10, Cage 2-4 0-2 5, Brown 6-9 2-2 14, Morris 1-4 0-0 2, Johnson 1-4 0-0 2. Totals 25-51 12-24 66.

NOTRE DAME (19-9): Humphrey 4-10 0-0 8, Murphy 2-11 3-3 8, Swanagan 1-3 0-0 2, Carroll 3-11 0-0 8, Ingelsby 5-9 1-1 16, Graves 4-6 0-0 12, Jones 0-1 0-0 0, Timmermans 0-1 0-0 0, Thomas 0-0 0-0 0, Kartelo 0-0 0-0 0, Macura 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-52 4-4 54.

Halftime—Pittsburgh 36, Notre Dame 29. 3-Point goals—Pittsburgh 4-12 (Zavackas 2-3, Cage 1-2, Knight 1-3, Johnson 0-1, Greer 0-3), Notre Dame 12-26 (Ingelsby 5-7, Graves 4-5, Carroll 2-9, Murphy 1-3, Humphrey 0-1, Jones 0-1). Fouled out—Carroll. Rebounds—Pittsburgh 39 (Hawkins 12), Notre Dame 25 (Murphy 8). Assists—Pittsburgh 16 (Knight 11), Notre Dame 7 (Carroll 2, Inglesby 2, Graves 2). Total fouls—Pittsburgh 11, Notre Dame 24. A—19,528.

No. 21 St. Joseph's 82, La Salle 74

La Salle (12-17): Thomas 8-16 3-6 19, Wilson 1-1 2-2 4, Bragg 1-1 0-0 2, Blanks 3-11 5-5 12, Butler 11-25 4-5 28, Quadri 1-6 2-2 4, Jones 1-1 0-0 2, Wright 1-1 0-0 3, Clark 0-0 0-0 0, Jordan 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-62 16-20 74.

St. Joseph's (25-5): Wilkins 2-4 0-1 4, Phillips 2-7 2-2 6, Reid 3-6 9-12 15, O'Connor 6-16 2-6 16, Nelson 6-8 8-8 23, Farrelly 0-0 2-2 2, Martelli 0-0 0-0 0, Barley 0-1 0-0 0, Crenshaw 4-10 2 2 13, Woods 0-0 0-0 0, Sazonov 0-2 3-4 3. Totals 23-54 28-37 82.

Halftime—St. Joseph's 34-29. 3-Point goals—La Salle 4-18 (Butler 2-11, Wright 1-1, Blanks 1-5, Quadri 0-1), St. Joseph's 8-20 (Nelson 3-4, Crenshaw 3-5, O'Connor 2-7, Wilkins 0-1, Phillips 0-2, Barley 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—La Salle 34 (Thomas 10), St. Joseph's 41 (Nelson 11). Assists—La Salle 15 (Bragg 6), St. Joseph's 19 (Nelson 8). Total fouls—La Salle 22, St. Joseph's 19. Technical—Crenshaw. A—NA.

Texas Women

No. 13 Iowa State 73, No. 11 Texas Tech 62

IOWA ST. (24-5): Welle 10-15 5-6 25, Haugen 2-3 3-4 8, Wilson 2-9 11-17 15, Gahan 4-8 0-0 9, Taylor 3-11 3-3 10, Cipinyte 0-1 0-0 0, Junod 2-4 1-2 6, Robson 0-0 0-0 0, Cizek 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-51 23-32 73.

TEXAS TECH (23-6): Tarr 1-5 0-0 2, Pierson 5-8 3-4 13, Ellison 1-1 0-0 2, White 1-6 0-0 3, O'Neal 3-8 4-5 10, Jackson 1-1 2-4 4, Perkins 4-12 4-6 12, Ritchie 3-9 0-0 8, Ayers 4-7 0-0 8. Totals 23-57 13-19 62.

Halftime—Texas Tech 33, Iowa St. 29. 3-Point goals—Iowa St. 4-11 (Haugen 1-1, Wilson 0-2, Gahan 1-2, Taylor 1-5, Junod 1-1), Texas Tech 3-20 (Tarr 0-3, White 1-3, O'Neal 0-1, Perkins 0-6, Ritchie 2-7). Fouled out—Pierson, Perkins. Rebounds—Iowa St. 42 (Welle 11), Texas Tech 24 (Ayers 8). Assists—Iowa St. 12 (Wilson 5). Texas Tech 14 (Tarr, Perkins, Ayers 3). Total fouls—Iowa St. 15, Texas Tech 24. A—5,518.

Men's Tournaments

America East Conference
Saturday, March 10
Hofstra vs. Delaware, 10:30 a.m.
Atlantic Coast Conference
First Round
Thursday, March 8
Clemson 66, Florida State 64
Quarterfinals
Friday, March 9
North Carolina vs. Clemson, 11 a.m.
Virginia vs. Georgia Tech, 1:30 p.m.
Duke vs. North Carolina State, 6 p.m.
Maryland vs. Wake Forest, 8:30 p.m.
Atlantic 10 Conference
Quarterfinals
Thursday, March 8
St. Joseph's 82, La Salle 74
Massachusetts 79, St. Bonaventure 58
Temple 76, Dayton 63
George Washington 83, Xavier 74
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
St. Joseph's vs. Massachusetts, 6 p.m.
Temple vs. George Washington, 8:30 p.m.
Big East Conference
First Round
Quarterfinals
Thursday, March 8
Boston College 93, Villanova 79
Seton Hall 58, Georgetown 40
Pittsburgh 66, Notre Dame 54
Syracuse 55, Providence 54
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Boston College vs. Seton Hall, 6 p.m.
Pittsburgh vs. Syracuse, 8:30 p.m.
Big Sky Conference
First Round
Thursday, March 8
Weber State 86, Idaho State 67
N. Arizona vs. Montana State, late
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Eastern Washington vs. higher remaining seed, 8 p.m.
Cal State Northridge vs. lower remaining seed, 10:30 p.m.
Big Ten Conference
First Round
Thursday, March 8
Purdue 91, Minnesota 77
Penn State 82, Michigan 80
Iowa 72, Northwestern 55
Quarterfinals
Friday, March 9
Indiana vs. Wisconsin, 11:30 a.m.
Illinois vs. Purdue, 2 p.m.
Michigan St. vs. Penn St., 6:30 p.m.
Ohio State vs. Iowa, 9 p.m.
Big 12 Conference
First Round
Thursday, March 8
Baylor 86, Colorado 84
Oklahoma State 71, Texas Tech 59
Kansas State 62, Nebraska 58
Missouri 77, Texas A&M 62
Quarterfinals
Friday, March 9
Iowa State vs. Baylor, noon
Texas vs. Oklahoma St., 2:20 p.m.
Kansas vs. Kansas State, 6 p.m.
Oklahoma vs. Missouri, 8:20 p.m.
Big West Conference
First Round
Thursday, March 8
Boise State 90, Long Beach State 70
Utah State 74, Cal State Fullerton 43
UC Irvine 71, Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo 66
UC Santa Barbara vs. Pacific, late
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Boise State vs. Utah State, 8 p.m.
UC Irvine vs. UC Santa Barbara-Pacific winner, 10:30 p.m.
Conference USA
Quarterfinals
Thursday, March 8
Charlotte 77, South Florida 74
Southern Mississippi 63, Saint Louis 54
Cincinnati 73, Alabama-Birmingham 70
Memphis vs. Marquette, late
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Charlotte vs. Southern Mississippi, 4:30 p.m.
Cincinnati vs. Memphis-Marquette winner, 7 p.m.
Mid-American Conference
Quarterfinals
Thursday, March 8
Miami (Ohio) 65, Central Michigan 56
Ohio 64, Toledo 63
Kent State 71, Bowling Green 64
Marshall vs. Ball State, late
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Miami (Ohio) vs. Ohio, 6 p.m.
Kent State vs. Marshall-Ball State winner, 8:30 p.m.
Mid-Eastern Athletic Conf.
Quarterfinals
Wednesday, March 7
Hampton 76, Morgan State 64
South Carolina State 53, Bethune-Cookman 47
Thursday, March 8
North Carolina A&T 83, Delaware State 73
Norfolk State 78, Coppin State 66
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Hampton vs. Norfolk State, 1:30 p.m.
South Carolina State vs. North Carolina A&T, 8:30 p.m.
Mountain West Conference
First Round
Thursday, March 8
Brigham Young 69, Air Force 54
Wyoming 73, San Diego State 58
New Mexico vs. Colorado State, late
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Wyoming vs. Brigham Young, 8 p.m.
Utah vs. New Mexico-Colorado State winner, 11 p.m.
Patriot League
Semifinals
Sunday, March 4
Navy 88, Bucknell 64
Holy Cross 69, Lehigh 57
Championship
Friday, March 9
Navy vs. Holy Cross, 3:30 p.m.
Southeastern Conference
First Round
Thursday, March 8
Tennessee 73, Auburn 66
South Carolina 69, Mississippi State 62
Alabama 78, Vanderbilt 59
Georgia vs. LSU, late
Quarterfinals
Friday, March 9
Mississippi vs. Tennessee, noon.
Kentucky vs. South Carolina, 2:15 p.m.
Florida vs. Alabama, 6:30 p.m.
Arkansas vs. Georgia-LSU winner, 8:45 p.m.
Southland Conference
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
McNeese State vs. Sam Houston State, 6 or 8:30 p.m.
Texas-San Antonio vs. Northwestern State, 6 or 8:30 p.m.
Southwestern Athletic Conf.
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Texas Southern vs. Alcorn State, 5:30 p.m.
Alabama State vs. Southern University, 8 p.m.
Western Athletic Conference
Quarterfinals
Thursday, March 8
Fresno State 60, Rice 52
Hawaii 99, Texas Christian 79
Texas-El Paso 74, Southern Methodist 70
Tulsa 64, San Jose State 53
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Fresno State vs. Hawaii, 6 p.m.
Texas-El Paso vs. Tulsa, 8:30 p.m.

Women's Scores

America East Conference
Thursday, March 8
Hartford 70, Maine 55
Delaware 67, Boston University 49
Drexel 90, Northeastern 78
Vermont 72, New Hampshire 62
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Hartford vs. Delaware, 5 p.m.
Drexel vs. Vermont, 7:30 p.m.
Big Sky Conference
First Round
Thursday, March 8
Montana 76, Eastern Washington 55
Weber State 68, Northern Arizona 49
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Montana State vs. Montana, 6:30 p.m.
Idaho State vs. Weber St., 9 p.m.
Big 12 Conference
Semifinals
Thursday, March 8
Oklahoma 102, Colorado 93
Iowa State 73, Texas Tech 62
Championship
Saturday, March 10
Oklahoma vs. Iowa St., 7 p.m.
Big West Conference
First Round
Wednesday, March 7
Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo 79, Pacific 76, OT
Long Beach State 82, Idaho 73
UC Santa Barbara 79, Cal State Fullerton 50
Boise State 54, UC Irvine 51
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo vs. Long Beach State, 2 p.m.
UC Santa Barbara vs. Boise State, 4:30 p.m.
Colonial Athletic Association
First Round
Thursday, March 8
George Mason 58, North Carolina-Wilmington 47
William & Mary 67, Virginia Commonwealth 60
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
James Madison vs. George Mason, 4 p.m.
Old Dominion vs. William & Mary, 6:30 p.m.
Quarterfinals
Tuesday, March 6
Toledo 81, Bowling Green 63
Northern Illinois 69, Akron 47
Kent State 85, Ohio 78
Miami (Ohio) 91, Ball State 88, OT
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Toledo vs. Northern Illinois, 11 a.m.
Kent State vs. Miami (Ohio), 1:30 p.m.
Mid-Eastern Athletic Conf.
Quarterfinals
Wednesday, March 7
Howard 95, North Carolina A&T 78
South Carolina State 63, Bethune-Cookman 60
Thursday, March 8
Delaware State 81, Norfolk State 64
Hampton 77, Florida A&M 51
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Howard vs. South Carolina State, 11 a.m.
Delaware State vs. Hampton, 6 p.m.
Midwestern Collegiate Conf.
First Round
Thursday, March 8
Wisconsin-Milwaukee 58, Wright State 34
Loyola, Ill. 73, Detroit 58
Wisconsin-Green Bay 64, Butler 53
Illinois-Chicago 65, Cleveland State 63
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Wisconsin-Milwaukee vs. Loyola, Ill., 5 p.m.
Wisconsin-Green Bay vs. Ill.-Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Missouri Valley Conference
First Round
Thursday, March 8
Drake 73, Bradley 60
Evansville 76, Creighton 70
Southwest Missouri State 92, Indiana State 63
Northern Iowa 78, Wichita State 67
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Drake vs. Evansville, 6 p.m.
Southwest Missouri State vs. Northern Iowa, 8:30 p.m.
Mountain West Conference
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
New Mexico vs. Colorado State, 2 p.m.
Brigham Young vs. Utah, 4:30 p.m.
Southland Conference
Semifinals
Thursday, March 8
Northwestern State 63, Louisiana-Monroe 56
Stephen F. Austin 49, Texas-San Antonio 32
Championship
Saturday, March 10
Northwestern State vs. Stephen F. Austin, 3 p.m.
Trans America Athletic Conf.
Quarterfinals
Thursday, March 8
Campbell 79, Samford 58
Georgia State 63, Mercer 52
Stetson 73, Central Florida 61
Troy State 69, Jacksonville 60
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Campbell vs. Troy State, 5 p.m.
Georgia State vs. Stetson, 7:30 p.m.
Western Athletic Conference
Semifinals
Friday, March 9
Texas Christian vs. Rice, noon
Southern Methodist vs. Hawaii, 2:30 p.m.

State Basketball

Class 4A
San Antonio Lanier 50, Dallas Lincoln 48

San Antonio Lanier (32-5): Cardenas 5-11 2-2 12, Josh Martinez 3-11 3-3 12, Joseph Martinez 4-9 0-0 10, Perez 3-5 0-1 6,L. Martinez 3-7 0-0 6, Roque 2-2 0-0 4, Reynosa 0-1 0-0 0, Gutierrez 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 20-46 5-6 50.

Dallas Lincoln: Hopkins 10-24 4-8 26, Atkins 2-5 1-2 7, Allen 2-7 0-0 4, Shipman 2-5 0-0 4, Bosh 2-4 0-0 4, Mason 1-1 0-0 3, Langrum 0-1 0-2 0, Crowe 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-47 5-12 48.

SA Lanier	**9**	**17**	**13**	**11 — 50**
Dallas Lincoln	**6**	**14**	**16**	**12 — 48**

3-point goals-SA Lanier 5-18 (Josh Martinez 3-9, Joseph Martinez 2-7, Reynosa 0-1, Perez 0-1), Lincoln 5-15 (Hopkins 2-4, Atkins 2-5, Mason 1-1, Shipman 0-2, Allen 0-3). Fouled out-Louis Martinez,Bosh. Rebounds-SA Lanier 24 (Cardenas 8), Lincoln 35 (Hopkins 8). Assists-SA Lanier 11 (Josh Martinez 5), Lincoln 6 (Hopkins 4). Total fouls-SA Lanier 14, Lincoln 14. A-14,470.

Beaumont Ozen 54, Hereford 39

Hereford (32-5): Stow 4-5 2-2 10, S. Hodges 4-11 0-0 9, C. Hodges 4-12 0-0 9, Marsh 2-12 1-5 6, Rives 2-5 0-0 5, Power 0-1 0-0 0, Dudley 0-2 0-0 0, Marquez 0-2 0-0 0, Horrell 0-0 0-0 0, Noland 0-0 0-0 0, Carnahan 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 16-50 3-7 39.

Beaumont Ozen (35-0): Perkins 11-14 9-13 31, Chappell 3-5 1-1 7, Cooper 2-3 0-0 4, Young 2-4 0-2 4, Marshall 1-1 1-2 3, Dabney 1-6 0-0 2, Tyrell 1-3 0-0 2, Thomas 0-1 1-2 1, James 0-1 0-0 0, Rideau 0-0 0-0 0, Colbert 0-0 0-0 0, Breckinridge 0-0 0-0 0, Rideaux 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-38 12-20 54.

Hereford	**12**	**03**	**17**	**07 — 39**
Beau.Ozen	**11**	**13**	**16**	**14 — 54**

3-point goals-Hereford 4-18 (S Hodges 1-4, Rives 1-3, Marsh 1-2; C. Hodges 1-5, Power 0-1, Dudley 0-1, Marquez 0-2), Beaumont Ozen 0-2 (Cooper 0-1, Thomas 0-1). Fouled out-None. Rebounds-Hereford 32 (S Hodges 9), Beaumont Ozen 26 (Perkins 10). Assists-Hereford 9 (C Hodges 4), Beaumont Ozen 13 (Thomas 5). Total fouls-Hereford 16, Beaumont Ozen 13. A-12,021

Class 3A
Corpus Christi West Oso 45, Dimmitt 21

CC West Oso (33-3): Gonzalez 5-12 6-9 16, Teague 6-12 0-1 12, Fling 2-7 2-2 7, Valdez 2-5 0-0 5, Anthony 1-8 0-0 3, Fillmore 1-1 0-0 2, Williams 0-4 0-0 0, Castleberry 0-0 0-0 0, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Pena 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 17-49 8-12 45.

Dimmitt (26-9): Proffitt 2-5 0-0 6, Norman 3-15 0-2 6, Larra 2-7 0-0 4, Wright 1-2 0-0 3, Josselet 1-3 0-0 2, Velo 0-2 0-0 0, Warsham 0-2 0-0 0, Guana 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Furr 0-0 0-0 0, Hunter 0-0 0-0 0, Ceina 0-0 0-0 0, Lane 0-0 0-0 0, Velo 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 9-36 0-2 21.

CC West Oso	**08**	**09**	**15**	**13 — 45**
Dimmitt	**06**	**02**	**06**	**07 — 21**

3-point goals-West Oso 3-15 (Anthony 1-3, Fling 1-4, Valdez 1-3, Williams 0-2, Teague 0-1, Gonzalez 0-2), Dimmitt 3-17 (Proffitt 2-4, Wright 1-1, Larra 0-2, Josselet 0-2, Norman 0-8). Fouled out-None. Rebounds-West Oso 35 (Gonzalez 11), Dimmitt 27 (Norman 9). Assists-West Oso 9 (Williams 4), Dimmitt 5 (Larra 3). Total fouls-West Oso 7, Dimmitt 12. A-9,567

Mexia 59, Gainesville 58

Mexia (32-2): McGilvray 9-13 0-0 18, Kimbrough 5-9 5-7 15, Huckaby 3-6 3-5 9, Chambers 3-7 1-2 7, Dunn 0-4 4-4 4, Jones 1-1 2-2 4, Jefferson 0-2 2-2 2, Childs 0-0 0-0 0, Smith 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-42 17-22 59.

Gainesville (23-11): Purvey 6-15 0-0 14, Scott 4-10 0-0 10, Harrison 4-7 2-2 10, Wilson 4-5 1-3 9, Searcy 3-4 0-0 9, Thomas 2-7 1-4 5, Haverkamp 0-1 1-2 1, Calhoun 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-49 5-11 58.

Mexia	**13**	**19**	**18**	**09 — 59**
Gainesville	**11**	**15**	**16**	**16 — 58**

3-point goals-Mexia 0-5 (Kimbrough 0-1, Dunn 0-2, Jefferson 0-2), Gainesville 7-11 (Searcy 3-4, Scott 2-4, Purvey 2-2, Haverkamp 0-1). Fouled out-None. Rebounds-Mexia 29 (Kimbrough 7), Gainesville 26 (Thomas 8) Assists-Mexia 9 (Kimbrough 4), Gainesville 12 (Purvey 5). Total fouls-Mexia 11, Gainesville 18. A-10,202.

Class A Division I
Evadale 61, Stratford 47

Stratford (19-5): Bell 10-17 3-5 25, Walden 3-10 3-7 10, Vital 4-13 0-2 8, Ashley 1-3 0-0 2, Naugle 1-5 0-0 2, Ortega 0-4 0-2 0, McAlister 0-5 0-0 0, Ashley 0-0 0-0 0, Kimball 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-57 6-16 47.

Evadale (30-5): Wilkins 8-23 4-6 22, Bruce 5-9 4-7 15, Jones 0-6 8-8 8, Daws 3-8 2-3 8, Plake 1-1 3-5 5, Morris 1-3 0-0 3, Toms 0-2 0-0 0, Pell 0-0 0-0 0, Anderson 0-0 0-0 0, Wright 0-0 0-0 0, Crain 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-52 21-31 61.

Stratford	**05**	**14**	**09**	**19 — 47**
Evadale	**09**	**13**	**11**	**28 — 61**

3-point goals-Stratford 3-18 (Bell 2-8, Walden 1-4, Ashley 0-1, Naugle 0-2, Ortega 0-1, McAlister 0-2), Evadale 4-10 (Wilkins 2-4, Bruce 1-1, Morris 1-2, Toms 0-1; Jones 0-2) Fouled out-Walden, McAlister, Bell. Rebounds-Stratford 41 (Vital 12), Evadale 44 (Wilkins 13) Assists-Stratford 10 (Bell 4), Evadale 6 (Bruce 3) Total fouls-Stratford 24, Evadale 16. A-6,947

Class A Division II
Goodrich 62, Nazareth 51

Nazareth (25-10): Schilling 8-21 1-1 19, Wilcox 5-17 3-3 17, Pohlmeier 2-5 2-2 6, Robb 3-5 0-0 6, Birkenfeld Blake 1-6 0-0 3, Ehly 0-4 0-0 0, Kleman 0-1 0-0 0, Schulte 0-0 0-0 0, Brock Birkenfeld 0-0 0-0 0, Price 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-59 6-6 51

Goodrich (35-2): Henderson 11-15 3-4 25, Venson, 6-12 1-3 13, Grant 3-7 3-3 9, Walker 2-3 1-2 5, McGowen 2-3 0-0 4, Woods 0-1 3-4 3, Brown 1-2 1-1 3, Roth 0-0 0-0 0. Wright 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 25-43 12-17 62

Nazareth	**18**	**10**	**11**	**12 — 51**
Goodrich	**19**	**14**	**14**	**15 — 62**

3-point goals-Nazareth 7-21 (Wilcox 4-11, Schilling 2-5, Birkenfeld Blake 1-4, Robb 0-1). Goodrich 0-0 (None). Fouled-None. Rebounds-Nazareth 27 (Schilling 8), Goodrich 34 (Henderson 10). Assists-Nazareth 10 (Birkenfeld Blake 4). Goodrich 5 (Henderson 2). Total fouls-Nazareth 17, Goodrich 9. A-6,947

NBA Results

National Basketball Association
By The Associated Press

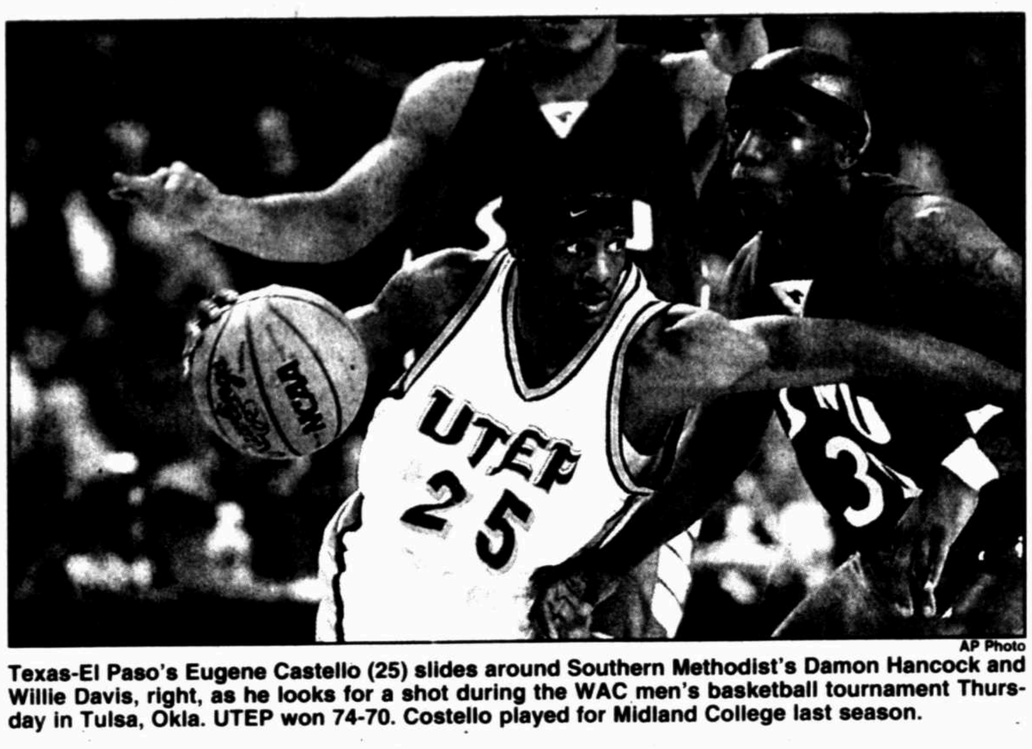
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	45	16	.738	—
Miami	37	25	.597	8 1/2
New York	36	25	.590	9
Orlando	33	28	.541	12
Boston	26	35	.426	19
New Jersey	21	42	.333	25
Washington	14	47	.230	31

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	38	22	.633	—
Charlotte	35	27	.565	4
Toronto	33	29



AP Photo

Texas-El Paso's Eugene Castello (25) slides around Southern Methodist's Damon Hancock and Willie Davis, right, as he looks for a shot during the WAC men's basketball tournament Thursday in Tulsa, Okla. UTEP won 74-70. Costello played for Midland College last season.

Miners hold off Mustangs

Associated Press

■ WAC Tourney

TULSA, Okla. — Roy Smallwood and Brian Stewart came up with big baskets in the second half as Texas-El Paso held off SMU 74-70 in the quarterfinals of the Western Athletic Conference tournament Thursday night.

The third-seeded Miners (22-7) will play Tulsa or San Jose State in the semifinals Friday. SMU fell to 18-12 despite 23 points from Quinton Ross, who kept the Mustangs close in the late going.

Stewart scored 14 points to lead five UTEP players in double figures. Smallwood had 13 points, 10 rebounds — eight at the offensive end — and six assists. Eugene Costello scored 13, Brandon Wolfram 12 and Leonard Owens 10.

Wolfram, who led the WAC with a 23-point scoring average, was just 3-of-8 against SMU's mostly zone defense.

UTEP fell behind 8-1 and 21-11 in the first half before working its way back, in part behind the 3-point shooting of Costello. The Miners closed the half with an 11-4 run to take a five-point lead.

Chris Neal made two 3-pointers and Smallwood added one in an 11-6 spurt that gave the Miners a 53-41 lead. The lead grew to 60-44 before SMU outscored the Miners 12-2 to get within 62-56.

Then Stewart scored inside, Smallwood made two free throws and Stewart completed a three-point play to keep SMU at a distance. Ross was doing what he could at the other end of the floor, sinking two free throws, a follow shot and a 3-pointer.

UTEP kept the lead in the six- to eight-point range throughout the final three minutes. The closest SMU got was the final score, thanks to Jeryl Sasser's three-point play with 12.4 seconds to go.

No. 25 Fresno St. 60, Rice 52

TULSA, Okla. — Fresno State didn't get a second-half basket for more than 13 minutes, finished with a season-low point total and its fewest field goals of the year.

The 25th-ranked Bulldogs got a victory, though, and that's all that matters at this time of year.

"The nice part about it is, it's a win," coach Jerry Tarkanian said after his team held off Rice 60-52 Thursday in the quarterfinals of the Western Athletic Conference tournament. "It might not be beautiful, but it goes in the left-hand column."

The Bulldogs (25-5) led by as many as 12 in the first half and had an 11-point lead early in the second half, but couldn't shake a Rice team that had played them close during both regular-season meetings.

Hawaii 99, TCU 79

TULSA, Okla. — Predag Savovic scored 24 points and Hawaii made a season-high 13 3-pointers in a 99-79 victory over Texas Christian in the quarterfinals of the Western Athletic Conference tournament Thursday.

The fifth-seeded Rainbow Warriors (15-13) will play top seed and No. 25 Fresno State in the semifinals Friday. Fresno State beat Rice 60-52 earlier in the day.

TCU (20-11) saw Hawaii hit six of its first nine 3-point tries in taking a 13-point halftime lead. The Horned Frogs, who shot just 44 percent compared with 60 percent for Hawaii, got no closer than 11 in the second half.

Hawaii's high percentage was due in part to crisp ball movement that resulted in a WAC tournament-record 26 assists and several easy shots.

Baylor gets past Colorado

Associated Press

■ Big 12 Tourney

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Matt Sayman was 1-of-7 from the floor and 0-of-1 from the foul line when it came time for him to win the game in overtime.

Like a cool veteran, the Baylor freshman canned a pair of free throws with 10 seconds left, lifting the Bears past Colorado 86-84 in the opening round of the Big 12 tournament.

"I was thinking that I pretty much wanted to make them," said Sayman. "I guess it's something you really can't prepare for. I am just glad to get the chance to shoot them. It was fun."

Eighth-seeded Baylor (18-10) will meet top-seeded Iowa State (25-4) Friday in the second round. Leading the Cyclones will be Big 12 player of the year Jamaal Tinsley.

Baylor coach Dave Bliss said last week he thought Kansas' Kirk Hinrich was the top point guard in the league.

"I didn't say that," he deadpanned. "But if I did say that, I've changed my mind."

Chevis Brimmer hit a 3-pointer with 48 seconds left, giving Colorado its first lead since the opening minutes at 78-76.

Colorado (15-15), ending the season on a six-game losing skid, spent most of the first half dismantling a 14-point Baylor lead.

After Terry Black's free throw made it 78-77 for Baylor, Brimmer had a chance to give Colorado a three-point lead with 22 seconds left. But he missed both free throws and Black rebounded for Baylor.

Then with 13 seconds to go, Stephane Pelle fouled DeMarcus Minor, who had already scored 27 points. But the 6-foot-4 senior missed the first of his two free throws, and the game went into overtime knotted at 78.

"It was a great job today by Baylor," said Colorado coach Ricardo Patton. "They are a much improved team and today they did a nice job sticking to their game plan."

Missouri 77, Texas A&M 62

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Clarence Gilbert hit eight 3-pointers, tying a school record for the most in a game, and scored 30 points Thursday night as Missouri beat Texas A&M 77-62 in the first round of the Big 12 Conference tournament.

Gilbert's eight 3-pointers were the second-most ever in a Big 12 tournament game. Colorado's Kenny Price hit nine against Texas in the 1999 tournament. John Woods set the Missouri school record against Alabama-Birmingham in the 1998 National Invitation Tournament.

Gilbert was 8-for-11 overall from 3-point range. Kareem Rush was 4-for-6 on 3-point tries and added 16 points for the sixth-seeded Tigers (19-11), who had more 3-pointers (14-for-19) than 2-pointers (11-for-29) as a team.

Kansas St. 62, Nebraska 58

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Travis Reynolds scored two baskets in the final 43 seconds Thursday night, including the game-winning jump shot from the lane with 1.5 seconds left, to lift Kansas State to a 62-58 win over Nebraska in the first round of the Big 12 Conference tournament.

COACHES: Tech luring Knight

(From 1C)

The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal quoted an unidentified former college coach who is close to Knight as saying that Myers and Tech president David Schmidly were in Florida to talk to Knight about the possibility of replacing Dickey.

In a report on its Web site, the Dallas Morning News quoted an unidentified source as saying the university had favorable discussions with Knight. It also quoted sources as saying a campus visit by Knight would probably occur before a job is offered.

The Morning News source also said the school plans to fire Dickey and buy out his contract, which has three years left with a base salary of $200,000.

Myers refused comment Thursday.

Knight, who won three national championships at Indiana, was fired last fall after he grabbed a student by the arm and was said to have violated a no-tolerance policy.

Knight, who has been spending time with the St. Louis Cardinals at spring training, did not speak with reporters Thursday. But Florida Marlins manager John Boles said, "I showed him around the place a little bit and asked him how he was enjoying the year off, and he said he wasn't. He said he'll be someplace. He'll coach next year."

Dickey came under fire as the Red Raiders went 9-19 overall and 3-13 in the Big 12.

Knight has said he wants to coach again. In many respects, the Tech job might be a good fit for him and the school. It would allow Knight to resurface in a high-profile conference but a low-intensity media town in West Texas. He would have a brand new facility to work in, and he and Myers are old friends.

Plus, Texas is a fertile recruiting area.

From Tech's point of view, the Hall of Fame coach would automatically spark renewed interest among fans and boost lagging attendance.

Myers invited Indiana to play in the first game in the new arena in November 1999. Knight is even quoted in the Tech media guide as praising the facility, proclaiming, "There's no better place in our (Big Ten) league."

Knight has 763 games as a college coach, starting at Army in 1965 before moving on to Indiana in 1971.

"I have tremendous respect for coach Knight and what he's done for basketball," Dickey said Thursday. "He's one of the brilliant minds in the game."

Dickey has compiled a 166-123 record, including two NCAA tournament berths, in his 10 seasons as Tech's head coach. But Tech has dropped 11 of the team's past 12 games and have suffered through four straight losing seasons.

Dickey helped Tech recover from a situation remarkably like the one that may force him out — before his arrival, the program had endured four straight losing seasons and had a 13-45 record in the preceding two years.

Myers, who coached the Red Raiders from 1971-1991, is said to have hand-picked Dickey as his successor.

But Tech administrators haven't exactly given Dickey a vote of confidence in the past few weeks.

Last week, Tech administrators said they would conduct an evaluation of Dickey and his team's performance.

"I don't think anybody's satisfied with the season," Myers said at the time. "Not the coach, the fans, anybody."

No. 13 Iowa State beats Lady Raiders, goes to Big 12 final

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Angie Welle had 25 points and 11 rebounds on Thursday night as No. 13 Iowa State beat No. 11 Texas Tech 73-62 to advance to the finals of the Big 12 Conference tournament.

Third-seeded Iowa State (24-5) will play No. 7 Oklahoma for the championship Saturday.

Second-seeded Texas Tech (23-6) led most of the first half, but Erica Haugen hit a 3-pointer to give the Cyclones a 55-53 lead with 7:47 left. Iowa State then scored seven straight points to put the game out of reach.

Lindsey Wilson added 15 points, and Megan Taylor had 10 for the Cyclones. Planette Pierson scored 13, Jia Perkins 12 and Katrisa O'Neal 10 for Texas Tech.

The Lady Raiders led 33-29 at halftime.

Iowa State lost to Texas Tech 68-60 in the final game of the regular season.

No. 7 Oklahoma 102, No. 20 Colorado 93

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Stacey Dales and the Oklahoma Sooners are enjoying the Big 12 Conference tournament for a change.

No. 7 Oklahoma (26-4) made eight 3-pointers in the first half and went on to tie the tournament record of 14 en route to a 102-93 semifinal win over No. 20 Colorado on Thursday night.

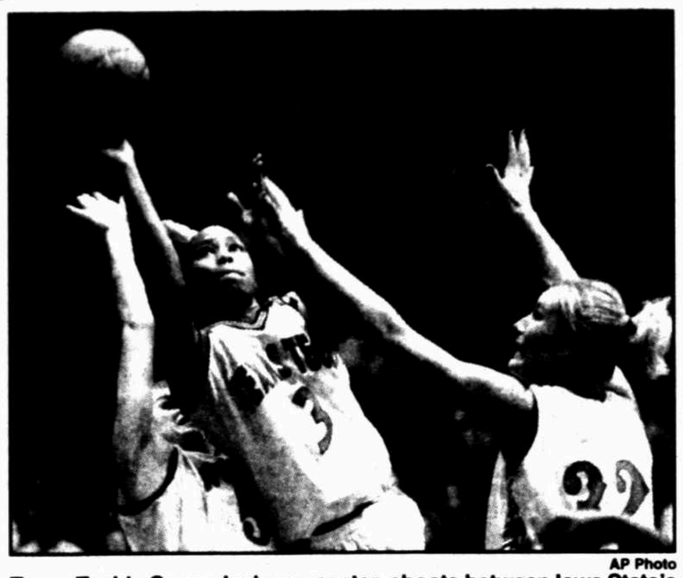
The top-seeded Sooners, who had never won a Big 12 tournament game before this year, cruised into Saturday's final against No. 13 Iowa State. The third-seeded Cyclones beat No. 11 Texas Tech 73-62 in the other semifinal Thursday night.

"This is definitely an exciting team," Dales said. "We're having fun. Postseason is a lot of fun. We're just enjoying the ride."

The Sooners also broke the previous points record of 98 set by Texas A&M in 1998.

"We wanted to push the ball," said Caton Hill, who led the Sooners with 23 points and 11 rebounds. "If we kept doing that, we knew it would be hard for Colorado to keep up."

Five other players scored in double figures for the Sooners. LaNeishea Caufield had 19 points, Rosalind Ross 17, Dales 16, Sunny Hardeman 15 and Jamie Talbert 10.



AP Photo

Texas Tech's Casey Jackson, center, shoots between Iowa State's Megan Taylor, left, and Angie Welle Thursday at the Big 12 tournament in Kansas City, Mo.

TECH: Red Raiders' season ends

(From 1C)

Dickey, 166-124 in 10 years as Texas Tech coach, had come under fire after finishing 3-13 in the regular season league race, tied with Texas A&M for last place. Published reports in Texas and Indiana on Thursday said the Tech president and athletic director had met with Knight in Florida to talk with him about replacing Dickey.

Cowboys coach Eddie Sutton spoke up for Dickey, a former assistant.

"He's been extremely loyal to Texas Tech," Sutton said, "but they haven't shown him much loyalty if it's true they went out and talked to Bob Knight or any other coach."

Dickey denied the rumors were a distraction, but the Red Raiders played much of the game as if they were distracted.

Cliff Owens missed a high lob slam-dunk on Tech's first possession and the Cowboys (20-8) took a quick 8-2 lead.

Tech (9-19) led briefly at 16-15 on a basket by Jamal Brown, who finished with 14, but Maurice Baker scored seven points in a 13-0 run and the Cowboys went on to a 32-18 halftime lead.

The Cowboys, who have become the sentimental favorite in the Big 12 tournament in the wake of the January plane crash that killed 10 members of their traveling party, opened the second half with a 13-2 run.

Tech then hit six straight free throws and went on a 19-0 run of its own to close to 45-39.

"When you lose intensity it shows up on the defensive end and rebounding," Sutton said. "I was disappointed to let that big lead get away."

Fredrik Jonzen scored five points as the Cowboys ran off the next 10 and went on to beat the Red Raiders for the third time this season.

Baker scored 31 points, including 5-of-6 3-point shots, and had seven rebounds and seven assists to lead Oklahoma State, which will play No. 20 Texas Friday in the second round.

"He's a great guard," said Tech's Jayson Mitchell. "He just took us apart defensively. He was all over the court out there."

Jonzen added 21 points and had nine rebounds for the Cowboys.

Tech shot just 29 percent from the field, and only 4-of-21 on 3-point shots.

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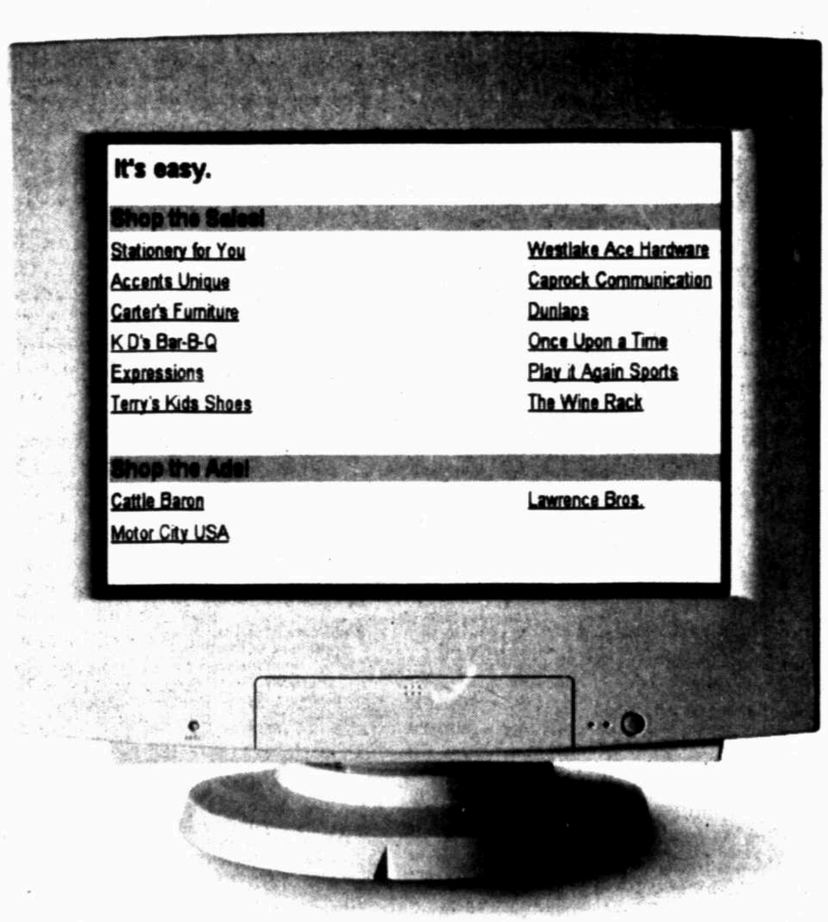

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LOCAL SPORTS

Rangers take tourney opener

The West Texas March Classic got underway at Christensen Stadium Thursday with the host Greenwood Rangers taking a 5-3 win over Merkel.

The Rangers got 10 hits with Sam Skidmore leading the way with three singles. Justin Outlaw had two hits and Chase Cox hit a double. Will Womack got the win while striking out five.

Fort Stockton came away with a 12-7 win over Kermit and Seminole downed Alpine by a 3-2 margin.

Abilene Wylie romped over Pecos, 15-4, and Colorado City downed Monahans by a 6-5 margin.

In championship bracket play today, Seminole meets Abilene Wylie at 9 a.m. at Christensen Stadium while Greenwood follows with a game against Colorado City at 11:30 a.m.

The teams in the consolation bracket move to Greenwood where Pecos and Monahans will square off at 9 a.m. and Kermit takes on Alpine at 11:30 p.m. Fort Stockton will play the winner of the Seminole-Wylie game at 4:30 p.m.

The tournament ends on Saturday. The championship final is set for 7 p.m. Third place will be decided at 4:30 p.m. and the consolation championship is slated at 2 p.m., all at Christensen Stadium.

Bowling event comes to end

Oreo's won the team championship of the 46th annual Midland Women's Bolwing Association's Tournament at AMF Midland Park Lanes this week with a 3,433 team score by 28 pins over second place Wassup.

Kaye Kuzmich won the singles event with a 728, four pins in front of Linda McCumber while Vicki Carr and Mary Jo White teamed to win the doubles competitio by a 1,393-1,356 margin over June McEndree and Socorro Morales.

Rhonda Lupardus won the All Events title with 2,005, seven pins better than Terry Harris. Kim Tyson took the Scratch All Events crown with an 1,855, averaging 206 per game.

Team Competition: 1. Oreo's (Sanchez, White, Riptoe, Linster, Schneider), 3,433; 2. Wassup (Perry, Sanchez, Hill, Lupardus, Campbell, 3,161; 3. Goobers (Nelson, Castleberry, Foster, Bowling, Sprague, 3,132; 4. Strike Zone (Montgomery, Elger, Patterson, L-Armee, Williams), 3,106; 5. Designs Unlimited (Rathgeber, McCarley, McCarley, Marcom, Buchanan), 3,099.

Singles (Top 10): 1. Kaye Kuzmich, 728; 2. Linda McCumber, 724; 3. Jeannene Eulenfeld, 719; 4. Jo Ann Bowen, 7-7; 5. Renee Mooring, 7-2; 6. Bobbi Bowling, 693; 7. Connie Mermis, 684; 8. Terry Harris, 681; 9. Rhonda Lupardus, 676; 10. Mary Jo White, 673.

Doubles (Top 10): 1. Vicki Carr-Mary Jo White, 1,393; 2. June McEndree-Socorro Morales, 1,356; 3. Chris Montgomery-Hazel Harper, 1,331; 4. Jo Ann Bowen-Jenifer Turner, 1,324; 5. Janie Brown-Kathy Pyle, 1,316; 6. Shannon Patterson-Evelyn Williams, 1,310; 7. Janiece Berry-Sharon Sawyer, 1,307; 8. Wendy Maddox-Nancy Egan, 1,305; 9. (Tie) Bechy Beadle-Judy Billingsley and Phyllis Williamson-Melody Ward, 1,300.

All Events (Top 10): 1. Rhonda Lupardus, 2,005; 2. Terry Harris, 1,998; 3. (Tie) Bobbi Bowling and Jo Ann Bowen, 1,996; 5. Connie Mermis, 1,994; 6. Linda McCumber, 1,987; 7. Janie Brown, 1,976; 8. Renee Mooring, 1,969; 9. Vicki Carr, 1,963; 10. Glenda Carter, 1,960.

Scratch All Events: Kim Tyson, 1,855 (206 average).

Mission names Kinnard to post

ODESSA — The Board of Directors of The Club at Mission Dorado has appointed Clay Kinnard to the position of General Manager and Director of Golf.

Kinnard has spent the past two years building and developing Diamond Back Golf Course in Abilene with former Masters champion Charles Coody. The 12 years prior to that Kinnard served as head golf professional at Odessa Country Club.

Kinnard, and wife Patty, have four children, Will, Kyle, Lee and Amy, all of whom were born in Odessa.

The Club at Mission Dorado was opened in 1983 by the HBF Corporation, and eventually sold to Country Clubs of America. The Club was operated by CCA until December of 1999 when a group of lacal investors purchased The Club.

"The group just got together and decided that this club deserves to be owned locally and operated like the championship facility it was designed to be," said Bob Glast, president of The Club. "Clay Kinnard is the next move to make sure that end is accomplished and we feel confident he will accomplish the task in short order."

Kallgren aces

Martin Kallgren had a hole-in-one at The Club at Mission Dorado Thursday, acing the 205-yard No. 13 hole with a 4-iron.

Kallgren was playing with Paul Chavez, Dillion DiJulio and Chris Smith.

Tennis

Eighth Grade
Abell 12, Alamo 6

Abell Winners: Boys Singles: Michael Henthorn, David Frank, Rob Goates, Ryan Fink. Girls Singles: Mandy Fly, Jordan Schroeder, Jennifer Browning. Boys Doubles: Henthorn-Goates, Frank-Travis Smith, Mark Friday-Fink. Girls Doubles: Fly-Schroeder. Mixed Doubles: Carrasco-Womack.

Alamo Winners: Girls Singles: Krista Knight, Rebecca McEwen, Amy Hayes, Emily Fanning. Girls Doubles: Knight-Taylor Hord, McEwen-Hayes.

Lady Chaps get Hill next

Staff Report

LUBBOCK — The No. 14th-ranked Hill Lady Rebels set up Saturday's 12:30 p.m. Region V semifinal matchup against Midland College with a 70-63 victory.

The Lady Texans (20-8) hung tough and took the lead late in the game after trailing 34-27 at the half. Hill (29-2), however, was able to get to the free-throw line and hit some clutch baskets to pull away from SPC.

The Lady Rebels were led by 6-foot-1 sophomore Vilma Tamuleviciute's game-high 28 points. Kristin Grassi added 13 and Audrone Rupeikaite chipped in with 12.

For South Plains College, Danelle Evans had 20 points, Kristen Whiteley had 12, and April Walker finished with 11.

Lady Hawks fal to defending champs

The Howard College Lady Hawks fell 83-73 to Grayson County College, the defending Region V Tournament champion.

Howard (17-13) had a 34-32 halftime lead but the Lady Vikings came back in the second half by shooting 41 percent (16 of 39) in the second half. The Lady Hawks were held to just 27 percent (9 of 33) shooting in the second half.

Grayson (23-8) had four players in double figures led by 5-10 sophomore Stephanie Williams with 17 points, Kim Adams and Melanie Massie each had 16, while Jordie Soso added 11.

Howard was led by Grace Gantt's game-high 29 points. Chris Carmichael added 11 for the Lady Hawks.

Weatherford gets revenge over Odessa College

The No. 16-ranked Weatherford Lady Coyotes ousted Odessa College, 83-63, as the Lady Coyotes got revenge from last year when the Lady Wranglers upset Weatherford in the first round of the Region V Tournament.

Weatherford (26-4) moves on to face Grayson County in Saturday's 2:30 p.m. semifinal game.

The Lady Coyotes dominated from the outset as they used their dominating inside presence to outmuscle the Lady Wranglers. Four Lady Coyotes were in double figures, led by 6-3 freshman Zaneta Drungilaite with 15 points, Emily Nash had 11, and Vilma Grismanauskaie and Melissa Fairley each added 10.

Odessa, which ends its season at 13-18, was led by Shanetra Hodge with a game-high 21 points, while Kim Cole chipped in with 13.

This game was pretty ugly in terms of fouls as a combined 57 fouls were called in the game. There were also a combined 74 turnovers.

MEN: Chaparrals take on Weatherford

(From 1C)

shooter, but when he makes one basket, that's when he's really good because that's when he gets on a roll. We can't let him do that. If he goes for big numbers, we just have to contain the rest of the team. He's the main focus for us."

Brooks is certainly the main focus because the next closest Coyote in scoring average is 6-1 sophomore guard DoJuan Covington with a 5.2 per game clip.

If recent history between these two teams is any indication then this game should be a classic. Earlier this season, the Chaps escaped a trip to Weatherford with a 70-69 win. Last year in the Region V tournament semifinals, Midland College ousted the Coyotes 57-51. And just two years ago in the first round of the Region V tournament, Weatherford got the best of the Chaps, 69-61.

"We're going to get their best shot," said Cotten about the Coyotes. "We beat them last year so I think they're going to have revenge on their minds. They have always been great games and I anticipate another war. One year we beat them, another year they beat us. We just have to be really focused."

After losing two out of the last three games in the regular season, the Chaps feel that this tournament gives them a brand new beginning to the season.

"I feel a newness about our team," Cotten said. "I think getting the regular season over kind of helped in the respect that we had a couple of days off to rest and get a chance to practice. I think if we play like we practice, we should do all right. If we can't get up to play Weatherford, knowing it could be our last game, we don't deserve to win."

"I'm a little concerned (about losing two out of the last three) but I'm not going to let it get to us," said 6-9 sophomore post Jerome Beasley. "I just put it down as a couple of bad games and I look forward to stepping up when the time comes."

Don't tell 6-4 sophomore guard Armon Tillman that his team is going in on a down note either. Like always, Tillman is confident of his team's abilities.

"We've got to prove everyone what we can achieve despite some recent letdowns," Tillman said. "We're not really worried about the disappointments that we've had, we're concentrating on the present."

Even though the Chaps would like to forget about the last two losses, the defeats cost the Chaps a shot at the No. 1 seed, which eventually went to Odessa College as champions of the Western Junior College Athletic Conference. But whether or not the Chaps have the No. 1 seed, they know once this tournament tips off anything can happen. And besides, last year the Chaps won the Region V Tournament as the No. 2 seed.

"Seeds don't mean anything at this time of year," Cotten said. "Whether you you're No. 1 or No. 4, you're in the playoffs. The team that plays the hardest and defends and rebounds is going to win this thing."

Having eight returning sophomores who had the experience of going to the national tournament last season may be the Chaps' biggest asset heading into this tournament.

"We're just trying to keep up the tradition of winning at the college," Tillman said. "We just want to continue through the regional tournament and then on to nationals."

As far as the rest of the bracket is concerned, Cotten sees the tournament as wide open.

"Nobody has one dominant player," Cotten said. "There's not a Eugene Costello (a 2000 Chap All-American) where he can take a game over. I just don't see one guy where you can say, 'we have to stop him.' With teams being so balanced, it comes down to toughness."

The Chaps say they will do whatever it takes to defend their Region V crown.

"It means a lot to us and it means a lot to Coach (Cotten)," Beasley said. "It's something we would love to have."

WHITE: Chap scores 15.9 per game

(From 1C)

before the Chaparrals start thinking about a return trip to Hutch, they must first defend their Region V crown. The Chaps open first round tournament play at 2:30 p.m. today against Weatherford at Lubbock's United Spirit Arena. White likes his chances against the Coyotes.

"Weatherford's a good team but they don't play as hard as they should play," said the 6-foot-2 sophomore guard. "We beat them earlier this year by one at their place. As long as we're mentally prepared, we'll be all right."

White and the rest of his Chaps hope things turn out better than their last two road games, in which they've come away with losses in games they probably shouldn't have lost. Like a true leader that he's become, White takes full responsibility for the losses.

"In the games that we lost, I blame myself," White said. "Even though my team was mentally prepared, I should have been mentally prepared. Some of those games we lost I know we could have won."

It does take a team effort for the Chaps to be victorious but when White has been on the floor, there's no doubt who's the sparkplug in the Chaps' engine.

"He's just matured so much from last year until now," Cotten said. "He's really been asked to do a lot on this basketball team. Some nights he hasn't come out of the game. That just shows you how much he means to our basketball team. He's a great floor leader, he understands the game and he's learning every day to be a better point guard."

White has come from the same basketball factory in New Orleans that turned out Whitaker and Costello. Whatever St. Augustine High School is feeding their guards, they should keep feeding it because it has really been a benefit for the Chaps in recent years.

Whitaker and Costello are two big reasons why White ended up at Midland College. He had two friends here who adjusted well being away from New Orleans. White figured he could do it too. He learned from those two players as well as the other sophomores on the team last year. He paid his dues coming off the bench last season to provide a breather for Whitaker at the point guard position or Costello at shooting guard.

"Last year, I didn't have to do that much because of the sophomores we had on the team," White said. "They (sophomores) would get the team mentally prepared. This year it was my turn to do that."

This year he had to step into that go-to guy role like Costello did last year. Even though White is not as prolific scorer as Costello was, he is every bit as effective on both ends of the court as the Chap All-American was.

"Quannas is not as dynamic as Eugene but Quannas has the ability to take over a game defensively as Eugene did," Cotten said. "Quannas has the ability to guard anybody that we put in front of him. But the biggest comparison that I see is that Eugene is a winner and Quannas is a winner."

Unlike Costello, who decided to sign with Texas-El Paso during the early signing period in November, White has decided to wait until signing day in April. That decision has led many Division I college scouts to the Permian Basin. In the stands, you might find a Who's Who of head coaches such as Oklahoma's Kelvin Sampson or Iowa State's Larry Eustachy. They line up like boys at a school dance waiting to ask out the prettiest girl. White is not surprised by the large number of schools which are after him. He just takes it in stride and will make his decision once the season is over.

White said he's narrowed his choices down to Oklahoma, Iowa State and Mississippi State. He said it doesn't matter if the school is far away from home because Midland is already pretty far. What's most important to White is that he gets the opportunity to play and start.

"By me losing two years, I will only have two years left, so I would like to start right away," White said.

Cotten feels that White is prepared to take the next step.

"I think when we finish playing basketball, getting his mind and body ready for the next level won't be a problem because I think he's ready," Cotten said.

MC STATS

Midland College Women

Player	G	FG	FT	Pts.	Avg.
Quannas White	29	149	115	462	15.9
Jerome Beasley	26	109	38	256	9.8
Jason Williams	26	74	56	204	7.8
x-Hamilton Rucker	14	44	38	126	9.0
Danny Anderson	28	87	45	267	9.5
Armon Tillman	28	91	36	252	9.0
Jeremiah Coleman	21	59	18	136	6.5
Kenny White	25	59	13	142	5.7
Adrian Martin	27	38	31	107	4.0
Macklin Thornton	21	25	14	66	3.1
Jermaine Allen	21	21	7	64	3.0
C.J. Young	16	8	4	20	1.3
Drew Oswald	11	6	4	20	1.8
Danny Gomez	10	2	5	12	1.2
Totals	**29**	**772**	**432**	**2134**	**73.6**

3-point goals (158): Q. White 49, Anderson 48, Tillman 34, Allen 11, K. White 11, Gomez 2, Thornton 2, Oswald 1.

x-no longer with team

WOMEN: Carter leads way with 14

(From 1C)

Highlassies (18-12) shot even worse in the first half as they made just 5 of 29 shot atiempts for 17 percent.

Midland College extended its lead to 46-24 behind some dominance on the boards and some tough inside offensive play by the Lady Chap big girls in 6-foot-3 Amisha Carter, 6-3 Chanovia Rhodes and 6-2 Veronique Alesse.

McLennan came back with the long ball as Julie Wiese and Tammy White brought the Highlassies back with a combined six 3-pointers.

"We just finally woke up," said McLennan coach Ricky Rhodes. "We live by the three and we die by the three. In the second half, we hit a couple of threes and it woke us up."

The McLennan duo of Wiese and White even combined for a 9-0 run to close the gap, 53-41. The Highlassies would later cut the deficit twice to 10 points and then closed to within nine (70-61) with less than two minutes left in the game.

"We knew they had some good shooters," Jones said. "We just allowed them to get some open looks at the basket. But we'll learn from this and move on to the next game."

The Lady Chaps closed the last 1:30 with a 4-2 run.

"When we had to step up, we did," said sophomore Chanovia Rhodes, who finished with 10 points and eight rebounds.

"We did what we had to do in this first game and now we have a great opportunity to keep on winning and continue on to nationals," said Lady Chap sophomore Loren Mostacilla, who chipped in five points and grabbed 10 boards.

The only other Lady Chap in double figures was Amisha Carter, who finished with 14 points.

Leading all scorers was McLennan's Wiese with 24 points.

The Lady Chaps now turn their attention to the 14th-ranked Lady Rebels, who come into Saturday's semifinals game with a 29-2 record.

"I think they've got a great team and I think they had a tougher game than they expected today," said Jones about the Lady Rebels. "But I think they've got some players who can shoot the ball, they've got good size and they've played well all year. I know it's going to be a tough game. We just have to go and try to do what we do and try to take it to 'em."

NOTES: The Lady Chaps are 2-3 lifetime against McLennan... The Lady Chaps are 3-0 lifetime against Hill College... In the first half, Mostacilla suffered a left sprained ankle but later returned to the game. Mostacilla said her ankle should be all right for Saturday's game against Hill...

No. 3 Midland College 74, McLennan Community College 63

Midland College (30-1): Lena Samilton 2-5 1-1 5, Loren Mostacilla 2-8 1-3 5, Lindzi Martin 2-7 4-5 8, Delfiah Gray 0-0 0-0 0, Heidi Lange 3-11 0-0 7, Amisha Carter 5-13 4-6 14, Courtney Feagler 1-5 0-0 2, Veronique Alesse 3-5 1-3 7, Chanovia Rhodes 5-8 0-4 10, Sylvia Butler 3-6 1-2 7, Chanie Sutherland 3-7 2-3 9. **Totals 29-75 14-27 74.**

McLennan Community College (18-12): Laurra Clagett 1-5 3-4 6, Jenny Bowden 0-1 2-2 2, Amanda Bludworth 0-5 0-0 0, Sheila Bustillos 0-4 3-3 3, LaToya Prudhomme 1-5 0-0 3, Crystal Cook 0-1 1-2 1, Julie Wiese 7-15 6-7 24, Tammy White 2-5 0-0 6, Vershonda Williams 5-20 3-6 14, Renita Crutchfield 0-0 0-0 0, Michelle Degrate, 2-5 0-0 4. **Totals: 18-66 18-24 63.**

Halftime: MC 37, MCC 19. **3-Point Goals:** MC 2-12 (Sutherland 1-3, Lange 1-4, Martin 0-1, Samilton 0-1, Feagler 0-3), MCC 9-27 (Wiese 4-6, White 2-3, Williams 1-6, Clagett 1-5, Prudhomme 1-3, Bustillos 0-1, Bludworth 0-3). **Total Fouls:** MC 18, MCC 21. **Fouled Out:** None. **Turnovers:** MC 20, MCC 21. **Rebounds:** MC 58 (Alesse 12, Mostacilla 10), MCC 47 (Williams 14).

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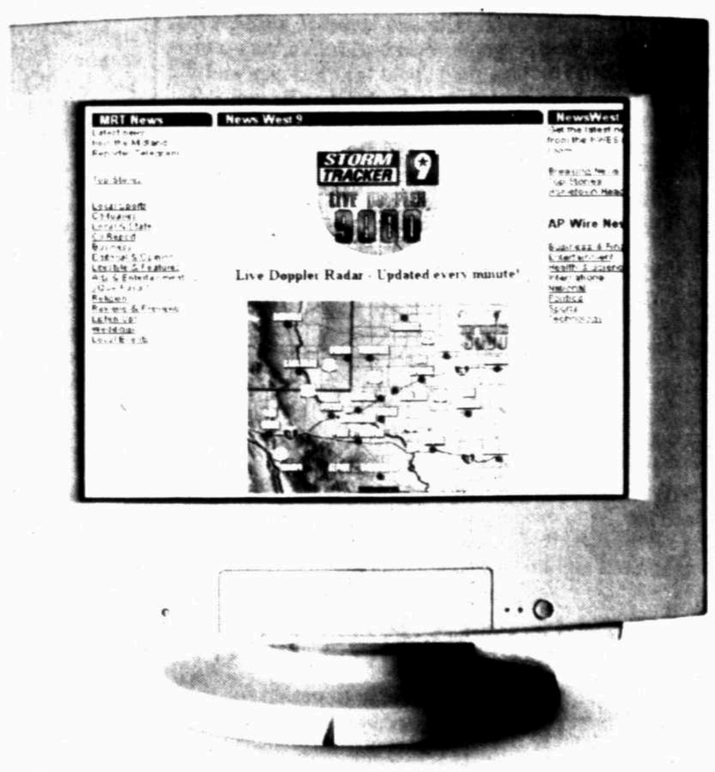

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Beaumont Ozen beats Hereford; stays undefeated

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Kendrick Perkins is promising a very bright future indeed.

Beaumont Ozen's 6-foot-11 sophomore center scored 31 points and grabbed 10 rebounds in a 54-39 victory over Hereford on Thursday, sending the Panthers to a 4A state final in just the school's fourth year of existence.

Perkins scored in just about every way imaginable. Regarded as one of the top sophomores in the country, he had 14 points by halftime on 6-of-7 shooting as Ozen led 24-15 after two quarters.

In the third, he stepped out for a soft 15-foot bank shot just like Tim Duncan of the San Antonio Spurs. When he was fouled, he made 9-of-13 free throws. And when given a lane, he crashed the boards for thunderous two-handed dunks.

He finished with 11-of-14 shooting from the floor and was the main reason why Ozen (35-0) shot 55 percent as a team. Perkins also had six blocks.

Ozen, a relatively new school in which the current seniors were the inaugural freshman class, is the only undefeated team in the state tournament. None of the Panthers' five postseason wins have been closer than 12 points. It was the third time Ozen held a playoff opponent under 40.

Hereford (32-5) led 12-11 after the first quarter but never really threatened to win. Yet the Whitefaces wouldn't fade away, either.

San Antonio Lanier 50, Dallas Lincoln 48

AUSTIN — Playing the role of the undersized underdog once again, San Antonio Lanier this time finds itself also playing in the Class 4A state championship game.

Joseph Martinez' layup on a pass from his brother Josh lifted Lanier to a stunning 50-48 upset over heralded Dallas Lincoln Thursday night in the state semifinals.

Lanier (32-5) which gave up considerable size and pregame publicity to heavily favored Dallas Lincoln (29-3), led by as much as 10 points in the second half and never wavered in the frantic final minute.

Lincoln, which led only once the entire game, had tied it 48-48 on Bryan Hopkins' NBA range 3-pointer with 24 seconds to play.

Lanier quickly inbounded to Josh Martinez, who let go of his pass at midcourt to Joseph Martinez, who calmly laid it in with 17 seconds left to regain the lead.

Lincoln worked the ball down court but had it stripped under the basket. Taking it in from under the basket with 2.6 seconds left, Lincoln's first pass was tipped away. Trying again with 1.5 remaining, Lincoln got the ball to Hopkins whose long shot from the corner bounced off the side of the backboard as time expired.

■ Boys' State Hoops Tournament

Class 3A
Corpus Christi West Oso 45, Dimmitt 21

AUSTIN — Dimmitt had no trouble scoring on the road to the state tournament. Come crunch time, the Bobcats' offense didn't just stall, it never got started.

Richard Gonzalez scored 16 points and Corpus Christi West Oso held Dimmitt to eight first half points in a 45-21 win Thursday to advance to the Class 3A state championship game.

West Oso (33-3) held Dimmitt (26-9) scoreless for an 11-minute stretch over the first and second quarters and came within a last second shot of shutting out the Bobcats in the second period.

Mexia 59, Gainesville 58

AUSTIN — Rickey Huckaby's free throw with 1.1 seconds left lifted Mexia to a 59-58 victory over Gainesville in the Class 3A state semifinals on Thursday.

Mexia's John McGilvray had tied it with a layup with 15 seconds left. Gainesville's J.R. Harrison tried to win it with five seconds on the clock but his shot was blocked by Sam Chambers, who grabbed the ball and called timeout.

On the inbounds play, Huckaby raced past two Gainesville defenders at midcourt before he was fouled on the arm by Alvin Thomas near the 3-point arc.

Class A Division I
Evadale 61, Stratford 47

AUSTIN — Evadale wasn't leaving its first state tournament empty-handed.

Jason Wilkins scored 22 points and Matt Bruce added 15 to lead Evadale past Stratford 61-47 Thursday to win the Class 1A Division I state championship.

Evadale (30-5) won despite shooting just 34 percent. The Rebels scored 28 points in the fourth quarter, 16 from the foul line, to pull away.

Wilkins also grabbed 13 rebounds and was named championship game most valuable player.

Stratford, which hadn't been to the state tournament since 1946, was playing for its second state title in a year. The Elks won the 1A football title last season.

Class A Division II
Goodrich 62, Nazareth 51

AUSTIN — Nazareth's basketball tradition will have to stay with its girls team for now.

Joe Henderson scored 25 points as Goodrich drove to the basket almost at will for a 62-51 victory over Nazareth on Thursday to win the boys Class 1A Division II state championship.

Goodrich (35-2) scored 48 points in the paint and shot 58 percent, rarely having to pull up for a jump shot against the Nazareth defense. Henderson went 11 of 15 from the floor with all but one basket on layups.

Frogs face 'Huskers in Pigskin Classic

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Nebraska will play Texas Christian in the Pigskin Classic in August.

Coach Frank Solich had been wary of preseason games and the physical toll they take on players, but decided the extra practice time and an eight-game home schedule were worth it.

On Thursday the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics announced details had been worked out and the game will be played Aug. 25 at 1 p.m. at Memorial Stadium.

Texas Christian had been scheduled to play in Lincoln last season and this fall, but former coach Dennis Franchione backed out of the series in 1997 after TCU went 1-10 in 1997.

The Horned Frogs went 10-2 last fall and finished No. 21 in the final AP Top 25. Nebraska also was 10-2 and was ranked eighth after opening the season at No. 1

Three months ago, Nebraska said it would not play in the Kickoff Classic, another preseason game, because Solich was concerned about injuries, especially to quarterback Eric Crouch. He will miss spring practice for the second straight year because of surgery on his throwing shoulder.

"We didn't have a major interest in playing in a game until we figured out where Eric Crouch was (with his rehab)," Solich said. "I don't think you want to enter into a preseason game without an experienced quarterback."

Crouch said Wednesday he would not throw a football until May 1, but his rehabilitation was going well.

Nebraska is 4-0 in preseason games, winning three Kickoff Classics and the 1998 Eddie Robinson Classic.

DALLAS: Jones has plan

(From 1C)

the way. And that was viewed to be a real longshot."

While Cowboys fans can take some solace in knowing Jones has a plan, it remains to be seen whether he can pull it off.

When he built from scratch last time, he had Jimmy Johnson coaching and Aikman at quarterback. Jones will miss the stability of Aikman.

"If you're in my shoes and have been able to get up for the last 12 years and have a franchise quarterback, that's a luxury in the NFL," he said.

Now, Jones is the main man in the front office and there's no franchise quarterback around. Dallas also has no first-round pick and few salary-cap dollars left for free agents.

They get both back in 2002. That's when things might get interesting again.

WEST TEXAS SPORTS

Booster Clubs...

The **Midland High Girls Softball Booster Club** will meet the first Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. in Conference Room A at Midland High School. For further information please contact David Askew at 686-7025 or 664-0212.

The **Lee High Softball Booster Club** is meeting the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Lee cafeteria. For more information, call Tommy Thompson at 694-5432 or Tommy Kuykendall at 694-6215...

The **Midland High Soccer Booster Club** will meet at 6 p.m. on March 19, April 2 and May 7 in Conference Room A at Midland High School. Anyone interested in supporting the girls or boys programs at Midland High is invited to attend. For more information, call Curt Pervier at 684-0993...

The **Lee High Boys and Girls Basketball Booster Club** will meet the first and third Mondays of each month in the Lee cafeteria at 7 p.m. All Runnin' Rebel and Lady Rebel basketball supporters are urged to attend...

The **Midland Lee Soccer Booster Club** will meet in the library at 7 p.m. on March 19, April 2 and May 7. For more information, call Darrell at 915-687-1127 ...

The **Midland Lee Baseball Booster Club** will meet every Thursday through the season at 7:30 p.m. in the Lee library...

Basketball...

All-Star Youth Sports will open its **Hoopfest Basketball Tournament Tour** April 6-7 in Longview. The tourney is open to boys and girls teams from grades 5-12. The entry fee of $185 gets a team a three-game guarantee. The entry deadline is March 23. For more information on this tournament or any of the Tour's others, call (903) 291-0000 or visit the website at www.eteamz.com/asys...

The **Midland Pride** of the Texas Professional Basketball League is currently playing. The Pride is one of five teams in a registered league along with teams from Junction, San Angelo, Dallas and Abilene. All home games will be played Sundays at 3 p.m. at Taylor Park Boys and Girls Club at 1321 Goode St. For more information, call Lee Hamilton at 664-8735...

The **Don Eddy Basketball Camp** is June 25-29 for grades 8-12 at Trinity School. Cost is $170. For more information call Jeff Young at 697-3281 or 570-5975...

Baseball...

The USSSA is holding the following **state qualifying tournaments** in Odessa: March 24-25 for age divisions 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14. For more information, call Phil Lathram at 689-8718...

The **University of Texas** will host a hitting camp March 12-14 at Disch-Falk Field in Austin. The camp is open to players aged 7-18, and enrollment is limited. For more information, call (512) 471-3309 or e-mail howardh@mail.utexas.edu.

Texas Elite Sports is holding a baseball tournament March 23-25 for youngsters ages 11 and under to 14 and under in Brenham. It is a USSSA qualifying tournament. For more information, call Farley Styles at (512) 292-0190...

Softball...

MUGS is holding its spring signups for a girls fastpitch league. Registration fees are $45 for T-Ball and $65 for all other divisions. A late fee of $20 will ba added to any registrations received after March 5. For information, call DeLynnda Witte at 697-0288...

The Midland Softball Association's **Adult Slowpitch Spring Season** begins April 9. Entry fee is $250 per team for 12 games plus $10 player fees. Entry deadline is March 15. For more information, call 683-8741...

The **Permian Basin Softball Umpires Association** is looking for anyone interested in umpiring slowpitch and/or fastpitch softball games. Call 684-8481, 520-5961 or 694-5508 for more information...

The **First of Spring Softball Tournament** is scheduled for March 24-25 at McKenzie Softball Parks in Lubbock. The tournament will consist of two divisions, men's competitive and men's recreational. Entry deadline is March 22 by 8 p.m. Cost is $115 per team. For more information, call Bob Craig or Bidal Aguero at (806) 763-3841...

Franco's Bad Boys Second Annual Men's Softball Tournament is March 16-18 in Seminole. Entry fee is $100 and deadline to enter is March 15. For more information contact J.R. Franco at 915-758-2924 or 915-634-0656, or Augie Robledo at 915-758-1573....

The **Xtreme Men's Class D** softball tournament is March 16-18 in Midland. Entry fee is $125 and entry deadline is March 15 by 6 p.m. Call Roy or Janie Brown at 689-4315 for more information...

The **First of Spring Softball Tournament** is March 24-25 at McKenzie Softball Parks in Lubbock. There are two divisions: men's competitive and men's recreational. Cost is $115 per team and deadline to enter is March 22 at 8 p.m. To enter call Bob Craig or Bidal Aguero at 806-763-3841...

Registration for **YMCA youth softball** is underway for boys and girls in grade K-6th. League play begins April 24 and registration deadline is April 5. The program cost is $25 for YMCA members and $38 for non-members. Contact the Central YMCA at 682-2551 for more information...

Tennis...

The **Midland Tennis Club** is holding the following tournaments through April: Men's and women's doubles, March 24-25 and April 21-22; Mixed doubles, April 28-29. For more information, call Darlene Gifford at 563-1333...

The **Pacesetters Junior Tennis Program,** designed to develop competitive players at the junior high and high school level is now offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7-8 p.m. and some weekends at the Kimber-Lea Swim and Tennis Club. For out of town guests there will also be two weekends a month offered. For more details call 580-8929 or 570-6245 and ask for Luis Valdez...

The **USA 1-2-3 Junior Tennis Program**, designed to develop the basics of tennis is now offered Tuesdays, Thursdays and some weekends at the Kimber-Lea Swim and Tennis Club. For out of town guests there will also be two weekends a month offered. For more details call 685-1716 or 580-8929. Ask for Toni Thrash or Luis Valdez...

Time is now to join the **Midland Tennis Center.** Dues will allow you to participate in the MTC tournaments and use of the Midland College Tennis Center for free year round. MTC dues are as follows: adults $50, juniors (18 or younger as of 1-1-01) $30, family $125...

The **Tennis Association of Midland** is holding its second circuit tournament March 31-April 1 at Midland College Tennis Center. The tournament is for boys and girls singles and doubles for age groups 10, 12, 14,16,18. Deadline for the $10 entry fee is March 23 at 6 p.m. For more information, call 682-2255 or 687-4046 or stop by the MC tennis center to pick up entry forms...

A **junior team tennis league** starts March 25. Deadline to enter is March 19. Play will be at 1:30 p.m. on the following dates: March 25, April 22, April 29, May 6 and May 22. Fee is $30 for the league, which will consist of 6-7 boys and girls players per team. For more information, call 682-2255...

USA-Tennis men's and women's leagues are forming now. League season runs April 30-June 15. For more information call Juanell Fort at 686-0277...

USA-Tennis Rating Clinic is 1 p.m. Saturday March 17 at Midland College Tennis Center. For more information call Lance Armstrong at 687-4046...

The **Samaritan Spring Swing,** an open tennis tournament featuring men's and women's doubles, is April 7 at the Racquet Club and Midland Country Club. Entry fee is $50. All proceeds benefit the Samaritan Counseling Center. Invitations will be mailed in mid-March. To request an invitation, call Samaritan Counseling at 563-4144...

Golf...

McCamey Country Club is having a 2-person, 18-hole select shot event March 24 with an 11 a.m. shotgun start. For more information contact the pro shop at 915-652-8904...

The fifth annual **Rally for a Cure** ladies tournament is scheduled for April 25 at Green Tree Country Club. For more information, call Ava Jane Fuller at 694-0432...

Hogan Park is hosting a 4-man scramble tournament on April 21. Fee is $60 per person and will benefit the Midland Lee band. For more information call 689-7876...

Running...

The **March Madness Family Fun Run/Walk** is set for 9 a.m. on March 24 at Santa Rita Elementary in Midland. Teams will be formed, and they will be asked to predict a combined finish time. The closest prediction wins. There will also be a prize for the runner who is wearing the most green. The entry fee is $3. Child care is available. For more information, call Penny Wasem at 697-6391...

The **Permian Basin Road Runners Club** is a non-profit, educational organization for runners living in West Texas and southeastern New Mexico. The club, which promotes distance running as a helpful exercise and a competitive sport, is a member of the Road Runners Club of America and the Athletics Congress. Membership is open to all runners, joggers or walkers, regardless of experience. The club sponsors monthly fun runs, specialized training, group runs and runs for charity. For information, call Penny Wasem at 697-6391. Web site is www.pbrrc.com...

Swimming...

Pre-competitive swimming is being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. The program will teach elementary age swimmers techniques of competitive swimming while improving their strokes. It is open to swimmers who can swim at least 25 yards of freestyle and backstroke. The cost is $40 per month on a year-round basis. For more information, call 684-7755...

COM Aquatics is holding **water aerobics classes** Monday through Saturday at Mabee Aquatic Center. Classes are at 6:15 a.m., 7:15 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Classes on Saturdays begin at 8:15 a.m. All classes are open to the public and swimming skills are not necessary. COM provides all necessary equipment. Cost is $45 per month, $65 for a couple. For information, call Jeni Wood at 684-7755...

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...

The **COM Masters Swimming** is Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5-6 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. Cost is $40 per month and includes stroke instruction and cardiovascular training. Call 684-7755 for more information...

COM Diving offers a full range of diving instruction from beginning lessons to elite team training and competition. All ages and ability levels are invited to participate. Lessons are offered at various times. For information, call 684-7755...

The **Midland YMCA** offers year-round 30-minute swim lessons for parents and children and 45-minute lessons for youth. For more information, call Leaf Faller at 682-2551...

Midland YMCA, 800 N. Big Spring, will be offering **swimming lessons** for children and adults. Private lessons are available upon request. For more imformation, call Leaf Faller at 682-2551...

The Midland YMCA, 800 N. Big Spring, is offerent **water aerobic classes.** Early morning, morning and evening classes are available. No swimming ability is necessary to participate in these classes. For more information please call Leaf Faller at 682-2551...

The Central YMCA, 800 N. Big Spring, is offering **arthritis water exercise classes.** Classes are on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at varying times during the day. For more information call Leaf Faller at 682-2551...

Cycling...

The **Permian Basin Bicycle Association** meets monthly — at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of each month — at the Knights of Columbus Hall at the intersection of FM 1788 and WCR 602. Rides are held weekly, including Tuesday & Thursday at 6 p.m., fast/hard ride from corner of Loop 338 and State Highway 191 in Odessa; Tuesday at 6:15 p.m. from Peyton's Bikes in Midland (beginner's ride); Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. from Peyton's (medium and fast paced groups); Saturday at 7:30 a.m. from Loop 338 & Highway 191 in Odessa; Sunday at 7:30 a.m., breakfast ride from Golden Corral in Odessa; Sunday at 2 p.m., Flag Ranch Ride Mountain Bike Ride. Membership dues are $25 or $30 for a family. Call Peyton's Bikes at 699-1718 for more information...

Soccer...

The **University of Texas of the Permian Basin** is starting an intercollegiate women's soccer team in the fall of 2001. The team will participate in the NAIA as part of the Red River Athletic Conference. A coach is expected to be hired soon. Individuals interested in coaching should contact athletic director Steve Aicinena at (915) 552-2675 or fax a resume to (915) 552-3675...

Skills Clinics for U-10 boys and girls will be held by the West Texas Heat on most Sundays through May. The clinics will be led by former college coaches Diego and Kathy Castro. Participants must have a signed coach's release. For more information, call the Castros at 520-2438 or 352-5298...

A **Skills Clinic** for U-10 girls and boys is being held at the Reyes-Mashburn fields every Wednesday night. Cost is $1 per night and is hosted by Shane Barden, USSF National "A" licensed coach and a NTSSA state staff coach. Participants must have a signed coach's release. Call Barden at 699-3065 for more information...

Hockey...

Spring Inline Hockey League registration is now open. Sign up at Power Play. All ages from 5-up and adult leagues are available for beginners, men and women. For more information, call Power Play at 570-7693...

Football...

GMFL Cheerleader applications are available for you to pick up at Stadium Sports. Girls currently in grades 3-5 (public and private schools) are eligible to try out. All applications and fees must be postmarked by March 9...

Kennedy, Kirkland look for employment

Associated Press

Defensive standouts Cortez Kennedy of the Seattle Seahawks and Levon Kirkland of the Pittsburgh Steelers are looking for work.

Both veterans were cut Thursday after long, distinguished careers with their teams.

The Seahawks released their eight-time Pro Bowl defensive tackle two days before he was to receive a $2 million roster bonus. Seattle signed free agent John Randle last week after his release by Minnesota, and Randle will take Kennedy's place on the defensive line.

Kennedy's salary was to count $7.3 million against the cap next season. He was to earn $4.5 million in the final year of his contract in Seattle, where he was the 1992 NFL Defensive Player of the Year.

"Cortez has accomplished a great deal for this franchise over the last decade," coach-general manager Mike Holmgren said. "He has always handled himself with class and been a dedicated member of the Seahawks."

Inside linebacker Kirkland, also 32, was cut in part because the Steelers needed money to sign former Lions guard Jeff Hartings to a $24.75 million, six-year contract to replace seven-time All-Pro center Dermontti Dawson.

Once the Steelers' highest-paid player, Kirkland was to have made a base salary of $4.775 million in 2001 and had a cap value of $5.745 million — or about 1-12th of the Steelers' total cap.

Kirkland indicated he probably would sign elsewhere, preferably with a team that "may be closer to the Super Bowl."

"I thought I played pretty well, and they said I played pretty well," Kirkland said. "They were considering it (releasing him), and when faced with something like that usually if you have some brains about you, you know it is going to go down."

Kirkland played for the Steelers since 1992. He had 100 tackles or more in each of the last five seasons and a high of 137 tackles in 1998, his second consecutive Pro Bowl season.

Hartings, 28 signed a $24.25 million, six-year contract that includes a $5.75 million signing bonus. His 2001 salary will be $750,000 and his 2001 cap value will be $1.71 million.

Hartings was a Pro Bowl alternate for the Lions in 1998 and 1999. The last time he played center was for Penn State.

GOLF SCORES

Honda Classic

By The Associated Press
Thursday's First Round
At Heron Bay
Coral Springs, Fla.
Purse: $3.2 million
Yardage: 7,268; Par: 72 (36-36)

Jesper Parnevik	32-33 — 65
Ben Ferguson	33-32 — 65
Geoff Ogilvy	31-34 — 65
Scott Simpson	33-33 — 66
Fulton Allem	33-33 — 66
Hunter Haas	33-33 — 66
J.P. Hayes	33-33 — 66
Jim Gallagher	32-34 — 66
Bernhard Langer	33-33 — 66
Mark Calcavecchia	33-34 — 67
Mark Brooks	33-34 — 67
Joe Ogilvie	37-30 — 67
Chris Smith	34-33 — 67
Dan Forsman	32-35 — 67
Kevin Johnsen	34-33 — 67
Tripp Isenhour	33-34 — 67
a-Ty Tryon	34-33 — 67
Spike McRoy	34-33 — 67
Joe Durant	33-34 — 67
Gabriel Hjertstedt	35-32 — 67
Craig Perks	35-32 — 67
Tom Lehman	33-35 — 68
Paul Stankowski	36-32 — 68
Jeff Hart	33-35 — 68
Skip Kendall	33-35 — 68
Greg Kraft	34-34 — 68
Stuart Appleby	35-33 — 68
John Huston	34-34 — 68
Gene Fieger	34-34 — 68
David Peoples	35-34 — 69
Joel Edwards	35-34 — 69
Bill Glasson	33-36 — 69
Carl Paulson	35-34 — 69
Brad Faxon	35-34 — 69
Tim Herron	35-34 — 69
Jeff Maggert	35-34 — 69
Jonathan Kaye	34-35 — 69
Scott McCarron	34-35 — 69
Michael Muehr	33-36 — 69
Briny Baird	35-34 — 69
Pete Jordan	34-35 — 69
Jimmy Green	34-35 — 69
Neal Lancaster	37-32 — 69
Gary Nicklaus	37-32 — 69
Craig Barlow	33-36 — 69
Chris DiMarco	34-35 — 69
Carlos Franco	36-33 — 69
Hal Sutton	33-36 — 69
Kenny Perry	36-33 — 69
Phil Mickelson	34-35 — 69
John Cook	37-32 — 69
Steve Flesch	35-34 — 69
Bradley Hughes	35-34 — 69
Esteban Toledo	33-36 — 69
Mark Hensby	36-33 — 69
Doug Dunakey	33-37 — 70
Andrew Magee	33-37 — 70
Glen Hnatiuk	36-34 — 70
Dicky Pride	34-36 — 70
Shaun Micheel	34-36 — 70
Jim Furyk	35-35 — 70
Jim Carter	36-34 — 70
Rich Beem	33-37 — 70
Mike Sposa	35-35 — 70
Paul Gow	34-36 — 70
Fred Wadsworth	33-37 — 70
Joey Sindelar	36-34 — 70
Stephen Ames	36-34 — 70
Lee Janzen	34-36 — 70
Dudley Hart	37-33 — 70
Garrett Willis	33-37 — 70
Tom Pernice Jr.	32-38 — 70
Robert Damron	35-35 — 70
Brian Gay	35-35 — 70
David Morland IV	36-34 — 70
Adam Scott	34-36 — 70
Jay Williamson	34-37 — 71
Brian Henninger	36-35 — 71
John Daly	33-38 — 71
Tommy Tolles	34-37 — 71
Per-Ulrik Johansson	37-34 — 71
Richie Coughlan	35-36 — 71
Rocky Walcher	33-38 — 71
Jorge Benedetti	35-36 — 71
Jeff Brehaut	38-33 — 71
Cliff Kresge	33-38 — 71
Jerry Smith	36-35 — 71
Fuzzy Zoeller	35-36 — 71
Steve Pate	36-35 — 71
Craig Kanada	37-34 — 71
Kaname Yokoo	36-35 — 71
Greg Towne	33-38 — 71
Ian Leggatt	34-37 — 71
J.J. Henry	36-35 — 71
Harrison Frazar	37-35 — 72
Kevin Wentworth	36-36 — 72
Bob Estes	35-37 — 72
Tom Byrum	37-35 — 72
John Riegger	36-36 — 72
Rob Labritz	37-35 — 72
Andrew McLardy	37-35 — 72
Cameron Beckman	36-36 — 72
Robin Freeman	34-38 — 72
Marco Dawson	38-34 — 72
Mark O'Meara	37-35 — 72
Steve Jones	38-34 — 72
David Berganio	36-36 — 72
Barry Cheesman	34-38 — 72
Justin Peters	35-37 — 72
Craig A. Spence	35-37 — 72
Mike Donald	37-36 — 73
Lee Porter	38-35 — 73
Ted Tryba	36-37 — 73
Blaine McCallister	34-39 — 73
Brian Watts	37-36 — 73
Mark Wiebe	39-34 — 73
Craig Parry	38-35 — 73
Mathew Goggin	36-37 — 73
K.J. Choi	36-37 — 73
Paul Casey	36-37 — 73
Stephen Allan	36-37 — 73
Danny Ellis	35-38 — 73
Paul Goydos	36-38 — 74
Brad Elder	38-36 — 74
Robert Gamez	36-38 — 74
Glen Day	39-35 — 74
Brian Wilson	36-38 — 74
Peter Jacobsen	38-36 — 74
Sean Murphy	39-35 — 74
Mark McCumber	39-36 — 75
Notah Begay III	39-36 — 75
Matt Gogel	37-38 — 75
Dave Stockton	37-38 — 75
Kent Jones	38-37 — 75
Keith Clearwater	38-38 — 76
Emanuele Canonica	39-37 — 76
Aaron Baddeley	37-39 — 76
Jeremy Anderson	38-38 — 76
Mike Hulbert	37-40 — 77
Kelly Grunewald	40-37 — 77
Jeff Julian	37-40 — 77
Ray Boone	39-42 — 81
Billy Ray Brown	42-39 — 81

LPGA-Circle K Scores
By The Associated Press
Thursday's First Round
At Randolph Park Golf Course
Tucson, Ariz.
Purse: $750,000
Yardage: 6,222; Par: 72 (35-37)

Jen Hanna	30-33 — 63
Annika Sorenstam	32-33 — 65
Michele Redman	32-34 — 66
Emilee Klein	31-35 — 66
a-Lorena Ochoa	32-34 — 66
Dottie Pepper	33-34 — 67
Akiko Fukushima	34-33 — 67
Lorie Kane	33-34 — 67
Dorothy Delasin	33-34 — 67
Brandie Burton	33-34 — 67
Jennifer Rosales	32-36 — 68
Pat Hurst	33-35 — 68
Tina Barrett	34-34 — 68
Se Ri Pak	33-35 — 68
Jean Bartholomew	33-35 — 68
Carri Wood	33-35 — 68
Val Skinner	32-36 — 68
Laura Diaz	34-34 — 68
Grace Park	32-36 — 68
Jennifer Hubbard	34-34 — 68
Lisa Hackney	34-35 — 69
Carin Koch	32-37 — 69
Maria Hjorth	35-34 — 69
Pamela Kerrigan	32-37 — 69
Cindy Figg-Currier	33-36 — 69
Charlotta Sorenstam	34-35 — 69
Cathy Johnston-Forbes	33-36 — 69
Becky Iverson	33-36 — 69
Michelle Ellis	34-35 — 69
Leslie Spalding	32-37 — 69
Ashli Bunch	35-34 — 69
Deb Richard	32-37 — 69
Jill McGill	34-35 — 69
Heather Bowie	32-37 — 69
Marisa Baena	35-34 — 69
Marcy Newton	34-35 — 69
Michelle McGann	35-35 — 70
Kristal Parker	32-38 — 70
Amy Fruhwirth	34-36 — 70
Cindy Schreyer	35-35 — 70
Vickie Odegard	34-36 — 70
Susan Ginter	35-35 — 70
Helen Alfredsson	34-36 — 70
Kathryn Marshall	35-35 — 70
Rosie Jones	33-37 — 70
Mi Hyun Kim	36-34 — 70
Juli Inkster	35-35 — 70
Marie-Josee Rouleau	34-36 — 70
Catriona Matthew	34-36 — 70
Heather Daly-Donofrio	33-37 — 70
Yu Ping Lin	33-37 — 70
Silvia Cavalleri	35-35 — 70
Eva Dahllof	36-34 — 70
Angela Stanford	34-36 — 70
Jackie Gallagher-Smith	34-37 — 71
Marilyn Lovander	39-32 — 71
Dina Ammaccapane	35-36 — 71
Hiromi Kobayashi	34-37 — 71
Denise Killeen	33-38 — 71
Donna Andrews	35-36 — 71
Suzy Green	35-36 — 71
Anne Marie Palli	35-36 — 71
Liselotte Neumann	37-34 — 71
Sherri Steinhauer	34-37 — 71
Stefania Croce	33-38 — 71
Kris Tschetter	34-37 — 71
Nanci Bowen	34-37 — 71
Pearl Sinn	35-36 — 71
Jean Zedlitz	34-37 — 71
Annette DeLuca	35-36 — 71
Gloria Park	34-37 — 71
Sherri Turner	36-35 — 71
Nancy Scranton	35-36 — 71
Jeong Jang	35-36 — 71
Michelle Estill	34-37 — 71
Michelle Murphy	33-38 — 71
Mhairi McKay	35-36 — 71
Cindy Flom	35-37 — 72
Cristie Kerr	34-38 — 72
Moira Dunn	36-36 — 72
Sally Dee	37-35 — 72
Dale Eggeling	37-35 — 72
Vicki Goetze-Ackerman	34-38 — 72
Janice Moodie	34-38 — 72
Suzanne Strudwick	35-37 — 72
Danielle Ammaccapane	36-36 — 72
Laurie Brower	37-35 — 72
Fiona Pike	36-36 — 72
Audra Burks	35-37 — 72
Allison Finney	34-38 — 72
Betsy King	37-35 — 72
Kate Golden	34-38 — 72
Beth Bader	36-36 — 72
Marnie McGuire	35-37 — 72
Joan Pitcock	35-37 — 72
Nancy Harvey	35-37 — 72
Tracy Hanson	35-37 — 72
Sara Sanders	36-36 — 72
Caroline Blaylock	35-37 — 72
Minny Yeo	38-34 — 72
Vicki Fergon	35-38 — 73
Penny Pulz	36-37 — 73
Kim Bauer	36-37 — 73
Jody Anschutz	35-38 — 73
Jane Geddes	35-38 — 73
Mary Beth Zimmerman	36-37 — 73
Barb Mucha	37-36 — 73
Amy Read	35-38 — 73
LaRee Sugg	36-37 — 73
Kris Lindstrom	36-37 — 73
Leta Lindley	34-39 — 73
Angie Ridgeway	38-35 — 73
Jennifer Feldott	36-37 — 73
Gail Graham	37-36 — 73
Nicole Materne	35-38 — 73
Karen Stupples	36-38 — 74
Dodie Mazzuca	38-36 — 74
Heather Zakhar	35-39 — 74
Cathy Gerring	38-36 — 74
Maggie Will	38-36 — 74
Lisa Kiggens	37-37 — 74
Patti Liscio	36-38 — 74
Alicia Dibos	36-38 — 74
Diana D'Alessio	39-35 — 74
Susie Redman	35-39 — 74
Laurel Kean	38-36 — 74
Wendy Ward	37-37 — 74
Jenny Park-Choi	36-38 — 74
Jenna Daniels	35-39 — 74
Hee-Won Han	37-37 — 74
Smriti Mehra	39-36 — 75
Barb Whitehead	37-38 — 75
Nancy Lopez	38-37 — 75
Michelle Bell	37-38 — 75
Leigh Ann Mills	37-38 — 75
Tammie Green	35-40 — 75
Luciana Bernvenuti	36-39 — 75
Nan Kyong Ha	38-37 — 75
Caroline Gowan	38-37 — 75
Karen Weiss	40-36 — 76
Caroline McMillan	37-39 — 76
Tina Fischer	38-40 — 78
Mitzi Edge	36-42 — 78
A.J. Eathorne	39-39 — 78
Penny Hammel (a-amateur)	DNS

16-year-old Tryon stands two shots out of Honda lead

Associated Press

■ Golf Roundup

CORAL SPRINGS, Fla. — Ty Tryon is on the verge of something not even Tiger Woods could do — take a week off from high school and make the cut on the PGA Tour.

Tryon, a 16-year-old sophomore who got into the Honda Classic as a Monday qualifier, proved he belonged Thursday with birdies on the last three holes for a 5-under 67, which left him only two strokes out of the lead.

Woods was younger by nine months when he was given a sponsor's exemption into the Los Angeles Open in 1992, but he missed the cut with rounds of 72-75.

Tryon not only played well beyond his years, he was within shouting distance of leaders Jesper Parnevik, Geoff Ogilvy and Ben Ferguson.

"I had a great time out there," Tryon said. "I really enjoyed it. Playing well is definitely a plus, but it was awesome. I had a lot of fun."

Parnevik, Ferguson and Ogilvy each shot a 7-under-par 65 and shared the first-round lead on the TPC at Heron Bay. Eighteen others, including Tryon, were within two shots heading into the second round.

Tryon couldn't put aside the urge to start his PGA Tour career in style. He shrugged off the advice of his caddie that he hit 2-iron off the first tee.

"Because it was my first pro tournament, I just wanted to rip a driver down there," Tryon said.

Tryon hit a 300-yard drive down the middle. It was a sign of things to come.

On a perfect day for scoring, Tryon made seven birdies. He birdied each of the four par-5s and closed with birdies on four of the final five holes.

Even through Tryon was nervous before his opening tee shot, he settled down quickly. The only time he got rattled was after a three-putt on No. 10. He missed a 3-footer for par.

Tryon recovered well, parring the next three holes and setting up a dramatic finish.

He played out of a fairway bunker and from a green-side bunker on the par-5 16th, delivering two good sand shots and sinking a 15-foot putt for birdie.

His approach shot on the par-4, 17th stopped 3-feet from the hole and he made another birdie.

He sank a 20-foot putt on the final hole to finish strong.

"He looked like he had done it a hundred times before," said caddie Tim Thalmueller, who normally carries Edward Fryatt's bag but is working for Tryon this week.

Tryon was the only player in the 144-man field to make birdies on each of the three finishing holes.

"I'm not surprised at all he played well," said Kevin Smeltz, Tryon's coach at the David Leadbetter Golf Academy in Orlando. "He's mature for his age and he's pretty levelheaded. I knew he wouldn't be as overwhelmed as other kids would be."

Young player ties first-round record in Tucson

TUCSON, Ariz. — Jen Hanna beat par in just 17 rounds last year. Three of them came at the Welch's-Circle K Championship.

Small wonder that the bad memories of a so-so rookie season and a tough start to 2001 evaporated as soon as she teed off Thursday at the Randolph Park North municipal course.

"When you see every putt going in, how can you not feel like you're in a zone?" Hanna said after tying Laura Davies' first-round record with a 9-under-par 63.

Her round left her two shots ahead of defending champion Annika Sorenstam, who earned enough points last year in Tucson to qualify for the LPGA Tour Hall of Fame and has more titles (23) than Hanna has made cuts (13).

Sorenstam has placed second in both starts this season by tuning out what others are doing.

Del Greco toes line at golf tournament

Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Al Del Greco lined himself up with the target, approached the ball with a smooth gait, struck it dead center and, as he has so often over the years, walked away with another easy 3.

Now, the kicker: He made par, not a field goal.

The NFL's seventh-leading all-time scorer played in the Buy.com tour's season opener Thursday, where he shot 5-over-par 76 — respectable, although not quite good enough to give up his day job.

Del Greco made the tournament by playing well enough earlier in the week to earn one of 14 qualifying spots.

The former Tennessee Titans kicker has made a living keeping his nervousness bottled under stressful situations. His first pro tournament, however, was a completely different experience.

"On the front side, I felt like I was in a cold sweat the whole time I was out there," Del Greco said. "I'd make one mistake, then you're trying not to make another one."

A near scratch player who is almost universally recognized as the best golfer among athletes in other sports, Del Greco learned all about the difference between the celebrity events he dominates and the pro game, where livings are on the line.

"The biggest difference is when you look at scoreboard," he said. "Instead of one guy under par, it's 15 or 16."

Wearing a green, striped golf shirt and khaki pants, he seemed to blend right in with the other 143 golfers who came to the Florida Classic, playing in relative anonymity. Most hoped to parlay success on the PGA tour's version of triple-A into a spot on the PGA tour itself.

On the other hand, there were moments when Del Greco looked like a raw first-timer.

He played his second shot on the 18th hole from out of the deep rough — adjacent to No. 10. After punching back into the 18th fairway, he chunked his third shot about 20 yards forward. He did, however, make a 15-foot putt to save bogey, part of a round that he deemed a great learning experience, even though he finished near the bottom of the field.

"I didn't know what to expect when they said I was playing with a football player, but he handled himself petty well," said Warren Schutte, a member of Del Greco's threesome. "You get so many athletes who think they can play our sport, and they can't. But he has a swing that doesn't allow him to get too off-line. If you can hit it straight and putt, you can make it here."

The last time most sports fans saw Del Greco, he was having one of the worst days of his storied 17-year career. He missed one field goal and had two others blocked — one of them returned for a touchdown — in a 24-10 loss to Baltimore in the AFC playoffs.

Last week, the Titans released Del Greco in a moneysaving move. Since then, he has drawn interest from the Saints, Jets and Redskins, although he hasn't committed to returning for an 18th season.

Either way, he'll continue playing the celebrity golf events that fill up much of his offseason. Making a full-time living on tour is not in his plans.

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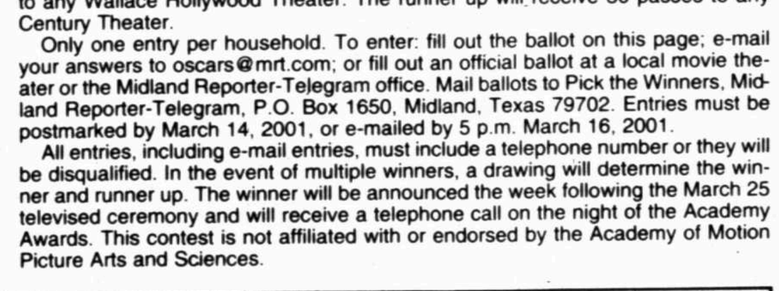
All entries, including e-mail entries, must include a telephone number or they will be disqualified. In the event of multiple winners, a drawing will determine the winner and runner up. The winner will be announced the week following the March 25 televised ceremony and will receive a telephone call on the night of the Academy Awards. This contest is not affiliated with or endorsed by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

Best Supporting Actress

Dench ■ Harden ■ Hudson ■ McDormand ■ Walters ■

Best Supporting Actor



Finney ■ Del Toro ■ Bridges ■ Dafoe ■ Phoenix ■

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Best Actress

Allen ■ Binoche ■ Burstyn ■ Linney ■ Roberts ■

Best Actor

Bardem ■ Crowe ■ Hanks ■ Harris ■ Rush ■

Best Director

Erin Brockovich — Soderbergh ■ Lee ■ Scott ■ Daldry ■ Traffic — Soderbergh ■

Cinematography

'Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon' ■
'Gladiator' ■
'Maléna' ■
'O, Brother, Where Art Thou' ■
'The Patriot' ■

Best Animated Short Film

'Father and Daughter' ■
'The Periwig-Maker' ■
'Rejected' ■

Best Picture

'Gladiator' ■

'Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon' ■

'Erin Brockovich' ■

'Traffic' ■

'Chocolat' ■

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+3.7	ABN pfA	u25.14	+.12
+7.1	ABN pfB	24.69	+.01
-11.1	ACE Ltd	37.71	+.61
+8.4	ACM In	8.13	-.05
+11.4	ACM MI	5.50	+.01
+4.8	AES Cp s	58.02	+1.02
-14.7	AFLAC	61.58	-.42
-12.6	AGCO	10.60	-.10
-.6	AGL Res	21.92	+.12
+46.7	AICI pfT	18.70	+.25
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-3.3	AMB Pr	24.95	-.14
-6.3	AMR s	36.70	+1.70
+27.9	AOL TW	44.50	-.80
-20.0	APW Ltd n	27.01	-1.00
+27.3	ASA Ltd	19.50	+1.00
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+24.4	ATT Wrls n	21.53	+.43
+19.6	AVX Cp s	19.59	-.25
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+8.2	AbbeyN pfu	24.27	+.21
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-12.9	Abitibi g	8.00	-.04
+1.6	Actuant s	15.24	-.07
-6.9	**AdamsE s**	**19.55**	**-.15**
-27.0	Adminstf s	19.85	-.14
+22.6	AdMkSv	21.30	+.30
+86.2	AMD s	26.00	+.90
+59.3	AdvSemi n	4.88	-.12
-20.2	Aegon s	33.05	-.39
-9.3	Aetna n	37.23	+.40
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-3.6	AffMgrs	52.90	-1.68
-26.9	Agilent	40.00	-.96
+18.3	Agnico g	u7.10	+.42
-8.7	Agrium g	13.35	-.03
-2.6	Ahold	31.67	-.18
+4.9	AirProd	u43.00	+.50
+15.0	Airborne	11.21	-.18
+31.5	Airgas	8.96	-.14
+2.3	**AlaPC pf**	**Q24.80**	**...**
-3.0	AskAir	28.85	+.61
+41.5	Albnyln	19.01	-.43
-3.8	Albemar	23.82	+.22
-2.9	AlbtE g	48.83	-.18
-3.4	Alberto	41.35	+.08
-8.1	AlbCulA	34.20	-.19
+8.6	Albertsn	28.77	+.03
+16.5	Alcan	39.83	-.03
-25.3	Alcatel	41.81	-2.29
+16.4	Alcoa s	u39.00	-.29
-1.4	AlgEnrgy	47.50	+.38
+15.7	AlegTch	18.36	+.42
-11.3	AllanTel	15.91	-.10
-21.5	Allergan	78.00	-.22
-8.7	Allete	22.66	-.24
-6.6	AllCap	47.28	-.39
+10.3	AllWrld2	9.58	+.03
+2.5	AlliantEgy	32.68	-.12
+26.1	AlliantT s	84.15	-1.10
+19.1	AldWastew	17.35	+.16
-26.3	AlmrFn	53.45	+.87
-3.6	Alstate	41.98	+.28
-12.4	Altel	54.72	+1.14
-28.4	Alpharma	31.40	+.40
-13.5	Alza s	36.78	+.03
-3.1	AmBev	24.95	-.29
+4.5	AmbacF su	60.95	+.81
+1.3	Amdocs	67.10	-1.09
-2.5	AmerUs	31.58	-.42
+7.4	AmHes	u78.49	+.85
-10.6	Ameren	41.41	+.27
-12.2	AMovilL n	17.92	+.22
-14.5	AmWest	10.95	+.07
+16.4	AmAxle	9.24	-.71
+.6	AEP	46.79	-.45
-19.1	AmExp s	44.43	+.23
-9.8	AFnclGp	23.95	+.18
-3.5	AGenCp s	39.32	+.57
+46.7	AGreet	13.85	+.27
-6.5	**AHomeP**	**59.40**	**+.81**
-15.0	AmIntGp s	83.78	+1.70
-22.8	ASkiing	1.11	-.09
+25.3	AmStd	u61.81	+.83
-27.3	AmTower d	27.55	-.35
+2.2	AmWtr	u30.02	+.18
+29.5	Americdt	35.28	-.17
+25.5	Amerigas	20.87	-.08
+8.7	AmeriSrc	53.87	-1.25
-.6	Amphenol s	38.96	-.24
+15.4	AmSouth	17.60	+.05
-.6	**Anadrk**	**70.65**	**-2.34**
-19.0	Analog s	41.45	-1.05
+15.3	Anglogld	17.23	+.97
-2.7	Anheus s	44.25	+1.25
+12.0	Anixter	24.23	+.88
+12.2	AnnTayl	27.98	+1.73
+25.8	AnthCap	9.75	-.09
+6.4	Aon Corp	36.45	-.10
-2.2	**Apache**	**68.50**	**+1.47**
-13.2	Aptinv	43.33	-.67
-1.4	ApogentT	20.21	-.05
+43.8	Applica	7.01	+.11
-38.7	AppiBio	57.70	+.50
-19.5	Apria	23.96	-1.04
+3.6	Aptargp	u30.44	-.02
-2.3	Aracruz	14.59	+.64
+81.6	ArchCoal	25.65	+.41
+3.1	ArchDan	15.47	+.44
-3.6	ArchstnC	24.82	-.28
-4.6	ArdenRlt	23.96	+.04
+14.5	Argosy	21.97	-.05
+76.9	ArmstHld	3.65	-.16
+.6	ArrowEl	28.80	-.21
+34.3	ArvMerit n	15.28	-.95
+50.4	Ashanti	2.82	+.24
+14.7	Ashland	41.16	-.02
+12.6	AsiaPc	8.80	-.05
-60.0	AsiaPlp	20	-.05
+10.2	AsiaTigr	7.37	-.03
-11.1	AstraZen	45.80	+.14
-2.8	AtlasAir	31.70	+.22
-2.8	**ATMOS**	**23.70**	**+.32**
+13.9	AtwdOcn	49.90	+.64
+103.0	AuroraF	4.95	+.13
+35.0	AutoNatn	8.10	-.06
+12.5	Autoliv	17.93	+.16
-6.1	AutoData	59.48	+.63
-2.1	AutoZone	27.90	+.49
+38.9	Avaya n	14.32	-.54
-4.9	Aventis	80.15	-2.75
+.2	AveryD	55.00	+.65
-20.5	Avista	16.30	+.07
+31.4	Avnet s	28.25	+.77
-10.3	Avon	42.93	-.26
-10.2	Aztar	11.62	-.15
+1.9	Azurix	8.34	-.01
-1.8	BB&T Cp	36.66	+.10
-9.8	BCE gs	26.11	+.24
+22.8	BJS	u84.60	-.05
+22.3	BJs Whls	46.93	-.83
+17.7	BMC	5.74	-.06
+10.3	**BP Amoco**	**52.80**	**...**
+20.5	BP Pru	u14.91	...
-6.2	BRE	29.71	+.04
+8.2	BakrHu	u44.99	+.28
-1.8	Ball	45.22	+1.26
-12.9	BallyTotF	29.49	-.51
+5.1	BcBilVArg	15.43	+.12
+1.3	BcoSnCH	10.70	-.25
+19.0	BcpSouth	14.50	-.15
+.4	Bancwest	26.22	-.28
-19.6	Bandag	32.80	-1.13
+.7	BankOne	36.89	+.18
+17.1	**Bk of Am**	**53.72**	**+.97**
+3.1	BkTokyo	9.99	+.09
-8.2	BkNY	50.65	-.82
+2.3	Banta	26.00	-.04
-4.6	Bard	44.43	+.81
-3.4	BarnNbl	25.60	-1.09
-19.9	BarrLab s	58.39	+.16
+7.8	BarrettRs u	61.22	+.11
+5.9	BarrickG	17.35	+1.06
+17.2	BauschL	47.41	+1.06
+5.0	Baxter	92.72	+2.38
+.6	BearSt	51.00	-1.80
+12.4	BeazrHm	44.95	-.05
-5.7	BeckCoul s	39.56	-.01
+3.0	BectDck	35.65	+.61
-5.0	Belden	24.10	-.27
+1.9	BellSouth	41.70	+1.08
+15.0	Belo	18.40	+.14
+6.3	Bemis	35.69	+.26
+24.8	BenchEl	28.15	-.65
+10.7	BentonOG	1.73	-.02
+9.7	BergBr	17.37	-.07
+.7	**BerkHa**	**A71500.00**	
+400.0			
+1.7	**BerryP**	**13.60**	**+.30**
+57.0	BestBuy	46.41	+4.91
+54.9	BethSt	2.71	+.01
-3.0	Beverly	7.94	-.23
-2.9	Biovail s	37.70	+.10
+.5	Biovail pf	71.85	+1.85
+26.0	BirSti	1.26	+.01
+16.2	BlackD	45.62	+1.12
-1.9	**BlkHlCp**	**43.90**	**+.71**
+1.4	Blk2001	9.76	
+6.0	BlkIT	u6.96	+.03
+1.4	BlkNA	u10.27	+.04
-43.6	Blanch	9.83	-.12
+26.3	BlckHR	u52.25	+.33
+70.7	Blockbstr	14.30	+.10
+.9	Blyth	24.34	+.32
-1.9	Boeing	64.75	+.65
+3.5	BoiseC	34.81	+.08
+53.3	Bombay	2.97	-.05
+18.4	BordCh	74	+.03
+37.9	Borders	16.12	-.01
+14.5	BorgWarnu	45.81	+.54
+29.8	BostSci	17.77	-.36
-6.6	Bowatr	52.64	-.25
+3.7	Bowne	10.95	+.11
+39.8	BoykinL	11.88	+.25
-10.0	Brandyw	18.62	-.29
+16.7	Brascan g	17.00	+.42
-10.2	BrasilTel	53.00	-2.17
-3.1	BrigStrat	43.00	+.14
+9.5	Brinker s	u30.85	+2.03
-16.3	**BrMySq**	**61.91**	**+1.31**
-.8	BritTel	86.05	+1.44
+7.8	Broadwing	24.60	-.23
-7.1	**BrwnFA**	**62.00**	**+1.00**
-5.3	**BrwnFB**	**63.00**	**+1.88**
+45.0	BrwnShoe u	18.85	+.57
+39.0	Brunswicku	22.85	+.95
-15.7	BuckTch	11.85	-.26
-17.6	BudgetGp	1.75	-.09
+8.6	Buenavnt	15.75	+.93
-11.2	BurlCoat	16.81	-2.17
+48.6	Burlinds	2.60	+.10
+6.7	BurlNSF	30.20	+.39
+2.0	BrlRsc	51.53	+1.57
+9.0	BurnPP	5.04	-.01
-33.8	C&D Tch s	28.60	-.20
-48.2	C-Mac gn	23.87	-.58
+19.4	CANTV	22.61	-.11
+22.7	CEC Ent	41.87	-.63
+2.2	CH Engy	45.75	+.95
-15.0	CIGNA	112.45	+2.43
+15.8	CIGNA Hi	4.85	+.04
+19.2	CIT Gp	23.99	-.04
+29.8	CKE Rst	3.57	-.03
-16.2	CLECO	45.89	+.39
-4.5	CMS Eng	30.25	
+1.3	CMS Tr	35.45	-.20
-3.0	CMS pfM	28.00	
-3.0	CNA Fn	37.58	+.12
+2.4	CNF Inc	34.63	-.32
-4.0	CNH Glbl	8.28	+.08
-.7	CNOOC n	d16.01	-.04
+28.8	CSX	33.42	+.39
-31.8	CTS	d24.86	+.61
+3.6	CVS Cp	62.10	+1.31
-15.8	Cabl&Wrls	33.58	+.56
+4.8	CablDsg s	17.82	-1.09
-1.2	Cablvsn	83.90	+2.32
-11.2	Cabltrn	13.38	-.52
+29.4	Cabot s	34.14	-.21
+2.6	CbtOG	u32.00	+1.99
-8.6	CadbyS	26.50	+.30
-12.5	Cadence	24.05	-.93
+42.0	CalGolf	26.44	-.57
-19.8	CalionP	13.39	+.99
+8.8	Calpine s	49.05	+.23
+6.3	Cambrex	48.11	+1.31
+117.1	CmpRs gs	61	+.02
-10.3	CampSp	31.05	+.71
+24.0	CdnRy g	36.82	+.33
+32.8	CdnPc g	37.93	+.21
+3.5	Canon Inc	34.88	+.43
-12.7	CapOne	57.46	+.44
+17.7	Capstd s	12.80	+.03
+2.9	CardnlH	102.52	+3.10
+3.2	CaremkRx	14.00	-.25
-18.9	Carlisle	34.83	-.30
-1.0	Carnival	30.50	-.25
+107.9	CarrSrv	3.25	+.60
-11.4	CatalMkt s	34.51	+.24
+1.0	Catelus	17.67	-.50
+1.0	Caterpillr	47.79	+.99
+5.9	CelgraGn	38.26	-.64
-10.3	Celestic g	48.65	-4.07
+29.4	Cemex	23.38	+.17
+53.4	Cendant	14.76	+.57
+11.6	CenterTrst	5.23	+.11
-.5	CentrpPr	47.00	-.50
+13.2	Centex	42.51	-.52
+7.6	CentBk	51.90	-.40
-19.2	CntryTel	28.90	+.40
+9.1	Ceridian	21.76	+.12
+96.4	ChmpE	5.40	-.31
-20.4	ChRvLab n	21.80	
+3.5	ChartOneF	29.88	+.42
+3.7	ChaseCap	724.75	+.10
+26.8	Checkpnt	9.43	+.13
+14.6	ChelseaPr	42.25	+.46
+8.3	ChesEng u	10.97	+.41
+10.1	**Chevron**	**92.95**	**+1.57**
+33.2	ChicB&I	u23.90	+1.27
+9.9	ChileTel	14.50	+.17
-11.2	ChinaMbl s	24.10	+.38
-.4	ChinaUnic n	14.05	-.06
+3.5	ChiYuc	1.10	-.02
+6.0	Chiquta	1.06	+.01
-18.7	ChoicePt s	35.52	+.04
-15.7	Chubb	72.95	+1.26
+.9	ChurDwt	22.45	-.06
+29.8	CIBER	6.33	-.07
+.1	CINergy	35.15	+1.45
+16.4	CirCtyCC	13.39	+.49
+44.2	CirCCar	5.68	-.32
-.6	Citigrp s	50.75	+.30
+4.5	Citigp pfMu	45.44	+1.69
+4.0	Citigp pfX	24.64	+.14
+18.9	CitzComm	15.61	
-1.8	CityNC	38.12	-.26
+.3	ClairesStr	18.00	+.08
+23.0	Clarcor	25.44	+.04
+19.2	ClaytnH	13.71	+.08
+23.7	ClearChan s	59.90	+.05
-1.1	Clorox	35.12	+.44
-2.3	Coach n	28.10	+1.41
+1.4	Cstl pfI	50.33	+.53
-15.7	**CocaCl**	**51.40**	**+.97**
+23.3	CocaCE	23.42	+.68
-4.8	CCFemsa	21.30	+.21
+56.7	Coeur	1.47	+.15
-7.0	**ColgPal**	**60.00**	**+1.82**
+18.7	ColBgp	12.76	-.23
+5.2	ColHln	6.51	-.13
+15.3	Comdisco	13.19	-.40
+1.1	Comed pfT	24.96	-.06
+9.4	Comeric	64.95	+.95
+20.0	ComfrtS	2.55	-.20
-6.6	CmcBNJ	63.60	+.94
+16.8	CmcoGp u	31.75	+1.05
+15.7	CmcFdl	22.49	-.18
+15.3	ComScop	19.10	-.48
-28.3	CmtyHlt n	25.10	+.10
-10.0	CBD-Pao	32.85	-.53
+41.3	**Compaq**	**21.26**	**-.53**
+47.2	CompAs	28.70	-1.00
-6.4	CompSci	56.25	-1.72
-11.9	ComstkRs	13.00	+.25
-25.4	ConAgra	19.40	-.07
+11.1	Conectiv	22.30	+.03
+4.8	ConocoA	30.00	+.59
+5.6	ConocoB	30.55	+.45
+8.4	Conseco	14.29	-.31
+10.8	ConsolEgy	30.95	-.02
-5.3	ConEd	36.46	+.06
+17.6	ConStor	12.50	-.12
+16.6	ConstellA	68.50	+3.40
-3.3	ConstellEn	43.59	+1.64
-8.8	CtlAir B	47.09	+.69
-13.0	Cnvrgys	39.42	+.57
+3.0	CoopCam	68.05	+.56
+11.0	CoopCo	44.25	+.25
+.4	Cooper	46.14	+.54
+31.4	CooprTr	13.96	+.17
-18.0	Coors B	65.82	+2.92
+7.3	Copel	9.05	
-12.5	CoreLab	23.89	-.10
-9.3	CornPdts	26.37	+.38
-46.0	Corning s	28.50	-1.60
+16.5	CorpHY	10.92	+.04
+20.2	CpHYIII	10.74	+.19
+211.0	CorrecCp s	1.07	-.03
+7.5	CorusGr	10.75	-.10
-8.9	CntwCrd	45.76	+.16
-9.8	CousPrp s	25.20	-.10
+31.2	Covance	14.10	
-7.2	CoxCom	43.19	-.44
-8.0	CoxCmlco	58.25	-.50
+6.1	CoxRadio s	23.94	-.06
-2.0	Crane	27.87	+.25
+36.7	Credicp	8.20	
+17.1	CrSuisInco	6.44	+.10
-2.0	CresRE	21.81	+.05
+8.6	vjCrimiM	76	+.01
+11.9	Crompton	11.75	+.01
+7.6	**CrosTbr su**	**29.85**	**+.99**
+11.1	**CrosTim**	**17.85**	**+.25**
+28.0	CrwnAm	6.80	+.11
-11.0	CwnCork	6.62	-.11
-6.6	CwnPac	8.35	+.35
-21.3	Cryolife s	23.80	-.24
-11.9	CullenFr	36.84	-.51
+12.4	CumEng	42.63	+.02
-2.1	CypSem	19.27	-.56
-11.1	Cytec	35.50	-.10
D E F			
+23.8	DLJ HlY	6.81	+.16
-12.8	DPL	28.95	+.13
-2.6	DQE	31.91	-.16
-1.5	DR Horton	21.68	+.34
-11.2	DST Sys s	59.51	-1.95
+1.2	DTE	39.40	+.62
+25.2	DaimlrC	51.57	-.13
+13.4	Dal-Tile	16.09	-.16
+36.2	DallSemi	34.89	+.07
+30.3	DanaCp	19.96	+.30
-6.0	Danaher	64.27	+.17
+2.3	Darden	23.40	+.40
-16.8	Dave&B	9.15	+.15
-.7	DaVita	17.01	+.01
-7.3	DeVry	35.00	-1.25
+7.5	DeanFd	33.00	+.75
+17.4	DebtStrat	7.56	+.09
+.2	Deere	45.91	+.59
+20.3	DelhaizeB	21.65	+.13
+33.3	DelphiA	15.00	-.13
-17.4	DelphiFn	31.79	-1.76
+23.7	DeltPne	25.89	-.36
-10.4	DeltaAir	44.96	+1.38
+.8	Delta39	24.50	-.10
+11.1	DeltaW s	1.25	
-12.0	DeltTim	21.00	-.02
+19.8	Deluxe s	24.21	+.29
-1.7	Denbury	10.81	+.11
-12.1	DeutTel	25.71	-1.00
-7.5	DevDv	14.88	+.20
-5.6	Diageo	41.90	+1.07
+25.3	Dial	13.78	-.22
+12.6	DiaOffs	43.04	+.06
-15.8	Diebold	28.09	-.61
+63.5	Dillards	u19.32	+.01
+10.3	DimeBcp	31.50	-.13
+63.5	Dimon	8.99	+.10
+3.2	**Disney**	**29.85**	**-.13**
+34.2	DisneyInst	5.79	-.02
-11.1	Dist&Srv	15.50	
+.8	Dole	16.50	+.37
-2.5	DollarG s	18.40	+.29
+.7	DomRes	67.47	+1.06
-.6	DKaran	8.95	+.45
+4.7	DonlleyRR	28.27	-1.83
+1.0	Dover	40.95	-.02
-2.0	**DowChm**	**s35.90**	**+1.30**
-1.1	DowJns	55.98	-.99
-19.0	DowneyFn	14.56	+.37
+21.0	DryHYSt	7.79	+.03
+6.2	DrySM	9.03	-.17
-.6	DuPont	48.00	+.20
+2.6	DufPUtil	10.77	+.04
+2.0	DukeEgy s	43.48	+.90
-2.8	DukeWks	23.93	+.05
+3.6	DunBrad n	26.80	+.50
-55.2	Dycom	16.10	+.09
-5.5	Dynegy s	53.00	+.00
+24.7	ETrade	9.20	-.43
-3.8	EEX Cp	4.69	+.14
-43.0	EMC s	37.15	-3.85
+20.9	EMCOR	u30.84	+.84
+5.3	ENI	67.73	+1.18
-8.0	**EOG Res**	**50.25**	**+1.47**
+9.8	EastChm	53.53	-.06
+17.1	EKodak	46.12	+.63
+15.6	Eaton	u74.77	+1.54
-1.8	EatnVan s	31.68	+.28
+12.8	EV Srlnc	9.45	
+.7	Ecolab	43.51	+.21
-.9	Edisonint	15.49	+.04
+58.3	EDO	u11.48	+.27
+9.0	EdwLSci n	19.35	+.25
-20.7	Edwards	37.63	-.89
+3.3	ElPasoCp	74.00	-.01
+2.4	ElPasE pfu	91.12	+1.37
+23.4	ElPasEPt u	33.85	+.30
+6.7	Elan	49.95	-1.50
+4.7	**Elcor**	**17.66**	**-.14**
+13.5	EDS	85.53	+1.03
+2.6	EBrAero n	40.80	+.55
-17.5	Embratl	12.95	-.15
+8.4	EMInco2	12.80	+.17
-13.8	EmrsnEl	67.90	+.70
-24.8	**EmpDist**	**19.78**	**-.19**
+4.7	EElChile	11.39	+.23
+155.9	Empica	2.72	+.13
+15.5	Encompss	5.85	-.21
+8.2	Endesa	18.05	-.06
-7.4	Energen	29.82	+.82
+19.9	Energizr n	25.82	+.53
-6.9	**EgyEast**	**18.32**	**-.06**
-9.3	EngyPrt n	11.40	+.30
-.7	Enersis	17.50	+.15
+39.7	Enesco	6.55	+.64
+33.3	EngiCp	u27.15	+.60
-15.1	**Enron**	**70.59**	**+.59**
-8.5	Enron02	44.08	+1.28
+.2	**EnrLLC pf**	**25.00**	**-.07**
+28.9	ENSCO	43.91	-.53
+33.6	Entercm	46.00	-.60
-8.9	Entergy	39.40	+.45
+35.2	EnterPT	14.87	+.47
-52.4	Entravsn n	d8.75	-.65
-20.6	EnzoBio	18.80	-.39
+3.5	**EottEng**	**16.95**	**-.03**
+13.0	Equifax	32.43	+.98
-2.2	EqtResc	65.29	+1.99
+32.5	EqtyInn	8.20	+.08
-7.9	EqOffPT	30.06	+.26
-4.3	EqtyRsd	52.95	+.64
+8.8	EqtR pfL	24.00	+.20
-5.4	EsteeLdr	41.45	+.96
-12.3	Esterline	23.02	+.51
+6.3	EthanAl	35.80	+.32
-9.8	EverestRe	64.60	-.10
+8.7	EvgrnRes u	42.00	+2.24
-7.0	Exelon	65.30	+.64
+22.9	ExideCp	9.37	+.09
+10.1	ExtStayA	14.15	-.35
-1.3	**ExxonMob**	**85.85**	**+1.64**
+17.2	FEMSA	35.00	+.08
+16.7	FMC	u83.64	+.73
-8.9	FPL Gp	65.39	+.39
+15.3	Fairlsc	58.80	-3.20
+16.0	FairchCp s	6.38	-.03
+12.6	FairchldS	16.26	-.52
+10.4	FairfCmtsu	15.53	+.08
+28.5	FamDlr	u27.55	+1.02
-6.6	FanniMae	81.00	+.15
+9.7	FedExCp	43.85	+.65
+58.7	FedMog	3.67	+.28
+6.1	FedRlty	20.16	-.04
+17.9	FedSignl	23.14	-.06
+35.7	FedrDS	47.50	-1.76
-7.5	Fedlnvst s	26.95	+.35
+1.5	FelCor	24.30	-.04
+4.8	Ferro	24.10	+.26
+56.3	FibrMrk	12.21	+.71
-15.9	FidelFin	31.08	-.62
+168.0	vjFinova	2.68	+.40
-6.1	FstAmCp	30.88	+.13
+10.9	FstData	58.44	-.51
-2.3	FstInRT	33.23	+.11
+10.7	FstTenn	32.04	-.23
+22.6	FstUC	34.09	+.39
-10.8	FirstEngy	28.15	+.10
+7.8	FleetBost	40.50	
-9.0	FleetEn	9.55	-.18
+108.3	Flemng	24.61	-.16
+9.7	Flowers	17.27	
+6.4	Flowserv	u22.75	-1.15
+41.4	Fluor n	u46.75	+1.95
-5.8	Footstar	46.65	-.37
+29.5	**FordM n**	**u30.35**	**+1.27**
-5.8	ForestLb s	62.57	+.72
-2.8	ForestOil s	35.85	+.55
+9.1	FortuneBr	32.73	-.46
+214.5	FostWh	16.51	-.14
+49.9	4KidsEnt	13.40	-.40
-22.2	FourSH g	49.53	-1.33
+28.5	Fox Ent	22.97	-.03
-3.7	FranFin	22.45	+.01
+14.0	FrankRes	43.42	+.57
-2.5	FredMac	67.15	+.15
+58.2	FMCG A	u13.05	+.19
+68.7	FMCG	14.45	+.20
+29.8	Fremont	3.85	-.15
-43.9	FGoldmn	2.00	+.50
+22.2	FrontrOil	8.40	-.12
+24.4	FurnBrds	26.20	+.35
G-H-I			
-9.7	**GATX**	**45.02**	**+.52**
-13.0	GPU	32.04	+.04
-12.0	GabelliA	29.21	+.69
-1.4	GabelliET	11.28	+.07
+7.7	**GabGloM**	**11.11**	**+.05**
+2.1	GablRsd	28.60	+.09
-10.1	Gainsco	2.36	+.11
+19.9	Galileo Int	23.97	-.68
+6.0	Gallaghr s	28.61	+.31
-1.7	Gannett	61.98	-.97
+2.0	Gap	26.00	-.15
+12.5	Gartner	7.78	-.15
+21.1	GartnrB	7.88	-.07
-4.1	Gateway	17.26	-.46
-23.3	GenTek	12.65	+1.05
+21.6	GenCorp	11.70	
-41.7	Genentech	47.50	-3.25
+2.8	**GAInv**	**37.00**	**+.48**
+149.0	GnCable	11.05	+.05
-54.8	GnData	.48	-.01
-7.5	GenDyn	72.14	+.07
-4.3	**GenElec s**	**45.87**	**-.11**
-4.5	GnGrth	34.55	+.26
+.5	GenMills	44.80	-.30
+14.7	GnMotr	58.45	+1.95
+1.7	GM Hs	23.38	+.67
+52.8	GenSemi	9.55	-.45
+9.5	Gensco	26.78	+.36
+4.2	GenuPrt	27.30	+.13
+9.6	GaGulf	18.70	-.27
+3.9	GaPcGP	32.33	-.17
+8.2	GaPTimb	31.79	+.29
-15.5	GerbSc	7.24	+.04
-10.8	Gillette	32.23	+.70
+21.6	Glamis	1.90	+.16
-2.9	GlaxoSKln	54.39	+.70
+3.9	GlenRT	18.05	+.05
+25.2	GlimchRt	15.65	+.35
+23.9	**GlbCrss**	**17.73**	**+.58**
+14.6	GlobM	32.53	-.21
+25.3	GlobPay n	18.80	-.19
+43.9	GlblTele	1.17	-.03
-10.1	GoldStBc	28.25	+.35
-13.6	GoldWF	58.29	+.76
-14.2	GoldmanS	91.75	-3.20
+15.1	**Goodrch**	**41.85**	**+.05**
+18.7	Goodyear	27.30	+.21
-32.9	Grace	2.14	-.20
-.3	Graco s	26.70	-.15
+1.7	Grainger	37.13	+.07
+20.9	GraniteC	35.00	+.05
-5.6	GrantPr n	20.72	-.17
+38.6	GtAtPc	9.70	+.17
-8.6	GtLkCh	34.74	+.37
+15.4	GtChina	9.45	+.10
-15.2	GreenptFn	34.71	+.25
-1.6	Griffon	7.75	+.27
+2.6	Gpolusacil	10.00	+.12
-7.6	GTelevsa	41.52	-.08
+36.8	Gtech	28.14	-.56
+28.0	Guess	6.80	-.06
-4.2	Guidant	51.65	+.42
+13.8	GtfCda g	5.76	-.14
-42.2	HA-LO	d1.30	-.43
-12.1	HCA Hlth	38.68	+.49
-6.4	HCC In	25.21	-.29
+7.8	HRPT Prp	8.15	-.04
+8.7	HS Rsc	u46.06	+1.11
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YTD	Name	Last	Chg
A-B-C			
+19.4	ACT Mf	18.81	-1.19
-37.2	ADC Tel s	11.38	-.63
-11.7	AFC Ent n	18.00	+ .44
+10.2	ASM Lith s	24.88	-.63
- .6	AT Mid Inc	19.38	...
-10.3	ATP O&G n	12.56	+.69
-20.7	ATS Med	11.25	+.75
-26.7	AXT Inc	23.56	-2.38
+7.2	Aastrom	.94	-.06
-58.9	Abgenix s	29.00	-2.63
-41.1	AcadiaR	10.50	-.44
-19.5	Accredo s	26.94	-1.13
-54.0	ActraBio n	5.00	-.09
-11.1	ActPwr n	19.50	-1.00
+82.8	Activisn	u24.63	+1.06
-44.1	Actuate	10.69	-2.13
-35.8	Acxiom	25.00	-1.44
+17.1	Adaptec	12.00	-.19
-62.8	AdptBrd s	2.28	-.03
-21.9	Adelph h	40.38	-1.19
-53.3	AdobeSy s	27.13	-1.56
+4.4	AdvncPCS	47.50	+ .75
	AdvA&S	44	-.03
-28.0	AdvDigi s	16.56	-.69
+18.9	AdvEnid	26.75	+.06
+2.4	AdvFCm	18.50	-1.00
+3.1	AdvRadio	1.06	-.26
+92.2	AdvantB	13.81	-.06
+4.8	Advent s	42.00	-4.06
-8.8	Aeroflex s	11.94	-.56
-42.8	AethrSys d	22.38	-1.95
-35.9	Aftymet s	47.69	-3.19
-63.0	AgileSft	d18.25	-2.19
-44.4	AirNet	3.75	+ .38
-48.1	AkamaiT n	d10.94	-1.38
-7.3	Alkzo	49.38	+.88
-28.2	AlbnyMic s	44.25	+1.13
+42.6	Aldila	1.88	...
-63.0	Alexion	d24.00	-.38
-51.1	AlignTch n	8.47	+ .66
-13.1	Allaire s	27.25	-1.25
+51.6	Allaire s	7.63	-.31
+5.8	AllegTel	23.56	+ .06
+19.5	AldCap	u24.94	...
-43.8	Allscripts n	5.25	+ .22
-58.1	Alphalnd s	15.50	-.31
+5.7	AlteraCp s	27.81	-.63
-24.9	Amazon	11.69	-.56
	AmBegalO	n28.00	+ .31
+8.7	AmFrncl	u22.00	+ .31
+2.8	AmS	20.38	-2.00
+13.6	APwCnv	14.06	+ .31
-41.8	AmSupr	16.63	-.19
-30.2	Ameritrad	17.44	-1.31
+13.4	AmrTrde	7.94	-.34
+167.3	AmesDS	3.84	-.31
+7.2	Amgen	68.38	-2.63
+14.8	Amkor f	17.81	+ .31
+39.7	Amylin	11.00	-.13
-14.1	Anadigic	14.06	-.81
-75.4	Anaren s	d16.50	-1.56
+33.3	AnchGm s	52.00	-2.06
-23.8	Andrew	16.56	-.06
-4.6	AndrxGp n	55.19	-.06
-2.0	AnnuityLf	31.31	-.81
+86.0	ansthink	6.02	-.05
+17.0	Antec	9.25	...
+11.6	ApolloG s	38.81	-1.06
+18.9	AppleC s	20.81	-.44
+136.2	ApldDig n	1.63	.09
+31.8	AppldMat s	50.31	+ .50
-80.1	AMCC s	29.75	+ .75
-44.7	ArQule	17.69	+1.81
+40.0	ArchWriss	.88	+ .03
-6.3	AremsSft s	20.00	-2.00
+51.6	ArenaPh n	23.50	-.63
+5.3	AriadP	5.00	-.03
-74.6	Arba	d13.88	-1.75
-28.8	ArmHld s	16.06	+ .13
-34.8	ArtTech	19.94	-9.13
+ .4	Artesyn	15.94	-.63
-20.8	ArthrOC s	15.44	-.88
+75.0	Artidirect n	.88	+ .09
+82.8	AshtnT	1.66	-.28
+20.0	AsiaGlob n	7.88	-.13
+28.9	AspectCm	10.38	-.38
-34.6	AspenTc	21.75	-1.06
-1.4	Astec	13.00	-.19
+24.3	Astrpwr	39.00	-2.69
+9.8	AsystTch	14.75	-.38
+2.3	AtHome	5.66	...
+2.7	AtCstAir s	21.00	-.25
	Atmel	11.63	-.44
-57.1	Attunity	1.69	-.30
-2.8	AudCdes s	13.19	-1.25
+27.1	Audvox	11.44	-.56
-55.3	AuroraBiod	14.06	-.75
+43.2	Autodesk	38.56	-.88
-64.0	Avanex	21.44	-.94
+12.6	Avanti	20.63	+ .06
-43.9	AvantiSys n	13.81	-.56
-49.5	Aviron	33.75	-4.00
-10.6	AvroCtl p n	24.13	-2.25
-38.0	Aware	11.00	-.31
+26.1	Axcelis n	11.19	+ .19
-27.8	AxysPhm	4.06	-.91
+53.5	BEA Aero	24.56	-.31
-50.1	BEASys s	32.56	-3.38
-4.7	BISYS s	49.88	-1.38
+9.1	BMC Sft	28.19	-2.63
-30.8	BallardPw	43.81	-.56
+17.2	BankPlus	4.47	-.03
-18.5	BnkUtd rt	31	...
+29.4	BnkUtd	u11.00	...
+2.8	Banknorth	20.50	-.31
-7.2	BeFree	2.03	+ .03
+10.5	BebeStrs	23.63	-.88
+25.1	BedBath s	u28.00	+1.31
+2.2	Bellweth	8.69	...
-.5	Berkley	46.94	-.06
+100.8	bymd.com n	31	-.05
-64.8	BindView	3.31	+ .13
+10.4	BioPharm	35.31	+1.38
+5.9	Biogen	63.63	-2.38
+5.0	Biomet s	u41.69	+1.06
-2.8	Biopure	19.44	-1.06
-19.2	BiosDiag	32.69	-4.69
+9.3	BioTcG	7.72	+ .03
+ .1	BlackBx	48.38	+ .63
-70.3	BlueMart n	d3.94	-.38
+21.1	BluePh	2.88	+ .31
+63.8	BlueWave	7.06	-.06
-78.5	BoiderT	.25	-.09
+10.3	BonTon	3.00	-.13
-44.3	Bookham n	7.31	-.56
+45.2	Borland	8.03	-.47
+22.0	BorLaPr	12.81	+ .44
-70.2	BostnCom	6.31	+ .31
+16.5	BraunCnslt	4.30	-.39
-28.6	Breakwy s	d.63	...
-4.5	Brightpt	3.34	+ .09
+58.3	BrkTech	6.59	-.09
-42.3	BroadVis s	6.81	-.26
-58.0	BrdbsSft	d2.63	-.19
-51.3	Brdcom	d40.94	+ .69
-83.7	BrodeCm	sd33.31	-5.44
+7.2	BrownTom	35.25	+ .63
+101.1	Bsquare	12.06	+1.56
+35.3	Buca	19.88	-.13
-3.5	BusnObj	54.63	-4.69
-52.9	Buy.com	d.31	...
-27.4	C-CubeM n	8.94	-.28
+14.1	CBRL Grp	20.75	+1.00
+33.9	CDW Cpt s	37.31	-.88
-22.9	CMGI	4.31	-.47
-41.0	CNET	d9.44	-1.13
+31.6	CNS	4.69	+.13
-9.5	CSG Sys	42.50	-.56
-56.8	CV Therap	30.69	-2.06
+31.6	CadotMc n	68.38	-3.14
-67.9	CacheFl	d5.47	-.59
-27.7	CalAmp	6.69	+ .38
+16.7	CambTch	3.06	-.16
-18.8	Caminus n	18.88	-1.19
+.16	CpstnTrb n	28.44	-.56
-5.0	Casella n	8.25	+ .81
-19.7	Caseys	12.00	+ .06
+27.6	CasinoD	8.97	+ .09
+1.4	Catalytic n	17.50	+ .75
-80.5	Celeritk	15.06	+ .69
-23.8	Celgene s	24.75	-2.00
-31.8	CellGens	15.56	-.69
-54.6	CellThera	20.44	-1.06
+81.0	CtrMgEx	11.31	+3.06
+37.6	Centillm n	30.63	-2.70
-9.9	Cephln	57.06	+1.06
+8.8	Ceragon n	13.13	-1.63
-3.9	Cerner	44.44	-1.13
-56.1	Certicom s	8.94	-.13
+69.8	CharRss	27.06	+3.31
+4.1	ChartCm	23.63	+ .56
+17.3	ChrtSm n	30.94	-.69
-67.8	Document s	d16.00	-3.56
-29.6	ChkPoint s	86.63	-3.75
+1.9	ChkFree	48.25	-3.75
+83.2	Chicos	38.25	+3.00
+12.7	ChildPlc	22.81	-.69
-30.6	chndtcm	d3.13	-.88
+2.5	Chiron	45.63	-1.06
+66.3	ChrisBrnk s	31.25	+3.50
-11.8	CienaCp s	71.63	-3.69
-2.6	CinnFin	36.13	+ .63
-30.3	Cintas	37.06	-.19
+20.0	Ciprico	9.00	-.13
+12.0	Cirrus	21.00	-.94
-40.4	Cisco s	22.81	-1.19
+107.8	CitadelC	24.94	+ .06
	CitizFstB n	13.81	...
+7.2	CitrixSy	24.13	-1.44
-15.5	Clarent	9.56	-.81
-24.3	ClayEng	20.44	-1.19
-39.8	ClickCm n	12.56	-.44
+3.1	Cognex	22.81	-.44
-.3	Cognos gs	18.75	-.25
+6.9	Coherent	34.75	-2.38
+7.7	ColdSpri	53.56	-.19
-45.3	Com21	2.56	-.31
+9.1	Comc sp	45.56	-.31
-6.5	CmcBMO	39.75	-.06
-46.2	ComOne sd	13.63	-2.50
+15.2	Comintell	1.19	-.06
+5.0	ComFBk	19.81	+ .19
-49.2	CptNwk	14.63	+ .09
+66.0	Compuwre	10.50	-1.00
-23.6	Comrivers s	82.94	-.75
-53.0	CodCamr s	7.75	+ .13
+14.3	CncrdCom	10.00	-.44
+11.7	ConcEFS	49.06	...
-9.8	Conexnt	13.88	+ .38
+14.7	ConnBnc	20.94	+ .56
-57.9	Convrgnt	.25	-.06
	Copart	21.50	+ .50
-37.6	CopMntn	d3.69	-.72
-19.7	CorTher s	28.25	-.50
-81.7	CoreComm	d.91	-.22
+18.9	CorinthC s	u45.13	+ .38
-20.3	CorpExc s	31.69	-1.69
-41.5	Corvas	8.41	-.78
-68.4	CorvisCp n	d7.53	-.78
-38.3	CoSine n	d8.56	-.56
+ .6	Costco	40.19	+ .25
-37.7	Cott Cp	u10.50	+ .78
+5.7	CovadCm s	1.75	-.13
-33.0	Coventry	17.88	...
+70.9	Crayinc	.56	-.13
-4.5	CreTeLtd	10.63	-.25
+14.7	CredSys s	26.38	-.63
-50.7	Cree Inc s	d17.50	-7.94
-90.8	CritPath	2.84	+ .16
+81.3	Crssrds	7.56	-.81
-12.0	CrwnCstl	23.81	-1.06
-3.9	CubistPh	27.88	-.69
-8.9	CuraGen s	24.88	-2.94
-45.8	Curis n	d4.81	-.44
+21.4	CurMedn n	8.88	-.06
+76.5	CyberCare	3.75	-.22
+5.1	Cygnus	5.13	-.06
-10.1	Cymer	23.13	-.13
-6.1	Cysive	3.88	-.03
+64.0	Cytogn	3.84	-.13
-16.1	Cytyc s	17.50	-1.47
D-E-F			
-16.1	DDi n	22.88	-2.13
-40.8	DMC Strtx	8.88	-.50
+123.7	DSL net	1.19	-.09
-11.5	DSP Gp	18.63	-1.73
-32.7	Dansktek s	9.13	+ .25
+118.0	Dantka	7.75	-.06
+16.7	DataRice	.88	-.03
...	Dawson	9.25	-.13
+61.7	DBeer	43.25	+ .06
+260.1	DeliasCp	5.06	+.06
+49.8	DellCptr	26.13	+ .19
...	DeltaK S	4.25	+ .06
-29.9	Dendrite	15.69	+1.20
-2.9	Dentsply	38.00	...
-27.9	DescSys	17.31	-1.06
-50.4	DiamClust	15.13	-.75
-21.7	Digex	17.63	-1.25
-20.1	Dgitnsght	14.44	+1.19
-21.5	Digisid	3.19	-.13
-18.1	DigLght	25.94	-2.06
-50.5	DgtlThnk	8.44	-.69
-12.4	DimeBc wt	.22	-.03
-34.2	DitechCo	10.56	+ .63
+12.0	divineInc n	1.75	+ .22
+37.2	DbsnCm	20.06	...
-67.8	Document s	d18.00	-3.56
+17.3	DllrTree s	28.75	+ .50
+18.6	DoralFin	28.69	-.56
+9.7	DbleClck	12.06	-1.25
+57.1	driversshld	69	+ .09
-66.7	DrugE	16	-.03
+45.6	DuPontP	76.94	-2.50
+71.5	DurbanRo	1.13	+ .13
+181.2	E-loan	1.41	-.06
+18.8	e.spire	.59	-.06
+18.6	eBayInc s	39.13	-3.38
-28.9	ECI Tel	9.94	-.13
-40.6	eLotinc	d.30	-.05
+73.0	ESCMed	20.88	-.63
-7.7	EXFO gn	24.13	-2.69
+19.5	ErthShll	1.53	...
+100.0	ErthLink	10.06	-.25
+32.4	EchoStar s	30.13	+ .31
-26.3	Eclipsys	17.56	-.44
-46.6	EdenBio n	16.00	...
-32.7	Edgewater	4.38	+ .06
-82.3	EffNtwr	23.13	...
+78.9	eFunds n	18.44	-.50
+200.4	Egreet	64	...
-18.0	Elantec s	22.75	-1.00
+23.9	ElecArts s	52.81	-1.81
+88.3	EFII	26.25	-1.97
+38.0	Elctsrc	1.25	...
-39.1	eLoylty	3.94	-.25
-42.8	Emcore s	26.88	+2.81
-1.3	EmmaC	28.31	-.44
-68.6	Entrulez s	25.13	-3.56
-3.4	Endocre	12.31	-.56
+45.9	Engage s	1.09	+ .03
-30.8	Entrust	9.00	-.44
+28.2	EnvoyCm n	3.13	-.19
-10.8	Enzoh	55.38	-3.00
-78.3	Epiphny sd	11.69	-2.63
-32.8	Equinix n	2.94	-.06
-21.5	EricTel s	8.78	-.44
+27.9	eSpeed	20.38	-.31
-51.7	Esperon n	d5.25	-1.28
+42.9	EvkeCm n	2.50	+ .03
-7.7	EvlveSft n	4.50	-.13
-38.1	Exar s	19.19	-3.25
-2.9	ExclTch	19.38	-.13
-29.1	ExodusC s	14.19	-1.56
+3.1	Expdint	55.38	-1.38
-21.5	ExpScript	80.25	-9.11
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+108.3	PacifC	31.25	-.63
+10.1	Packetr	13.63	-.56
-29.0	Palm	20.38	-1.69
+11.9	PanASia	2.94	+ .06
+14.8	PanAmSat	39.75	-.44
+24.6

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BUSINESS BRIEFING

OIL PRICES

FUTURES

Thursday	$28.39
Previous	$29.00

POSTED

Thursday	$25.25
Previous	$26.00

NATURAL GAS

Thursday	$5.285
Previous	$5.350

Oil falls

NEW YORK — Crude and products futures fell at the New York Mercantile Exchange Thursday, retreating from Wednesday's rally, which was sparked on inventory data showing U.S. crude supplies at a 25-year low in the latest week.

April light sweet crude fell 61 cents to $28.39 per barrel, April heating oil was down 0.84 cent to 73.30 cents a gallon and unleaded gasoline for April delivery skidded 1.28 cent to 90.36 cents a gallon.

Traders said gasoline futures came under pressure from talk that Tosco's Bayway refinery in Linden, N.J., will complete unplanned repairs this weekend.

April natural gas futures declined 6.5 cents to $5.285 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Some analysts expect today's price action to be volatile as traders square their books ahead of a busy week that includes a meeting on Friday of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Separately, Venezuelan and Saudi oil officials are expected to meet in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia on Monday, and Mexico may also join in, Dow Jones News Service reported Thursday.

When OPEC meets next Friday and Saturday, market players widely expect the group will cut output to prop up prices ahead of expected weaker demand in the second quarter.

Analysts say the cartel is likely to cut its output ceiling by 500,000 barrels a day to 1 million barrels a day.

Injecting additional uncertainty, Mexican Oil Minister Ernesto Martens said Thursday there was no need to cut production for the time being. Analysts said this could signal disunity among producing countries, which might keep production high. Martens added that crude supplies to the United States appeared to be adequate, but that the U.S. may be seeking to increase stocks in the near term, since "stocks seem to be a little bit low."

On Thursday, Venezuela's Oil Minister, Alvaro Silva, said that there was no consensus within OPEC on the need to cut production quotas at the cartel's upcoming meeting.

In London, Brent crude from the North Sea traded at $26.68 per barrel, down 55 cents.

Dollar down

LONDON — The U.S. dollar was lower against other major currencies in European trading Thursday. Gold rose.

The euro was quoted at 93.12 cents in late European trading, up from 92.76 cents Wednesday. Later, in midday trading in New York, the euro traded at 92.87 cents.

Other dollar rates in Europe, compared with late Wednesday, included 119.49 Japanese yen, down from 119.83; 1.6544 Swiss francs, down from 1.6570; 1.5496 Canadian dollars, down from 1.5498.

The British pound was quoted at $1.4673 , up from $1.4614.

In midday trading in New York, the dollar bought 119.42 yen and the pound was worth $1.4666.

Based on euro rates, the dollar is worth 2.0997 German marks, down from 2.1071; 7.0419 French francs, down from 7.0670; 2.3658 Dutch guilders, down from 2.3742; 2,078.66 Italian lire, down from 2,086.05.

Gold up

Gold closed in London at $264.40 bid per troy ounce, up from $260.90 on Wednesday. In Zurich the bid price was $263.55, up from $261.05. Gold rose $1.90 in Hong Kong to $263.05.

Silver closed in London at $4.48 bid per troy ounce, up from $4.43.

Retail sales disappointing again

By Anne D'Innocenzio
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The outlook for a strong spring grew dimmer for the nation's big retailers Thursday as they reported generally disappointing results for February.

While many value-oriented retailers and some clothing stores such as Talbots did well, other merchants, most notably department stores and apparel retailers including Gap, languished amid slowing consumer spending.

Analysts said it was clear that consumers, who have been spending cautiously since last June, continue to retrench.

"This is the new reality that we are going to most likely see going forward," said Michael P. Niemera, vice president of Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi Ltd. He added that this was the most stores he has seen reporting declines since July 1996.

February is not a major contributor to retailers' profits, but it does indicate consumer psyche. Stock market volatility and high energy prices continue to plague Americans, and their confidence as measured by The Conference Board fell in February to its lowest level in more than four years.

While some analysts believe there will be a turnaround starting at midyear, Niemera is more pessimistic. He believes the climate will deteriorate further this year.

"This is the year of transition for slower consumer demand," he said. "Retailers are focusing on getting their costs back in line, waiting for the consumer cycle to turn around."

Meanwhile, the Labor Department reported Thursday that new claims for state unemployment insurance fell last week but are still at a level suggesting that demand for workers has eased. The government said initial applications for jobless benefits declined by 4,000 to a seasonally adjusted 370,000 for the week ending March 3.

With more people looking for work, consumers are less likely to be spending freely.

Department stores in general had disappointing results last month, with Federated Department Stores, May Department Stores Co., Nordstrom and Dillard's falling short of Wall Street expectations.

Sales at many discounters and warehouse clubs were in line with or beat forecasts as consumers sought lower prices. Kmart Corp. said sales at stores open at least a year, known as same-store sales, gained 3.3 percent, while total sales were up 1.4 percent.

Same-store sales are considered the industry standard for measuring a retailer's health.

Wal-Mart posted a same-store sales increase of 4.3 percent, with total sales gaining 11.8 percent.

Meanwhile, Sears, Roebuck and Co.'s results fell below expectations. The retailer had a same-store sales decline of 2 percent in its domestic business, while total domestic sales were down 1.5 percent.

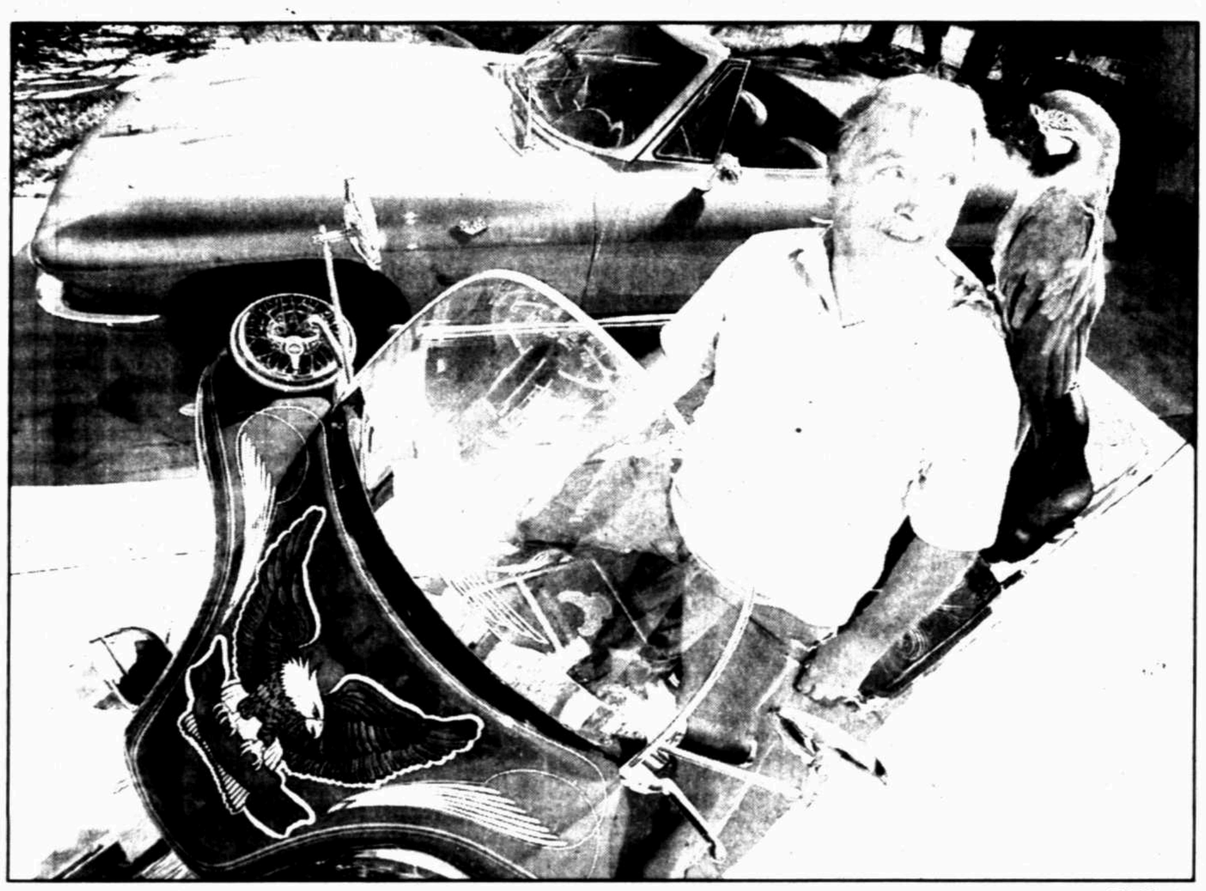
J.C. Penney Co., which reported same-store sales last week, registered a 2.1 percent decline in its department stores. Total sales were up a slender 0.8 percent.

The apparel sector had mixed results. Talbots had a robust 9.3 percent increase in same-store sales, with total sales gaining 14 percent for the month. Teen retailer Wet Seal Inc. had a same-store sales gains of 6.3 percent, with total sales increasing 7.9 percent.

Gap said its same-store sales plummeted 11 percent, with total sales increasing 8 percent. Limited reported same-store sales unchanged from a year ago, while total sales rose 3 percent.

AnnTaylor Stores registered a 6.1 percent same-store sales decline, with total sales increasing 9.7 percent.

Man's best friend?



AP Photo

Bill Mohrmann sits atop his 1984 Harley Davidson Thursday, in front of his Cape Coral, Florida home. The motorcycle is all he has to show for his investments after losing much of his savings in risky dot.com stocks. Mohrmann purchased his 1964 Corvette before the Harley with savings from his job as a New York City police officer.

Icahn-backed group ups bid for TWA airline

NEW YORK (AP) — A day after AMR Corp.'s American Airlines sweetened its bid for Trans World Airline Inc's assets, a group backed by billionaire financier Carl Icahn increased its offer for the bankrupt airline to $1.1 billion.

The new bid by TWA Acquisition Group on Thursday followed a move by American on Wednesday that raised its bid to $772 million from $500 million. TWA Acquisition Group's first offer was $650 million.

The higher offer from Icahn's group came on the eve of a bankruptcy hearing today in Delaware where a federal judge could decide which bidder gets the troubled carrier.

"This represents a feasible plan for a viable, stand-alone, competitive airline which would exit Chapter 11 (bankruptcy reorganization proceedings) with cash in excess of $350 million," said TWA Acquisition Group chairman Brian Freeman.

But Fort Worth, Texas-based American said Freeman admitted to a different motive in a deposition taken Thursday. Freeman said the Icahn-backed bid has no intention of running the airline, but rather is a means to force American to reach a settlement over a lucrative ticket deal between TWA and Icahn, American said.

Furthermore, Freeman said Icahn has promised to compensate him if such a settlement is reached, according to American.

Freeman did not immediately return a call to The Associated Press late Thursday seeking comment on the deposition.

The ticket contract allows the billionaire financier to buy certain TWA tickets at 55 cents on the dollar. Icahn resells the tickets on the Internet. Airline experts have said the deal is partly to blame for TWA's financial failure.

American has said it does not plan to honor the ticket contract if and when it takes over most of TWA's assets.

TWA selected American's offer as its preferred bid on Wednesday, and a TWA spokeswoman said Thursday that the latest offer from the Icahn-backed group changed nothing.

Blue chips soar, tech stocks slump in market

By Lisa Singhania
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Dow Jones industrials surged to their best close in three weeks Thursday as investors, nervous about the high-tech sector, added to their holdings of food, energy and other stocks perceived as low-risk.

The market's caution proved to be well-founded — after the close of trading, Intel became the latest big high-tech company to issue an earnings warning. The announcement pulled Intel and other tech stocks lower in extended-hours trading.

"I think people are still being more conservative and you really have to show earnings in this market to attract new money," said Robert Harrington, head of listed equity trading at UBS Warburg. "Technology just isn't doing that right now."

The Dow closed up 128.65 at 10,858.25, its highest close since Feb. 15 and its fifth straight advance.

Broader indexes were mixed. The tech-dominated Nasdaq composite index slid 55.19 to 2,168.73, while the Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 2.85 to 1,264.74.

After the markets closed, Intel said its first-quarter revenue will fall short of expectations and that it plans to cut 5,000 jobs, largely through attrition. The chip maker's stock fell $2.25 to $31 in after-hours trading.

The announcement came a day after Yahoo! reduced its own earnings outlook and said it was looking for a new chief executive. The tech selloff Thursday in response to that news ended a three-day winning streak for the Nasdaq.

Yahoo fell $3.31 to $17.69 Thursday, extending Wednesday's loss.

Analysts said the continuing string of high-tech warnings reminded investors that the weakened economy and the slumping stock market are unlikely to show a significant turnaround any time soon.

The Dow's advance was limited by losses in IBM, which fell $1.08 to $106.47 in the regular session and 37 cents more after-hours. Microsoft, another Dow stock, was down $1.44 at $59.25 in regular trading and another $1.42 in the extended session.

Manufacturing and energy-related stocks easily offset tech losses. Exxon Mobil rose $1.64 to $85.85, while 3M, benefiting from a positive research note by Merrill Lynch, was up $4.26 at $117.19. Coca-Cola rose 97 cents to $51.40.

The market's cautious mood might also indicate anxiety about the government's employment report due out today.

"I wouldn't be surprised to see a weak report, and the market is starting to anticipate that," said John Forelli, portfolio manager for Independence Investment Associates. "The only good news we have to look forward to is (Federal Reserve Chairman) Alan Greenspan cutting rates, and that's still more than a week away."

The Fed is expected to lower interest rates for the third time this year at its March 20 meeting.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners 8 to 7 on the New York Stock Exchange. Consolidated volume came to 1.32 billion shares, compared with 1.34 billion Wednesday.

The Russell 2000 index slipped 3.35 to 481.49.

Trading was weak overseas. Japan's Nikkei stock average and Germany's DAX index each fell 0.6 percent. Britain's FT-SE 100 was virtually unchanged, and France's CAC-40 was down 0.8 percent.

Business In Brief

A celebration honoring Wendell Hoover as he retires after 52 years in the banking industry will be held today at South Forty in Odessa. The celebration will be hosted by West Texas State Bank officers and directors in Odessa.

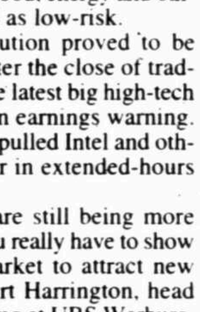
Hoover retired February 28 after a career that began in 1949 at the old First National Bank of Midland. He said his 52-year career has been "an incredible journey with leadership from such folks as Jno P. Butler and C.J. Kelly."

INVESTORS' GUIDE

Examine your finances before investing tax refund

BY Eric Tyson

Q: I just found out that I'm getting a sizable income-tax refund! Rather than spend it, do you have any ideas for how I should invest it?



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A: Before you invest any money, you should examine your overall financial situation and also think about for what purpose you are investing the money. For those people with consumer debt (credit cards and auto loans), putting the tax refund toward paying that debt down is often the best investment, as the interest rate on consumer loans is relatively high and generally not tax-deductible.

If you don't have consumer debt, a tax refund might afford you the opportunity to contribute more toward a retirement account, which further reduces your taxes (federal and generally state). The bulk of such money can be invested for longer-term growth in stock mutual funds.

You might also want to save and invest toward other financial goals, such as purchasing a home. Since a home purchase is a shorter-term goal (relative to investing for retirement), such money should be invested more conservatively, such as in shorter-term bond funds and money-market funds appropriate for one's tax bracket.

Q: If I am 20 or more years from retirement — and am not worried about market fluctuations — why should I invest in anything other than an S&P 500 index fund? You always say to diversify with foreign as well as domestic stocks, and large stocks as well as small. But from what research I have done, I have not found any major fund family that has beaten the S&P 500 during a 10-year period. If I don't care about trying to "beat the market," why try to beat the S&P 500? Isn't it about the top performer over the long haul?

A: The problem here is that the research you've done covers just the past 10 years, a period during which the large-company U.S. stocks that populate the S&P 500 index have done extraordinarily well. This can't and won't continue.

Investing solely in the S&P 500 does offer a tremendous amount of diversification. However, smaller-company U.S. stocks and foreign stocks are not really represented.

I'm not suggesting that you invest in these other types of stocks for the purposes of beating an index. In fact, you can invest in small-company and foreign stock index funds.

There will be extended periods of time where the S&P 500 is not at the top of the performance heap, and smaller-company stocks and international stocks will have their days in the sun.

The closer you get to retirement, the more valuable diversification becomes. If you're not well-diversified and your chosen investment suffers more than most in your early years of retirement, you might be forced to sell at a bad time and suffer a reduced standard of living.

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Labonte heads to Atlanta needing win, remembering loss to Earnhardt

Associated Press

HAMPTON, Ga. — Bobby Labonte was bitterly disappointed when he finished second in last season's Cracker Barrel 500. A year later, he's relieved Dale Earnhardt beat him in a photo finish.

Labonte will relish the memory of that race when he returns this weekend to Atlanta Motor Speedway. Earnhardt, killed in the season-opening Daytona 500, will be notably missed by the defending Winston Cup champion.

In last year's race, Labonte trailed Earnhardt by a car length as they began the final lap around the 1.54-mile oval. Earnhardt needed the entire race track to block Labonte's efforts to pass him, and beat him to the finish line by 0.010 seconds — less than two feet.

"I'm going to miss that, that was pretty neat," Labonte said. "You never know, you might not have had a chance to finish like that again. As it turned out, I'm glad the race finished the way it did."

Earnhardt's victory was his record ninth at the track, which ranked as one his favorites. He had 27 top-five finishes here.

Rusty Wallace ranks Earnhardt's 1989 victory in the season-ending race at Atlanta as one of his favorite memories.

Wallace came into the race with a 78-point lead over Earnhardt in the points race and needed to finish the race within 19 places of Earnhardt to lock up the title.

"Gosh, did he make it tough on us that day," Wallace said. "Before we knew it, we're running three laps down and there's Dale up front leading the thing lap after lap."

Earnhardt won the race and Wallace finished 15th, high enough to edge Earnhardt for the Winston Cup title by 12 points.

"It was the biggest highlight of my career," Wallace said. "Dale ran us 'til our tongues were hanging out. I remember it like it was yesterday."

Without Earnhardt, Labonte is the clear favorite at the track — he's won four of the last nine races here and trails only Bill Elliott (five) for the most victories at Atlanta among active drivers.

"We're really looking forward to Atlanta, it's one of those types of places that I have always liked from Day 1," Labonte said.

A return trip to Atlanta may be just what Labonte needs to jumpstart his season.

He's coming off a 29th-place finish last weekend at Las Vegas that dropped the defending series champion to 19th in the standings.

He was 40th at Daytona, leaving his second-place finish at Rockingham the lone bright spot through the first three races.

"We haven't started the season the way we wanted to, but we're not out of anything yet," he said. "We know we're still in it, that we're going to Atlanta and we'll have good confidence for it."

One driver headed into Atlanta without that confidence is Tony Stewart, Labonte's teammate. Accidents prevented Stewart from finishing either race here a year ago and he is hoping to change his luck this year.

Stewart, who vaulted into ninth in the standings with solid runs the last two weeks, is counting on Labonte to get him through the weekend.

"You look at Bobby's record there and not only do they qualify well, but they race well," he said. "It makes the transition for me a lot easier because they have great notes for Atlanta. I know that when I go out, the setup is going to be fairly close to Bobby's."

AP Photo

Dale Earnhardt (3) beat the late challenge of Bobby Labonte to the finish line to win last year's Cracker Barrel 500, which was held March 12 in Hampton, Ga.

Mexican hero Fernandez starts anew

Associated Press

MONTERREY, Mexico — It seems fitting that Fernandez Racing, the dream come true for Adrian Fernandez, will begin it's first season with a race in Mexico.

Fernandez is a national hero in his native country and will be the center of attention throughout the inaugural Tecate Telmex Monterrey Grand Prix.

"Security was tough enough when he went to Houston, where they have a big Mexican population," team co-owner Tom Anderson said. "It's going to be wild in Mexico."

The hero worship certainly will be a distraction for last year's CART runner-up, but the only owner-driver in the Champ Car field can't afford to let his attention waver.

"As a team, we have accomplished a lot and worked really hard to be ready for this weekend," said Fernandez, who walked away from the established Patrick Racing to race for his own team. "Our game plan is to stick to the basics. I think if we stick to the basics and not try anything fancy, we will do very well."

Anderson, who helped guide Target Chip Ganassi Racing to CART titles from 1996-99, said Fernandez Racing — with second-year driver Shinji Nakano of Japan in the second car — is about as ready as possible at this point.

"We're feeling somewhat optimistic for a new team going into the first race," he said. "Obviously, this group of people has never worked together before as a team at a race venue, and testing is very different from racing. It will be very interesting to see what problems come up that we are not anticipating, but I believe that we have the talent available to handle the problems."

Actually, there are a lot of unanswered questions for everyone in CART.

Everything will be new for Fernandez and the rest of the drivers on Friday when they take to the 2.1-mile permanent road course built in the downtown Fundidora Park on ground once occupied by Latin America's first steel mill. Promoters have said the race, expected to draw about 60,000 spectators, was a sellout within hours of the tickets going on sale.

"There is a lot of anticipation for the race," Fernandez said. "I have not experienced anything like this before, and I think it will be a unique experience for the CART community.

"They have not seen anything like this. It is a very, very well supported race."

If Fernandez is to replace Gil de Ferran as champion of the open-wheel series, he needs to get off to a strong start. Besides having a new and untried team and being the object of fan frenzy in Mexico, Fernandez is facing another obstacle this weekend.

Pain and swelling in his left wrist that began during winter testing has been diagnosed as a form of tendinitis called intersection syndrome.

Mosley may show he's best fighter pound-for-pound

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Shane Mosley believes Oscar De La Hoya made a big mistake by thinking Mosley was too small to beat him. For a while, he was hoping Felix Trinidad would do the same.

Trinidad refused to take the bait, though, meaning Mosley will have to go elsewhere to stake his claim as the best pound-for-pound fighter in the world.

"It's a shame the fight with Trinidad probably won't happen," Mosley said. "Trinidad would be a great fight, so fans could know where we stand."

Mosley issued a challenge to Trinidad last month, saying he would be willing to move up in weight to fight the super welterweight champion at 154 pounds. Trinidad, though, is moving up to 160 pounds, leaving Mosley to concentrate instead on cleaning up the 147-pound division.

Mosley continues that task Saturday night, when he meets unbeaten Australian Shannan Taylor in the second defense of the WBC title he won from De La Hoya last June.

"I'm just looking now to unify the division and then we'll see what happens," Mosley said. "I'm willing to fight everyone to prove I'm the best."

To many in boxing, Mosley has already proven he is the best. The former lightweight champion moved up two weight classes to beat De La Hoya for the welterweight title, and he has dazzled fans and opponents alike with his hand speed and power.

■ Boxing Briefs

That's why he is a staggering 17-1 favorite to beat Taylor in a fight that will be televised by HBO from Caesars Palace.

"I'm ready to put on a great performance," Mosley said. "I want to show everyone that I am the true pound-for-pound champion."

The 29-year-old Mosley, a perfect 36-0 with 33 knockouts, made a claim for the mythical pound-for-pound title that is also claimed by the likes of Trinidad and Roy Jones Jr., when he beat De La Hoya in a 12-round decision June 17 in Los Angeles.

It was only his third fight at welterweight, after moving up following eight defenses of his 135-pound title.

"I think Oscar was banking on me being too small, too little to beat him," Mosley said. "That was his mistake."

Lewis, Tyson expect heavyweight showdown this year

LONDON — Lennox Lewis and Mike Tyson say they're ready to stop blustering and start negotiating for a heavyweight showdown this year.

The two fighters issued a joint statement Thursday pledging to end their public posturing and make the multi-million-dollar fight the boxing world wants to see.

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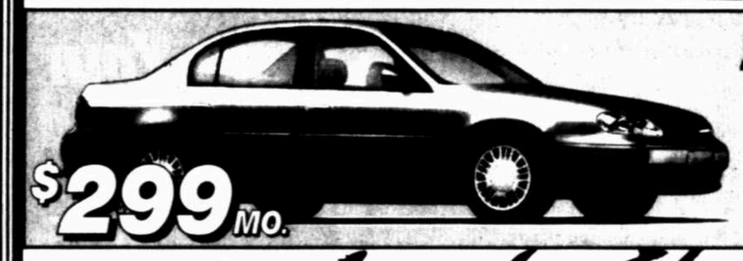

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Contract 0906-00-074 for ILLUMINATION in ECTOR County will be opened on April 04, 2001 etc. at 1:00 pm at the State Office.

Contract 6068-16-001 for INSTALL VALLEY GUTTER AT INTERSECTIONS in MIDLAND County will be opened on April 17, 2001 at 2:00 pm at the
District Office for an estimate of $97,476.00.

Contract 6068-71-001 for METAL BEAM GUARD FENCE REPAIR in MIDLAND County, etc. will be opened on April 17, 2001 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of $43,182.50.

Contract 6068-88-001 for CONCRETE STRUCTURE REPAIR in ECTOR County will be opened on April 17, 2001 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of $22,382.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/ or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contracts(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and reproduction companies in Austin, Texas at the expense of the contractor.
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LEGAL NOTICE

Proposals will be received until 5:00 p.m., Thursday, April 12, 2001, in the Business Office of M.I.S.D., 615 W. Missouri, Midland, TX 79701, for the district's annual audit for fiscal year 2001.

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AGENDA ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MARCH 22, 2001

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BD-01-002 Consider a request by Delores and Joseph Hargrove, for a **Special Exception** to the City Zoning Code concerning the building setback requirements in the backyard for a patio on Lot 35, Block 22, Wydewood Estates Addition, City and County of Midland, Texas, located on the east side of Abbey Place approximately 450 feet south of its intersection with Everglades Avenue, addressed as 2000 Abbey Place.

BD-01-003 Consider a request by Midland Classical Academy, Inc. represented by Mark T. Wellen, Rhotenberry Wellen Architects for a **Special Exception** to the City Zoning Code concerning the height requirements for a building on a 24.88 acre tract of land in Sec. 9, Block X, H.P. Hilliard Survey, City and County of Midland, Texas, located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Whitman Drive and Mockingbird land, addressed as 5711 Whitman Drive.

NOTE:
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) 685-7248. If communication via TDD is required, please call 1-800-735-2989.

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Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 11:00 A.M., March 28, 2001, to be opened at 11:00 A.M., in the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s):

Bid #046-01 for:
Property and equipment insurance protection covering fire and lightning with extended coverage for windstrom, hurricane, hail, explosion, riot, civil commotion, smoke, aircraft, land vehicles and vandalism and malicious mischief for City of Midland buildings. Coverage shall include contents coverage and computers, radios and boilers and machinery for the Administrative Services Department.

Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hal, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Proposals will be accepted by the County Purchasing Agent, First Floor, Suite 107 of the Midland County Courthouse, 200 W. Wall, Suite 107, Midland, Texas 79701 until 4:00 PM March 20, 2001. The proposals will be opened and acknowledged at 4:05 PM, on March 20, 2001.

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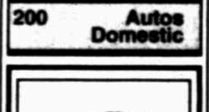

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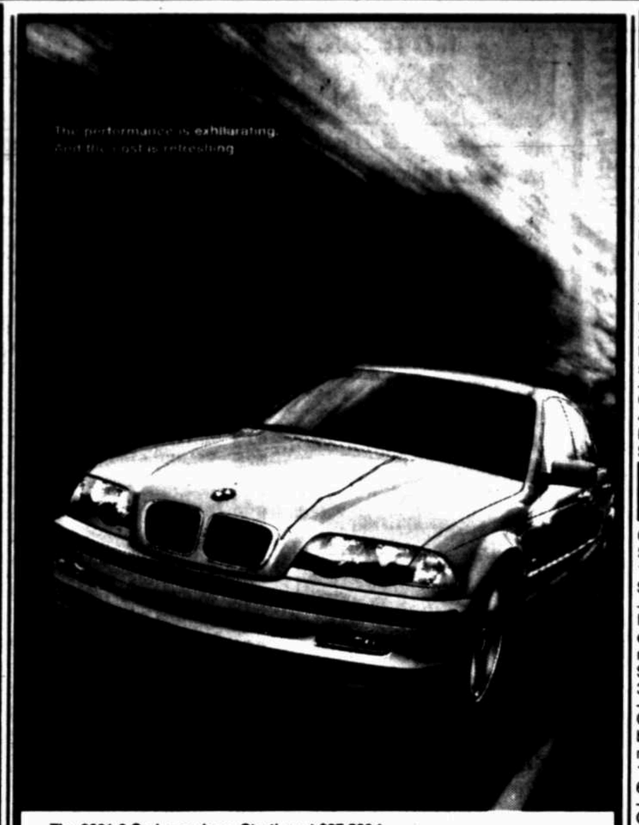

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Need some upbeat voices for some upbeat telemarketing! Seniors & students OK Apply to: Outsource Resources 10601 W. County Road 127W (off 1788)

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→NEW TODAY←

AREA COORDINATOR Part-time for High School Exchange Program. Call toll free 1-888-446-5437.

ATTN: FLATBED Owner/ Operators. If you want to haul lots of to,- dollar freight, get on board today! Call Jim @ 1-888-749-6916.

BEST TIPS IN TOWN- The Bar, downtown Midland, accepting applications for Waitstaff. Apply in person only. 606 W. Missouri between 8- 10 am/ 2- 4pm Monday thru Thursday. No phone calls please.

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Midland, TX 79702

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We do not open or screen any mail that has a blind box number on the envelope. The Midland Reporter-Telegram shall not be responsible for any disclosures of information, loss of responses or misdirection of responses.

→NEW TODAY←

CERTIFIED PIPE Welder under x-ray b313 and 1104. Chemist needed for natural gas lab. Apply in person, 2052 Commerce Road.

DISHWASHER & LINE COOK needed- Apply in person, The Garlic Press Restaurant, Oak Ridge Square, Wadley & Garfield.

Dispatcher/ Receptionist
A person with excellent customer service experience, preferably in HVAC or a building services industry needed by an established local company. This person must possess good computer skills including Excel and Word; neat appearance; excellent oral & written communication skills as well as sales skills; a commitment to render superior service; and an ability to handle multiple tasks. Company offers liberal 401K plan, paid health insurance, paid holidays & vacations, and sales incentives. Send resume and salary requirements to: Box P-6119, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

→NEW TODAY←

DRIVER needed for freight line company for local delivery. Requirements: CDL, 2 years driving experience & safe driving record, must be 25 years of age. 522-2282, ask for Christi. Equal Opportunity Employer.

DRIVER WITH CDL, back hoe, loader and dirt work experience willing to work. Serious inquiries only. Call 570-7977.

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High Miles
High Dollars
Lease, Hire, Brokerage
1-800-446-4782
EOE

EXPERIENCED TAPER/ painter needed. Call 620-0159.

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Attention Readers:

See other opportunities under Classification 170, Schools and Instruction.

→NEW TODAY←

EARN EXTRA income delivering the Wall Street Journal! Need supplemental income without a full time obligation? Here is your opportunity to become a Wall Street Journal distributor in Midland. Established routes with excellent profit potential are available now. Only a few hours of your time each day is necessary. If interested please call Keith at metro 682-6262.

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

FEDEX GROUND, Package Handler needed approximately $6.00/ hour. This shift available- 3:00pm- 6:00pm. Apply at 1912 W. New Jersey, Midland.

FRY COOK wanted- Apply within- Preferred experience but not necessary. 1000A West I-20. 686-8830.

FUDDRUCKER'S

NOW ACCEPTING applications for Service and bussers. Part time positions available. Apply in person between 2 and 4pm Monday- Thursday- Midland Park Mall. No phone calls please.

FULL TIME bar tending position available. TABC certification and experience required. Apply in person at Ramada Inn Midland Airport, 3312 S. Co. Rd. 1276, Midland, TX 79706.

GROWING COMPANY needs HVAC technician. 401K. Salary commensurate experience. A.M.I. Services. Michael- 570-8105.

→NEW TODAY←

HIRING TRACTOR/ Dump Trailer Driver. Requires CDL, non smoking truck. Local work. Please call 915/682-6947.

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

IMMEDIATE OPENING for service technician on motorcycles, ATV's & watercraft. No direct experience necessary, however strong background is required in Auto or similar related mechanical field. Will train the right individual. See Roger at Midland Power Sports, 520-2080.

→NEW TODAY←

INSPECTORS NEEDED. In house inspection, black light inspectors, EMI operators, trainees and helpers, good pay, great benefits, insurance, 401K, profit sharing. Please reply at (915)-530-1010.

KD's Bar-B-Q is taking applications for enthusiastic, reliable and hardworking cashiers, floor help, split shift- Must be 18 or older. Apply in person, 3109 Garden City Highway. 683-5013.

KENT KWIK
24 Hour * Job Hotline
520-4053 ext. 371

→NEW TODAY←

La Bodega Restaurant is taking applications for servers, cashiers and cooks. Apply in person 2700 North Big Spring.

LEAD MAINTENANCE and assistant maintenance needed. Experienced only need apply. Great benefits and top pay. Apply in person 2735 East 8th St. Odessa, or fax resume (915)-332-7133.

❤ LET'S TALK AVON

No Fee through 3/ 31. Great earnings. Call Verla 520–0119, Independent Rep.

LUBY'S CAFETERIA accepting applications for full or part time help, mornings/ afternoons/ evenings. Flexible hours, apply in person before 10:00am. No phone calls.

→NEW TODAY←

It Takes Quality People To Make A Quality Burger

Whataburger is looking for friendly enthusiastic people for all shifts, all positions to be a part of our team.

Please apply at one of the following locations:

800 Andrews Highway
1905 North Big Spring Street
3206 Midkiff
2517 East Interstate 20

Single Copy Assistant Midland Reporter- Telegram

Part- time position responsible for the repair, maintenance and collection of all coin racks as well as the maintenance and collection of dealer locations. Those applying should be at least 18 years of age with a valid Texas drivers license and proof of insurance.

Call Ronnie Griffith at 687-9006.

→NEW TODAY←

MAINTENANCE PERSON for apartment complex, A/ C certified preferred, experience a must. Apply at Canyon Creek Apartments, 3244 W. Loop 250 North.

MAINTENANCE Person needed. Must have own tools. No phone calls. Apply at 3212 West Wadley. Trellis Apartments.

→NEW TODAY←

MAINTENANCE/ GROUNDSKEEPER- High school degree or equivalent. General building maintenance required. Electrical and/ or sprinkler system repairs helpful. Applicant must be neat and well groomed, nonsmoking work environment. This is a nonprofit facility. This position is available immediately. Send resume at reference to: Box J-5011, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

MANAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Opening in quick service management with 2 plus years experience in restaurant management. Paid vacations, medical benefit, quarterly bonuses are add to salary commensurate with experience. Send resume to Restaurant management, P.O. Box 9455 Midland TX 79708.

→NEW TODAY←

HOUSEKEEPING WORKERS needed. Fill out applications at 3904 W. Wall. No phone calls.

MIDESSA TRANSPORTATION needs 2 daytime drivers. Contact Clint 915-631-6442 anytime.

Midland Y.M.C.A. is seeking mens attendant, Monday- Friday 10:30am-5:30pm. Apply in person at 800 N. Big Spring.

→NEW TODAY←

NEED Farm tractor driver planting to harvest. Worker must be skilled in following areas: irrigation systems, care feeding and grooming of farm animals- llamas, goats, cows; care of vegetable garden, tomatoes watermelons; mechanical knowledge of farm engines; knowledge of electrical motors; able to weld and use settling torch; work outdoors; 3/4 work period. Job begins April through December 2001. Wage $6.49 plus housing. Tools/ housing provided. Job location- St. Lawrence TX. Transportation subsistence expenses to worksite paid upon completion of 50% of work contract. 915-687-3003. Job order #1025198.

NEEDED DRIVER./ OPERATOR with CDL Class A to set safety anchors. Call for directions 563-1395.

NOW ACCEPTING Applications for all positions and all shifts. Apply in person, Sonic Drive In, 2310 N. Big Spring.

NOW HIRING Cashier, counter help and fry cook. Lunch and evening shifts available. Apply in person only at Michael's Charcoal Grill 723 West Wadley.

NOW HIRING TRUCK drivers. Requirements: CDL, HAZMAT tanker endorsements. Benefits: medical, dental and life insurance, 401K. LDI, 6001 W. Industrial.

NOW TAKING Applications for Servers. Apply between 2 pm and 5 pm Monday through Friday Black-Eyed Pea, 2609 W. Loop 250.

One Mane Place is seeking experienced hair stylist for lease position. Call 697-6201 for interview and ask for Vicki or Pam.

PERSON NEEDED with some retail management experience. Person needed with retail grocery expereicne. Apply in person at 3111 B. West Cuthbert.

POPEYES

is now accepting application for crew positions, all shifts. Competitive pay rates, vacation. Apply 3002 N. Big Spring, Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm.

TEMPORARY CALLERS needed, $6 an hour, apply at 602 N. Baird, Ste 200.

Pro Snips- Hair Stylist openings. Great pay. 1000 N. Midkiff. 520-9555/ 550-4696 ask for Betty.

PROGRAM SPECIALIST- working with K- 6th graders Monday through Friday, 2:45pm to 6:00pm. Apply in person at 2300 Butternut Lane. EOE.

PUTT PUTT GOLF is currently hiring inside counter help and outside track personnel. Must be able to work nights and weekends. Starting at $5.25 per hour.

PUTT PUTT GOLF is currently hiring for the day shift 10:00am- 5:00pm Starting at $5.25 per hour and up based upon experience. Please apply in person.

RANGER STATION Diner, daytime and evening help. Contact Candy 686-9836, 661-5369, 686-1986.

RAPID OIL CHANGE

Opening for lube techs and assistant managers. Full time plus benefits. Call for appointment 520-0079 ask for Frank.

RENT -N- OWN

Immediate position for full time employee. We are seeking individuals who possess a willingness to learn & grow. Qualified candidates will possess:

- High school diploma
- Collection experience a plus
- Clean driving record & be drug free
- Physically able to lift furniture & appliances

If you posses these qualities please apply today in person

RENT -N- OWN
2209 N. Big Spring
Midland, TX

No phone calls please.

SALES COORDINATOR

Immediate Opening for Heavy Equipment Dealership. Strong administrative, Organizational and Computer skills with background in financing & or contracts a Plus order & manage equipment inventory. Resumes to: 520 SE Loop 338, Odessa, TX 79762 or email to cisco@nwol.net.

SCHLOTZSKI DELI Has openings for Daytime positions. Management training position available. Come join a winning team. Work in a grease free environ. Apply in person at 1109 Andrews Hwy Monday- Friday 8:00 am-11:00 am or 2:00 pm- 5:00 pm.

SHOGUN'S STEAK HOUSE is hiring cooks trainee, delivery drivers, bussers, bartenders, wait staff. Apply in person 5- 6 pm. 570-8888.

SONIC DRIVE-IN, Midkiff Road

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

TAXI DRIVERS needed. Please call 683-1277, between 9 and Noon and 1- 3 Monday through Friday for interview.

→NEW TODAY←

TWO OUT OF Town Pharmaceutical Delivery Drivers needed. Must have own transportation. Van or pickup with camper shell, 25 years of age or older. Good position for retired person. Good driving record, drug test required. EOE. Call Gordon or Christi, 522-2282

V.I.P Employment Services 686-9722 Industrial Workers needed. Long/ short term assignments.

VAL-WEST INC. Is now accepting application for employment at our dual concept locations. Exxon is hiring Sales assistance & Burger King is hiring for all positions. Competitive wages depending on experience. Please apply in person Monday- Friday between 2:00- 5:00. 2503 Rankin Hwy.

WEST TEXAS Drum is now accepting applications for reliable labor positions, NO experience necessary. Must have reliable transportation and be at list 18 years old. We offer the following benefits: Medical insurance, 401K, paid vacations, safety bonus. Apply in person at West Texas Drum. 11107 County Rd 127 West off of 1788 Between I-20 & Business 20.

*$300.00 Sign On & Referral Bonus!! * RNs: $25 to $45 * LVNs: $18 to $36. CNA's needed. Medical/ Dental/ 401K/ Life. Fax Resumes to 550-9398 NURSEFINDERS, 550-9399. E-mail us at NFOdessabx@cs.com.

ALPINE VALLEY Care Center (AVCC) need a full time Director of Nurses (DON). If you are interested in caring for the elderly and enjoy mountains and clean air, come pick up an application at 1003 N. Loop Rd., Alpine, Texas 79830, or you may call (915) 837-3343 and ask us to send you an application, or Fax us a request at (915)837-7076.

DENTAL OFFICE looking for a front office/ chair side assistant. Some experience preferred. Submit resumes to: Box P-6117, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

EXPERIENCED Insurance collection person for Doctors offices. Box D-3020, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

→NEW TODAY←

HIRING IMMEDIATELY Receptionist for busy physicians office. Medical Manager experience preferred. Hours 12:00 to close. Health benefits, paid vacation, salary DOE. Fax resume to 915/684-7003 or call 915/561-8183, ask for Cecilia.

INTERIM HEALTH CARE needing RN's, LVN's, CNA's, for staffing, competitive wages and fast pay. 2817 John Ben Sheppard Parkway, suite 7, Odessa, 550-7593.

LVN

2pm- 10pm. Every 3rd weekend off, vacation every 6 months. Great salary, stable staff. We're looking for the best!

Rockwood Manor 2000 N. Main

LVN WANTED for busy medical clinic. Benefits. Send resumes to 25 Village Circle, Midland, Texas 79701.

MEDICAL ASSISTANT needed for busy physicians office.; Salary based on experience. Please send resume to: P.O. Box 9520, Midland, TX 79708.

Midland Dialysis Center accepting applications for a LVN. Excellent salary and benefits. If interested fax resume to: 915-687-5008 or apply at 731 W. Wadley Bldg K, Suite 130. No phone calls please.

NOW HIRING E.M.T.'s all levels. Call Texas West Ambulance 570-4892 or fax resume to 520-2501.

Nurses Unlimited

Needs Team Leader for Medicare Division. Previous home health experience required. Must be RN and have supervisory skills. Excellent Salary. EOE. Please contact Sandy Nease at 550-1700.

ORAL SURGEON'S ASSISTANT

Position available effective immediately in fast paced dynamic office. Successful candidate must be a team player, enthusiastic & people oriented. Experience is an asset. Please submit resumes to Ste 7-A, 3001 W. Illinois, Midland, 79701. Phone calls will not be accepted.

PHYSICAL THERAPIST. For evaluations, flexible hours, $50 per evaluation. Send resume to P.O. Box 5843, Midland, TX 79704-5843.

DISABILITY SERVICES of the Southwest needs responsible, dependable personal care attendants to assist persons with disabilities in their homes- currently we have positions open in Midland/ Odessa area- early morning hours, afternoon hours and weekends available. You must be at least 18 years of age, drug free & back ground check required. Please call 580-5557 or come by 808 Tower Dr., Suite #7, Odessa, TX. For more information. E.O.E.

PROFESSIONAL POSITION Durable Medical Supply. Management skills plus outgoing personality, detail oriented a must. Marketing & medical terminology a plus. Growing stable company, excellent benefit and salary package. Send resume with references to: Box J-5009, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

REGISTERED NURSE

Immediate full time position in an established pain management medical office. Must be a mature individual with excellent communication skills and compassion towards patients. Non smoking environment. Excellent salary, benefits and working hours. Send resume to Box T1036, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

REGISTERED NURSE

RN with home health experience needed to join a dynamic team of healthcare professionals.

- Full Time
- Great Pay
- Vacation & Sick Time
- Health Insurance
- Life Insurance
- Great Work Environment

Please come by 808 W. Indiana for application or mail resume to:

InHome Care, Inc.
808 W. Indiana
Midland, TX 79701

→NEW TODAY←

SOCIAL WORKER/ CARE PLAN COORDINATOR

Energetic, organized, focused applicant needed! Fast, accurate computer skills a must. 40 hours/ week, benefits, great staff. Salary DOE.

Rockwood Manor 2000 N. Main

Trinity Haven Healthcare

Is Currently Hiring for:

LVN Positions
(Full-time/ Part-time positions available)
CNA's
RN Weekend Supervisor
Housekeeper

Apply @
3203 Sage St.
(No phone calls please)

Trinity Haven Healthcare

Is Currently Hiring for:

Social Worker (Full-time)

Apply @
3203 Sage St.
(No phone calls please)

→NEW TODAY←

WEEKEND/ PRN Registered Nurse needed at Texas State Veterans Home facility in Big Spring. 2 years of long term care experience desired. Please contact Chris Williams, R.N.C., D.O.N at (915)268-VETS or apply at Texas State Veteran's Home, 1809 N. Hwy 87, Big Spring.

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15 words, 7 days, $10.50
Advertise your household item (priced under $350) with this Classified Special!
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→NEW TODAY←

ACCOUNTANT. National Company has opening. Salary based on experience and education. Benefits include: paid vacation, sick leave, 401K, health insurance, send resume or apply at BIDCO Corp., 312 E. 2nd Street, Odessa, TX 79761.

ACCOUNTANT. Nationwide manufacturer located in Odessa, TX has an opening for an accountant with minimum three years accounting and manufacturing experience. Please send resumes to: Box P-6118, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

→NEW TODAY←

Administrative Assistant
Experience with Heavy multi-line phones, front desk with computer office skills. Call
Temporary Resources
684-0527

Company seeking qualified 2-Way Radio Service/ Install Technician. Full-time with benefits. Salary commensurate with experience. Will consider training the right person. Please mail resume to: Position, P.O. Box 1135, Snyder, TX 79550 or fax to (915)573-0834.

EXPLORATION GEOLOGIST- Self starter, proficient in all phases of prospect generation in the Permian Basin. Reply in strictest confidence by faxing your resume to 915-682-2320.

HUMAN RESOURCE Manager needed immediately for Big Spring plant. Must have excellent computer skills, experience with employee recruitment, account management, health and 401K plans, on the job inquiry programs and other aspects of HR management. Salary is DOE. Apply at 4000 N. Big Spring, Ste. #113 (915-682-2119) or fax resume to 915-682-3041.

→NEW TODAY←

IMMEDIATE Openings for full time medical electronics technicians in the Lubbock and Midland/ Odessa areas. Minimum associates degree in electronics required with two to five years experience in medical electronics preferred. Full benefits. Fax resume to (806)792-6889.

LARGE CASUALTY Insurance Company seeking experienced auto estimator, 4 year college degree not Mandatory. Send Resume to P.O. Box 7747, Midland, Texas 79708 or call 915-689-9838 or 915-563-0254 application. E.O.E.

→NEW TODAY←

MOTHER'S-DAY-OUT DIRECTOR NEEDED:

St. Paul United Methodist is taking applications for this part-time position through March 21. MDO is held on Tuesday and Thursday. Resumes must be accompanied by an application; forms are available in the church office, 4501 Thomason Drive, Midland, Texas or call 694-2544. We are interested in expanding our program and are seeking someone who desires to be part of this growth.

NEED EXPERIENCED Geologist/ Mudloggers. Earn more for your degree and/ or experience. Health benefits and excellent compensation package. Please attach resume in MS Word with cover letter including salary requirements to: recruiter@geologist.com

REAL STATE Employment Opportunity- Not sales, but license required. Resume to: Box E-4273, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

SAFE PLACE has a full-time opening for an Outreach Victims Advocate. Requires a Bachelor's degree in Criminology, Criminal Justice, Psychology, Social Work or one of the Behavioral Sciences or equivalent experience in a related work field. Extensive same day travel, bilingual preferred. Must posses excellent interpersonal skills, ability to work independently and an understanding of and willingness to work with legal systems. Fax to 915-570-5315 or mail to 1031 Andrews Hwy., Suite 310, Midland, TX 79701- Attn Vicki Fowler.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

WESTERN NATIONAL BANK MIDLAND

Has the following open positions: Experience Teller Supervisor with minimum of 4 years experience as a teller in a financial institution. Personal Banker with skills in customer service, sales, and basic computer skills. Banking experience preferred. Applications and resumes accepted at 500 W. Wall or fax to 915-334-5525. EOE/AA.

KELLY IS YOUR JOB Connection... To Quality Jobs! Call Kelly Services 689-9801

Move To San Antonio

Oil company seeking self motivated secretary office manager. Requirements: General accounting experience, OGAS account system a must, Computer skill & experience with RRC Reports a plus, 35 hours a week, flexible. Pay commensurate with experience, 2 week paid vacation per year, medical insurance, relocation expenses paid. 682-3839.

ODESSA INSURANCE office needs Commercial Customer Service Representative. Experience required 332-8065.

→NEW TODAY←

OPENING FOR Full time administrative assistant/ secretary. Must have computer experience, good public relations skills and be able to meet deadlines. Full benefits. Fax resume to (806)792-6889.

PART-TIME Executive Secretary. Small independent oil & gas company, 4-5 hours per day, Monday- Friday. 1) Word & Excel Software experience required. 2) Salary DOE. 3) Questa Accounting software a plus. Send resume to: P.O. Box 10708, Midland, TX 79702

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Temp & Perm Positions
Benefits & Bonuses Available
682–0033 or 570-0197

Global Personnel Network
Positions Local & Worldwide! 686–8360

316 Sales Help Wanted

NATIONAL MARKETING & Sales- Growing manufacturer of confectionery inclusion for dairy, bakery, & food service industries seeks individual for National Marketing & Sales position. Experience/ degree in food technology and dairy industry preferred. Responsibility includes management of national broker network & technical field sales. Excellent salary & benefits. Send resume: Waldroop & Associates, Attn: Jim Waldroop, P.O. Box 113, Andrews, TX 79714. FAX: 915-523-2497, e-mail waldroopj@progidy.net.

LICENSED AGENTS Needed $75,000 + per year. 915-522-1218.

ROUTE SALES PERSONNEL
Midland/ Odessa

A tremendous demand for our products an services has created a need to add to our route sales force. Our route managers are goal oriented, have a high work ethic and understand the value of true customer service with a little salesmanship. This is a five- day work week selling to established customers & acquiring new customers. Starting pay $600 per week with potential earnings of $40,000 + per year. We are a nationwide company and have been in business for the past 48 years. We are currently hiring for positions in the Midland/ Odessa, areas.
FOR A CONFIDENTIAL Interview Call 915-561-5813 or Fax resume to 915-561-5828.
SCHWAN'S FROZEN FOODS

SEEKING MOTIVATED Sales Person to sell manufactured homes with the potential to earn $100,000 this year! Rapid advancement opportunities. Excellent benefits including health, life, and dental insurance, paid vacation, 401(K) and profit sharing plan. The best place to work period!! Apply in person Monday thru Friday only at A-1 Homes, 7206 W. Hwy 80, Midland, TX.

VENDING ROUTE Sales. Custom Food Group is seeking a motivated, outgoing, and hardworking individual for vending route sales. Must have a good driving record, customer oriented and be willing to work early hours. Complete training and route van provided. Excellent benefits and competitive wages. If you are interested in joining a growing company, please apply in person Monday-Friday, 8:30 a,- 4:00 pm at 2045 South Loop 250 West, Midland, TX 79703. Equal Opportunity/ Drug Free Employer.

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

EMPLOYED 15 YEAR Engineer, major oil trained, independent experience, seeking more responsibility with a smaller, aggressive company. Strong technical (stimulation & reservoir) & operational skills, & wide experience base, including waterfloods, deep gas, Delaware Basin, etc. Please respond to: Box E-4275, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

→NEW TODAY←

EXXCEL WELL SERVICE now accepting applications for Rig Mechanic. 682-2882.

HIRED!

LOCAL 25 YEAR manufacture of casing head, gas compressors, and artificial lift systems, needs installation/ service man. Good driving record required, experience helpful but with training available for the right person. Salary DOE. Insurance and other benefits available. Call xxxxxx or send resume to P.O. Box xxxxxx, Midland, Tx, 79710.

HORIZON OILFIELD Services is currently hiring experienced Truck Drivers with oilfield experience. Must have endorsements. X-Dowell and Halliburton hands are a major plus! Call 1-866-249-7999. Serious Inquiries Only..

SMALL INDEPENDENT production analyst/ payables/ land/ receptionist. Word/ Excel/ Access/ OGAS. Resume- 800 .N. Marienfeld, Suite 101, Midland, TX 79701.

→NEW TODAY←

VACUUM TRUCK & Pump truck driver- Must have Class A CDL. Please apply in person at Midkiff Transports, 6601 FM 715. 682-2405.

WANTED MUDLOGGER and Mudlogger trainee, need own transportation. Good pay. 620-0170.

320 Skilled Trades

PLASTIC PROCESSOR

Immediate opening for Plastic Processor. Send resumes to: PO BOX 636, Gainesville, TX 76240.

EXPERIENCED CARPENTER needed. Own truck & own tools a must. Call cell phone 556-3138.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION FIELD MECHANIC

20 year old Dallas construction firm actively seeking CAT field mechanic. Minimum 3 years experience in construction heavy equipment repair. Must have own tools. Competitive wages, good benefits, potential for bonuses. Recent like trade school graduates applications considered. Apply in person at 11300 Kline Dr., Dallas or fax resume to 972-857-2321, Attn: JR. EOE employer.

PETROPLEX ACIDIZING INC.

EXPERIENCED PUMP TRUCK OPERATORS
(Experienced with Class A CDL/ Hazmat)
$1,000 Sign-on Bonus
Benefits Include:
Uniforms
Health Insurance
54 hrs/ week guarenteed
Monthly Safety/ Performance Bonus
Vacation Benefits
401(k) Plan
915-563-1299
Monday- Friday
8 AM To 5 PM

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION SHOP FOREMAN-

20 year old Dallas construction firm actively seeking shop foreman. Experience with CATERPILLAR, asphalt and concrete pavers, rollers, dozers required. Minimum 5 years experience preferred. Must be a take charge individual. Competitive wages, good benefits, potential for bonus. Apply in person at 11300 Kline Dr, Dallas or fax resume to 972-857-2321 Attn: JR, EOE employer.

HIRING DEPENDABLE good people with all types of roofing knowledge. No subcontractors. 570-0508.

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PETROPLEX ACIDIZING INC.

EXPERIENCED DIESEL MECHANIC
(knowledge of pumps helpful)
$1,000 Sign-on Bonus
Benefits Include:
Uniforms
Health Insurance
54 hrs/ week guarenteed
Monthly Safety/ Performance Bonus
Vacation Benefits
401(k) Plan
915-563-1299

→NEW TODAY←

ALARM TECHNICIAN Wanted. Local Alarm Company looking for experienced technician to work full- time. Must have clean police record in non-smoking environment, we will train the right person. Send resume or come by 1011 West Washington, Midland, TX 79701.

RAINBOW PLUMBING Heating and Air Conditioning is now taking applications for experienced HVAC Service Technicians and installers. Great benefits with a great company. Apply at 2009 Kermit Hwy, Odessa.

FURNITURE MOVER wanted. Experienced, Drivers license and phone required. Transportation provided. Leave name/ number 553-1464.

SHOP WELDER Needed- Experience MIG preferred. Call Mark at Terry's Trailers 688-5198.

SHOP WELDER: Experienced in fire tubes, water legs and general oilfield welding. Call Robert @ 664-3192. No contractors, please.

WANTED- Full time temporary- could lead to permanent position. Must be able to lift up to 75 lbs., read and wire from electrical schematics. Please send resume to, P.O. Box 60836, Midland, TX 79711-0836.

WE ARE The Fastest Growing Valve Company In West Texas- We have double our employee base in the past two years- and we are still growing. Come join a winning team. Universal Valve CO. Now hiring Experienced Valve Technicians. Salary DOE. 3501 West Industrial, Midland, TX. (915)689-6341.

335 Adult Care Needed

HIRING: Nighttime Live In Sitter. Free room/ board salary and 2 nights weekly off. 699-6388.

336 Adult Care Providers

Loving Home Care
Give us a call and we can take care of your families needs. Call 915-268-1704 or 661-0682.

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Romantic SWF, 22, likes clubbing, movies, walks, working out. Looking for outgoing, fun-loving, adventurous SW/HM, 22-32, to share good times with, for possible LTR. Ad#.1460

PARTNER AND FRIEND
WF, 21, 5'2", 150lbs., blond hair, enjoys movies, long walks. ISO friendly WCM, 18-25, family-oriented, friendship, companionship, monogamous relationship. Ad#.1449

DOWN-TO-EARTH GIRL
Easygoing SWF, 39, 5'11", dark hair, loves reading, movies, and family activities. She would like to get acquainted with a kind, friendly, humorous SWM, 38-45, who loves doing things at home. Ad#.1443

A ROMANTIC
Single white female, 48, 5'1", medium-built, blondish/brown hair, brown eyes, humorous, self-employed, enjoys life to the fullest, sports, camping, football. Seeks a single white male, 44-52, humorous, self-confident, with similar interests. Ad#.1609

LIKES THE HOME LIFE
SWF, 44, 5'6", 115lbs., green eyes, reddish brown hair, loves reading, movies, traveling, shopping, cooking, dancing and animals. Looking for honest, respectful SM, 35-55, for LTR. Ad#.1433

BEST FRIEND
Friendly DWCF, 48, 5'8", 155lbs., enjoys traveling and fishing. Looking for a good independent, goal-oriented D/SWCM, 47-53, who's supportive and want to share family, intelligent conversation, Christian values, to work together for common goals. Ad#.1420

KIND-HEARTED
Blond SWF, 20, 5'4", medium build, employed, in college, likes movies and riding horses. ISO SWM, 21-26, with a good personality and great sense of humor. Ad#.1412

GREGARIOUS
SWPCF, 44, 5'5", 130lbs., long black hair, olive complexion, likes walking, church, joking around, reading, travel, biking, gardening, skiing. ISO SWPCM, 35-48, with good solid stable convictions, multi-faceted, intelligent, romantic. Ad#.1409

CHRISTIAN LADY
HF, 38, 5'9", 140lbs., brown hair/eyes, very outgoing, family-oriented, churchgoer, enjoys bowling, movies, dancing, seeking honest man, 35-40. Please be a Christian, sincere and honest. Ad#.1401

NO GAME PLAYERS
Outgoing, sociable, fun-loving SHF, 41, 5'7", average weight, dark brown hair, seeks N/S, social drinker, sincere SM, 38-50, for friendship and more. Ad#.1390

NEED TO KNOW
SBF, 27, 5', fun-loving, outgoing, loves reading, jazz music, movies, fine dining and whatever is fun. Looking for a fun-loving SBM, 30-40, who's not serious and who enjoys sports. Ad#.1376

LET'S HAVE FUN
SWF, 18, 5'6", 125lbs., with green eyes, outgoing, enjoys movies, dating, shopping and hanging out. Looking for a SWM, 18-21, who's nice. Ad#.1367

LET'S DANCE
SWF, 41, 5', 95lbs., humorous, charming, enjoys cultural events, dining out, cooking and swimming. Looking for a SWM, 41-45, who likes dancing and enjoys the theatre. Ad#.1374

GIVE ME A RING
SBF, 27, 5'2", 195lbs., spontaneous and outgoing, enjoys long walks, shopping, dining out and movies. Looking for a fun-loving SBM, 25-40, for friendship. Ad#.1373

LET'S HAVE FUN
SHF, 18, 5'10", 150lbs., with light brown hair, enjoys movies, clubbing and having fun, looking for a tall, SWM, 18-21, who likes to have fun. Ad#.1385

FUN & EXCITING
Free, talented SHF, 32, looking to meet a SM, 30-40, race unimportant. Let's have some fun. Ad#.1361

VERY MATURE
Fun-loving, petite SHF, 22, enjoys reading, walking and good conversation. Looking for a good-looking, mature SHM, 21-35, who is trustworthy, loyal and enjoys having fun. Ad#.1329

SEASONAL GREETINGS
Recently WWWF, 60, petite, enjoys cooking, cleaning, dancing, travel, sight-seeing and having fun. Looking for a WM, 30-60, just to be with & talk to. Ad#.1331

HEAR ME OUT
Sweet SHF, 22, petite, slender, good listner, loves riding horses, laughter, clubbing and dancing. Looking for a clean SHWM, 22-30, who likes to have fun and share quiet times together. Ad#.1345

A LITTLE BIT COUNTRY
Cute SWF, 32 , medium-built, loves going out, country dancing, horseback riding and movies. Looking for an honest SM, 32-40, kids okay, for LTR. Ad#.1334

SPARKLING BLUE EYES
SWF, 32, petite, employed, loves horseback riding, dancing and movies. Looking for a SWM, 32-40, no games, kids and monogamous LTR okay. Ad#.1342

WHO CAN I TALK TO
Bubbly SWF, 18, down-to-earth, student, loves music, dancing, singing and good conversation. Looking for a SWM, 18-20, with similar interests. Ad#.1341

ISO MR. DO RIGHT
Emotionally and baggage-free SBF, 22, intelligent, caring student, loves movies and reading. Looking for a good SM, 29-32, race unimportant, who knows how to treat a lady. Ad#.1350

FRIENDS FIRST
Shy at first SHF, 29, 5', brown hair, with blond highlights, likes to laugh, enjoys movies, walks in the park, dining out, seeks SM, 30-40. Ad#.1327

FUN TIMES AHEAD
Lovable, SHF, 24, 5'2", brown hair and eyes, enjoys dancing, reading and having a good time, seeks SHM, with similar interest for friendship. Ad#.1320

HUGS AND CUDDLING
Fun-loving, SWF, 60, blond hair, brown eyes, 5'6", 150lbs., who enjoys travel, pool, darts, seeks honest, financially secure SWM, 58-68. Ad#.1321

LET'S TALK
SWF, 29, 5'1", dark blond hair, blue eyes, enjoys outdoors, movies, music, dancing, dining out and family times. Seeking a fun-loving SHM, 29-42, with same interests. Ad#.1315

GIVE ME A CALL
SWF, 21, 5'8", 110lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, college student. Looking for SWM, 20-25, who likes the outdoors, trucks, animals, and country music. Ad#.1305

IT COULD BE YOU
Humorous SBF, 33, 155lbs., dark brown hair, enjoys cooking, cleaning, walks in the park, romantic dinners. ISO SWM, 35-45, with similar interests, for possible LTR. Ad#.1308

THE GAL FOR YOU
Friendly, outgoing, outspoken, creative SHF, 22, 5'2", 127lbs., dark eyes, reddish-brown hair, enjoys hanging out with friends, movies, music, drives in the country, reading, swimming, skiing, football, and basketball. ISO honest, organized SWM, 22-29. Ad#.1309

FUN & OUTGOING
Creative, romantic SWF, 44, 5'8", blonde, blue eyes, enjoys photography, movies, seeks SWM, 40-50, for possible relationship. Ad#.1301

TOUCHED BY AN ANGEL
Caring, fun single white Christian female, 48, 5'8", 121lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys her profession, reading, movies, museums and the arts. Seeking a similar single white Christian male, 46-55, with strong values and integrity. Ad#.1303

WHENEVER I'M WITH U
I'll consider myself the luckiest person in the world! Slender, petite SHF, 19, likes walks, dancing, cruising, ISO family-oriented, loving SHM, 21. Ad#.1279

THREE LITTLE WORDS
That make this active, medium-built WF, 58, happy, let's have fun! ISO clean, decent, witty, humorous, outgoing, life-loving WM, 57-68. Ad#.1294

FAMILY VALUES
Caring, loving SWF, 34, 5', 115lbs., reddish brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys movies, shopping, walks, seeks educated, family-oriented SM 28-50, for LTR. Ad#.1288

BE MY FRIEND
Fun, humorous SBF, 25, 5'11", black hair, brown eyes, enjoys horseback riding, movies, walks, talks, seeks SM, 24-44, for friendship. Ad#.1290

FOR YOUR COOKIE
Is this sweet, fun-loving SHF, 18, 5'1", who likes clubbing, cruising, dancing, movies, dinners out. You: SM, 18-22, humorous and happening. Ad# 1280

NO COUCH POTATOES!
Active, family-oriented, retired SWCF, 62 5'5", 180lbs., seeks respectful, upbeat SWM, who likes travel, walks, country/western dancing, sports, fun. Ad# 1272

DON'T PASS ME BY
Funny SBF, 18, 5'3", 125lbs., blond hair, student, likes movies, long walks, parks, seeking a similar SBM, 18-23. Ad#.1263

FRIENDS FIRST
SWF, 19, 5'8", strawberry blond hair, likes writing, drawing, hanging out with friends, seeking a kind SM, 19-27, who can make me laugh. Ad#.1260

SOMETHINGS MISSING
SWF, 41, 5'6", with brown hair/eyes, interests include outdoors, church times, park walks, quiet family times, movies and the theatre. ISO honest, caring, sincere SWM, 35-55, for LTR. Ad# 1249

DON'T BREAK MY HEART
SWF, 20, 5'4", with green eyes, who's outgoing, and easy to get along with. She is seeking a mature, stable, goal-oriented SWM, 18-26. Ad# 1252

NEVER A DULL MOMENT
Laid-back, fun, humorous DWF, 26, likes music, partying, dancing, quiet evenings, movies in/out, television. ISO a SWM, 26-45. Ad# 1253

SIMPLE LIFESTYLE
Full-figured, bubbly SWF, 54, 5'2", brown hair, enjoys quiet times, movies, dining out and animals. Seeking an old-fashioned gentleman, 54-64, for possible LTR. Ad# 1243

COWBOY WANTED!
Shy, warm, caring, loving SWF, 48, 5'7", blond-haired, green-eyed, likes horseback riding, shooting pool, mountains, fishing, camping and traveling. Seeks SWM, 38-55, with same values. Ad# 1238

ZEST FOR LIFE
SWF, 21, 5'4", 110lbs.,brown hair, good personality, likes having fun, reading and movies. I'm seeking a fun-loving SWM, 19-31. Ad# 1232

DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY
Outgoing SWF, 20, 5'9", 124lbs., blond hair, blue eyes, likes outdoors. Looking for a friendly, outgoing SWM, 20-25, who loves dancing. Ad# 1231

SPORTS-ORIENTED LADY
SWF, 5'9", 20, 165lbs., blondish-brown hair, likes winter/summer skiing, basketball, the outdoors, seeks an outsposken, fun SWM, 19-30, for friendship, maybe more. Ad# 1217

EASY ON THE EYES
Petite, slender SHF, 38, seeks SHM, 29-38, who also likes bowling, miniature golf and family times. Ad# 1222

FITS LIKE A GLOVE
If you're an honest, sincere SWPM, 38-55, then call this easygoing, upbeat SWPF, 38, 5'5", 103lbs., who likes swimming, horseback riding and romantic walks. Ad# 1225

ISO MR. RIGHT
Sociable SW mom, 32, 5'5", 115lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, seeks outgoing, kind, romantic SM, 35-45, who likes horseback riding, sporting events, dining, dancing and fun. Midland area. Ad# 1202

LET'S FALL IN LOVE AGAIN
Healthy, happy WWWF, 66, big brown eyes, white hair, love pets, ceramics, dancing, board games, interested in meeting a SWM, 65-78, a real gentleman, well-mannered, educated, clean-cut, for friendship/more Ad# 5208

GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER
Friendly, humorous SWF, 50, 5'5", 140lbs., enjoys dancing, gardening, walking, traveling, interested in a SWPM, 48-56, who's educated and fun-loving. Ad# 5214

NO GAME PLAYERS
Self-employed SBF, 31, 5'7", medium-built, sense of humor, caring, likes shopping, traveling, church, the parks. Seeking a SBM, 30-47, who's affectionate, caring with a great attitude. Ad# 5213

POSSIBLE FUTURE
Full-figured SW mom, 26, likes romantic dinners, walks in the park, shopping, movies, art/crafts & fishing. Seeking a SWM, 26-34, who's mellow and wants to become friends first. Ad# 5218

GREEN-EYED LADY
Seeks you: stable, mature SHM, 19-26. I'm a SWF, 5'4", 20, interested in a possible LTR. Ad# 5203

WALK WITH ME
Sweet, single black female, 31, 5'5", 279lbs., enjoys walking, movies, going to the park. Seeking an honest single black male, 40-50, non-drinker/. Ad# 5160

GROW YOUR HEART
Humorous SWF, 43, 5'5", 135lbs., enjoys walking, working out, outdoor activities, gardening, good conversation and traveling. Seeking for honest, fun-loving, humorous SWM, 32-45. Ad# 5195

OUTGOING MOM
Outgoing SWF, 24, 108lbs., blond hair, enjoys outdoor activities, shopping, skating, going to church, arts, crafts, going to the park. Searching for an honest SM, 20-28, for LTR. Ad# 5193

CALL ME
Caring single white female, 45, 5', brown-haired, blue-eyed, enjoys outdoors, crafts, watching sports. Seeking for kind, non-smoker, sensitive single male, 45-50. Ad# 5156

HONEST MOM
Easygoing SWF, 32, 5'4", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys horseback riding, dancing, outdoor activities, music, movies, arts, crafts. Seeking an honest SWM, 35-45. Ad# 5191

ARE WE COMPATIBLE?
Fun, outgoing SHF, 44, 5'6", 195lbs., brown hair/eyes, hobbies include fishing, gardening and quiet times. ISO SHM, 50-57. Ad# 5171

BE SURE TO CALL
Meet this bubbly, kind-hearted SHF, 38, 5'3", full-figured, brown hair, green eyes, enjoys sports, music and dancing. She hopes to share her life with a kind, understanding, family-oriented SHM, 38-45. Ad# 5141

CAN I TRUST YOU?
SHF, 41, 5'3", 160lbs., who's quiet at first, loves movies, dancing, dining out, is seeking a shy, trusting SHM, 40-46, to spend time with. Ad# 1185

GIVE ME A CHANCE
Get involved with this positive SWF, 50, 5'8", 160lbs., long dark hair, green eyes, enjoys cooking, walking, travelling, if you're a upbeat, educated SWPM, 48-60. Ad# 5066

LIKE TO HAVE FUN
Sweet, shy, joking SHF, 19, 4'9", 180lbs., enjoys going to church, biking, skating, movies and dining out. ISO a sweet, honest SM, 18-25. Ad# 5148

R U GOOD, DECENT?
Sociable, outgoing SWF, 32, 5'5", 115lbs., brown-hair, likes dancing, movies, dinner, horseback riding. ISO a decent SWM, 35-41, who likes kids. Ad# 5151

ROMANCE IS IN THE AIR
Meet this fun-loving, very pretty SW mom, 22, 5'6", 123lbs., with long blonde hair, blue eyes, wants to share a meaningful friendship with a tall, handsome SHM, 19-35, who loves music and dancing. Ad# 5146

MAKE A MOVE MY WAY
Happy-go-lucky SWF, 62, 5'6", 185lbs., blond hair, enjoys dancing, traveling and sports. ISO N/S SWM, 61-69, who likes the great outdoors. Ad# 5102

GREEN-EYED LADY
SBPF, 32, likes reading, writing, dining out, seeks sincere SBM, 35-38, for genuine relationship. Ad# 5098

LEAVE A MESSAGE
Serious-minded, quiet single Hispanic female, 20, brown hair/eyes. Seeking an honest, sincere single Hispanic male, 18-26, who enjoys dancing, movies and parks. Ad# 5128

COMMON BOND
Friendly single Hispanic female, 21, 5'8", 115lbs., brown hair, hazel-green eyes. Searching to meet a humorous single Hispanic male, 18-26, who also enjoys fishing, movies and dancing. Ad# 1182

SEARCHED HIGH AND LOW
Cheerful, easygoing single white female, 28, 5'7", 150lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, likes fishing, camping and sporting events. She dreams of meeting a single white male, 28-38. Ad# 5124

HONESTY IS THE KEY
Be sure to contact this sociable single Hispanic female, 18, 5'6", brown hair/eyes, if you're a single male, 18-29, whose interests include movies, cards and reading. Ad# 5122

FOR A LONG TIME
Fun single white female, 58, enjoys dining out, movies and crafts, hoping to meet a clean-cut single white male, 58-68. Ad# 5123

HEART & SOUL
Personable single white female, 19, 5'2", 130lbs., brown hair, likes singing, dancing and pleasant conversation, looking for a single white male, 18-24, for companionship. Ad# 5112

RARE GEM
Sociable single black female, 40, 5'3", 170lbs., hoping to meet a humorous single white male, 34-46, with shared interests in antiques, arts/crafts shows and great conversation. Ad# 5101

GREAT GAL
Kind-hearted single white female, 61, likes theater and traveling, hoping to meet a friendly single white male, 50-70, for a lasting relationship. Ad# 5117

AN ANGEL
Voluptuous single Hispanic female, 31, 5', in search of a carefree single male, 28-39, who likes reading, long walks and traveling. Ad# 5105

FRIENDSHIP ANYONE?
Single white mother, 22, 5'10", full-figured, outgoing, enjoys sports, going out, movies, quiet evenings at home, looking for tall, talkative single male, 22-30, for friendship. Ad# 5099

QUEEN OF HEARTS
Delightful single Hispanic female, 19, 5'7", brown hair/eyes, likes video games, baseball and playing cards, seeking a fun-loving single Hispanic male, 19-28, for friendship first. Ad# 5093

LISTEN
Spontaneous, full-figured single Hispanic female, 25, 5'4", brown hair/eyes, likes singing, movies and traveling, hoping to meet a caring single male, 22-45, for a possible relationship. Ad# 5091

SEIZE THE MOMENT
And call this fun, outgoing, fun-loving, spontaneous, attractive single Hispanic female, 18, enjoys movies, fishing and sports. She's looking for an open-minded, height/weight proportionate single white male, 18-26, who's honest, respectful and humorous. Ad# 1200

HIT THE JACKPOT
This pleasant single white professional female, 45, 5'8", 120lbs., blond hair, loves the outdoors, theater, traveling, concerts, art and more, seeking an honest single white professional male, 45-55. Ad# 1193

HAVE NO DOUBTS
Funny, extroverted single Hispanic female, 21, 5', brown hair, enjoys movies, shopping and music, in search of a adventuresome single male, 18-25, for good times. Ad# 1184

ONE & ONLY
Refreshing single white mom, 28, 5'5", brown hair/eyes, likes movies and pleasant conversation, in search of that special single white male, 30-40, for companionship. Ad# 1180

ANIMAL LOVER
Shy yet delightful single white female, 23, 5'8", brown hair, hazel eyes, likes cooking, the outdoors and traveling, hoping to meet a well-rounded single white male, 25-30, with similar interests. Ad# 1187

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HONESTLY
This humorous single Hispanic female, 25, 5'4", brown hair/eyes, searching to meet a passionate single male, 22-45, who likes spending time with friends, swimming and bowling. Ad# 1164

IS IT YOU?
Here's a friendly single black female, 34, 6'1", brown hair/eyes, hobbies include movies, good conversations and sports, hoping to meet a single white male, 32-39. Ad# 1163

NOTHING SERIOUS
Congenial, full-figured single female, 29, 5'5", with a nice smile, likes dancing, theater and traveling, looking for an honorable single white male, 28-34, for fun times. Ad# 5090

SEEKING ROMANCE
5'11", 120lbs., single black female, 32. Her hope is to meet an honest single black male, 34-40, who shares her interests in walks and dining out. Ad# 5079

MAD ABOUT YOU
Brown-haired single white female, 32, enjoys dancing, dining out and quiet times, is looking for an energetic single white male, 34-40. Ad# 5085

JUST WANTS TO BE HAPPY
Humorous single Hispanic female, 18, 5'8", 135lbs., with brown hair, seeking relationship with an honest single male, 24-35, whose hobbies include horseback riding and swimming. Ad# 5068

LEAVE A MESSAGE
Spontaneous single white female, 37, 6', interested in meeting a single white male, 30-50, who enjoys outdoor activities and music. Ad# 5076

SETTLE DOWN
Meet this single black female, 22, 5'5", 145lbs. is hoping to find a lovable and caring single male, 35-42, who likes movies, shopping and long drives. Ad# 5058

FRIENDS TO START
Outgoing and caring single white female, 64, 5'7", with brown hair/eyes, who likes country music, dining out and sports. She is dreaming of meeting a single white male, 58-65, with similar interests. Ad# 5057

THAT SPECIAL ONE
Caring single white female, 47, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes, is searching for an honest single white male, 38-53, who likes rodeo's, sporting events and traveling. Ad# 5054

IT HAS TO BE YOU
Warm single white professional female, 45, 5'7", 118lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys walking, working out and collecting art, seeks a loving, family-oriented, honest, college-educated, single white male, 45-55, who appreciates a lady. Ad# 2997

HEART OF GOLD
Meet this single white female, 46, with burgundy hair and green eyes, is interested in meeting a compatible single white male, 40-65, who likes fishing, camping and cooking outdoors. Ad# 5045

FIT TO LOVE
Personable, attractive single white female, 54, 5'5", 135lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys working out, gardening and reading, is looking for a mature, kind single white male, 50-60, with integrity. Ad# 5041

ENHANCE MY LIFE
Outgoing single white female, 22, 5'10", with brown hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys sports, dining out and good conversation, is looking for a tall and intelligent single male, 18-30, with a great smile. Ad# 5037

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ARE YOU ROMANTIC? CALL
Sincere single Hispanic female, 18, 5'8", 135lbs., brown hair, green eyes, would like to meet a single white male, 18-25, who shares her interests in dancing, reading and movies. Ad# 5070

COUNTRY LIVING
Reserved single white female, 47, 5'7", brown hair, green eyes, would like to meet a caring single male, 38-53, who shares her interests in rodeos, dancing and skiing. Ad# 5083

BACK TO NATURE
Funny single Hispanic female, 18, 5'8", 130lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, in search of an outgoing single white male, 19-25, who likes horseback riding, reading and star gazing. Ad# 5069

HANDLE WITH CARE
Brown eyed, blond single white female, 66, whose interests include outdoor activities and animals, seeking a single white male, 66+ Ad# 5084

LIVE IT UP
Single Hispanic female, 28, 5'7", 154lbs., brown hair/eyes, searching to meet a single female, 20-35, who shares her interests in movies, jogging and dining out. Ad# 5087

GO FOR THE GOLD
Single Hispanic female, 18, brown hair, hazel eyes, likes movies, shopping and fishing. She's in search of a faithful single male, 18-24, with similar interests. Ad# 5082

JUDGE FOR YOURSELF
Single Hispanic female, 47, 5'6", 115lbs., blonde hair and hazel eyes, interested in meeting a compassionate single Hispanic male, 40-55, who shares her interests in the outdoors and dancing. Ad# 5086

GIVE A LISTEN!
Shy-natured single Hispanic mother, 32, 5'4", with brown hair, enjoys family times, the outdoors, movies and music, is looking for a fun-loving single Hispanic male, 29-42, who enjoys children. Ad# 5065

JUST DARLING
Friendly single Hispanic female, 49, 5'4", 150lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys cooking, dancing, long walks and more, is seeking a kind-hearted, sincere single Hispanic male, 49-55, with similar interests. Ad# 5062

BE THE ONE
Fun-loving single Hispanic female, 19, who enjoys sports, reading, movies and more, is looking for an honest, outgoing single Hispanic male, 19-20, for companionship. Ad# 5059

BE TRUE TO ME
This single white female, 48, 5'7", 118lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, enjoys spending time with children, outdoor activities and going to plays. She is seeking an honest single white professional male, 40-55, ad# 5040

BRIGHT IDEAS
Spontaneous single white female, 38, 5'7", with auburn hair and brown eyes, enjoys dancing, long walks, family times, movies and more. She's seeking honest, family-oriented single white male, over 35. Ad# 5035

SWEETHEART
Happy-go-lucky single female, 67, 5'7", 145lbs., with salt and pepper hair, who enjoys concerts, movies, long walks and more, is seeking a fun-loving single Hispanic male, 69-75, for companionship. Ad# 5005

LET'S PARTY
Happy-go-lucky single white female, 18, 5'3", 140lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, loves to laugh. Some of her interests are music, dancing, parties, quiet times and more. She's seeking a strong, stable and secure single white male, 18-25. Ad# 5026

ROAD TO ROMANCE
Energetic and outgoing single white female, 32, 5'5", 115lbs., with brown hair, enjoys dancing, horseback riding, dining out, quiet nights and more, is looking for a humorous, sociable and romantic single white male, 33-37. Ad# 5028

LONELY HEART
Honest and outgoing widowed white female, 58, who enjoys movies, dining out, traveling and the outdoors. Would love to meet a fun-loving single white male, 58-68, to do fun things and see new places with. Ad# 5034

NEW HEIGHTS
Pleasant single black female, 20, 5'10", 175lbs., with dark hair and eyes, a student, who enjoys sports, parties, clubs, shopping and more, is looking for a tall, athletic and fun-loving single male, 19-23, to share fun times with. Ad# 5001

LOYALTY
Romantic, independent single female, 52, 5'4", 165lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys long walks, biking, traveling and more, is looking for an honest, fun-loving single Hispanic male, 45-54, to spend quality time with. Ad# 5023

FAMILY-ORIENTED
Social, energetic single white female, 32, 5'5", 115lbs., with long brown hair, involved in the medical field, enjoys dancing, movies and much more. In search of a single white female, 35-45, who is easy to talk to and likes children. Ad# 5022

A HEART FULL OF LOVE
Upbeat, positive, hardworking WM, 37, 6', 155lbs., blond hair, blue eyes, great sense of humor, enjoys watching football, fishing, camping, gardening, bowling, partying, staying home, new adventures ISO honest, open-minded, easygoing WF, 21-40. LTR. Ad# 1448

FINER THINGS IN LIFE
Outgoing, loving, forgiving SWM, 39, 5'9", 180lbs., athletic build, blue eyes, blond hair, enjoys traveling, museums, cooking, working out, and doing things around the house. ISO cultured, polished SF, 27-44, who enjoys the finer things in life. Ad# 1446

WHO NEEDS NICE QUIET
Evenings? SWPM, 46, 5'9", 170lbs., blue eyes, salt/pepper hair, energetic, enjoys golfing bowling, dancing, traveling, SCUBA diving. ISO educated, fun, affectionate D/SH/WPF, 30-45, N/S, 5'2"-5'8", 105-140lbs., maybe candlelit dinner, glass of wine? Ad# 1439

LOVE LISTENS
Well-proportioned SBM, 34, 6'1", 280lbs., happy-go-lucky, quiet, likes having fun, gospel music, reading the Bible and walking the dog. ISO conversationalist D/SBF, 30-36, who's goal-oriented Ad# 1438

GOOD-LOOKING GUY
SWM, 21, 6', 164lbs., slender, muscular, positive, active, happy, with smile on my face, friendly, employed, likes parks, driving. ISO a SF, 18-25, for talks, hanging out and good times. Ad# 1237

CARING HEART
SWM, 36, 6', 210lbs., N/S, N/D, reddish/brown hair, evening worker, warm hands, enjoys fishing, TV, movies, music and outdoors. ISO SWF, 30-40, with similar interests, for LTR. Ad# 1435

A CARING HEART
People-oriented SWCM, 28, 6', red hair, green eyes, beard, likes laughter, enjoys life, videos, TV, quiet times and romantic walks. Looking for a good-hearted, attractive SCF, 18-27, who's family-oriented, loves the Lord, for committed LTR. Ad# 1431

LIGHT OF MY LIFE
Self-employed SW dad, 34, 6'2", 230lbs., reddish brown hair/eyes, enjoys relaxing, deep conversations, movies, fishing, hunting, swimming, gardening, drawing, tattoo art. ISO small/petite SWF, 20-30, 5'5"+, 120-130lbs., likes kids and companionship. Ad# 1398

I'M A BLAST
Funny SHM, 29, 6'1", 225lbs., employed, enjoys having fun, movies, music and hanging out. Looking for SF, 18-21, who's height/weight proportionate Midland area. Ad# 1426

HOW ABOUT ME?
SWM, 39, 5'8", 190lbs., brown hair/eyes, likes to have a good time, coin collecting, fishes. ISO SWF, 23-35, no children, sincere, no game players, for friendship. Ad# 1394

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SWM, 29, 6'3", 215lbs., brown hair/eyes, loves to talk and the outdoors. ISO an outgoing SWCF, 22-29. Ad# 1395

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Tall SWM, 42, with mustache, compassionate, likes traveling, movies, cooking, hiking and barbecues. Looking for spontaneous, honest, straight-forward SF, 30-45, who is caring, mature, for no games, kids okay, good conversations, ever ending LTR. Ad# 1357

HONESTY IS THE KEY
Faithfulness unlocks this box. Self-employed SWM, 39, 5'8", 195lbs. Seeks an honest, N/D, drug-free SWF, 25-35, no children/games, who's faithful, truthful, enjoying bowling, the outdoors and dining out together! Ad# 1391

POSSIBLY GET 2 KNOW
Single Hispanic male, 29, happy, muscular build, fun, employed, likes traveling, reading, sports, looking for a single black female, 23-32, to get to know. Ad# 1339

WHAT DO U LIKE?
Easygoing SHM, 22, 5'9", brown hair, stocky, enjoys sports, outdoors, movies, cards, traveling, seeks SHPF, 19-30, with similar interests. Ad# 1387

TELL ME ABOUT U
Easygoing, laid-back SWM, 43, 5'9", 165lbs., brown hair, enjoys auto racing, bowling, long walks, movies, long drives, seeks SHF, 28-37, with similar interests. Ad# 1388

ISO SPECIAL LADY
Outgoing SWM, 29, 6'2", 180lbs., blue eyes, short brown hair, enjoys movies, sports, computers, having fun, seeks flexible SF, 19-35. Ad# 1389

LET'S GET TOGETHER
SWM, 39, 6', 220lbs., enjoys working out, sports, the outdoors, church and horseback riding. Looking for a SWF, 20-40, with similar interests to go out and just spend quality time together. Ad# 1368

BUBBLY GAL WANTED
SWM, 50, 6'1", 195lbs., enjoys having fun, racquetball, golf, travel and reading. Looking for a SWF, 35-50, who's fun, bubbly and likes to do things. Ad# 1369

KNOW HOW 2 TREAT ME
SWM, 28, 5'9", 180lbs., with blonde hair, who's outgoing, enjoys music, movies, reading and sports. Looking for a caring SWF, 21-35, who knows how to treat people. Ad# 1371

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GOOD CLEAN FUN
SWM, 30, 6', 195lbs., blond hair, blue eyes, honest, hard-working, enjoys life, sports, golfing, weight-lifting, and movies. Looking for attractive, slim/medium-built SWF, 20-30. Ad# 1459

RECENTLY DIVORCED
SHM, 42, 5'4", 200lbs., likes working out, softball, bowling, movies, and laughter. ISO D/SHF, 38-43, for good company. Ad# 1456

I RECKON WE CAN TALK
SWM, 34, 5'7", 160lbs., loves country music, horseback riding, dining out, and movies. ISO SWF, 30-38, for LTR. Ad# 1457

LOOKING FOR ME?
SWM, 31, 195lbs., blond hair, hazel eyes, enjoys having fun, movies, outdoor activities, dining out, traveling, and quiet times. ISO humorous, fun-loving, goal-oriented SWF, 21-31, to just have a good time with, for LTR. Ad# 1453

I NEED TO SEE YOU
SWM, 35, 5'9", 175lbs., brown hair/eyes, humorous, enjoys sports, collecting, music, and theater. Looking for friendly, honest SWF, 21-36. Ad# 1454

CONFIDENT, NICE
SHM, 19, 5'9", 190lbs., light complexion, black hair, active, upbeat, enjoys working out, decent conversation, and movies. ISO honest, active SF, 19-25, for LTR. Ad# 1451

NEW IN TOWN
SWM, 41, 5'9", 180lbs., reddish/brown hair, full beard, glasses, medium-built, likes swimming, the outdoors, swimming, hiking, and quiet evenings. ISO nice, understanding SWF, 25-41, who's family-oriented, with no games. Let's get acquainted. Ad# 1452

LET'S ENJOYS LIFE
SWM, 58, 6'1", 230lbs., with gray hair, blue eyes, enjoys sports, dancing, meeting people and quiet times. Looking for a SWF, 48-60, for possible friendship. Ad# 1379

HEY YOU NEVER KNOW
SWM, 28, 6', with red hair and green eyes, enjoys working with children & long walks. Looking for a SHF, 25-30, who's knows how to cook and is family-oriented. Ad# 1383

GIVE ME A CALL
SWM, 24, 5'8", 150lbs., easygoing, enjoys the outdoors, movies and bowling. Looking for a SWF, 21-28, who's slender, good-humored and likes to have fun. Ad# 1384

ISO SOMEONE SPECIAL
Handsome DHM, 35, 5'9", 195lbs., loves dining out, music, jogging, walking, shopping, horseback riding and traveling. Seeking a SHF, 30-35, with similar interests, for LTR. Ad# 1363

WITH ALL OUR HEART
Personable SWCM, 27, tall, heavy-set, good-hearted, likes long romantic walks and quiet times. Looking for spirit-filled, attractive SHCF, 20-30, with similar interests, loves the Lord, children, for LTR. Ad# 1365

LET'S HANG OUT
Have fun SWM, 27, tall, laid-back, likes the lake, music, friends and traveling. Seeks attractive, petite SWF, 26-30, with similar interests, for possible LTR. Ad# 1326

MORE TO COME
Outgoing SBM, 31, new to the area, student, self-employed, enjoys outdoors, sports, music and traveling. Seeking a fun-loving, spontaneous SF, 18-37. Ad# 1352

TIME TO GET OUT?
SHM, 28, looking for special F, 19-20, race open, to share my time with. Ad# 1356

U GOT A FRIEND
SWPM, mid-60, medium built, likes sports, golfing, cooking and dining out. Looking for SW/HF, 45-60, 5'5"-5'8", 120-140lbs., educated, smoker okay, with similar interests. Ad# 1355

HO HO HO
Kind-hearted, personable SWM, 27, tall, likes camping, beach walks, movies, bowling and rollerskating. Seeking that special SCF, 23-30, down-to-earth, good cook, sharing interests, for friendship. Ad# 1358

LET'S ENJOY
Comical WM, 36, 6', athletic build, positive, light-hearted, seeks reserved, feminine WF, 30-45, who enjoys the outdoors, golfing, movies and flea markets, for good company, conversation and LTR. Ad# 1360

HAPPY-GO-LUCKY
Sociable SWM, 19, medium built, likes parties, clubbing, animals, music and playing guitar. Looking for SF, 19-24, with same interests. Ad# 1359

LOVING & CARING
SWM, 35, interests include movies, dining out, jogging, shopping and horseback riding. Looking for SHF, 30-35, for LTR. Ad# 3903

RESPECT ME
SHM, 26, tall, slim, enjoys movies, long drives, shopping and sports. ISO honest, faithful, sincere, pretty SF, 18-29, nice, commitment-minded, for friendship, possible LTR. Ad# 1364

A PLAIN OLD GOOD
Times! Laid-back SBM, 33, 6', 190lbs., short hair, brown eyes, enjoys fashion, sports & dancing. ISO an interested SWF, 35-45, with similar interests. Ad# 1317

TIME WITH MY GIRL
Could it be you? SWM, 18, medium-built, likes laughter and sports. ISO an outgoing, pretty, understanding woman, 18-21, just keeping it simple, leave your number. Midland. Ad# 1330

SIESTA TIME
Fun SHM, 18, humorous, loves playing sports, fishing and having fun. Looking for a SHF, 18-26, with similar interests and a great sense of humor. Ad# 1340

WHAT CAN I SAY!
It's your call. Witty, romantic SHM, 41, who's athletic, medium-built, likes the outdoors and socializing with friends. ISO a SWF, 29-37, who's well-kept, funny, with similar interests and LTR. Ad# 1348

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107 SOUTH EISENHOWER- Friday 8:00- ? Electric range, furniture and lots of miscellaneous.

4008 TANNER- FRIDAY, Saturday 9- 5. Nice clothing, toys, restaurant utensils, refrigerator, ice hockey skates, lots of miscellaneous.

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4404 ROOSEVELT- SMALL girls bike, Nintendo 64 games, portable dishwasher, toys, clothes, dishes and miscellaneous.

4805 RIC- 2 Family Garage Sale!! Trolling motor, furniture, clothes, queen bedroom set, & miscellaneous. Saturday 7:00am.

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★816 WEST SPRUCE, Multi- Family sale!

Friday 12:00- 5:00. Saturday 8:00- 12:00. Epson 1500 color printer, wings of Texas collectibles, VCR, exercise equipment, small kitchen appliances, linens, children's books and toys, many miscellaneous items, Cash only please.

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79706

4700 E. Co. Rd. 140 (Turn east off Rankin of FM 113)- Garage sale. Friday- Saturday 9:00am-? Furniture, exercise equipment, kids clothes, toys, miscellaneous.

79707

✔4808 TEAKWOOD Trace- Moving sale! Saturday 8:00am- 1:00pm. Sofas, love seat, drafting table,. office chairs, radial arm saw, extension latter, band saw wheel barrow, tools, spreader, rugs, bar stools, Christmas decorations, trees and ornaments kitchen and household items.

✔4517 FAIRBANKS (Alley) Saturday only 9:00- ? Bassinet, changing table, baby items, adult clothing, luggage set & others miscellaneous items.

5310 LAVACA (Off of Holiday Hill Rd behind Bowling Alley). Carseat, baby stroller, chest of drawers & lots more. Saturday only 8:30- 1:30.

4943 RUSTIC TRAIL- Greentree North. Saturday only 8- 1. Two Family Garage Sale! Lawn mower, adult's and children's clothing, toys and household miscellaneous.

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✔2407 ARBOR CIRCLE- Huge Sale! Refrigerator, carpet cleaner, men's and women's (small sizes) clothing, miscellaneous knick knacks, some baby clothes, home made candles and much more. Everything must go! Saturday 7:30 am- ? Sale in alley- Park in front.

4525 Fairbanks- Moving sale, gass grill, carpet, microwave, lawn mower, dryer, lots more. Saturday 8:00am- ?

5625 HATHAWAY COURT- (Alley) Saturday 8- ? Weight machine, Jungle Gym, kid's toys, clothes, household items, jewelry, etc.

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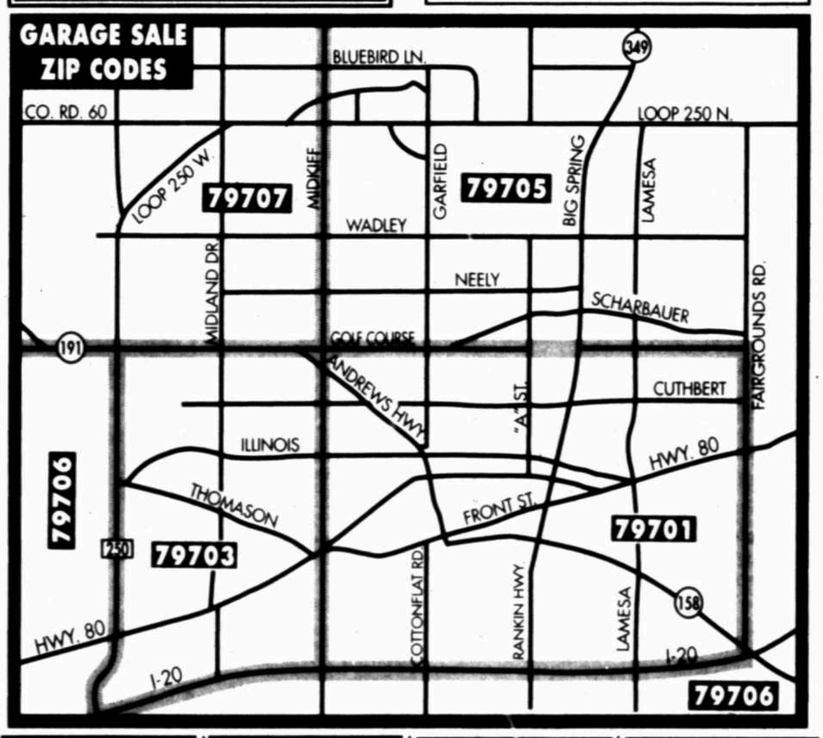

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NICEST DUPLEXES in town. 2400- 2600 West Wadley. 2 and 3 Bedroom 1,530 square feet and up. Washer/ dryer connections, fireplaces, covered parking or garages. $650 (water paid) to $725/ month. Call 686-8126.

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410 Miscellaneous Sales

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DAY BED- White wrought iron, $250. Blush mink, thigh length. Paid $4,000, worn twice, asking $2,000. 570-1684.

RESTHAVEN MEMORIAL- Eternal Light Lawn, Cypress D & B lot 47. 697-3637.

↓SOLD↓
COMPUTER CHAIR for sale. In great shape. $30 or best offer. 697-8376 for details.

SLIGHT DAMAGE- 12'x24' barn. Will deliver. 915-563-3108.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

→NEW TODAY←
BEAUTIFUL BUTTERFLY wedding set. $400 or best offer. Two formal dresses sizes 5 and 10. $100 each. 520-7900.

BINGO. American Legion, 501 Airpark Road, Friday nights, games start at 8. Food, Refreshments. 682-5511.

MOTOROLA STARTAC Case car charger, like new $145. Nokia 252 2 extra batteries like new $95. Call 682-4446.

SHARP SF9750 Copier with 21 bin sorter, 60 copies per minute with large capacity paper tray, duplex copy tray and automatic adjustment for paper size. Reduce/ enlarge feature and automatic document feeder and paper select $995. 684-4372

PROFORM Aerodyne stationary bike- $100; Nordic Track Excel- $200; chest type deep freeze- $200. 520-2712.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

NOAH'S ARK bassinet. $80. Vending machine $300 or best offer. Call for more information 697-3664.

MOVING SALE- Upright piano, good condition $600. Black lacquer dining room table, 6 chairs and hutch, $600. Call 694-3115 weekdays, 520-8714 evenings..

WANTED DEAD or alive- Stereo equipment, CD players, record players, 8 tracks, speakers, records. 528-1255, 661-0644.

SWING SET FORT, $150. Trampoline, new mat, $150. Teather Ball Stand, $20. Outdoor table/ chairs, $40. 682-6529.

NEW LEATHER Beige sofa, $650. 35" Sony Trinatron TV, $700. Phillips DVD player, $200. Call (214)207-5990.

WALKER COMMERCIAL Riding mower, 16 HP, 36' deck, new engine, $3,250. Must sell! 685-5756/ 553-6568.

Super Seller II
15 words, 7 days, $5.50
One household item (Under $150) with this Classified Special! **682-6222**

410 Miscellaneous Sales

NOW TAKING Consignment items at Graham Kracker, downstairs baby and children's furniture only. 404 Andrews Hwy, Monday through Friday 9-3, or by appointment. 697-1775.

55 GALLON AQUARIUM With wooden stand and underground filter. Fresh & saltwater setup. $600 o.b.o. 570-7455 leave message.

18' ROUND above ground pools- complete $35 a month. Installation/ financing available. 915-563-3108.

→NEW TODAY←
MUST LIQUIDATE all Mary Kay inventory! Very low prices! Come by Saturday, March 10th, 10 am- 5 pm. 699-4756.

CHROME/ GLASS coffee table end table, shelf unit $150, dishwasher $50, sofa $25, dryer $100,- 50's stereo $60, 697-3677.

RESTHAVEN MEMORIAL Park, 2 adjacent spaces, Fountain gardens, great location by a tree. 694-1486.

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

→NEW TODAY←
WANT TO buy German and Japanese WWII rifles, swords, knives, baynettes, pistols and other souvenirs. 563-2773.

→NEW TODAY←
SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

420 Good Things To Eat

GARDENDALE PECAN- Shelling pecans. FM 554 Gardendale 550-7609.

SHELLED PECANS, $5/ lb. 3106 Princeton, Midland.

430 Household Goods

65 YARDS, Beige like new, carpet/ pad, less than 6 months old. $2/ yard. 689-7698.

432 Household Furniture

KING KOIL "Performa", queensize, firm, plush support. Metal frame, delivery. Retails $1050, asking $325. 688-4237.

CAR BED with bedding $100, Race car bed with bedding, $100. Please call 570-4233.

Call Classified to add *NEW TODAY* on your Classified Specials for only $3.00 Extra 682-6222

COMPUTER DESK & HUTCH, Excellent condition, $200 Cash. Call 686-9006.

FOR SALE- tein electric adjustable bed, works good, $100. 682-0542.

FULL BED, linens, wood dresser/ chest $595. Drexel table/ 6 chairs excellent, $550. Full bed $125. Dresser $150. Antique buffet, $200. 915-362-2746.

↓SOLD↓
25' TV, 3 months old, Asking $125. Please call XXX-XXXX.

→NEW TODAY←
KING SIZE Select comfort Imperial Series bed, 2 years. old Like new. $1,700 O.B.O. 694-4130.

MOVING! 46" Sony color TV/ VCR. Gave $3,199.98 Asking $999.95. Booth/table $125. Recliner $45. Side- by- side refrigerator $200. 520-3263.

ROLLTOP desk, dark Walnut, three years, originally $900, sacrifice $400 or best offer. Call 686-2867.

MOVING MUST sell, couch chair, and glass table, washing machine, all $250. 522-1211 or 694-8464.

KING WATER Bed and drawer unit. $100 obo. 522-1080.

432 Household Furniture

3402 CHOATE PLACE. (Trinity Estates, just North of Trinity School). 8- 2 Saturday only- Fabulous Furniture for Sale!! Couches, love seat, outdoor furniture, end tables, coffee table, beautiful Drexel china cabinet and dining table with 8 chairs; buffet, lamps, children's bedroom furniture, comforters and much, much more.

2 MIRRORED dresser and king size headboard, like new white microwave. 570-5633 leave message.

OAK DINETTE with formica top, 5 piece with 18" leaf. Excellent condition- $325. 563-1804.

435 Household Appliances

FREEZER WASHER & DRYER Good work condition all 3 for $200. Call 563-0025.

GE 40" Cook Stove- real clean. Everything works. $75. 694-8793.

RECONDITIONED APPLIANCES- Washers, dryers, refrigerators, stoves. Payments and delivery available. Removal of old appliances. 683-7040.

CASH FOR Unwanted appliances. Please call 689-0110.

★ FREE REMOVAL Of appliances 50-6540. Sale- washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezer. $75- up. Free delivery 90 day warranty.

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KENMORE WASHER & dryer, seven months old. $300. 686-9844.

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450 Sporting Goods

LYNX Black cap titanium golf clubs 3- 9, pitching wedge, sand wedge, loft wedge, chipper, putter, 1-3 woods. Paid $300 for bag alone. Set cost $1,700. Only used for 2 months, asking $500. 694-2760.

TPX AIR Attack 3- 32 inch 25 oz, great condition, $125. Call 694-1017.

GREENTREE COUNTRY Club full membership for sale. $1,000. 689-0281 or 699-5708.

JIM'S GOLF CLUBS. "Tight- Lie" woods, $60 each. "Hawk- Eye" irons, $184/ set. (clones). Reshaft, Regrip, low prices. 3115 Haynes. 694-1334.

→NEW TODAY←
LYNX GOLF clubs- silver caps, titanium irons, 4 iron-sand wedge, graphite senior shaft, matching 5 wood. Complete with golf bag. Paid over $1,500 will take $400 or trade for gun. 520-3661.

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460 Antiques & Arts

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485 FOR FREE

LAB CROSS- Cute females, ready to go. Mostly black, white on paws. 699-4695, leave message.

WE, 3 Puppies need good homes. 3 Chow/ Shepperd mix 8 weeks old. 570-6490.

LAB/ DALMATIAN PUPPY Free to good home. Call Pat 689-7000 or 689-9449.

FREE adult toy poodles, male and female, love out doors. Call 520-4548 evenings.

FREE PUPPIES 6 weeks old, first shots, Shih Tzu part ?. Small dogs. 694-7436.

5 WEEKS OLD- Only to good homes. Will be small dogs, males and females. 682-6811.

TWO SHEPPARD mix dogs to good homes! 18 months old. Make good family pets. 520-4846

4 YEAR OLD male Sheppard & black 1/2 Persian cat free to good home. 349-4451.

CATAHOULA MIX- dog Male (neutered), all shots, one year old, needs room to run. 699-6680.

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LARGE METAL satellite dish with two boxes. To be disassembled and hauled away. 682-0715.

500 Pets and Supplies

AKC Daschund puppies, females, $250, males, $200. 694-7322 after 7pm.

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ONE YEAR Old male Golden Retriever. $300 or best offer. 694-8066 after 6pm or 520-7717.

AKC 10 months black/ tan male Chihuahua, all shots current, good with kids, $200. 699-6227.

HAND RAISED Blue & gold Macaw with iron cage. $2,000 obo. 697-0313.

AKC REGISTERED Boxers 3 males, 1 female. Fawn & white. Now take deposits. Call 570-9739.

REGISTERED AKC Min Pins for sale. 915-386-4391.

→NEW TODAY←
AKC MALE Shi Tzu puppies born January 15th, raised in the home with TLC. 915-263-6907.

8 MONTH old male Pomeranian for $250 or best offer. 520-2242.

505 Livestock & Poultry

2 1/2 YEAR OLD Morgan Quarter horse cross, halter broke. $500. Call 699-6680, leave message.

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Rattler Horse Company selling top quality AQHA and APHA horses. Specializing in gentle family horses from ponies to performance. All shapes, sizes and colors! All guaranteed sound! Also trailers and tack- Over 20 horses to choose from. Everyone welcome. Stop by and see us at 3803 S. Co. Rd. 1135 or call Steve or Melissa Stuckey at 915-687-4818 or 915-620-8799.

510 Office Furniture & Misc.

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FOR SALE HP Design jet 650c plotter, $1,200. Call 684-9911.

CANON NP3225F Copier- 25 pages per minute with two paper trays, sorts, enlarges and reduces with automatic paper select and automatic document feeder- $450. \ 684-4407.

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476 CEMENT BRICK tile plus 45 corners, 40 3/4 tile, 52 top rail tiles- $500 for all. Great condition. Please call after 5:30 pm, 687-7067.

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560 Machinery/ Tools

1997 CASE 580L CAB Air Backhoe. 1500 hours. Excellent condition! $32,000. Call 352-0050.

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1991 WITCH RIDING Trencher 2310 model with trailer $7,500. Lee's Rental Center (915)263-6925.

580 Farm Equipment

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MANY CLEAN Homes, 1 to 4 bedrooms in most price ranges. Call Langston Realtors 682-9495.

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LOVELY TWO bedroom, two bath, two carprot on West side. All appliances. No pets. 4705 'B' Harvard. $470. 620-9222.

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, 2 car garage, fireplace, $700 month, $400 deposit. 4715 Bedford. 699-7316 after 5 pm.

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4715 ERIE. Nice three bedroom, two bath, single garage, central heat/ air appliances. References required. No Pets! $625 monthly, $350 deposit. 425-3213.

→NEW TODAY←
NICE THREE bedroom, two bath, single carport, sprinkler system. 4322 Cedar Springs. $550 monthly. 620-9222.

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ONE BEDROOM available now, alos 3 bedroom available March 1st, both in the country. Call 682-8410/ 559-3302.

Classified Can! 682-6222

625 Houses Unfurnished

LOVELY 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, living, dining, plus den with fireplace. Pretty yard, prefer no pets, $900 monthly/ $900 deposit. Call Lee Denny, 694-4637 or Langston 685-0400.

640 Condo Townhome Unfurn.

2 BEDROOM DUPLEX with loft by Midland College. Fireplace, carport, storage, skylights- $495. Call 352-7557.

FAIRGATE Townhomes, northwest side, 6 and 12 month leases, 2 and 3 bedrooms 1600 sq. ft. livable; all appliances, fans, fireplaces and garages. 697-9566.

2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, 2 car, over 1,600 square feet, one level, new berber, $850. 684-4945.

EXTRA SPECIAL 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath with hardwood floors. 2 Level. Absolutely fabulous! $950.00/ $950.00/ 1 Year. Call Skeet, Real Estate One, 682-1111/ 563-7300 Pager.

LAFAYETTE PLACE, West Texas most elegant townhouse complex, 2 bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, $1,300. 684-0996.

655 Mobile Homes Unfurn.

2 & 3 BEDROOMS
On Cloverdale- $300 & $400 rent, water furnished, no pets. 694-2047.

↓RENTED↓
THREE BEDROOM, two bath, $425 monthly, $350 deposit. Two bedroom, two bath, $300. XXX-XXXX, XXX-XXXX.

SPACE E- 2 3415 COTTONFLATT Rd, 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom, $275 monthly, $100 deposit, 682-1608 leave message.

RESPONSIBLE TENANT Only! Extra nice 2 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath Solitaire, 1 1/2 acres, carport and garage, water well, quiet area, North from East Hwy 80. $400 lease, $200 deposit. References. 687-6790.

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TWIN OAKS- Fenced yards, paved streets, security lights, trees, patios. Move in special! Call 687-6324.

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665 Bus. Prop./ Office Rent.

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EXECUTIVE DOWN Town offices with covered parking for lease. xxx-xxxx.

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15 offices in free standing building. 4,000 SF. Don Roderick, Langston Realtors, 682-9495. Consider Owner Financing.

OFFICES single or multiple with executive suites available, approximately 5,000 sq. ft. of office space available with 18 offices. Free parking. 4500 W. Illinois. Call 620-1500.

667 Commercial Property

FOR LEASE: all sizes and types of properties, office, warehouse, retail. 800 to 40,000 sq. ft. Some with fenced yards. 683-8681.

BUILDING on 3 lots, some fixtures, 1011 W. Wall. 683-2669.

907 S. MAIN St. 3,200 sq. ft. office warehouse. 35,000 sq. ft. building with crane and 20,000 sq. ft. office if needed on Hwy 80. 8007 E. Hwy 80, 6,350 sq. ft. office warehouse, 2636 Faudree Rd, 5,000 sq. ft office warehouse, Montevallo, Inc., 661-0013.

Call Today! 682-6222

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700 Mobile Homes

BRAND NEW Doublewide- $27,999! 520-2179.

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1999 FLEETWOOD 3 bedroom, 2 bath, land and home, fireplace. 620-0567 or 682-9787.

1999 DOUBLE WIDE Mobile home- Four bedroom, two bath, outside siding. Would need to be financed and moved off lot. Call 687-1971 and leave message.

CUTE 2+2- 520-2178

NICE 3 BEDROOM, 2 bath. $7,900. Call Mr. Jones at 915-563-9000.

MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE, or rent to own. Mike, Pager: 661-5643.

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ABANDONED Single Wide call and ask for Miguel Sanchez. 915- 563-9000. Sé Habla Español.

REDUCED TO Sell! 3 Bedrooms, island kitchen, shingled roof, glamour bath. $21,500. Call 915-563-9008, ask for Royce.

$500 DOWN $269/ Month! Glamour Bath, Island Kitchen, Downdraft Air! $500.00 down, 8.00% apr, 360 months, with approved credit. 520-2177.

ABANDONED Triplewide- 520-2179.

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700 Mobile Homes

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1998 CRESTRIDGE 2 bedroom, 2 bath, land, fenced yard. 682-9787 or 620-0567.

MOBILE HOME Credit Hotline! E- Z Qualifying! Call 550-4033, (800)725-0881.

1984 LANCER- 14'X80'. TWO bedroom, two bath plus utility. 10'X12' Morgan. Adult park. (505)394-3071, (505)392-4226.

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GREENTREE North 4401 Verde Glen Court- Builders home. Large 5 bedroom, 3.5 bath, 2 living areas, game room, lots of windows, beautiful staircase, oversized garage, 2 yards with 7' fence. Over 4,300 sq. ft., 2 stories, high ceilings, many amenities. $298,000. Call 520-6669 for details.

TWO BEDROOMS, ONE Bath, corner lot, detached garage. As is. $23,000. 570-4514.

RE/MAX of Midland 682-8820

720 Homes for Sale

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, finished basement, completely remodeled, neutral colors, new carpet, new metal roof, new water well., Plumbing has been recently updated, big backyard with a privacy fence, corner lot, $89,500. 711 North St. Francis, Stanton. Call 756-3015.

BY OWNER- 3 bedroom, 1 bath, carport, new carpet and tile, Day 638-5103, night 522-1951.

→NEW TODAY←
1005 SHELL- Quiet 1 block street between C & D, south of Scharbauer. Four bedroom, two bath, two car garage in old Midland with oak and pecan trees. Formal living/ dining, den, breakfast in huge kitchen. Built-in bookcases and fireplace with gas logs. Kitchen features include 20 drawers, two ovens (one self cleaning) and roomy work areas. Ceiling fans, smoke detectors, shutters and blinds, garage door openers are all included. Beautiful raised brick flower beds, covered patio and workshop/ storage. New heating and cooling and water heater. Bowie, San Jacinto Jr. High and Midland High schools. Move in condition! Reduced to $87,500. Phone 689-2542.

2,400 SQUARE FT - Four bedroom, two bath, large living area, sprinkler system. 3002 Northtown. $95,000. 697-5556.

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5124 Ric Drive	3/2	$55k
312 Woodcrest	3/2	$52k
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1700 Washington	4	$44k
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4509 Wilshire	3/2	$29k
712 Spraberry	3/2	$26k
606 S. "J"	1/1	$17k

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OWNER FINANCE- All new flooring, fresh paint, carport. 606 S. "J" Street is a one bedroom home priced at $19,900. Aztec Reality 520-7653.

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HOME FOR Sale- Non-qualifying assumable. Three bedroom, two bath, excellent neighborhood! Quanah Parker, Lee, Alamo schools. 4308 Merril Court. $68,000. Call 697-4940, 631-4945.

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PRICE REDUCED ON 2202 Wydewood to $94,000. Good buy.
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