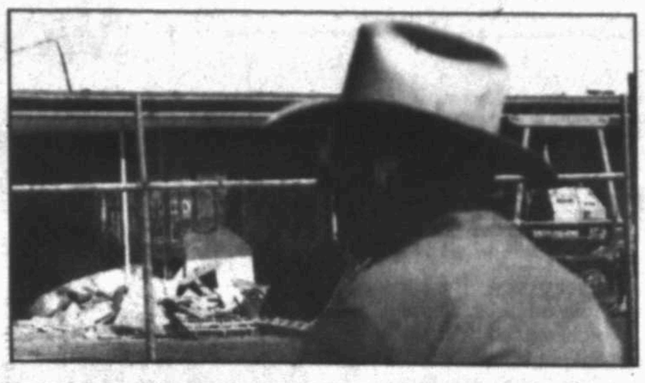


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FTC delays legal action on merger

■ Merged companies of BP Amoco and Arco would likely result in sale of Arco-Permian.

From Staff & Wire Reports

An announcement Wednesday that the Federal Trade Commission would hold off on legal action to block the merger of BP Amoco and Atlantic Richfield Corp. has put the fate of Arco-Permian back into a state of uncertainty.

"In light of the substantial and constructive proposals made by the defendants, all parties have agreed to seek adjournment of the federal court proceedings," Richard Parker, director of the agency's Bureau of Competition, said in a statement Wednesday. He said the FTC would resume negotiations on the $30 billion consolidation.

Many in the Permian Basin had hoped that the government would turn thumbs down on the BP Amoco-Arco consolidation, and that Arco-Permian would be permitted to remain as a vital unit in the Permian Basin.

However, if BP Amoco is successful in acquiring Arco, it means the company's prize unit, Arco-Permian, would most likely be up for sale. When BP Amoco announced last week that it would sell Altura Energy Ltd., the largest oil producer in Texas, to Occidental Petroleum for $3.6 billion, because it no longer fit the company's strategic plans, it sent a signal that it has little interest in harvesting reserves from a mature producing basin.

It meant that Arco-Permian could go on the sales block shortly after a merger of the three companies. And, it could be months after that before a sales agreement is reached.

Despite all the uncertainties surrounding the future of Arco-Permian, the business unit, which characterizes its aggressive and low-cost operations as the "coyote culture" has managed to increase its capital budget by $10 million and has a $70 million drilling budget, said Tom Holland, vice president of commercial and external affairs.

In a recent edition of the Permian Basin Oil & Gas Report, Keith Weiser, president of Arco-Permian, said that despite the uncertainty of ownership, the culture of Arco-Permian is allowing the company to stay focused on business and deliver the best results ever.

"Last year was our greatest year ever. It was our highest margin year and best financial results with over $100 million in net income," Weiser said.

The merged companies of BP Amoco-Arco would become second only to Exxon-Mobil among the world's largest nongovernment oil companies.

The FTC statement said the request for a postponement was expected to be approved by the court, which had been scheduled to begin hearing the case later this month in San Francisco.

The postponement was described as "open-ended" and would clear the way for resumption of negotiations of the merger that the FTC had sought to block because of competitive concerns, especially in the Alaska and West

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Just chillin' with a bud



Dylan Berry, 9, practices his slides in water puddled behind Fannin Elementary School Wednesday afternoon from sprinklers left on at the school. Below: Collin Crook, 10, slides head first in the water as friend Tate Savage, 10, watches.

Photos by Tim Fischer

Sheriff Painter wins 33 of 43 voting districts in primary

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Midland County Sheriff Gary Painter was the frontrunner in 33 of the 43 Midland County precincts to claim more than 52 percent of the vote and the victory in the three-way race for the GOP nomination for sheriff on Tuesday, according to records in the Midland County Elections Administration Office.

Candidate Mike Hall was the leading vote-getter in nine of the 43 districts and tied with Painter, at five votes each, in a southeast Midland voting district.

Hall got 37 percent of the total vote.

Patrick "Pat" Bostick, who took slightly more than 10 percent of the votes, won none of the 43 voting precinct districts.

Painter, who polled 9,510 of the 18,283 votes cast in the primary race, won most precincts throughout Midland, including Midland's more affluent northwest sector and west-central Midland.

In the heavy-voting precincts 402, 403, and 405 in west-central Midland, Painter attracted 1,382 votes to Hall's 914 and Bostick's 262. Those votes were each of the candidates' largest single draw.

One lone vote was cast in Voting Precinct 207-B and that was for Painter.

Hall did not win any districts in Commissioner Precinct 1, which takes in far west and southwest Midland and southwest Midland County.

He did, however, win four of the 20 districts in Commissioner Precinct 2, which includes northeast, north-central, central and southeast Midland and southeast Midland County.

In Commissioner Precinct 3 in east, south-central and south Midland and central Midland County, Hall won four of 10 voting districts.

Hall was the leader in votes in one of six voting districts in Commissioner Precinct 4 in northwest, far north, and west-central Midland and northwest Midland County.

GOP touts passage of prayer proposition; Dems dub question 'cheap advertising ploy'

By Rick McLaughlin
Staff Writer

Looking at the margin by which Proposition 1 passed with ease, the school sports prayer question on Tuesday's Republican primary ballot would hardly seem to be controversial.

But it was — and is.

The question on the ballot was simply: "Shall student initiated prayer be allowed at school sporting events?"

The non-binding proposition, which was legally little more than a statewide opinion poll of Republican voters, passed by a margin of 95.72 percent in favor to 4.27 percent against in local voting. Statewide, the prayer proposition passed by a slightly smaller margin of 93.9 percent to 6.1 percent.

"It was a good proposition and a good result," said Brian Carney, chairman of the Midland County Republican Party. "While the Democrats saw fit to complain about the proposition, it passed. The citizens of Texas think it appropriate to have student-led prayer at sporting events.

"The margin shows people statewide endorse that proposition and want it for their children — resoundingly. The opposition to it was a lot of hullabaloo."

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Martin County sheriff in runoff with reserve deputy

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

STANTON — Martin County Sheriff Mike Welling, who is seeking his third four-year term of office, will be pitted in the April 11 Democratic Party runoff election against Miles Tollison, a reserve deputy sheriff.

Tollison, a former Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) trooper, gleaned 479 votes in Tuesday's primary election to Welling's 473 votes to set up the runoff since neither candidate won a majority of votes cast in the race.

The race's third candidate, Ackerly-area businessman Dennis Paul Davis, drew 72 votes.

Winner of the runoff election will be challenged in the Nov. 7 general election by the Republican Party's nominee for sheriff, Randy Cozart, who is Welling's 38-year-old chief deputy.

"It was a hard decision, but ...," Cozart said of his choice to run against the sheriff, though he declined to disclose his reasons for doing so.

Cozart, who has worked for Welling since 1993 when Welling, 45, succeeded the late Sheriff Dan Saunders, won 122 Republican votes in his uncontested bid for the party's nomination for sheriff.

Saunders was the dean of Texas sheriffs, having been sheriff of rural Martin County for 40 years when he retired from office at the end of 1992.

Martin County's population is about 5,100, including 2,600 in Stanton.

Welling worked for Saunders as a deputy sheriff from 1981 until his 1992 election.

Welling said if anything, the two main issues in the sheriff's race are "who is best for the county, the people, and the job."

"There's a loyalty factor involved here," Welling said. "They are misplacing the importance of loyalty," he said of Cozart and Tollison, 39. "If they can't be loyal to the office that they work for already, what ... makes you think they can be loyal to the county?"

Welling said that Tollison had promised him that he would not campaign against him at the time Welling "picked up" Tollison's law-enforcement commission by making him a reserve deputy sheriff so that Tollison could keep his peace officer's license current after he left the DPS in 1999 after nine years of service.

"He turns right around and does it," Welling noted.

However, Tollison, who resigned from the DPS in 1999, said that he had told Welling that he at the time did "not have plans" to run for sheriff. However, Tollison said he told Welling that he would tell him otherwise should he change his mind and before his decision became public.

"I kept my word with him," said Tollison, who noted that he was campaigning for sheriff because there are "some positive things that need to be done" in the community.

"I can't consciously talk bad about folks," Tollison said.

Of Cozart's running for sheriff, "I don't

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Russia's once-mighty moguls monitor Putin

By Angela Charleton
Associated Press

MOSCOW — The moguls who amassed so much influence under Boris Yeltsin that they called themselves Russia's "oligarchs" — and earned the hatred of most Russians — are now anxious about hanging on to their power.

Russia is holding a presidential election March 26 that will usher in a new political era. The oligarchs, a few tycoons who control huge swathes of the economy, stand to lose the key leverage they have enjoyed over the Kremlin.

The tycoons bankrolled Yeltsin's 1996 re-election campaign, but acting President Vladimir Putin is so popular that he doesn't need their millions and has not accepted offers of help. Instead, Putin, considered a shoo-in, says the Kremlin should distance itself from the oligarchs and others who have "sucked up to the authorities" for years.

Russians see the oligarchs as synonymous with corruption, one of the country's deepest problems. A crackdown on these men would thrill voters, and Putin says tackling corruption is one of his top priorities.

Russians revile the oligarchs for gobbling up state assets at giveaway prices in shady privatization deals while millions of people struggled to buy necessities. Most of the moguls invested little in their companies or in Russia's ailing economy, instead siphoning off resources to buy luxury cars and overseas villas.

Their political power has been so immense that reformers call them an obstacle to democracy and an open market economy.

Boris Berezovsky, Russia's most notorious oligarch, claimed to have orchestrated Yeltsin's Cabinet shakeups and boasted publicly of his "enormous influence on the government." These days, the oligarchs prefer to stay in the shadows.

Yet Putin may not be able to risk totally alienating these men, analysts say. They control Russia's richest banks, media empires, its oil and gas giants, its lucrative aluminum industry. Some reportedly helped bring Putin into the Kremlin fold.

"He can't make them disappear. They will still have their fortunes and their important companies. But they won't be able to call themselves oligarchs anymore," said Georgy Pavlov of the Russian-European Center for Economic Policy.

"(Putin) will put them in their place. He will say: 'You guys have your factories, you stay there and do your jobs and I won't bother you,'" Pavlov said.

Reformers are hoping Putin will do more, cracking down on the oligarchs to end their stranglehold on the economy, a grip seen as hindering the development of a free market.

"The concept of oligarchs should disappear, and the concept of competitive big business should appear," lawmaker Irina Khakamada said. "If Putin makes this reality, it will be a revolution."

But she warned that Putin could "replace one set of oligarchs with another one that is more loyal to him." He has already replaced some Yeltsin allies in his administration with friends from the business community in his native St. Petersburg.

Fireworks explosion kills two and damages church

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Sparks from a town fireworks display apparently fell on other fireworks, setting off an explosion that killed three people, injured 17 and badly damaged the church on Wednesday, according to local officials.

The government's Notimex news agency quoted Mexico State police as saying more than 300 rockets blew up in Santa Ana Jilotzingo early in the morning during a religious festival celebrating the end of a pilgrimage to a nearby shrine.

Mexico State Health Secretary Fuad Issac Naime said three people were killed by falling debris. and 17 were injured, most with burns.

Mexico City television stations broadcast images of the badly damaged church against which the fireworks had been kept — two of its walls blown out and an interior scarred by flying debris.

Santa Ana Jilotzingo is about 15 miles west of Mexico City.

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China's premier warns Taiwanese about independence

BEIJING (AP) — Shouting and pointing his finger in the air, Premier Zhu Rongji warned Taiwanese not to vote for a pro-independence presidential candidate, asserting Wednesday that China will invade before allowing Taiwan to declare itself a separate country.

Noting the slide in Taiwan's stock market this week, Zhu said some Taiwanese fear electing a pro-independence leader on Saturday could take them into a war with China and "these worries follow clear logic."

"The people of Taiwan are standing at a very critical historical juncture, so let me give advice to all the people of Taiwan: Do not act just on impulse," Zhu said. "Otherwise you will regret it very much and it will be too late to repent."

In an unmistakable reference to Chen Shui-bian of Taiwan's pro-independence opposition party, Zhu contended that "every possible treachery" was being used in the campaign "to get the one who is for Taiwan independence to win."

"We must make it crystal clear. No matter who comes to power in Taiwan, Taiwan will never be allowed to be independent," Zhu said, shouting for emphasis during a press conference marking the end of the national legislature's annual session.

In southern Taiwan, where support for independence is strong, Chen told a rally that China was playing the "terror card." Chen is one of three main candidates in a close race to replace President Lee Teng-hui, who is retiring.

Chen said voters wouldn't be intimidated and wouldn't reunify with China under Beijing's "one country, two systems" formula.

"Taiwan is a sovereign, independent country. It's not a part of the People's Republic of China," Chen said.

Chen's Democratic Progessive Party advocates formal independence for Taiwan, though Chen has said he won't push for a formal declaration.

The mainland and the island have been ruled separately since Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalists fled to the island after the communist takeover of the mainland in 1949. Prior to the end of World War II, Taiwan was a Japanese colony for 50 years.

Zhu is known for candor and pragmatism, but his comments on Taiwan were full of the nationalist rhetoric the communist leadership often uses. He warned the world should not underestimate China's resolve and dismissed widely held views by foreign military analysts that China lacks enough aircraft, missiles and ships to attack Taiwan.

"Those who make these calculations do not know Chinese history. The Chinese people will use all their blood and even sacrifice their lives to defend the unity of our motherland and the dignity of the Chinese nation," Zhu said.

Previously, Zhu has used his annual news conferences to push economic reforms. Last year, seeking a deal to get China into the World Trade Organization, Zhu tried to woo U.S. public opinion. Criticized for being too soft on America, especially after the U.S. bombing of the Chinese Embassy in Yugoslavia, Zhu has never fully recovered politically.

Zhu this time took aim at the United States, although he caught himself as he started to say "America" and instead said "a certain country." He accused some U.S. politicians of delaying China's unification with Taiwan, trying to make China a potential enemy and threatening intervention.

Switching from Chinese to emphatic English, Zhu quoted President Clinton in a speech last week calling for "a shift from threats to dialogue across the Taiwan Strait." It would have been better to call for "a shift from threats to dialogue across the Pacific Ocean," Zhu retorted.

The Chinese premier also reiterated that China would exclude U.S. companies from the Chinese market if Congress fails to give Beijing permanent low-tariff trading privileges as part of a WTO deal.

Zhu's news conference closed out the 11-day legislative session, which was overshadowed by worries about Taiwan's election and China's rampant corruption.

The compliant legislature on Wednesday endorsed the government's budget and policy goals, but expressed concern about corruption.

Zhu said progress was being made, pointing to two smuggling cases under investigation in the southern ports of Zhanjiang and Xiamen. The Xiamen case is said to be the biggest corruption case in 50 years of communist rule and has implicated the wife of a senior leader.

Asked how he would like to be remembered when his term is over in less than three years, the 71-year-old premier chuckled for a moment and then quickly assumed his trademark somber look.

"I only hope that after I leave office the whole Chinese people will say one thing: 'He was honest, he wasn't corrupt.' Then I'd be very satisfied," he said. "And if they say Zhu Rongji brought some tangible benefits, I'll have to thank God."

On the Net: http://www.china-embassy.org/

Cohen presses Tokyo on money for U.S. troops

TOKYO (AP) — Defense Secretary William Cohen said Wednesday he will press Japanese defense officials not to cut the $5 billion a year the government pays to keep 47,000 American troops in Japan.

"It's important to us," Cohen said.

Speaking to reporters on Cohen's flight here from Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, a senior aide told reporters that the Pentagon is hopeful of reaching a new five-year "host nation support" agreement by this summer, when President Clinton will travel to Japan for an international summit conference in Okinawa.

The official, who spoke on condition he not be identified, also said Washington and Japan were on the verge of an agreement that will address U.S. complaints about pollution from the smokestacks of an incinerator located just outside the gates of the Atsugi Naval Air Facility, south of Tokyo.

The U.S. Navy says the Shinkampo incinerator is harming the health of the 6,600 residents and Navy workers who live within a half mile of it. Last year Japan's Environment Agency said the levels of carcinogenic dioxin are dangerously high near the Atsugi naval facility.

A study conducted last summer by the Japanese government and the U.S. Navy found dioxin in concentrations almost 10 times the level deemed acceptable by the Japanese government.

The U.S. official said he expected that a "comprehensive agreement" would be announced when Cohen visits Atsugi on Thursday with Tsutomu Kawara, chief of the Japanese Defense Agency. The official declined to provide any details but said the solution would be "very expensive" for Japan.

The Tokyo newspaper The Daily Yomiuri reported in Thursday's editions that Kawara said on a visit to the incinerator on Wednesday, before Cohen arrived in Japan, that something must be done to address the Americans' concerns, including the possibility of the government taking over the plant.

"I think there may be a need to employ special measures to solve the problem," the newspaper quoted Kawara as saying.

On the matter of negotiating a new 5-year agreement on financial support for U.S. bases in Japan, the U.S. official said the Pentagon believes it can persuade Tokyo to keep "roughly the same" level of payments.

Under the current deal, which expires in 2001, Japan pays about $100,000 a year for every U.S. soldier, sailor, airman and Marine based in Japan. That amounts to about $5 billion a year — by far the most generous financial support by any ally with American forces on its soil.

Mozambique flood victims ignore warnings, rebuild

CHOKWE, Mozambique (AP) — The corn fields were steamrolled by flood waters, the shops on main street are still ankle deep in mud, and when you turn on the water taps in this farming town all you get is an angry hiss.

Mozambique's government insists that all homeless flood victims, including the 50,000 residents of hard-hit Chokwe, should remain in aid camps until the nearby Limpopo River recedes to safe levels.

But an estimated 20,000 people have left the camps anyway, determined to start rebuilding despite the absence of basic services in Chokwe, 125 miles north of the capital, Maputo.

The government and aid groups aren't blocking the flood victims from leaving the makeshift camps, though they insist the danger of renewed flooding is very real in low-lying river valleys.

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Midland forecast

3-day forecast



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Cloudy	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 60	High 68	High 70
Low 33	Low 34	Low 40

Today's forecast calls for cloudy skies, windy, and much colder with a 30 percent chance of rain.

Temperatures will be falling into the lower 40s by afternoon and the wind will be from the north to northeast at 20-30 mph, and gusty early, diminishing to 10-20 mph late.

Tonight's forecast calls for decreasing cloudiness and cold with a low in the lower 30s.

Friday will be partly cloudy and cool with a high in the lower 60s. Friday night will be partly cloudy with a low in the mid 30s.

Saturday will be partly cloudy and warmer with a high near 70.

After an overnight low of 48, Tuesday's high was 81, compared to the record high for that date of 86, set in 1966. The record low of 23 was set in 1947.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Wednesday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Tuesday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.34 in.
Total for year	0.95 in.
Normal total (year to date)	1.32 in.

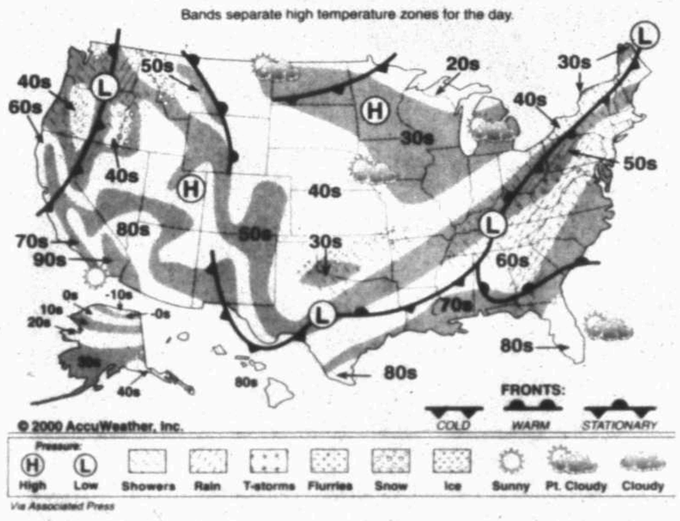
Yesterday's temperatures

High	81
Low	48
Normal high	71
Normal low	40

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National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Thursday, March 16.



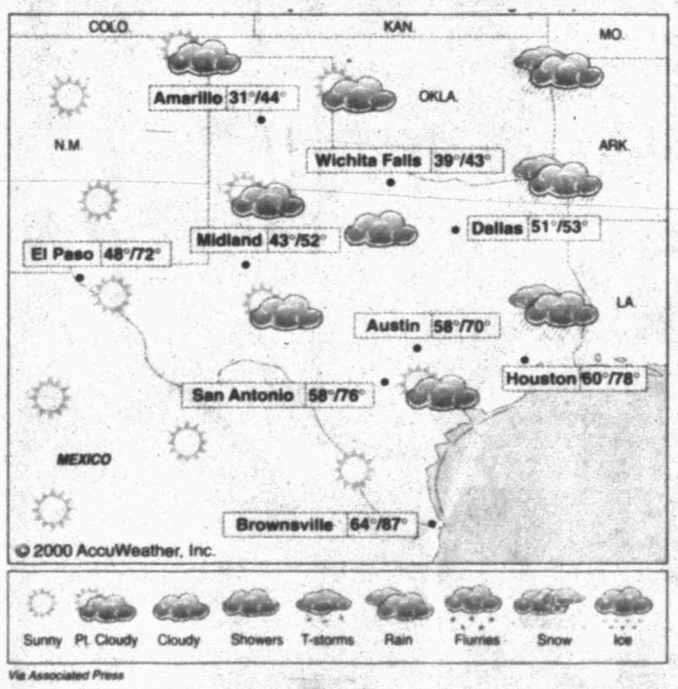
Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

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

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Atlanta	71	45	m	
Atlantic City	65	39	m	
Boston	61	35	m	
Bridgeport	56	32	cdy	
Casper	35	27	clr	
Chicago	65	40	.13	cdy
Cincinnati	68	43	m	
Cleveland	65	39	.01	m
Daytona Beach	77	54	cdy	
Denver	40	33	.21	cdy
Detroit	59	42	.09	sno
Fargo	22	18	.02	cdy
Flint	60	42	.10	cdy
Green Bay	52	32	clr	
Honolulu	85	69	clr	
Indianapolis	69	42	m	
Jackson,Miss.	67	55	.07	m
Jacksonville	74	49	cdy	
Juneau	44	35	.06	m
Kansas City	56	44	.62	sno
Knoxville	69	43	m	
Lake Charles	74	60	.42	cdy
Lansing	61	42	.12	cdy
Las Vegas	80	56	clr	
Lexington	69	44	m	
Lincoln	52	42	clr	
Little Rock	63	45	.23	cdy
Los Angeles	72	52	clr	
Louisville	72	45	m	
Madison	50	41	.11	cdy
Medford	62	32	m	
Memphis	65	50	m	
Miami Beach	82	71	cdy	
Milwaukee	55	39	.02	sno
Mpls-St Paul	37	33	cdy	
Mobile	71	53	cdy	
Montgomery	71	51	m	
Nashville	72	44	m	
New Orleans	71	65	.45	m
New York City	61	42	cdy	
Newark	70	37	cdy	
Oklahoma City	72	48	.18	m
Omaha	52	43	cdy	
Orlando	82	55	cdy	
Paducah	70	39	m	
Pendleton	55	31	m	
Peoria	68	41	.02	cdy
Philadelphia	68	37	m	
Phoenix	84	58	clr	
Pittsburgh	68	39	m	
Pocatello	48	31	.04	clr
Portland,Maine	52	34	m	
Portland,Ore.	53	31	m	
Providence	61	34	m	
Pueblo	58	32	.18	sno
Raleigh-Durham	70	38	cdy	
Rapid City	26	23	cdy	
Reno	64	34	m	
Richmond	71	39	m	
Roanoke	71	36	m	
Rochester	55	37	.06	sno
Rockford	61	35	.14	cdy
Sacramento	75	46	cdy	
St Louis	73	44	m	
St Thomas	84	72	cdy	
Salem,Ore.	51	30	m	
Salt Lake City	46	39	.03	clr
San Diego	64	54	clr	
San Francisco	71	48	cdy	
San Jose	73	47	cdy	
San Juan,P.R.	85	70	cdy	
Santa Fe	65	31	cdy	
St Ste Marie	27	21	.20	cdy
Savannah	74	39	m	
Seattle	50	36	.47	m
Shreveport	62	58	1.69	cdy
Sioux City	46	44	.08	cdy
Sioux Falls	35	33	cdy	
South Bend	62	42	.18	cdy
Spokane	46	26	.15	m
Springfield,Ill.	72	40	.29	cdy
Springfield,Mo.	72	44	m	
Syracuse	51	32	.05	m
Tallahassee	81	55	m	
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	84	60	cdy	
Toledo	63	41	.09	m
Topeka	54	39	.62	cdy
Tucson	82	49	clr	
Tulsa	75	53	m	
Tupelo	66	49	m	
Washington,D.C.	70	45	m	
W.Palm Beach	80	70	cdy	
Wichita	59	45	.49	sno

State forecast



Via Associated Press

Texas temperatures

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

	High	Low	Pcp.
Abilene	79	48	
Amarillo	73	47	
Arlington	74	54	t
Austin Bergstrom	75	47	
Austin Mabry	76	55	
Beaumont	74	61	1.02
Brownsville	76	62	2.62
Childress	84	52	
College Station	70	59	0.09
Corpus Christi	76	60	t
Corsicana	68	54	
Cotulla	79	55	
Dalhart	62	34	
Dallas Love Field	73	58	
Del Rio	79	53	t
Denton	72	47	
DFW Airport	76	58	
Dryden	83	52	
El Paso	79	37	
Fort Stockton	83	47	
Galveston	72	65	0.21
Georgetown	73	52	
Guadalupe Pass	73	47	
Harlingen	77	61	0.26
Hondo	79	46	0.01
Houston Hobby	76	63	0.24
Houston Intrctnl	75	62	0.47
Huntsville	66	59	0.22
Junction	78	44	0.01
Kingsville	85	61	t
Laredo	78	55	
Longview	m	m	
Lubbock	80	46	
Lufkin	65	59	0.12
Marfa	73	34	
McAllen	81	60	0.18
McKinney	69	52	
Mineral Wells	75	55	
New Braunfels	73	52	
Palacios	76	62	0.32
Paris	68	48	
Rockport	76	60	0.07
San Angelo	81	44	
San Antonio	77	51	
Terrell	69	52	
Tyler	63	57	0.12
Victoria	75	59	0.01
Waco	73	53	
Wichita Falls	75	48	
Wink	86	47	

Braggin' Rights

GOLDEN GIRL

Emily Golden, a student at Greenwood High School, was recently nominated for the 1999 Christian Athlete of the Year Award, which is sponsored by Lay Witnesses for Christ International. Miss Golden was nominated for the award by **Coach Sheila Smith.**

Miss Golden was the selected as one of 75 semi-finalists, and as such was under consideration to be one of the 10 finalists. She and the other semi-finalists submitted two essays: "Why I Should Receive the 1999 Christian Athlete of the Year" and "What Jesus Christ Personally Means to Me."

She and her parents, **Marty and Elaine Golden,** attended the Texas Awards Banquet last month in Irving, where Miss Golden learned she had been selected one of the finalists.

The granddaughter of **Jimmy and Joyce Lucas** and **Bud and Judy Golden,** Miss Golden is a cheerleader at GHS, vice president of Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and a member of the National Honor Society and D-Fy-It. She plans to study nursing at Hardin-Simmons University.

STUDENT EMPLOYEE

Suzette Harris of Midland, a graduate student with a major in communication disorders, has been nominated for Student Employee of the Year at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

Ms. Harris has been employed with the Department of Communication Disorders for nine months.

All nominees will be recognized and the winner announced at a reception 1:30 p.m. April 7 at the Student Center on the WTAMU campus.

GRANDPARENTS PROUD

Sarah L. Priester, who is scheduled to graduate from Newark High School in 2001 and who is the granddaughter of Midlanders **James and Ruth Owens,** has been awarded the Gottwald Scholarship to Randolph-Macon Woman's College in Lynchburg, Va. The Gottwald is a full tuition scholarship with a stipend for study abroad.

Miss Priester is the daughter of 1971 Lee High School honor graduate **Claire Owens Priester.** She also is a Girl Scout, member of the NHS varsity soccer team and the Astronomy and Aeronatics Club. She is a Delaware candidate for the Presidential Scholars Program and was the district and national winner of the National Piano Playing Auditions, sponsored by National Guild of Piano Teachers.

PAGEANT WINNER

Chelsea Schwartz, 15, daughter of **Floyd and Martha Schwartz** of St. Lawrence, was named Miss Teen Abilene in a recent pageant. She will compete in the Miss Teen Texas American Pageant in July, which will be presented in conjunction with the Miss Texas Pageant.

Miss Schwartz, a freshman at Garden City High School, is a student at DeeAnn's Studio of Dance in Midland and is a Symphony Belle.

MERGER: Alaskan holdings prompt FTC objection

(From 1A)

Coast oil and gasoline markets.

The breakthrough came after BP Amoco offered to sell all its Atlantic Richfield, or Arco, holdings in Alaska, where the two companies together currently control 70 percent of North Slope oil production, according to sources familiar with the discussions.

Arco reportedly has agreed to sell its Alaska crude oil holdings to Phillips Petroleum Co., which would reduce the new BP Amoco and Arco holdings on the North Slope to less than 50 percent.

A news conference was scheduled for later today in Alaska by the state's governor and officials of Arco and the Phillips Petroleum Co., presumably to make an announcement about the proposal.

The FTC rejected the BP Amoco acquisition of Arco on Feb. 2 and asked the federal court to put the deal on hold, pending a review of a government lawsuit, claiming the merger would harm competition and violate antitrust laws. The trial had been scheduled to begin March 20.

The FTC opposed the merger of London-based BP Amoco and Arco, which is headquartered in Los Angeles, because of the two companies' large holdings in Alaska. The agency argued that this dominance would lessen competition in the West Coast oil markets, especially retail gasoline sales in California. The West coast relies heavily on Alaska oil.

BP Amoco initially agreed to reduce its Alaska holdings to about 55 percent, but that was not sufficient to sway FTC antitrust lawyers. BP Amoco argued that oil prices are set in a world market and that its Alaska holdings pose no threat to West Coast competition.

In recent weeks, private negotiations have been under way to jettison all of Arco's holdings in Alaska, but FTC lawyers were said to be concerned about the buyer's standing to compete.

While some details of the final sale and other aspects of the BP Amoco-Arco merger remained to be worked out, the breakout of legal action provided strong signals that a final merger has good prospects for approval.

In any case, the sale of the Arco assets appeared to remove the most substantial FTC objections.

Phillips, based in Bartlesville, Okla., has agreed to pay $6.5 billion to $7 billion for the Arco assets in Alaska, according to the Wall Street Journal.

PRAYER: Republican not surprised by margin of victory

(From 1A)

The state party expressed similar reaction.

"We're not at all surprised," by the margin, said Ted Royer, deputy press secretary for the Republican Party of Texas. "We're glad a majority of people believe that prayer before sporting events should be remain a time-honored Texas tradition."

Texas Democrats have criticized the GOP referendum as a "cheap advertising ploy" and an appeal to religious conservatives.

Michael Higgins, Midland County Democratic chair, said Wednesday that "The Democratic Party will continue to support the separation of church and state. We are sensitive to the diversity of beliefs and the lack thereof. Democrats support the law for this and other matters."

The GOP sees it differently. "Our more liberal critics have said this is an attempt to kowtow to the religious right, but it's about religious freedom, so it should be a concern to people of all faiths," said Royer. "We felt Texans deserve to have a voice. We want Texans to be able to say they still believe in the tradition of prayer before a game."

The non-binding opinion poll was possible because the Election Code authorizes political parties to sponsor resolutions, according to Paul Miles, staff attorney with the Texas office of Secretary of State.

"The state Republican executive committee voted in December of 1999 to put it on the ballot," said Royer. "It's non-binding in law one way or another, but it's a way for people to express their opinion on the Fifth District Circuit Appeal's Court Decision in the Santa Fe Independent School District case that curtailed the right of Texas students to exercise their right of religious freedom."

Student-led prayers at football games became an issue after a lawsuit challenged the practice in the Santa Fe district in Galveston County.

The case resulted in the Fifth District court banning the practice in three states.

Condemned killer in Galveston County executed

By Mlichael Graczyk
Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE — A Galveston County man who said he killed three people was executed Wednesday night for the abduction, rape and strangling of a woman more than 12 years ago.

Timothy Lane Gribble had a lengthy final statement in which he repeatedly apologized for his killings.

"I just want you to know from the bottom of my heart that I am truly sorry," he said, looking toward witnesses for the victims. "I mean it. I'm not just saying it."

Then Gribble had Chaplain James Brazzil read a long handwritten statement, in which he apologized again but also criticized the death penalty.

"I feel I have to speak out against the practice of the death penalty, although I have no regrets in my case," Brazzil read. "You can't rectify death with another death."

After telling family and friends he loved them, Gribble began praying and chanting. Then he gasped and snorted as the lethal drugs began taking effect.

He was pronounced dead eight minutes later at 6:19 p.m.

Gribble, 36, was the second condemned murderer to be executed in Texas in as many days and the 12th this year.

He led authorities to the body of Elizabeth Jones, 36, a former city councilwoman in Clear Lake Shores and a manager involved in the space shuttle program, after she had been missing for almost a month.

Gribble confessed to her slaying and two others. He was indicted but not tried for the murder of Donna Weis, 23, whose remains were found in Galveston County 18 months after she disappeared in June 1986. Authorities never could confirm his claim of a third slaying.

At his trial, however, prosecutors presented to the jury three women who testified that Gribble had raped them.

"I sincerely hope he meant what he said," Mike Guarino, the Galveston County district attorney who prosecuted Gribble, said after watching the inmate die and hearing his apology. "It's very difficult for me to buy that. I hope he was sincere."

Jones' friends became concerned when she failed to show up for work Sept. 9, 1987, and called police after finding her house locked and her car parked in the driveway. There was no sign of forced entry, and nothing missing except her purse and a bathrobe.

Her house was being renovated and authorities determined Gribble had worked on the roof the previous evening. Investigators questioned Gribble but did not consider him a suspect at the time.

A few weeks later he fled to Tennessee, where he was questioned again and was returned to Texas. He then confessed to raping and abducting Jones and taking her to a remote area near League City, north of Galveston. According to his confession, Gribble told Jones he was going to tie her naked to a tree and leave her there. When she began to scream and struggle, he took the sash from her bathrobe and tightened it around her neck until she died.

He drew a map that directed authorities to Jones' remains, hidden under some brush near a tree.

"I don't know why this happened," Gribble said from death row last week. "I'd like to say I lost my mind, but I can't. I've been asking myself that question every day for 12 years.

"I wish I could answer so I could tell my family, so I could tell the victim's family, so I could apologize and make sure it never happens again, but I don't know."

Gribble was tried twice for Jones' death. The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals overturned his first conviction in 1988, saying jurors should have received better instructions about defense claims that Gribble suffered mental disorders and was sexually abused as a child.

Gribble had said he was ready to die and told his attorneys to not pursue any 11th-hour appeals.

"I want to get this over with," he said last week. "I don't want to spend the rest of my life here. I just want to end this."

RUNOFF: Commissioner Welch is retiring

(From 1A)

know what the deal is there," Welling said.

Welling said that he, as Saunders' senior deputy at a time when there was no chief deputy for Martin County, said that he was "150 percent loyal to Sheriff Dan Saunders. I love that man and love the county."

On April 11, Martin County will host another runoff election.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Doyle Hale, who won 90 votes in the Democratic primary election, will be challenged by Jesus "Sonny" Garza, who polled 137 votes in the five-way race for the Precinct 1 commissioner nomination. Nelda Snodgrass got 52 votes, Walter Taylor took 15 votes, and Larry Simer collected 58 votes.

Winner of the Hale-Garza race be contested by Republican Kyle Averitt in the Nov. 7 general election.

In the Precinct 3 commissioner's primary elections, Democrat Kevin Kyle Shoemaker won 169 votes to become the Democratic Party's nominee. He will be opposed by Republican Bobby Kelly, who got 42 uncontested votes, in the November general election.

Precinct 3 Commissioner Eldon Welch is retiring from office.

Martin County Tax Assessor-Collector Kathy Hull won 921 votes to win the Democratic Party's nomination for that office. Republican Cathy Teveni won the GOP's nomination for tax assessor-collector with 85 votes in heading for the general election.

All told, 173 Republicans and 1,055 Democrats voted in Martin County' political primary elections, according to Martin County Clerk Susie Hull.

Pick 3 Texas

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

8-3-7

Lotto Texas

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

6-15-19-22-38-39

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

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Buying spree by Americans sends trade deficit zooming

WASHINGTON (AP) — American consumers' buying spree of foreign goods from TVs to cars last year led to an immense increase in the trade deficit — up more than 50 percent to a record high of $338.9 billion.

The deficit in the "current account," which measures not only trade in goods and service but also investment flows and foreign aid payments, grew by 53.7 percent from the previous record, a $220.6 billion imbalance in 1998, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

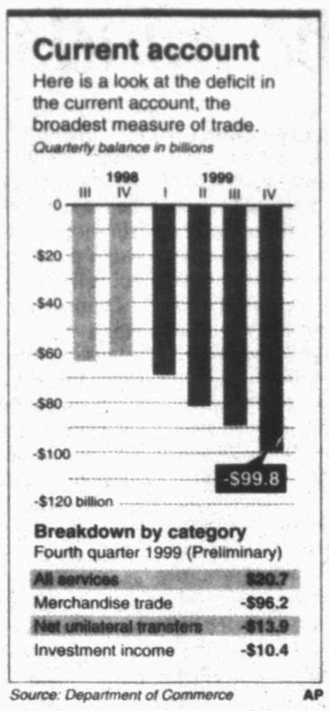
On Wall Street, investors didn't appear to pay much attention to this or other economic reports out Wednesday. The Dow Jones stock average soared to its fourth-biggest point gain ever as investors moved money that has streamed out of the technology sector this week into long-forgotten industrial stocks. The Dow closed up 320.17 at 10,131.41. The Nasdaq, meanwhile, fell 124.01 to close at 4,582.62 as investors continued to shed technology shares. That brought the index's loss for the past three days to 465 points, or 9.2 percent.

The hefty $118.4 billion deterioration in the current account deficit is the one bit of tarnish on an otherwise sterling, record-breaking U.S. economy, which celebrated its ninth year of uninterrupted growth in March.

While all categories measured showed deterioration in 1999, America's deficit in goods widened the most — by $100.2 billion to $347.1 billion — as U.S. consumers snapped up TVs, cars and other merchandise flowing into the U.S. from overseas' producers.

With plentiful jobs, rising incomes, low inflation and stock market gains, Americans feel wealthy and in the buying mood, economists said.

"U.S. consumers have a strong appetite for everything," said Gerald Cohen, economist at Merrill Lynch.



Economists predict the Federal Reserve will raise interest rates next week for the fifth time since June to slow the red-hot economy and keep inflation at bay.

The bloated deficit, economists said, is actually a testimony to the robust state of the U.S. economy compared with other countries, particularly foreign economies that are continuing to recover from a global financial crisis that struck in 1997.

Prosperous consumers are helping the United States rapidly gobble up imported goods as demand from overseas' economies for U.S. exports, while picking up, continues to lag.

And, while America enjoyed surpluses in the services category, which measures such things as airline travel, in 1999 the surplus shrank to $79.6 billion from $82.7 billion the year before.

"The United States is the pace car in the economic race in the global economy," said Tim O'Neill, chief economist for the Bank of Montreal and Harris Bank. "Because of that, U.S. consumers are in a position to buy a lot from abroad and foreigners will want to invest in the United States because the economy is so strong."

Reflecting the U.S. market's attractiveness to overseas investors, the deficit in investment earnings widened to $24.8 billion in 1999, more than double the $12.2 billion deficit of the previous year.

The 1998 deficit was the first one in investment income since the early part of the 20th century, but the sharp widening in 1999 was evidence, economists said, that it won't be the last.

An unbroken string of current account trade deficits over the past 24 years has transformed America from the world's largest creditor country to the largest debtor nation and foreigners are now earning bigger returns on the investments they have purchased with the dollars earned in selling their goods to Americans.

The U.S. economy could face dangers at some point, economists warn, if the huge increases in the trade deficit continue and foreigners suddenly decide they no longer want to hold dollar-denominated assets. A sudden rush for the exits could send American stock prices and the value of the dollar plunging.



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Graduation party needs support of Midlanders

On May 27, following graduation, Midland seniors will be treated to an all-night, drug-free party at Midland Center, thanks to Project Graduation and lots of Midland merchants and volunteers.

Since 1988, graduates are annually treated to the all-night extravaganza, are given food and prizes, and can win such prizes as dorm refrigerators, computers, telephones, microwaves or $1,000 cash. The party is free open to all Midland graduates — regardless of which school they attended.

And besides being safe, enjoyable fun, it's a far cry from the graduation parties of a few decades ago — which all too often involved alcohol and drugs in abundance — and commonly led to tragedies and death for young people who are just getting their start in life.

Project Graduation, which was initiated to give graduates an alternative to those tragic events, has become a Midland tradition and is well attended.

Becky Ferguson, president of the Midland Council of PTAs, underscored the importance of Project Graduation when she noted, "It's a fabulous effort celebrating a fabulous event, which is our high school graduation, that includes everyone in a really safe, really fun and extravagant party."

But Project Graduation's all-night party isn't inexpensive by any means. This year's event is expected to cost $42,000 and the PTAs have only raised $18,000 to this point. So, the effort being headed up by project chairman Barbara Koch is seeking donations of money and prizes for the event.

Those donations may be mailed to Project Graduation, P.O. Box 80881, Midland, Texas 79708. Individuals interested in volunteering to help with the party or making a donation also may call Ms. Koch at 683-9551.

We encourage community support for this important event. The dollars and the manpower are needed. All our Midland seniors deserve this event of celebration for their hard work in school.

Today in History

Today is Thursday, March 16, the 76th day of 2000. There are 290 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 16, 1850, "The Scarlet Letter," Nathaniel Hawthorne's novel about adultery, revenge and redemption in Puritan Massachusetts, was first published.

On this date:

In 1751, James Madison, fourth president of the United States, was born in Port Conway, Va.

In 1802, Congress authorized the establishment of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.

In 1836, the Republic of Texas approved a constitution.

In 1894, the opera "Thais," composed by Jules Massenet, premiered in Paris.

In 1915, the Federal Trade Commission was organized.

In 1935, Adolf Hitler scrapped the Treaty of Versailles.

In 1945, during World War II, the Pacific island of Iwo Jima was declared secured by the Allies.

In 1968, during the Vietnam War, the My Lai Massacre was carried out by U.S. troops under the command of Lt. William L. Calley Jr.

In 1978, Italian politician Aldo Moro was kidnapped by left-wing urban guerrillas, who later murdered him.

In 1985, Terry Anderson, chief Middle East correspondent for The Associated Press, was abducted in Beirut; he was released in December 1991.

Ten years ago: South African President F.W. de Klerk announced that exiled African National Congress leaders could return home for talks with the white-led government.

Five years ago: House Republicans pushed through $17 billion in spending cuts, prompting a veto threat by the White House. NASA astronaut Norman Thagard became the first American to visit the Russian space station Mir.

One year ago: The Dow Jones industrial average briefly topped the 10,000 level, reaching a high of 10,001.78 before retreating. The entire 20-member European Commission resigned following publication of a critical report on sloppy management and cronyism. The Nebraska Cornhuskers beat Chicago State 50-3 in an NCAA baseball game.

George Will

Campaigns just warp the minds of voters

WASHINGTON — John McCain and Bill Bradley made "campaign finance reform" the centerpiece of their campaigns. Their combined record before suspending their campaigns: seven wins, 39 losses — worse than the Los Angeles Clippers. Few McCain supporters said campaign reform determined their votes. Californians voted 65-35 against a campaign reform initiative McCain endorsed. Yet, reform continues to be presented as something for which there is a mandate.



Will

Fortunately, George Priest, professor of law and economics at Yale, has recast the argument about campaign finance in a way that reveals the extent to which standard campaign reform proposals threaten America's democratic vitality. In a recent paper delivered at American Enterprise Institute, he offers what he calls an alternative to both the "reform" tradition that deplores the role of private money in politics, and the contrary approach that regards campaign spending and giving as expressive acts protected by the First Amendment. However, Priest's analysis — actually, a way of thinking about equality — buttresses the latter approach, the "First Amendment faction."

The "reform" tradition, he says, believes money corrupts by being inegalitarian because it affects public decisions and draws candidates' attention toward contributors' interests. But, says Priest, no one believes citizens can or should be equal in the political realm. Some have better ideas, are more persuasive or more respected. So Priest believes the reformers' focus on monetary inequality is an aesthetic recoil against money.

The First Amendment faction actually shares the reformers' ideal: each citizen expressing his or her political values as fully as is feasible. The reformers simply add a coda: as fully as is feasible without regard to money. The difference between the two camps is one of characterization: contributions corrupt vs. contributions express.

Priest's alternative analysis compares the electoral process to the process of a market, noting three structural differences. First, the electoral process necessarily imposes geographical restrictions on citizens' electoral expressions of their views: citizens vote within particular political jurisdictions (e.g., cities, districts, states). Second, elections, unlike markets, are periodic, so there cannot be continuous reregistering of citizens' views.

Third, and crucially, voters, unlike consumers in markets, are each given just one vote per election, equally weighted with all other votes. So political elections are less responsive than market workings to intensities of demand by participants. The logic of the reformers' notion of equality dictates public financing of campaigns — banning individual contributions so that all individuals will be equal. Priest objects.

Society's aim, he says, should be maximum feasible political vibrancy, which is defeated by constraints on the expression of intensity of political views. Given the one person/one vote rule in elections, citizen involvement in campaigns "becomes the central mechanism for registering intensity of political viewpoint."

The one person/one vote rule rightly affirms the moral equality of citizens in elections. But, Priest argues, it is wrong to suppress — to level — intensities of political views in the pre-election debate by limiting private contributions. "The political views and ideals of citizens are not distributed equally — nor should they be."

Campaign finance restrictions are equivalents of high tariffs on political views. Campaigns, Priest says, are exercises in mobilization, which depend on expenditures made possible by contributions. However, under current restrictions on individual contributions, citizen participation must take the form of modest monetary contributions, or contributions of time. Which is why so many campaign participants are students and others without full-time jobs.

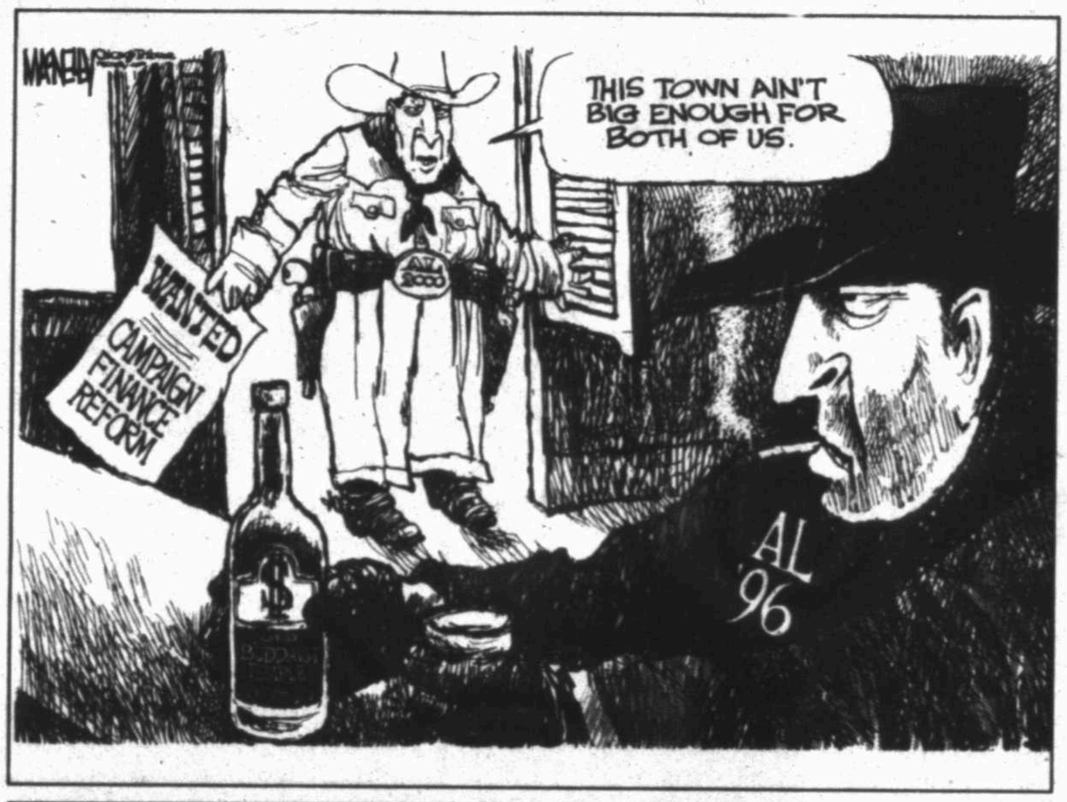
Democracy, says Priest, is debilitated by campaign finance limits that restrict politically intense citizens to participating with low-grade labor. Priest actually is a fellow-traveler of the First Amendment faction. However, instead of just characterizing political money as speech, he shows how it is related to speech. And he makes the First Amendment faction's argument into one not about individual rights but about a desirable social outcome.

Limits on campaign contributions are optional aggravations of the necessary limits imposed on the political "market" by one person/one vote, periodic elections and geographic limitations on the franchise. Campaign contributions ameliorate these "imperfections" in the political market. And, Priest notes, contributions or promises of future contributions "can increase the likelihood that a candidate will honor his or her election promises, just as a bond enforces performance of a commercial contract."

The reformers' restrictions on contributions to candidates stimulate soft money (given to parties or other causes), which reformers detest because it is unrestricted. But, Priest says, soft money enables citizens to support principles of greater generality than any single politician's views, and allows citizens to delegate to political professionals the use of their money, "much like a contribution to the United Way." Count the ways campaign "reform" is inimical to democratic values.

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Another View

Blame Congress for lack of accounting

The Pentagon spends billions, year in and year out — so somehow it comes as no surprise to learn that the military's money managers can't account for trillions of dollars worth of material and expenditures.

Pentagon money managers made almost $7 trillion in adjustments to their financial ledgers in an attempt to make them add up, the Pentagon's inspector general disclosed last week.

The hundreds of computer systems running accounts on such topics as health care, payroll and inventory are not integrated and don't produce figures that meet accounting standards, making it impossible to account for what went where. ...

The Pentagon is not alone — no comfort to taxpayers. Only 11 of 24 big federal agencies could produce reliable financial statements for the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30, according to Sen. Fred Thompson, R-Tenn., chairman of the Senate Governmental Affairs committee.

Blame the agencies, Pentagon and the others, for sloppy bookkeeping and inattention to fiscal detail. But blame Congress as well. With its oversight committees and budgetary responsibilities, it is Congress that should be demanding and receiving an accurate accounting of taxpayer resources entrusted to federal agencies.

— Albuquerque Journal
Albuquerque, N.M.

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Art Buchwald

E-mail — Just another source for bad jokes

The computer is not only a business tool, but it is now being used more frequently by people to send jokes on e-mail. I counted 67 percent of my incoming mail as having to do with jokes, as opposed to messages having to do with family. The jokes, at a rate of three out of every five messages, are clogging up my hardware.



Buchwald

What's weird is that more women are sending me jokes than men are, and these jokes are far less womanly than the male ones. They start off: "At 85 years old, Morris marries a lovely 25-year-old woman named Glenda, and they go away on their honeymoon."

I don't have to read any further to know where this one is going, but here is the problem. The lady who e-mailed the Morris story then calls me to find out if I got the joke and wants to know if I think it is as funny as she did. I, of course, say it was hysterical, and she laughs again and adds, "I'll send you more."

Then there is the one about the magician and the parrot. The parrot is in the ballroom on a cruise ship and tells the audience the secret of every trick the magician does. Then the cruise ship hits a rock and sinks. Two days later the magician and the parrot are on a life raft, and the parrot says to the magician, "Okay, where's the boat?"

The only way to stop people from sending e-mail jokes is to license them. When you purchase a computer you will have to swear that you have never been arrested in the past for telling a joke, and you will never tell one in the future. The other thing would be to put safety locks on jokes so that they cannot be fired without permission.

The problem with e-mail jokes is that they can be transmitted in rapid machine-gun form. Hedda, 89 years old, crashes into her house and finds Sydney, her 90-year-old husband up to no good, etc., etc. So the parrot says, "Okay where's the boat?" A 90-year-old man and his 89-year-old wife go to the judge and say they want a divorce. The judge asks, "Why did you wait so long?" The husband says, "We wanted to wait until the children died."

I have nothing against e-mail jokes as long as they are sent by a reliable telephone company. A skeleton goes into a bar. The bartender says, "What'll it be?" And the skeleton says, "Beer and a mop." This one takes some thought and should not be told during a basketball game, if a person is driving or online.

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Aviation bill calling for more flights, higher PFCs goes to president

WASHINGTON (AP) — Get ready for more airline flights out of some of the nation's busiest airports and a $1.50 increase in local airport passenger taxes. Both are part of a $40 billion aviation bill the House passed Wednesday.

With air passengers expected to grow from 600 million last year to more than 1 billion by the end of the decade, the bill that authorizes the Federal Aviation Administration for three years paves the way for major boosts in spending. Approved by the Senate last week, it passed the House by 319-101 and now goes to President Clinton, who supports it.

"The greatest aviation system in the world is hurtling toward gridlock and potential catastrophes in our skies," said House Transportation Committee Chairman Bud Shuster, R-Pa., who stressed that his bill "will make those skies safer, reduce flight delays and increase competition."

The bill would increase aviation spending in fiscal 2001 to $12.7 billion, up $2.7 billion from this year.

Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater said it would "expand capacity and improve the efficiency of the system to meet the air travel needs of the 21st century."

But the bill also met strong opposition from New York, Chicago and Washington area lawmakers unhappy with the prospects of more flights out of their local airports.

The legislation phases out by 2007 flight limits at New York's LaGuardia and Kennedy airports. These "high density rules" would end at Chicago's O'Hare in 2002, and flights from Washington's Reagan National could increase by 24 a day, with 12 of those flights to destinations beyond the current 1,250-mile "perimeter rule."

Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., who represents a Chicago-area district, said adding flights would "help create massive gridlock and delays at O'Hare and across the nation." O'Hare, he said, "is an accident waiting to happen. It's only a matter of time before this increased jamming of flights results in a disaster."

Rep. Jim Moran, D-Va., said that in 1986 Congress "made an ironclad commitment that it would never increase the number of slots at Washington National. ... We ought not set a tradition of breaking promises."

But lawmakers from outside the big cities saw the issue differently. A round trip ticket from Rochester to Chicago now costs $1,200, said Rep. Louise Slaughter, D-N.Y. "The major carriers have a stranglehold on these slots, effectively preventing low-cost carriers from entering the market."

The top Democrat on the Transportation Committee, Rep. Jim Oberstar of Minnesota, said that "under no circumstance will the FAA allow more departures or arrivals than controllers can safely manage."

The bill would allow airports to raise the ceiling for passenger facility charges (PFCs) from the current $3 to $4.50 a person. That could bring in an extra $700 million a year for local improvements if all airports imposed the increase.

Shuster said giving local authorities control over the "passenger facility charge" was good conservative policy, but Appropriations Committee Chairman Bill Young, R-Fla., said many will see this as a Republican-backed tax increase. "I'm not sure this Congress wants to be on record as increasing taxes."

Young's Democratic counterpart on the appropriations panel, Rep. David Obey of Wisconsin, also opposed the measure, saying Shuster's ability to corral more money for aviation meant less money for other programs. An extra $1 billion for aviation, he said, means $1 billion less for cancer research, or special education, or renovation of schools.

The bill seeks to aid small-market airports by doubling minimum funding to $1 million a year and helping airlines buy regional jets if they agree to use them to serve small airports.

Riley wants 1,000 more dual-language schools

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hispanic students are twice as likely as blacks and three times as likely as whites to drop out of high school, the Education Department said Wednesday in a study suggesting that the nation's education system is ill-equipped to deal with the fastest-growing group of schoolchildren.

Hoping to paint a different picture for these children, Education Secretary Richard Riley called for public school districts to create in the next five years 1,000 new dual-language schools — which instruct children in English and in a native language such as Spanish.

"If we see to it that immigrants and their children can speak only English and nothing more, then we will have missed one of the greatest opportunities of this new century," Riley said. "It is high time we begin to treat language skills as the asset they are."

In 1997, 25.3 percent of Hispanics age 16 to 24 dropped out of high school, compared with 13.4 percent of blacks and 7.6 percent of whites.

The study also said that 11 percent of Hispanics age 25 to 29 possessed at least a bachelor's degree, compared with 14.2 percent of blacks and 32.6 percent of whites.

Riley said dual language instruction has proven to help Hispanic children do better academically as well as preserve children's heritage and promote the bilingualism all students will need in a global economy.

"Unfortunately, too many teachers and administrators today treat a child's native language as a weakness if it is not English," Riley said, speaking at Bell Multicultural High School, which is not one of the nation's 260 dual-language schools. "In some places, even the idea of bilingual education is controversial. It shouldn't be."

Dual-language instruction is one of three main, often hotly debated approaches to teaching the nation's 3 million limited English proficient students, of which nearly 75 percent are Hispanic. These students, designated by school tests and other measures as non-English speakers, also are taught in English-only classes or completely in their native languages.

Conservative critics of dual-language schools said Wednesday that such instruction doesn't necessarily give non-English speakers the language immersion necessary to improve.

"You are basically using Hispanic kids to help teach English-speaking kids Spanish," said Jorge Amselle of the Center for Equal Opportunity, a Washington-based group critical of current bilingual education programs and policies based on the premise that non-English speaking children should be immersed in the language as quickly as possible.

While Hispanic children are more likely than other kids to come from poor families where they don't have good access to health care and preschool classes that would make them better students — statistics recounted by Riley indicated that language is the chief barrier to learning.

The dropout rates for Hispanics — a third of whom leave school overall — are linked to a student's language difficulties. Nearly half of foreign-born Hispanic students drop out, while just 16 percent of Hispanic students born in the United States leave school, Riley said. And among U.S. born students who had at least one parent who was foreign-born, the dropout rate was higher at 20 percent.

And there are fewer teachers who can teach bilingual students. While 54 percent of the nation's classrooms have students in need of English instruction, just 20 percent of teachers say they feel prepared to teach them, the department said.

Fossils of 'teeny tiny primates' found in China

Associated Press

Anthropologists have discovered fossils from two species of "teeny, tiny primates," thumb-sized creatures smaller than any other known primate on the family tree leading to monkeys, apes and humans.

"This discovery reinvents our definition of what the primate order is all about and how it arose," said Richard Stucky, curator at the Denver Museum of Natural History.

The fossilized foot bones, each about the size of a grain of rice, were sifted from tons of muddy rubbish at a limestone mine in eastern China. About 45 million years ago, the fragile primates lived in a rain forest, feeding on insects and sap.

At one-third of an ounce — the weight of a couple of pencils — the smaller of the two is dwarfed by the 1-ounce Madagascar mouse lemur, the smallest known primate alive today.

Scientists from Northern Illinois, Northwestern and Beijing's Chinese Academy of Sciences detail the species in this week's Journal of Human Evolution.

In a separate article in the journal Nature, the group reported more fossils from a previously discovered third primate called Eosimias centennicus. They had discovered its teeth and jaws in the mid 1990s. Now they have ankle bones, which they say backs up their controversial claim that Eosimias is an early ancestor of humans.

Eosimias and the two new tiny species all lived together around the time when lower primates split from the higher primates. Lower primates include lemurs. Higher primates include humans. The split happened 40 million to 50 million years ago.

At 3 ounces, Eosimias was larger than the tiny species, which have not been named.

The smaller of the two new species might have been below Eosimias on the evolutionary branch, a common ancestor of higher primates and some lower primates, said Chris Beard of the Carnegie Museum of Natural History.

The larger one — weighing half an ounce — appears to be a higher primate, perhaps in the same family as Eosimias.

"Nobody would have believed that as recently as 45 million years ago, our ancestors were about the size of a shrew," Beard said.

Anthropologists expected to find a smallish creature at the fork between higher and lower primates.

Because it would have needed to eat insects voraciously to keep up with an overheated metabolism, it would have had higher primate features: two eyes facing forward and

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Researchers press for shorter stays at hospital for heart attack patients

Associated Press

Hospitals could safely move toward releasing heart attack patients without complications after just three days, instead of the usual five or six, a team of researchers suggested on Wednesday.

Their cost-benefit analysis, laid out in the New England Journal of Medicine, sharpens an already touchy medical debate. Shorter stays for heart attacks could raise a public outcry like the one that gave rise to a 1998 federal law mandating at least two days of insurance coverage for maternity stays, doctors said.

Marty Ann Schwartz, who wrote "Listen to Me, Doctor: Taking Charge of Your Own Health Care," said she fears insurers will seize on such cost-benefit studies to rush patients out of the hospital. "They're trying to make up a sheet that the people ... can look at and say, 'It's five days, we cover three days, and it's disallowed.'"

Hospital stays have shrunken drastically for heart attacks since the 1950s, when doctors believed patients needed such care for four to six weeks while the heart muscle healed. The latest analysis is apt to push the industry toward even shorter stays, according to its chief author, Dr. Kristin Newby.

Newby of Duke Clinical Research Institute in Durham, N.C., joined researchers at four other institutions in carrying out the study.

Reviewing records of 22,361 patients, the researchers calculated that very few — perhaps as few as 13 — benefited from a fourth day in the hospital. For an average patient, the fourth day yields only another two days in life expectancy.

Thus, at $624 a day in extra hospital and doctor costs, it would cost $105,629 for an additional year of life expectancy — more than double the $50,000 figure for kidney dialysis. The kidney procedure is widely used as a benchmark for deciding if medical care is worth the social benefit.

Overall savings from shorter heart attack stays could be considerable because more than 1 million Americans suffer heart attacks each year. About 60 percent have no complicating conditions, Newby said.

However, she acknowledged that most hospitals aren't yet set up to give patients all the pre-discharge testing, rehabilitation and advice they may need within three days.

"This is really outlining a possibility, if we could make our system more efficient," said Newby.

Dr. Donald Young, medical director of the Health Insurance Association of America, said the study raises points that should be considered. "Health care dollars are limited, and we need to know what works and what doesn't work," he said.

While also welcoming the study, some doctors extended cautions. They said it is very difficult to decide which patients are at highest risk.

Cardiologist Lynn Smaha, president of the American Heart Association, said he felt "mixed feelings" about the analysis. "We're all trying to do what we can to reduce the cost. At the same time, we have to keep up the quality of care. Cost should not be the prime motivator," he said.

He said the conclusions of the analysis may be muddied by the fact that the patients did receive the fourth day of hospital care — and possibly benefits that are hard to quantify.

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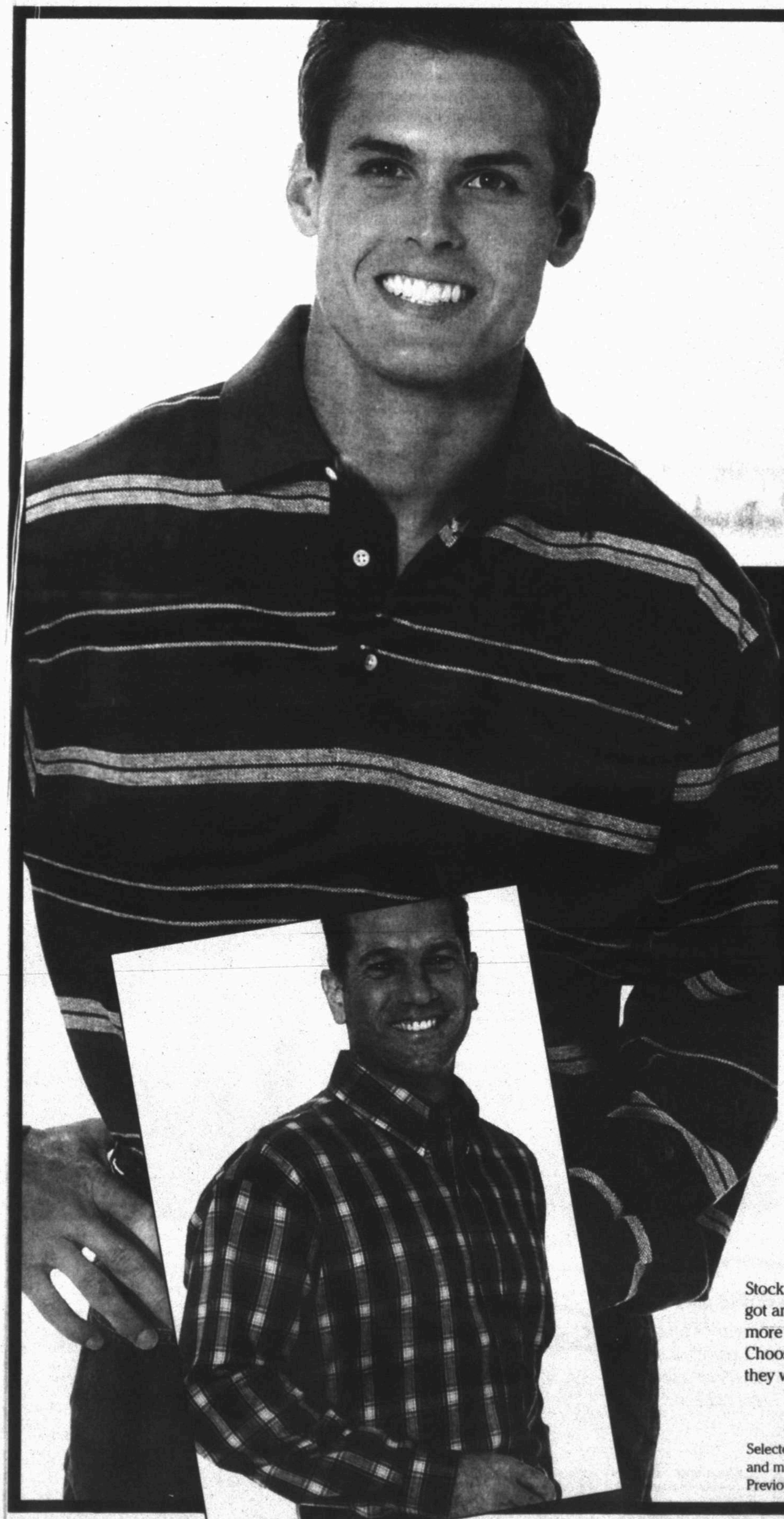
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MAF funding up to Clinton for finalization

By Ian Heald
Staff Writer

Congress passed a bill Wednesday that could double the potential federal funding to local airports in West Texas.

According Becca Dickerson, press secretary for U.S. Congressman Larry Combest, who represents a portion of Midland, House Resolution 1000 would double the amount of possible funding available to Midland-Odessa from $1.7 million to $3.4 million.

Ms. Dickerson said the bill was proposed and passed by the Senate and is rumored to be favored by President Clinton as well.

"This is great news for airports throughout the country," said Deputy City Manager Glen Hackler. "We're poised to take advantage of the funding that becomes available."

Marv Esterly, Midland's director of airports, said the bill will allow airports to double the PFC charge on each ticket from $3 to $6 at Midland International Airport. That PFC money pays for capital improvements at the airport.

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— Glen Hacker, Deputy City Manager

Capital improvements would include infrastructure upgrades, runway construction and rehabilitation, and provide new technologies to improve safety in the air and on the ground.

But Esterly said Midland International is not in immediate need of capital improvements that couldn't be paid for with current available funds. But, in the future it could be helpful too, he said.

"It's a good thing for airports any time you're allowed to increase your revenue source," Esterly said. "I haven't studied it enough to know its total impact. We'll talk with our finance people and see what's in the future."

Ms. Dickerson said it's unknown as to when the president will consider the bill.

"We don't have a time frame on when the president will sign it," Ms. Dickerson said. "It first has to be engrossed over in the House, then the speaker has to sign and then the Senate has to sign it. Then it's delivered to the White House and they have 10 working days after that to sign on it or pass on it. We hope that it would be soon but we don't know when that would happen."



Brian Adamcik/ Reporter-Telegram
A Southwest Airlines 737 gets its hold emptied of luggage after arriving at Midland's airport Wednesday evening. Hopefully, the airport will be receiving the funds necessary for improvements of things like infrastructure upgrades, runway construction, new technologies and improved safety.



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram
Bob Herndon of Wilger Enterprises surveys the building that will be demolished to make way for a new Walgreens Drug store on Andrews Highway. Herndon will be the project superintendent.

'Texas' Largest Drugstore' to be in new building

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Built by Barney and Helen Greathouse as Midland Drug in 1954, the Walgreens at 215 Andrews Highway has proudly worn the "Texas' Largest Drugstore" sign since the building opened in November of that year.

But plans for a new store by Walgreens, which purchased the building and Midland Drug Co. from the Greathouses in 1967, could put an end to that claim.

Walgreens spokesman Michael Polzin said the company plans to begin construction in June on a new 22,000-square-foot Walgreens next to the existing store where McKay's Furniture and Rent-To-Own were located. Completion is expected by the end of the year. The existing store will remain open during construction and store employees would move to the new store when it opens.

"I don't know if the existing store will be sold or leased or demolished," he said, adding that the 30,000-square-foot, two-story building is one of the largest in the company's chain.

"I don't think they'll tear down the building," said Mrs. Greathouse, whose husband died in 1973. "I've been in touch with the president of the company."

She said she was pleased with the company's investment in the community.

The couple came to Midland in 1929 and opened their first store in 1933 with a $1,000 loan, bringing Walgreens to Midland for the first time.

She recalled that the first store was located in downtown Midland, in the middle of the block near the Scharbauer Hotel, now the site of the Hilton Midland. Sever-

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Midland City Council faces decision on Phillips import fee

By Ian Heald
Staff Writer

Because the issue was deferred at the last City Council meeting a decision will have to be made Tuesday as to whether or not Phillips Petroleum Company will be allowed to import foreign oil, duty-free.

According to Ray E. Shaw, a consultant for Borger-based Phillips, a foreign-trade zone (FTZ) is a secure building, facility or other area located within the geographical boundaries of the United States but considered legally outside the U.S. Customs territory.

Midland's FTZ is located at Midland International Airport.

Shaw said the purpose of an FTZ is to attract and promote international trade and commerce.

Phillips Petroleum is requesting FTZ status to save roughly $457,000 a year on import duties.

At the last council meeting local oil producer Roger Allen said it was impossible to gauge the full affects of granting Phillips FTZ status without knowing what the true ramifications of such a decision could mean.

Now, he said he is indifferent to the issue.

"I don't care one way or the other," Allen said.

Bill Mathis, another local producer, insisted this was a bad deal for Midland. He said he's still against it but wouldn't comment any further.

In Corpus Christi, the Port of Corpus Christi Authority decides which companies are granted FTZ status, not the city council, as is the case in Midland.

The Port of Corpus Christi Authority has granted FTZ status to Texas-based refineries importing foreign oil.

"If we didn't have oil importers we wouldn't have the refineries," said Larry Cunningham, foreign-trade zone manager for the Port of Corpus Christi Authority.

U.S. refineries accessing FTZ's is a growing trend, Cunningham said.

"Just about every refinery in the country is going with foreign-trade zones," Cunningham said. "You don't apply for a foreign-trade zone unless you have a significant amount of imports."

In Corpus Christi Cunningham said local residents have been very supportive of refinery sub-zones. He said most of the good paying jobs in Corpus Christi are with the refineries and supporting industries.

"We don't want to lose them," Cunningham said. "If you prevented refineries from getting foreign crude they wouldn't be competitive. It would be a lose/lose situation."

Shaw had said the domestic refining industry has a capacity of 15.71 million barrels per day, but the U.S. market consumes over 18 million barrels per

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Odessa man indicted on federal child porn charges

By Rick McLaughlin
Staff Writer

A 37-year-old unemployed Odessa man was indicted by a federal grand jury in Midland Wednesday for interstate transportation of child pornography.

The charges against Curtis Eugene Sharp, who also appeared in federal District Court Wednesday before U.S. Magistrate Judge L. Stuart Platt, include distribution of child pornography over the Internet as well as receiving videos depicting child pornography though the U.S. Postal Service.

The prosecution, led by Assistant U.S. District Attorney Glenn Jackson, asked Platt to deny bond for Sharp, who has been held in Midland County Detention Center since his arrest March 8. The judge's decision on bond is pending.

Curtis did not make a plea during the initial hearing Wednesday. He will have that opportunity when he is arraigned, said Jackson.

If convicted, Sharp faces up to 15 years in federal prison and a fine of up to $250,000.

He was arrested at his residence at 412 W. 46th St. in Odessa, according to court documents.

A search of Sharp's residence resulted in the discovery of substantial quantities of computer equipment, hardware, software and apparent pornographic images of children in sexual situations on computer files and CDs. All of it was taken into custody, documents show.

Sharp allegedly met a Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office agent on line through his America Online account under the screen name of CESharp414.

On Feb. 25, the agent sent Sharp an e-mail thanking him for the pictures he sent over the Internet and asking Sharp if he was interested in the preteen videos.

A series of exchanges followed, according to court documents. On March 3, the agent in Pennsylvania, received a Zip disk with minors engaged in explicit sexual activity allegedly from Sharp in Odessa.

The case is the second in recent months involving Odessa residents suspected of being engaged in Internet child pornography.

A former Ector County Independent School District physical education teacher, private gymnastics instructor and recent Midland resident was indicted in January in U.S. District Court on two counts of sexual misconduct with a minor in Georgia.

Phillip Howard Poor, 44, was arraigned on one count of sexual exploitation of children and one count of transportation of material containing visual depiction of a minor engaged in sexually explicit conduct before Platt.

ED TODD

In quest of the ideal politicians who write their own speeches

Politics is a pretty invigorating affair. There's always a storm — dust devil or cyclone — brewing, starting up, in full force, dying out, blowing dust again, and ready to recycle.

It's interesting at home and abroad and is especially fascinating if it is viewed with a seasoned amount of humor, respected for its gravity, and appreciated for its follies.

My beginning in politics was rooted in loyal Democratic Party blackland country midway through Franklin Delano Roosevelt's presidency prior to World War II.

His "fireside chats," similar to Sir Winston Churchill's courageous words to his brave Britons, helped to unify a proud but depression-beset nation that got catapulted into another world war that once again tested the nation's mettle.



Todd

I recall the plain-spoken "give 'em hell" Harry S Truman, the handsome New York governor, Thomas E. Dewey, who almost won the presidency, and the genteel stalwart from the war, Dwight D. Eisenhower. Those were times of war and peace, the Cold War and the New Frontier of the 1960s with John F. Kennedy's 1961 exhortation to "Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country."

Most of all, I was immensely impressed with the eloquent and erudite Democrat, Adlai E. Stevenson, who came to the national forefront in the 1950s in his bid for the presidency.

His idealism and eloquence were so enthralling to a youngster and all so uplifting.

I vividly remember sensing his pain, his agony, his disappointment when he lost hope for the presidency. Yes, he was "too old to cry" but probably did weep along with his fellow idealists.

And what strikes me so even today, if this be true, is that the charming and noble Mr. Stevenson wrote his own speeches, essays and books.

And today, wouldn't it be so enlightening if politicians across the board from hometown folks to those engrossed in state, national and international affairs wrote their own speeches?



Adlai Stevenson: His idealism and eloquence were so enthralling to a youngster.

To do so would, in the ideal, perhaps reveal their thought processes, their logic, their values, the truth about themselves and their very souls. Those are impressions which the people ought to have the right to discern in electing their representatives, their presidential choices, and so on to political offices.

Politics then would be even more invigorating and enlightening. And the world would be a better place, surely.

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Area briefs

KNFM and ST. JUDE

KNFM will be broadcasing their third annual Country Cares for St. Jude Kids Radiothon on March 16-17, from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. both days. They will be broadcasting live from the Midland Park Mall , Loop 250 and Midkiff.

To pledge your support call, 1-800-339-HOPE.

Today's Agenda

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

Flatlanders Toastmasters Club, Chevron Building, 15 Smith Road, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., 987-7286.

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

Nurses Christian Fellowship, 1:30 p.m., First Baptist Church, room 105; 520-4410 or 683-3300.

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

Permian Basin Hotel/Motel Association, noon, 561-8000.

Project ADAM (Alternatives to Domestic Assault for Men), 570-0467.

Parents Anonymous, 7 p.m., 570-1084.

Compulsive Eaters Anonymous, noon, First United Methodist Church, 694-2860.

Stroke Club, 6:30 p.m., HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital, 520-1600.

Palmer Drug Abuse Program Parent Group, 7 p.m., second floor First Baptist Church, 685-3645.

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

Overeaters Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., Midland Memorial Hospital, Room E-14 (basement), 520-4418.

Police Reports

Midland Police Department

Wednesday

Burglary: Burglary of a building was reported at 1102 E. Nobles at 11:21 a.m.. A television and two VCRs were reported missing.

Burglary, auto theft: Burglary of a business and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle were reported at 3241 Franklin at 5 a.m. A 1996 Ford F350 pickup was reported missing.

Tuesday

Burglary: Burglary of a residence was reported at 202 Holly at 12:30 p.m. A microwave and cable boxes were reported missing.

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

STORE: New store to replace old

(From 1B)

al years later they moved their store to the end of the block and in 1954 built the store at 215 Andrews Highway.

Buddy Sipes, chairman of the board of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, applauded Walgreens' investment in the community.

"I think it would be fantastic to rebuild," he said. "The old store has outlived its usefulness. As long as they build one that's bigger and better, I'm pleased they're making the investment."

Polzin said the company decided to construct a new, single-story store because "the existing store is very old and, being on two levels, it's very difficult to merchandise."

The new store, he said, will be better stocked with merchandise easier to find.

Mexican soldiers detained after shots fired at U.S. border agents

EL PASO (AP) — Mexican soldiers strayed into U.S. territory and fired two shots at uniformed Border Patrol agents during an anti-drug mission, the agency said Wednesday. Nine Mexican soldiers were briefly detained.

No one was hurt in the shooting late Tuesday in a remote desert area south of Santa Teresa, N.M., just west of El Paso.

Marco Antonio Fraire, spokesman for the Mexican Consulate in El Paso, said the soldiers accidentally crossed the international line, but he had no information about a shooting. Mexico's National Defense Secretariat said it had no information on the incident.

The Border Patrol said two Humvees carrying Mexican soldiers crossed the border about 10:30 p.m.

A wire cattle fence runs along the border in the area, and markers at each mile would be difficult to see at night, Border Patrol spokesman Doug Mosier said.

At least four uniformed Border Patrol agents approached on horseback and in a marked sport utility vehicle. They identified themselves in Spanish and explained that the soldiers were in U.S. territory, Mosier said.

At one point, two shots were fired from one Humvee, which then returned to Mexico. It's unclear who fired the shots, Mosier said. No one was hit, and Border Patrol agents did not return fire, he said.

The nine occupants of the second Humvee surrendered and were taken to the Santa Teresa Border Patrol station. They were sent back to Mexico within a few hours.

Officials with the Border Patrol and its parent agency, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, will discuss the incident with Mexican government officials, the Border Patrol said.

Fraire, the consulate spokesman, praised the U.S. agents' response, saying they quickly returned the soldiers once they knew the crossing was accidental.

OBITUARIES



Judy Lowery

Judy Ann McLaughlin Lowery, 49, formerly of Midland, Texas, departed this life Saturday, March 11, 2000, in Detroit, Michigan.

Services will be 11 a.m. Saturday, March 18, at Stinson Funeral Home Chapel in Detroit.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Willie Mae and Rayfus McLaughlin Sr.

Survivors include her husband, Willie Lowery of Detroit; one son, Oswald; two daughters, Shaquala and Asha; three sisters, Lula Moss of San Diego, Calif., Doris Lowery of Midland, and Jane Louise Hayes of Monroe, La.; six brothers, James McLaughlin of Sudan, Texas, Albert McLaughlin of Alcajon, Calif., and Rayfus McLaughlin Jr., Clyde McLaughlin, Earl McLaughlin, and Joe McLaughlin, all of Midland; and a host of nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.



Minnie Taylor

Minnie Bell Taylor, 79, a long time resident of Midland, passed away on Monday, March 13, 2000.

She was born October 19, 1920 in Dallas, Texas and was educated in the Dallas public school system. She moved to Midland in 1967; and was a member of Faith Temple C.O.G.I.C.

Ms. Taylor is survived by her son, James A. Taylor, Jr.; and three grandsons, Rodney D. Taylor I, and Jearod Taylor, all of Midland, and Brian Lynn Taylor of Amarillo; two great-grandchildren, Evanee Taylor and Rodney D. Taylor II, both of Midland; one sister, Freda Trimble of Dallas; and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 11:00 a.m. today, March 16, at Faith Temple C.O.G.I.C. with Reverend W.C. Kenan officiating. Interment will follow in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers will be Walter Bryson, Michael McWilliams, Williamson Turner, Donnel Allen, Rickey Campbell, and Sammy Patton.



John Mitchum

John Milton Mitchum, age 42, died Saturday, March 11, 2000, at a Tampa, Florida hospital.

Memorial services will be held at 4:00 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2101 Tarleton in Midland. Bishop Gary Hoose will conduct the services.

John was born March 17, 1957 in El Paso, Texas, where he resided until 1975, when he moved to Jal, New Mexico. In 1977, he moved to Odessa, Texas, where he worked for El Paso Products Company and transferred to Corpus Christi, Texas in 1979. He began work for a plastics manufacturing company in Port Huron, Michigan in 1990, and lived there until moving to Midland in 1997. In Midland, he was employed with Energi Personnel. He moved to Tampa, Florida in 1999 to be near his fiancee, Nancy Bissett; they planned to be married this spring.

John is survived by his son, Joe Mitchum of Corpus Christi, Texas; his parents, Hazel and Milton (Mitch) Mitchum of Midland; two sisters, Sandy Lamere of Atoka, Tennessee and Sherry Stevenson of Midland; two nieces, Paula Blaney of Dallas, Texas and Lacey Stevenson of Midland; three nephews, who are all serving in the U.S. Navy, Chris Britner and Steve Britner, both of New York, and Rod Britner on duty at sea; and two great-nephews, Tré Blayney of Dallas and Chris Britner, Jr. of New York.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that donations be made in memory of John Mitchum to Hearts Alive, c/o Midland Memorial Hospital, 2200 W. Illinois, Midland, TX 79701.

DEATH NOTICES

John Lawler Jr.

John Lawler Jr., 74, died Saturday, March 11, at his home.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Friday, March 17, at Mount Carmel Baptist Church with the Rev. Johnny Mitchell officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Jackie Warren Funeral Home.

He was born May 4, 1925 in Mabank.

He was preceded in death by a sister and two brothers.

Survivors include three daughters, Myra J. Lawler, Osie L.L. Jones, and Vickie Lawler, all of Midland; a son, John Lawler Jr. of Austin; two sisters, Ida Hallmon and Linda Johnson; and a brother, Preston Johnson, all of Compton, Calif.

Other survivors include a son, Michael Eggleston of Fort Worth; a brother, Ron Eggleston of Grand Prairie; five sisters, Becky Pounds of Temple, Virginia Escue of Bastrop, Nancy Slay of Tyler, and Kathee Johnston and Dana Roepke, both of Midland; two grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Dale Eggleston

DALLAS—Dale Michael Eggleston, 56, son of Midlanders Delwin and Dorothy Eggleston, died Monday, March 13.

Memorial services will be 10 a.m. Friday, March 17, in the Sparkman-Dickey Funeral Home in Dallas.

He was born Sept. 22, 1943 in Rice Lake, Wisc.

He was a police officer, most recently in Celina. He was co-owner of Texas Proforce Protective Services.

Margaret Coyle

AUSTIN—Former Midlander Margaret Coyle, 76, died Tuesday, March 14, in Austin.

Graveside services will be 10 a.m. Friday, March 17, in Mont Meta Memorial Park with the Rev. Chuck Sharrow officiating. Visitation will be 12-9 p.m. today, March 16 at the Buck Ashcraft Funeral home.

She was born Sept. 1, 1923 in Amarillo.

She moved to Harlingen in 1966 and resided there for over 20 years, then moved to Austin. She was secretary to the assistant principal at Harlingen High School, and later for the principal at Stuart Place Elementary, retiring from Harlingen ISD in 1985. She was a member of St. Alban's Episcopal Church. She helped with the Midland and Harlingen hospital auxiliaries.

She was preceded in death by her husband, C.W. Coyle, in 1986; and a brother, Howard Coyle, in 1976.

Survivors include her daughter, Carla Zafereo of San Antonio; three grandchildren, and a great-grandson.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, or a charity of one's choice.

Ruby Anderson

BIG SPRING—Ruby Smith Anderson, 85, died Wednesday, March 15, at a local nursing home.

Graveside services will be 10 a.m. today, March 16, at Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock with the Rev. Keith Wiseman officiating under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She was born April 7, 1914 in Macon, Ga.

She moved to Big Spring in 1924. She taught school in the Centerpoint Community. She was a member of First United Methodist Church, and the Philathea Sunday School Class.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Silas B. Anderson, on March 13, 1988; three brothers, Peyton Smith, Bob Smith, and L.F. Smith Jr.; and a sister, Doris Buchanan.

Survivors include two brothers, Howard Smith and Ladd Smith, both of Big Spring; and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Philathea Sunday School Class, c/o First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1229, Big Spring, TX 79721-1229; or Vista Care Family Hospice, 3210 E. 11th Place, Big Spring, TX 79720.

David Ayers

BIG SPRING—David Ayers, 45, died Tuesday, March 14, in an Abilene hospital.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Friday, March 17, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born June 7, 1954 in Big Spring.

He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. He was an oil field mechanic. He was a member of Anderson St. Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by his father, Grady Ayers on Dec. 5, 1986.

Survivors include his mother, Hellen Ayers of Big Spring; two daughters, Jimmie L. Kane and Michelle Ayers, both of Midland; a sister, Rori Ayers of Big Spring; and four grandchildren.

FTZ: City Council to decide Tuesday

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day. Therefore, claims Shaw, imports of crude are necessary to meet demand in the U.S.

Cunningham said if there were no FTZ status granted to those refineries "The petroleum produced here would have to be shipped offshore to be refined. There would be some small refineries that would remain in operation ... . But a large percentage of the refineries and jobs and many associated jobs would probably disappear."

Cunningham said the FTZ program is designed to benefit the country by creating and retaining jobs in the U.S.

"Companies are trying to enhance their position so they'll continue to be competitive with similar foreign-based industries," Cunningham said.

Judge orders accused killer to undergo psychiatric exam

HOUSTON (AP) — The rail-riding drifter accused of nine slayings in three states was ordered Wednesday to submit to a court-appointed psychiatrist or jeopardize his lawyers' insanity defense strategy.

Angel Maturino Resendiz, 40, told state District Judge Bill Harmon that he would not allow a court-appointed psychiatrist to examine him as long as prosecutors sought the death penalty.

Harmon then granted prosecutor Devon Anderson's request that Maturino Resendiz be compelled to cooperate. If he does not, Harmon said testimony by a defense psychiatrist could be limited.

Defense attorney Allen Tanner has said he intends to pursue an insanity defense in the case of slain Houston-area physician Claudia Benton, who was killed in December 1998. Limiting expert testimony would be a blow to that effort.

Maturino Resendiz offered to accept an exam if Harmon held a hearing on the defendant's claim that authorities lied to induce his surrender in El Paso on July 13. Harmon said he did not make deals and that Maturino Resendiz' attorneys would have to formally request any hearing.

Maturino Resendiz has argued since his arrest that authorities' promise to treat him humanely meant he would not face the death penalty, which is outlawed in his native Mexico.

However, the death penalty is not considered cruel and unusual punishment in the United States or Texas, which has executed more killers than any other state since capital punishment resumed in the 1980s.

Jury selection is set to begin March 28 in Maturino Resendiz' capital murder trial for Benton's death.

Maturino Resendiz also is charged in three other Texas slayings, two in Illinois and another in Kentucky. He is the only suspect in two other Texas murders.

Controversial Tarrant sheriff expected tough fight, but not quick defeat

SAGINAW (AP) — Tarrant County Sheriff David Williams knew he was in a fight for his job, but he never anticipated being defeated in the Republican primary without at least a runoff.

After being soundly defeated in the GOP primary by Arlington police spokesman Dee Anderson, Williams now concedes that maybe his own shyness and failure to communicate to the public what he has accomplished cost him his post.

"I guess if a person is boastful and flamboyant, then he may have a different perspective drawn about him," Williams said Wednesday. "I think it's quite likely that my shyness may have been a factor in the ability to market myself campaign-wise. That's not during the campaign cycle, I'm talking between those four-year terms."

During his second term that goes through December, Williams has had constant, well-publicized battles with Tarrant County commissioners over budgets and the operation of the sheriff's department, including the use of vehicles and two helicopters.

Williams went as far as to sue the commissioners in 1998, only to drop the suit several months later.

Last December, after his military record became public, Williams admitted that he was AWOL as a military policeman in 1976. He said he left his post at Fort Sill, Okla., in a desperate attempt to reconcile with his first wife.

Those are the images of Williams that most Tarrant County GOP voters apparently had when they went to the polls Tuesday. Williams finished second in a seven-candidate field, but got just 14 percent of the vote to finish far behind Anderson's 54 percent.

Williams has to take some of the blame for those images. He rarely talks to reporters and, despite a desperate campaign for a third term, was rarely seen in public over the last few months.

"The real story is not what the final outcome of the vote was, the real story is the success story," Williams said. "Perhaps my inability to get that message out over a longer period of time was a factor in the campaign."

He claims that more than 100,000 fugitives have been taken off the streets and more than 300,000 prisoners booked in the Tarrant County jail since he took office in 1993. He says he's done so despite a $54 million budget that he says is half the national average for counties the size of Tarrant.

Williams, who said his budget request for a public information officer was turned down by county commissioners, admits that he rarely considered the media while doing his job.

"There were times that, being a little more adamant about the job, that I would forget that there's 20-40 folks from the media that wanted some of the story," he said. "We are dealing with issues of life and death, so sometimes it would be easy to lose sight of the fact that doing the job and doing what you told the voters you would do is not good enough. You have to market that."

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Eleven injured when tour train collides with tank car

FORT WORTH (AP) — Eleven people were injured, none seriously, when a vintage excursion train collided head-on at low speeds Wednesday with another train near the Stockyards National Historic District south of downtown Fort Worth.

Both trains were traveling less than 10 mph, said Lt. Kent Worley of the Fort Worth Fire Department. The Tarantula Train was carrying 148 passengers and a crew of seven when it was partially knocked off the track about 1:30 p.m..

The train, a diesel engine that makes several trips daily between Fort Worth and Grapevine, collided with a tanker train car loaded with animal fat, Worley said.

Seven adults and four children were taken to three hospitals. By night, all had been released, Worley said.

"We all got thrown out of our seats to the next seat in front of us," passenger Jean Tippett told KDFW-TV. "We were sitting on wooden seats. My brother got thrown on the floor and he broke the seat. A few babies got thrown in the aisles."

The Stockyards is a former livestock center that has been preserved in Fort Worth's turn-of-the-century Cowtown image. The old hog and sheep pens now house Stockyards Station, a festival marketplace with some 30 shops and restaurants and a depot for the Tarantula.

Officials said they're trying to determine how the trains ended up on the same track headed in opposite directions.



Firefighters check on the precariously leaning diesel engine of the Tarantula Train on Wednesday, in Fort Worth. The Tarantula Train, which makes several trips daily between Fort Worth and Grapevine, collided with a tank car near the Stockyards National Historic District just south of Fort Worth. No one was seriously injured in the accident. AP Photo

Inmate spits up key during lethal injection

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Texas prison officials scrambled Wednesday to find out how a condemned killer was able to get a small key, keep it in his mouth, then spit it out as an apparent final act of defiance seconds before lethal drugs killed him as he was strapped to the death chamber gurney.

"It's going to be difficult to locate where it precisely came from," Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said. "The guy that had the knowledge is no longer with us."

It was one of the more bizarre episodes in the Texas death chamber, where 209 inmates who received injection before Wilkerson sang, prayed, cried or said nothing, where one inmate vomited and where the lethal needle popped out of the arms of two prisoners and had to be re-inserted.

Death row inmate Ponchai Wilkerson, 28, had resisted prison officers all day leading up to his execution Tuesday night.

The convicted murderer of a Houston jewelry store owner forced guards to use gas to get him out of his cell early in the day for the trip to the death house. A team of officers had to pull him from the death house cell into the chamber, where he also fought attempts to strap him to the gurney.

Supplemental belts had to be used to secure him and an elastic bandage was tied over his forehead and around the gurney's table to keep his head immobile.

Then, after refusing to acknowledge the warden's normal request for a final statement, he mumbled a few words before the black inch-and-a-half key began protruding from his lips as the drugs began taking effect.

"The secret, as of Wilkerson," the inmate said, according to James Brazzil, a chaplain who stood next to Wilkerson in the chamber.

The key, used to open handcuffs and leg restraints, fell from Wilkerson's mouth and stuck to the right side of his face, where the surprised warden, Neill Hodges, retrieved it.

Wilkerson then gave a gasp and fell unconscious. He was pronounced dead at 6:24 p.m., seven minutes after the flow of lethal drugs began.

"We're continuing to look into how that key came into his possession," Fitzgerald said.

The normal procedure is for officers to check in an inmate's mouth as part of a search when he is transferred from death row, about 40 miles away, to the Huntsville Unit where executions take place.

"Because of the combative nature of Wilkerson at that time, he was brought in restraints and stayed in restraints," Fitzgerald said. "Normally the inmate is not in restraints and is free to move around in his cell. We did not have a chance to do the body search as we normally do."

He said officers also had difficulty fingerprinting the hostile Wilkerson, who fought another part of the usual routine.

"It was touch and go," he said.

While on death row, Wilkerson participated in at least two escape attempts and just last month was one of two inmates to hold a guard hostage for 13 hours before surrendering.

"We've eliminated several things, one of them that he came into possession of (the key) during the hostage situation," Fitzgerald said. "Our first thought was it may have happened then."

In that incident Feb. 21, a handcuffed inmate, Howard Guidry, was set free but Fitzgerald said the key used then was recovered by Texas Rangers.

The keys, shaped like a tiny stick figure without legs, have no numbers engraved on them.

"They are in such common use," Fitzgerald said. "A corrections officer might have one or two or more of them. And since it's a universal key there's no way to number them and no reason to number them. It's so small, I doubt you could."

Investigators examining Wilkerson's key said it had some rust on it, "which indicates to us it may have been in his possession for a while," Fitzgerald said.

Roe Wilson, who heads the appellate section of the Harris County district attorney's office dealing with death appeals, was in a Houston co[illegible]m last month when Wilke[illegible], after receiving his executio[illegible]te from a state district court judge, hit the courtroom floor and forced Harris County deputies to forcibly remove him.

"I wasn't at all surprised to hear that he resisted as long as he could and that they had to use force to actually get him to move from one point to the other," she said Wednesday. "But the part about him having a key in his mouth just boggles the mind."

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14 11 AAR 21⅛ +⅛
... ... ABN Amro 20⅜ +3/16
... ... ABN pfA 20⅜ +1/16
... ... ABN pfB 19¹¹/₁₆ –1/16
8 6 ACE Ltd 14⅝ ...
... ... ACMIn 8⅝ ...
... ... ACM Sc 8¹¹/₁₆ +1/16
... ... ACMSp 5¹¹/₁₆ –1/16
... ... ACM MI 8 7/16 +3/16
15 13 ACNiels 18⅝ –3/16
5 11 ACX Tch s 4 7/16 –9/16
61 23 AES Cp 71⅞ –1⅛
17 15 AFLAC 35⅜ +1 7/16
... 19 AGCO 10⅛ –⅛
13 15 AGL Res 17 7/16 +⅛
16 6 AK Steel 9⅜ +⅛
10 ... AMB Pr 20⅜ +3/16
... ... AMFM 57½ +1
9 11 AMR 57⅜ +½
... ... AMR wi 24 –⅛
... ... APT Sat 6⅝ +7/16
... ... ASA Ltd 18⅛ –3/16
30 23 AT&T s 53 +⅜
63 32 AVX Cp 66⅛ –1⅞
... ... AxA 59⅜ –1 9/16
11 10 AxA Fn s 26⅜ ...
... ... Aames ⅝ +1/16
20 17 AbtLab 31⅛ +9/16
11 8 AberFitc s 15⅝ +7/16
... ... Abitibi g 8⅞ –7/16
23 2 Acptins 4⅛ +⅛
53 14 Acuson 12⅝ +1/16
... ... AdaEx 34⅛ +3/16
... 22 AMD 48⅝ –4⅜
13 11 Advolnc 24⅜ ...
24 ... Aegon 85 3/16 –11/16
... 63 Aeroflex 54 9/16 –9⅝
11 10 Aetna Inc 51 3/16 +7/16
18 14 AffCmpSv 33½ +1⅜
12 15 AffMgrs 39 +3/16
83 77 Agilent n 121 –10⅛
... ... Agrium g 7¼ +1/16
14 11 AirProd 24⅞ +3/16
10 9 AirbFrt 17⅝ –⅛
11 10 Airgas 7½ +3/16
... ... AlaPC pfQ 20½ –1/4
5 6 AlaskAir 25⅝ –1⅛
8 9 Albemar 15 5/16 +⅛
12 11 Alberto 19 13/16 –1/16
21 9 Albertsn 24½ –⅜
15 10 Alcan 31½ –½
14 ... Alcatel 44⅜ –2⅛
22 14 Alcoa 61¼ –8 5/16
10 9 AlgEngy 24½ ...
10 10 AlegTch n 17⅜ +5/16
... 39 AlienTel 14⅝ –⅛
33 28 Allergan s 45 7/16 –⅜
14 12 AllCap 36½ –3/16
... ... AltWrld2 8⅞ +1/16
11 12 AltiantEgy 27 9/16 –⅛
... 4 AldWaste 5⅜ –⅛
8 7 AlmrFn 39¼ +1⅛
5 6 Allstate 18 +⅜
28 23 Alltel 68¹¹/₁₆ +1⅜
28 21 Alpharma 37¹¹/₁₆ +1/16
41 21 Alza 35 13/16 –9/16
10 8 AmbacF 43 5/16 +2⅞
... 92 Amdocs 85½ –1 3/16
12 12 AmHes 58 +1¼
10 9 Amerend 27 3/16 –5/16
... ... AmOnine s 81¹¹/₁₆ +13/16
4 5 AmWest 13⅛ –1/16
10 10 AEP 26⅞ +⅜
24 20 AmExp 128 7/16 +1⅞
9 7 AFnclGp 20 3/16 +1/16
10 9 AGenCp 48 3/16 ...
12 7 AGreet 16⅜ –⅜
... 23 AHomePA6 5/16 –13/16
27 23 AmIntGp s 85 3/16 –½
14 11 AlPC 18⅜ +⅜
19 8 AmStd 36 3/16 +⅞
... ... AmTower 49½ –4⅛
14 11 AmWtr 19 7/16 +⅜
10 7 Americdt 11⅞ +3/16
22 14 Amerigas 14 11/16 +3/16
8 6 AmerSrc 12 –⅞
8 6 AmerUs d 16⅛ –9/16
9 8 Ametek d 16 –1 3/16
34 23 Amphnl 80 3/16 –2½
15 7 AmSouth sd 12 3/16 –⅛
42 35 AmwyAs 17⅝ +3/16
... 29 Anadrk 32 1/16 +7/16
... 54 Analog 145 1/16 –19 3/16
19 16 Anheusd 54 5/16 –1 7/16
9 14 Anixter 23 1/16 –1 1/16
15 11 AnnTayl 27 +3 7/16
16 10 Aon Cp s 21 3/16 –1/16
24 16 Apache 41 5/16 +1/16
... ... Aptinv 37 +1/16
13 10 ApldPw 27 ...
4 13 Apria 13 9/16 +3/16
14 11 Aptargp 22 5/16 –⅜
... ... Aracruz 19½ –1/16
... 7 ArcadiaFn 4 11/16 –1/16
29 12 ArchDan d9 1/16 –7/16
13 ... ArchstnC 19 5/16 ...
35 10 Argosy 13⅞ +1/8
51 3 ArmWI 16 11/16 +1/16
24 13 ArrowEl 30 13/16 –1 1/8
5 5 Arvin 18 9/16 –1/16
4 ... Ashanti 2⅛ –1/16
18 8 Ashland 30⅞ –5/16
... ... AsiaPlp 8 7/16 –3/16
8 7 AscFCap 16⅛ +⅛
... ... AstraZen 39¾ –1 1/16
19 16 AtlRich 79 +5/16
18 13 AtlasAir 28½ –½
31 10 ATMOS 17⅛ +⅛
7 5 AuroraF 4 7/16 –1/16
... ... AusNZ pf 24 7/16 +1/32
... 8 AutoNatn 7⅛ –1/16
40 33 AutoData 47 1/16 +2 3/16
15 11 AutoZone 22 9/16 +1⅛
23 ... AvalonBay 34 –1/16
46 ... Aventis 45¾ –1 1/16
29 20 AveryD 58½ –⅞
17 11 Avnet 80⅜ –⅛
3 3 Aviation 7 11/16 –11/16
6 5 Avis 15⅛ +5/16
... 23 Avista 29 15/16 –1/16
12 14 Avnet 60⅜ –⅛
22 15 Avon 27⅞ –3/16
31 14 Aztar 10⅛ –⅛
20 17 Azurix n 8 3/16 +⅛
12 10 BB&T Cp 22⅜ –½
... ... BCE g 119 7/16 +5/16
... ... BG Grp 24 5/16 –7/16
... 41 BJS 64 15/16 –1 13/16
20 17 BJs Whls 29 9/16 +13/16
20 13 BMC 51½ +1/16
29 ... BPAmoc s 51 1/16 –7/16
16 ... BRE 24½ +⅝
... 49 BakrHu 26¾ –½
14 12 Baldor 16 15/16 +1/16
9 8 Ball 29⅝ +½
16 10 BallyTotF 25 3/16 +1 1/16
... ... BcoRioP 13 15/16 –1/16
28 ... BcoSnCH 10 3/16 +1/16
9 11 Bancwst s 15⅝ +⅜
8 9 BankOne 24 1/16 –7/16
8 8 Bk of Am 42⅝ –9/16
... ... BkTokyo 13½ –⅜
14 16 BkNY 31⅞ –1/16
7 ... BkAtlA 4⅛ +1/16
16 13 Bard 36 9/16 +7/16
11 11 BarrNbl 17⅜ +½
22 16 BarrLab 42 7/16 –5/16
36 25 BarrettRs 22⅞ +⅛
20 ... BarrickG 16⅝ –1/16
... ... BatlMt 2⅛ –1/16
29 15 BauschL 50⅞ –⅛
19 16 Baxter 54 +¾
5 5 BayView 7⅝ –¼
7 8 BearSt 39 15/16 –⅜
14 13 BeckCoul 51 11/16 –1 5/16
28 17 BectDck 29⅝ –1
17 12 Belden 25 11/16 +1 7/16
16 11 BellAtl 58⅛ –1/16
24 20 BellSouth 45 –1⅛
9 15 Belo 13 13/16 +⅛
13 12 Bemis 29⅛ –7/16
37 23 BenchEl 32¾ –1⅞
... ... Benguet 7½
... ... BentonOG 2⅝ –1/16
11 6 BergBr 4¾ +3/16
24 ... BerkHa A 44000 –
600 ...
19 14 BerryP 15¹¹/₁₆ +⅜
45 31 BestBuy 62 15/16 +1¼
15 14 Bestfds 38¾ –⅜
... 20 BethStl 6⅝ +1/16
... 9 Beverly 3⅜ +1/16
14 11 BindlyW 14½ –9/16
38 22 Biomtrx s 27¼ –3/16
41 29 Biovail s 49 9/16 +1 1/16
... 5 BirSti 3½ +⅛
9 6 BlackD 32¼ +⅞
13 12 BlkHlCp 22⅛ ...
... ... BlkIT 5 15/16 ...
... ... BlkIMT 9 11/16 +3/16
... ... BlkIQT 7 11/16 +1/16
... ... BlkTT 9⅝ ...
17 13 Blanch 49 15/16 ...

33 12 BlckHR 41 –1 1/16
... 12 Blckbstr n 11 ...
12 10 Blyth 22 3/16 –⅛
13 13 Boeing 33 1/16 +⅜
... 9 BoiseC 27 9/16 –1 1/16
... 5 BordCh 4⅜ –⅛
14 11 Borders 15 11/16 +1 1/16
... 6 BorgWAu 32 9/16 +⅛
23 18 BostSci 20 1/16 –⅛
30 11 Bowatr 42 1/16 –2 1/16
19 12 Bowne 13 5/16 +1 3/16
8 7 BoydGm 4 5/16 –5/16
... ... Brahma 13 1/16 +⅞
20 ... Brandyw 15⅝ –⅛
6 7 BrigStrat 34 3/16 +1 11/16
8 4 BrillChA s 2 7/16 –1/16
15 12 Brinkr 22 15/16 –1 1/16
18 19 BristHR 9 5/16 ...
23 20 BrMySq 47 5/16 –3
... ... Broadwing 35 11/16 –1 11/16
... ... BrwnFA 43 1/16 +1⅛
14 ... BrwnFBd 43 5/16 +1⅜
37 8 Brunswick 15⅛ +1/16
... 9 BudgetGp d 4¾ –5/16
12 8 BurlCoat 13⅛ +⅛
8 7 BurlNSF 19 7/16 –3/16
... 24 BrlRsc 32¼ +1⅛
17 ... BurnPP 7 5/16 ...
10 8 Burns Intl 10 5/16 +3/16
25 ... CANTV 34 1/16 –1/16
50 ... CBS 55 5/16 –1⅛
9 9 CCB Fn 34 3/16 +3/16
10 9 CH Engy 27 5/16 +⅛
... 3 CHS El 5 1/16 +1/16
18 9 CIGNA 81 3/16 +3/16
... ... CIGNA Hl 53⅜ –⅛
6 5 CIT Gp 13⅝ –1/16
... 8 CK Witco 9 15/16 ...
8 11 CKE Rst 6⅝ +⅛
13 12 CLECO 31 5/16 –5/16
38 7 CMI Cp d4 9/16 ...
8 7 CMS Eng 17½ +5/16
... ... CMS Tr n 25 9/16 +1/16
... 13 CNA Fn 26 3/16 +5/16
... 44 Cadence 20 15/16 –3/16
... 10 CallGolf 12 9/16 –7/16
58 47 Calpine s 99¾ –5⅛
24 17 Cambrex 38½ +9/16
22 ... CamdnP 26½ ...
... ... CmpR g ⅛ –1/32
18 14 CampSp 26⅛ –¼
... ... CdnRy gs 23 9/16 –13/16
... ... CdnPc g 18 15/16 +5/16
22 16 CapOne s 38⅛ +⅜
6 8 Capstd 3¾ ...
21 14 CardnH 40 1/16 +1/16
9 9 CaremkRx 41/16 +3/16
... ... Caribnr 2⅜ –1 15/16
13 11 Carnival 22 9/16 –11/16
11 9 CaroPw 29 +3/16
14 7 CarpTechd 21 15/16 –⅜
12 ... CarrAmR 20½ +⅜
... ... Carson 5 ...
83 56 CashAm 12⅜ –⅜
36 28 CatMkt 93 1/16 +5/16
19 9 Catelus 12 3/16 –¼
14 11 Caterpillr 35 15/16 +3/16
... ... Celestic gs 51 15/16 +1 7/16
... ... Celltech n 44 5/16 –9/16
... ... Cemex n 25 5/16 –⅜
... 16 Cendant 17 5/16 +1/16
... ... Cendnt pfI 27½ –3/16
... ... Cendant rt 10½ +1/16
4 4 Centex 18 1/16 +1/16
7 8 CenSoWst 15½ –¼
10 13 CentrlNws 29 9/16 +1/16
10 8 CentBk 35⅜ +¾
21 17 CntryTel 34 11/16 +9/16
18 17 Ceridian 17 5/16 –13/16
6 6 ChmpE 5 15/16 +1/16
20 10 Chmpln 49 1/16 –1⅝
... 17 Chart d3 5/16 –1/16
11 7 ChartOneF 16⅜ +⅜
13 12 ChaseM 79 –1 1/16
34 10 Checkpnt 8 1/16 –⅜
18 ... ChelGCA 28 1/16 +⅛
17 7 ChesEng 24 –⅛
26 17 Chevron 82 7/16 +3 1/16
... ... ChicBy 9 5/16 +1/16
11 12 ChiTel 51 1/16 –3/16
... ... ChileTel 21 1/16 –1/16
... ... ChinaTlc 169 9/16 –8½
... 7 Chiquta 4 –⅛
30 23 Choicept s 39 –2 1/16
84 78 ChrisCr 83 –1
13 10 Chubb 44 15/16 –5/16
12 12 ChurDwr s 14 13/16 –3/16
... ... Chyron 9⅞ –1⅛
28 26 CIBER 21 3/16 –5/16
8 8 CINergy 20 1/16 –5/16
... 20 CirCtyCC s 42 3/16 –1 1/16
... 20 CirCGar 2⅜ –⅛
17 15 Citigrp s 49 3/16 –3/16
52 55 CitzUtil 15½ –⅞
12 10 CityNC 26 11/16 –5/16
10 8 ClairesStr 16½ +¼
7 6 ClaytnH 8⅛ ...
... ... ClearChan 62 7/16 +7/16
32 15 Clorox s 29⅞ –⅛
19 15 Coastal 43 –2
35 28 CocaCl d 43⅜ –⅜
... 27 CocaCE 20 3/4 +1/16
56 ... CCFemsa 19 –1/16
29 25 ColgPal s 43 1/16 –⅝
8 7 ColBgp 8 5/16 ...
19 14 ColumEn 57 9/16 –⅜
... 14 ColHCA 20 15/16 –1/16
... 38 Comdisco 48 3/16 –2⅞
7 7 Comeric 34 1/16 +3/16
7 7 ComInfS 7 5/16 +1/16
8 6 CmcFdl 12 11/16 ...
9 ... CmclNL 10 1/16 –1/16
31 25 ComScop 40 3/16 –1⅝
87 25 Compaq 29 1/2 +1 5/16
49 17 CompAs 62 1/16 –2 9/16
35 26 CompSci 79 1/16 –1 1/16
13 12 CmpTsk 13 1/16 +7/16
... 15 ComstkRs 4 3/16 –3/16
24 9 ConAgra 15⅝ +⅛
... 7 Conectiv 13 5/16 +1/16
19 ... ConocoA 22½ –1/16
20 ... ConocoB n 22⅞ –1/16
4 4 Conseco 11 13/16 –7/16
9 8 ConEd 27⅜ –1/16
49 18 ConsPap 35 5/16 +5/16
14 14 ConStor 12 1/16 +5/16
7 11 ConstellEn 29 9/16 +⅜
... 8 CtlAir B 35 5/16 +1½
41 29 Cnvrgys 36 5/16 –⅞
81 39 CoopCam 62 7/16 –1/16
14 12 CoopCo 25 9/16 +3/16
9 8 Cooper 30 3/16 –1/16
5 5 CooprTr 9 3/16 –7/16
... ... Copel 9 1/16 ...
13 13 Cordant u 55 1/16 +2 5/16
... 27 CoreLab 25½ –⅜
11 10 CornPdts 22 15/16 ...
10 ... CorPrpt 17 +1/16
22 ... CornerRt 10 1/16 +1/16
92 72 Corningin 178½ –8 1/16
... ... CorpHY 9 1/16 ...
... ... CpHYIII 9 3/16 –1/16
3 ... CorusGr s 16 15/16 +5/16
8 8 CntwCrd 26 3/16 +⅛
14 11 Covance 10 13/16 ...
28 ... CoxCom s 43 +⅛
33 56 CoxRadio 63 3/16 +2 9/16
12 10 Crane 19 3/16 +5/16
... ... Credicp 12 1/16 –5/16
... ... CresRE 16½ ...
7 ... vjCriimiM 1 1/16 ...
... ... CristChie 20 1/16 –½
13 16 CrosTbr 12 9/16 +11/16
9 ... CrosTim 10 7/16 +5/16
6 6 CwnCork 14 1/16 –⅛
53 29 Cryolite 18 5/16 –1 1/16
11 10 CullnFrs 20 1/16 +½
8 5 CumEng 31½ +1/16
26 23 CypSem 42 15/16 –4 13/16
10 9 Cytec 26 3/4 –1 1/16

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... 28 DBT Onl 19 7/16 –15/16
14 12 DPL 18 3/16 –3/16
17 16 DQE 46 1/16 –½
4 4 DR Horton 11 1/16 –5/16
26 22 DST Sys 54 9/16 –1 9/16
9 9 DTE 30 –9/16
12 9 DaimlrC 82 9/16 +1½
6 7 Dal-Tile 7 3/16 –1/16
37 28 DallSemi s 40 11/16 –3 1/16
8 5 DanRivr 5 1/16 –3/16
7 5 DanaCp 21⅞ –⅜
21 17 Danaher 37 9/16 ...
11 9 Darden 12 15/16 ...
10 9 DaveB 8⅜ –1/16
32 25 DeVry 19 7/16 +5/16
12 7 DeanFd 24 3/16 –5/16
... ... DebtStr2 6⅞ ...
... ... DebtStrt d5 15/16 –3/16
36 16 Deere 34 9/16 –¾
12 9 DelMnte 10 3/16 +1/16
9 9 DelhaizeA 17 3/16 +1/16
8 7 DelphiA 15 1/16 –⅜
8 6 DelphFn 24 11/16 +1 11/16
... 19 DetPnw 19 1/16 –3/16
6 7 DeltaAir 48 11/16 –11/16
... ... DeltaW 11½ –⅛
9 9 Deluxe 24 9/16 ...
6 6 Dept56 13 9/16 +3/16
... ... DeRigo 5⅝ ...
... ... DeutTel 83 3/16 –5 7/16
13 ... DevDV 12 1/16 +1/16
10 17 Dexter 44 5/16 +3/16
... ... Diageo 24 3/4 –½
10 9 Dial 12 1/16 +½
31 35 DiaOfls 34 –1/16
11 11 Diebold 24 7/16 +½
10 8 Dillards 15 –1/16
7 6 DimeBcp 14 5/16 –1/16
6 5 DiscAut 9½ –9/16
98 42 Disney 34 1/16 –13/16
18 9 Dole d13 9/16 –¼
25 19 DollarG s 20 1/16 +5/16
5 4 DollarTh 11⅝ ...
23 11 DomRes n 35 1/16 –¾
15 5 Donldson 23 1/16 +1/16
12 11 DonLufJen 48 7/16 –1¼
... 98 DLJ Dir n 13⅜ –⅛
8 8 DonlleyRR 19 1/2 –5/16
... 39 DotHill 14 –1⅛
21 17 Dover 40 5/16 –11/16
15 12 DoverD 11 15/16 –1/16
16 14 DowCh 97 1/16 –2½
29 23 DowJns 67 3/16 +1⅛
... ... DryHYSt d8½ –1/16
... ... DryStrt 7½ +1/16
5 15 DuPont 47 15/16 –⅝
9 16 DuaneR 21 5/16 –⅛
... ... DufPUtil 8⅝ –1/16
21 11 DukeEngy 46 7/8 +⅜
13 ... DukeWks 17 7/8 –1/16
18 15 DunBrad 27 7/16 +9/16
80 32 Dycom s 47 –1 5/16
... 20 Dyersbg 1 +3/16
65 24 Dynegy n 58 5/16 –⅜
... 10 E4L 2¼ +1/16
... ... EEX Cp 2¾ –⅜
... 78 EMC s 121½ –4½
... ... DebtStr d5 15/16 –3/16
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... ... Diageo 24 3/4 –½
10 9 Dial 12 1/16 +½
31 35 DiaOfls 34 –1/16
11 11 Diebold 24 7/16 +½
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18 15 DunBrad 27 7/16 +9/16
80 32 Dycom s 47 –1 5/16
... 20 Dyersbg 1 +3/16
65 24 Dynegy n 58 5/16 –⅜
... 10 E4L 2¼ +1/16
... ... EEX Cp 2¾ –⅜
... 78 EMC s 121½ –4½

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36 16 Eaton 73 15/16 –1 1/16
9 10 Eaton 73 15/16 –1 1/16
17 13 EatnVan 41½ ...
... ... EV Srinc 9 1/16 ...
24 20 Ecolab 30 9/16 +1
8 8 EdisonInt 15 9/16 –⅜
9 9 Edwards 32 1/16 +1/16
24 15 EiPasEn 37 1/16 –1 9/16
... ... ElPasT pf 52 3/16 –⅜
42 ... Elan s 39 1/16 –½
20 16 Elcor s 29 7/16 +⅛
72 25 EDS 60 7/16 +3/16
... ... Embratl 25 11/16 –2
... ... EmgMkt 13 1/16 –⅛
14 12 EmrsnEl 42 5/16 –3/16
17 13 EmpDist d 19 1/16 –⅜
... ... EEtiChile 11 11/16 +1/16
6 5 Encompss 6½ +1/16
18 ... Endesa 22 5/16 +¼
10 9 EgyEast s 19 5/16 +7/16
... ... Enersis 19 7/16 ...
4 ... Enesco 6 9/16 –1/16
9 8 EngiCp 13½ –⅛
8 5 Enhance 13⅜ +1⅜
56 45 Enron s 65 3/16 –13/16
... ... Enron02 n 19 1/16 ...
... ... EnrLLC pf 22⅞ ...
... 46 ENSCO 30⅜ +5/16
... 86 Entercm 42⅜ –5/16
8 7 Entergy 17 9/16 –11/16
7 ... EnterPT 11 15/16 +3/16
... ... Entrade 45 1/16 –4
... ... EnzoBio 77 –6 1/16
... 18 EottEng 13 1/16 +⅜
... ... Equant 111⅛ –3 1/16
14 12 Equifax 21 9/16 –⅞
20 15 EqtResc 39 11/16 –⅞
11 ... EqtyInn 6⅝ +3/16
16 ... EqOffPT 24 5/16 –⅛
17 ... EqtyRsd 39 1/16 –⅛
4 14 EscoElec 14 5/16 +⅞
35 30 EsteeLdr s 40 9/16 +⅜
11 9 EthanAl s 22 5/16 +⅜
4 4 Ethyl d2 1/16 –3/16
... ... EurWtFd 17 3/16 –⅛
8 6 EverestRe 25 1/16 +3/16
... 10 ExideCp 12⅜ –⅛
... 42 ExtStayA 7 3/16 ...
34 22 ExxonMob 77 1/16 +1⅜
... ... FEMSA 49 15/16 –11/16
7 7 FMC 49 3/16 +5/16
10 10 FPL Gp 41⅞ –¼
51 41 FactSetR s 32 1/16 –⅞
21 16 Fairisc 41 11/16 +2 3/16
... 38 FairCp d5 –1 1/16
... 23 FrchIdS n 33 5/16 –2⅜
6 5 FairfCmtsd 71 1/16 –¼
19 14 FamDlr 15 5/16 ...
14 12 FanniMae 51 7/8 +5/16
15 13 FedExCp s 32 1/16 –⅜
4 4 FedMog 15 3/16 +⅛
13 11 FedSignl 18 11/16 +1 1/16
10 9 FedrDS 35 1/2 +1 1/16
16 13 FedInvst 23 –½
11 ... FelCor 18 5/16 +⅛
7 7 FidelFin 15 1/16 ...
18 13 FSA u 71 11/16 +14
7 6 Finova 25 3/16 +1 1/16
8 8 FAFncl 11 1/16 +7/16
15 20 FstData 40 7/16 –¼
... ... FFinFd 7 1/16 ...
11 ... FstInRT 26 9/16 –7/16
8 8 FstTenn 16 1/16 +1/16
10 9 FstUC 33 +⅜
10 10 FtVaBk 30 3/4 +9/16
21 11 Firstar s 17 7/8 +3/16
7 7 FirstEngy 18 3/16 +⅜
12 8 FleetBost 25 3/16 –⅜
5 5 FleetEn d 14 7/16 –1/16
... 10 Fleming 14 5/16 –⅛
... ... FletFD 21½ ...
... ... FlooringA 5 1/16 –⅛
14 13 FlaProg 43 7/8 –1/16
... 12 Flowers 12 –1/16
36 8 Flowserv 11 7/16 –1/16
20 9 Fluor 28 1/16 +⅞
8 7 Footstar 22 3/4 +½
7 7 FordMot 40 1/2 –2 5/16
52 40 ForestLabu 73 9/16 +1 7/16
23 14 ForestOil 9 9/16 +3/16
13 7 FtJames 18 7/16 –5/16
... 9 FortuneBr 21 7/16 –⅜
15 6 FostWh 5½ –1/16
7 6 FoundHS 8 1/16 –⅜
97 49 Fox Ent 24 1/16 –⅞
13 11 FrankRes 25 3/16 –⅜
13 11 FredMac 38 3/16 –11/16
... 19 FMCG A 11 1/16 –⅛
14 12 FMCG 12 9/16 –⅝
... 5 Fremont 6 –⅛
4 13 FGoldmn 8 9/16 ...
... 73 FriedBR 14 11/16 –1 3/16
... 2 FrntrIns 2 –1/16
... 9 vjFruitL 1 5/16 ...
7 6 FurnBrds 15 15/16 +⅛

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11 10 GATX 34 –1 9/16
... 10 GP Strat 5½ ...
7 7 GPU 23⅞ –⅛
17 17 GTE 66 –1
... ... GabelliET 11 1/16 ...
... ... GabGloM 16½ +⅛
14 ... GablRsd 22¼ +⅛
18 15 Gainsco 5⅝ –⅛
8 7 Galileo Int 17 –⅛
14 13 Gallagr 49 3/4 +9/16
... ... Gallaher 18⅛ –⅛
19 17 Gannett 65 15/16 –1/16
35 27 Gap s 43 15/16 –2
18 15 Gartner 13½ –⅝
... 11 GartnrB n 10½ –⅛
46 31 Gateway s 60 1/16 +⅜
4 7 GenCorp s 7⅝ +7/16
... ... Genentc s 181 1/16 +1⅛
... ... GaInv 38 1/16 +⅜
9 6 GnCable 8⅛ –⅜
... 21 GnData 10⅜ –⅛
8 10 GenDyn 40 1/16 +1 1/16
39 33 GenElec 127 –2 7/16
16 14 GenMills s 30⅛ –⅜
9 8 GnMotr 76 1/16 –1⅜
... ... GM H 123⅛ –5⅛
27 18 GenSemi 17⅜ –1 3/16
... ... GenesisH 1 9/16 ...
9 9 GnRad 14⅜ +1/16
10 9 GenuPrt 20⅜ –11/16
4 6 Geon Co 18 +1/2
18 6 GaGulf 19⅛ –7/16
11 7 GaPcGP s 35 3/16 –7/16
8 10 GaPTmb 22⅛ ...
26 23 Gillette 30 –1⅜
... ... Glamis 2 +⅛
31 ... GlaxoWel 52⅜ +⅝
19 ... GlenRT 14⅜ ...
43 31 GlobM 21 5/16 –⅛
... ... GlbTele s 27 –1
... ... go.com n 23 –9/16
... ... GoldStBc 13 +1/16
10 9 GoldWF s 27⅞ ...
19 19 GoldmnS n 104 3/4 –5⅛
18 8 Goodrch 27 +11/16
13 7 Goodyear 20⅜ –3/16
5 6 Grace 10 ...
24 20 Graingr 45½ +8 11/16
13 12 GraniteC 25 7/16 +¼
... 8 GtAtPc 18 11/16 –2 11/16
12 10 GtLkCh 28½ +1/16
... ... GtChina 8 9/16 –1/16
7 6 GreenptFn 15 9/16 +1/16
17 ... GElektra 12 7/16 –5/16
... ... GMasaca 8⅝ –1/16
... ... GTelevsa 71¾ –2¾
... ... GTribasa 9½ ...
24 ... Gucci 88 –11/16
59 38 Guidant 65 –3 9/16
... ... GtCda g 3 9/16 –1/16
21 17 GulfIndoR 7 15/16 –1/16
... ... H&Q Hlt 29¼ –3¾
... ... H&Q Life 28¼ –3⅞
... 53 HA-LO 10⅛ –3/16
26 9 HCC In 11¾ –¼
6 ... HRPT Prp 7⅝ ...
9 10 HSB Gpd 21 9/16 –¾
... ... HSBC pfD 24¾ +3/16
20 16 HarteHnk 20 1/16 +⅛
8 7 HartfdFn 30 +½
9 8 HartfdLfd 30 1/16 +15/16
15 10 Hasbro 14 9/16 +1/16
10 10 HawEl 28 11/16 +⅛
11 ... HlthCP 24 9/16 ...
18 15 HltMgt 11 3/16 –9/16
8 ... HltcrRty 18½ +1/16
27 7 HlthAm 4⅞ –⅛
54 33 HrstAsT 21 1/16 –1/16
... ... HeciaM 1 1/16 ...
13 ... Heico A 12 15/16 +5/16
... 7 Heilig 2¾ –⅛
12 12 Heinz 32 7/16 –9/16
... 7 HelmTel 13 1/16 –1⅜
... ... MIMI Cos 9¾ –1/16
20 16 MSC Ind 13 1/16 –¼
... ... MackCali d 22 7/16 –1/16
28 6 Magellan 5⅞ –¼
... ... Magnal g 39 3/4 +1 1/16
7 9 Magntk 8½ –⅛
6 5 MailWell 7½ +9/16
9 8 Malinckr 23 15/16 +1/16
... ... MgdHi 8¼ +1/16
18 9 Mandalay d 13 –¾
10 9 Manitow 25 –¾
... 10 ManorCare 13 1/16 –1/16
28 13 Manpwr 28 1/16 –5/16
22 ... ManuHnm 23 3/8 +⅛
... ... Manulif gn 12 1/8 –⅛
... 29 MarineDrl 23⅜ –½
12 10 MarkIV 19⅜ –⅜
17 14 MarintA 27 1/16 +¼
30 19 MarshMcL 79 1/16 +3 15/16
15 13 Marshlls 45 9/16 +3/16
... ... MStewrt n 25⅝ –½
14 12 MartMM 37 11/16 –1⅝
... ... MarvelEnt 5⅝ +¼
14 9 Masco 18½ –⅜
6 6 MascoTch 11½ –⅛
... ... MassCp 20 +1/16
36 26 Mastec 64⅝ –2¼
... ... Matav 47⅛ –⅜
... 13 Mattel 9⅞ +3/16
24 18 Maximus 33 7/16 –1⅞
10 9 MayDS 25⅛ +3/16
7 7 Maytag 27⅜ +5/16
18 13 McCorm 26 3/16 +½
... 8 McDerm 9⅝ –1/16
22 19 McDnlds 30½ –1 15/16
21 20 McGrH 46½ +⅜
22 15 McKHBOC 18⅛ –⅝
20 10 Mead 29½ –1½
... ... MedPrtAp 6⅜ +1/16
8 6 MediaArt 8 7/16 +1/16
15 ... MediaOne 76 1/16 –½
28 30 Medicis 46⅜ –1/16
5 2 Meditrust 2 11/16 ...
60 43 Medtrnic s 46 7/8 –3 5/16
15 13 MelnFnc s 28 –¼
23 20 Merck 58 3/16 –⅞
9 8 MercGn 21⅞ –1/16
14 12 Meredith 22⅞ +1/16
15 11 MeridRes 3 11/16 –3/16
7 ... MeriStHsp 15⅛ +1/16
4 5 Meritor 14⅝ +1/16
16 15 MerrLyn 98 1/16 –3 7/16
... 10 MetroCo s 30 +2 5/16
... ... MGM 27⅜ –11/16
33 23 MettlerTd 38 7/16 +1/16
... ... MexFd 17½ –½
... 22 MicrnT u 111½ –6
14 13 MidAmEn 35 ...
11 10 Midas 25⅛ +1⅜
45 13 MidwGm 18 1/16 –15/16
7 6 Milacron 13 7/16 –1/16
... 11 MillenChm 16⅛ +⅛
... 21 Millerin 4⅛ –⅛
45 32 Millipore u 64 +1 5/16
14 ... MillsCp 17 3/16 +⅛
19 16 MMM 79⅛ +⅛
26 9 MinnPwr 15⅛ +⅛
26 19 MirageRst 18 3/16 –⅛
... ... Mitel g 25⅞ –5/16
... 13 ModisProf 15⅛ +⅛
8 6 Mohawk 20⅜ +1/16
7 6 MonacoC s 15 5/16 –1/16
45 31 Monsanto 41⅛ +⅛
... ... Monsnt03 38⅛ ...
40 40 MonPw s 53 +1
5 10 MONYGp 27½ ...
4 6 Moore 4 9/16 –⅛
19 19 MSDWit s 79 15/16 –2 9/16
... ... MSAfrica 9⅜ –1/16
... ... MS Asia 10½ –3/16
... ... MorSEm 18 15/16 –⅛
... ... MS India 14¼ –1/16
... ... MSDW gvt 7⅞ –1/16
... ... MSDW ylt 3⅝ ...
11 11 Morgan 111 1/16 –15/16
8 7 MorrKnud 7 ...
... 47 Motorola 161 3/16 –5 3/16
10 9 Mueller 29¾ –⅛
... ... MunihCA2 11 15/16 +1/16
... ... MunihFL 10⅝ –1/16
... ... MunhyId 11¼ –⅜
... ... MunyIdIns 11½ –⅜
... ... MunyQlty 11¼ ...
21 16 MurpO 55 –7/16
4 4 MusicLd 6⅞ +1/16
24 18 Mylan 26 13/16 –⅜
12 17 NCR Cp 42 –⅞
... ... NS Grp 14 –⅝
12 9 NabiscoGp 81 1/16 ...
... 18 NabisH 27⅜ –⅝
... 19 NatcoG n 12½ –⅝
8 7 NatCity s 17 7/16 –⅛
13 12 NData 27¾ –1/16
15 27 NatDiscB 41⅛ –2⅛
... 35 NatOilwl 24 3/16 –1 1/16
... 26 NtSemi 61 13/16 –5 15/16
7 7 NtSvin 20 13/16 –½
... 4 NatlSti 6 15/16 –⅝
13 6 NathFSd 20 7/16 –⅜
8 ... NatHP 10 13/16 –⅜
13 10 NavigCons 9 15/16 –5/16
4 6 Navistar 36 1/4 +1 9/16
... 9 NeimM A 22 1/4 +1 3/16
... ... NeimMB n 21 1/16 +⅛
... ... NtwkEq 11 3/16 –5/16
... ... NewAm 3 ...
9 8 NCentEn 25⅞ +⅜
20 19 NEngEl 53 15/16 –⅜
... 9 NPlanExl 13 5/16 –⅛
24 20 NY Times 41 15/16 +3/16
38 NewbNk 32 3/4 –1 3/16
64 10 NewellRub 21 1/16 –½
43 24 NewtExp 33 7/8 –1 1/16
... 27 NewmtM 24 5/16 +⅛
... 21 NwpkRs 8 15/16 –⅜
11 11 NwpNws 29 1/16 +1/16
49 ... NewsCorp 58 11/16 –1 9/16
... ... NewsCp A 49 7/16 –⅞
... 32 NiagMH d 11 1/16 +1/16
12 10 Nicor 30 5/16 +3/16
16 13 NikeB 26⅞ +1/16
53 27 99 Cents s 34 1/16 +⅛

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

PE PPE Name Last Chg

A-B-C

ADTV 31½ +½
99 51 ADC Tel s 50¼ –2⅜
33 31 Adelbi 7 –
60 — ADE Tst su32½ +1½
— — AVI Bio 16⅜ –2⅛
— — Aastrom 5⅛ –⅛
— — Abgenix287⅝ –30⅛
— 5 AbleTel 5⅞ –1
11 22 Acclaim 4⅝ –⅛
— — AccrueS n 4⅝ –1½
9 8 AceCyber 11⅞ –2⅞
— — ActivISI nu137⅛ +3¾
38 30 Acxiom 34½ –2½
29 20 Adaptec 44 –1⅛
— — AdaptiBrd166⅜ –11¼
— — Adelph h 48 –⅛
44 40 AdobeSy s81 ⅞ –1⅛
16 12 AdvPara s12.9% +⅛
— 39 AdvDigi s 47 +⅛
25 — AdvFibn 75⅜ –4¾
— 49 AdvLight 16⅛ –2⅝
— — AdvRadio 39¾ –¼
— — AdvTiss 9 –1½
— — AerialC 59 +2¾
— — AffTech 3⅛ –⅛
— — Affymet 203⅞ –30⅛
— — AfterSoft n182⅝ –20⅝
— — AlNet n. 49¾ –9
— 5 AirTran 3¾ –⅛
28 21 Akorn 9⅛ –2½
— — Akzo 37 –¼
— — Alkerm 113 –16
— — AlsaraCp 157⅛ –19¾
— — AlseTel s84 ⅞ –8⅞
— — AlsaRPh 14⅛ –3½
13 48 AlianSemi21 –½
10 8 AlcCap 16¾ +⅜
— — AlcRiser n 38⅝ –2¼
— — AlloyOnl n 18¾ +1⅞
— — AlphaMic ¾ –
— — Alpnet 7⅛ –⅝
— — Alteon n 110 +3½
61 53 AlteraCp s 86 –⅛
— — Amazon 65⅝ +⅝
15 11 AEagleO s27⅛ +¼
— — AmelEco 1⅝ +1⅛
— — AmIntPl 11½ –1⅛
31 21 AMS 41⅜ –⅝
— — AmMpSat 35½ –2⅞
30 23 APwCnv s 31⅛ +⅜
— — ASoft 21 –1¼
— — AmSupr 41⅜ –2¹¹⁄₁₆
— — AmrTide 19¼ –⅞
51 46 Amgen s 52¼ –9¾
93 43 AmkorT 57 +3⅛
— — Amplicn 9⅝ +⅛
— 4 Amresco 1¾ +1⅛
— — Amylin 12⅜ –1⅝
— — Anadigc s98⅛ –1
— — AncorCm 48⅛ –3
98 29 Andrew 27½ –1⅝
27 48 AndrxCp s 78 –16
— — Anesta 20⅛ –⅞
33 40 Antex 47½ –⅞
49 34 Apexincu48⅜ +2³¹⁄₃₂
25 19 ApolloG 19⅞ –⅛
— — AppNet n 48½ –2⅝
31 31 AppleC 114¼ –7½
— — ApIDig n 13¾ +⅛
— 6 ApoGph 6 –⅛
70 36 AppliMat 173¾ –9⅜
— — AMCC s 207⅛ –28½
— — Apropos n 63½ –⅜
— — AquisCom4⅝ –1½
— — ArQule 19⅛ –4⅞
— — Aradigm 26¼ –6¾
— — ArchCm wt 1⅝ –
— — ArchCm 11⅜ –1½
29 — Ariad 20½ –2⅛
— — Ariel wt 11⅞ –⅝
— — Arba s 281⅛ –16⅝
— — ArielCp 10¾ –¼
— — AronxPh 3⅝ –½
— — ArtTech n185⅛ –10⅛
— 82 ArtisanC 27 +1¾
— — AsiaInfo nd87⅜ –9⅜
— — AskJvs n 80⅜ +2⅞
— — AspectCm 57⅞ –9¾
— — AspbtDv S 84⅛ –12½
5 5 AstoriaFd 22⅞ +⅜
— 39 AsystTch su53 –5¹¹⁄₁₆
— — AtHome s 29⅛ –⅜
— — AtlPharm u9⅜ +⅛
— 47 Atmel s 49⅞ –½
40 35 Audvox 58⅛ +4⅛
— — AuroraBio 73⅜ –8¼
— — Auspex 15⅜ +⅛
— 27 Autodesk 52⅜ –1¼
— — Automtu 3⅜ –⅛
— 19 Brightpt 14⅜ –⅛
— 97 BrioTech40¹¹⁄₁₆ +⅜
— — BroadVis s 77⅞ +1½
— — Brdcom s200⅝ –29½
— — BrodeCm s308⅛ –22⅞
— 41 BrownTom16⅝ +⅛
76 48 BurrBrn s58⅛ –⅜
— — Busy.com n 13⅜ –⅝
69 54 C-CUBE 89⅜ –3⅜
10 7 CBRL Grp 8½ –⅛
— — CDnow d6³¹⁄₃₂ –1½
— — CMGI s 124½ –7⅜
11 — CNET s 58½ –5⅝
— — CNS 8¼ –⅜
54 38 CSG Sys59⅛ –4⅞
— — CT Hold n 6 –
— — CV Thera 50½ –5⅛
— — CacheFl n100¹¹⁄₁₆ –9¹¹⁄₁₆
— — CalMicr 33⅞ +⅞
— — CalperT n 99 –33½
— — Calypte 4½ –⅜
— — CambTch17⅝ +4¾
— 11 CapFedF n9½ +½
— — CardDyn n11½ –1⅞
3 5 CareMatrx 2¼ +⅛
— — Carrier 1 n24⅝ –2¼
— — Celeritk u61¾ +9¼
— — Celgene 131¾ –31¼
78 — CellGens 29 –5⅜
— — CellPath 34⅜ –¾
— — CellTh 26 –1⅛
— — Cellstr 8⅝ –⅛
— — CentraSft 13½ –1½
6 11 CentBusn 3⅞ +⅛
13 — CentCas u12½ +½
— — Cephln 48⅞ –8⅞
— — ChartCm nd16 –⅝
— — ChrtSm nu101⅜ +1¾
— — Chastain 1½ +⅜
— — ChkPoint s248⅞ –15⅛
— — ChkFree 83¹¹⁄₁₆ –7¼
— — ChenEnr 1½ +⅜
— — ChinaPrsp 11¾ +⅛
— — China.cm s105⅛ –12
39 50 Chiron 41¼ –4½
— — ChinaCp 134 –13⅛
— 20 Cintas s 48⅜ –½
37 28 Ciprico 12⅜ +⅛
— 44 Cirrus 20¼ –1
— — Cisco s 131¾ –4⅞
— — CitrixSy s 98½ –11¾
— — CityView 2⅛ –⅜
— — Clarent nu158 –11¾
— — Clarus 134 +6
— — ClayEng14 ⅞ +⅛
— — CoStar u48½ –3⅝
— 61 Coherent 76¼ –1³¹⁄₃₂
36 18 Cohu s 44⅛ –7⅜
— — Comm21 63¹¹⁄₁₆ –4⅛
28 — Comcast s 36½ +⅛
30 — Comc sp s36 ⅞ –
— — ComOne s225⅛ –24⅜
— — Comintel 8⅞ –⅞
32 19 Cimgcm u7⅛ +⅛
— — CptlConc 2⅜ +⅛
47 35 CmptSz 21½ –2
21 15 Compuwre23¾ –1⅛
94 74 Comvers s202⅛ –7⅝
— — ConcNet s53⅞ +⅛
55 38 CodCamrau52⅜ +⅛
46 39 CncrdCom39⅛ –2¼
36 19 ConcEFS s17⅝ +1⅛
— — ConcurTch21⅞ –1¹⁵⁄₁₆
— — ConcCm 19⅜ –
— — Conductu 50 –7⅝
— 85 Conexnt s84 ⅞ +⅛
— — Conmgnt n12 +¼
— — CopMrtn su99⅝ –7¾
— — Copytele 3⅛ –⅜
— — CorTher 67⅝ –13⅝
53 — CoreCp 13½ –⅝
— — CorixaCp 52¾ –5
— — Cornerst 8⅝ –
47 34 Corsair 22½ –1⅝
— — Corvas 12¹³⁄₁₆ –1⅝
35 29 Costco s 43⅛ +⅜
— — CitrPhr 35 –4½
— — Counsl g 6⅝ –½
— — CovadCm s87½ –5⅛
66 — CovtGrp 7⅝ +⅜
— — CovoTech 2 +⅛
94 — CoyoteNtu11¾ +1⅜
— — Crayfish nd53⅝ –7⁴¹⁄₆₄
— — CrBioMol17⅝ –2⅛
31 — CreTgLtd 31⅛ –⅞
32 — CredSys125⅞ +½
— — Cree s 183⅜ –15⅝
— — CrtPath n 99¼ –5¼
— — CrwnCstl 41 –½
22 16 CrySys 17⅛ +1
— — CubistPh 41⅞ –2⅛
— — CumMed20⅝ –3⅝
— — CuraGen 127¼ –14½
10 7 CutterB s 9½ +⅛
— — CyberCash 1¾ +⅛
— — CyberCare22⅝ +⅛
— — CyberOtp 10¹¹⁄₁₆ –⅛
— — Cyberonic 18½ –1⅛
— — Cygnus 15¹¹⁄₁₆ –2³²⁄₃₂
— 31 Cymer 51¼ –5¾
— — CyprBio 4⅝ –2³²⁄₃₂
— — Cytogn 1⅝ –⅛
— — Cytothr 8⅞ –1²⁹⁄₃₂
2 — Cytyc s 46⅜ –4⅛

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22 — Danka 5⅝ +⅜
— — Datakeyu16⅝ +2⅜
41 — Dataram su28⅜ +1⅜
95 — Datatec 12¼ –⅜
— — Dtawtch 5⅞ –⅛
— — DataRce 5¼ +¼
46 — Daw Tch 2¾ –½
— — Dawson 10⅛ +⅛
— 4 DayRun 2⅜ –⅛
11 — DBeer 2¾ –⅜
92 59 DellCptrs55⅛ +1⅜
41 26 DeltaWtr s 19¾ –
— — DnsePc 8⅝ +⅛
15 13 Dentsply 25⅞ +⅛
— — DescSys 7¼ –8⅛
— — Digex n168¹¹⁄₁₆ +8¾
— — Diglsld n101⅝ –
— — DiskGht 112¼ –11¼
— — DiskMic 42⅜ +2¼
— — DiskWtr 29⅝ –⅞
— — DgtlThnk n50⅞ +⅜
— — Digitas n 29½ –
— 88 DitechCo s98 –7½
— — Diversa n 69⅜ –21⅜
— — Divrsnt g u43 +1⅝
— — DbsnCm n19⅜ –⅞
— — Donkeny 1¹³⁄₁₆ –⅛
— — DoveDick s101⅞ –5
— — Draxis g 3 –
— — drkoop n 10¼ +⅞
21 52 DuraPh 14 –¼
— — Duramed 8⅝ s –⅝
— — ETrade s 25⅛ –¹¹⁄₁₆
— — EStamp n 113⅝ –13½
— — E-TekDyn253½ –21⅞
— — e.spire 12⅜ –1
— 31 e4e.sync 21¼ +1⅜
70 — EDGS 19½ –2¼
18 — EGLT ei 31½ –⅛
— — EXODUS 121½ –
— — eGlobal 1¹³⁄₁₆ +⅛
— — eLotInc 7⅜ +1
— — eShareTch16¾ –½
— — EthShil 4½ –⅛
— — EthLink n22½ –⅜
— — EchelonCu68⅝ +6¼
— — EchoStar s124⅛ –4²¹⁄₆₄
31 — Eclipsys 28⅝ +⅜
— — Ecogen u6 –1⅜
— — EfdNwr n141½ –8⅝
— — Egghead 9⅛ +⅛
— — EXB Inc 25⅜ –5⅛
— — ElSitio n 19 –2⅜
— — Elcom n 19¾ –½
— — ElcFuel 17⅝ –⅜
34 — ElcSci su9⅜ –2⅛
— — ElcArt 7⅝ –1¼
36 — Elfi u60⅞ –1½
— — Elctsrc 12⅜ –1⅛
— — eLoylty n d23⅝ –4
— — Elxsi u1⅞ –⅛
— — Emcore 145 +4
— — EmisTch 65½ –7½
87 — Emmis C s 105 –10¼
— — EmplvSl 3 –
— — Emulex s 183 –16½
— — EntreMd 57 –8½
— — Entropin n 8 –
— — Entrpin wt 2⅝ –
— — Entrust 112½ –17¾
— — Enzon 50⅜ –10⅝
94 — EpicorSft 8½ –⅜
— — Epiph n248⅝ –36⅜
— — Epitope 14 –3
— — EricTel 93⅜ –3¹³⁄₁₆
— — eToys nd12⅜ –1½
— — Euro9909 17⅜ –
53 — Euroweb 9 +⅜
— — eXcelon 21½ –3³²⁄₃₂
— — ExodusC s151⅝ –9¼
— — ExtNetw n108⅞ +1⅝
53 — Ezenia 12⅜ +⅜
— — F5 Netw n100 –9¹¹⁄₁₆
— 33 FEI Co u30⅛ –⅜
— — FMarkt n 14½ –
23 17 FifthThrd 48⅞ +2⅛
64 37 FileNet 38 –2¼
— — Finet.com 2 –⅜
8 7 FSecCp 11⅝ –3³²⁄₃₂
— — FirstCom 33 –2¼
— — FrstWrld n 35¾ +1⅛
29 24 Fisery n 41⅛ –
— — FlashTc n 28⅝ –2⅝
85 44 Flextrn s 64½ –4⅞
— 14 FocusEn 2⅝ –⅛
— — Fonar 4⅜ –⅝
— — Foundry s174½ –17¼
— — FrozenFd 3⅜ +⅛
— — FtneLink n 31 –⅛
— — Ftrmdia 3¹³⁄₃₂ +⅛

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— — GSI Lum n19⅛ –1¹¹⁄₁₆
— — GST Tele 87⅝ –2³²⁄₃₂
— — GT Grp n 22 –1⅝
34 40 Galileo T s19⅝ –¹¹⁄₁₆
— — Gamstar s 92¼ –2½
— — GameLgc 75½ –7½
— — GameLTc 14¾ –1⅜
— — GanzLtz 18¼ –1½
— — Gencime 32 –8³²⁄₃₂
— — Gensel 38⅛ –5¹¹⁄₁₆
— — Genta 10¹³⁄₁₆ –1¹¹⁄₁₆
— — GentiaS 11⅜ +⅞
45 — Genus 11¾ –1⅝
23 21 GenzymGn46⅞ –5½
— — GenzTisRp21⅝ –3½
— — GnziMic 23¾ –1
— — GenzyTr 24½ –5¾
— — Geoworks 45⅛ –2¼
— — GeronCp 38⅛ –12
— — Gettylm 44 –5
— — GiaStat 12⅜ –7¼
— — Gilead 67⅞ +⅛
— — Glenayre 23⅜ –3⅛
— — Glenfed 13¾ –⅜
— 39 GlobInd 13¼ +⅞
— — Globalstr 16⅜ –7⅜
— — GlbeSpn s114 ⅝ –9⅛
— — GlobixCp s56 –3⅛
— — Go2net 78¾ –4⅞
— — GraphOn n26⅝ +3¾
— — GuilfdPh 29⅜ –4⅛
— — HMTTch 3¹¹⁄₁₆ +⅛
— — HNC Sft 111⅛ –2⅝
— 31 HTE Inc 3³²⁄₃₂ +1³²⁄₃₂
68 — Harbngr u37⅛ +⅜
— — Harmonic s122½ –11¼
— — HrwEle 3⅝ –
80 69 HaggDr u77 +7⅛
— — HithAxis 18¹¹⁄₁₆ +1¾
— — HlthWM335⅛ –2⅝
— — HearMe n 26¾ +8¼
23 17 HelloD u16⅝ +1
— — Hemagn 3⅛ –1¼
— — HighSod n17⅝ –1¼
— — HihGrz n 14⅜ +1⅜
— — HmeSkrs n20⅞ –1⅛
— — HmeStre n51⅝ –8¾
— — HumGen s123⅝ –
29¾ — IBASF 10 –
10 9 HuntBnk 18¼ –¼
— 30 HutchT 18¼ –¼
— — Hycor u8¾ +2⅜
67 38 HyperSolu47½ –5
— — Hyseq 42 –20½
— — I-Link 15⅞ +⅛
— — I2 Tech s169¾ –21¹³⁄₆₄
— — ICG Com 31¼ –2⅞
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55 63 IDT Corp 35½ +¾
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— — IIS 8¾ +1¼
— 34 IMRglobal15⅞ –½
— — INSO 14⅜ –⅜
— — ISG Intl u35½ –2⅛
— — ISS Grp s101 –9¾
— — ITC Dlta 41¼ +1¾
— — ITXC Cp n86⅛ +3½
— — IVI Chck nu5⅝ +1²¹⁄₃₂
64 — IXL Enter n31⅝ –2¹¹⁄₁₆
— — IaeXnco36⅜ –2¹³⁄₁₆
— — Imatrn 4½ –
— — Imclone 105 –16¹⁵⁄₁₆
— — Imungn 11⅛ –2⅛
— — ImunRsp 13¾ –1¹¹⁄₃₂
— — Imunex s153⅜ –31⅞
— — Imunmd 22 –5¹¹⁄₁₆
— — ImpsatF n29⅝ –3⅞
— — Inovte 14¾ –6³²⁄₃₂
11 10 InfoCmty 13½ –
— — IndigoNV 6⅝ –2³²⁄₃₂
— — IndusMatev15⅛ –
21 — Infinium 7⅞ –9⅛
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— — InfoArch 23½ –2½
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— — InfoSpce s202⅛ –
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— — Inkine n 8 –1
— — InktomiX su208⅛ +17⅛
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9 — Innovex 10¹³⁄₁₆ +⅛
26 — Inprise 9¾ –⅛
22 15 Insight 27⅝ –1⅛
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— — IntelDtau19⅝ +1⅝
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— — IntmdCm n8 ⅝ –⅛
— — IntrNAP s 90½ +1½
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— — IntntAm 10½ –⅝
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— — Interneur 4¹¹⁄₁₆ –⅛
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— — IntnetSol u5¹³⁄₁₆ +
77 — Intuit s 51¼ –2⅞
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— — Isis 18⅞ –3⅜
91 — Isolyser 6⅜ +⅛
— — iVillage 26⅞ +2¹⁵⁄₆₄

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— — JD Edwr 41⅝ –3¼
— — JDS Uns s125 –7⅞
— — Jmar 15⅜ –⅞
— — JnprNtw s245 ⅝ –18⁵¹⁄₆₄
— — JuniprOnl n23 ⅞ +⅝
— 47 KLATnc s 76⅜ –7⅛
41 29 KingPh s 38⅝ +1½
33 20 KnightTr s47⅜ –4⅛
— — Kolnag 3⅛ +⅛
— — KoreaThr n53½ –7⅛
— — Kos Phr 18⅜ –1⅛
— 20 Kulicke 74⅜ –6
— 62 Netrix 26½ +½
— — NetroCp n 9⅛ +⅛
90 41 LTX 47 –3¼
— — LaJollPh 8¾ –1¹³⁄₁₆
— 11 LaCrosse 5 +1
— 31 LamRsch143¼ –11⅝
— — LasrPwr 8¾ –⅛
18 11 LasVis s 8½ –⅜
— — Lasrscp 3½ –⅜
— — lastmsrl n 36 –
— 32 Lattice s 69⅜ –5⅛
— — LeapWir 90⅛ +⅜
— — Learn2.cm 5⅞ +½
— 48 Legato s 36⅛ –1¾
— — LndTree n 15⅜ +½
— 98 LernHausu130 +6¼
— — Level3 114⅜ –7⅛
— — Ligand B 18½ –⅛
— — LightP 50⅜ –⅜
— — Lghtspn n 21¼ –2
— 13 Lincare 21⅞ –⅝
— 61 LinearT 86⅛ –8½
— 57 Lipsm 14⅜ –⅛
— — LkSmart n 64 –3⅛
— 48 Lminant n 20⅛ –2⅛
— — Lycos s 72¹¹⁄₁₆ –⅞
— — LynxTh 46⅝ –19⅜

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— — M-SysFD74 ⅝ –6⅞
— 32 21 MCI Wld s43½ –2⅛
— — MITI Ltd nu83⅛ +⅜
— — MIPS Tc nu90½ +9¹¹⁄₁₆
— — MP3.com n29½ +6
— — MRV Cm 158⅜ –18¼
— 75 55 MTI Tch 41⅛ –4⅜
— — Macrmdiau93½ +1¼
— — MagPhr 8¾ –1½
— 53 37 MagicSft s 23 –2½
— — Mail.cm n 15⅞ –¼
— — Mamugat 52⅛ –¼
— — MktSdrv 18⅛ –⅝
— — MktSpcp n3½ –2³²⁄₃₂
— 49 — Mathsft 6⅞ –⅛
— — Matritch 11¾ –1¾
— — MatrixPh 11¼ –1¾
— 84 57 Maxim s 59¾ –1¾
— — Maxtor u11⅞ –
— — McAfee n 52⅛ +6½
— — McLeod s 95 –4
— 71 — Medimun150⅛ –20⅜
— 80 — Medamic u4 +1½
— — Medarex 109⅛ –23⅝
— — Medcom 7⅞ +⅜
— — Mediacm n16⅞ –½
— 19 — MentGr 14⅞ +½
— — MercIntr s109⅝ –6¹¹⁄₁₆
— 22 16 Meritid 9½ –¼
— — MetaCreat 26¼ –2½
— 12 — MetalMgt 2⅝ –⅛
— 59 — Methdn 50⅛ –1³²⁄₃₂
— — Metrom 69 –1⅞
— — Metrocall 13⅛ –⅛
— — MtmgE su91⅞ +12⅜
— 18 15 MichStr 37 –
— 79 — Micrel s 104⅞ –9¼
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— — Micromse s168⅛ –11¹³⁄₁₆
— 42 41 MicronEl 17¼ –2⅞
— 58 — MicSem 43⅜ –⅞
— 59 51 Microsft s 93½ –2⅜
— — Microtst 16⅜ –1¼
— 55 — MillPhar 176 –59½
— 12 10 MillerHer19⅝ –⅛
— — Miravant 19 –3½
— 56 45 Molex s 55⅝ –3⅛
— 43 — MolexA s 39⅜ –1⅛
— — MountPr 1⅛ –
— — Mutlmd 33 +9⅝
— — Myriad n162⅛ –1¹³⁄₁₆
— 87 38 NABI 8¹¹⁄₁₆ –⅛
— — NBC Int n51⅛ –3
— — NPS Phm 21¼ –1⅜
— — NTL Inc s99⅝ +⅛
— — Nanogen58⅜ –19¹³⁄₆₄
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13 11 PharmPdt 14½ –1⅛
— — Pharcop 72⅝ –12⅜
— — Pharmos 8½ –1³²⁄₃₂
— — Phrma.cm s170⅝ –9⅞
— 24 PhyCor 1⁵³²⁄₃₂ –⅜
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BUSINESS BRIEFING

OIL PRICES

Wednesday	$30.72
Previous	$31.69

POSTED

Wednesday	$28.00
Previous	$29.00

NATURAL GAS

Wednesday	$2.866
Previous	$2.809

Dow soars

NEW YORK — The Dow Jones industrial average soared more than 300 points Wednesday as investors who sold off technology stocks this week put their money back into the long-forgotten industrial sector.

The Dow rose 320.17, or by 3.3 percent, to close at 10,131.41. It was the fourth-biggest point gain ever for the Dow, but wasn't close to a record in percentage terms. The blue chip index rose as much as 368.41 points before slipping back a bit.

Meanwhile, investors continued shedding technology shares. The Nasdaq composite index fell 124.01 to close at 4,582.62, bringing its loss for the past three days to 465 points, or 9.2 percent.

Dollar gains

NEW YORK — The dollar held on to gains it made against the yen Wednesday after getting a boost from market intervention from the Bank of Japan earlier in the trading day.

Japan's central bank stepped into the market to buy dollars and sell yen during Tokyo trading, sending the dollar higher. It was the second time in the space of a week that the bank intervened in the market.

In late New York trading, the dollar was quoted at 105.57 Japanese yen, up from 105.05 late Tuesday.

The dollar had gone as low as 104.75 yen in Tokyo, reigniting fears that an overly high yen could impact Japanese exporting companies that rely on overseas earnings to drive their profits.

In other trading, the dollar also was quoted at 1.6657 Swiss francs, down from 1.6668, and 1.4667 Canadian dollars, up from 1.4645. The British pound fell to $1.5726 from $1.5765.

The euro was quoted at 96.73 cents, even with its level late Tuesday in New York. A very slight decline in the dollar's value against the euro of less than one cent sent dollar equivalents against the European currencies that make up the euro incrementally lower.

Crude crumbles

WASHINGTON — Crude oil prices plummeted 3 percent Wednesday, taking gasoline futures with them, on growing rumblings from within OPEC that the producing nations will substantially raise output in two weeks to feed an oil-starved world market.

Oil's latest tumble means it has fallen 11 percent since topping out at $34.37 in after-hours trading March 8 — the latest and perhaps last in a series of nine-year highs on the New York Mercantile Exchange. West Texas Intermediate crude for April delivery fell 97 cents to $30.72 a barrel.

Gold falls

Gold closed in London at $288.70 per troy ounce, down from $289.00 late Tuesday. In Zurich the bid price was $288.70, up from $288.45. Gold fell $2.40 in Hong Kong to $288.85.

Silver opened in London at $5.12 bid per troy ounce, up from $5.09.

Americans continue search for cheaper gas

ATLANTA (AP) — Vivian Martin of Eufaula, Ala., drives an extra 14 miles to buy gas in Georgia, where she saves 10 to 15 cents a gallon because of the state's lower gasoline tax.

"It's not out of your way when you want to save a little money," she says.

Across the country, price-conscious drivers are finding ways to cope with the rising cost of gasoline.

Some, like Martin, are crossing state lines. Those lucky enough to live near an Indian reservation are filling up there, minus state taxes.

A few are using a less-than-legal method common during the Arab oil boycotts of the 1970s: they're pumping and running — without paying.

"This is sort of survival time," said Daniel Gilligan, president of the Petroleum Marketers Association of America, which represents gas stations.

The main cause — by now well known — is OPEC's decision over the past two years to cut back on production, an effort to raise what, at the time, were historically low prices.

Those production cuts have boosted the average price of a gallon from the mid-80 cent range a year ago to well over $1.50 nationwide.

While the oil cartel is expected to boost production later this month, that's not expected to filter through to American gas pumps for six weeks or more.

In the meantime, ingenuity is the only solution.

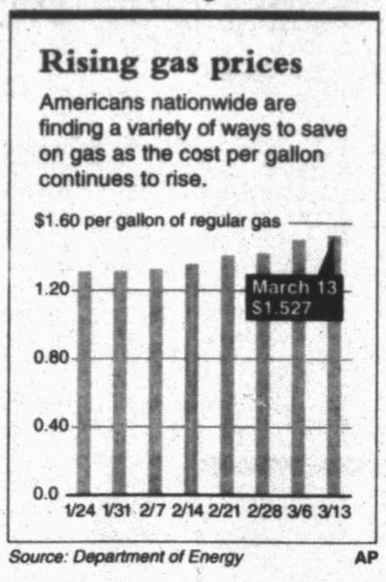
For some people, that means simply listening to the radio.

Atlanta station WSTR was overwhelmed last week by the response to its promotion offering free gas to the first 94 customers at a local Amoco. Within 30 minutes of the announcement, more than 200 cars were waiting in line, said Alan Hennes, the station's operations director.

"They were driving from 10 miles away to get the gas," Hennes said. "And it was everybody. You had everything from a Pinto to a Lexus."

At the Cattaraugus Indian Reservation in New York, gasoline business has increased 10 percent in the last two weeks. Gas sells for $1.29 a gallon on the reservation, where vendors pay only the federal tax on gasoline. Off the reservation, the average price is $1.59.

"I've seen a lot of new faces," said Morgan Reid, general manager of JR's, a reservation convenience store.



In Roy, Utah, north of Salt Lake City, the situation has brought out larceny in some. Police Lt. Greg Whinham says gas thefts in the first 2 1/2 months this year have doubled to 19 compared with last year.

In nearby Ogden, Edward Benson of Benson Chevron says he's now losing $750 to $900 a month to thefts.

"We have at least a couple of drive-offs a day," Benson said.

"Just a couple of days ago, we had a kid fill up his tank in broad daylight on his lunch break, then go right back to class at one of the local high schools," Benson said. "They had to pull him out of class and send him back here."

Elsewhere, people are pinching pennies to make up for the extra dollars they're pumping into the tanks.

In Fort Erie, Ontario, Lynn Barbera used to run to several different grocery stores each week, looking for discounts. Not anymore.

"The coupons don't add up if I'm going to spend more going here or there," she said. "It's not worth it."

Convenience stores report some customers are avoiding that extra doughnut, cup of coffee or soda — and making their frustration known to the clerks behind the counter.

"They're taking a lot of grief from customers because they're the most visible. Customers can't vent their frustrations at an oil cartel," he said.

So far, the high prices haven't translated into lots of trade-ins among people who own sport utility vehicles and other gas guzzlers. However, owners of these cars are hurting more than most.

"Lately I've been spending $100 on gas a day," said Andrew Winslow of San Jose, Calif., who uses his 1969 Chevrolet Malibu in his job as a courier. "I stopped buying clothes and everything because gas is so expensive."

Some commuters have started simply leaving their cars at home.

Ridership on metropolitan Atlanta's subway and bus system, for instance, was up around 3 percent in January and February compared to a year earlier, said spokesman Bobby Harper.

"Two months back to back certainly indicates something is going on," he said. "You can assume some of those people are saying, 'I'm just going to save some money by taking the train.'"

Visions of Vegas



AP Photo

Bob Thomas of Cathedral City, Calif., plays a video keno machine at the Spa Casino in Palm Springs, Calif., Monday. Palm Springs is looking a little like Las Vegas, and locals are testy about the idea that their sleepy desert city might potentially turn into a California version of the Mecca of sin.

Palm Springs finds new role as casino destination

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) — It's a fast-growing getaway from the sprawl of Southern California. Frank Sinatra lived there, and the rest of the Rat Pack used it as a stomping ground. It draws the lounge acts of Wayne Newton and Tom Jones.

Palm Springs is beginning to look like a little like Las Vegas and some residents aren't happy about it. They don't want their sleepy desert community of 43,000 to become California's city of sin.

"We don't want to be compared to Las Vegas," said Howard Jacobs, acting general manager of the Palm Springs tourism bureau. "We have a very different atmosphere."

The comparison is getting harder to avoid. Voters last week legalized Nevada-style gaming on California Indian tribal lands and the Palm Springs area — a two-hour drive from Los Angeles — is expected to be ground zero for a major expansion in casino gambling.

The Agua Caliente tribe said Monday it would spend at least $150 million to renovate and enlarge its casino in downtown Palm Springs. It is also planning to throw in an additional $80 million to build a casino in Rancho Mirage, 20 minutes up the road.

Last week, Trump Hotels and Casino Resorts Inc. and the Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians announced plans for a $60 million casino expansion in the Coachella Valley near Palm Springs .

That announcement came a day after voters approved by a 2-to-1 margin Proposition 1A, which amended the state Constitution to allow a dramatic increase in Indian gambling across California.

Analysts expect more deals and growth in a region that already lures 3 million tourists a year for its golf, natural spas, weather and limited gambling at five casinos. It also helps that the valley is right in the path of Southern California motorists headed toward Nevada.

"This place will be California's closest thing to Las Vegas," said Vincent Battaglia, who sells commercial real estate in the Coachella Valley and sees a boon in the making.

It would be hard for the valley to rival the dense glitz of Vegas. But, at the very least, it will siphon gamblers from the less showy Nevada casino towns like Reno and Laughlin that will no longer offer the kind of wagering Californians can't get at home.

Fannie Mae plans $2 trillion in home loans for minorities

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fannie Mae is launching a 10-year, $2 trillion campaign to finance home purchases by minorities, women, new immigrants and other underserved segments of American society.

Fannie Mae Chairman Franklin D. Raines said at a news conference Wednesday the goal of issuing $2 trillion in home loans is an essential step to narrow the persistent gap in home ownership rates between whites and minorities.

"Many Americans have enjoyed substantial financial gains in our current era of prosperity. But in homeownership, there remains a significant divide between the haves and the haven't yets," Raines said.

Fannie Mae, formally the Federal National Mortgage Association, is a government-chartered corporation that receives tax benefits in return for supplying a steady stream of mortgage capital funding for middle and low-income Americans.

Raines said Fannie Mae next month will meet a similar $1 trillion goal issued in 1994.

That challenge, issued by then-Fannie Mae head James Johnson, is being achieved eight months ahead of schedule. Raines said that in 1994, 55% percent of Fannie Mae's business was with the targeted underserved populations.

That figure has grown to 68 percent of Fannie Mae's business today and Raines said he expects further increases as the new goal is pursued.

"Fannie Mae is a mission driven company," Raines said.

Fannie Mae, however, is also a profits driven company that is publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange. And in the past year, the news from Wall Street hasn't been good.

Since the start of 1999, the stock has tumbled from the mid $70's to around $55 per share today. But Raines said he will tell shareholders that serving minorities, women and immigrants makes good business sense as it helps fulfill the company's social mission.

"Tremendous opportunities exist in these markets," Raines said. "This is not about charity." The bill is expected to be voted on later this spring.

THE ECONOMIST

Folks are living longer in the Lone Star State

By M. Ray Perryman

The global population is heading toward senior status on a very fast train. Prior to the Industrial Revolution at the beginning of the past century, less than 3 percent of the world's population was over 65 years of age. Currently, 14 percent are senior citizens. By 2030, the number may be around 25 percent. In fact, by 2020, over 53 million Americans, or 16 percent of the national population, will be at or above traditional retirement age; another 20 million will have reached age 60.



Perryman

This rise in the number of older citizens will result in increased demand for many types of healthcare services. While the number of Americans age 65-84 is forecast to triple during the next 50 years, the number of people in the U.S. over the age of 84 is projected to increase by a multiple of six. These extremely elderly individuals will require twice the hospital care per person and up to 20 times more nursing home care per person as seniors between the ages of 65 and 84. This phenomenon points to continued growth in the healthcare sector, still greater pressure from cost containment, and enormous contributions of public and private resources.

Today, the ratio of taxpayers to non-working recipients of transfer payments in the U.S. is 3 to 1. By 2030, the ratio is projected to fall to 1.5 to 1. If no change is made to the current laws, by 2030 the benefits of Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, and Federal Military Pensions will exceed total revenues for the country. Hasty politically-popular tax cuts in the face of this relentless ticking bomb should give us pause, and those envisioning a permanent federal surplus and a debt-free America best adjust their bifocals.

With life expectancies increasing and Social Security benefits at risk, many Americans are choosing to postpone the age of retirement and work more years. Also, many senior citizens who have already retired are returning to the workforce due to financial necessity. This need arises for many because they are living longer than they had anticipated. Fortuitously for this experienced and talented group, the tight labor market has created substantial demand for their services, frequently involving part-time, flex-time, or varying creative approaches to accommodate other aspects of life.

Another financial burden many elderly experience is the responsibility of raising their grandchildren. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, more than 2.5 million grandparents in the United States have given up their life of leisure retirement to raise their grandchildren. In Texas alone, more than 300,000 children are being raised by their grandparents instead of their parents.

In the Lone Star State, about 10 percent of the population is over age 65, a significantly lower percentage than the nation as a whole. Nationwide, senior citizens comprise 14 percent of the population. The number of senior citizens in Texas should increase to approximately 17 percent by 2030. Nonetheless, the Texas population is expected to continue to be younger, on average, than the rest of the country. This demographic phenomenon bodes well for our future competitiveness, as it assumes labor availability, and thus attractiveness for site locations and expansions.

Over the next 25 years, the Texas population is expected to increase to almost 30 million. This relatively rapid pace of growth will be spurred by higher relative fertility rates; in addition, the growing economy will contribute to migration both from other states and foreign countries. These 30 million Texans in 2025 will, on average, be older and more diverse than the current populace. Demand for healthcare and other goods and services aimed at older persons will expand as Texas' residents age. This demographic phenomenon bodes well for our future competitiveness, as it assumes labor availability, and thus, attractiveness for site locations and expansions.

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Latin artists seek to capitalize on window of opportunity

By Leila Cobo
Knight-Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

He was a Latin who sang in Spanish. Yet America fell in love with his music and with his face after seeing him on national television.

Even the most middling of middle Americans couldn't resist the sultry, sexy, singing Latino everyone knew simply as Ricky.

Ricky Ricardo.

Lucille Ball's husband in the ground-breaking 1950s sitcom "I Love Lucy", as played by the Cuban singer/guitarist/bandleader Desi Arnaz, quickly became the poster boy for Latinismo. By the time "I Love Lucy" went into syndication in 1957, the whole country could chorus "Babalu." But the trend soon waned.

Nearly 50 years later, another Latin Ricky, this one a blond Puerto Rican named Ricky Martin, would stand before a TV camera and capture the national spotlight in the same way, this time at last year's Grammy Awards. Martin, along with Jennifer Lopez, Marc Anthony, Enrique Iglesias and an ever-growing cast of supporting acts have launched another boom in Latin music.

This time, however, it's here to stay. Not only are sales of Spanish-language albums rising, but for the first time, a significant number of artists who were either born or raised in this country are carrying their Latin roots over into mainstream English-language pop.

And if the trend continues, Latin-based music could soon become as important and as prevalent as rap or rock 'n' roll.

"If we're talking about pop artists of Latin descent, I think it will definitely go on because it will be as American as mom and apple pie. It already is, pretty much," says John Lannert, Billboard Magazine's bureau chief for the Caribbean and Latin America. "It's definitely not a fad. Even if you watch commercials, many of them have Latin music in the background."

The trend was be reflected at this years' Grammy Awards ceremony in Los Angeles, where a record number of Latin artists, including Martin and Mexican-American rocker Carlos Santana, won big. In addition, a record number of Latinos — including Santana, Martin, Marc Anthony and Latin jazz artists Chucho Valdes and Poncho Sanchez — will performed during CBS's live telecast of the event.

The current Latin music craze first entered the nation's consciousness during last year's Grammys, when Martin's electrifying bilingual rendition of "La Copa de Vida" got the attention of a wide English-language audience for the first time. Grammy host Rosie O'Donnell seemingly spoke for many of the millions watching on TV when she said of Martin: "I never heard of him before tonight, but I'm enjoying him so much."

Yet for the all the hype Latin music has generated in the intervening 12 months, only half a dozen Latin acts have made much of an impression on Billboard's charts of top-selling records. And not all of them have done so with Latin music — including Christina Aguilera, who sings R&B, and Jennifer Lopez, whose sound is rooted in hip-hop.

That hardly constitutes a revolution when compared with the British invasion of the 1960s, when groups such as The Beatles, the Rolling Stones, The Who and Herman's Hermits took America by storm. Still, considering Latin artists were all but invisible on the charts until last year, the current situation is extraordinary.

The four longest-running No. 1 singles of 1999 were by Latin acts — Martin's "Livin' la Vida Loca," Santana's "Smooth," Aguilera's "Genie In A Bottle" and Lopez's "If You Had My Love."

And English-language crossover debuts from Nuyorican Anthony and Miami's Enrique Iglesias have each sold more than a million copies in the United States alone.

That Martin got there first, paving the way for the crossover hits that followed, was part luck and part planning, says Desmond Child, who co-wrote "Livin' la Vida Loca" and also produced Martin's album.

"We knew they were coming and we broke our necks to be first," he says. "And the reason we're nominated for Song of the Year is because it's such a significant song that it really did come at the right place, and the right time, with the right artist, to focus the attention of the world on our Latin culture and energy."

But even if Martin hadn't appeared at last year's Grammys or never recorded "Livin' la Vida Loca," most music industry insiders insist that, given the country's changing demographics, the current love affair with all things Latin would eventually have had to take place.

One in nine U.S. residents is Latino — nearly double the number of a generation ago. And with a population that is growing six times faster than the population at large, Latinos will become the nation's largest minority group within a decade.

But while television and motion picture executives have done their best to ignore that huge shift, the music industry has rushed to embrace it.

"You think about 'Friends,' the TV show," says Robi Rosa, who co-wrote "La Vida Loca" with Child. "What planet is that? Where do you find people who all look like that? 'Friends' is a big lie. It's fiction. I wish people would get that. Reality is what's going on now.

When you go to a pub, it's combo platter (of people). That's my reality."

That is already the reality in rock, where many bands, including Rage Against the Machine (Zach de la Rocha), Korn (David Silveria) and the Deftones (Camillo Moreno) have core members who are Latin, but it simply isn't an issue, even though their influence is in the music. And in pop, not only are artists being tapped to record in both languages, so are producers and songwriters.

Christina Aguilera may rock your prom this spring

CINCINNATI, (PRNewswire) — Teen sensation Christina Aguilera knows "What a Girl Wants"... is a perfect prom. And she's more than willing to help... in person at a prom this year.

That's why the Grammy-winning vocalist of the number one hit "Genie in a Bottle" and "What a Girl Wants" is taking a little detour from her regular concert schedule and making a special prom appearance this spring as part of "The Prom of Your Life," a new promotion being offered exclusively to teens.

"The Prom of Your Life" is presented by Clearasil, Pantene, Secret, Head & Shoulders, Old Spice/White Water and Cover Girl. The grand prize winner will get to see Christina live, up close and in person... rocking the winner's prom. Christina will sing her hits, including her newest single, "I Turn to You."

It's never too early to think about prom, even if it is weeks away. Here are a few prom pointers:

• Thumb through magazines and keep your eye out for the latest prom attire. See what looks good and figure out what is going to look good on you.

• Keep parents in the loop. They remember their special evening and would like to be included in helping shape your special night.

Other Prom To-Do's

In addition, remember all of the other arrangements that will make your evening special.

Do you want to ride in-style in a limousine all night?

Talk to your friends to find out if they're interested in sharing the expense, determine the number of people and reserve a car.

What about a special dinner on prom night?

Which restaurant do you want to go to?

Play it safe... make a reservation now. It's not too early.

Get a head start on the planning process.

It will ensure a prom experience that you'll want to remember.

Most importantly... have fun and enjoy!

To find out more about how to win free limousine service, free tuxedo rentals for the guys and makeovers for the girls or for additional "Prom of Your Life" details, check out Christina's official Web site at www.christina-a.com.

DEAR ABBY

Child's playing on thin ice breaks schoolmates' hearts

by Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: Feb. 4 was a sad day. One less child is going to come back to school. He will never eat pizza, play games or laugh again. He passed away last night.


Van Buren

William Brown died on Feb. 3 in an icy pond in Chesapeake, Va. He and some other boys were playing on an iced-over pond when the ice broke. Two of the boys got out, and 911 people pulled one boy out of the pond. Sadly, William could not be revived.

He died after 45 minutes in the freezing water. He wasn't even a teen-ager yet.

I had seen William in the halls at school, and he was probably in my class at one point or another. When I heard he had died, I started to cry. How could this happen to someone so young?

I want to make sure no more children die the way William did. Please, Abby, warn your readers about the danger of ice. Even if the ice looks thick, it often isn't. It may break, and you could drown. William learned the hard way.

No laughter was heard in school today. The flag will be raised only halfway. One less person will come back to school — because of thin ice. — KRISTEN MC CARTHY, AGE 12, CHESAPEAKE, VA.

DEAR KRISTEN: My deepest sympathy goes out to William Brown's family. Your heartfelt warning deserves space in my column. Thank you for writing.

DEAR ABBY: When I saw the letter from "Tempted," the girls' high school coach in California, I had to write. I would like to urge him to remain calm and cool.

He should take "that look" some of his students are giving him as a compliment — and handle it gracefully. Girls that age quickly develop crushes, and sooner or later they get over them. I would not bench anybody or report her to the principal. To do so would be an overreaction and too harsh. I would let them flirt all they want (after a while they'll become bored) and continue to go about the business of coaching.

While Title IX has given young women the opportunity to be strong and confident and learn teamwork, it seems to have given some of them license to be as aggressive, profane, vulgar and obscene as men can be — which is unfortunate.

I have also noticed that some girls without fathers, be it through desertion, divorce or death, especially crave older male attention, and they don't care where they get it. Girls learn to relate to and love men through their fathers. Dad is "safe" and should be a role model. Teachers and coaches are handy substitutes.

So, "Tempted," be patient, kind and keep it friendly — and keep your wits about you. — 60-YEAR-OLD RETIRED COACH IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR COACH: You have made some valid points, and I agree with your conclusion. However, the 26-year-old coach signed his letter "Tempted." If he gives in to that temptation, he could not only ruin his budding career, but the life of the student with whom he became involved as well. If there's a question, it's better to err on the side of caution.

CONFIDENTIAL TO MY MUSLIM READERS: Happy Eid Al-Adha!

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STAR: Martin was an unknown in America just a year ago

(From 8B)

American public, tired of the yawning rhythms of rock, has.

When Ricky Martin performed at the Grammy awards last year, singing his international hit, "La Copa de la Vida," he brought down the house.

Until then, most Americans hadn't heard of him, even though millions of copies of "The Cup of Life" had sold throughout Europe, Latin America, and Australia.

Later that year, as I drove around Puerto Rico, Ricky's homeland, his voice seemed to echo everywhere, from bustling San Juan to quaint rural towns. The island's governor, Pedro Rossello, adopted it as a theme song while campaigning for statehood before the plebescite. Campaign vans with monster stereo systems blared Martin's pulsating music.

The hypnotic rhythms made you want to dance in your sleep.

Now, as that sound rumbles throughout America, I have to wonder: Will the critics be ready for the next Latin music star?

Or will they dust off those "Macarena" reviews?

HISTORY: Louisiana Territory given to Napoleon

(From 8B)

est fame came when he wrote about Puerto Rican blacks. In 1950 he was named poet in residence at the University of Puerto Rico.

MARCH 21

In 1801 Spanish King Charles IV gave the Louisiana Territory to French leader Napoleon. Spain had acquired the territory as a result of the Seven Years' War. As part of the deal, Napoleon agreed not to sell the property. But he quickly needed money to continue his wars and sold the territory to the United States two years later.

In 1806 Mexican leader Benito Juarez was born. When he was 12, he ran away from home and met a Franciscan brother who taught him to read and write. He became a lawyer, concentrating on defending poor Indians.

He was banished from Mexico in 1853 and went to New Orleans to help plot the overthrow of Mexican dictator Santa Anna. In 1855 he joined the march from Acapulco to Mexico City and helped overthrow Santa Anna. He continued to battle when the French took over Mexico and was jailed for his opposition. In 1867, Juarez retook Mexico City and was elected president.

His liberal reforms helped transform the nation. He died of a heart attack during his second term as president.

In 1937 football coach Tom Flores was born in Fresno, Calif. In 1978 he became the first Hispanic-American coach in the National Football League, leading the Oakland Raiders to two Super Bowl championships.

In 1945 Mexican-American parents won a suit alleging that school districts near Los Angeles segregated Mexican-American students.

MARCH 23

In 1814 writer Gertrudis Gomez de Avellaneda was born in Cuba. As a child, her family moved to Spain and she began writing there. She moved to Cuba and founded the literary review Cuban Album and wrote a novel and plays. She became one of the leaders in the Romanticism movement. She returned to Spain where she died in 1873.

In 1953 Nydia Velazquez was born in Yabucoa, Puerto Rico. The daughter of a sugar-cane cutter, she left Puerto Rico to attend New York University. She became the first Puerto Rican woman elected to the House of Representatives in 1992, in a bitter race in New York, unseating the veteran Rep. Stephen Solarz.

In 1994 Mexican presidential candidate Luis Donaldo Colosio was assassinated while campaigning in Tijuana, Mexico. Colosio was the candidate of the Mexican Institutional Revolutionary Party.

MARCH 24

In 1976 Isabel Peron was deposed by the military in Argentina.

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SPAIN: Explanation can prevent culture shock

(From 8B)

her appeal resides. An appeal that is unequivocally Spanish.

In the late '60s I lived in Madrid for a few months and though the times they were a-changing, they were doing so in a manner peculiar to Spain. Sure, young Spanish females slept with their boyfriends and talked of revolution, as in other lands. But they still wore girdles and they walked down the street with their arms crossed over their bosom. Like nuns.

By the late '70s and early '80s Spain began to change radically. Democracy replaced Franco's stern regime and modernity came in with a vengeance. The Spanish word for what happened is "el destape" — literally, "the uncovering." Some young Spanish women followed the lead of their French sisters and flung off their tops at the beach. And they seized sexuality with the zeal of females who had been repressed for centuries.

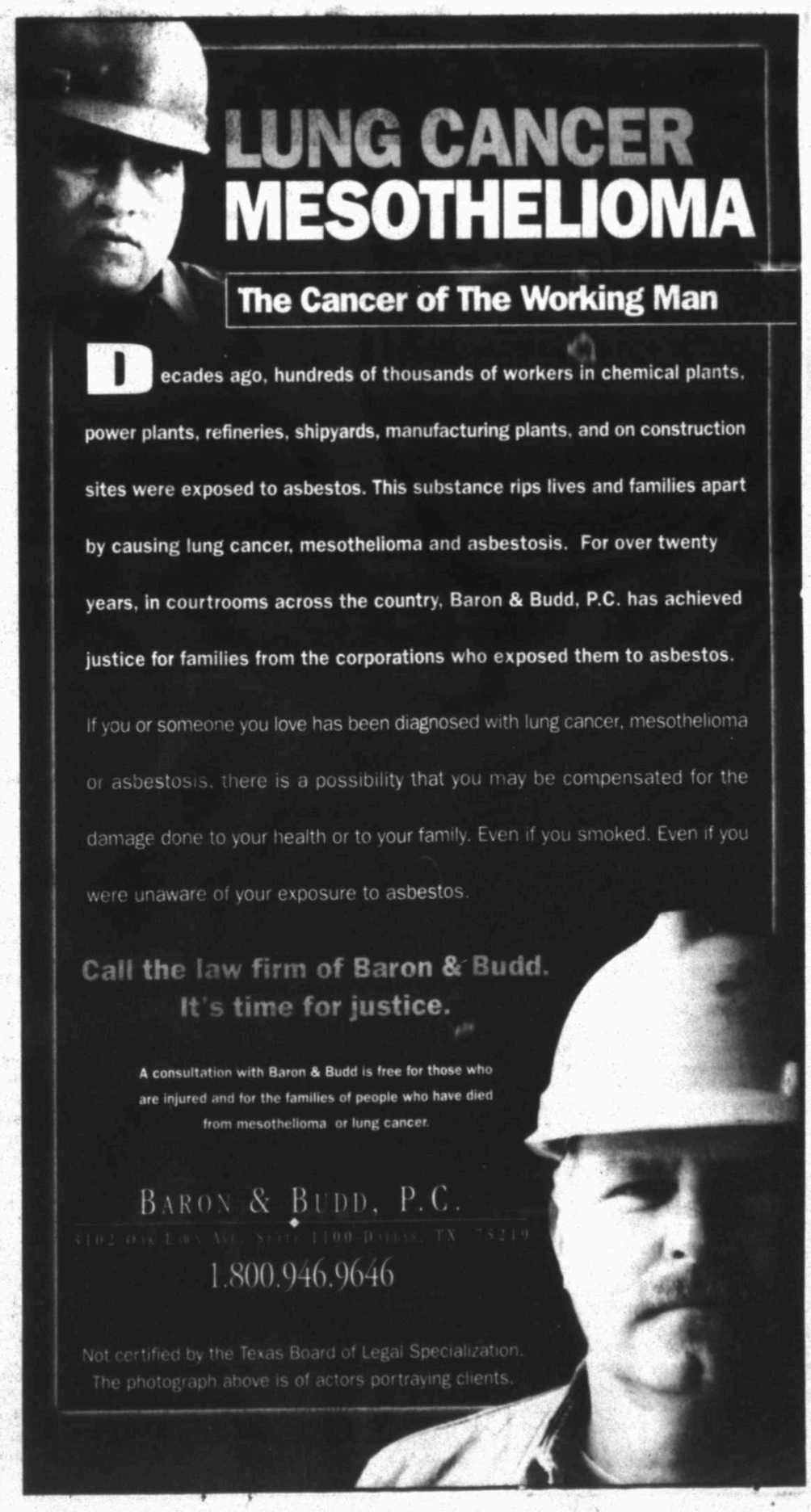
But no matter how "uncovered" the new liberated Spanish women got, they never lost a certain virginal hauteur. Neither has Penelope.

She does not beckon. On the contrary, her mouth is fixed in a permanent expression of disdain. And that is her perverse charm

What man doesn't want to conquer disdain? (Normal Mailer had it down in his great short story that feminists love to hate, "The Time of Her Time.")

Unlike Brigitte Bardot, who pouted, or Marilyn Monroe, who smiled, Penelope Cruz is, without speaking, telling her male viewers, "I want nothing to do with you sexually."

But then the rest of her body language says something quite different. And we succumb, helpless before her Spanish Imposition.



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¿Qué Pasa?

Dear Abby/7B

This week in Hispanic history

MARCH 16

In 1892 poet Cesar Vallejo was born in Peru. He became a political activist in Peru and was jailed in 1920 for his activities. Although trained as an attorney, he wrote poetry, much of it dealing with the suffering of the poor. His books include "The Black Messengers," "Trilce" and "Human Poems." "Trilce" was printed in the penitentiary in Lima. His final book, "Human Poems," was published after his death. He died in poverty in 1938, apparently of tuberculosis, although no one is sure exactly what caused his death. It was only after his death that he became famous and new editions of his books were published.

In 1978 the U.S. Senate ratified the Panama Canal treaty. The treaty, passed by a two-vote margin, agreed to turn the canal back to Panamanian control in 1999.

MARCH 17

In 1966 Cesar Chavez and his National Farm Workers Association began a march from Delano to the California capital in Sacramento to protest the treatment of farm workers. They reached Sacramento on April 11.

In 1988 3,000 American soldiers began arriving in Honduras to help support the Honduran government in border fighting against Nicaraguan troops.

MARCH 19

In 1823 Mexican Emperor Agustin de Iturbide, abdicated his throne.

MARCH 20

In 1898 Puerto Rican Poet Luis Pales Matos was born. His great-

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U.S. must demand a trial for Pinochet

By Bernardo Ruiz
Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service

Last week's release of Gen. Augusto Pinochet was a blow to the cause of human rights across the globe. Now it's up to the United States to pressure Chile to put its 84-year-old former dictator on trial.

■ Commentary

British Home Secretary Jack Straw released Pinochet, citing secretive medical examinations and ignoring extradition requests from Belgium, Switzerland and France. In doing so, Straw sullied Britain's otherwise admirable role in upholding international law. Pinochet was whisked off to Chile before human-rights activists had an opportunity to challenge Straw's decision in the courts.

Ever since Pinochet's arrest, the Chilean government has insisted that crimes committed in Chile should be tried within its territory. Now this claim is being put to the test. When Chile's new president, Ricardo Lagos, takes office on March 11, his government should demand that Pinochet stand trial, and strip the general of any and all immunity. (Pinochet engineered his own immunity from prosecution when he became senator-for-life in March 1998.)

Over the last two years, at least 60 criminal complaints have been lodged against Pinochet. A judge in Santiago, Chile's capital, is pushing an appeals to lift Pinochet's immunity in connection with a covert military organization called "The Caravan of Death." This unit operated throughout the country during Pinochet's 17-year rule and claimed the lives of Chilean and foreign citizens.

U.S. citizens were among Pinochet's victims. The case of Charles Horman, the subject of the movie "Missing," has been in the news recently as U.S. government documents have surfaced indicating that U.S. officials in Chile may have been aware of Horman's murder by Chilean military officials.

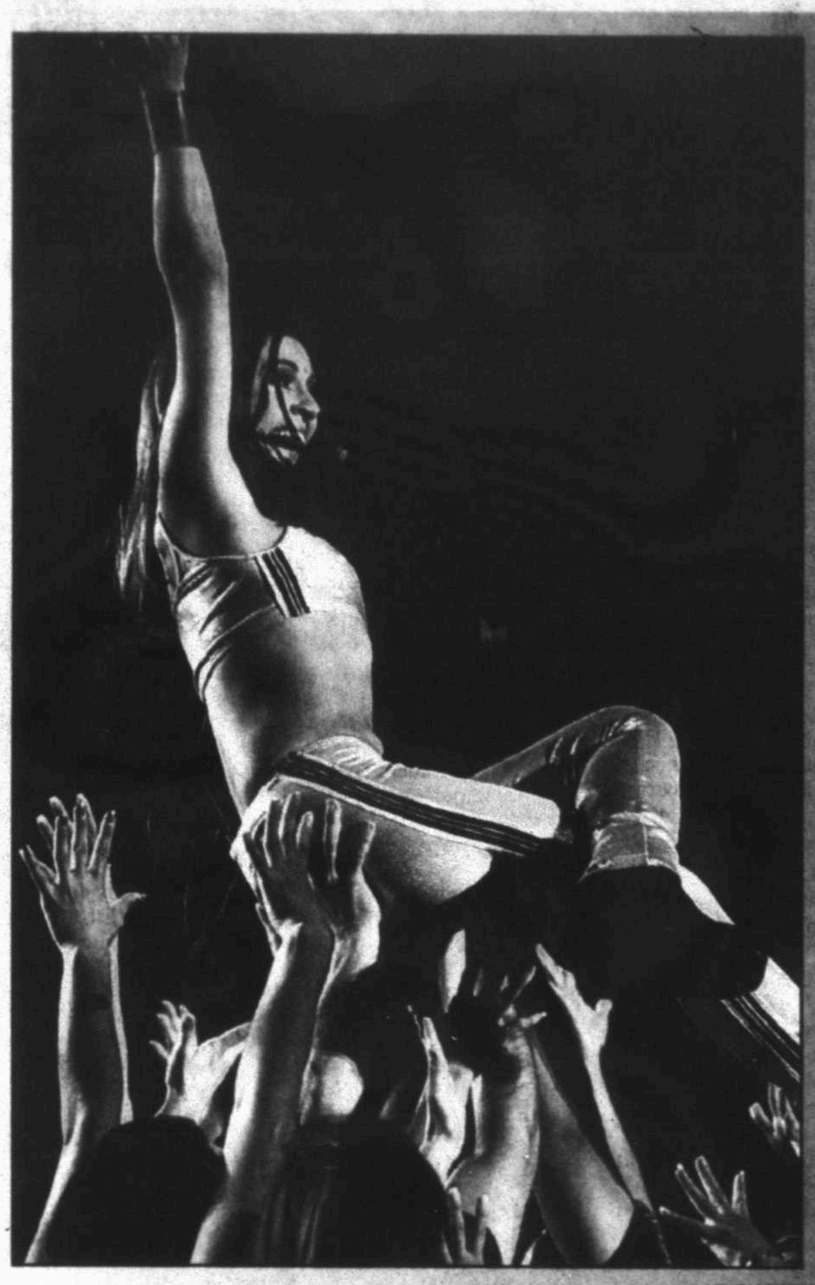
The 1976 car-bombing of U.S. citizen Ronni Moffitt and former Chilean Foreign Minister Orlando Letelier in Washington is another crime of the Pinochet regime that has gone unpunished.

Putting Pinochet on trial would help the United States discover the truth about how U.S. citizens may have died at Pinochet's orders. It may also disclose CIA complicity in these crimes. It's time to air everything out.

Some of Pinochet's henchmen are already behind bars.

Retired Gen. Sergio Arellano-Stark, the head of the Caravan of Death, has been arrested, along with four other former officers of the caravan. Arellano-Stark says he acted on direct orders from Pinochet.

That is a plausible claim, since Pinochet once boasted that not a leaf shook in Chile without his knowledge.Such a tyrant deserves to stand trial.



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Elida (top)is lifted by performers on stage at Tejano Music Awards at the Alamodome in San Antonio Saturday March 11. The singer performed just before being named winner of the Mexican Regional Song of the Year Award with her song "Duele." Making a special appearance at the awards was Denise Stefanie Gonzalez (right) the child actress who will portray Latin music star Selena in the Upcoming Musical "Selena Forever," which will have its world premiere on March 21 at Municipal Auditorium in San Antonio.

Elida, Kumbia Kings bring home four honors each from Tejano Music Awards

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Elida y Avante and the Kumbia Kings won four awards each on Saturday night at the 20th annual Tejano Music Awards.

Intocable won the album conjunto of the year with "Contigo," the landmark CD released six months after Intocable lost two band members in a Jan. 31, 1999, car accident outside of Monterrey, Mexico.

The comeback album was also nominated for a Grammy earlier this year, which went to Los Palominos.

Bobby Pulido, who dominated in the last two awards, won the male entertainer category while Jay Perez grabbed male vocalist.

Neither Intocable, Kumbia Kings or Pulido was on hand to accept the awards, but Elida was exuberant in accepting her first award for Mexican regional song of the year.

"First of all I want to thank almighty God. I want to thank my mom and dad and every fan out there," she said.

Later, when she accepted the female vocalist award, Elida was in tears. "It is such an honor to be here receiving this, and I have been dreaming about this all my life."

Another surprise was the first award won, finally, by singer Jay Perez, who had been nominated for male vocalist for the last five years. "It's been a long time and if my grandma was here, she'd say "long overdue!" and I have no speech, I really didn't expect this," he said.

"But this goes out to all the fans ... without you we are nothing."

Later in the evening, the crowd at the Alamodome gave a rousing response to the two young actresses who are to play Selena as a little girl in the upcoming "Selena Forever" musical.

Denise Stefanie Gonzalez, of Los Angeles, performed "Ave Maria," and Lorrisa Chapa of Corpus Christi sang "Over the Rainbow."

THE WINNERS
Song of the Year
"Duele," Elida y Avante
Most Promising Band
Kumbia Kings
Male Entertainer of the Year
Bobby Pulido
Female Entertainer of the Year
Elida Reyna
Male Vocalist of the Year
Jay Perez
Female Vocalist of the Year
Elida Reyna
Album/Group of the Year
"Amor, Familia y Respeto," Kumbia Kings
Album Conjunto of the Year
"Contigo," Intocable
Mexican Regional Song of the Year
"Duele," Elida y Avante
Showband of the Year
Kumbia Kings
Tejano crossover song of the Year
"Azucar," Kumbia Kings

'Selena Forever' to open in San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — A musical celebrating the life of slain Tejano singer Selena will open in San Antonio almost five years to the day after the star was killed by a former employee, who was also the president of her fan club.

"Selena Forever" will feature a cast of 35 singers, actors, dancers and musicians, and nearly 30 songs — 10 of them songs Selena performed. The other songs are a mix of Latin pop and Tejano.

The show is scheduled to open in San Antonio March 21. One of the first five shows will also be in Corpus Christi, home of the slain singer.

Selena Quintanilla-Perez was shot to death on March 31, 1995, by Yolanda Saldivar in a Corpus Christi motel room. Saldivar, who had been president of Selena's fan club, is serving a life sentence for the murder.

"We're tapping into a different public here," Fernando Rivas, who composed the score, told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times. "It's a Latino mind set, but I'm hoping the Anglo world will find this good. I'm hoping it will cross over."

Two San Antonio women — Rebecca Valadez, 21, and Veronica Vasquez, 24, will share the lead role. Eleven-year-old Denise Stefanie Gonzalez, of Los Angeles, will play the role of Selena as a child.

Selena, 23 at the time of her death, inspired a feature film, documentaries, books, dolls and a clothing line. Some of her stage clothes and memorabilia are in the Smithsonian Institution and a musical about her life is in the works.

Ricky's only one star in a huge Latin galaxy

By Cindy Rodriguez
The Boston Globe

Music writers called him a one-hit wonder. Others assail him as "too pop." And while Americans bop their heads to the beat of Ricky Martin's snare drum, the predictions of his demise drop like bombs. But don't believe a word they say.

Many of them don't know Latin music. They base their predictions on lesser Latino artists who have come and gone. Most of those critics had never heard of Martin — an artist who's been recording for 15 years — until his smash single, "Livin' La Vida Loca." As copies of his self-titled English debut were snatched off the shelves, with more than 5 million copies sold so far, the critics had to answer to readers who wanted to know: Why haven't you written about him?

That's when the scurrying began. Writers flipped through press releases, searched their electronic libraries to find out what had been written, listened to the CD a few times, and — with deadlines looming — cranked out superficial reviews. Their idea of context was "La Macarena."

Like Christopher Columbus, the critics thought they had discovered something. But Ricky's not new. After four years performing with the Puerto Rican boy group Menudo, he put out four solo albums.

The critics say he's "not Latin enough," but they'd be hard pressed to define what that means. Latin pop isn't English verses set to Latin music. It's not watered-down Latin music. It's not a new genre, made for American consumers. It is its own vast category, decades old, just like Latin rock, Latin hip-hop, and Latin jazz.

Without understanding the history of how Latin pop came to be, the critics are at a loss. They've got a pocketful of stereotypical words that they can't use: exotic, spicy, sexy, sultry. Mainstream music writers sprinkle those words into copy, in an attempt to capture the essence of music that is foreign to them. And when an artist like Martin comes along, with vibrant music that sounds familiar, they get suspicious. That's what happens when they ignore the music of an entire continent.



Ricky Martin

Scores of Latinos — Marc Anthony, Los Trio-O, Selena — have had huge US success with little marketing. One of the biggest surprises this year came from a group of elderly Cuban musicians who recorded long-forgotten danzons and sons on "Buena Vista Social Club." It sold more than 421,000 units in the United States, according to SoundScan, and picked up a Grammy along the way — proof that Americans are hungry for musica Latina.

The critics — who should be ahead of the trends, introducing us to new sounds — realized they missed the story, so now they want to dismiss Ricky.

And they were missing another trend that has been unfolding in recent years: the wave of young Latino artists experimenting with new sounds. Artists like Shakira, Fulanito, Mana, Ilegales, A. B. Quintanilla Y Los Kumbia Kings, and Dark Latin Groove.

They avoided writing about Latin music, yet less popular genres, including American folk, get ink. (While we're on the subject, how can they continue to ignore hip-hop, considering it is the most influential genre of our time?)

What makes Ricky Martin's music exciting is his incorporation of rock and jazz. When an American rock artist mixes different sounds, it's called fusion. And when artists such as Sting or even Madonna blend in bits of flamenco guitar or beats from a conga, they call it "experimental projects." But when Latino musicians borrow elements of rock, critics call it watered down.

Though Latinos love traditional music — rancheros, plenas, cumbias, boleros, merengues — we've long embraced newer musical styles. It's time for critics to do the same, considering that the

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Cultural briefing in order for Spain's new sensation

By Enrique Fernandez
Sun-Sentinel, South Florida

Spanish actress Penelope Cruz, who stars in "All the Pretty Horses," just graced the cover of the February GQ. And in recent issues the writers at Esquire have devoted their most feverish prose to describing her charms. Curious, when you consider that Penelope is not even pretty.

Penelope, who also stars in Pedro Almodovar's Oscar-nominated "All About My Mother," provokes the same kind of reaction in her native Spain. She is the hottest Spanish film import since that other Almodovar idol, Antonio Banderas. But before moving into the Almodovar stable she had already achieved film prominence in the role of sexy ingenue.

In the film that brought her international attention, Fernando Trueba's Oscar-winning "Belle Epoque," she is the youngest of four sisters, the rest of whom sample the young protagonist with the same gourmandise that they employ in tasting his delicious food.

Her sisters really know how to lay it on thick, while Penelope's approach is to go to his bedroom reproaching him for not making love to her. She remains a virgin until they marry.

But it was in an earlier film, less known in this country, "Jamon Jamon," that the essential Penelope Cruz was fixed in the viewers' mind. While her boyfriend has her shirt off, most of the women in the film are prostitutes, so Penelope seems relatively virtuous. Kissing her, her boyfriend remarks that her skin tastes like onions, from the onion and potato omelettes her mother makes.

It's a delicious Spanish moment that combines eroticism with the pungent flavor of simple Spanish food.

Later actor Javier Bardem will offer her cured ham (the "jamon" of the title), arguing that it's an aphrodisiac. Penelope endures all of it with Spanish aplomb. And with a disdainful expression in her mouth. And that is precisely where

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TOP 20 Tejano Hits

1. Intocable - *Contigo*
2. Kumbia Kings - *Se Fue Mi Amor*
3. Shelly Lares - *No Me Olvides*
4. Jay Perez - *No Quiero Estar Solo*
5. David Lee Garza - *Para Ti*
6. Masizzo - *Solamente Mia*
7. Control - *Tu No Me Lo Das*
8. Rodeo - *Si Tu Te Vas*
9. Michael Salgado - *Otra Vez A La Cantina*
10. Mazz - *Basura*
11. Stampede - *Aqui Estoy Yo*
12. Ram Herrera - *Casa Vacia*
13. Elida Y Avante - *Tiki Tac*
14. Atrapado - *Oh! Que Gusto*
15. Intocable - *Es Tan Bello*
16. Los Tigrillos - *Se Baila Asi*
17. Ramiro Y Juan - *Coronandote*
18. Los Palominos - *Por Eso Te Amo*
19. Kumbia Kings - *Fuiste Mala*
20. Ram Herrera - *Tu Pecado*

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Bulldogs, Rebels face off after losing flip

Staff Report

The state soccer playoffs have already cost Midland athletic director Tim Whalen 25 cents and a bad mood.

In three coin flips spanning two days, Midland didn't win a one.

On Tuesday, the Midland Lee girls lost a coin flip with San Angelo Central, giving the Lady Bobcats the district's No. 2 playoff seeding. Lee will take the third seed as both teams tied for second place with 8-4 records behind district girls champion Odessa Permian, 11-1.

Fortunately, that coin flip was only for seeding purposes and really had nothing to do with whether a team made the playoffs or not.

Then came Wednesday morning. Whalen lost a three-way coin flip between the boys of Midland Lee, Midland High and Odessa Permian, all of which finished tied for second place at 8-4. Permian won the coin flip and was given the automatic No. 2 seeding.

That's where the rub comes in. Now, Midland High and Midland Lee must meet for a third time this season today at 4 p.m. at the Lee soccer field. The winner goes to the state playoffs and the loser stays home.

"On top of losing the coin flip, Permian got away with my quarter," Whalen said. "Now, MHS and Lee have to play each other again and the loser has to leave town. That's a tough way to have to end it by playing against your crosstown rival."

The drama isn't nearly as thick for the Lee girls, who are playoff bound. The Lady Rebels will face Lubbock Coronado, District 3-5A's second place team, at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Lee soccer field in the bi-district round.

Lee got an unexpected gift in the bi-district game with Coronado.

"They (Coronado) agreed to come here," said Lee girls soccer coach Mike Simpson. "We never had to flip for it. And that's probably a good thing with the way our flips have gone this week."

Simpson is pleased with the placement in the playoffs.

"This puts us back on course to meet Permian again, and that's what we really wanted," Simpson said. "Maybe that's a little short-sighted on our part, but they beat us both times we played them and we would really like another shot at them. We felt we could have done better both times."

To get to Permian, Lee will have to

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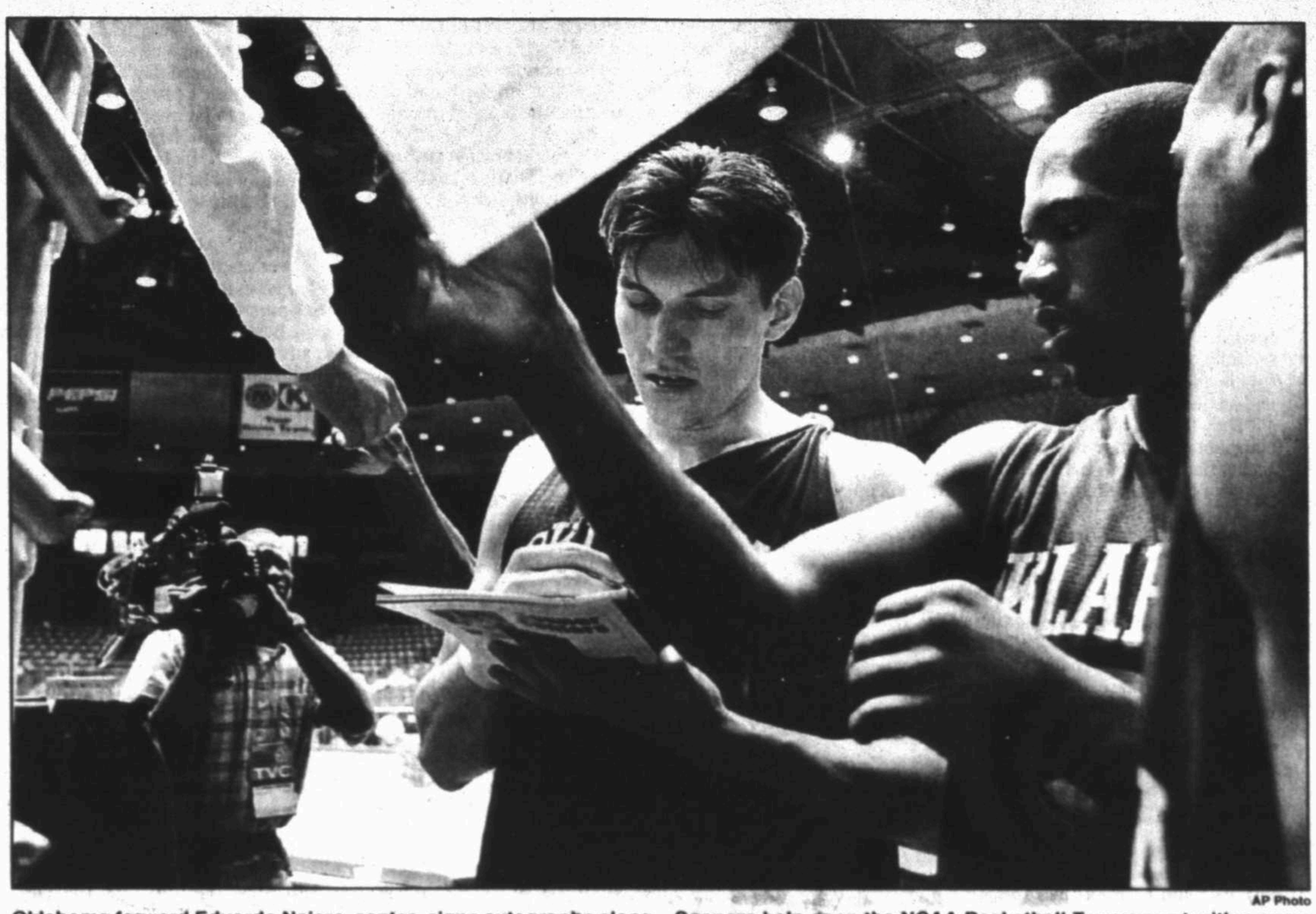
4-5A Soccer Teams in the Playoffs

Boys District Playoff (for No. 3 seed)
Midland High (8-4 in district, 15-5 overall) vs. Midland Lee (8-4, 11-6-1), 4 p.m. today, Lee Soccer Field.

Boys Bi-District
Champion: Abilene High (10-2, 16-4), bye.
No. 2: Odessa Permian (8-4, 16-6) vs. Amarillo Tascosa, TBA.
No. 3: Lee-MHS winner at Lubbock Monterey, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Lubbock.

Girls Bi-District
Champion: Odessa Permian (11-1, 19-3), bye.
No. 2: San Angelo Central (8-4, 14-8) vs. Lubbock Monterey, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Abilene (site TBA).
No. 3: Midland Lee (8-4, 14-5) vs. Lubbock Coronado, 2 p.m. Tuesday, Lee Soccer Field, Midland.

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AP Photo

Oklahoma forward Eduardo Najera, center, signs autographs along with teammates after Wednesday's practice in Tucson, Ariz. The Sooners help open the NCAA Basketball Tournament with a game against Winthrop today.

Sweet Home Chihuahua

Sooners open tourney in Tucson — relatively close to star Najera's old stomping grounds

By Bob Baum
AP Sports Writer

TUCSON, Ariz. — To the locals, Tucson is the "Old Pueblo," a city greatly influenced by its Hispanic heritage. It's just the right place for Oklahoma star Eduardo Najera to begin the final NCAA tournament of his college career.

Najera, considered the best Mexican-born basketball player ever and almost certain to become the second from that country to play in the NBA, expects a big Hispanic following when the third-seeded Sooners (26-6) play 14th-seeded Winthrop (21-8) Thursday in the opening game of the West regional at Arizona's McKale Center.

"I feel great about the support from the Mexican people, not only the country of Mexico but the whole Hispanic population of the U.S. and even South America," the 6-foot-8 senior forward said. "We need a lot of people to support us, especially the Hispanic people. We know there are a lot of Hispanic people here, and hopefully they will be for us."

In other first-round games in Tucson, sixth-seeded Purdue (21-9) plays 11th-seeded Dayton (22-8), seventh-seeded Louisville (19-11) meets 10th-seeded Gonzaga (24-8), and second-seeded St. John's (24-7) plays 15th-seeded Northern Arizona (20-10).

Najera knows he'll have family support. His mother, father and a brother plan to make the nine-hour drive from his hometown of Chihuahua.

They will cheer on a young man whose mastery of English, as well as of basketball, is remarkable considering he could hardly speak the language and was extremely green at the game when he left Mexico five years to attend Cornerstone Christian High School in San Antonio, Texas.

"Eduardo is the sweetest, most sensitive, most beautiful soul you'll ever want to meet," Oklahoma coach Kelvin Sampson said. "But once he crosses those lines it becomes a battlefield to him. He's a tough, tough kid."

Najera, a third-team All-American, finished second in the Big 12 in scoring (18.8 points per game) and rebounding (9.5). That only begins to describe his importance to the Sooners (26-6).

"Eduardo fits our personality and fits our identity," Sampson said. "We want to play harder than you do. If the ball is loose, we want to be the first one to it. There's nothing that we do for our identity that he's not outstanding in. ... He's a winner. The kids in our program have really embodied our spirit."

The Sooners, who upset Arizona in the first

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Auburn endures life without Porter

By Arnie Stapleton
AP Sports Writer

MINNEAPOLIS — Like Cincinnati, Auburn is without its star for the NCAA tournament.

Chris Porter lost his eligibility after getting money from an agent's middleman last month. He insisted he needed money to prevent his mother, who lost her job in December, from being evicted.

Without their preseason All-America forward and 1999 Southeastern Conference player of the year, the Tigers' hopes of a top seed were dashed. Just like those of Cincinnati, which lost Kenyon Martin to a broken leg last week and were seeded second in the South.

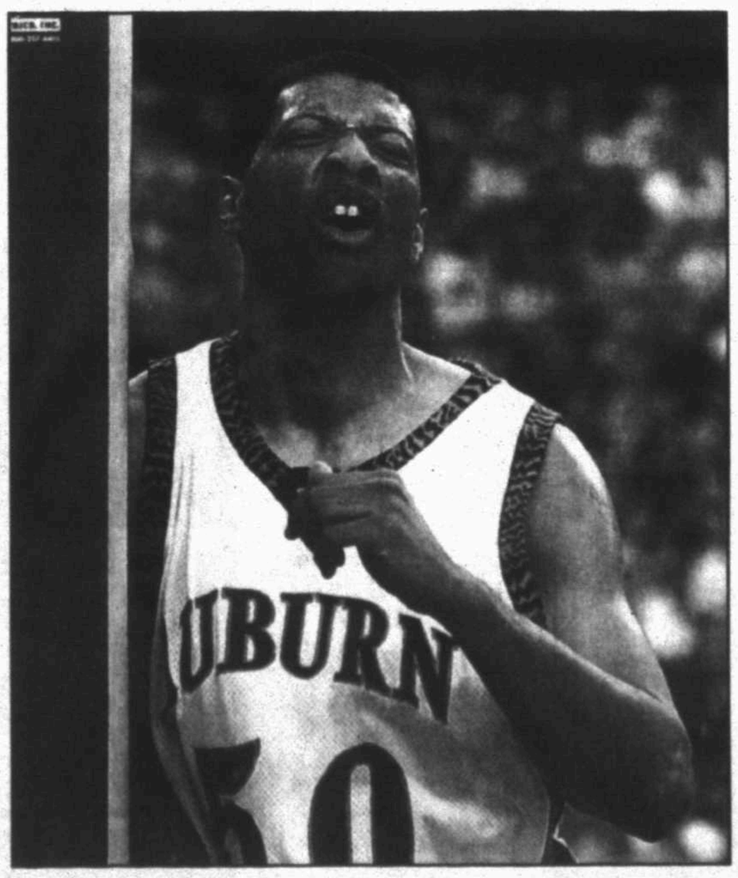
The Tigers (23-9) are the seventh seed in the Midwest, where they'll face 10th-seeded Creighton (23-9) at the Metrodome on Thursday.

In other games, No. 2 Iowa State faces No. 15 Central Connecticut State; No. 3 Maryland plays No. 14 Iona; and No. 6 UCLA — which just got its own star, sophomore forward JaRon Rush, reinstated after a long NCAA suspension — meets No. 11 Ball State.

After Porter's departure, the Tigers lost three straight games before correcting course in time to reach the SEC tournament title game, where they lost to Arkansas.

Creighton coach Dana Altman takes no solace in the absence of Porter, who averaged 14.6 points and 7.3 rebounds.

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Without Chris Porter, Auburn has had to lean more on senior point guard Doc Robinson.

AP Photo

Chaparrals shock crowd with defense

By Oscar Leroy
Sports Writer

HUTCHINSON, Kan. — Folks up here are having trouble understanding No. 13 Midland College's concept of playing basketball.

Most teams in the NJCAA National Tournament came in averaging more than 90 points per game. In contrast, Midland College was holding opponents to a mere 67 points per contest, the best in the nation.

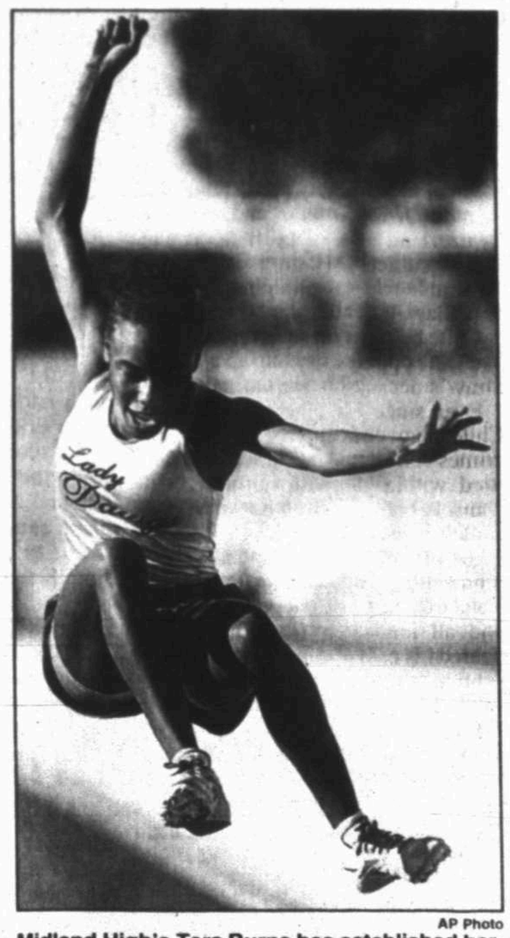
Midland College vs. Calhoun 6 p.m. KCRS (550AM)

So when the Chaparrals held Champlain College of Burlington, Vt., to a season low 44 points in MC's 71-44 victory Tuesday evening at the Hutchinson Sports Arena, most of the 7,000 jaws dropped at a team that actually put a hand in the face of the opponent shooting the basketball.

Before the Chaparrals leave the state of Kansas, one can bet that most people around here will know their battle cry — "defending and rebounding win basketball games."

The Chaps hope their formula for success continues at 6 p.m. today when they face No. 17 Calhoun Community College (30-4) from Decatur, Ala., in the quarterfinals of the NJCAA National Tournament. Calhoun defeated Louisburg (N.C.),

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AP Photo

Midland High's Tara Burns has established herself as a favorite for the District 4-5A long jump title and as a contender for the state meet.

MHS sophomore Burns up West Texas runways

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

When it comes down to it, it is hard to think of Tara Burns as "just a sophomore."

Sophomores don't come out and dominate their events like she is doing right now in the girls' long jump.

Sophomores are not the workhorses, scoring the most points for their respective teams like she is now.

Sophomores aren't supposed to be contenders for a spot at the state meet, but a contender is what she is now.

Burns is one of the Tall City's brightest track stars so far this season. After three meets, she is undefeated in the long jump. Her jump of 18 feet, 4¾ inches in her first meet of the season in Abilene put her among the top jumpers in the state.

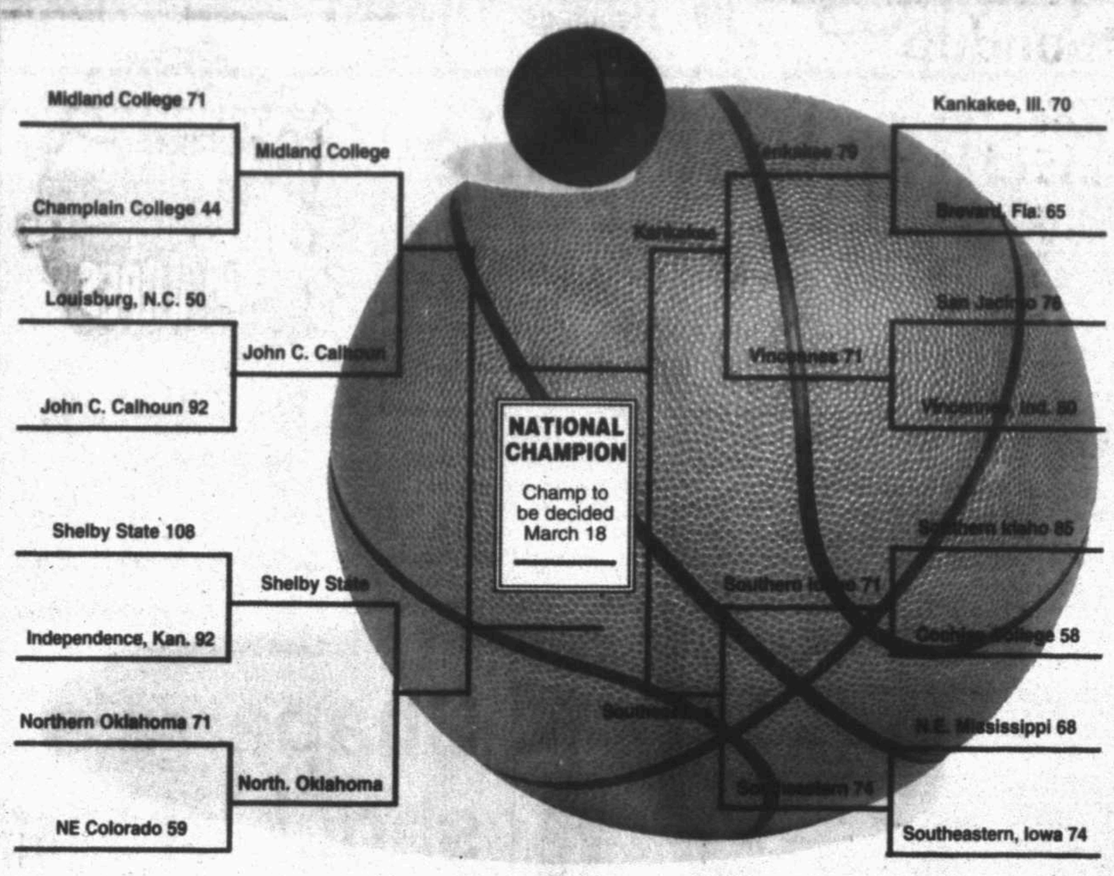
It also opened some eyes for a few reasons.

- The jump would have won last year's district meet by nearly two feet.
- It also showed considerable improvement by

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NJCAA: Chaps face Calhoun

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92-50, on Tuesday to advance to the winner's bracket.

For MC's first-year head coach Junsie Cotten and his Chaparrals, just getting the first game out of the way was huge in terms of confidence and getting relaxed.

"I thought we were anxious to play that first game," Cotten said. "We didn't shoot the ball very well but I think the guys know that as long as we defend and rebound, the shots will eventually fall.

"I think they've really bought into defending and rebounding. That's why we're 30-4. We've been doing those two things. You have to give our guys credit. Instead of just concentrating on playing offense, they get out to defend and contest every shot."

Calhoun may be a little more like Midland than most teams in the tourney as the Warhawks average 84.7 points per game, while give up an average of 74.4 ppg. Against Louisburg, Jason Pruitt, a 6-foot-2, 171-pound sophomore guard, exploded for 30 points to lead four Warhawks in double figures.

Since the Warhawks played early Tuesday evening, Cotten and his staff got a chance to look at Calhoun in action.

"They're athletic and may present matchup problems for us," said Cotten about the Warhawks. "What we have to do is know where their shooters are and play solid defense. If we do that, I think it'll give us a great chance to win the game in the last five minutes. We just need to do the little things that will help us win the basketball game. If we don't do the little things and if we don't defend and rebound, we'll get beat."

One thing's for sure, the Chaps won't be as wide-eyed and anxious to play tonight.

"They (Chaps) didn't know what to expect," said Cotten about their first round game against Champlain. "This is their first time here and this is my first time here. They're not used to playing in front of 7,000-8,000 people.

"But as long as we continue to guard, defend and rebound, we'll be all right. Our guys deserve a lot of credit because they've been receptive to coaching and they like to play defense. They've been up for every challenge that's been presented to them this year and I'll challenge them again at practice. At the beginning of the year, they didn't understand about defending and rebounding. Now they know that defending and rebounding will win games."

Pretty soon these Kansas folks will understand the Chaps' philosophy of playing basketball as well.

Tuesday's Late Box
No. 13 Midland College 71, Champlain College 44

Midland College (30-4): Eugene Costello 7-16 5-8 21, Teohn Conner 5-11 0-0 12, Ricky Duff 4-6 1-2 7, Alvin Brooks 4-6 2-2 10, Armon Whitaker 0-0 0-0 0, Armon Tillman 1-4 0-0 3, Jerome Beasley 2-3 0-0 4, Quannas White 1-4 2-3 4, Jason Williams 2-4 0-0 4, Adrian Martin 1-3 0-0 2, Jermaine Allen 1-2 0-0 2, Macklin Thornton 0-0 0-1 0, C.J. Young 1-1 0-0 2. **Totals 27-68 10-16 71.**

Champlain College (24-4): Vohn Hunter 5-14 4-9 16, Jeremy Bishop 4-14 2-6 10, Robert Pilsbury 3-5 0-0 9, Kareem Hodge 2-3 0-1 4, Lee Guinn 1-13 0-0 2, Jay Carter 0-2 1-2 1, RoMaine Hicks 0-1 1-4 1, Moustapha Toure 0-3 1-2 1, Aurie Thibault 0-1 0-0 0, Carmelo Pena 0-0 0-0 0, Ian Nye 0-0 0-0 0. **Totals 15-56 9-24 44.**

Halftime: MC 33, CC 20. 3-point goals: MC 7-32 (Costello 2-8, Conner 2-7, Brooks 2-11, White 0-1, Tillman 1-3, Whitaker 0-2), CC 5-21 (Hunter 2-5, Bishop 0-2, Pilsbury 3-4, Hodge 0-1, Guinn 0-7, Hicks 0-1, Thibault 0-1). Total Fouls: MC 25, CC 18. Fouled Out: Bishop. Rebounds: MC 50 (Conner 7), CC 53 (Bishop 17). Turnovers: MC 12, CC 22. Assists: MC 14 (Conner 3, White 3), CC 6 (Guinn 4).

SOCCER: Lee owns 2 wins vs. MHS

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win two playoff rounds and should be favored in both as will be Permian. Lee must get past Coronado Tuesday at home and then would have to face El Paso Del Valle, the District 2-5A winner, probably next Saturday in the area round before meeting up with Permian in the region quarterfinals in the third round.

Whalen was to start negotiations with Del Valle soon. Tuesday's 2 p.m. bi-district game with Coronado will see ticket prices of $4 for adults and $2 for students.

But today, it's do or die for the boys of Lee and MHS. The season for both teams is down to one game, winner take all. Tickets for the 4 p.m. game will be the regular $3 for adults and $1 for students.

Lee has beaten Midland High in both district meetings this season, but both were tight matches. Lee produced a 2-1 win over the Bulldogs in the district opener on Jan. 25 at the Lee soccer field and then came back with a 1-0 victory over the Bulldogs on Feb. 24 at the MHS soccer field.

In the first game, the two teams went into the 67th minute tied at 1-1 when Eric Mora gave Lee the victory by scoring from about five yards from the mouth of the goal off a rebound. Both of the other goals in the game came in the first half, the first from Lee's Shaun Gill on an assist by John Kubala. MHS tied it later in the half on a penalty kick by Joey Entzminger.

In the second game, it was Mora again who did the damage against MHS, converting a penalty kick in the 52nd minute of play for the lone goal of the game.

The winner today will enter the state playoffs on Tuesday, but again there was a coin flip loss for the local team. The bi-district round will be played at 6 p.m. at Lubbock Monterey, the second place team of District 3-5A.

The bi-district winner will go up against El Paso Del Valle, the winner of District 2-5A. Del Valle won both District 2 titles this season, taking both the girls and boys crowns.

Del Valle is the team that has knocked the Lee boys out of the state playoffs the past two seasons. Del Valle again waits for District 4-5A to show up, but it won't know which Midland team that might be until after today's game.

Modano's bank shot boosts Stars

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Even though the Dallas Stars seem to be rounding into Stanley Cup playoff form, coach Ken Hitchcock wants more — more injured players back and better play.

The defending champion Stars won their third straight on Wednesday night as Mike Modano snapped a tie early in the third period with a goal off the skate of a Devils player in a 3-2 victory over New Jersey.

"I think we're about 60 percent of where we want to be," said Hitchcock, who would like to see Jere Lehtinen, Blake Sloan, Guy Carbonneau and Grant Marshall return from injuries.

"Once they're in, we'll see where we're at," he added. "We've got some good depth up front. We have to get it out on the ice and playing."

The Stars have played well even without key players. They are 6-3-2 in their last 11 games with two of the losses coming in overtime.

Jamie Langenbrunner and Richard Matvichuk also scored as the defending Stanley Cup champions welcomed back goalie Ed Belfour after a week's absence and spoiled the debut of Alexander Mogilny with the Devils.

The Stars won their 32nd straight road game when scoring at least three goals.

TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
PHILADELPHIA 76ERS—Signed G Ira Bowman for the remainder of the season.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
DALLAS STARS—Reassigned G Marty Turco to Michigan of the IHL.
DETROIT RED WINGS—Signed D Aaron Ward to a one-year contract.
NEW YORK RANGERS—Recalled G Jean-Francois Labbe from Hartford of the AHL. Signed G Bryce Wandler.
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Recalled G Zac Bierk from Detroit of the IHL.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
CINCINNATI BENGALS—Signed DT Andre Purnis to a one-year contract.
DENVER BRONCOS—Named Karl Dorrell wide receivers coach.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Signed DE Bernard Holsey.
MIAMI DOLPHINS—Agreed to terms with RB Lamar Smith.
NEW YORK JETS—Promoted Mike Tannenbaum to director of pro player development-contract negotiations.
PHILADELPHIA EAGLES—Signed C-G Eugene Chung to a two-year contract. Re-signed DE Al Wallace and TE Kaseem Sinceno to one-year contracts.
ST. LOUIS RAMS—Signed DT Sean Moran.
SAN DIEGO CHARGERS—Agreed to terms with LB Gerald Dixon on a two-year contract.
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Signed C-LS Joe Zelenka.
Canadian Football League
CALGARY STAMPEDERS—Signed DL Troy Bailey and WR Shawn Scales.
EDMONTON ESKIMOS—Signed DL Armon Williams.
HAMILTON TIGER-CATS—Signed OL Brad Chalmers. Re-signed CB Frank West.
MONTREAL ALOUETTES—Signed Jim Popp, general manager, and Charlie Taaffe, coach, to three-year contract extensions.
SASKATCHEWAN ROUGHRIDERS—Re-signed LB Randy Srochenski.
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AUGUSTA STALLIONS—Signed TE Jason Lawson.

SOCCER
Major League Soccer
CHICAGO FIRE—Acquired F Hristo Stoichkov from San Jose for an allocation. Waived MF Paul Dougherty and MF Kevin Jackson.
SAN JOSE CLASH—Traded an allocation to Chicago for a 2002 first-round draft pick and two 2001 second-round draft picks.
TAMPA BAY MUTINY—Waived D Ubusuku Abukusomo and D Matt Kmosko.

SOFTBALL
Women's Pro Softball League
TAMPA BAY FIRESTIX—Re-signed RHP Dee Dee Weiman. Signed RHP Darlene Lowery to a contract for the 2000 season.
FLORIDA WAHOOS—Re-signed C Julie Crandall and RHP Desarie Knipler.

COLLEGE
AKRON—Named Catherine Byrne women's soccer coach.
ALABAMA—Named Nikki Kubiszyn-Smith women's assistant soccer coach.
AUSTIN PEAY—Announced the resignations of Mark Rhea, Terry Sims and Brian Shirk, assistant football coaches.
EAST CAROLINA—Named Bob Leahy assistant football coach.

Baseball/1D

LIMESTONE—Announced the resignation of Chris Masters, men's soccer coach. Named women's soccer head coach Stewart Brown men's soccer coach.
NEW ORLEANS—Named vice chancellor Bob Brown athletic director.
OKLAHOMA STATE—Named Mike Jacobs offensive line coach.
PIEDMONT—Named Jim Stoeckel baseball coach.
TENNESSEE-MARTIN—Named Nathan Pifer women's soccer coach.

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Spurs hope Elliott's comeback sparks long run of success

By Kelley Shannon
AP Sports Writer

SAN ANTONIO — Sean Elliott has the San Antonio Spurs plotting new possibilities just one game into his comeback from a kidney transplant.

"This could be the catalyst we need," David Robinson said. "We have been playing well, but if we get some quality minutes out of Sean, we are going to be that much better."

Starting the game but playing only 12 minutes Tuesday night, Elliott shot 1-for-3 and thrilled the Alamodome crowd with a dazzling dunk in the third quarter.

That basket ignited a 6-0 spurt for San Antonio, which pulled away from Atlanta in the final period to win 94-79. Elliott also had a defensive rebound and an assist.

Seven months earlier, Elliott received a kidney from his older brother, Noel. The 32-year-old forward had focal glomerulosclerosis, a disease that prevents the kidneys from properly filtering waste from the blood. It could have worsened to the point of forcing Elliott to undergo dialysis.

With his comeback, Elliott became the first pro athlete in a major sport to return to competition after a kidney transplant.

"It feels really good," Elliott said after a hard practice Wednesday. "I'm expecting my endurance and my stamina to get much better."

Coach Gregg Popovich opted to start Elliott on Tuesday to avoid a disruption with lengthy applause if he'd entered from the bench later in the game. Now, however, the coach is expected to start Elliott regularly.

"That's the plan," Elliott said. "(Popovich) wants to go forward with this and get a rotation and get some routine going into the playoffs."

In his comeback quest, Elliott said, he worked constantly on his jump shot and ball handling skills. His main goal in his first game was to play good defense.

"I'm not worried about my offense," he said. "That'll come."

Robinson said Elliott has a lot of spring in his legs and the team's defense improved when he was in the game.

The Spurs began the season with Chucky Brown filling Elliott's small forward position much of the time. They've also tried Mario Elie, Jaren Jackson and Jerome Kersey.

"It's no knock on anybody else. It's just Sean Elliott is irreplaceable," point guard Avery Johnson said.

Even Popovich — who'd resisted Elliott's return at times, saying he concerned about his health — got caught up in the excitement of Elliott's comeback.

"I didn't really think it was an emotional deal, but I really surprised myself. Seeing him out there was great," Popovich said.

The coach recalled Elliott's contribution to the Spurs' championship run last season and noted when Elliott played his seven minutes in the third quarter Tuesday, thoughts of another title run rushed in.

"I think in the second half it was pretty much getting your team back, having the championship team," he said.

Popovich cautioned that he plans to slowly increase Elliott's playing time.

"It's going to be interesting to see what we do next, to see what he can handle," Popovich said. "His health is the primary concern and will be for the rest of the year. We'll do nothing to push him for wins and losses."

San Antonio (41-23) trailed Utah by two games Wednesday in the race for the Midwest Division lead.

The Spurs entered the playoffs last year with the best record in the NBA and home-court advantage throughout the postseason.

Elliott started in all 17 playoff games last year, averaging 11.9 points, 3.4 rebounds and 2.6 assists in 33.8 minutes. He led the Spurs in 3-point shooting, hitting 40 per cent.

His famous "Memorial Day Miracle" shot — an off-balance 3-pointer in the final seconds as he nearly fell out of bounds — sealed a victory for the Spurs over Portland in a crucial game in the Western Conference Finals.

But his dunk in his comeback game, he said, may be more memorable. Not only for his own career but for the encouragement it might send to other transplant recipients and donors.

"It's not just about myself," Elliott said. "There's another part of me who wants to make a statement for a lot of people who are in my situation."

TRACK: MHS' Burns wins despite her youth

(From 1C)

Burns. Last year at the district meet, Burns, a freshman, jumped 15-9. That is an improvement of more than two feet.

■ Her coach Susan Nix says that Burns has put out a mark that is not only head and shoulders above the field in District 4-5A but compares well around the state and nation.

To show that her winning performance at the first meet in Abilene was not a fluke, Burns won her next two meets in San Angelo and last week in Odessa. The streak stands at three for the 15-year-old.

"It feels weird. I am the youngest jumper," Burns said. "You would think that people older than me could jump farther."

But no one has, which might not be an accident. Nix says there is a reason for Burns' remarkable improvement this year.

"She is a year-round track athlete and knows what it takes to compete," Nix said. "She will just get better continually. She gets frustrated when she doesn't jump 18 feet and then uses it as a motivator."

Her competitiveness and ability should come front and center at the District 4-5A meet. Burns will also be among the favorites in the triple jump and maybe challenge the 400 meters. Whether there is more than one region ticket in her future remains to be seen.

But there is no doubt about who everyone else will be chasing in the long jump. It will be Burns, a sophomore competing beyond her years.

They just keep winning: In addition to Burns, Lee's T.J. Glover, Steve Subia and Sam Shearod continued respective undefeated streaks last weekend at the West Texas Relays. While great things were expected of Glover and Subia in the triple jump and shot put, respectively, Shearod, a 400 runner, might be one of the bigger surprises of the spring.

"I am doing a whole lot better than I thought I would right now," Shearod said after winning the West Texas Relays with his best time of the young season (49.00 seconds). "I can improve a lot this season."

Lee coach Kelvin Ratliff expects Shearod, who placed third in district last year with a time of 50.23, to break the 48-second barrier by the end of the season.

Subia is also setting more personal-best marks. For the second straight meet, Subia heaved the shot put farther than the previous week. This past weekend, he recorded a mark of 56-8. That is more than 19 inches better than his mark from the first meet of the spring three weeks ago.

Apologetic Belfour rejoins Stars

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — A week after being arrested in the assault of a hotel security guard, an apologetic Ed Belfour rejoined the Dallas Stars on Wednesday, promising to do his best to lead the team to a second straight Stanley Cup.

Belfour worked out with his teammates for about 30 minutes during a pre-game skate for Wednesday night's game at the Continental Airlines Arena against the New Jersey Devils. Belfour, whose performance in the playoffs helped the Stars win the Cup, stayed on the ice about an extra 25 minutes working with the coaching staff.

Manny Fernandez, who had started the four games since Belfour's arrest last Wednesday, played against the Devils.

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

NHL Standings

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	40	23	8	5	93	218	171
Philadelphia	37	21	11	2	87	201	156
Pittsburgh	28	33	8	6	70	197	203
N.Y. Rangers	28	33	11	3	70	201	204
N.Y. Islanders	20	42	8	1	49	164	232

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	39	24	7	3	88	215	185
Ottawa	35	23	11	2	83	205	173
Montreal	30	33	7	3	70	167	166
Buffalo	28	32	10	2	68	174	179
Boston	21	31	17	5	64	175	204

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	37	22	11	1	86	189	166
Florida	36	28	5	5	82	204	174
Carolina	30	30	10	0	70	187	192
Tampa Bay	16	45	8	7	47	175	260
Atlanta	12	50	6	4	34	141	259

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
x-St. Louis	43	17	9	0	95	210	140
x-Detroit	42	20	8	1	93	232	178
Chicago	27	36	7	2	63	209	219
Nashville	24	40	6	7	61	177	207

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	34	27	10	1	79	202	179
Edmonton	26	29	16	8	76	195	185
Calgary	28	35	8	5	69	186	222
Vancouver	23	33	14	8	68	181	206

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	39	25	7	4	89	180	158
Los Angeles	34	27	8	3	79	217	198
Phoenix	35	27	7	1	78	203	188
San Jose	29	32	9	7	74	192	182
Anaheim	28	31	11	2	69	183	194

x-clinched playoff berth

Overtime losses count as a loss and a regulation tie.

Wednesday's Games

Late Games Not Included

Dallas 3, New Jersey 2

Washington 4, N.Y. Islanders 3

Chicago 5, Toronto 2

Tampa Bay 4, N.Y. Rangers 4, tie

Edmonton 2, Carolina 2, tie

Ottawa 3, Calgary 1

St. Louis at Phoenix, (n)

Los Angeles at Anaheim, (n)

Buffalo at San Jose, (n)

Thursday's Games

Montreal at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.

Florida at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.

N.Y. Islanders at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.

Toronto at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.

Boston at Chicago, 7 p.m.

Nashville at Colorado, 8 p.m.

Buffalo at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

Stars 3, Devils 2

Dallas	2	0	1	— 3
New Jersey	1	1	0	— 2

First Period—1, Dallas, Langenbrunner 15 (Nieuwendyk), 2:40. 2, Dallas, Matvichuk 4 (Hull, Hatcher), 3:15. 3, New Jersey, Elias 30 (Sykora, Holik), 15:24 (pp).

Second Period—4, New Jersey, Arnott 19 (Elias, Sykora), 5:51.

Third Period—5, Dallas, Modano 33 (Sim, Lyashenko), 5:50.

Shots on goal—Dallas 15-9-6—30. New Jersey 6-11-7—24.

Power-play Opportunities—Dallas 0 of 2; New Jersey 1 of 3.

Goalies—Dallas, Fernandez 11-7-2 (24 shots-22 saves). New Jersey, Brodeur 38-16-8 (30-27).

Capitals 4, Islanders 3

N.Y. Islanders	3	0	0	— 3
Washington	2	2	0	— 4

First Period—1, Washington, Klee 6 (Sacco, Yake), 4:50. 2, New York, Green 11 (Isbister, Davidsson), 4:58. 3, New York, Isbister 17 (Davidsson, Jonsson), 11:21 (pp). 4, New York, Davidsson, 2 (Herbers, Green), 15:57. 5, Washington, Yake 9 (McKenzie), 19:38.

Second Period—6, Washington, Bondra 20 (Mironov, Gonchar), 10:18 (pp). 7, Washington, Simon 25 (Metropolit, Oates), 17:15 (pp).

Third Period—None

Shots on goal—New York 17-5-4—26. Washington 7-17-14—38.

Power-play Opportunities—New York 1 of 5; Washington 2 of 3.

Goalies—New York, Weekes 15-20-7 (38 shots-34 saves). Washington, Kolzig 34-18-10 (26-23).

Blackhawks 5, Maple Leafs 2

Chicago	2	2	1	— 5
Toronto	0	1	1	— 2

First Period—1, Chicago, Zhamnov 19 (Probert, Amonte), 6:26. 2, Chicago, Nylander 20 (Grosek, Dean), 14:54.

Second Period—3, Chicago, Sullivan 15 (Nylander, Dean), 2:10. 4, Chicago, Marha 8 (McAmmond, Atcheynum), 5:35. 5, Toronto, Adams 5 (Domi, Valk), 11:59.

Third Period— 6, Chicago, Sullivan 16 (Mironov, Grosek), 2:16. 7, Toronto, Thomas 21 (Hoglund, Yushkevich), 15:50 (pp).

Shots on goal—Chicago 11-8-7—26. Toronto 5-15-12—32.

Power-play Opportunities—Chicago 0 of 2; Toronto 1 of 4.

Goalies—Chicago, Thibault 20-24-5 (32 shots-30 saves). Toronto, Healy 8-8-0 (26-21).

Oilers 2, Hurricanes 2

Edmonton	0	2	0	0—2
Carolina	0	1	1	0—2

First Period—None.

Second Period—1, Edmonton, Murray 6 (Dowd, Moreau), 9:24. 2, Edmonton, Weight 16 (Smith, Smyth), 14:08. 3, Carolina, Roberts 17 (Francis, O'Neill), 19:04.

Third Period—4, Carolina, Wesley 7 (Kapanen, Brind'Amour), 6:14.

Overtime—None. Shots on goal—Edmonton 12-14-9-4—39. Carolina 6-9-7-3—25.

Power-play Opportunities—Edmonton 0 of 4; Carolina 1 of 6.

Goalies—Edmonton, Salo 22-23-13 (25 shots-23 saves). Carolina, Irbe 27-23-9 (39-37).

Lightning 4, Rangers 4

Tampa Bay	2	2	0	0—4
N.Y. Rangers	2	1	1	0—4

First Period—1, Tampa Bay, Lecavalier 21 (Svejkovsky, Modin), 1:08. 2, Tampa Bay, Hay 1 (R.Johnson, Mara), 5:40. 3, New York, Fleury 15 (York, Kamensky), 6:46. 4, New York, Lacroix 3 (DiMaio, Quintal), 12:06.

Second Period—5, New York, Kamensky 10 (Quintal, Nedved), 2:27. 6, Tampa Bay, Drulia 9 (Svoboda, Modin), 13:33 (pp). 7, Tampa Bay, Mara 7 (Lecavalier, M.Johnson), 16:37 (pp).

Third Period—8, New York, Leetch 6 (Fleury, York), 6:22.

Overtime—None.

Shots on goal—Tampa Bay 11-8-7-4—30. New York 12-14-13-1—40.

Power-play Opportunities—Tampa Bay 2 of 3; New York 0 of 4.

Goalies—Tampa Bay, Parent 1-5-1 (40 shots-36 saves). New York, McLean 6-6-3 (30-26).

WPHL Standings

By The Associated Press

Eastern Division

	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
x-Shreveport	39	17	7	85	245	182
x-Monroe	36	21	6	78	219	188
x-Lake Charles	37	22	4	78	251	199
Tupelo	29	24	10	68	217	247
Arkansas	28	26	9	65	235	267
Alexandria	19	36	10	48	190	278

Central Division

	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
y-Central Tex.	45	16	3	93	255	167
x-Austin	36	22	5	77	249	224
Corpus Christi	32	23	8	72	273	271
Fort Worth	27	32	4	58	212	249
z-Waco	11	14	2	24	86	107
z-Abilene	6	16	4	16	70	115

Western Division

	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
y-New Mexico	47	16	3	97	304	210
x-Lubbock	37	24	4	78	286	250
x-El Paso	35	22	7	77	266	233
Odessa	30	26	8	68	237	256
San Angelo	22	38	3	47	199	277
Amarillo	20	37	7	47	197	271

x-clinched playoff spot

y-clinched division title

z-suspended operations

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a victory; one for a shootout loss. Shootout losses are separate from losses.

Wednesday's Game

Lake Charles 5, Alexandria 2

Thursday's Games

Monroe at Corpus Christi

Austin at Central Texas

Friday's Games

Odessa at San Angelo

Arkansas at Alexandria

New Mexico at El Paso

Central Texas at Lake Charles

Monroe at Lubbock

Austin at Shreveport

Amarillo at Tupelo

Corpus Christi at Fort Worth

College Basketball Roundup

NCAA Men

By The Associated Press

EAST REGIONAL

First Round

Friday, March 17

At Marine Midland Arena

Buffalo, N.Y.

Oregon (22-7) vs. Seton Hall (20-9), 11:25 a.m.

Temple (26-5) vs. Lafayette (24-6), 30 minutes after previous game

Oklahoma State (24-6) vs. Hofstra (24-6), 6:40 p.m.

Indiana (20-8) vs. Pepperdine (24-8), 30 minutes after previous game

At Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum

Winston-Salem, N.C.

Illinois (21-9) vs. Pennsylvania (21-7), 11:15 a.m.

Florida (24-7) vs. Butler (23-7), 30 minutes after previous game

Kansas (23-9) vs. DePaul (21-11), 6:40 p.m.

Duke (27-4) vs. Lamar (15-15), 30 minutes after previous game

Second Round

Sunday, March 19

At Marine Midland Arena

Buffalo, N.Y.

Oklahoma State-Hofstra winner vs. Indiana-Pepperdine winner, 11:10 a.m.

Temple-Lafayette winner vs. Oregon-Seton Hall winner, 30 minutes after previous game

At Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum

Winston-Salem, N.C.

Illinois-Pennsylvania winner vs. Florida-Butler winner, 1:30 p.m.

Duke-Lamar winner vs. Kansas-DePaul winner, 30 minutes after previous game

SOUTH REGIONAL

First Round

Friday, March 17

At Nashville Arena

Nashville, Tenn.

Cincinnati (28-3) vs. North Carolina-Wilmington (18-12), 11:30 a.m.

Tulsa (29-4) vs. UNLV (23-7), 30 minutes after previous game

Ohio State (22-6) vs. Appalachian State (23-8), 6:50 p.m.

Miami (21-10) vs. Arkansas (19-14), 30 minutes after previous game

At Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center

Birmingham, Ala.

Tennessee (24-6) vs. Louisiana-Lafayette (25-8), 11:30 a.m.

Connecticut (24-9) vs. Utah State (28-5), 30 minutes after previous game

North Carolina (18-13) vs. Missouri (18-12), 6:55 p.m.

Stanford (26-3) vs. South Carolina State (20-13), 30 minutes after previous game

Second Round

Sunday, March 19

At Nashville Arena

Nashville, Tenn.

Cincinnati-North Carolina-Wilmington winner vs. Tulsa-UNLV winner, 1:15 p.m.

Ohio State-Appalachian State winner vs. Miami-Arkansas winner, 30 minutes after previous game

At Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center

Birmingham, Ala.

Stanford-South Carolina State winner vs. North Carolina-Missouri winner, 1:20 p.m.

Tennessee-Louisiana-Lafayette winner vs. Connecticut-Utah State winner, 30 minutes after previous game

MIDWEST REGIONAL

First Round

Thursday, March 16

At The Convocation Center

Cleveland

Kentucky (22-9) vs. St. Bonaventure (21-9), 11:20 p.m.

Syracuse (24-5) vs. Samford (21-10), 30 minutes after previous game

Michigan State (26-7) vs. Valparaiso (19-12), 6:40 p.m.

Utah (22-8) vs. Saint Louis (19-13), 30 minutes after previous game

At The Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome

Minneapolis

Auburn (23-9) vs. Creighton (23-9), 11:25 p.m.

Iowa State (29-4) vs. Central Connecticut State (25-5), 30 minutes after previous game

Maryland (24-9) vs. Iona (20-10), 6:55 p.m.

UCLA (19-11) vs. Ball State (22-8), 30 minutes after previous game

Second Round

Saturday, March 18

At The Convocation Center

Cleveland

Syracuse-Samford winner vs. Kentucky-St. Bonaventure winner, 12:10 p.m.

Michigan State-Valparaiso winner vs. Utah-Saint Louis winner, 30 minutes after previous game

At The Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome

Minneapolis

Iowa State-Central Connecticut State winner vs. Auburn-Creighton winner, 4:38 p.m.

Maryland-Iona winner vs. UCLA-Ball State winner, 30 minutes after previous game

WEST REGIONAL

First Round

Thursday, March 16

At The Jon M. Huntsman Center

Salt Lake City

Texas (23-8) vs. Indiana State (22-9), 11:40 a.m.

LSU (26-5) vs. Southeast Missouri State (24-6), 30 minutes after previous game

Arizona (26-6) vs. Jackson State (17-15), 6:40 p.m.

Wisconsin (18-13) vs. Fresno State (24-9), 30 minutes after previous game

At McKale Center

Tucson, Ariz.

Oklahoma (26-6) vs. Winthrop (21-8), 11:40 p.m.

Purdue (21-9) vs. Dayton (22-8), 30 minutes after previous game

Louisville (19-11) vs. Gonzaga (24-8), 6:50 p.m.

St. John's (24-7) vs. Northern Arizona (20-10), 30 minutes after previous game

Second Round

Saturday, March 18

At The Jon M. Huntsman Center

Salt Lake City

LSU-Southeast Missouri State winner vs. Texas-Indiana State winner, 2:20 p.m.

Arizona-Jackson State winner vs. Wisconsin-Fresno State winner, 30 minutes after previous game

At McKale Center

Tucson, Ariz.

Oklahoma-Winthrop winner vs. Purdue-Dayton winner, 4:30 p.m.

St. John's-Northern Arizona winner vs. Louisville-Gonzaga winner, 30 minutes after previous game

NCAA Women

By The Associated Press

EAST REGIONAL

First Round

Friday, March 17

At Maravich Assembly Center

Baton Rouge, La.

Xavier (26-4) vs. Stephen F. Austin (27-3), 6 p.m.

Liberty (23-7) at LSU (22-6), 8:30 p.m.

At Harry A. Gampel Pavilion

Storrs, Conn.

Drake (23-6) vs. Clemson (18-11), 5 p.m.

Hampton (16-14) at Connecticut (30-1), 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 18

At Mackay Arena

West Lafayette, Ind.

Oklahoma (23-7) vs. Brigham Young (22-8), 5 p.m.

Dartmouth (20-7) at Purdue (22-7), 7:30 p.m.

At Cameron Indoor Stadium

Durham, N.C.

Marquette (22-6) vs. Western Kentucky (21-9), 4 p.m.

Campbell (22-8) at Duke (26-5), 6 p.m.

Second Round

Sunday, March 19

At Maravich Assembly Center

Baton Rouge, La.

Xavier-Stephen F. Austin winner vs. LSU-Liberty winner, 7:35 p.m.

At Harry A. Gampel Pavilion

Storrs, Conn.

Drake-Clemson winner vs. Connecticut-Hampton winner, 8:07 p.m.

Monday, March 20

At Mackey Arena

West Lafayette, Ind.

Oklahoma-BYU winner vs. Purdue-Dartmouth winner, 7:05 p.m.

At Cameron Indoor Stadium

Durham, N.C.

Marquette-Western Kentucky winner vs. Duke-Campbell winner, 7:35 p.m.

MIDEAST REGIONAL

First Round

Friday, March 17

At University Hall

Charlottesville, Va.

Boston College (25-8) vs. Nebraska (18-12), 5 p.m.

Pepperdine (21-9) at Virginia (23-8), 7:30 p.m.

At Joyce Center

South Bend, Ind.

George Washington (25-5) vs. UCLA (18-10), 5 p.m.

San Diego (17-12) at Notre Dame (25-4), 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 18

At United Spirit Arena

Lubbock

Tulane (26-4) vs. Vermont (25-5), 6 p.m.

Tennessee Tech (24-8) at Texas Tech (25-4), 8:30 p.m.

At Thompson-Boling Arena

Knoxville, Tenn.

Arizona (24-6) vs. Kent (25-5), 4 p.m.

Furman (20-10) at Tennessee (28-3), 6:30 p.m.

Second Round

Sunday, March 19

At University Hall

Charlottesville, Va.

Boston College-Nebraska winner vs. Virginia-Pepperdine winner, 6:35 p.m.

At Joyce Center

South Bend, Ind.

George Washington-UCLA winner vs. Notre Dame-San Diego winner, 5:35 p.m.

Monday, March 20

At United Spirit Arena

Lubbock

Tulane-Vermont winner vs. Texas Tech-Tennessee Tech winner, 8:05 p.m.

At Thompson-Boling Arena

Knoxville, Tenn.

Arizona-Kent winner vs. Tennessee-Furman winner, 8:07 p.m.

MIDWEST REGIONAL

First Round

Friday, March 17

At Hilton Coliseum

Ames, Iowa

Illinois (22-10) vs. Utah (23-7), 6 p.m.

St. Francis (23-7) at Iowa State (25-5), 8:30 p.m.

At Bryce Jordan Center

University Park, Pa.

Auburn (21-7) vs. Southwest Missouri State (23-8), 4:05 p.m.

Youngstown State (22-8) at Penn State (26-4), 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 18

At ODU Fieldhouse

Norfolk, Va.

North Carolina State (20-8) vs. Southern Methodist (21-8), 5 p.m.

Wisconsin-Green Bay (21-8) at Old Dominion (27-4), 7:30 p.m.

At Thomas Assembly Center

Ruston, La.

Louisiana Tech (28-2) vs. Alcorn State (22-8), 6:30 p.m.

Vanderbilt (20-12) vs. Kansas (20-9), 9 p.m.

Second Round

Sunday, March 19

At Hilton Coliseum

Ames, Iowa

Illinois-Utah winner vs. Iowa State-St. Francis winner, 8:35 p.m.

At Bryce Jordan Center

University Park, Pa.

Auburn-Southwest Missouri State winner vs. Penn State-Youngstown State winner, 1:07 p.m.

Monday, March 20

At ODU Fieldhouse

Norfolk, Va.

N.C. State-SMU winner vs. Old Dominion-Wis.-Green Bay winner, 6:05 p.m.

At Thomas Assembly Center

Ruston, La.

Louisiana Tech-Alcorn St. winner vs. Kansas-Vanderbilt winner, 8:37 p.m.

WEST REGIONAL

First Round

Friday, March 17

At Louis Brown Athletic Center

Piscataway, N.J.

Texas (21-12) vs. St. Joseph's (24-5), 5 p.m.

Holy Cross (23-6) at Rutgers (22-7), 7:35 p.m.

At McArthur Court

Eugene, Ore.

Mississippi State (23-7) vs. St. Peter's (23-7), 8:15 p.m.

Alabama-Birmingham (19-12) at Oregon (23-7), 10:59 p.m.

Saturday, March 18

At Stegeman Coliseum

Athens, Ga.

Montana (22-7) at Georgia (29-3), 6:05 p.m.

Michigan (22-7) vs. Stanford (20-8), 8:35 p.m.

At Thunderdome

Santa Barbara, Calif.

North Carolina (18-12) vs. Maine (20-10), 8:35 p.m.

Rice (21-9) at UC Santa Barbara (30-3), 10:59 p.m.

Second Round

Sunday, March 19

At Louis Brown Athletic Center

Piscataway, N.J.

Texas-St. Joseph's winner vs. Rutgers-Holy Cross winner, 6:07 p.m.

At MacArthur Court

Eugene, Ore.

Mississippi St.-St. Peter's winner vs. Oregon-Alabama-Birmingham winner, 10:07 p.m.

Monday, March 20

At Stegeman Coliseum

Athens, Ga.

Georgia-Montana winner vs. Michigan-Stanford winner, 6:37 p.m.

At Thunderdome

Santa Barbara, Calif.

North Carolina-Maine winner vs. UC Santa Barbara-Rice winner, 11:07 a.m.

Men's NIT

By The Associated Press

First Round

Tuesday, March 14

North Carolina State 64, Tulane 60

Wake Forest 83, Vanderbilt 68

Wednesday, March 15

Penn State 55, Princeton 41

Xavier 67, Marquette 63

Villanova 72, Delaware 63

Georgetown 115, Virginia 111, 3OT

Mississippi 62, North Carolina Charlotte 45

Notre Dame 75, Michigan 65

Brigham Young 81, Bowling Green 54

Arizona State 83, New Mexico State 77

California 70, Long Beach St. 66

South Florida (17-13) at New Mexico (17-13), late

Thursday, March 16

Massachusetts (17-15) at Siena (23-8), 6 p.m.

Rutgers (15-15) at Kent (21-7), 6 p.m.

Southern Illinois (19-12) at Colorado (18-13), 6 p.m.

Southern Methodist (21-8) at Southwest Missouri State (22-10), 7:05 p.m.

Second Round

March 20 or 21

Massachusetts-Siena winner vs. Penn State (16-15), TBA

Rutgers-Kent winner vs. Villanova (20-12), TBA

Notre Dame (19-14) vs. Xavier (21-11), TBA

Brigham Young (21-10) vs. Southern Illinois-Colorado winner, TBA

North Carolina State (18-12) vs. Arizona State (19-12), TBA

Southern Methodist-Southwest Missouri State winner vs. Mississippi (18-13), TBA

Wake Forest (18-14) vs. South Florida-New Mexico winner, TBA

Georgetown (19-14) vs. California (17-14), TBA

Notre Dame 75, Michigan 65

MICHIGAN (15-14): Groninger 3-11 0-0 9, Blanchard 4-12 4-4 14, Smith 0-0 0-0 0, Vignier 6-6 0-0 12, Gaines 3-10 3-6 9, Jones 2-3 1-2 5, Asselin 6-9 0-0 12, Young 1-2 2-2 4. Totals 25-53 10-14 65.

NOTRE DAME (19-14): Murphy 9-17 12-14 32, Graves 2-8 3-4 9, Swanagan 3-3 1-1 7, Carroll 3-7 2-3 11, Dillon 0-0 1-2 1, Kartelo 1-3 1-2 3, Macura 1-2 2-2 4, Monserez 0-1 0-0 0, Ingelsby 2-2 2-2 8. Totals 21-43 24-30 75.

Halftime—Michigan 33, Notre Dame 33. 3-Point goals—Michigan 5-19 (Groninger 3-9, Blanchard 2-6 Gaines 0-3, Jones 0-1), Notre Dame 9-20 (Murphy 2-2, Graves 2-7, Carroll 3-7, Macura 0-1, Monserez 0-1, Ingelsby 2-2) Fouled out—Murphy Rebounds—Michigan 26 (Asselin 7), Notre Dame 30 (Graves 12) Assists—Michigan 16 (Gaines 5), Notre Dame 18 (Dillon 6). Total fouls—Michigan 19, Notre Dame 15. A—6,421.

BYU 81, Bowling Green 54

BOWLING GREEN (22-8): Esterkamp 6-11 5-7 19, Stacey 5-12 0-1 11, Matela 2-6 2-3 6, McLeod 2-12 4-5 10, Pardon 0-4 0-0 0, King 0-0 0-0 0, Jackson 0-2 3-4 3, Bunn 1-1 0-0 2, Doliboa 0-1 0-0 0, Ryan 1-1 0-0 3, Black 0-1 0-0 0, Klassen 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 17-52 14-20 54.

BYU (21-10): Wesley 6-10 0-0 13, E.Nielsen 6-6 1-1 13, Cooper 1-3 2-2 4, Vranes 5-11 2-2 14, Lyday 5-9 0-0 15, Christensen 0-2 0-0 0, Roberts 0-1 3-4 3, Allen 3-4 0-0 6, Taggert 0-0 0-0 0, Montague 3-5 0-1 6, Ellsworth 0-0 0-0 0, D.Nielsen 3-5 1-1 7. Totals 32-56 9-11 81.

Halftime—BYU 38, Bowling Green 28. 3-Point goals—Bowling Green 6-20 (Esterkamp 2-5, McLeod 2-7, Ryan 1-1, Stacey 1-4, Pardon 0-1, Jackson 0-1, Black 0-1), BYU 8-17 (Lyday 5-6, Vranes 2-4, Wesley 1-4, Cooper 0-1, Christensen 0-1, D.Nielsen 0-1) Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Bowling Green 30 (Stacey, Matela 8), BYU 37 (Wesley, D.Nielsen 7). Assists—Bowling Green 8 (Pardon 4), BYU 22 (Cooper 6). Total fouls—Bowling Green 17, BYU 19. Technicals—Stacey, McLeod, Wesley. A—10,010.

Mississippi 62, North Carolina-Charlotte 45

UNC CHARLOTTE (17-16): Zimmerman 2-9 0-0 4, Jones 0-3 2-2 2, Guevara 1-8 2-2 4, Thomas 3-12 1-2 8, Neely 2-3 1-2 5, Smith 3-10 0-0 7, Helliwell 2-4 2-2 6, Tolliver 3-6 0-0 9, Whitehead 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 16-59 8-10 45

MISSISSIPPI (18-12): Hicks 6-11 1-3 14, Williams 5-7 1-4 13, Lockhart 6-7 0-0 12, Flanigan 4-7 3-6 13, Taylor 0-3 0-0 0, Harrison 4-9 0-0 10, Wade 0-5 0-0 0, Kirklin 0-1 0-0 0, Engstrom 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 25-51 5-13 62.

Halftime—Mississippi 34, UNC Charlotte 17. 3-point field goals—UNC Charlotte 5-24 (Tolliver 3-5, Smith 1-6, Thomas 1-7, Zimmerman 0-2, Guevara 0-4), Mississippi 7-16 (Harrison 2-2, Williams 2-3, Flanigan 2-4, Hicks 1-2, Kirklin 0-1, Taylor 0-1, Wade 0-3). Fouled out—Jones. Rebounds—UNC Charlotte 34 (Zimmerman 10), Mississippi 41 (Hicks 9). Assists—UNC Charlotte 8 (Zimmerman, Guevara, Thomas 2), Mississippi 16 (Harrison 4). Total fouls—UNC Charlotte 17, Mississippi 12. A—5,966.

Virginia Tech 65, Marquette 64, OT

MARQUETTE (22-8): Abraham 0-1 0-2 0, Eford 3-10 1-4 8, McCaskill 5-12 3-4 13, Miller 5-13 1-4 15, Pieper 4-9 0-0 9, Crawford 1-6 0-0 2, Hutchins 6-12 1-2 15, Joseph 1-2 0-0 2, Shaw 0-0 0-0 0, McCall 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 25-65 6-16 64.

VIRGINIA TECH (19-11): Custis 2-9 5-6 9, Smith 7-17 10-12 24, T.Jackson 2-5 0-1 4, Good 5-10 4-5 14, Watlington 3-7 1-2 9, D.Jackson 0-3 0-0 0, Guillory 2-4 0-0 5. Totals 21-55 20-26 65.

Halftime—Marquette 27-21. Regulation 57-57. 3-Point goals—Marquette 8-24 (Miller 4-7, Hutchins 2-5, Pieper 1-3, Eford 1-7, Crawford 0-2), Virginia Tech 3-5 (Watlington 2-3, Guillory 1-1, D.Jackson 0-1). Fouled out—McCaskill, Crawford. Rebounds—Marquette 45 (McCaskill 15), Virginia Tech 38 (Smith 12). Assists—Marquette 10 (Miller 6), Virginia Tech 9 (Good, Watlington 3). Total fouls—Marquette 21, Virginia Tech 16. A—8,549.

Georgetown 115, Virginia 111 3OT

GEORGETOWN (19-14): Burton 3-7 2-2 8, Scruggs 9-18 0-0 19, Watkins 2-2 0-0 4, Hunter 4-10 0-0 12, Braswell 11-25 14-21 40, Freeman 2-3 1-2 5, Hester 4-7 0-2 9, Gibson 2-3 2-3 6, Perry 4-8 2-4 12, Hillier 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 41-83 21-34 115.

VIRGINIA (19-12): Hall 8-14 3-9 21, Williams 6-18 8-11 23, Watson 7-10 6-9 20, Hand 5-15 10-12 22, Mason 1-7 3-3 5, Mapp 1-11 1-2 3, Friel 1-2 0-0 3, Dondon 3-6 0-0 6, Ducharme 3-4 0-1 6, Dersch 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 36-88 31-47 111.

Halftime—Virginia 48, Georgetown 39. End of Regulation—Georgetown 77, Virginia 77. End of 1st Overtime—Georgetown 88, Virginia 88. End of 2nd Overtime—Georgetown 101, Virginia 101. 3-Point goals—Georgetown 12-25 (Burton 0-1, Scruggs 1-3, Hunter 4-7, Braswell 4-10, Hester 1-1, Perry 2-3), Virginia 8-29 (Hall 2-7, Williams 3-8, Hand 2-7, Mason 0-2, Mapp 0-3, Friel 1-2). Fouled out—Watkins, Hunter, Freeman, Hand, Watson. Rebounds—Georgetown 60 (Gibson 13), Virginia 48 (Watson 12). Assists—Georgetown 15 (Braswell 5), Virginia 15 (Hand 4). Total fouls—Georgetown 36, Virginia 29. Technicals—Freeman, Georgetown bench, Ducharme. A—8,251.

Villanova 72, Delaware 63

DELAWARE (24-8): Pegues 9-24 3-4 24, Marciulionis 3-12 0-0 6, Ndiaye 2-4 0-0 4, Gordon 4-12 2-2 12, Wells 1-4 0-0 3, Miller 0-1 0-0 0, Diouf 4-8 2-2 11, Rowland 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 24-67 7-8 63.

VILLANOVA (20-12): Lynch 1-8 6-8 8, Sales 7-10 0-4 14, Allen 7-16 2-2 16, Medley 2-8 0-0 5, Buchanan 5-11 5-6 18, Wright 2-8 1-2 5, Matthews 1-3 0-1 2, Sullivan 1-3 2-4 4. Totals 26-67 16-27 72.

Halftime—Villanova 40, Delaware 27. 3-Point goals—Delaware 8-20 (Pegues 3-5, Gordon 2-8, Wells 1-1, Diouf 1-1, Rowland 1-1, Marciulionis 0-4), Villanova 4-13 (Buchanan 3-6, Medley 1-4, Lynch 0-3). Fouled out—Wells. Rebounds—Delaware 37 (Pegues 10), Villanova 54 (Allen 16). Assists—Delaware 16 (Marciulionis 4, Arnold 4), Villanova 17 (Medley 7). Total fouls—Delaware 20, Villanova 12. A—4,943.

Xavier 67, Marquette 63

MARQUETTE (15-14): Harris 3-4 2-4 8, Nnamaka 1-1 2-2 4, Cliff 7-14 0-0 19, Henry 10-15 3-3 26, Wardle 2-11 0-0 4, Barone 0-0 0-0 0, Miller 0-0 0-0 0, Diggs 1-4 0-0 2, Mueller 0-1 0-0 0, Clausen 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 24-50 7-9 63.

XAVIER (21-11): Williams 1-13 0-1 3, Turner 3-4 2-3 8, West 4-8 8-14 16, McAfee 4-10 3-4 15, Brown 1-6 1-2 4, Frey 7-9 5-5 21, Butler 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 20-50 19-29 67.

Halftime—Marquette 34, Xavier 28. 3-Point goals—Marquette 8-22 (Cliff 5-9, Henry 3-5, Diggs 0-2, Wardle 0-6), Xavier 8-21 (McAfee 4-8, Frey 2-3, Brown 1-3, Williams 1-7). Fouled out—Mueller. Rebounds—Marquette 29 (Harris 6), Xavier 32 (West 11). Assists—Marquette 10 (Henry 6), Xavier 13 (Williams 4). Total fouls—Marquette 27, Xavier 14. A—5,006.

Penn State 55, Princeton 41

PRINCETON (19-11): Chapman 0-2 0-0 0, Robins 0-3 0-0 0, Young 8-17 0-0 16, Gloger 4-14 1-2 10, El-Nokali 0-4 1-2 1, Baah 0-0 2-2 2, Walton 3-7 0-0 6, Rozier-Byrd 0-1 0-0 0, Rocca 1-2 4-8 6. Totals 16-50 8-14 41.

PENN ST. (16-15): Stephens 4-10 3-4 11, Ivory 3-10 3-8 9, Jackson 3-4 1-2 7, Joe Crispin 4-9 0-0 11, Jon Crispin 3-7 0-0 9, Krimmel 0-0 0-0 0, Watkins 0-2 0-0 0, McGovern 0-0 0-0 0, Cline-Heard 1-4 0-1 2, Vossekuil 0-0 0-0 0, Smith 2-4 0-0 6, Banta 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 20-50 7-13 55.

Halftime—Penn State 31, Princeton 15. 3-Point goals—Princeton 1-17 (Gloger 1-7, El-Nokali 0-1, Walton 0-1, Chapman 0-2, Robins 0-3, Young 0-3), Penn St 8-18 (Joe Crispin 3-5, Jon Crispin 3-6, Smith 2-3, Watkins 0-1, Ivory 0-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Princeton 30 (Young 11), Penn St 40 (Stephens 16). Assists—Princeton 13 (Walton 6), Penn St 12 (Ivory, Joe Crispin, Watkins 3). Total fouls—Princeton 16, Penn St 8. Technical—Joe Crispin. A—6,008.

Women's Nit

First Round

Wednesday, March 15

DePaul 69, Western Michigan 64

Michigan State 74, Villanova 62

Florida 97, Dayton 93

Arkansas 83, Wichita State 63

Wisconsin 83, Fairfield 46

Missouri 84, Evansville 81

Memphis 76, Arkansas State 74

Thursday, March 16

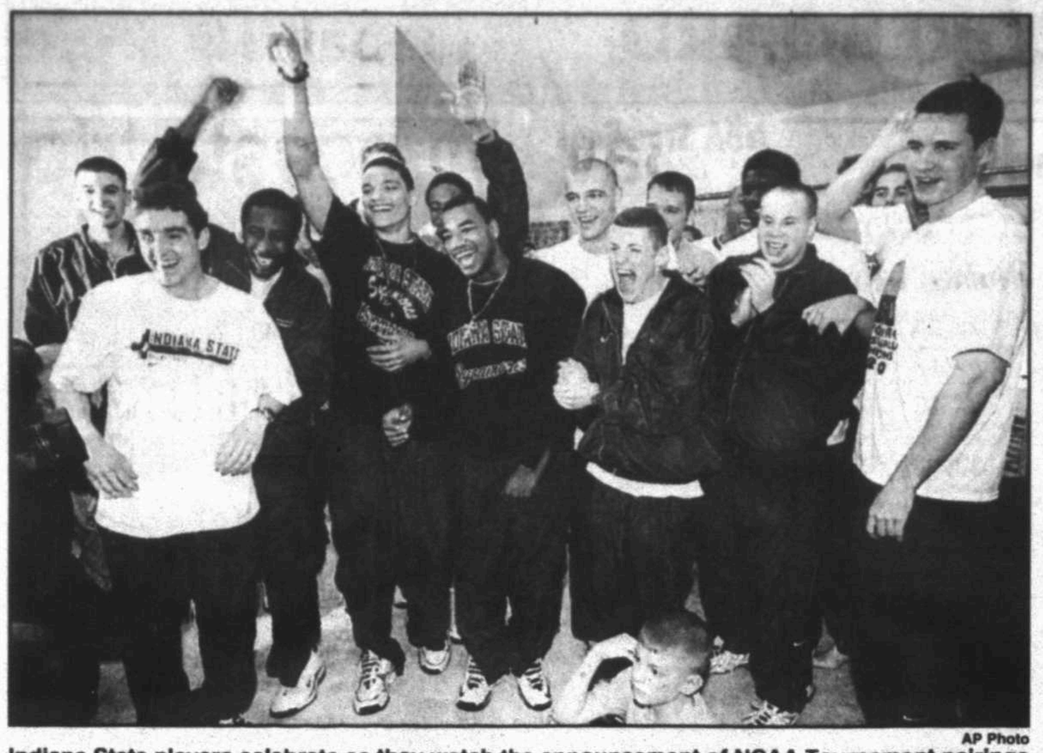
Cincinnati (17-12) at Pittsburgh (16-12), 6 p.m.

Alabama (15-13) at Chattanooga (25-4), 6 p.m.

Southern Mississippi (17-12) at Georgia Tech (15-13), 6 p.m.

Georgia State (24-6) at Virginia Tech (19-10), 6 p.m.

Georgetown



AP Photo

Indiana State players celebrate as they watch the announcement of NCAA Tournament pairings on television on Sunday. The Sycamores haven't been to the tournament since Larry Bird led the 1979 team to the title game.

2000 Sycamores try to make their own tournament history

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Indiana State coach Royce Waltman sees nothing special about the Sycamores playing their first NCAA tournament game in 21 years in the same building as their last.

"It's a nice quirk, but I don't think it has much bearing on tomorrow's game," Waltman said Wednesday.

Anyone who remembers the national title game in 1979 knows otherwise.

As 12th-seeded Indiana State (22-9) prepares for Thursday's game against No. 5 seeded Texas (23-9), the Sycamores can't escape the link to the biggest moment in their basketball history.

Twenty-one years ago, Larry Bird and the Sycamores fell to Magic Johnson and Michigan State in the NCAA championship game in Salt Lake City.

"It's ironic that 21 years later, Indiana State has its first team back in the tournament and it's in the same place where Larry took his team," Sycamores guard Michael Menser said.

In Salt Lake's other first-round games, No. 4 seeded LSU (26-5) plays No. 13 Southeast Missouri State (24-6); top-seeded Arizona (26-6) faces No. 16 Jackson State (17-15); and No. 8 Wisconsin (18-13) plays No. 9 Fresno State (24-9).

The Indiana State-Michigan State title game received the highest television ratings in NCAA tournament history. It also represented a watershed moment for college basketball.

Bird and Johnson went on to salvage an ailing NBA, and the Final Four grew into one of the year's biggest sports events. Last fall, CBS paid $6 billion to broadcast the NCAA tournament for the next 11 years.

Yet Bird's legacy presents a double-edged sword for the Sycamores. As much as they embrace the link to his glory days, this year's team also wants to carve its own success story.

"Larry has been great to us. He even took the time to come to our last home game," Menser said. "But we're here now to play for the 2000 Indiana State team."

The Sycamores insist they're more focused on Texas, literally a tall order because of All-American center Chris Mihm. He will play despite the death Tuesday of his grandmother.

"It's something I'm really just trying to put aside," Mihm said. "It's something I'd rather not discuss right now. I've got to be here with my team, and I'll deal with it at the appropriate time."

At 7-feet and 262 pounds, Mihm is a major matchup problem for the Sycamores, regular season champions in the Missouri Valley Conference. Indiana State's biggest starter is 6-7 Djibril Kante.

Guard Nate Green, who this season joined Bird as the only Sycamores to be named player of the year in the Valley, offers Indiana State's best hope. He led the team in scoring (14.1 points a game) and three other categories.

"Nate is a very good shooter. He's quick off the dribble and he makes difficult shots look easy," Texas forward Gabe Muoneke said. "He has long arms, and he can leap above the rim and put it in."

Arizona got bad news Wednesday when doctors determined center Loren Woods would miss the NCAA tournament because of an injured back that kept him out of the final six regular-season games.

Then again, losing a player is nothing new to the Wildcats, who won the Pac-10 title and earned the No. 1 seed in the West despite injuries and defections that might have crippled another team.

A 16th-seeded team has never upset a No. 1 and Jackson State is another long shot. The Tigers won the Southwestern Athletic Conference tournament after tying for fourth place in the regular season.

For inspiration, Jackson State can look to 15th-seeded Santa Clara's victory over No. 2 Arizona in 1993. It was Arizona's biggest upset under coach Lute Olson, and it happened in Salt Lake City.

Orangemen know all about upsets in NCAA tournament

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — A startling loss in the NCAA tournament is all it takes to forever change the perception of a school or coach.

Just ask Syracuse's Jim Boeheim.

He's got 573 career wins, 22 seasons of 20 or more wins, a stable of All-American players, a .667 winning percentage in the NCAAs since 1987 and two trips to the title game.

And yet all Boeheim ever hears about are the two times (1978, 1991) his Orangemen were knocked out in the first round by a double-digit seed.

"That's what people remember," Boeheim said Wednesday. "We've lost twice in the first round in 20 years. But every time I read an article it's 'Well, Syracuse gets beat in the first round a lot.' I didn't realize two was a lot, but I guess it is."

Not anymore.

The days of shocking tournament upsets has faded dramatically. In fact, a No. 12 seed has won at least one tournament game each year since 1988, and in the past few years schools like Gonzaga, Valparaiso and Miami of Ohio have had their moments in March.

Boeheim is hoping No. 4 seed Syracuse (24-5) can avoid making Samford (21-10) another surprise story on Wednesday in the first round of the Midwest Regional. The Orangemen will face the 13th-seeded Bulldogs in the second afternoon game.

No. 5 seed Kentucky (22-9), whose seven NCAA titles are second only to UCLA's 11, and No. 12 seed St. Bonaventure (21-9) will meet for the first time and tip off this year's 64-team tournament at 12:20 p.m. EST in Cleveland's Convocation Center.

In the evening session, No. 1 seed Michigan State (26-7) will face No. 16 seed Valparaiso (19-12) at 7:40 p.m., followed by No. 8 seed Utah (22-8) and No. 9 Saint Louis (19-13) at 10:10.

Boeheim isn't sure which Syracuse team will show up on Thursday. The Orangemen who opened the season 19-0, or the ones who went 5-5 down the stretch and looked awful in a loss to Georgetown in the Big East tournament's first round last week.

"We just didn't come out and play, and I don't know why," Boeheim said. "If I did, I would have stopped it. It caught me by surprise."

Now is not the time for another surprise.

Point guard Jason Hart, one of three senior starters for Syracuse, dismisses the notion the Orangemen are under any more pressure because they're the higher seed and expected to advance.

"It doesn't matter what number is next to your team right now," Hart said. "Everybody in the country is on eggshells throughout the country. The conference, the ranking and all that has no effect on anything right now."

AUBURN: Tigers pick up slack

(From 1C)

"People say, 'You're lucky that they don't have him,'" Altman said. "Well, they're still a very good basketball team, still the most athletic team we'll play."

Altman watched tapes of Auburn's SEC tournament run and said the Tigers were plenty scary without Porter.

"Since they came to the realization that he's not going to be with them, those other guys have picked it up," Altman said. "And because of their athleticism, they're all capable of doing more. And with another week to prepare for this tournament, I anticipate that they'll even be better."

Yet, without Porter, the Tigers lack the depth and an inside presence that once made them a title contender.

Now they rely more on senior point guard Doc Robinson, their second-leading scorer at 11.5 points, shooting guard Scott Pohlman (10.2) and small forward Daymeon Fishback (9.2).

All came up big in the SEC tournament, where the Tigers beat Florida, a team they lost to by 29 points the day after Porter was suspended, and South Carolina.

"It took us time to jell without Chris being there," Robinson said. "It took us two weeks just practicing and playing together. But everybody knows their role right now."

Auburn coach Cliff Ellis said the Tigers just needed practice time to adjust to different roles and changes in responsibilities and the key was keeping their cool.

"We know we're a good basketball team; don't panic. That's the first thing we said," Ellis recounted. "The big thing that changes is chemistry. You've got a certain way that you're playing and you've got to change that and it doesn't happen overnight."

Now, the Tigers want people to know they weren't a one-man show to begin with.

"Each time we step on the floor, we know people are looking at us without Chris," Fishback said. "So, as seniors ... I think we take that as a challenge and have fun with it and just play in Chris' spirit."

Although Porter was devastated when an appeal was rejected, his teammates say he's coping.

"I know it's tough on him not being able to finish out his senior year," Fishback said. "But he's sticking behind us. He does nothing but motivate us and wishes us the best of luck."

It may be March, but this is Summer time for NC State

Associated Press

As winter turns to spring, North Carolina State is looking forward to a healthy Summer.

Summer Erb, that is.

The Wolfpack's 6-foot-6 center and only senior is back after missing seven games because of a broken foot — just in time for the NCAA tournament.

With Erb in the lineup, North Carolina State was a Top Ten team. The Wolfpack started the season 14-0 and climbed to as high as third in the poll. They seemed destined for a high seed in the NCAA tournament, maybe as the Atlantic Coast Conference champion.

Then Erb was fouled from behind by North Carolina's LaShonda Allen on a breakaway layup with 36 seconds left in State's 86-76 victory on Feb. 3. Erb crashed to the floor and a bone in her left foot cracked.

The Wolfpack (20-8) won their first three games without her, but they have lost the last four and plummeted to 23rd in the rankings. They're seeded fifth in the Midwest Regional and will play SMU on Saturday in Norfolk, Va.

"I feel like we hit a wall," North Carolina State coach Kay Yow said. "We have seven freshmen. Half our team are freshmen, and the intensity and the pressure of having to change roles three-fourths of the way through the season because of Summer's injury, it was just too much."

■ NCAA Women

Erb was the ACC player of the year last season and helped North Carolina State get to the Final Four two years ago. She was averaging 15.8 points and 8.4 rebounds and shooting 55.5 percent when she got hurt.

"I wouldn't expect her to play more than 15 minutes, but you never know. Every day means a lot to her healing," Yow said. "And I think in a game situation, particularly the NCAA playoffs, the adrenaline might kick in and enable her to do more than she thinks.

"But just having Summer cleared, knowing that she will play, will give the team a boost."

North Carolina State has talent beyond Erb. Freshman Kaayla Chones averages 11.3 points and 7.9 rebounds and junior Tynesha Lewis has an 11.1 scoring average. Freshman Terah James leads the team in assists and the Wolfpack are holding opponents to 38 percent shooting.

"With Summer back and the experience other people have gotten as a result of her not being in the lineup, and if we regain our enthusiasm and passion for the game that we had earlier, all of that could make us a pretty good team," Yow said.

If NC State beats SMU, it would play 14th-ranked Old Dominion (27-4) or Wisconsin-Green Bay (21-8).

The games between the eighth and ninth seeds often are among the most interesting in the first round because those are the two most evenly matched teams.

In the Midwest at Ruston, La., eighth-seeded Kansas (20-9) plays ninth-seeded Vanderbilt (20-12) in a matchup of two programs with a long history of success.

Kansas has one of the nation's most athletic players in Lynn Pride, who was given a technical foul this season for hanging on the rim. Vanderbilt has a young team that survived a rugged stretch of games at the end and made the tournament despite a 6-8 Southeastern Conference record.

Barkley, Postell to play for St. John's

Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. — Erick Barkley and Lavor Postell will play for St. John's in the NCAA tournament this weekend despite investigations into their eligibility.

"There is nothing pending right now in terms of their eligibility," a person close to the investigation told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

Unless new accusations arise, St. John's, the second seed in the West Regional, will not have to play the tournament without two of its best players, the source said.

"We took care of business," Postell said. "We are both here. ... We just want to get back to academics and keep playing basketball and hopefully winning games."

Barkley said he was "confident" the NCAA inquiry was behind him. Coach Mike Jarvis said he hadn't heard that his players were in the clear, but was hopeful the news was true.

"I like to listen to my players," Jarvis said. "I'm very glad Erick is here and he said that. I hope he is right."

Barkley, the leading scorer, has been suspended twice already this season for three games for violating the NCAA's rules on amateurism.

"It's been stressful, I'll admit that," Barkley said. "I think I'm in Arizona with a pretty clear head. I just need to stay focused right now."

■ NCAA Men

Jarvis hopes the questions surrounding his eligibility for St. John's first-round game Thursday night against 15th-seeded Northern Arizona won't affect the team.

"All I can tell them is just take care of today and try not to look over their shoulder," Jarvis said. "Once again, it would only be natural for them to worry about looking over their shoulder. We've already learned that anything can happen 10 minutes before game time."

Arizona's Woods will miss NCAA tourney

SALT LAKE CITY — Arizona's Loren Woods, who missed the final six games of the regular season with an injured back, will not play in the NCAA tournament.

After reviewing tests done on Woods on Tuesday, Arizona physicians said Wednesday that he would not be cleared to play.

The Wildcats, the No. 1 seed in the West Regional, play Jackson State in the first round Thursday night.

NAJERA: Wintrop has quality team

(From 1C)

round a year ago and then beat North Carolina-Charlotte before losing to Michigan State, are taking nothing for granted against Winthrop. Najera and teammate Renzi Stone said they remember watching Winthrop beat North Carolina-Asheville for the Big South Conference tournament title a year ago.

They also are aware that Winthrop, until the early 1970s an all-female school in Rock Hill, S.C., won at Missouri and took Maryland into overtime this season.

"That team is good," Stone said. "We're not taking them lightly, that's for sure."

The Eagles' nonconference challenges against big-name teams leaves them anything but in awe of heavily favored Oklahoma.

"The confident feeling that they have now is so great that they don't care who they're playing or where, that they can beat anybody," Winthrop coach Gregg Marshall said. "These guys now have some firsts — first Big South team to make consecutive trips to the NCAA tournament, first to beat a big school. There's one more first out there, and that's to win one in the NCAA tournament."

The 10:40 a.m., local time, tipoff will mean an early morning wake-up call for both teams. The schedule could favor Winthrop.

"They haven't played since March 4," Sampson said. "We've played three games in the last five days. But this time of the year, you just go play basketball. I'm not going to make any excuses."

St. John's had to travel from New York to the great southwest for its opening-round game against Northern Arizona, a team of 3-point shooting specialists that is bound to have a good share of the crowd on its side.

Gonzaga — remember the zag rhymes with bag — returns to Arizona, the scene of its triumphant run to the regional finals a year ago. Many of the same players are back, including Matt Santangelo, Richie Frahm and Casey Calvary, although their glib coach of last season, Dan Monson, has gone to Minnesota. He was replaced by his top assistant, Mark Few.

The Bulldogs will play athletic Louisville, which is in the tournament for the 23rd time under coach Denny Crum.

Dayton and Purdue, despite their relative proximity, have played each other only twice, in 1979 and 1981, both in the NIT tournament. Purdue won both.

"We don't feel outmatched or anything like that," Dayton coach Oliver Purnell said. "We know that because of our strength of schedule, and because of who we've beaten, that we belong. ... We respect Purdue because they have the opportunity to play in the Big Ten, but we don't feel it would be a major upset if we won."



WEST TEXAS SPORTS

Booster Clubs...

The **Midland Lee Basketball Booster Club** meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Lee High School cafeteria. All boys' and girls' basketball fans are invited to attend...

The **Midland High Softball Booster Club** will meet the first Thursday of each month through May 4 in Conference Room A at MHS. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Contact Patti Heard at 686-9239 or David Askew at 686-7025 with questions...

The **Midland Lee Lady Rebel Softball Booster Club** will meet the first Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Lee cafeteria. Call Bryan Hargrove at 688-1537 for more information...

The **Midland High Soccer Booster Club** is meeting the first Monday of every month at 7 p.m. in Conference Room A...

The **Midland Lee Baseball Booster Club** will meet every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the school library throughout the season...

Golf...

A **four-person scramble** is set for April 7 at Nueva Vista Golf Course to benefit the Midland team for the Texas Special Olympics. Lunch at 11:30 a.m. will proceed the tournament, and a shotgun start goes off at 1:30 p.m. Prizes include two $5,000 hole-in-one contests. The entry fee is $100 per person, and the deadline is March 31. For more information, call Weldon Claxton at 687-3106, Nita Ashmore at 563-4302 or Tom Newman at 683-4851...

The **Wildflower Two-Lady Scramble** is scheduled for April 13 at Ranchland Hills Country Club, starting at 9 a.m. The fee is $80 per team. For more information, call 685-1055...

The **Super Seniors Tour** will provide a 36-hole tournament once a month from March through October, starting March 15-16 at the Berry Creek Country Club in Georgetown. First 120 players will be exempt. Annual membership fee is $50. Amateurs are welcome. Call Richard Chapman at (512) 819-9292 for more information...

McCamey Country Club will host a 2-person, 18 hole select shot tournament on March 25 with a shotgun start at 11 a.m. $35 per person... McCamey will also have a 1-person, 18 hole scramble on April 8 with 11 a.m. shotgun start. $25 per person...

The **West Texas Longhorn Golf Tournament** will be held at The Club at Mission Dorado in Odessa on May 8 at 11 a.m. Local Longhorn fans will be paired with members of the Longhorn Foundation and athletics staff from UT. Football coach Mack Brown and basketball coach Rick Barnes will attend as well as athletic directors Deloss Dodds and Jody Conradt. Dinner will follow. Call Frank Kasman at 520-0220 or Phill Robertson at 697-0723 for information...

The **Nueva Vista Classic, a 2-person, best ball event** will be April 1. $60 per player. Call 520-0500 for information...

Masters Golf is having a **Ladies Golf Camp** on March 21-22 from 6-7:15 p.m. Cost is $30. The camp is for beginners or advanced players. Clubs can be provided. Call 570-4499 for details...

The **Midland Chicano Golf Association 2-man Scramble** is March 19 at Hogan Park Golf Course. Cost is $45 per person and must be registered by March 15. For more information call Peewee Reyes at 683-8196 or Mo Dominguez at 694-1745...

Basketball...

The **West Texas Pro/Am Men's Basketball League** will start May 13 and continue until July 2. The team entry fee is $500 for a 10-man roster, and the deadline is April 28. For more information, call league coordinator Chris Cardeñas at (915) 223-1309...

The **Zebra Roundup** for players from Class 1A, 2A and 3A schools is scheduled for the Beaumont Ranch in Grandview on March 25. The tournament for 24 boys and 24 girls players is a day-long event featuring friendly competition. The girls game is at 5 p.m. followed by the boys game at 6:30. For more information, call 888-864-6935 or 917-866-3316...

The **Ten Star All Star Basketball Camp** is accepting applications for boys and girls ages 7-19. Players for the camp are selected by invitation only, and many past attendees have included future NBA players. One of the camps is located in Commerce. To pick up an evaluation form, call (704) 372-8610 through March 20...

Blue Chip Girls Basketball Shootout is coming to Southern Methodist University on March 19. Registration for each event takes place between 8-8:30 a.m. The games begin at 9 a.m. The shootouts are high exposure events designed for the student athlete who aspires to play at the college level. Each athlete will have the opportunity to compete against quality competition during the NCAA "live" period for college recruiters. The athletes will play three games on teams that are coached by area basketball coaches. For additional information or an application call the site director at SMU, call Janet Guinn at (281) 875-0563. You can also contact Sports Camps, Inc. at (610) 446-3636...

Mid America Youth Basketball will host more than 60 youth basketball tournaments this summer, including the 2000 Denton Shootout, to be held July 14-16. Tournaments are open to boys and girls basketball teams, grades 4-12. For more information contact Stephen Martin, MAYB area director at 1-800-316-6148, ext. 228 or see the tournament website at http://infosports.net/ysp/2894.htm.

Baseball...

The **USSSA** will host a baseball tournament March 25-26 in Midland for boys aged 14-under. For more information, call Phil Lathram at (915) 689-8718 or E-mail him at lathram4@att.net...

The **USSSA** will host a baseball tournament May 27-29 in Ruidoso, N.M. Several age divisions will be offered for boys aged 8-16. For more information, call Phil Lathram at (915) 689-8718 or E-mail him at lathram4@att.net...

The **Super Elite Series is hosting a select baseball tournament** in Plano March 18-19 for 9-under and 10-under teams at the Frito Lay/Pepsi Youth Complex. To enter or find our more tournament information contact Farley Styles at 1-888-493-5483...

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. and 8:30 a.m. All classes are open to the public and swimming skills are not necessary. Cost is $45 per month, $65 for a couple. Deep and shallow water classes are offered. For information, call Rita Simmons 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 Swim Team is open to anyone 20 and over. There are two Masters swim team workouts. You can choose from Monday-Wednesday-Friday or Tuesday-Thursday-Saturday at 6-7 a.m. at the COM pool. 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. Diving 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. Private lessons are available. For more information, call Leaf Faller at 682-2551...

Midland YMCA is offering **water aerobics classes,** including Hydro-fit and Deep Water aerobics. Classes are available both morning and evening. Call Leaf Faller or Deborah Posson at 682-2551 for more information...

Tennis...

The Third Samaritan Spring Swing, an open men's and women's doubles tournament, is set for April 8 at the The Racquet Club and Midland Country Club. The entry fee of $50 includes lunch at MCC and a happy hour reception at The Racquet Club. Proceeds benefit the Samaritan Counseling Center, which offers faith-based outpatient therapy. Invitations will be mailed in mid-March. To request an invitation, call 563-4144...

The **Kimber-Lea Swim & Tennis Club** is holding Ladies Clinics for: Beginners 10 a.m. Mondays or Thursdays; Intermediates at 9 a.m. Mondays or Thursdays; or 7 p.m. Mondays for Beginners or 7 pm. Thursdays for Intermediates. Mens league 3.5-4.0 is Tuesdays from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. For information call Luis Valdez, Shane or Roddy at 689-2237 or 580-8929.

The **Midland Tennis Club** will have the following tournaments: April 1-2, Men's Doubles/Women's Singles; April 15-16, Men's Singles/Women's Doubles; May 6-7, Mixed Doubles; May 13-14, Men's Doubles/Women's Doubles; May 20-21, Men's Singles/Women's Singles...

Texas Tech is holding camps in three separate sessions this summer, June 26-29 for day campers and July 2-6 and 23-27 for overnight campers. Tech men's coach Tim Siegel and assistant Randy Rowley will be the featured instructors. Camps will feature individualized instruction, competition abd a video analyzed by the instructors. For more information, call Siegel at (806) 742-3355...

Softball...

The **Oregon University Ducks Softball Clinic** will come to Midland June 12-15, thanks to MUGS. Oregon coach Rick Gamez leads a clinic teaching staff that also includes former Midland High coach Ricci Woodard. The cost of camp is $200, but that covers six hours of instruction each day. A $100 deposit is due by April 1. For more information, call Freddie Ezell at 694-5508...

The **Midland United Girls Softball Association** is having spring sign-ups for T-ball and fast pitch softball for girls ages 4-18. Signups will be every weekend through March 18-19. All signups will be held at Midland Park Mall. Season begins April 13. Any questions please call Delynnda Witte at 697-0288...

The **18th Annual Permian Basin ASA Umpires Association Slowpitch Softball Tournament** is scheduled for April 1-2 at the Bill Williams Complex. Men's Class D play will be double elimination with the top two finishers getting their entry fees paid to the state tournament in Bryan/College Station July 21-23. The $100 entry fee is due by 5 p.m. March 29. For more information, call Al Enriquez at 684-8481, Mack Gipson at 520-5961 or Freddie Ezell at 694-5508...

The **Krush 14-under girls fastpitch softball team** is looking for one player, who must be dedicated to the sport. Parents must have the same dedication and must be willing to travel. For more information, call Tracey Stewart at (915) 267-1381, Mike Jennette at 550-0784 or Edwin Dickson at 943-5107 after 6 p.m.

The **Three Amigos tournament** is scheduled for March 25-26 in Pecos. The tournament, for men and women, carries a $110 entry fee. For more information, call Lupe Herrera at (915) 447-9652 or 448-4182 or Robert Garcia at (915) 943-3380...

The **Midland Softball Association and Permian Basin Umpires Association** will hold a free training session for prospective slowpitch umpires at 9 a.m. on March 25 at the Bill Williams Complex Umpire Building For more information, call Moose Armendariz at 684-4647 or Tommy Hawkins at 699-5559...

Umpires are needed to work high school games in Alpine, Andrews, Big Spring, Brady, Coahoma, Colorado City, Eldorado, Fort Stockton, Greenwood, Hermleigh, Kermit, Lamesa, Midland, Monahans, Odessa, Pecos, San Angelo, Snyder, Sonora and Wall. For more information, call Mack at 520-5961 or Freddie at 694-5508...

The **Midland Softball Association is seeking slowpitch umpires** for the 2000 season. Umpires will be paid $12 per game. For more information, call Marcelino Armendarez at 684-8481, Al Enriquez at 684-8481 or the MSA at 683-8741...

Sluggers Tournament 2000 is March 17-19 at Tommy Walker Field in Stanton. Entry fee is $110. Call Joey Reyes at 756-2126, Aggie Ramos at 756-2552 or Jesse Montez at 756-3763 for more information...

Signups for **YMCA Youth Softball** are underway. The league is for boys in girls in elementary school. Deadline to register is April 1, with a $25 fee for YMCA members and $38 for nonmembers. For information, call 682-2551...

The **Abilene Slowpitch Softball Association** is having its spring preseason tournament March 18-19 at Nelson Park. It is a four-game guarantee. Entry fee is $125 per team. It is for both men and women. For more information contact Su Swindle at 915-677-6590 or fax at 915-677-3458...

The **Xtreme USSSA Tournament** is scheduled for March 24-26 at Hidalgo Park. Entry fee is $110 with a deadline of March 23 at 6 p.m. For more information, call Roy or Janie Brown at 689-4315 or the pager number 495-5341...

Fishing...

At its March 23 meeting, the **Permian Basin Fly Fishers** will host two experts from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Joe Kraai and Jinger Knight. Non-members and guests are encouraged to attend this meeting, which will start at 7 p.m. at the Junior League Building at 902 West Dengar in Midland. For more information, call Jim Henderson at 682-2473...

Miscellaneous...

The **Midland branch of the American Escrima Wing Tsun Organization** is holding adult self defense combat classes in association with the Midland Wrestling Club. Classes will be held three times a week. For more information, call David Lesser at 687-6973 or 685-0531...

The Odessa Jackalopes will have the **Toss for Tots Bunnies For Charity** event duing the last six home games. Last year over 1,000 Easter Bunnies were collected for sale to benefit local charities. Easter Bunnies may be thrown onto the ice after the first Jackalopes' goal. If you forget to bring your own bunny, they will be on sale at both entrances...

The **2000 Break Clay for MDA Sporting Clay Tournament** will take place March 25 at Walker Farms in Stanton. Registration is needed by March 17. For more information, call MDA-Midland at 570-4970.

Volleyball...

The **"Dig this!" Coed Volleyball Tournament** is Saturday April 8 at the U.T. Permian Basin gym. It is sponsored by the U.T.P.B. Kinesiology Majors Club. It is one division, pool play with championship bracket, four-match minumum. Entry fee is $80 per team, with a roster limit of nine. T-shirts will be awarded for first- and second-place teams. Teams will referee each others matches in pool play. Call Kelly McMahan at 552-2335 for more details. Entry deadline is Wednesday, April 5...

Baseball/1D

Bay Hill boasts trio of young golf stars

Associated Press

■ **Golf Roundup**

ORLANDO, Fla. — Mark O'Meara must have felt more like a chaperone Wednesday than a former Masters and British Open champion.

In a final practice round for the Bay Hill Invitational, the 43-year-old O'Meara joined up with two players not even half his age — Sergio Garcia, the 20-year-old from Spain known as "El Nino," and Australian amateur Aaron Baddeley, who turns 19 on Friday.

The other guy in the foursome was the aging Tiger Woods, all of 24.

"When I was 18, I was walking around with my eyes wide," O'Meara said. "I was just trying to get out the way. These guys expect to win."

They played the front nine of Bay Hill, morning dew still on the grass, as they clowned around between shots that landed frighteningly close to the pin.

Baddeley became the youngest winner in the 95-year history of the Australian Open by beating back challenges from Colin Montgomerie and Greg Norman. Garcia, a two-time winner on the European tour last year is making his debut at Bay Hill.

And Woods, who got a scare from Garcia in the PGA last year?

Fresh from a two-week break, he begins in earnest his march to the Masters, always a favorite to win every tournament he plays.

Bay Hill is not exactly a 24-and-under tournament. The field includes seven of the top eight players in the world ranking (David Duval is taking the week off), and features a rare PGA Tour start for the tournament host, Arnold Palmer.

Palmer had not won so much as a U.S. Amateur when he was their age.

"Amazing," Palmer said when asked about how golf keeps getting younger by the minute. "They are very seasoned and very poised for the game, and that does surprise me a little bit that they have reached that point at such an early age."

Tour's decision on Casey: Undecided

ORLANDO, Fla. — With two federal courts taking opposite views on golf carts in competition, the PGA Tour said Wednesday it would wait until summer before deciding if it should ask the Supreme Court to take up the Casey Martin case.

"Whether the request for a Supreme Court review is the appropriate next step, I'm not certain at this point," commissioner Tim Finchem said after meeting with the nine-member PGA Tour Policy Board.

"We want to be careful to understand what the world would be like if these two circuit court opinions sit there in terms of administering the rules of our sport."

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco last week upheld a lower court's decision that Martin, who has a rare circulatory disease in his right leg, should be allowed to ride a cart on the PGA Tour.

A day later, the 7th U.S. Circuit Court in Chicago upheld a ruling that denied Ford Olinger, a club pro from Indiana who sued the U.S. Golf Association, the right to ride in U.S. Open qualifying.

Both Martin and Olinger, who has a degenerative hip disorder, sued under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

"The fact you've got two courts on very different sides of the issue should help people recognize that this isn't a simple issue," Finchem said. "And this isn't about Casey Martin."

Webb ready for title defense

PHOENIX — If Karrie Webb still has anything to prove against the LPGA's best, her opportunity is at hand.

Forget next week's Dinah Shore, the first of the LPGA Tour's four majors. The Standard Register Ping, which begins Thursday, has all of the top 100 money-winners from last season.

The list begins with Webb. The defending champion will be trying to make it five titles in a row and four on the tour. She has earned $345,000 in official money this season, averaging a remarkable 69.27 strokes per round.



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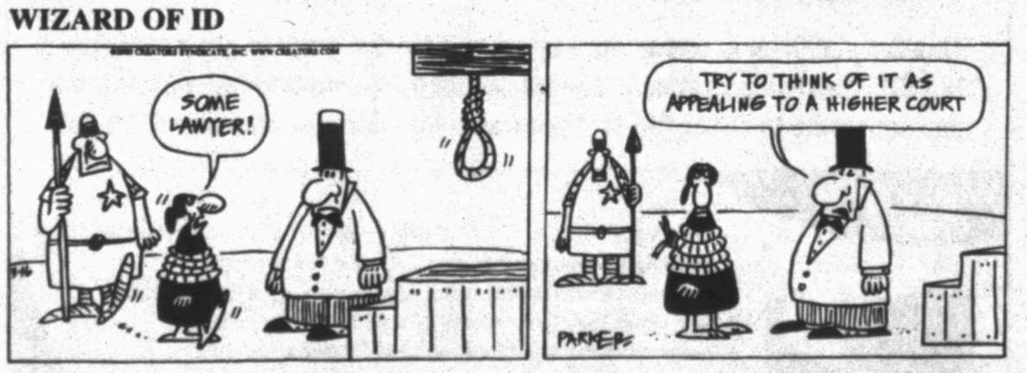
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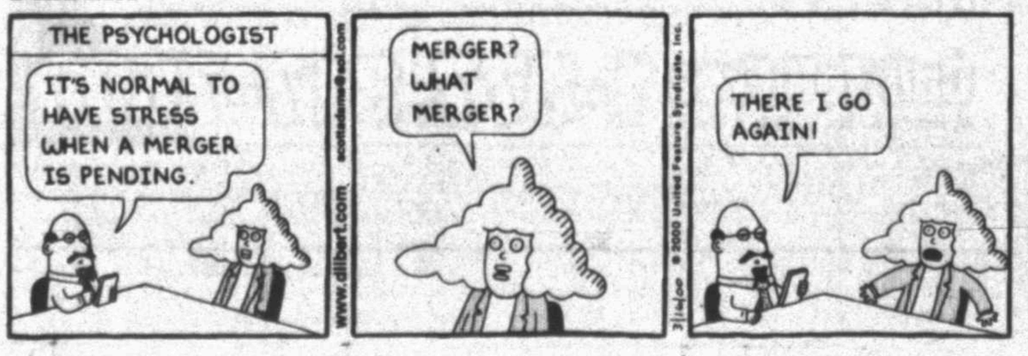
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You have rare vision, and with it comes unusual potential. Tap into your subconscious through dream interpretation or meditation. You have a definite way with others, but as warm as you can be, you can be equally cold. Concentrate on work or tasks; you are easily distracted. You gain if you stay focused. Health and diet become unusually interesting this year. If you are single, you might easily delude yourself when you meet a new love interest. Try to be realistic and not wear rose-colored glasses. If attached, take plenty of private time together. Learn to help each other relax. LEO helps in your day-to-day life.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Let your imagination roam, knowing that you might not see the whole picture. Break past self-imposed restrictions. Find the way to unusual solutions and ideas. Playfulness mixes with work. Give up being uptight about funds. Tonight: Where the fun is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Another might confuse you, especially at work. Remain steady, knowing what you want. A partner shares a special secret. Give in to more closeness; don't resist so much. Control can be lonely. Take time for a family member. Tonight: Happy at home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Tell it like it is today. Don't hesitate to share more of what is going on with you. Another has strong feelings as well. Build more intimate sharing into a primary relationship. Sometimes insecurity or fear holds you back. Make calls; reach out for others. Tonight: Hang out.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Expenses could be off. Listen to another's advice at work. A different point of view helps you understand. Don't hesitate to ask questions. You might not be exactly sure where a friend is coming from. Do not lose your focus. Tonight: Your treat.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Magic happens if you allow an authority figure to help you with suggestions. Be willing to adjust your course and head in another direction. Your perception might be distorted, or you might be unusually hard on yourself. Tonight: Beam in what you want.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ A lot happens at work. Let your knowledge and intuition merge. As you are coming from a place of logic, you might have a difficult time letting go. Just let it all happen. Learn new ways to think. Don't pressure yourself by being rigid. Tonight: Take a night off.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Keep aiming for that pot of gold over the rainbow. Be careful how extreme you get, especially with funds. Know when you could be jeopardizing your security, and pull back. A partner isn't as focused as you are. Worry less about his negative judgments. Tonight: Fun and games.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Accept another's offer, even if you might think it's too good to be true. Financial agreements seem much different than you visualize. Remain open to change. Remember, anything can happen. A partner proves to be testy at the last minute. Tonight: Working late.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Take an overview. Recognize possible limitations, despite how you might presently feel. Break patterns. Be willing to take a risk, but realize that some things are impossible. Decide on a new diet or health program. Summer is coming! Tonight: Rent a movie on the way home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ A money opportunity still feels too good to be true. Examine what you want and expect from a loved one who often encourages you to take risks you wouldn't normally take. Your intuition guides you in a partnership matter. Tonight: Let go of a problem.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Follow a dream. Finally, you are about to realize something very special. Creativity and understanding come through a discussion with a friend. Make a must meeting. Don't allow a family member to slow you down when you are this close to a goal. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Get work done; pace yourself. Your imagination could go haywire as you deal with different people at different times. A boss listens to you and gives you feedback. Follow through on suggestions; they are good ones right now. Tonight: Cancel plans.

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BORN TODAY
Actor Erik Estrada (1949), comedian Jerry Lewis (1926), actress Kate Nelligan (1951)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Guard Your Entries

Neither vulnerable. South deals.

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◇ 9 4
♣ 7 6

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♡ 7 2
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EAST
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♡ 10 8 5 4
◇ 10 6 5 2
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SOUTH
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♣ A Q 9 4

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
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Opening lead: King of ◇

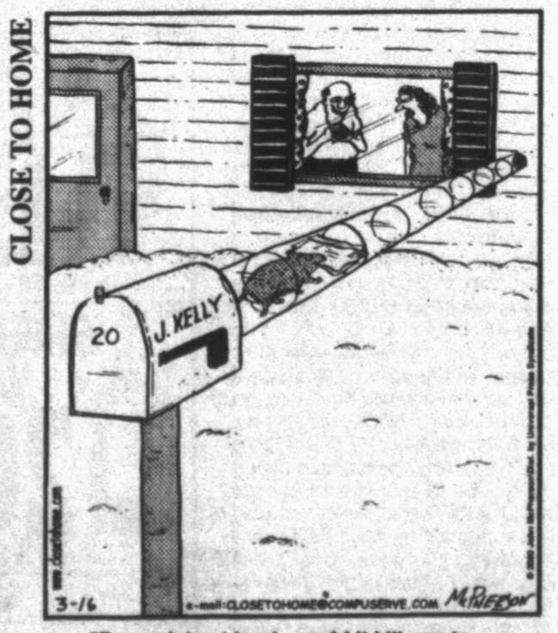
Like in war, lines of communication at the bridge table are the lifeblood of the struggle for the contract. Stretch them unwisely, and untold harm can result.

There are two points of interest in the auction: West's one-diamond overcall on a four-card suit, and North's invitational jump to three spades — the hand is a whisker short of leaping to game.

West led the king of diamonds, then continued with the queen and ace. Declarer ruffed in dummy and led a trump to the 10, which held. Impressed with the "success" of the finesse, declarer crossed to the jack of hearts and continued with another trump. When East showed out, declarer realized that the contract was in great danger. South did the best possible by playing the jack. West countered elegantly by winning with the queen and returning a heart. That killed dummy, and declarer went down three tricks.

Against skilled defenders, the fact that the 10 of spades won the first trick meant nothing. Declarer should have husbanded dummy's entries by continuing with the jack of trumps. That would have rendered the defenders helpless. Since there was still a trump on the table to control diamonds should West lead a fourth round of the suit, declarer cannot be prevented from drawing the remaining trumps, then running hearts for all the discards that were needed. The defenders would get only two diamond tricks and a trump.

CLOSE TO HOME



"For cryin' out loud, would it kill you to put on a coat and hat and get the mail yourself now and then?!!"

ZITS



BABY BLUES



DENNIS THE MENACE



"I WAS HAVING A GREAT DAY, UNTIL YOU FOUND OUT I WAS HAVING A GREAT DAY!"

FAMILY CIRCUS



"Hey! How 'bout if tomorrow mornin' we all watch 'Teletubbies' together?"

TV TONIGHT

THURSDAY EVENING — March 16, 2000

For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

Broadcast	O	C	B	6PM	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) KMID	2	3	2	News 413	Wheel of Fortune 993	Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	Who Wants to Be a Millionaire 8239		20/20 Downtown 4603		News 3318332	Nightline (10:35)	Politically Incorrect	Maury (11:35) 4118784
(5) KPEJ	24	5	3	Home Improvement	Judge Judy 81351	Tombstone (R, '93) ** (Kurt Russell, Val Kilmer) 46177				Mad About You 39018	The Nanny 30429	Jerry Springer 36516		NewsRadio 89513	Unhappily Ever After
(7) KOSA	7	7	7	News 6041	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament, Midwest or West Regional First Round 697055					College Basketball: NCAA Tournament, Midwest or West Regional First Round 410448					News 9662167
(9) KWES	9	9		News 1719	Seinfeld 2871 (TVPG)	Friends 5429 (TVPG)	Jesse 8055 (TVPG)	Frasier 4177 (TVPG)	Stark Raving Mad 9564	ER: Truth & Consequences 53603 (TVPG)		News 4171177	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (10:35) 7153413		Late Night - With Conan
(12) KMLM	42	12	19	News 73055	John Hagee Today	The Light of the Southwest 31239				Richard Roberts 17429		News 89023	Joyce Meyer 83061	Duane Sheriff Ministries	Sunset Baptist 92852
(19) KOCV	36	13		The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer 236974		Frontiers of Medicine	Frontiers of Medicine	HealthWeek 904603	HealthWeek 810210	Medical Answers: Rabies Alert! 441719		Telecourse 624500			
(8) CNBC		8	27	Business Center (5:30)	Upfront Tonight	Hardball With Chris Matthews 4981993		Rivera Live 4894413		The News With Brian Williams 4987177		Hardball With Chris Matthews 4980264		Rivera Live 5897516	
(10) WGN		10		Full House 624061	Full House 542413	Missing In Action 2: The Beginning (R, '85) * (Chuck Norris, Soon-Teck Oh) 3020055				News 427245		MacGyver: Deadly Dreams 420332 (TVPG)		In the Heat of the Night 508239 (TVPG-V)	
(11) WTBS		11	11	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	Total Recall (7:05) (R, '90) *** (Arnold Schwarzenegger, Rachel Ticotin) 3331719					The Hunt for Red October (9:35) (PG, '90) *** (Sean Connery, Alec Baldwin) 13597185				
(14) FAM		14		Who's Boss?	Who's Boss?	St. Patrick, the Irish Legend (Patrick Bergin) 858345				WOW! Awesome II		The 700 Club 696332	Who's Boss?	Partridge	
(20) DISC		20	26	Grizzly Diaries 783852		Dangerous Duels		Secrets of Levitation		Beyond Bizarre 296185		Dangerous Duels		Secrets of Levitation	
(21) AMC		21	31	The Nutty Professor (5)		Hello, Dolly! (G, '69) ** (Barbra Streisand, Walter Matthau) 127974					Days of Wine and Roses ('62) *** 209693				Sea Chase
(22) TNN		22	35	Matt Houston 259806		Belle Starr ('80) ** (Elizabeth Montgomery) 994871				Plantations of Virginia		Matt Houston 361500		In-Fisherman	Bassmasters
(23) TNT		23	28	ER 242516 (TV14)		White Palace (R, '90) *** (Susan Sarandon) 4409871				This Boy's Life (8:05) (R, '93) *** (Robert De Niro) 11484603					White Palace
(24) BRAV		24	33	Moonlighting 893264		Southern Comfort (R, '81) ** (Keith Carradine) 988429				Michael Flatley 430719		Southern Comfort (R, '81) ** (Keith Carradine) 613500			
(26) BET		26	33	Hits From the Street		Sparks	Amen	Comicview 310559		Live From L.A. 415103		Tonight With Tavis Smiley		Midnight Love 222887	
(27) DISN		27	41	Laspin' Leprechauns (PG, '95) ** (John Bluthal, Grant Cramer) 483061			Spellbreaker, Secret of the Leprechauns (G, '96) ** (John Bluthal) 4674264			Breaking Free (9:10) (PG, '95) (Jeremy London, Gina Philips) 23511065				Zorro 709351 (TVG)	Mickey Mouse Club
(28) CNN		28	22	Moneyline	Crossfire	The World Today 529581		Larry King Live 618429		CNN NewsStand 621993		Sports	Moneyline	Larry King Live 214887	
(29) ESPN		29	30	Baseball Tonight 241806		Billiards 354239		Tennis 430603				SportsCenter 346210		Strong Man	SportsCenter
(30) USA		30	38	JAG: Nobody's Child 425806 (TVPG)		Walker, Texas Ranger: Texas vs. Cahill 627177 (TV14)		Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom (PG, '84) ** (Harrison Ford, Kate Capshaw) 482448					Walker, Texas Ranger (Part 2 of 2) 732429 (TV14-V)		Silk Stalkings 660603
(31) FX		31		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	NYPD Blue 4036055		The X-Files 4118603		Married ...	Chris Gore	The X Show 4035326		The X-Files 6831603	
(32) A&E		32	25	Law & Order: Guardian 881448 (TVPG)		Biography 896149 (TVG)		Investigative Reports 996239		Inside Story: Exterminators 991513 (TVPG)		Law & Order: Matrimony 741090 (TVPG)		Biography 592697 (TVG)	
(33) TLC		33		Trauma: Life in the ER 244974 (TVPG)		Twister: Fury on the Plains 364697 (TVG)		Atlantis: The Lost Continent 446245 (TVG)		Atlantis Uncovered 353581 (TVG)		Twister: Fury on the Plains 363968 (TVG)		Atlantis: The Lost Continent 566121 (TVG)	
(34) NICK		34	37	Hey Arnold! 282993	Rugrats 273245	CatDog 546603	CatDog 279429	Brady Bunch 555351	Beverly Hillbillies	All in the Family	The Jeffersons 793239	I Love Lucy 142061	Bewitched 573451	Happy Days 352351	Laverne and Shirley
(36) LIFE		36	40	Intimate Portrait: Mackenzie Phillips 797644		Chicago Hope: Viagra-vated Assault 600535 (TV14-D)		Another Woman's Husband (Lisa Rinna, Gail O'Grady) 517871				Golden Girls 324603	Golden Girls 333351	Designing Women	Unsolved Mysteries
(39) OUTDR		39		Hunting With Hank	Days of a Sportsman	Skiing: FIS World Cup Alpine 5401622		Skiing: FIS World Cup Alpine 5314142		Snowboard Show	Freestyle Frenzy	Skiing: FIS World Cup Alpine 5400993		Skiing: FIS World Cup Alpine 9585500	
(42) UNI		42	13	Sonadoras 22448 (TVPG)		Nunca Te Olvidare 24719 (TVPG)		Tres Mujeres 37239 (TV14)		El Super Bialazo 13603		Primer Impacto Extra	Noticiero: Ultima Hora	Viviana a la Medianoche 33697 (TVPG)	
(43) FSN		43	29	Fox Sports News 54239	The Last Word 41719	Boxing: Bernard Hopkins vs. Antwun Echols, Middleweights 72413				Fox Sports News 97603		Fox Sports News 90790		Toughman Champ.	The Last Word 40326
(44) COM		44		Daily Show/ Stewart	Win Ben Stein's Money	Saturday Night Live 8730245 (TVPG)		Saturday Night Live 8749993 (TVPG)		Sam Kinison: Why Did We Laugh? 8736429		Daily Show/ Stewart	Win Ben Stein's Money	Saturday Night Live 6660513 (TV14)	
(46) ANIM		46		Fun. Animals	Lie Like Dog	Third Angel 82719 (TVG)		O'Shea	Insectia	Emer. Vets	Wild Rescue	Third Angel 74790 (TVG)		O'Shea	Insectia
(47) E!		47		Emergency	Search Party	Talk Soup	Mysteries	E! True Hollywood Story		Wild on the Tropics		H. Stern	H. Stern	Wild on the Rocks 112581	
(48) TVL		48	24	Andy Griffith	Gomer Pyle	Emergency! 1306513		Dragnet	Adam-12	To Be Announced 5906577		Honeymoon.	Sanford/Son	A-Team 2946351	
(49) ODSY		49		Avonlea 257448		Snowy River; McGregor		Reason for Living: The Jill Ireland Story ('91) ** 453535				Lonesome Dove 369142		The Young Riders 968697	
(50) HGTV		50	42	Old House	Workshop	New Spaces	Curb Appeal	Designing	Kitchen	House Hunt	Dream	New Spaces	Curb Appeal	Designing	Kitchen
(51) MSNBC		51		Hardball: Chris Matthews		Special Edition 4034697		News With Brian Williams		Legends With Matt Lauer		Special Edition 4033968		News With Brian Williams	
(52) TELE		52		Muneca Brava 888332		La Vida en el Espejo		Chiquina 438351		Xica 425887		Noticiero	Ocurrio Asi 632055		Buscando
(60) TOON		60		Chicken	Laboratory	John Bravo	Brak Show	Bugs & Daffy 8747535		Flintstones	Scooby Doo	John Bravo	Laboratory	Gundam	Dragon Ball
(61) TCM		61		Waterloo Bridge (5)		The Roman Spring of Mrs. Stone ('61) *** 8907581				Splendor in the Grass ('61) *** 40909684				Who's Afraid of ... (11:15)	
(62) HIST		62	32	20th Century/Mike Wallace		The Cavemen 9506531		The Most 2550451 (TVG)		Household Wonders		Secrets of World War II		The Cavemen 2842581	
(63) ESPN2		63		RPM 2Night	NHL Hockey: Toronto Maple Leafs at Detroit Red Wings 8213581					Surfing		RPM 2Night	NHL 2Night	NBA 2Night	NHL Shots
(64) SCIFI		64	39	Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home (PG, '86) *** 1519697						Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country (PG) 6783121			Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home 7269142		
(53) PLEX				Young Dillinger (4:35)	The FBI Story: The FBI vs. Alvin Karpis (6:20) ('74) ** (Robert Foxworth)	V: The Final Battle (TV14)									
(65) FLIX		65	20	Parenthood (4:35) (PG-13, '89) *** 57117790		Immediate Family (PG-13, '93) ** (Glenn Close, James Woods) 2859671				Merry Christmas, Mr. Lawrence (R, '83) *** (David Bowie, Tom Conti) 14363966				Life Stinks (11:05) (PG-13, '91) ** 23512862	
(66) SHOW		66	16	The Tiger Woods Story (5) (PG-13, '98) ** 697581		The Inspectors 2: A Shred of Evidence (Louis Gossett Jr., Jonathan Silverman) 210061				One Tough Cop (R, '98) ** (Stephen Baldwin, Chris Penn) 7883622				Caught Up (11:15) (R, '98) ** 97426871	
(67) TMC		67	15	The Last Days of Disco (8:05) (R, '98) ** (Chloe Sevigny, Kate Beckinsale) 76365719				Freddy's Dead: The Final Nightmare (R, '91) * (Robert Englund, Lisa Zane) 215142			Campfire Tales (R, '96) (Jay R. Ferguson, Christine Taylor) 394481			Haunted Honeymoon (PG, '86) * 701264	
(68) HBO		68		The Witness Files (8:15) ('96) (Yancy Butler, David Norman) 90132239				Blowback (R, '99) * (Mario Van Peebles, James Remar) 760516			Romeo Must Die: Look	Taxicab Confessions 3994332 (TVMA)		If These Walls Could Talk 2 (10:55) 59711516	
(69) HBO 2		69		Bulworth (5) (R, '98) ** (Warren Beatty) 2383245		True Crime (R, '99) *** (Clint Eastwood, Isaiah Washington) 76045326				D.L. Hughley: Going Home (9:15) 5748413 (TVMA)		City of Angels (10:15) (PG-13, '98) ** (Nicolas Cage, Meg Ryan) 6797988			
(70) HBO 3		70		Only When I Laugh (R, '81) *** (Marsha Mason, Kristy McNichol) 8361646				Angie (R, '94) *** (Geena Davis, Stephen Rea) 3311041				Still Breathing (PG-13, '97) ** (Brendan Fraser, Joanna Going) 5422328			
(71) MAX		71		Great Expectations (5) (R, '98) ** 240697		Casualties of War (R, '89) ** (Michael J. Fox, Sean Penn) 983177				The Invader (R, '97) (Sean Young, Bert Cross) 971835		Hollywood Dreams (R, '93) * (Kelly Cook, Danny Smith) 9074719			
(72) MAX 2		72		Foul Play (PG, '78) ** (Goldie Hawn, Chevy Chase) 2575326				Female Perversions (R, '96) ** (Tilda Swinton, Amy Madigan) 2570871				The Avengers (PG-13, '98) ** (Ralph Fiennes, Uma Thurman) 8896622		Waiting to Exhale	

PEOPLE TODAY

Blood tests confirm Mick's the dad

NEW YORK — Blood tests confirm that **Mick Jagger** is the father of a Brazilian lingerie model's baby.

Jagger was sworn in Wednesday by telephone from London for a Manhattan Family Court proceeding over child support. He had already acknowledged paternity informally.

The Rolling Stone said he had no objection to being listed as the father on the birth certificate of Lucas Maurice Morad Jagger, born May 18, in New York to Luciana Morad.

Morad is asking Jagger for $35,000 a month in support. He now pays her $5,500 a month. Hearing Examiner David Kirshblum said he would order temporary support of $10,000 a month and hold a hearing May 9 on a possible adjustment after Jagger, who has six other children, produces financial documents.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Plans to keep **John and Patsy Ramsey**'s new book under wraps until Friday unraveled after a bookstore began selling copies early.

The Chinook Bookstore here started selling "The Death of Innocence" on Saturday. Store owner Dick Noyes said he got no notice from the publisher that copies weren't supposed to be sold until noon Friday.

After getting calls Tuesday from Thomas Nelson Publishing in Nashville, Tenn., Noyes pulled the books off shelves. By then, he had sold 10 copies.

"We were innocently ignorant of the fact the publisher wanted a national laydown," Noyes said. "We didn't know until the president of the company called irate and told us we were sinners."

The release date was stamped on boxes of the books, said Rolf Zettersten, a spokesman for the Christian publishing house.

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BRIDGEWATER, Conn. — One of **Mia Farrow**'s daughters died over the weekend of an apparent heart ailment. She was 19.

Tam Farrow, who was blind and born in Vietnam, was adopted by Farrow after her 1992 breakup with Woody Allen.

"She had a weak heart. She died of cardiac arrest," Farrow spokeswoman Judy Hofflund said in Wednesday's Daily News. Hofflund didn't immediately return calls Wednesday.

Tam had been hospitalized last week in New Milford and was discharged March 7. She was among Farrow's 14 children, 10 of whom are adopted.

A hospital spokeswoman had no further details Wednesday.

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ATLANTA — **Jane Fonda** can't bear to part with a designer dress she promised to auction after wearing it to the March 26 Academy Awards.

"I've fallen in love with it," she said of the strapless satin dress, designed by Vera Wang.

Fonda announced earlier this month the dress would go to the highest bidder at a June 27 movie premiere at the Fox Theatre. She said the proceeds would go to Georgia Campaign for Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention, which Fonda founded in 1995.

"I've changed my mind. I'm not auctioning it off after all," Fonda said. "Seriously, I can't just wear this dress for 10 minutes on Oscar night and then turn it over to someone else yet."

Fonda, scheduled to be a presenter at the Oscars, said she may be willing to auction the dress in 2001. Premieregoers will still be able bid on a vacation with Fonda to her and estranged husband Ted Turner's Montana ranch. Turner won't be there.

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LOS ANGELES — **Steven Spielberg** plans to pick up where the late director Stanley Kubrick left off.

Warner Bros. announced Tuesday that Spielberg will write and direct "A.I.," an epic science fiction tale that Kubrick had been planning before his death last year.

"Stanley had a vision for this project that was evolving over 18 years," Spielberg said in a written statement. "I am intent on bringing to the screen as much of that vision as possible, along with elements of my own."

Spielberg released no details about the plot. He and Kubrick had been friends and Spielberg discussed the project extensively with Kubrick, whose final film was last summer's "Eyes Wide Shut."

"A.I.," which is an acronym for "artificial intelligence," is scheduled to start production in July. It wasn't clear how much of the story Kubrick had assembled before he died on March 7, 1999.

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

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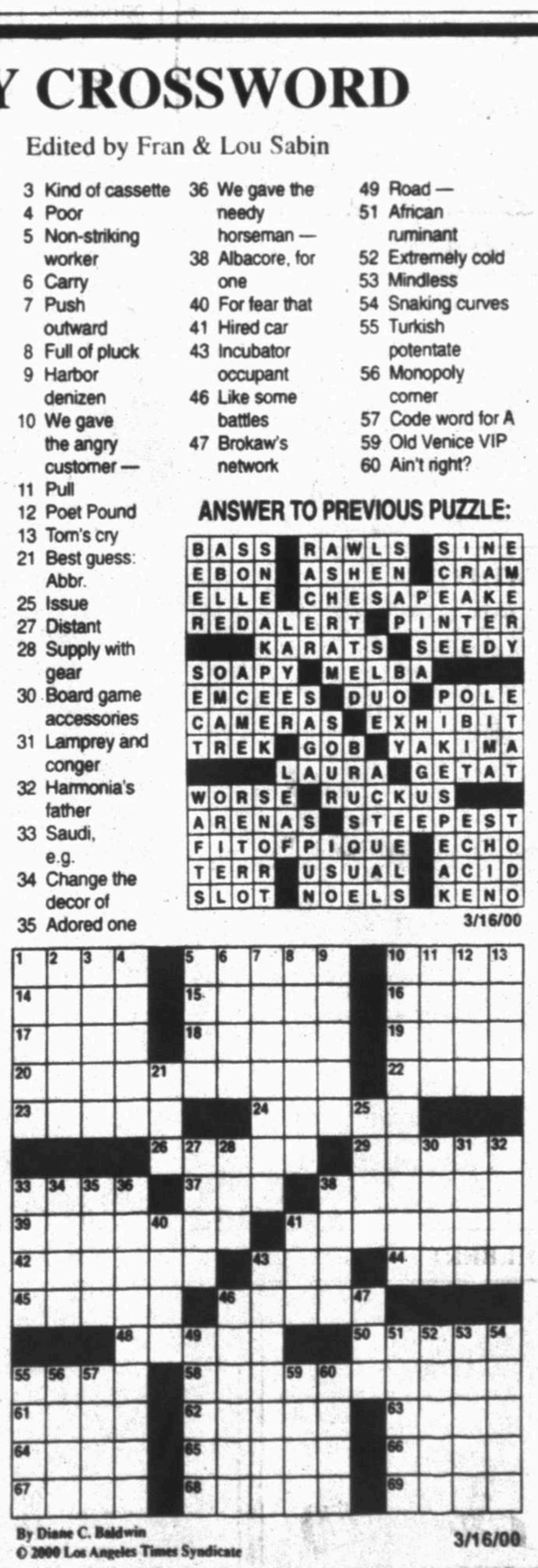
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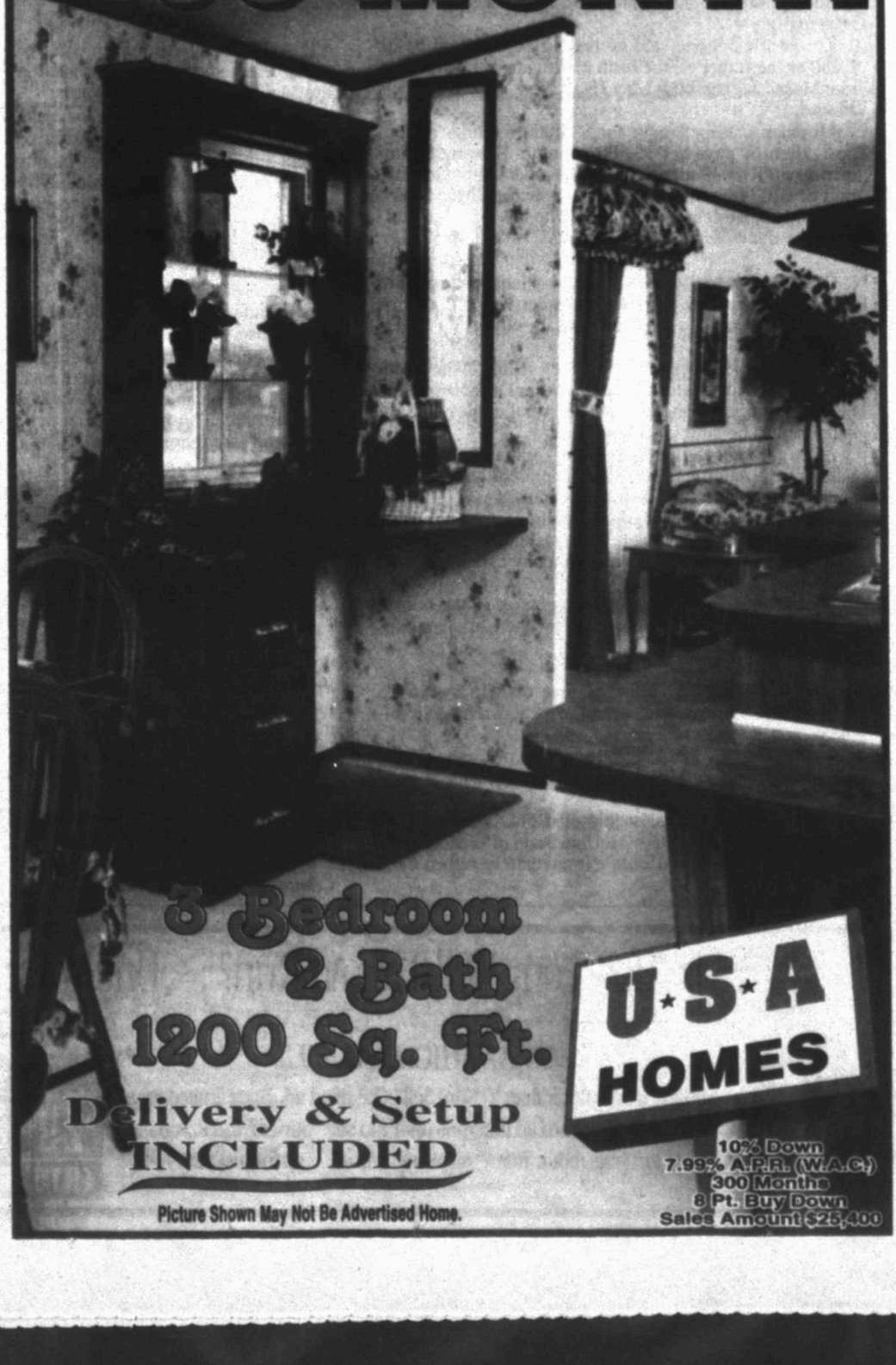
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Texas' relief phenom won't analyze two halves of '99

Associated Press

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. — Jeff Zimmerman isn't wasting time analyzing the two halves of his rookie season with the Texas Rangers. His assignment is the same: reload, fire blanks and get the ball to closer John Wetteland.

Zimmerman made an indelible first impression last season by compiling an 8-0 record and 0.86 ERA over the first half of the season that earned him a spot on the AL All-Star team.

His second half wasn't as dramatic, and in his final 10 games, he had an 11.32 ERA and allowed six runs.

"I don't want to dig too deep and speculate because the second half of my season didn't go as well as the first half," Zimmerman said. "I think just the law of averages tells you it would be pretty hard to keep up that kind of pace."

Zimmerman made the leap from Triple-A Oklahoma look easy when he was recalled on April 13. He pitched 11.2 scoreless innings in his first seven major league appearances. He had a scoreless string of 29.2 innings from May 25 to Aug. 2 that was the longest in the majors last season.

Zimmerman didn't allow himself to look back during the season at what he was accomplishing.

"I didn't think, 'wow, I'm doing great,' " Zimmerman said. "I was just taking care of business. I wasn't thinking about what happened in the past. I just tried to maintain a very professional viewpoint, not get ahead of myself and get the ball to John Wetteland."

The Rangers bullpen was the team's strong point last year with Zimmerman as the setup for Wetteland, who equaled his career high 43 saves last season.

"That was my role last year and it will probably be the same this year." Zimmerman said. "I'm not looking at any performance goals. I'm just looking to stay healthy and help us win. I'll just keep it that simple."

General manager Doug Melvin thinks Zimmerman might have tired as the season progressed.

"The first half of the season, he was unhittable," Melvin said. "In the second half, I think he got a little tired. But I think going into his second year, he will be smarter with a better feel for what he has to do."

Zimmerman doesn't agree that he got tired last season, and he's working on a changeup if hitters get too comfortable with his fastball and slider.

"It's there if I need it, but I hope I don't," Zimmerman said. "I hope the hitters haven't adjusted to my slider but time will tell."

Zimmerman finished the season 9-3 with a 2.36 ERA, the lowest among Rangers pitchers, and held opponents to a .166 average, lowest among AL relievers.

"There is a huge adjustment factor in this game," Zimmerman said. "I'm not banging my head against a wall worrying about the second half of the season. I just want to go out and contribute again. I have nothing to prove."

All the pressure and proving came last season.

"We have a quality pitching staff and our bullpen is relatively intact," Zimmerman said. "We want our starters to go seven innings and make it a two-inning bullpen game."

Anaheim shells D-Backs' Johnson, scoring 11 runs

Associated Press

Randy Johnson gave up 10 runs in an eight-start span last June 25 to July 31. On Wednesday, he gave up 11 in three-plus innings.

"I stunk," he said after the Anaheim Angels pounded him for 11 runs and 12 hits in their 15-9 win over the Arizona Diamondbacks.

The NL Cy Young Award winner failed to retire any of the eight batters he faced in Anaheim's 11-run fourth, getting chased by Tim Salmon's two-run homer, his fourth of the spring.

"Everything I threw was down the middle of the plate, and they hit it," Johnson said. "I don't think I got too many quality pitches in today."

Bengie Molina hit his third homer to start the inning, and Gary DiSarcina had a two-run double.

Anaheim sent 16 batters to the plate in the inning — 13 before Arizona got an out — and was helped by four errors in the inning. Pitcher Kent Mercker made the first out of the inning.

"I was pretty much sleepwalking out there today," Johnson said. "I just had a bad day. It was just a game that you put behind you."

At Dunedin, Fla., Houston coach Jose Cruz Sr. got a rare opportunity to watch his son play for Toronto in the Blue Jays' 8-3 win over the Astros.

"Someday I hope he could play with a team that I'm coaching, but right now I just hope he has a good time and enjoys playing the game," the elder Cruz said after his son went 2-for-4.

Cruz thinks his son has the potential to hit 35 home runs. Last year, Cruz Jr. homered for Toronto while his father watched during a spring training game against the Astros at Kissimmee.

"He sees a lot of what I don't see," Cruz Jr. said. "He knows me the best and can watch me take a pitch and know right away how I am feeling."

■ Spring Training

Raul Mondesi, Tony Batista, Homer Bush and Shannon Stewart homered for the Blue Jays.

At Lakeland, Fla., Roger Clemens gave up four runs on three hits and three walks in the New York Yankees' 8-2 loss to the Detroit Tigers.

But an RBI double by Juan Gonzalez was the hardest ball hit off Clemens. The Tigers scored four runs off Mike Grace in the sixth.

Clemens (1-2) actually was fairly impressive in his third outing of the spring. He worked the first five innings, retiring the Tigers in order in the fourth and fifth.

"I felt strong," Clemens said. "The fifth inning, I wanted to turn a few balls loose and was able to do that. I think it was a good trip. I'm working on some stuff. I've got to find out where some pitches are, regardless of scores, inning or count."

In other games:

Red Sox 8, Reds 1

At Sarasota, Fla., Carl Everett and Trot Nixon homered and Ramon Martinez pitched allowed one run and four hits in three innings. Ken Griffey Jr. was 0-for-2 and is 5-for-26 (.192) with three homers and four RBIs this spring.

Cardinals 7, Marlins 3

At Viera, Fla., Ryan Dempster allowed six hits and six runs in two innings. Mark Smith was 2-for-2 for Florida and is batting .577 (15-for-26) this spring.

Expos 3, Twins 0

At Jupiter, Fla., Hideki Irabu struck out five in five innings, allowing one hit. Marty McLeary, Shayne Bennett and J.D. Smart finished the combined two-hitter.

Royals 7, Braves 2

At Haines City, Fla., Brett Laxton gave up two runs and three hits in four innings, allowing Andres Galarraga's third homer of the spring. Loser Bruce Chen allowed three runs and five hits in four innings.

Pirates 15, Devil Rays 5

At St. Petersburg, Fla., Aramis Ramirez hit a two-run, second-inning homer and Adrian Brown, Pat Meares and Bruce Aven keyed a 20-hit attack with three hits each.

Rangers 2, Orioles 0

At Port Charlotte, Fla., Darren Oliver pitched 4 1-3 hitless innings and Ivan Rodriguez was 2-for-3 with two RBIs.

Mets (ss) 6, Indians 3

At Winter Haven, Fla., Jay Payton singled in each of his three at-bats. David Justice hit his second home run of the spring for Cleveland.

Mets (ss) 6, Dodgers 6, 10 innings

At Port St. Lucie, Fla., Glendon Rusch couldn't hold a 5-0 lead, allowing five runs and six hits in five innings. Geronimo Berroa hit a two-run double, and former Met Kevin Elster had a solo homer.

Cubs 10, Brewers 4

At Mesa, Ariz., Henry Rodriguez returned from a shoulder injury to hit a three-run homer and a sacrifice fly, and Shane Andrews hit his fifth home run of the spring.

Giants 8, White Sox 7

At Scottsdale, Ariz., Jeff Kent hit a three-run homer in his spring debut and Chris Magruder had a game-winning sacrifice fly in the ninth.

Rockies 7, Mariners 5

At Peoria, Ariz., Larry Walker hit his first homer of the spring and Taiwan's Tsao Chin-Hui struck out two in one inning in his major league spring debut.

Officials: Enron will not be complete

Associated Press

HOUSTON — The Houston Astros' new downtown home will be ready in time for its unveiling on March 30. But it won't be finished.

Project manager Steve Smith said Wednesday the retractable roof stadium will be in shape to host the New York Yankees in the first exhibition, rough edges and all.

"Sometimes (full completion) takes 120 to 160 days afterward," said Smith, of Brown & Root Building Co. "That's the normal process of a construction project."

About 2,000 workers continue to labor in shifts running around the clock to put the finishing touches on the $248 million ballpark, set in the shadow of Houston's downtown skyline.

Smith declined to predict what would not be completed by March 30, only to say that the stadium will be perfectly able to host what could be the city's first outdoor major-league game since 1964.

Devil Rays will retire No. 12 in honor of Boggs

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Even though he spent just two years with Tampa Bay, the Devil Rays are retiring Wade Boggs' No. 12.

A ceremony is planned for April 7, before the team's home opener against the Cleveland Indians.

Boggs, 41, became the 23rd member of the 3,000-hit club when he homered off Cleveland's Chris Haney last Aug. 7 at Tropicana Field. He also hit the first home run in Devil Rays' history, hitting a solo shot off Detroit's Justin Thompson in Tampa Bay's inaugural game two years ago.

The five-time AL batting champion hit .300 or better in 15 of 18 major league seasons, finishing with 3,010 hits and a .328 career batting average.

BASEBALL TRANSACTIONS

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American League

BOSTON RED SOX—Released OF Jermaine Allensworth.

CLEVELAND INDIANS—Reassigned RHP Tim Drew to their minor-league camp.

DETROIT TIGERS—Released LHP Ramon Tatis.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Optioned RHP Lance Carter, RHP Jeff D'Amico and OF Goefrey Tomlinson to Omaha of the PCL and LHP Justin Lamber to Wichita of the Texas League. Reassigned C Izzy Molina, C Paul Phillips, INF Alejandro Prieto and RHP Bill Risley to their minor-league camp. Released RHP Clint Sodowsky.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Optioned OF Donzell McDonald and RHP Ben Ford to Columbus of the International League. Reassigned INF Mike Coolbaugh and RHP Mike Jerzembeck to their minor-league camp.

TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Optioned OF Alex Sanchez to Durham of the International League.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Optioned RHP Matt Dewitt, LHP John Bale and 3B Casey Blake to Syracuse of the International League. Reassigned INF Felipe Lopez to their minor-league camp.

National League

ATLANTA BRAVES—Reassigned RHP Jason Baker, RHP Matt Belisle, RHP Richard Dishman, RHP Derrick Lewis, RHP Scott Sobkowiak, C Fernando Lunar, C Steve Torrealba, INF Mark DeRosa, INF Marcus Giles and INF Tim Unroe to their minor-league camp.

FLORIDA MARLINS—Optioned RHP Joe Fontenot to Calgary of the PCL, RHP Nelson Lara to Portland of the Eastern League, and RHP Josh Beckett to Kane County of the Midwest League. Reassigned C Ryan Robertson and RHP Claudio Vargas to their minor-league camp.

MONTREAL EXPOS—Optioned LHP Brent Billingsley, LHP Trey Moore, SS Tomas De La Rosa, 1B-OF Talmadge Nunnari to Ottawa of the International League and LHP Matt Blank to Harrisburg of the Eastern League. Reassigned C Yohanny Valera, INF Jamey Carroll and OF Scott Hunter to their minor-league camp.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Reassigned C Humberto Cota to their minor-league camp.

Eastern League

BOWIE BAYSOX—Named Chad Olsen groundskeeper.

NORWICH NAVIGATORS—Announced the resignation of Shawn Holliday, director of broadcasting and media relations. Named Mark Leinweaver director of broadcasting and media relations.

Northern League

SCHAUMBERG FLYERS—Traded the rights to OF Brent Bowers to Albany-Colonie of the Northeast League for LHP Chris Strahowski. Placed LHP Will Rushing on the inactive list.

Atlantic League

NEWARK BEARS—Signed OF Russ Chambliss to a one-year contract.

Texas-Louisiana League

SAN ANGELO COLTS—Signed LHP Toby McDermott.

Western League

FEATHER RIVER MUDCATS—Signed OF Gary Mummin.

SOLANO STEELHEADS—Released RHP Joe Elias. Signed LHP David Gooda.

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FORD 1991 Extended cab 1/2 ton, extra nice, $5,100. Please call 687-2717 for information.

FORD 1996 Ranger. 4 Cyl., very clean, 5 speed, air, power steering/ brakes, new paint, 33K actual miles. $5,195. Call 699-6506 or 685-4576.

CHEVROLET 1999 S10 V6, automatic, extended cab, original owner, looks new, non-smoker, garage kept, loaded, chrome, 3rd door, 16K. $16,495. 520-3263.

CHEVROLET 1999 Silverado- Vortec 4.3/ V6, 5 speed, tilt, air, am/ fm, 4K miles $13,500. 550-4480 Leave message.

FORD 1990 Bronco XLT Loaded, Ranchhand. All around $6,500. 1976 CJ5 V8 rigged out for quail hunting $4,000. o.b.o. 685-1488.

FORD 1996 RANGER XLT- Green, 4 cylinder, 5 speed, extended cab, standard. 53K, tool box, good condition. $7,500. 683-6807/ 682-3776

GMC 1995 Dually, 135K, $11,000 obo. Chevrolet 1997 Lumina. 35K, $11,000 obo. Nissan 1997 Pickup, 35K, $8,000 obo. Call Connie, 683-3312.

FORD 1996 F-250 Super Cab. 4x4, off road, 7.3 liter diesel, 5 speed, 91K miles. $16,500. 687-7645, 522-7249 evenings.

FORD 1996 Pickup F150 V8 Super Cab. Long wide bed, 58,500 miles. $14,500. 687-3905 or leave message.

FORD 1997 F150 super cab, Lariat, leather, CD changer, 46K, excellent condition., $17,250. Call 664-6800.

FORD 1998 F150 XLT Supercab, under 21,000 miles, $19,000 includes custom topper and towing package. 697-4209.

GMC 1996 Sierra 1/2 ton, 3rd door, 35K, excellent condition, 305 V8, electric windows/ doors, remote entry, white, $16,900. 683-9544.

TOYOTA 1997 TACOMA LX- 4X4, 5 speed, all power, CD/ cassette, Leer topper, brush guard. $15,500 Call 699-1025 or 528-2061.

DODGE 1995 1500 4x4, single cab, 28K, fully loaded, new tires, excellent condition. $15,000 or make offer. Call 263-2189.

CHEVROLET 1998 S10- 4 Cylinder, 5 speed, am/fm cassette, Air, cruise, tilt. Forrest green with tan interior, 3.8K. $11,500. 694-2042

CHVROLET 1988 SILVERADO- Good condition, 350 engine, long-bed, power windows and locks, well maintained, great buy! $4,800 O.b.o. Call 570-8631

FORD 1994 1 TON Crew cab. Power windows/ locks, turbo diesel, automatic, towing package, electric brakes, 134K $12,500. 697-2169/ 661-9090.

FORD 1998 XL150 STYLE side, white/ tan, tilt, cruise, carpet, 5 speed, 20K miles, with Workmaster bed cover. 661-9272.

CHEVROLET 1990 454 SS 1/2 Ton pickup. Bow tie heads, cam, headers, MSD 6AL, 4V-TBI. Flowmaster, more! Fast! $11,500. 520-6620.

CHEVROLET 1997 Silverado 1500. Extended cab, 3 door, white/ grey. Loaded, 52K miles, extended 75,000 mile warranty. $19,500. 741-8000, 570-5577.

CHEVROLET 1976 ELCamino- V8, a/c, new tires, clean, runs good. $3,500. O.b.o. Retired, need to sell Call 683-6222 or 520-4400

CHEVROLET 1991 CHEYENNE C-1500. Extended Cab, gray, red interior. Long bed, towing package, Bedliner, factory mag wheels, Michelin's. $7,250. 915-684-8824

DODGE 1985 Ram. Red pickup, long, wide. Good condition. New paint/ tires, chrome wheels, AM/ FM CD. $3,800 697-2169, 661-9090.

DODGE 1998 SLT 1500. Quad cab, 5.9 engine, Infinity sound CD, tape. Forest green, 22K miles. $20,250. 697-0511 after 6.

GMC 1994 Sierra SLE, pull apart, blue and gold two tone. New tires, headache rack, tool box, bedliner, phone hook-up. 113K miles. $12,500. 697-4128.

GMC 1996 SLT- low mileage, everything including leather bucket seats, am/ fm, cassette, CD player. $17,900. Call 694-4534 after 5pm.

CHEVROLET 1994 Silverado C-1500 Ext cab. 100K. Bedliner. Good condition. V-8. $12,500. 520-8813.

CHEVROLET 1998 Silverado, extended cab, fully loaded, 12 CD, sprayed in bed liner, 45K. $19,800. Owner, 570-1099.

CHEVROLET 1988 1/2 ton pickup. 305, long/ wide, rebuilt automatic transmission, new tires, toolbox, runs good. $4,500. 4509 Anetta, 520-4503

FORD 1998 RANGER XLT- Super Cab, Forrest green, excellent condition, Tonneau cover, 35k miles. $14,000. call 689-0440 leave message.

CHEVROLET 1998 Z71-350 Vortec, power locks and windows CD/Cassette, 59k miles, 41k miles extended warranty. $19,000. o.b.o. 683-4830.

DODGE 1995 RAM Pick-up. Extended cab, very clean, grill guard, tool box, 73K miles, maintenance to a tee. $13,900. 499-0259.

TOYOTA 1996 T100 truck. Automatic, air, cruise, extended cab, theft control system, 35K, new tires, like new. $14,500. Call 682-9513.

222 Suburbans & Vans

CHEVROLET 1984 Suburban, 60K miles, good condition, $5,500. Call 697-1477.

CHEVROLET 1990 Suburban. Trailmaster, 130K, new tires. Good shape. $7,500. 683-6365.

FORD 1991 AEROSTAR. Extended. Power, air, Great condition. extremely clean. Priced to sell! $3,500. 550-0565.

CHEVROLET 1996 Suburban LS, super clean, like new. Two tone blue with running boards, blue interior. Local owner, you must see, loaded, priced right. Call Baldo, 697-3293 for the best deal.

CHEVROLET 1993 G20 Conversion Van. Good condition, clean, 87K miles, $7,200. 699-6452.

✔ CHEVROLET 1996 Suburban: Excellent condition, leather, loaded, approximately 68K. $17,500. 915-263-6892.

DODGE 1994 Ram Van, Regency package, 13" color TV, VCR, many extras, $9,750. Call 694-0584.

FORD 1995 Windstar. Red, 96K. Great family car, rear air conditioning. $7,995. 687-1536

GMC 1985 Customized van, dual air, power windows/ locks, AM/ FM cassette, excellent condition, only 53K, $4,300, 697-3913.

GMC 19901 Suburban, really clean and nice, red/ gray, $5,100. Please call 687-2717.

PONTIAC 1994 Transport SE, power doors, cruise, rear defrost/ wipers, ABS brakes, individual movable rear seats, good condition, runs great. 92K miles, $7,000. 697-5063.

CHEVROLET 1993 Astro Extended. good condition. 4 Captains seats, 1 power seat/ windows/ locks. $6,300. 699-6518.

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CHEVROLET 1985 Suburban. Travel Quest package. All power, rear air, with Michelin tires. $2,650. xxx-xxxx.

CHEVROLET 1987 Suburban. Very good condition. New air front and rear, new transmission. $4,000 or best offer. 563-0720, 634-4000.

GMC 1993 Suburban SLE. One owner, 102K, excellent condition, new Michelins, front and rear air, champagne, full loaded. $12,900. Call 694-6028 or 683-6033.

GMC 1994 SUBURBAN SLT- 4x4, one owner, non-smoker, leather, 6-disk CD, towing package, loaded, excellent condition. $16,950 o.b.o. 915-528-8700.

GMC 1994 Suburban, beautiful silver, running boards, loaded, 70K miles, must see, $14,995. 689-3913.

MAZDA 1992 MPV- Good condition, front/ rear a/c, perfect for family. Asking only $2,500 Call 686-0623.

CHEVROLET 1981 3/4 Ton Suburban. Rebuilt 350 with 70K. Runs good, power everything, new AM FM Cassette. Good work truck. $3,200/ obo. Call 520-9527.

CHEVROLET 1991 Lumina mini- van. Excellent running condition. Very clean. Individual removable seats. New tires and battery, AM/ FM cassette. $4,000. 694-8599.

CHRYSLER 1995 TOWN & Country- 89K miles, one owner, loaded, excellent condition, all power, rear air, towing package $11,900. 682-1900

DODGE 1996 Van with raised roof, Regency conversion, white with blue pinstripes, leather interior, TV, VCR, rear stereo, electric rear seats, lots of storage, excellent condition, $16,950. 689-8284.

GMC 1995 Suburban. 4 Wheel drive. Excellent condition, chrome grill and step bars, luggage rack. $17,950 or best offer. 689-8284.

OLDSMOBILE 1991 Van Silhouette. Air, cruise, leather. Excellent condition. $4,950. 522-2874.

CHEVROLET 1998 SUBURBAN LT- 37K, white/ tan leather seats, CD stereo, immaculate condition, towing package. $26,900. Days/ 686-5321, evenings/ 689-3949.

CHEVROLET 1997 Regency Conversion Van. Low mileage, fully loaded. Must sell $17,000 o.b.o. 685-7278/ 520-5422.

CHEVROLET 1991 Lumina Van. Excellent maintenance record, runs like new, drive to appreciate. $4,500. Or best offer. 686-0732 after 6PM.

CHEVROLET 1994 Suburban Silverado 83K, leather captain's chairs, dual air, very nice. $14,000 firm. 556-6229 8- 5, 697-0774 after 5.

CHEVROLET 1999 EXPRESS, Regency conversion. 8 Months old, paid $31,000 will sell for $25,000. 522-2644.

CHEVROLET 1999 Suburban LT, 3/4 ton, 454, 4X4, white/ tan leather, fully loaded, Mickey Thompson tires and wheels, 20K miles, $35,375. Call 366-9322.

GMC 1992 Suburban SLE, custom conversion, 4X4, new GM motor with 3 year 50,000 warranty. New transmission and tires, fully loaded, green, $14,800. Call 366-9322.

NISSAN 1995 QUEST GXE- V6, 3.0 liter, automatic, power windows/ locks, tinted, purple, 44K 7 passenger. Excellent condition. $13,500. 689-2200

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CHEVROLET 1986 SUBURBAN: 350, A/C with rear air, good tires, very dependable, runs great. $3,200 O.b.o. Call 697-7312. Pager 498-1449.

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PLYMOUTH 1992 Voyager. Excellent condition, Quad seats, good tires, new transmission, one owner. $6,700. Call 699-0919.

CHEVROLET 1995 SUBURBAN, green/ silver. Excellent condition. new tires, rear air, all power, towing package, $16,500 or best offer, 683-7285.

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NISSAN 1991 Extended Cab. 5 speed, air, camper shell. Excellent. 93K. $6,950 obo 520-2072.

NISSAN 1991 Pathfinder SE- 4X4, 5 speed, 105,600 miles, PW, PL, cruise, sunroof, nerf bars. $6,600 Call 683-3921 8-5/ 699-2013

FORD 1988 BRONCO XLT, full size, power locks/ windows, cruise, CD, off road tires, grill guard, 137K, $5,200, negotiable, 915/699-5221, 915-699-4245.

CHEVROLET 1996 Silverado, 1 ton, crew cab, 4x4 diesel, chrome accessories, 90K miles, excellent condition, $20,000. 699-1780.

FORD 1985 F250 XLT- 460/ 4 speed, red and grey, extended cab, long bed. $4,200. Call 683-0957.

FORD 1999 Power Stroke, F-250 XLT Supercab 4X4, automatic, power locks/ windows/ seat, CD, towing package. Great truck. $29,500. 685-1810.

235 Vehicles $3,000 & under

DODGE 1983 RAM van, $1,200. Can be seen at: 306 Waverly, Midland, Texas.

FORD 1983 F150 XLT Supercab, short bed, auto, air conditioner, power, 351W, headache rack, toolbox, $2,600. Call 699-4706.

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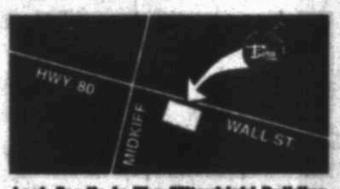
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CHEVROLET 1981 El Camino, runs good, $1,800 or trade for good running car. Call XXX-XXXX.

CHEVROLET 1984 Caprice Classic. 2 Door, clean, cold air, nice car! $2,500. 570-8447.

CHEVROLET 1984 Conversion Van. Overall good condition, needs few minor things. $2,995. 528-2580.

GMC 1987 pickup truck, $500 as is- needs work. Please call 699-6725 or 682-6941.

OLDSMOBILE 1990 Cutlass Calais 4 cylinder, automatic, 24 miles/ gallon, $1,700. Call 520-3678.

→NEW TODAY←

PLYMOUTH 1975 Duster, $1,200. 1982 Chevrolet pickup- $1,200. Or both for $2,000. 689-3304 for information.

PONTIAC 1989 Bonneville, four door, V6 engine. Good condition, $1,500. Call 570-4438, or 664-0778.

CHEVROLET 1988 Conversion Van: New transmission with 4 year warranty, power windows/ locks, cruise, a/c, runs great, 143K, 683-8136 $2,950.

FORD 1989 Probe GT Turbo. 71K, power everything, body & interior are immaculate. Needs new head gasket. $2,000. 686-0164.

OLDSMOBILE 1982 NINETY Eight- Diesel, 4 door, excellent condition interior/ exterior. complete engine overhaul. $3,000 negotiable. Call (806) 497-6421

235 Vehicles $3,000 & under

FORD 1970 Winch Truck- 1 ton, dual tires, 390 V8, chrome wheels, power steering, headers, clean, mechanically sound. $1,700. 682-7587.

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MERCEDES BENZ 1980. Body and interior in good condition, motor needs work. $1,650 or best cash offer. 586-5946.

240 Motorcycles

1995 HONDA CR-250R. Runs and looks good.. $2,200 o.b.o. Call 686-0661.

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1987 HONDA MAGNUM, clean and low mileage. $2,100. Call 685-0764 for more information.

HONDA 1982 250- Good condition, runs good, needs clutch $250. Call 683-2602

YAMAHA 2000 V-STAR Classic, 650 CC, includes saddle bags, two helmets, asking $5,395. 520-4590.

HARLEY DAVIDSON 1981 FLH- Rare, first special edition, green/ orange, 9,500. One owner, accessories, seats, bags, leather jacket, $16,500 687-3349

HONDA 1998 Valkyrie Tourer, black, 5,600 Excellent condition, $10,900. Call 664-6800.

2000 YAMAHA YZ80, less than 3 months old, must sell ASAP, paid $3,600, asking $2,900 or best offer. Call 915-268-8468.

1995 HONDA TRX-300 4x2, $3,100. Also 1994 TRX-300 4X4 $3,000.. Both four wheelers in good shape. Bob- 699-0688/ Ricky 684-3759.

1996 HONDA GOLDWING Aspencade, red, 21K miles, side running lights, extra chrome, CB radio, lots more. Excellent condition, $11,500. 684-8641.

1998 HARLEY DAVIDSON- Sportster, custom paint (black with flames.) 10K miles, fully chromed, beautiful bike. $9,500 o.b.o. Call 689-3180

240 Motorcycles

1999 Harley Davidson Sportster, custom paint (black with candy flames) 5,800 miles, $8,000 obo. Call 556-5839

1991 HARLEY DAVIDSON/ FLHTCUL. Blue, real nice, will sell for $12,900. Please call 915-683-8468 between 11:00 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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1998 DUTCHMAN Tag, 25', like new, $10,950. Please call 520-2072 for inspection.

✔ 1999 42' fiberglass fifth wheel. Two slide outs, two bedroom, two central air and heat. washer/ dryer, microwave, stereo, awning. Loaded. $27,700. Call 561-5463

AIRSTREAM 1990 Excella 32', extra nice, recently updated, near new tires, one owner, non-smokers. 689-3131

FRANKLIN 2000 37' Fifth Wheel. Two power slide outs, self contained washer dryer, awnings. All options. $25,900. 561-9746.

250 Recreational Vehicles

PACE ARROW 1997 VISION. Ford, 36', slide out, All amenities, full awnings windshields covers. Stored inside. 17,500 miles. $73,000. 915/570-6313.

23' DODGE Motor home, low mileage, sleeps 6, fully self contained, air conditioned, power unit, $6,000 or best offer. 694-5082.

1995 KOUNTRY AIRE Motorhome- 38'- 12' slide, 16K, loaded, list on request. $68,900 firm. 689-3374.

Avion 1990 32' Rear standard size bed, all accessories. $15,000. 682-9928 for inspection.

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260 Boats & Motors

1978 PHANTOM- 75 HP, lake ready, needs battery. Asking $1,500 Call 686-0623.

CAJUN 1985 16 1/2' Bass Boat. 115 Mercury, power trim, 24 volt trolling motor, front depth finder, Hummingbird fish finder on console. Chaparral Trailer. Garage kept. $4,000. 686-2855.

1987 Phathom Bass Boat 15' 4", 88 horse power Evinrude, trolling, fish finder, two wet wells, lake ready. $4,000. 687-0744.

1986 MONARCH inboard/ outboard, fish/ ski, $4,500 or trade. Excellent condition. 694-4986.

1988 SKI SUPREME, 351 Ford, red/ gray/ white, Barefoot boom, prop guard, cover. Very clean, 353 hours. $9,000. Call 697-7844 after 6:00 pm.

1994 CAJUN 18' 11" fish/ ski combination, loaded, 120 Johnson, one owner, well cared for and maintained. $7,950. Call 699-2451.

1994 SEADOO SP and 1989 Kawasaki jet ski 650, on a Big Tex trailer, utility box. Asking $4,295. Call 689-0722.

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1990 SKEETER 18.05' Bass Boat. 150 HP Yamaha Pro-V Motor. Motor guide, trolling motor. Excellent condition. $9,500. 570-4131, pager 620-3062.

1988 MONARCH fish and ski, 150 Mercury, new seats/ carpet, trolling motor, 2 live wells, $4,500. Call 682-5248 or 686-9429.

1998 VIPER 201D, 20' 3", 225 HP Johnson, dual console, lots of extras, like new, $22,500. 685-0979.

1980 SKI NATIQUE (Mastercraft) Good condition, 1,150 hours. Asking $5,250. Call 684-8905.

1995 20' SKEETER 200ZXD Bass Boat. 200 Mercury, tandem trailer. $14,800. 915/570-6281 days, 915/699-4928 evenings.

1992 CAJUN Bass boat, 16', 88hp Johnson motor, trolling motor, fish finder, Wilson trailer, one owner, like new, $8,000 will negotiate. 682-1388/ 685-3851.

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270 Airplanes

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BEWARE Of Anyone who tries to sell you information about Government & Postal Job Vacancies. This info. is free... call 210-805-2402 (24 Hours) or 210-805-2406 (To request application forms). A public service message from the Midland Reporter-Telegram & the FTC.

310 General Help Wanted

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NEED EXTRA CASH?

Earn full time money working part time. Ideal for homemakers, college students & others. No sales experience required. Immediate openings.

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Attention Readers:

See other opportunities under Classification 170, Schools and Instruction.

310 General Help Wanted

→NEW TODAY←

FRESH START CALL NOW !!!

20 Positions Available $250- $450 WEEKLY!! Growing marketing company need help in all areas.

CALL VANESSA @ 682-2335

WALGREENS

Now accepting applications for:

Graveyard Shift CLERK

Competitive salary & benefits. Apply in person **Monday- Friday** Between: **9:00 & 6:00 pm at:**

215 Andrews Hwy Midland

·PERFECT PART-TIME JOB?

Work Monday-Thursday from 9:00 am-1:00 pm developing sources for identifying new residents moving into the area. No sales involved, but a professional appearance and composure is a must. Travel is limited to Midland and Odessa... Dependable transportation needed. $7/Hour plus mileage reimbursement. Contact **Newcomers Unlimited Chip McCarver at 570-8045**

ACCEPTING Applications. Only Happy People Need Apply at Sonic Drive in, 2310 N. Big Spring.

ALL SEASONS Cleaners. Front Counter- Help wanted; afternoon and evenings. Apply at 905 Andrews Highway.

AVON; CHOOSE Hours, income, rewards. For opportunity or products call Kippy Rogers, 687-5857, Independent Rep.

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.

BLIND BOX REPLIES

When replying to a blind box number listed in an advertisement, address your reply to: **(this is an example)**

BOX Z-01
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702

Readers who are interested in a position offered, but do not want their resume to go to certain companies, can simply address the reply to the specific box number and place it in another envelope addressed to: "Classified Supervisor" & the address above. Include a list of the companies that you do not want your resume to reach. If the advertiser is anyone on your list, we will shred your resume without opening it. If you have any questions please call 682-6222. 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.

CAB DRIVER. Must be courteous, dependable, good driving record. Retired or students welcome, male or female. Call 685-7070.

CARPET CLEANER. Must have own equipment. Commercial accounts. 1-800-999-7246.

→NEW TODAY←

COOK/ CARETAKER needed full time for small Assisted Living Facility. Cook and care for ten elderly ladies and gentlemen. 687-2503.

→NEW TODAY←

DRIVER NEEDED: Must have CDL with Haz Mat Endorsement. Will be expected to run a minimum of 10,000 a month and be away from home a minimum of ten days. Must be very dependable and clean. Needs to be ready to leave as soon as he/ she is hired. If interested you can call (915)694-5986 or 620-0988.

EXPERT DETAIL Now hiring for full and part time Detailers. Drivers license required. Apply in person 1307 South Midland Drive.

FASHION CLEANERS is now taking applications for someone with experience in sewing and mending of clothes. Full time employment available. Experience recommended but not required. Apply in person at: 801 West Wall, Midland.

FREIGHT COMPANY needs local pick up and delivery drivers, full/ part time, Class A CDL, all endorsements, 2 years experience and 2 years safe driving required. 522-2282 M/F EOE.

FUN MONEY TRAVEL

Now hiring 10 guys/ gals over 18, free to travel U.S. to demonstrate a new product for Vertex Industries, Inc. No experience, will train, 2 week training program, high earnings. See the entire U.S.: Florida, California, New York and Chicago with unique young business group. For interview call 694-1300 ext 110, ask for Mr. Downey. Wednesday- Friday 10:00am- 5:00pm only.

FURNITURE MOVERS with experience. Heavy lifting and drivers license required. Leave name /number (915)553-1464.

LEASING AGENT needed immediately. Experienced only need apply. Call or come by Treemont Apartment, 5216 Tremont. 689-0704.

310 General Help Wanted

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Town & Country.

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GINGHAM DAY Care needs a full time care giver in the infant and toddler group. High school diploma, CPR, First Aide, two years plus experience and child development very helpful. Apply in person 2111 W. Michigan.

HAVE OPENINGS for experienced Pump Truck Operator and Hot Oiler Operator. Must have clean driving record, CDL, DOT physical card. Apply in person to Permian Petroleum Services, 4601 Rankin Highway. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

★ NEW IN TOWN? For your FREE "New Resident" Welcome Packet. Call Newcomers Unlimited, 570-8045.

IN NEED OF Sign Language Interpreter for Sunday Morning church services. Call 580-8510 for additional information.

KENT KWIK
24 Hour * Job Hotline
520-4053 ext. 371

LABORERS

Now Hiring Full Time Laborers for local manufacturing company. Welding/ Forklift experience helpful but not required. Come by: **2501 East I-20 Midland, between 8:00- 12:00 Monday - Friday.**

LOCAL ELECTRONICS distributor, searching for Counter Sales employee. Knowledge of electronics and computer billing is preferred. Interview by appointment only. Call Cathy, 520-5374 for appointment.

LOOKING FOR A fun job? Look to us! Taylor Petroleum reopen fast paced gasoline location at: 2500 West Front. Please mail resume to: P.O. Box 9000, Amarillo, Texas 79105, or call (806)379-9000. Ask for Greg or David.

LUBY'S NOW accepting applications for all positions. Apply in person Monday through Friday, 8:00 am until 10:00 am. 2510 West Louisiana, Midland.

→NEW TODAY←

MAINTENANCE HELP Needed. Apply 602 N. Baird, Ste 200, Midland.

MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN Needed at Santa Fe Apartments. Apply in person at 5010 West Loop 250 North.

→NEW TODAY←

MAKE READY Foreclosed homes. Haul debris, janitorial, lawn service. You need equipment, insurance. (918)451-4680.

MURRAY'S Delicatessen is now hiring full & part time Waitstaff & Kitchen Staff. Apply in person 3211 W. Wadley.

NEEDED ROUTE/ Salesman for established route with local company. Must have clean/ valid Texas CDL/ Class A drivers license. Please send resume to: Employment, P.O. Box 2052; Midland, TX 79702.

NOW HIRING FRIENDLY, smiling, responsible people for full and part time positions. Benefits available including tuition reimbursement. Positions available are: Part time Night Auditor, Full time Front Desk Clerk, Full and Part time positions in Deli Cafe. Please apply in person. Ramada Inn Airport, 100 Airport Plaza Drive, Midland, TX 79711.

PINNOCCHIOS PIZZA now is now hiring for all positions. Great work environment. Flexible hours. Please apply in person 3303 N. Midkiff.

→NEW TODAY←

Premier Parking- Midland Air Terminal now hiring drivers. Must have clean driving record, 18 years of age. Reemployment drug screen required. Apply Monday- Friday 8:00 am- 4:00 pm. Ask for Frank.

PRESSMAN- company expanding, immediate opening. Experienced printing press operator. Salary based on experience, range $21K to $45K. Apply in person or send resume : BIDCO Corp., 312 E. 2nd Street, Odessa, Texas 79761.

★ SONIC DRIVE INN, 1109 N. Midkiff, is now hiring Carhops, cooks, fountain help for day or evening shifts. Please apply in person. Personality is a plus. Be a part of our winning team!

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PRONTO CHECK-Cashing. Now hiring full and part time tellers. Need to be very neat and friendly with outstanding customer service skills. Must be a fast, eager learner, some computer and cashiering experience needed- will train. Great opportunities for advancement. Apply in person at: 1800 North Big Spring, Midland, TX. No phone calls please.

❤ REPRESENTATIVES Needed- sell Avon part time- full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520-0119, Independent Rep.

SERVERS- Fine dining experience preferred but not required. The Garlic Press, Oak Ridge Square. Wadley at Garfield before 11:00 or after 4:30.

SERVICE STAFF: Dish washer, and experienced Line Cook. Apply at The Club at Mission Dorado Country Club.

SHOGUN STEAKHOUSE is hiring waitstaff, cooks, drivers, buses. Interviews 5- 6 pm, Garfield/ Loop 570-8888.

SHOGUN'S STEAKHOUSE will train. Friendly dependable cooks. Earn $10 plus. Loop 250 & Garfield. 570-8888.

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TELEMARKETERS NEEDED- Apply after 10 am at xxx-xxxx

TEMPORARY Part time Delivery Person. Day time deliveries only. Must have valid drivers license, good driving record and pass drug test. Apply by pager 567-9614.

THE PETROLEUM Club of Midland hiring wait staff, dishwashers. Please apply in person at 501 West Wall Street.

TRUCK DRIVERS wanted. CX Transportation is currently looking to hire Tractor Trailer Drivers for our Big Spring terminal. Benefits include Blue Cross Blue Shield, paid holidays and vacation, new model tractors, 401K retirement, dental and vision insurance. Qualifications: 1 year tractor trailer experience. Class A CDL with tank and Hazmat endorsements. Pass D.O.T. physical and drug screen. For more information on this position please call 1-800-729-4645.

V.I.P Employment Services 686-9722 Industrial Workers needed. Long/ short term assignments.

311 Medical Help Wanted

$300 SIGN ON BONUS! Now Hiring PRN *RNs: up to $37.50. *LVNs up to $30.00 NURSEFINDERS, 550-9399.

MD NEEDED immediately for part- time, on call position, nights/ weekends in Midland, TX. Guaranteed income. Call 1-800-493-7222 or fax CV to 713-953-1925.

CNA- ANDREWS Healthcare Center has immediate openings for a CNA for the 6-2 and 2-10 shifts. Benefits include medical, vacation and holiday pay. Please apply in person at 620 Hospital Drive, Andrews, TX.

CNAs LVNs and RNs wanted to come join our newly managed nursing facility. Desert View Manor. Excellent starting pay and benefits. Wonderful atmosphere and employees. 100 Campus Drive, Crane, Texas 915/558-3400.

CNA'S NEEDED for all shifts. Must be caring, dependable and flexible. Pleasant working conditions. Also needed an experienced Late night LVN Charge Nurse. Apply in person or fax resume to: Candy Wilson, Saddleridge Lodge Assisted Living, 1808 West Loop 250 North, Midland, Texas 79705, fax 915-687-0355, EOE. License #323.

NURSE WANTED for cardiac cath lab. Cath lab experience preferred. Please send resumes to PO Box 4186, Midland, TX 79704

QUALITY NURSING Services: RN's starting out at $26.00 per hour, LVN's starting out at $19.00 per hour. 3106 North Big Spring, Suite #103. Call 682-7122 or 570-1021.

RECEPTIONIST Needed. Must have experience in typing and computer for a busy doctor's office. Send resume to: 1816 N. Midland Dr., Midland, 79707.

RN WANTED For weekend call. Apply Monday- Friday 8:30 am- 5:00 pm. 682-2855 x630.

TERRACE WEST Nursing Center, has current openings for CNA's on all shifts. If interested, please apply in person at 2800 North Midland Drive, Midland, Texas 79707.

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Pleasant clean work environment
Apply 3203 Sage St. 683-5403.

WE ARE Looking for a dedicated person to join our team at Andrews Healthcare Center. We have a full time position for an Assistant Director of Nurses. Must have current RN or LVN license. Please come by. 620 Hospital Drive, Andrews, TX. Or call 915-523-4986 E.O.E.

311 Medical Help Wanted

→NEW TODAY←
WANTED: PART TIME and Full Time Air Flight RN, Critical Care or ER Nurses preferred and Flight Paramedics for growing Air Ambulance company coming to local area. Required certifications; NALS, PALS, ACLS, TNCC or ATLS. Will provide flight physiology. Send resumes to: Southwest Air Ambulance, P.O. Box 640, Fairacres, New Mexico, 88033. Or fax to: 505-525-2610.

312 Professional Help Wanted

ARE YOU a bookkeeper who is talented and motivated? Can you manager accounts receivable, accounts payable, cash flow, and close each month with bank reconciliation? Would you like to be part of a growing jewelry business? WE NEED YOU 20- 25 hours a week. Fax resume to 684-4402.

→NEW TODAY←
EMPLOYMENT Opportunity. Full Charge Bookkeeper that can work without supervision. Duties to include all accounting functions except income taxes. Experience in Peachtree Accounting a plus. Salary commensurate with experience. Please fax resume, references and a hand written introduction to: 915-699-5213.

→NEW TODAY←
KOSA- TV, a CBS affiliate, has an immediate opening for an Associate Producer for our news programs. Duties include editing videotape, operating teleprompter. Send resume to: Jerry Penick, News Director, KOSA- TV, 1211 N. Whitaker, Odessa, Texas 79763. Deadline March 27, 2000. EOE. No calls.

KOSA-TV CBS Has an immediate opening for a News Department Video Photographer. Successful candidate must have a working knowledge of newsroom procedures and deadlines. This person must have some experience with video cameras and editing equipment. Must be able to gather news stories with a Reporter, or alone. Must have a clean driving record. This person must be a team player with a professional attitude. Send resume and tapes to David Newbold, Chief Photographer. KOSA-TV CBS 7; 1211 Whitaker, Odessa, TX. 79763. No phone calls please KOSA-TV CBS 7 is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

LEGAL ASSISTANT/ SECRETARY: seeking person who has Civil Litigation experience, primarily in the area of personal injury, who can handle a heavy workload for fast growing firm. Computer skills, organized, bilingual and communication skills a must. Nonsmoking environment. Salary DOE. Send resumes to 2403 N. Big Spring St., Suite C, Midland, TX 79705.

LOCAL FINANCIAL institution seeks Reservoir Engineer with 3 to 5 years experience. Aries software experience beneficial. Box P-6025, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

312 Professional Help Wanted

Big Tex Trailers

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Come Grow with Us!

Accountant - The nation's largest utility trailer manufacturer is seeking a qualified Accountant with computerized Multi-company General Ledger experience. Responsibilities will include reconciliation of inter-company transactions and other accounts. Degree preferred.

Send resumes to:

GLACCT
12400 West I-20 East
Odessa, Texas 79765
Attn: Gloria Rivera, HR

LAYOUT ARTIST

Must be familiar with Quark, Photoshop and Macintosh. Able to do light editing.

Call
John Paul Pitts
687-8871

LEGAL SECRETARY. Midland law firm seeks experienced secretary to assist attorneys in commercial, oil and gas, corporate and litigation practice. Must be proficient with WordPerfect. Legal secretarial experience is preferred. Send resume, including list of computer software expertise, to: Box P-6023, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

MAP DRAFTER- Entry Level- some knowledge of lease revision and well spotting beneficial. Excellent free hand ink lettering essential. For appointment call 683-2777, ext. 18. Fax 682-1633.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

Come find a "POT of GOLD"EN CLERICAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES
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COMMERCIAL INSURANCE. Customer Service Representative position. Salary commensurate with experience. Odessa 362-6361.

→NEW TODAY←
DATA ENTRY Clerk: Small company seeking a well organized person experienced in both data entry and heavy phone usage. Minimum of 40 wpm and 10 key by touch required. Nonsmoking environment. For consideration please send resume with salary history to Box J-5025, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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IMMEDIATE OPENING for general secretary. Must have good computer and typing skills. Experience in Microsoft Word and Excel. Typing 55 wpm, contract management a Plus. EOE. Please apply in person with resume to Price Construction, Inc., Highway 350 (Snyder Highway) Big Spring, TX 79720, or call (915)267-1691 for an appointment. Attn: Sharon Wilkinson.

NATIONAL COMPANY searching for a part time and full time employee. Good clerical and computer skills a must. Please fax resumes to: 915-688-3151.

NEED DEPENDABLE Telephone Secretaries, evening shift. Typing required minimum 35 WPM. Apply in person at 1300 South Midland Drive. Monday through Thursday- 10:00 am until 2:00 pm, Friday- 9:00 am until 11:30 am.

Need to hire a reliable full time person. Needs to be familiar with accounting and proficient in data entry. Fax resume to 915-682-1884.

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY Administrative Assistant. Proficient in Microsoft Word and Excel. Professional appearance. Monday through Friday, 8:00 am until 5:00 pm. Duties include: Answering phone, data Entry, typing, and other duties as needed. Financially stable company with long standing history. If interested please send resume with salary requirement to: Administrative Assistant- P.O. Box 50038, Midland, Texas 79710.

PART TIME Bookkeeper wanted for Midland retail and restaurant operation. Excellent starting pay, flexible hours. Send resume to: P.O. Box 279, Blanco, Texas 78606.

Global Personnel Network Positions Local & Worldwide! 686-8360.

316 Sales Help Wanted

STUDENTS/ YOUNG PEOPLE
And Others Ages 16 and Up

NEED CASH?

Guys & Gals Take This Job And Love It!!!

You can earn $25- $150 commission per week working some evenings & weekends getting new subscribers for the Midland Reporter- Telegram. We have exciting programs for neat & dependable, High School students & other interested persons to earn good money. No newspaper delivery is involved. No experience necessary. Immediate openings. Parents welcome at interview.

Call Bill, 915-687-8886
(All messages will be returned)

WANTED
Due to a record first 10 days of March, we need 2 salespeople. Our salespeople averaged over $400 per new car sold in February.
SEE DARREN or JERRY HULLUMS
PERFORMANCE HONDA
[illegible]

318 Mgmt. Help Wanted

FOOD SERVICE DIRECTOR

Immediate opening in Midland County Detention Center. Institutional cooking and hands on management experience required. Correctional setting. Must pass security background check and drug screen. Competitive salary, bonus and benefits. Contact Joe Ramos at 915-688-1233 or fax resume with salary history to Joe Ramos at 225-929-6065. EOE

316 Sales Help Wanted

$100K PLUS potential for sales person for the world's largest manufactured home corporation. Excellent opportunity for advancement. Must be highly motivated, self starter with a strong desire to succeed. Apply in person only at A-1 Homes, 7206 W. Hwy 80, Midland, TX.

ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE Needed, job duties include: Sales, training, developing accounts, recruiting volunteers obtaining donations, public relations and more. Exciting opportunity! Send resume to Executive Director; 120 East 2nd, Odessa, TX. 79763.

CELLULAR SuperStores Now Hiring for Outside Sales Reps in Midland and surrounding cities. Salary plus commission. Send resumes to 3323 N. Midland Drive, #107, Midland, TX 79703 or fax to 689-2467.

EXPERIENCED Route Sales for training Dry Cleaning & Laundry products. Need a Truck or Van. Call Deryl 1-800-451-6593. EOE

NEEDED ROUTE/ Salesman for established route with local company. Must have clean/ valid Texas CDL/ Class A drivers license. Please send resume to: Employment, P.O. Box 2052; Midland, TX 79702.

SALES REP Needed $75,000 + per year. 915-522-1218.

318 Mgmt. Help Wanted

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Little Caesar's Pizza is now accepting applications for Management Positions
1000 N. Midkiff.

EXPERIENCED LEASING Agent; Must be sales motivated. Apply in person at 4700 Boulder, Midland.

At last, there's a way to buy that's as innovative as our cars.

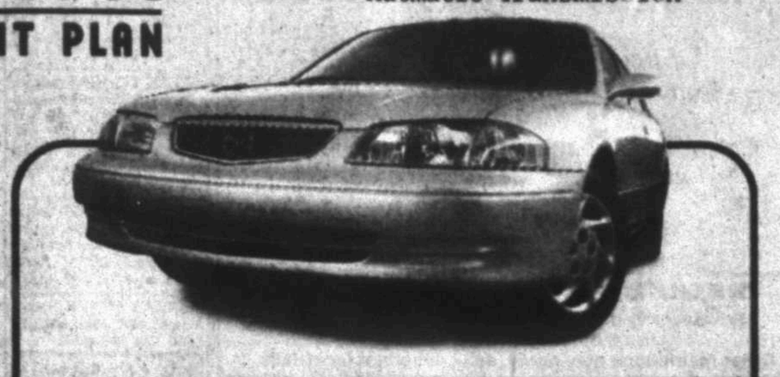
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320 Skilled Trades

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→NEW TODAY←
ELECTRICAL TECHNICIAN

Candidate must be able to read wiring diagrams and perform duties as such, control panel and PC board assembly and repair, termination of skid and instrumentation wiring. Send resume to: P.O. Box 5505, Midland, TX 79704. Attn: Electrical Manager.

NOW TAKING Applications for Assistant Manager, previous experience required. Apply in person at: 4358 West Illinois, Midland.

A LARGE Texas based transportation company is seeking to fill the position of Administrative Manager. The position will be located in the Company's Abilene office. The qualified candidate will possess the following attributes: Solid Human Resource Generalist experience. Knowledge of employee benefit regulations and requirements. Ability to communicate effectively with all levels of employees. Strong administrative and organizational management skills. Supervisory experience. Trucking/ Transportation experience a plus! We offer a competitive compensation and benefits package, a dynamic business environment, and ad opportunity to grow professionally and work within a terrific team. EOE employer. Please send a resume and cover letter to: Chief Financial Officer, P.O. Box 3634, Abilene, Texas 79604.

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

→NEW TODAY←
EXPERIENCED RIG Hand: Full time, competitive wages, good benefit package for experienced drillers, derrickman and motorman. Send resume to: J- W Operating, PO Box 305, Wray, CO 80758. EOE.

WANTED: SALES Coordinator/ Yard Manager. Experience with pipe and inventory control. Salary commensurate with experience. Send resume and salary requirements to: Box J-5028, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

Let "Sure Sell" Work For You! Call 682-6222

GROWING Oilfield Chemical Company seeking Treating Truck Driver. Must have clean driving record with minimum Class B CDL with Hazard Endorsement. Good salary, quick raises for right person. Benefits include insurance, and 401K with employer matching. Applicant must be honest, dependable, drug free and have transportation to and from work. Send resumes to: Endura Products, Corp., P.O Box 3394, Midland, TX 79702. ABSOLUTELY NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE.

LANDMAN WANTED for growing Midland independent oil company with at least seven years experience. Please send resume to: Box P-6020, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

NEED RIGHT OF Way Landman and Oil & Gas Landman for New Mexico jobs. Send resume: Box J-5027, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

320 Skilled Trades

✔ WANTED: CNC Machinist for Mazatrol programming and operation. Also 2 openings for CNC machinist to program and set up CNC lathes. Starting wager $12.50/ hour. Applicants must have a minimum 3 years experience. Send resumes to: KVF, USA, 2121 West Murphy, Odessa, TX 79761.

HEAVY DUTY Mechanic. Experienced only. Graders, dumps, water tankers, class A CDL. No others need apply. 570-9650

INDUSTRIAL ELECTRICIAN needed now for out of state work. Earn up to $2,000 weekly with OT. Hotel paid Call now (877)377-8649.

→NEW TODAY←
INSPECT FORECLOSED homes. Rekey, secure, report conditions. Flat fee per home. (918)451-4680.

MACHINIST; NEEDS 2 years experience. Good company benefits and working environment. Apply in person at 905 South Grandview, Odessa.

MAINTENANCE POSITION. Must have experience in all phases of maintenance in machine shop and fabrication environment. Includes electrical & mechanical. Competitive pay scale and benefits package. Apply in person at: 905 South Grandview, Odessa.

OILFIELD SERVICE Company is looking for a Shop Mechanic with at least 5 years experience on Macks and Internationals. Welding experience a plus. Must have ordering and inventory skills and must have own tools. Salary DOE. Reply to: J-5026, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

ROTO ROOTER is accepting applications for licensed plumber. Apply in person, 1410 Carter.

SMALL COMPANY seeking experienced, licensed, commercial electrician. Call 563-2209.

WANTED WAUKESHA Mechanic, Kansas City Area. Call 915-563-2766 or fax to: (915)563-1729. Attn: Kevin Burris.

WAREHOUSE PERSON: Prefer CDL with Hazmat endorsement. National company with full benefit package. EOE employer. Apply at Pioneer Chemical, Inc. 4315 South County Road 1290, Odessa, TX. 915-563-0030.

336 Adult Care Providers

IN HOME CARE provides care for almost any situation at affordable rates. For more information or questions, call (915)570-4475.

341 Child Care Providers

WILL CARE for your child in my home. Flexible hours, low rates. Call 520-2927

LOVING MOTHER will babysit in home. Christian atmosphere. Reasonable rates. Non smoking environment. Hot lunch and snack provided. Great references. Call Kacee, 699-1775.

341 Child Care Providers

I WILL Baby sit one child. Monday through Friday. $2.00 an hour Call 699-2314.

350 Business Opportunities

MAILBOXES ETC. Franchises for sale. Call 1-877-MBE-SALE www.mbe.com

Attention Readers

Occasionally, ads found in this section come from distant points & the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract/ or giving out your credit card or bank information.

FOR SALE: 3 Bay service station; Good location on busy street! Lucrative secondary business available. P.O. Box 13584, Odessa, TX. 79768. Call 915-366-1144 after 7:00 p.m. please.

WELL ESTABLISHED construction company with a backlog of work seeking financial partner(s) for expansion. Company has grown over 600% in the last six months. Serious inquiries only. Call 352-7710 or 888-575-6132.

GAS STATION/ QUICK lube for sale. Owner ready to explore another opportunity. Great location. 682-8855.

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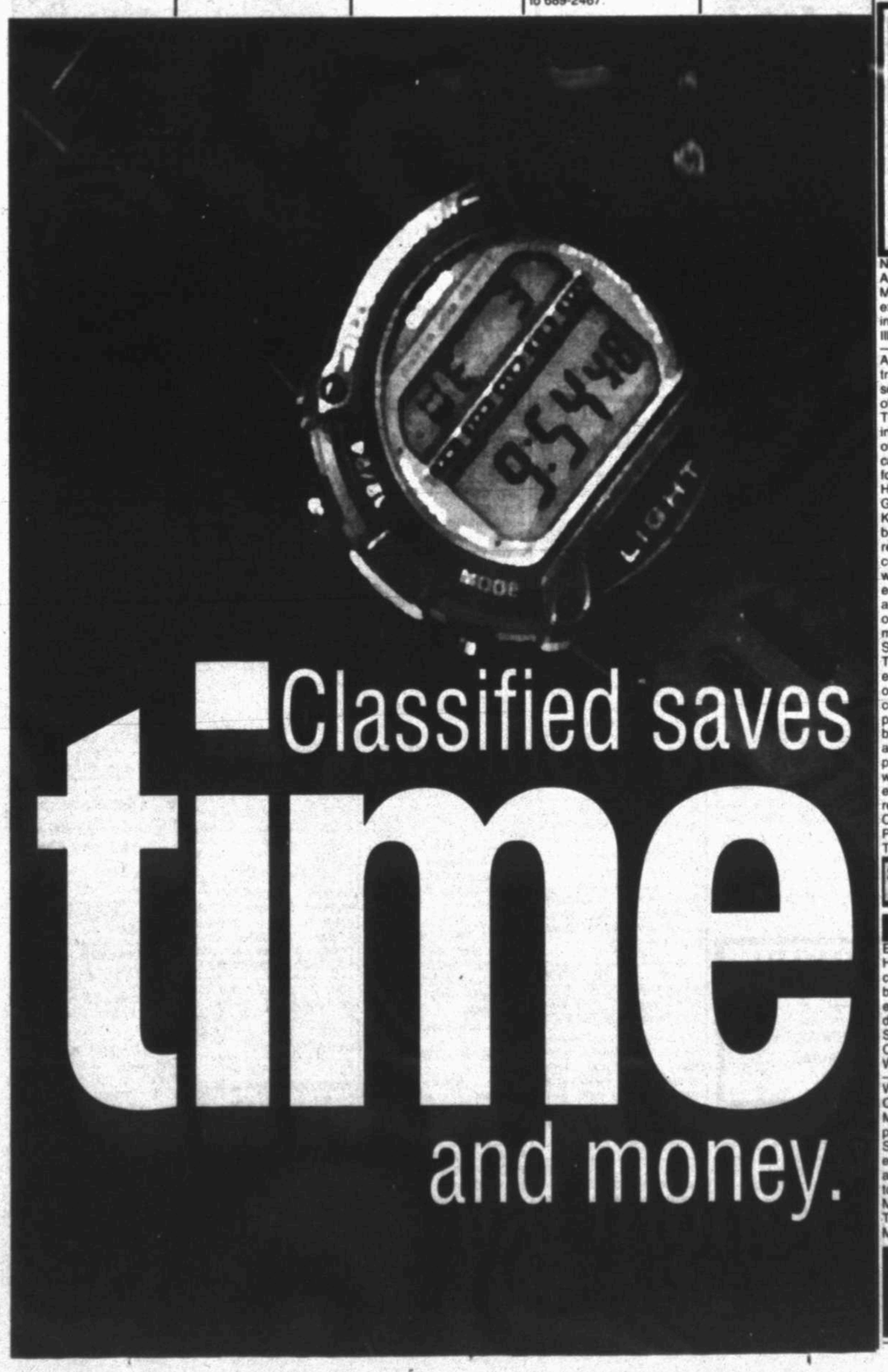
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490 Computers/ Accessories

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PUPIES MIXED- Breed free to good home. Call 683-2727

FREE: Rottweiler mix male puppy, approximately four months. Smart, trained to leash, well behaved, 522-2990.

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FOUR MONTH old Miniature Pomeranian, all shots, female, $175. Call xxx-xxxx.

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GARAGE SALES



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79701

604 WEST CUTHBERT: Thursday and Friday 8 to 4. Adult clothing, name brand baby boys clothes newborn through 2T, sofa/ loveseat and miscellaneous.

404 WEST PARKER/ Backyard sale. Friday; Until sold! Houshold items and lots of miscellaneous.

812 LAWSON; (1 Block South of Golf Course & "A")! Friday- 7:00- 3:00! Saturday 7:00- 1:00! We made our own Brady Bunch! Lots to sell. Some of mine, some of his (mostly his): Kirby IV with/ attachments & shampooer, computers, microwaves TVs, VCRs, phones, Rockies, Lawman, designer labels (men & women), Mary Kay 50% off, furniture, tools, books, work benches, appliances, toys, games, too much to list! Don't miss this one!

205 RIDGLEA; Friday- 8:30 am! 2 twin size wicker beds complete, end tables, furniture, bedding, clothes- kid and adult, miscellaneous items!

79703

3507 CUNNINGHAM DR- Backyard sale! Friday only 9 am- 1 pm. Little girl clothes- Hundreds of outfits!! Newborn- 6X, summer & winter clothing, baby toys, books, bottles, nice men & women clothes (jeans, shoes, etc), maternity, Ab roller, Top 10 trainer, dishes, bike rack, helmets, high chair, new outdoor porch light, table clothes, miscellaneous household & decorative items.

4606 SEMINOLE. Thursday and Friday 8:30 to ?? Microwave, TV, chairs, kids pool table, comforters and lots of miscellaneous.

3907 PERMIAN COURT- Thursday and Friday- 7:00 am until 2:00 pm! Baby stuff, toys, lots of jeans- different sizes, shoes- all sizes, Sega and Nintendo system and games, mens- womens- childrens clothing, full size headboard with frame, lots of miscellaneous!

3511 WEST ILLINOIS- Thursday- Friday 8-5. Lots of Crystal, collectable, household items, plus size clothes, lots of miscellaneous.

111 & 122 NORTH EISENHOWER- Thursday- Friday 8 to 2. Family clothing, household items.

79703

4616 PASADENA DRIVE; Liquidation Sale! Thursday- Friday only, 8:00am- 1:00pm, 5:00pm- 7:00pm. Imagemaker, Silver Jewelry Company- Wholesale prices on remaining .925 sterling silver jewerly, props, layouts, etc. Cash only.

304 GODFREY; Friday and Saturday- 7:00 until 5:00! No checks! Yard tools, dishes, sleeping bag!

4713 THOMASON: Wednesday- Friday 8:30am. Pool table, adult and children's clothing, lots of shoes, miscellaneous!

79705

2602 NORTHRUP- 9:00 a.m. MULTI-Family, baby items, dishes, toys, clothing and much more.

5201 STOREY: Thursday and Friday 8 to 5. Lots of kids clothes (boys and girls.) Furniture, bikes and miscellaneous.

The Deadline to place an Ad in our Saturday Garage Sale Section is Noon Friday. Call 682-6222 to place your ad today.

2503 NEELY: Friday and Saturday 8:00am-5:00pm. Computers, stereo, TV, furniture, clothing, toys, crafts, and more!

2400 NEELY; Friday and Saturday- 8:00 until 2:00! Dresser, nightstand, clothes, miscellaneous items!

5006 CASTLEFORD: Friday and Saturday 8:00 to 1:00. Baby, Toddler, maternity and adult clothing. Crib and changing table, Noah's Ark nursery set. car seats, sofa, chairs, king and twin bedding and , 9' Christmas tree.

5115 ASHDOWN: Huge moving sale! Swing set, baby things, little kid's clothes, builder items, more stuff coming Friday. Thursday-Saturday 7:00am.

79707

5307 SAN ANTONIO Court. Friday only 8 to 1. Educational items from PK/ 3rd grade. Coke bottles, household items, couch, wing back chair and lots of miscellaneous.

79707

3320 FANNIN; Saturday- 8:00 am until 1:00 pm! Womens- mens- childrens clothing, lots of toys, bikes, miscellaneous!

3306 CAMARIE; Friday- 8:00 am until 5:00 pm! Ladies clothes- office- evening & Sunday dresses- sizes 8 or medium, dress shoes size 8 1/2 medium, boy clothes- size 7, boys and girls shoes, toys, furniture, roller blades, puzzles, silk plants, costume jewelry, makeup, brass water fountain!

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

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GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE $20.50

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- **2 Days**
- **■/●/♥ Stand Out Emblem**
- **Garage Sale Kit** (includes Signs, Stakes, Marker, Balloons, Helpful Hints. $6 Value!)
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WHAT AM I GOING TO DO WITH ALL THIS STUFF?
Call THE SALVATION ARMY to pick up your leftover garage sale items.
683-3614

DON'T MISS OUT!
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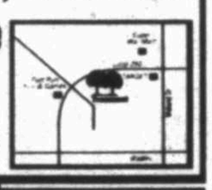
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LARGE 2 BEDROOM, 2 bath Duplex. Dining area, fireplace, laundry room, fenced yard, garage. $500 monthly. 697-7097.

→NEW TODAY←
3/ 4 BEDROOMS, Two bath. laundry room, small indoor patio. $460 monthly/ $400 deposit. Available now. Will consider lease purchase. 1101 East Nobles, nice neighborhood (Crockett elementary area.) 620-8545.

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EXTRA CLEAN Newly remodeled 1 bedroom duplex in quiet neighborhood at 4803 Country Club. 697-3484.

GORGEOUS HOME, newly carpeted/ tiled, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace, double garage, 4807 Ric, $750 per month, $400 deposit. Contact Cindy Brown, owner/ broker with, Realty Unlimited, 550-5609.

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108 S. BENTWOOD. 3 Bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living, great condition. $600 monthly, $600 deposit. 685-3046.

QUITE CUL-DE-SAC- 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, fireplace. $825 monthly, plus deposit. 4604 Debbie Cove. Call 520-6617 after 5 pm & weekend.

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5115 RIC DRIVE- 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1 car garage, new throughout. $650/ monthly, $400 deposit, $100 per pet. 699-4042.

3303 CIMMARON 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living areas, double garage, one block from Lee High School/ off Midkiff Street. Available March 15th. $750 monthly/ $350 deposit. Call 570-5749 after 5 p.m.

3323 WEST OHIO- 3 bedroom, 2 bath, dining room, newly redecorated, patio, $500. Call after 5:00pm. M. Jones 520-7496.

3227 DENGAR; Lovely three bedroom, two bath. in convenient location. No pets, $800/ monthly, $400/ deposit. Call Lee Denny, 694-4637 or Langston Realtors 685-0400.

DUPLEX: 2605-A Haynes, near Goddard and Emerson, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car carport, $750 monthly, no pets, available immediately. 682-8453.

✔ 2 BEDROOM, Large master bedroom with walk-in closet, 2 living areas, 1 3/4 baths, stove, dishwasher, outside storage. Nice neighborhood. $550/ Month, $350/ Deposit. 682-8053.

3 BEDROOMS, 2 baths, refrigerated air, fenced, garage, NO PETS! $575 per month, $250 deposit. 4413 Anetta Drive. 550-5379.

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